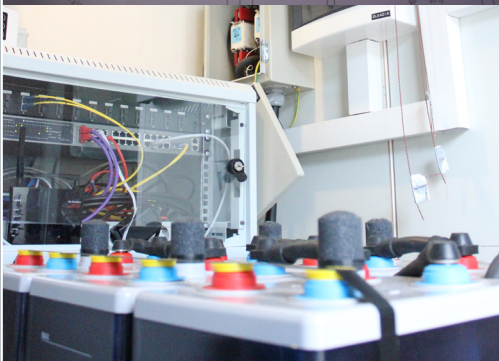
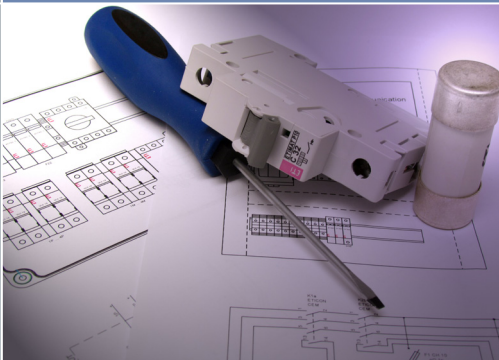


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SOLUTIONS



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What we do:

- We review your requirements,
- We provide a technical proposal,
- We offer technical assistance,
- We handle your order from start to finish,
- We sell our products.

We offer solutions for photovoltaic systems protection and battery storage system protection.



We provide drawings, layout and ready made distribution panels, distribution cabinets on customer's demand, solutions for reactive power compensation in industrial environments where the nature of the system load is very variable. We also offer overcurrent and overvoltage motor protection.



Let us help you
reduce your energy costs

Reactive Power Compensation

Power factor correction is one of the best investments to reduce energy costs with a short payback. In a large number of cases, the design and dimensioning work has been made more difficult by the fact that, in a company's internal low-voltage installation, and also in the medium-voltage supplying it, the proportion of network harmonics has grown increasingly over the last few years. Power converters, electronically controlled drives, static frequency converters, televisions and computers feed harmonic currents into the supply network. These harmonics might be amplified by the network impedances and capacitors installed. The freedom from harmonics also minimizes interference with other devices being powered from the same source.

Low voltage products for better power quality and improved network efficiency

ETI Prostik power compensation equipment (enclosures) helps customers improve performance through energy savings and better power quality. With our products and solutions, customers save money and reduce the environmental impact of their operations.

We offer a wide range of power compensation equipment for low voltage levels. We analyse your needs and engineer the right solutions for optimal efficiency and economy.

Key Benefits

- Reduce harmonics
- Compact solutions
- Lower losses
- Improved Power Quality
- Money savings

Visit our webpage to download
Software for calculation and
selection of appropriate
reactive power compensation
components.



Power factor

Power factor is a way of describing how efficiently electrical power is consumed.

Power factor correction shapes the input current of off-line power supplies to maximize the real power available from the mains. Ideally, the electrical appliance should present a load that emulates a pure resistor, in which case the reactive power drawn by the device is zero. Inherent in this scenario is the absence of input current harmonics - the current is a perfect replica of the input voltage (usually a sine wave) and is exactly in phase with it. In this case the current drawn from the mains is at a minimum for the real power required to perform the needed work, and this minimizes losses and costs associated not only with the distribution of the power, but also with the generation of the power and the capital equipment involved in the process.

Power factor correction is simply defined as the ratio of real power to apparent power, or:

$$PF = \frac{\text{Real power (expressed in Watts)}}{\text{Apparent Power (expressed in VA)}}$$

where the real power is the average, over a cycle, of the instantaneous product of current and voltage, and the apparent power is the product of the rms value of current times the rms value of voltage. If both current and voltage are sinusoidal and in phase, the power factor is 1.0. If both are sinusoidal but not in phase, the power factor is the cosine of the phase angle. In elementary courses in electricity this is sometimes taught as the definition of power factor, but it applies only in the special case, where both the current and voltage are pure sine waves. This occurs when the load is composed of resistive, capacitive and inductive elements and all are linear (invariant with current and voltage).

MAIN COMPONENTS FOR REACTIVE POWER COMPENSATION

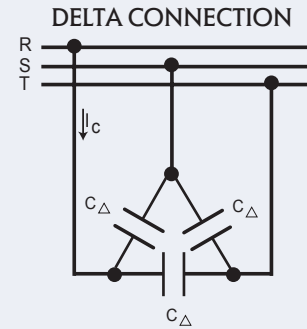
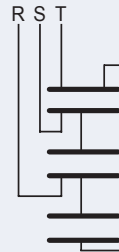
Three phase low voltage power capacitors

DESCRIPTION

LPC capacitors are manufactured with low loss metallized self-healing polypropylene film. Dry type capacitors are filled with a nontoxic and ecological polyurethane resin, this resin provides an excellent heat dissipation properties. This capacitors are mounted in aluminium housing with overpressure disconnection system. Two types of connectors, faston connector for capacitors with rated power up to 5kVAr, for higher values above 5kVAr screw terminal type.

Advantages

- Self healing
- Overpressure disconnection system
- Discharge resistor



Contactors for capacitor banks

DESCRIPTION

Contactors for capacitor switching were specially designed for power factor correction capacitor operation (utilization category AC-6b). They are pre-charged through resistors that reduce the peak current to the contactor when CEM_CN special contactors are switched on. After the pre-charge, the main contactors close allowing passage of rated current.

Advantages

- Mounting on DIN rails and on mounting plates
- Technical specification according to IEC 60947-4
- Built-in pre-charge resistors
- High reliability
- Reduced dimensions
- Standard control voltage 230V AC



Operating principle:

When capacitor bank being switched on, the capacitors are uncharged and the system sees them as a short circuit for a quick period of time. The in-rush current is the result of this little short circuit and usually lasts for a few milliseconds. It may reach 100 times the rated current, being one of the main reasons for the short life of a capacitor. The CEM CN contactor is assembled with damping resistors which limit the high in-rush current when the capacitors are switched on. They are assembled with an early-make contact block, which is switched on before the main contacts, thus, limiting the in-rush current.

However, the damping resistors don't influence the final load, since they are switched off after 5 milliseconds, leaving only the capacitors in parallel with your inductive load, providing the proper power factor correction. This process increases the lifetime of the capacitors and also prevents net distortions.

Power factor controllers

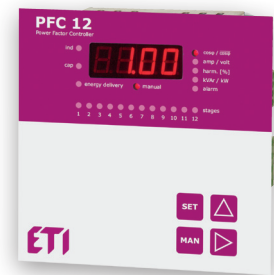
DESCRIPTION

An essential way of electrical energy cost reduction is the compensation of the reactive power caused by various type of loads. The main part of central and group power factor correction in systems with a variable load is the power factor controller. A proper power factor controller and the correct design of PFC (Power factor correction) system are the key to the reduction of reactive energy costs. Nowadays, when four-quadrant energy meters are used, the right power factor controller is essential to achieve the highest efficiency of PFC system. Reliable, smart and advanced ETI controllers assure effective reduction of reactive energy and long working life of PFC systems.

Features

- monitoring of U, I, P, Q, S, cos ϕ , THDU, THDI, odd harmonics up to the 19th order, temperature

- three regulation methods (APFR default)
- small design 97 x 97 mm for pannel mounting, PFC 6 RS and PFC 8 RS
- automatic or manual configuration of measuring circuit connection
- automatic or manual detection of connected capacitor steps
- universal current transformer input $\dots/1A$ and $\dots/5A$
- internal temperature sensor
- temperature levels for ventilator control and steps disconnection
- ready for applications with de-compensation reactor steps
- monitoring of switching operations and operation time
- setting of discharging and min. operation time for each step
- memory for min. and max. values
- discharging time and min. operation time setting for each step
- last step output programmable for alarm purposes
- second tariff activation by external input, PFC 12 RS only
- programmable alarms and independent alarm output at PFC 12 RS only



Metal enclosures IP65

DESCRIPTION

GT-Type metal enclosures cover a wide range of applications both for industrial and civil buildings. Due to their design they provide high IP protection level, mechanical strength and functionality. They are used in places where electrical equipment is exposed to adverse effect of factors such as water, dust, mechanical impact.

Main advantages:

- Enclosures made of high quality sheet steel thicknesses from 1,2 mm to 2 mm, resistant to external mechanical factors - IK10.
- Specially profiled edges of the housing ensure stiffness and excellent protection against water. Poured polyurethane gasket on the door providing IP65 protection.
- Door opening in the contour of the outer casing, which allows direct linking of several enclosures in series - a special structure hinges. The door mounting on the left or right side.

Advanced Solutions

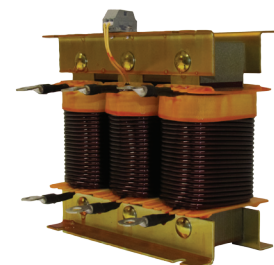
Three-phase harmonic filters

Constructive Characteristics - Three phase harmonic filters are made of low losses magnetic plates, permanent regime class F (1550C) copper conductor and thermal protection relay.

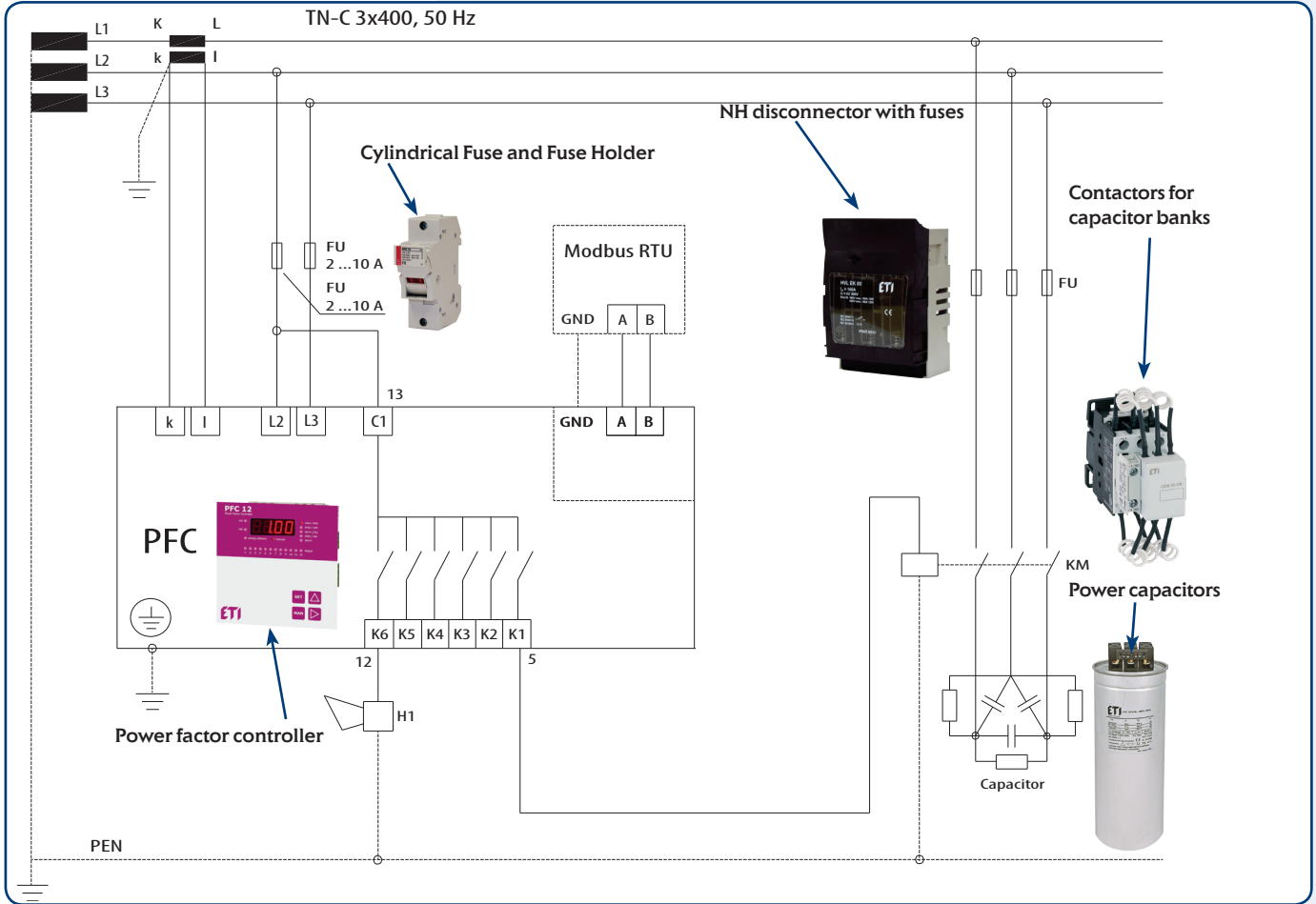
With the purpose of increasing filters ventilation, windings are separated among them, improving thermal dissipation.

Available factor p is 7% and 14% with resonance frequency 189 Hz and 134 Hz for 50 Hz networks.

With this standard values in three phase networks and balanced loads, the 5th (250 Hz) harmonic and higher resonant phenomenons are eliminated avoiding resonance between inductive impedance and three phase capacitors for power factor correction and preventing network capacitors and capacitor banks for overloads, caused by harmonics.



Inside a power compensation enclosure



HOW TO DECIDE THE OPTIMUM LEVEL OF COMPENSATION?

General method

Technical-economic optimization for an existing installation:

The optimum rating of compensation capacitors for an existing installation can be determined from the following principal considerations:

- Electricity bills prior to the installation of capacitors
- Future electricity bills anticipated following the installation of capacitors
- Costs of:
 - Purchase of capacitors and control equipment (contactors, relaying, cabinets, etc.)
 - Installation and maintenance costs
 - Cost of dielectric heating losses in the capacitors, versus reduced losses in cables, transformer, etc., following the installation of capacitors

Simplified method

Method based on the calculation and the table as shown in the example below.

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EXAMPLE OF THE CALCULATION

We will look at an example automatic determination of compensation devices that can be used globally or just in a particular sector:

In the consumer with an installed power of 120 kW working with the current $\cos \phi_i = 0,7$. We want to improve on at 0,94.

If we do not have table 1 at hand the factor “k” is calculated as:

$$k = \operatorname{tg} \varphi_1 - \operatorname{tg} \varphi_2 = 1,02 - 0,36 = 0,66 \text{ (where } \varphi_1 \text{ is obtained from the current } \cos \varphi, \varphi_1 \text{ is of desired).}$$

Thus, we obtain the necessary reactive power compensation circuit (capacitor bank) Q_{cb} :

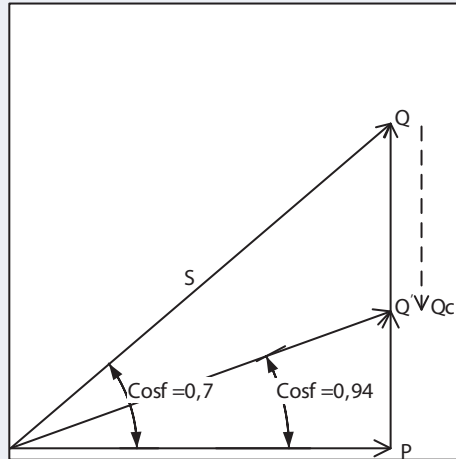
$$Q_{cb} = P \cdot k = 120kW \cdot 0,66 = 79,2kVAr$$

Using the table, the factor to be read at the intersection of the current and desired $\cos \varphi$.

Determination of the factor k

Existing power factor $\cos \varphi_1$	Desired power factor $\cos \varphi_2$													
	0,7	0,75	0,8	0,82	0,84	0,86	0,88	0,9	0,92	0,94	0,95	0,96	0,98	1
0,2	3,88	4,02	4,15	4,20	4,25	4,31	4,36	4,41	4,47	4,54	4,58	4,61	4,70	4,90
0,25	2,85	2,99	3,12	3,17	3,23	3,28	3,33	3,39	3,45	3,51	3,54	3,58	3,67	3,87
0,3	2,16	2,30	2,43	2,48	2,53	2,59	2,64	2,70	2,75	2,82	2,85	2,89	2,98	3,18
0,35	1,66	1,79	1,93	1,98	2,03	2,08	2,14	2,19	2,25	2,31	2,34	2,38	2,47	2,68
0,4	1,27	1,41	1,54	1,59	1,65	1,70	1,75	1,81	1,87	1,93	1,96	2,00	2,09	2,29
0,45	0,96	1,10	1,23	1,29	1,34	1,39	1,44	1,50	1,56	1,62	1,65	1,69	1,78	1,98
0,5	0,71	0,85	0,98	1,03	1,09	1,14	1,19	1,25	1,31	1,37	1,40	1,44	1,53	1,73
0,52	0,62	0,76	0,89	0,94	1,00	1,05	1,10	1,16	1,22	1,28	1,31	1,35	1,44	1,64
0,54	0,54	0,68	0,81	0,86	0,91	0,97	1,02	1,07	1,13	1,20	1,23	1,27	1,36	1,56
0,56	0,46	0,60	0,73	0,78	0,83	0,89	0,94	1,00	1,05	1,12	1,15	1,19	1,28	1,48
0,58	0,38	0,52	0,65	0,71	0,76	0,81	0,86	0,92	0,98	1,04	1,07	1,11	1,20	1,40
0,6	0,31	0,45	0,58	0,64	0,69	0,74	0,79	0,85	0,91	0,97	1,00	1,04	1,13	1,33
0,62	0,25	0,38	0,52	0,57	0,62	0,67	0,73	0,78	0,84	0,90	0,93	0,97	1,06	1,27
0,64	0,18	0,32	0,45	0,50	0,55	0,61	0,66	0,72	0,77	0,84	0,87	0,91	1,00	1,20
0,66	0,12	0,26	0,39	0,44	0,49	0,54	0,60	0,65	0,71	0,78	0,81	0,85	0,94	1,14
0,68	0,06	0,20	0,33	0,38	0,43	0,48	0,54	0,59	0,65	0,72	0,75	0,79	0,88	1,08
0,7		0,14	0,27	0,32	0,37	0,43	0,48	0,54	0,59	0,66	0,69	0,73	0,82	1,02
0,72		0,08	0,21	0,27	0,32	0,37	0,42	0,48	0,54	0,60	0,63	0,67	0,76	0,96
0,74		0,03	0,16	0,21	0,26	0,32	0,37	0,42	0,48	0,55	0,58	0,62	0,71	0,91
0,76			0,11	0,16	0,21	0,26	0,32	0,37	0,43	0,49	0,53	0,56	0,65	0,86
0,78			0,05	0,10	0,16	0,21	0,26	0,32	0,38	0,44	0,47	0,51	0,60	0,80
0,8				0,05	0,10	0,16	0,21	0,27	0,32	0,39	0,42	0,46	0,55	0,75
0,82					0,05	0,10	0,16	0,21	0,27	0,34	0,36	0,41	0,49	0,70
0,84						0,05	0,11	0,16	0,22	0,28	0,31	0,35	0,44	0,65
0,86							0,05	0,11	0,17	0,23	0,26	0,30	0,39	0,59
0,88								0,06	0,11	0,18	0,21	0,25	0,34	0,54
0,9									0,06	0,12	0,15	0,19	0,28	0,48
0,92										0,06	0,09	0,13	0,22	0,43
0,94											0,03	0,07	0,16	0,36

Graphical representation of the vectors of power before and after compensation:



Let's change is analytical, before correction:

$$Q = \operatorname{tg} \varphi_1 \cdot P = 1,02 \cdot 120 = 122,42 \text{ kVAr}$$

Reactive power after compensation:

$$Q' = Q - Q_{cb} = 122,42 \text{ kVAr} - 79,2 \text{ kVAr} = 43,22 \text{ kVAr}$$

If you check $\cos \varphi$ after compensation:

$$\cos \varphi_1 = \frac{P}{S'} = \frac{P}{\sqrt{Q'^2 + P^2}} = \frac{120}{127,55} = 0,94$$

However, as reactive power varies (on and off devices), it is necessary to use automatic compensation device.

Our Services

Measuring:

- Measuring Power Quality According to EN 50160,
- Energy Measurement

Constructing:

- low-voltage switching systems

Manufacturing:

- low-voltage compensation devices

Setting up:

- electrical power equipment, compensation devices

Service of:

- compensation devices

Automatic Power Factor Correction Banks

Technical data	
Power range	20 - 700 kVAr
Rated voltage	400 V, 50 Hz three-phase, other voltages on request
Capacity tolerance	0 % to + 10 %
Overload capacity	1,0 × Un permanent 1,1 × Un 8 hours per day 1,3 × In permanent
Temperature range	-25 °C to +50 °C
Dielectric losses	≤ 0,2 W/kvar
Total losses of device	< 1,5 W/kvar
Level of mechanical protection	IP 20
Colour	RAL 7032

Type compensation						
Power [kVar]	Program	Type	Composition	Connecting cable Cu [mm ²]	Connecting fuses [A]	Sleeve
20	1:3	RPC 20kVAr_5+15	1x5+ 1x15	4 x 16	50	PG21
30	1:2:3	RPC 30kVAr_10+20	10+20	4 x 16	63 (80)	PG29
40	1:2:2	RPC 40kVAr_2x10+20	2x10+20	3 x 25	100	PG29
50	1:2:2	RPC 50kVAr_10+2x20	10+2x20	3x35	125	PG36
60	1:1:2:2	RPC 60kVAr_2x10+2x20	2x10+2x20	3x50	125	PG36
70	1:2:2:2	RPC 70kVAr_10+3x20	10+3x20	3x70	160	PG36
80	1:1:2:2:2	RPC 80kVAr_2x10+3x20	2x10+3x20	3x70	160	PG36
90	1:2:3:3	RPC 90kVAr_10+20+2x30	10+20+2x30	3x95	200	PG42
105	1:2:2:2	RPC 105kVAr_15+3x30	15+3x30	2x3x50	250	PG42

CUSTOM DESIGN: Other voltages (up to 1 MVar) and ratings also available upon request.



Compensation from 10 to 50 kVAr -> Dimensions enclosures 800x400x250 (mm).
 Compensation from 60 to 100 kVAr -> Dimensions enclosures 1000x800x300 (mm).

Automatic Power Factor Correction Banks with Harmonic Filters

Technical data

Power range	20 - 700 kVAr
Rated voltage	460 V, 50 Hz three-phase, other voltages on request
Capacity tolerance	0 % to + 10 %
Overload capacity	1,0 × Un permanent 1,1 × Un 8 hours per day 1,3 × Un permanent
Resonant frequency	189 Hz (p= 7%) / 134 Hz (p=14%) / others on request
Temperature range	-25 °C to +50 °C
Dielectric losses	≤ 5 W/kvar
Total losses of device	< 1,5 W/kvar
Level of mechanical protection	IP 20
Colour	RAL 7032

Type compensation available (examples)

Power [kVar]	Type	Composition	Connecting cable Cu [mm ²]	Connecting fuses [A]	Sleeve
20	RPCF 20kVAr_5+15	1x5+ 1x15	4 x 16	50	PG21
30	RPCF 30kVAr_10+20	10+20	4 x 16	63 (80)	PG29
40	RPCF 40kVAr_2x10+20	2x10+20	3 x 25	100	PG29
50	RPCF 50kVAr_10+2x20	10+2x20	3x35	125	PG36
60	RPCF 60kVAr_2x10+2x20	2x10+2x20	3x50	125	PG36
70	RPCF 70kVAr_10+3x20	10+3x20	3x70	160	PG36
80	RPCF 80kVAr_2x10+3x20	2x10+3x20	3x70	160	PG36
90	RPCF 90kVAr_10+20+2x30	10+20+2x30	3x95	200	PG42
105	RPCF 105kVAr_15+3x30	15+3x30	2x3x50	250	PG42

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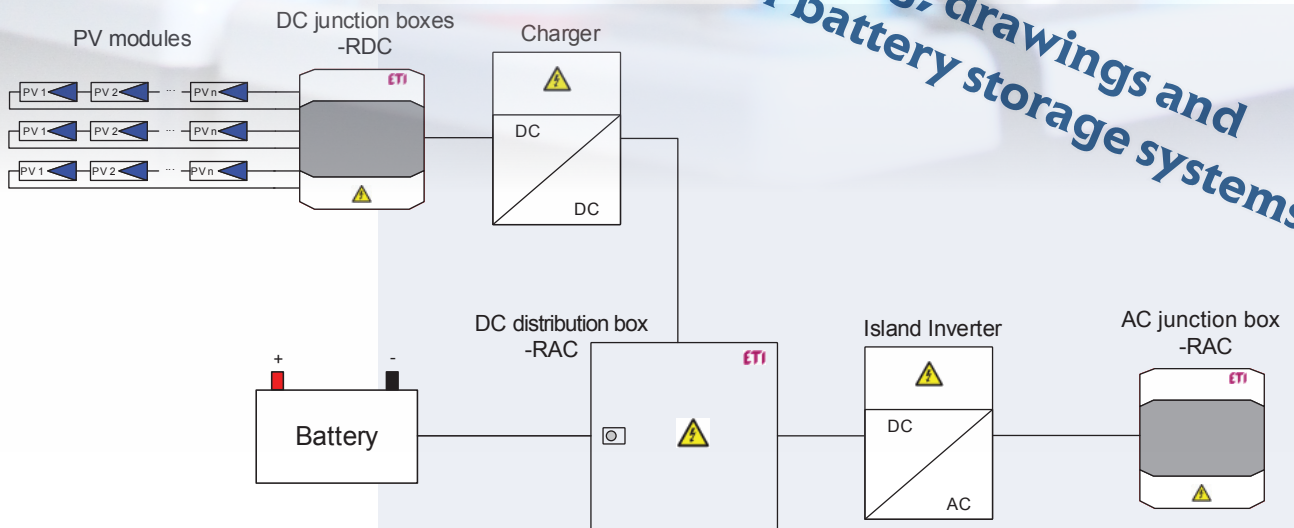
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Battery Storage Systems Protection

Consulting, drawings and layout for battery storage systems



Solutions for protection of

- battery storage systems
- UPS systems

ETI solutions ensure your off-grid system safety

- Protection of battery connections to inverters by an external DC distributor
- Guaranteed all pole battery protection,
- Easy disconnection of battery bank from inverters.

Customized to your needs

- Versions available for most inverters on the market,
- Up to six DC connections possible on the battery side,
- Connection of up to three inverters available
- for nominal voltages 12 / 24 / 48 V

Our expertise, your safety

- All-pole battery protection,
- Cable protection,
- Very simple inverter disconnection

Battery fuses protect the batteries and cables between batteries and inverters and allow easy isolation for installation or maintenance of the inverters.

For smaller batteries cylindrical CH fuse links and for larger batteries NH battery fuse links are used.

Versions for use with either one inverter or clusters of three.



Battery Fuse/Breaker to Inverter

The wiring and fusing from the battery to an AC/DC inverter is of critical importance because this is where the most current will likely flow. Similar to the charge controller case, the recommended wire and fusing should be obtained from the inverter manual. It is very likely the invert already has a built in fuse/breaker on the input as well as the output (AC) side of the unit.

Technical data					
FUSE					
Type	Cylindrical (CH)			Knife-blade (NH)	
Bracket	Fuse disconnecter EFD 10	Fuse disconnecter EFD 14	Fuse base PK 1	Load disconnecter switch HVL 1	Load disconnecter switch HVL 1
Number	2	2	6	2	6
ELECTRICAL DATA					
Nominal voltage	12 / 24 / 48 V				
Nominal current depending on the fuse plug	25 A	40 / 50 / 63 / 80 / 100 / 125 / 160 / 200 / 224 / 250 A			
CONNECTIONS FOR BATTERY					
Quantity per pole	2	2	4	3	6
Pipe cable lug	M8				
Max. Cross-section of the cable	2 x 70 mm ²				
Outer diameter of the cable	14 – 21 mm				
MECHANICAL DATA					
Width x Height x Depth [mm]	270x180x170	360x360x170	540x360x170	360x360x170	540x360x170
AMBIENT CONDITIONS					
Ambient temperature	-20° C... +60° C				
Humidity (no condensation)	100 %				
GENERAL DATA					
Protection rating	IP 65				
Mounting	Wall mounting				

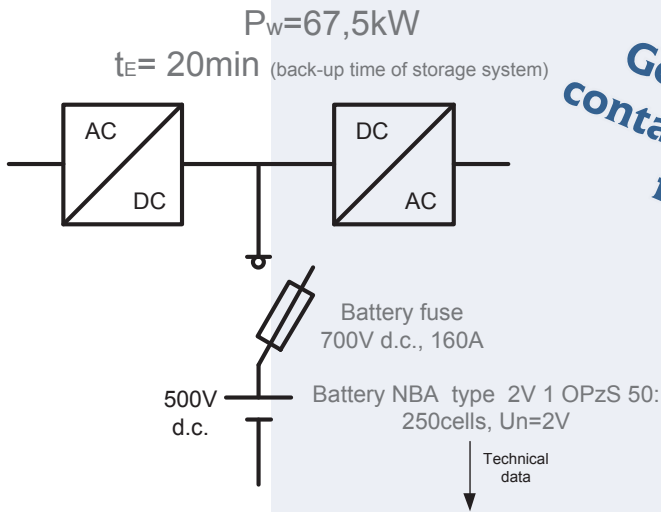
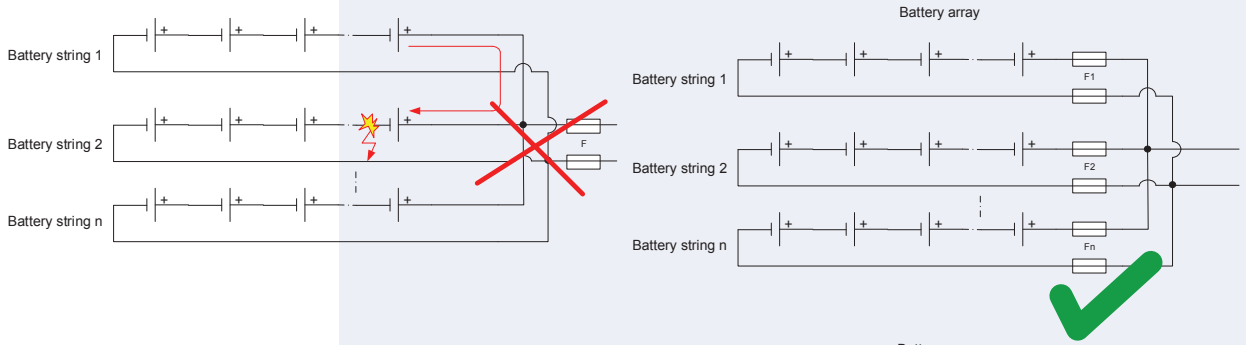


EFH 10 in EFH 14 DC Fuse holder have been developed to offer a compact, safety and economic protection solution in battery storage protection where due to the increase of the power and technologic evolution, no-load voltages above 800V DC can be achieved. Modular fuse holders for 10×38 & 14×51 battery fuses according IEC/EN 60269 standard.

4 pole fuse holder:

- first pole it's intended protecting the batteries + pole
- second pole (N) it contains a separator
- third pole it's intended protecting the batteries - pole
- fourth pole is for the signalization if the fuse holder open or closed.

The correct use of battery fuses



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1. Short circuit point (I_k):

2. Types, capacities, dimensions, mass

Type	C10	C5	C3	C1	Ri 1)	I _k 2)	length	width	height max	mass 3)	mass 4)
	Ah	Ah	Ah	Ah	mΩ	kA	mm	mm	mm	kg	kg
U _e (V/cell)	1,80	1,77	1,75	1,67							
2V 1 OPzS 50	50	45	36	24	3,96	0,58	103	206	426	4,5	7
2V 2 OPzS 100	100	85	69	48	1,98	1,18	103	206	426	7,5	6,5
2V 3 OPzS 150	150	125	102	72	1,27	1,74	103	206	426	10	6
2V 4 OPzS 200	200	170	138	96	1,01	2,06	103	206	426	12	6
2V 5 OPzS 250	250	210	171	120	0,81	2,57	124	206	426	14	7,5
2V 6 OPzS 300	300	250	204	144	0,69	3,14	145	206	426	16	9
6V 3 OPzS 150	150	125	107	75	3,71	1,62	233	224	426	23,5	13,5

1, 2) internal resistance and short - circuit - current according to IEC 896-1 3) dry-charged 4) filled and charged



$I_k = 580 \text{ A}$

2. Operating point (t_E/I_B):

$t_E = 20 \text{ min}$ (1200s)

$U_E = 250 \text{ cells} \times 1,8 \text{ V} = 450 \text{ V d.c.}$

$I_B = P_w / U_E = 67,5 \text{ kW} / 450 \text{ V} = 150 \text{ A}$

3. DC rated fuse link:

Battery fuse 700V d.c., $L/R = 10 \text{ ms}$

NH00 gG 160A 690V a.c.....problem DC rating at min. breaking capacity ~ 2xI_n ???

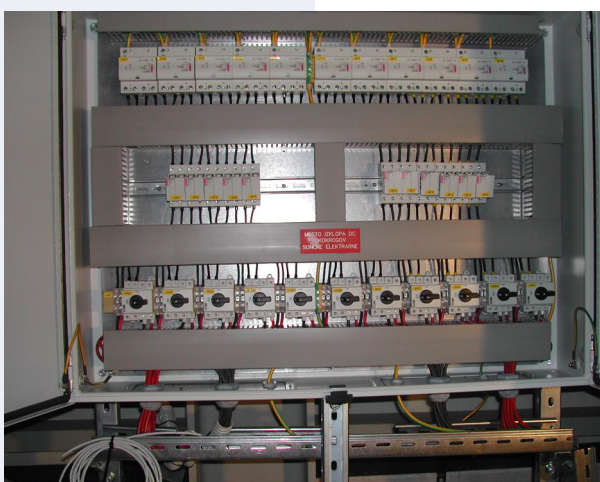
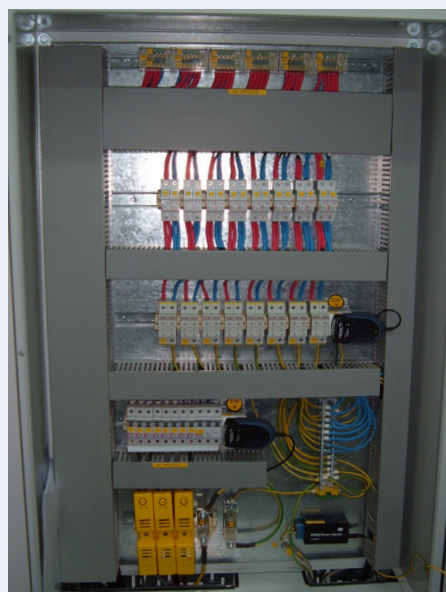
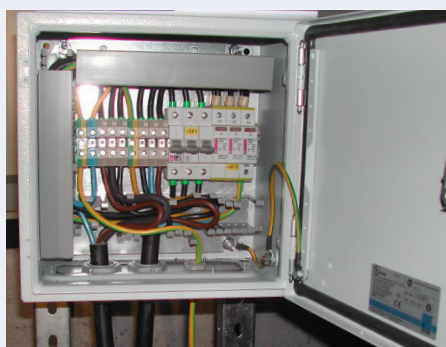
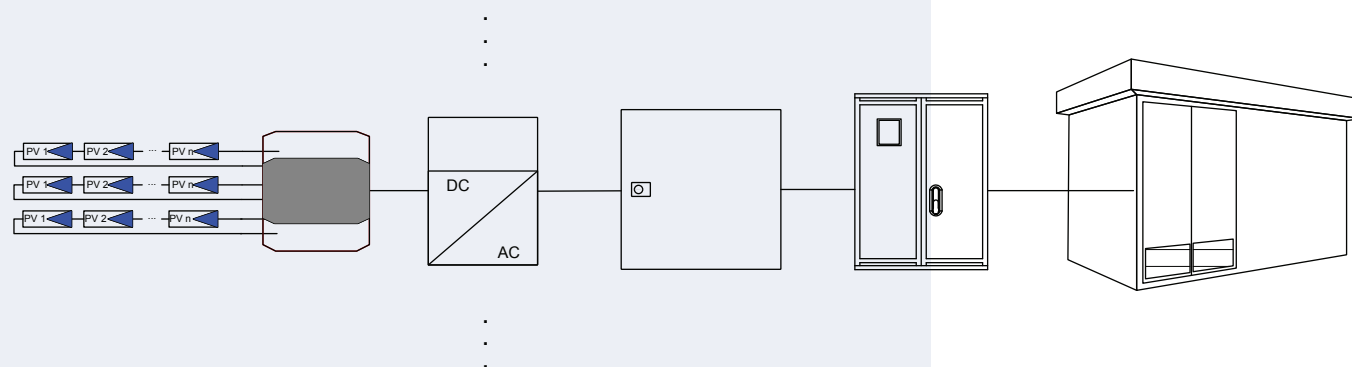
Protection of Photovoltaic Systems

ETI provides high-quality solutions for the complete overcurrent and overvoltage protection of applications in the field of photovoltaic and other renewable energy sources. We provide PV design, engineering and consulting services.

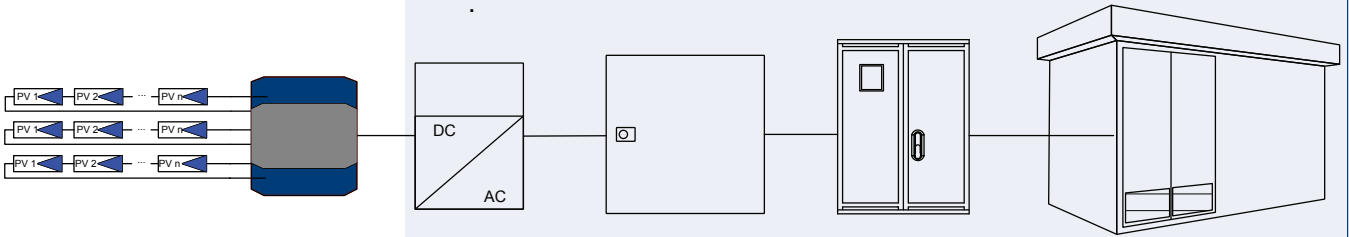
Our products are designed for complete protection of:

- DC circuits (overvoltage and reverse current protection)
- circuits inside DC/AC inverters (semiconductor protection)
- AC circuits between the inverter and the power grid (overvoltage, overcurrent and anti-islanding protection) and all protection for Meter distribution cabinet.

The products are internationally certified and carry several quality marks.



DC - distribution and protection



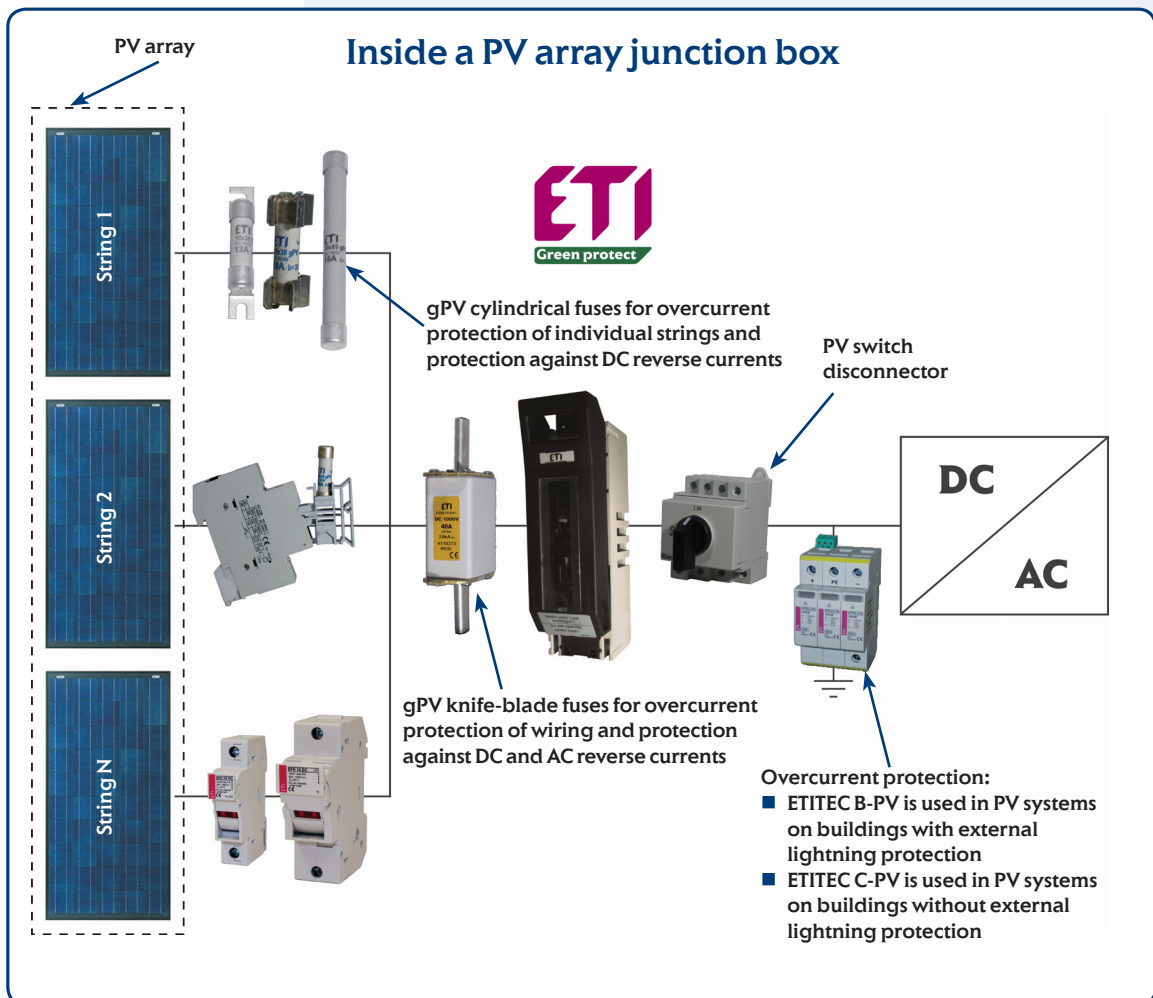
Protection on the DC side of a PV system

The direct current section of a typical photovoltaic system consists of a generator formed by the parallel of the strings of solar panels connected in series.

Along with the specific characteristic of the solar modules (inability to shut off the voltage other than by obscuring the solar panels and generation, by the strings, of short-circuit currents with values very near to those produced in normal conditions), the presence of voltage as high as 300-600 V d.c. and beyond requires a very careful assessment of the protection and isolating devices, which must be able to suppress direct fault currents under high voltages within a very short time.

Features of ETI junction boxes

- Easy to install and operate,
- Short mounting times,
- Ample wiring space



Overview of Array Protection

Depending on the desired capacity of the Photovoltaic (PV) system, there may be several PV sub-arrays (each subarray consists of multiple strings) connected in parallel to achieve higher currents and subsequently more power. A fuse link on each sub-array will protect the conductors from fault current and help minimise any safety hazards. It will also isolate the faulted sub-array so that the rest of the PV system can continue to generate electricity.

Overview of String Protection

Depending on the desired capacity of the Photovoltaic (PV) system, there may be several PV strings connected in parallel to achieve higher currents and subsequently more power.

PV systems that have three or more strings connected in parallel need to have each string protected. Systems that have less than three strings will not generate enough fault current to damage the conductors, equipment or modules. Therefore they do not present a safety hazard, provided the conductor is sized correctly, based on local codes and installations requirements.

Where three or more strings are connected in parallel, a fuse link on each string will protect the conductors and modules from overcurrent faults and help minimise any safety hazards. It will also isolate the faulted string so that the rest of the PV system can continue to generate electricity. It should be remembered that PV module output changes with the module temperature as well as the amount of sun it is exposed to. The exposure is dependant on irradiance level, incline as well as shading effect from trees/buildings or clouds. In operation, fuse links, as thermal devices, are influenced by ambient temperature.

String protection against reverse currents

When the installation layout includes centralized conversion with the use of a single inverter, the strings must be protected against reverse current. This could circulate after faults or temporary unbalances in the system due, for example, to certain of the solar modules being partially in the shade or covered by snow, leaves, etc.

Fuses

ETI gPV fuses protect the installation against the inverse over-currents which could occur in photovoltaic installations.

General characteristics		UL file: E347771
Rated voltage	1000V d.c. L/R=2ms	
Breaking capacity	10kA d.c. / 30kA d.c.	
Standards	UL 2579, UL 248-1	
Application	For protection of PV modules.	

Lightning and Surge Arresters

ETITEC B-PV series of overvoltage surge protective devices has been developed to protect against direct and indirect lightning discharges and is intended to protect photovoltaic systems. The circuit topology consist of two varistors stages each protected by a thermal disconnection device. ETITEC B-PV is used for photovoltaic systems on buildings with External Lightning Protection

ETITEC C-PV series of overvoltage surge protective devices has been developed to protect against indirect discharges and is intended to protect photovoltaic systems. The circuit topology consist of two (three) varistors stages each protected by a thermal disconnection device. ETITEC C-PV is used for photovoltaic system on buildings without External Lightning Protection or when the inverter is installed at a distance of more than 10 m cable length to the building's main power distribution.

General characteristics		
	ETITEC B-PV	ETITEC C-PV
Category IEC/EN/VDE	Class I, II/Type 1,2/B+C High surge discharge ratings: $I_{imp} = 12,5kA$ /per pole, $I_{max} = 40kA$ /per pole	Class II/Type 2/C High surge discharge ratings: $I_{in} = 20kA$ /per pole, $I_{max} = 40kA$ /per pole
Location of use:	Photovoltaic systems- PV module side Internal protection and safety: Separate thermal disconnecter for each MOV block	Branch sub-distribution boards Internal protection and safety: Thermal disconnecter for each MOV block
Protective element : High Energy MOVs	Status indication: Mechanical flag + remote signalization contacts (RC)	

PV switch disconnecter

The construction of the switch ensures reliable switching up to 58A with 1000V in the category DC 21B. The construction of the contacts and the material selection guarantee that no oxidation (small switching frequency develops, and is thus prevented inadmissible heating-up. The switch disconnecter has 2, 4 or 4+2 contacts, by serial / parallel wiring of the contacts the contact rating will be increased.

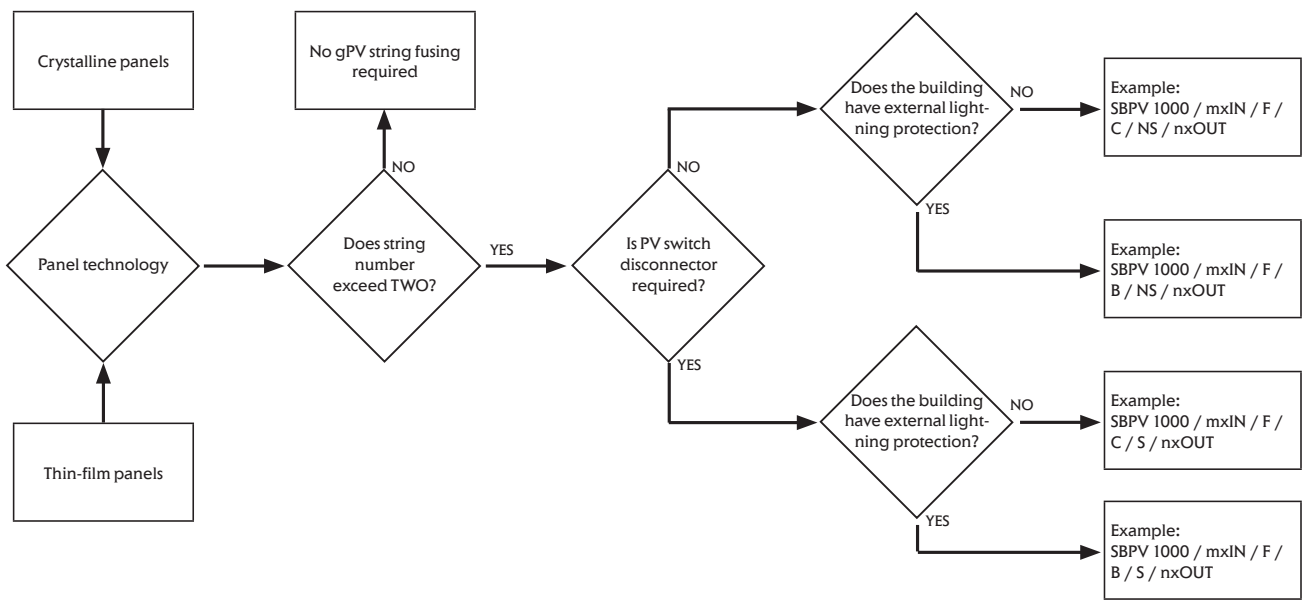
The switching speed at the manually operated handle does not have an effect on the switching attitude of the contacts.

Enclosures

- Fibreglass reinforced polyester (GRP/SMC) rear back panel - Light grey colour RAL 7035
- Polycarbonate cover, 2 versions : transparent or opaque, UV stabilized
- High Insulation rating IP66 and impact resistance IK10
- Big range of accessories : viewing windows, mounting plates, cable entry flanges, hinges, screws, wall mounting brackets, depth extensions, ventilation devices, etc
- Most complete range of sizes in the market : 24 different sizes, each one of them available on 2 different versions, transparent or opaque cover
- Modularity: Used as an individual enclosure or connected together to build up complete Low-Voltage switch-gear and control gear panels

General characteristics		
Description	Rating	Standard
Fibreglass reinforced polyester Enclosure (GRP)	RAL-7035 colour	IEC 62208
Polycarbonate Cover	UV Stabilized	IEC 62208
Double Insulation	Halogen Free	IEC 60439-1
Mechanical (Impact) Resistance	IK10	IEC-62262
Protection against dust-water	IP-66	IEC-60529
Thermal Class	A	UNE-21305
Self extinguishing material	960°C	IEC 60695-2
Temperature Range	-30°C +60°C	IEC 60670
Current Rating	1,000A	IEC 60439-5
Dielectric Strength	5,000V	IEC 60439-5
Insulation Rating	5MΩ	IEC 60439-5

How to choose correct protection for PV junction boxes

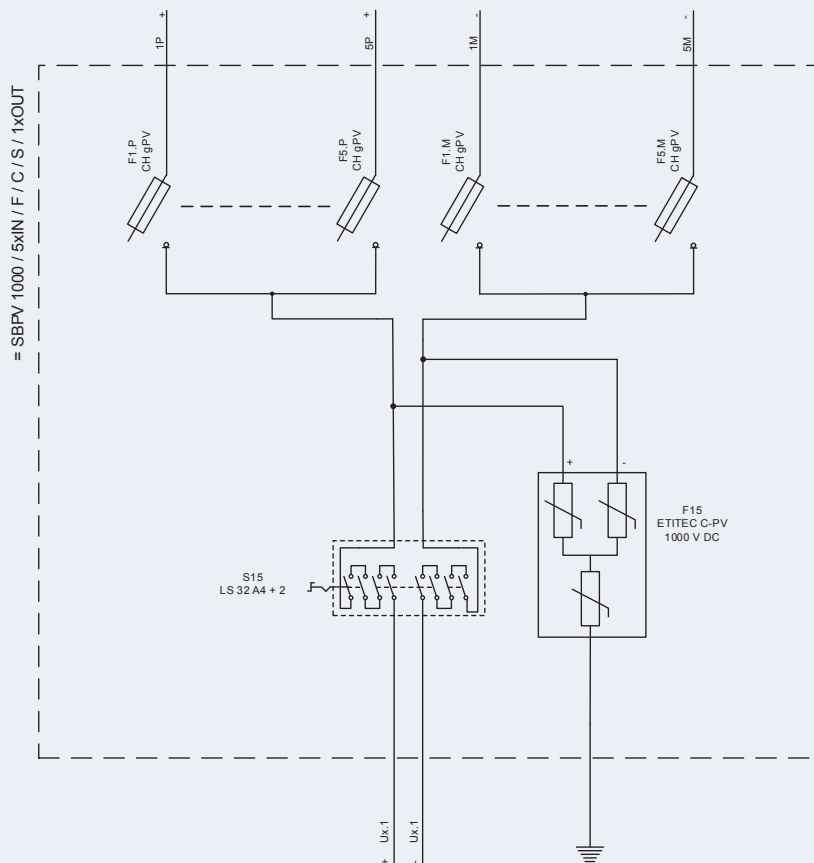
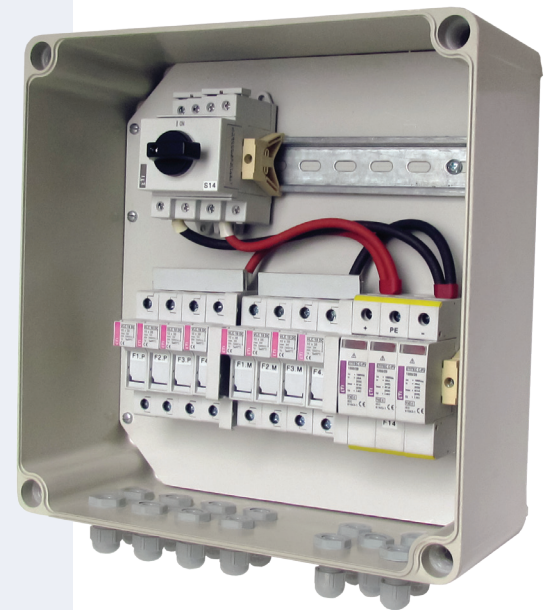
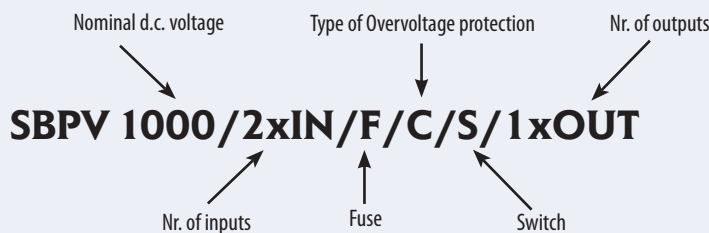


Standard junction box 1 x OUTPUT

1 x OUTPUT							
Max. U	Overtoltage protection	Inputs	Switch	Designation	Code No.	Max. I [A]	Dimensions WxHxD [mm]
1000 V d.c.	B	2	✗	SBPV 1000 / 2xIN / F / B / NS / 1xOUT	001110000	25	270x180x170
			✓	SBPV 1000 / 2xIN / F / B / S / 1xOUT	001110001	25	270x180x170
		3	✗	SBPV 1000 / 3xIN / F / B / NS / 1xOUT	001110004	25	270x180x170
			✓	SBPV 1000 / 3xIN / F / B / S / 1xOUT	001110005	25	270x180x170
		4	✗	SBPV 1000 / 4xIN / F / B / NS / 1xOUT	001110008	32	270x180x170
			✓	SBPV 1000 / 4xIN / F / B / S / 1xOUT	001110009	32	360x360x170
	C	5	✗	SBPV 1000 / 5xIN / F / B / NS / 1xOUT	001110012	58	360x360x170
			✓	SBPV 1000 / 5xIN / F / B / S / 1xOUT	001110013	58	360x360x170
		2	✗	SBPV 1000 / 2xIN / F / C / NS / 1xOUT	001110002	25	270x180x170
			✓	SBPV 1000 / 2xIN / F / C / S / 1xOUT	001110003	25	270x180x170
		3	✗	SBPV 1000 / 3xIN / F / C / NS / 1xOUT	001110006	25	270x180x170
			✓	SBPV 1000 / 3xIN / F / C / S / 1xOUT	001110007	25	270x180x170
		4	✗	SBPV 1000 / 4xIN / F / C / NS / 1xOUT	001110010	32	270x180x170
			✓	SBPV 1000 / 4xIN / F / C / S / 1xOUT	001110011	32	360x360x170
		5	✗	SBPV 1000 / 5xIN / F / C / NS / 1xOUT	001110014	58	360x360x170
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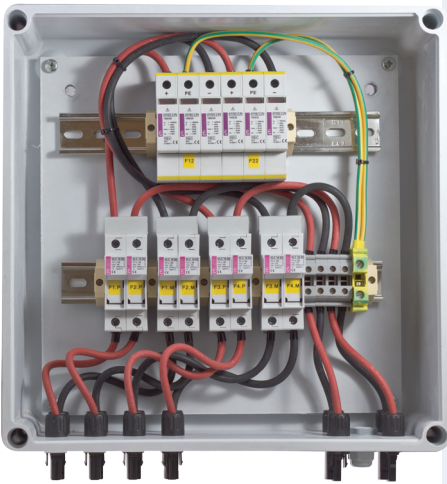
- 2 - 5 x PV string inputs
- 1 x output
- 1 x DC type B or C surge arrester
- Suitable for outdoor installation, UV resistant
- Current per PV string: DC 9,5 A max.
- Maximum voltage DC 1000 V
- Equipped with cable glands
- Option for connection with plug-in connectors compatible to MC4,
- Rated connecting capacity PE: 1,5 - 16 mm²

Type designation:



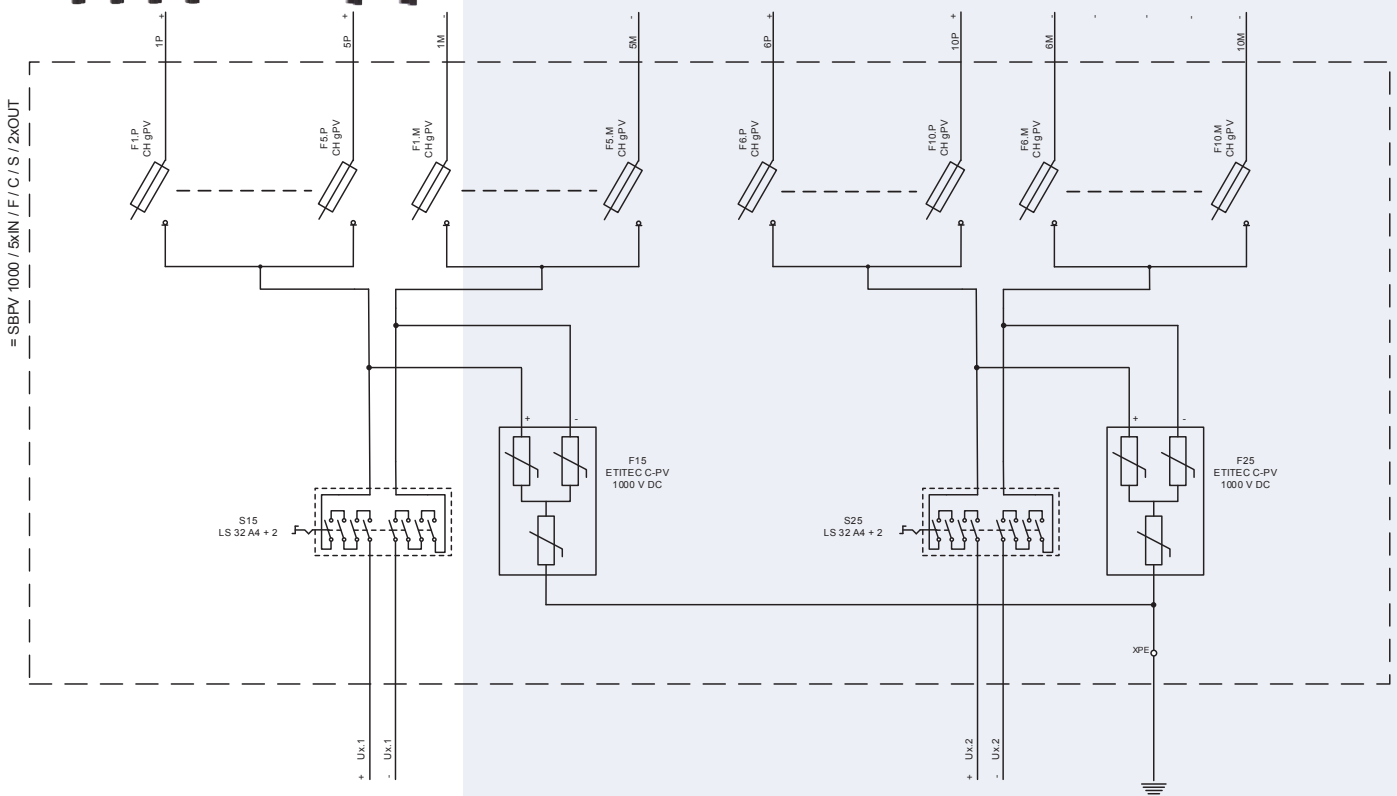
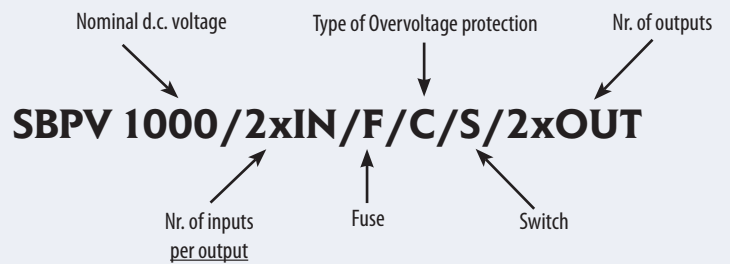
Standard junction box 2 x OUTPUTS

- 1-5 x PV string inputs
- 2 x outputs
- 2 x DC type B or C surge arrester
- Suitable for outdoor installation, UV resistant
- Current per PV string: DC 9,5 A max.
- Maximum voltage DC 1000 V
- Equipped with cable glands
- Option for connection with plug-in connectors compatible to MC4,
- Rated connecting capacity PE: 1,5 - 16 mm²



2 x OUTPUTS							
Max. U	Overvoltage protection	Inputs	Switch	Designation	Code No.	Max. I [A]	Dimensions WxHxD [mm]
1000 V d.c.	B	2	✗	SBPV 1000 / 2xIN / F / B / NS / 2xOUT	001110016	25	360x360x170
			✓	SBPV 1000 / 2xIN / F / B / S / 2xOUT	001110017	25	360x360x170
		3	✗	SBPV 1000 / 3xIN / F / B / NS / 2xOUT	001110020	25	360x360x170
			✓	SBPV 1000 / 3xIN / F / B / S / 2xOUT	001110021	25	540x360x170
		4	✗	SBPV 1000 / 4xIN / F / B / NS / 2xOUT	001110024	32	540x360x170
			✓	SBPV 1000 / 4xIN / F / B / S / 2xOUT	001110025	32	540x360x170
	C	5	✗	SBPV 1000 / 5xIN / F / B / NS / 2xOUT	001110028	58	540x360x170
			✓	SBPV 1000 / 5xIN / F / B / S / 2xOUT	001110029	58	540x360x170
		2	✗	SBPV 1000 / 2xIN / F / C / NS / 2xOUT	001110018	25	360x360x170
			✓	SBPV 1000 / 2xIN / F / C / S / 2xOUT	001110019	25	360x360x170
		3	✗	SBPV 1000 / 3xIN / F / C / NS / 2xOUT	001110022	25	360x360x170
			✓	SBPV 1000 / 3xIN / F / C / S / 2xOUT	001110023	25	360x360x170
		4	✗	SBPV 1000 / 4xIN / F / C / NS / 2xOUT	001110026	32	540x360x170
			✓	SBPV 1000 / 4xIN / F / C / S / 2xOUT	001110027	32	540x360x170
		5	✗	SBPV 1000 / 5xIN / F / C / NS / 2xOUT	001110030	58	540x360x170
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Type designation:



Standard junction box 3 x OUTPUTS

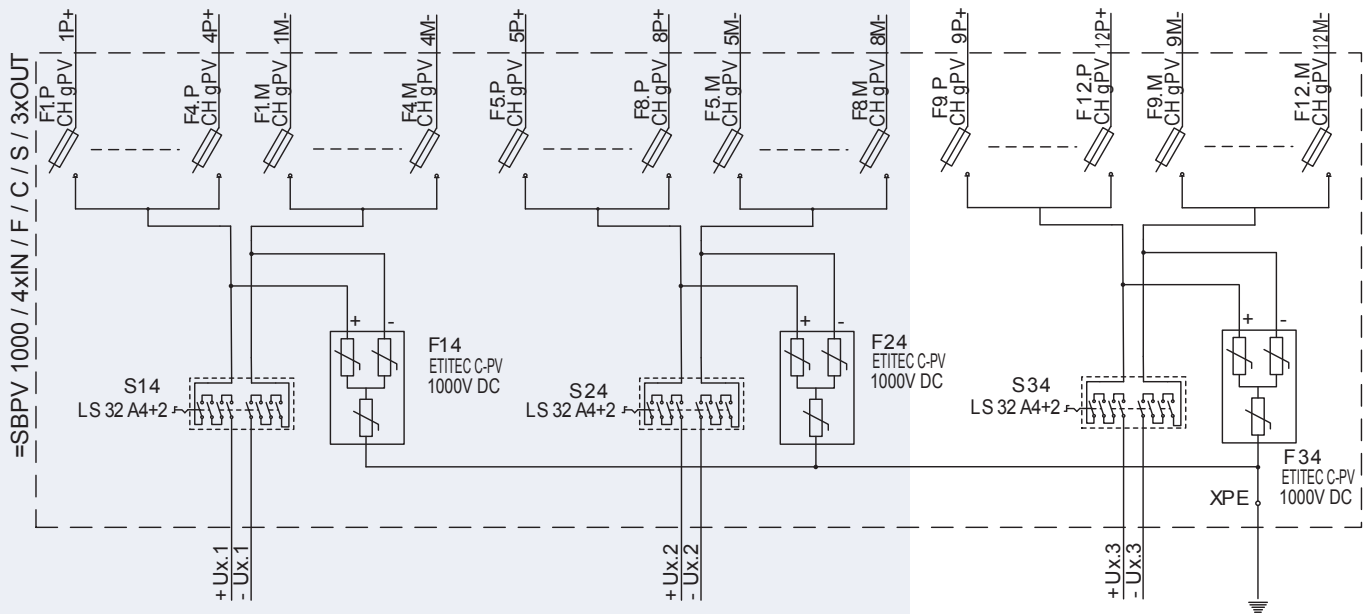
3 x OUTPUTS							
Max. U	Overvoltage protection	Inputs	Switch	Designation	Code No.	Max. I [A]	Dimensions WxHxD [mm]
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			✓	SBPV 1000 / 2xIN / F / B / S / 3xOUT	001110033	25	540x360x170
		3	✗	SBPV 1000 / 3xIN / F / B / NS / 3xOUT	001110036	25	540x360x170
			✓	SBPV 1000 / 3xIN / F / B / S / 3xOUT	001110037	25	540x360x170
		4	✗	SBPV 1000 / 4xIN / F / B / NS / 3xOUT	001110040	32	540x360x170
			✓	SBPV 1000 / 4xIN / F / B / S / 3xOUT	001110041	32	540x360x170
	C	2	✗	SBPV 1000 / 2xIN / F / C / NS / 3xOUT	001110034	25	360x360x170
			✓	SBPV 1000 / 2xIN / F / C / S / 3xOUT	001110035	25	540x360x170
		3	✗	SBPV 1000 / 3xIN / F / C / NS / 3xOUT	001110038	25	540x360x170
			✓	SBPV 1000 / 3xIN / F / C / S / 3xOUT	001110039	25	540x360x170
		4	✗	SBPV 1000 / 4xIN / F / C / NS / 3xOUT	001110042	32	540x360x170
			✓	SBPV 1000 / 4xIN / F / C / S / 3xOUT	001110043	32	540x360x170

- 1-4 x PV string inputs
- 3 x outputs
- 3 x DC type B or C surge arrester
- Suitable for outdoor installation, UV resistant
- Current per PV string: DC 9,5 A max.
- Maximum voltage DC 1000 V
- Equipped with cable glands
- Option for connection with plug-in connectors compatible to MC4,
- Rated connecting capacity PE: 1,5 - 16 mm²

Nominal d.c. voltage Type of Overvoltage protection Nr. of outputs

Type designation: SBPV 1000 / 2xIN / F / C / S / 3xOUT

Nr. of inputs per output Fuse Switch



Non - standard solutions (upon customer's request)

In addition to our standard junction boxes we can also provide customized superior solutions, tailored to the needs of our customers.

DC junction boxes for large grid-connected photovoltaic power systems

We can prepare drawings, layout and ready made DC junction boxes for large PV plants, incorporating our groundbreaking knife-blade fuses.



Advantages of ETI NH gPV fuses:

- Breaking capacity up to 1500 VDC
- Product dedicated to PV installations
- Operating ranges adjusted for small over-currents specific to PV installations.
- High reliability
- Absolute protection over time guaranteed by the simplicity of manufacture and function (Joule effect).
- No downgrading of fuse characteristics over time.

DC junction boxes with superior safety and durability

We can offer solutions adhering to the new standard EN50539-11 with increased safety when disconnecting DC current in case of thermal overload and prolonged durability.



Advantages of ETITEC S Series:

- Current limiting for long duration; overvoltage path through mov – no degradation, long life guaranteed
- Improved thermal disconnection mechanism - rotating barrier, secure arcing shutdown, no risk of fire

DC junction boxes with additional protection of surge arresters

Varistors inside surge arresters may degrade over time due to repeated lightning strikes, overheating etc. which in turn may cause short-circuiting and explosion of the arrester. To prevent this, special cylindrical SRF fuses are used that provide overcurrent protection of the arrester.



Features of ETI SRF fuses:

- Rated voltage 600V a.c. (8/20 μ s) or 400V a.c. (10/350 μ s)
- Breaking capacity 200 kA (8/20 μ s) or 50kA (10/350 μ s)
- Available in Surge Ratings from 10 kA to 40 kA (8/20 μ s) and 25 kA (10/350 μ s)
- Designed to meet UL1449 Second Edition requirements,
- Comply with the applicable requirements in UL 248-1

Fault and additional protection against smooth DC and high frequency AC residual currents

Smooth DC currents and high frequency AC currents frequently occur in small photovoltaic plants on the roofs of family houses, because inverters in these PV systems are usually without insulating transformers. The problem with fault and additional protection of such installations is that A-type RCCBs do not detect smooth DC residual currents and may even become "blinded" by them, causing them to fail completely. The solution, according to IEC/EN 62423 standard is the new universal RCCB B-type, which is an upgrade of A-type RCCB with an additional current transformer, sensitive to smooth DC residual currents and also high frequency AC currents.



Features of ETI B and B+ type RCCB:

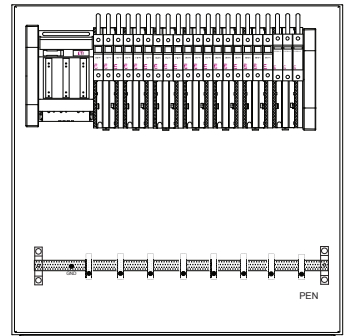
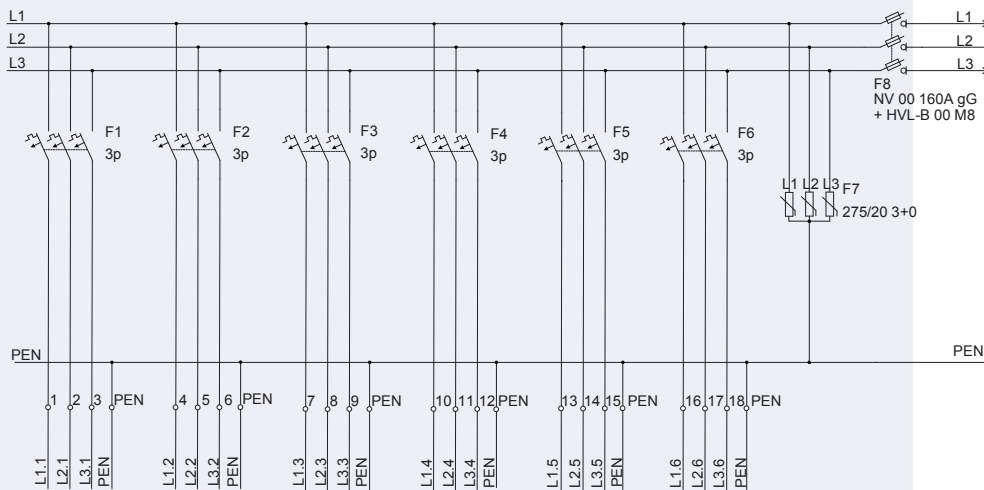
- Fault protection (protection against indirect contact of live parts) against smooth DC and high frequency AC residual currents
- Additional protection (protection in case of direct contact of live parts, $I_{\Delta n} \leq 30mA$) against smooth DC and high frequency AC residual currents
- Fire Protection (for locations exposed to fire hazard) against smooth DC and high frequency AC residual currents

AC - distribution and protection

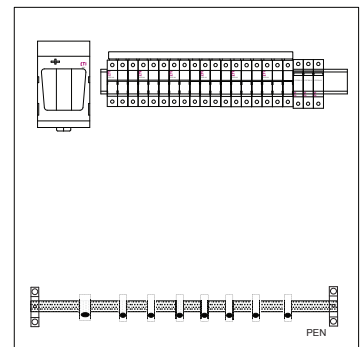
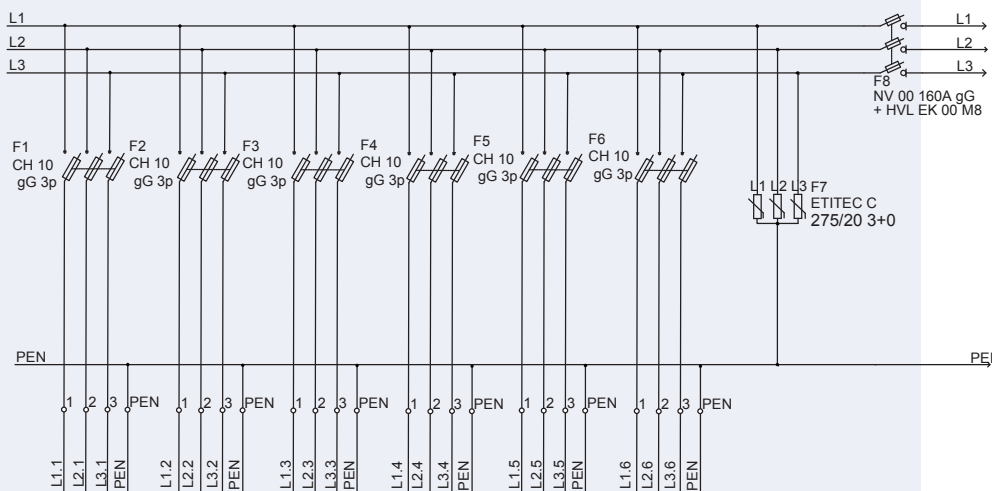
AC Photovoltaic installations require different protection than ordinary residential installations

- Overcurrent protection must be determined according to the respective load of the solar inverter on the AC side
- Distribution boards in PV installations must not be dimensioned simply according to the number of consumers (as is the case with ordinary residential installations, where simultaneity factor is low), but you need to take into account wider cable cross-sections, higher rated currents etc.
- High power dissipation, as a result of constant high loads, is typical for PV installations and needs to be reduced below the maximum operating temperature of individual devices (larger enclosures, setting devices further apart to allow air circulation etc).

We provide design, engineering and consulting services and production of custom made AC PV junction boxes. You can choose between busbar system and mounting plate system.



Busbar system



Mounting plate system