





SUBSTATION CAPACITOR BANK SWITCHING & PROTECTION DESIGN CONSIDERATIONS

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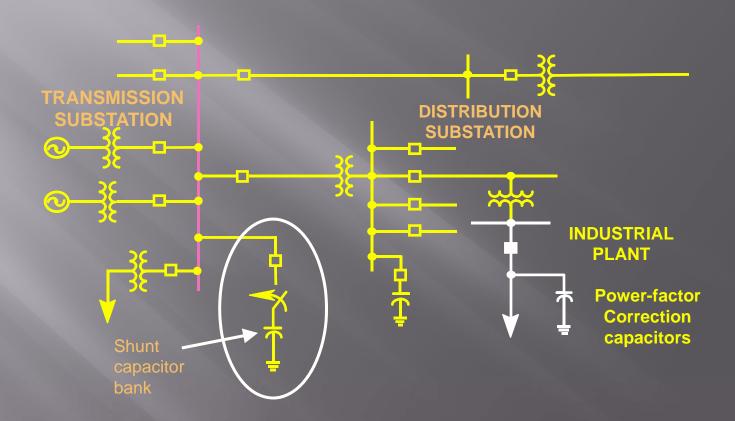
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- Types of capacitor banks
- Capacitor bank switching devices
- Capacitor bank protection
- Transient considerations
- Capacitor bank configurations

Introduction

- Capacitors widely used for:
 - Transmission system voltage support
 - Distribution system feeder voltage control
 - Increased system capacity
 - Reduced system power losses
 - Reduced end-user billing charges

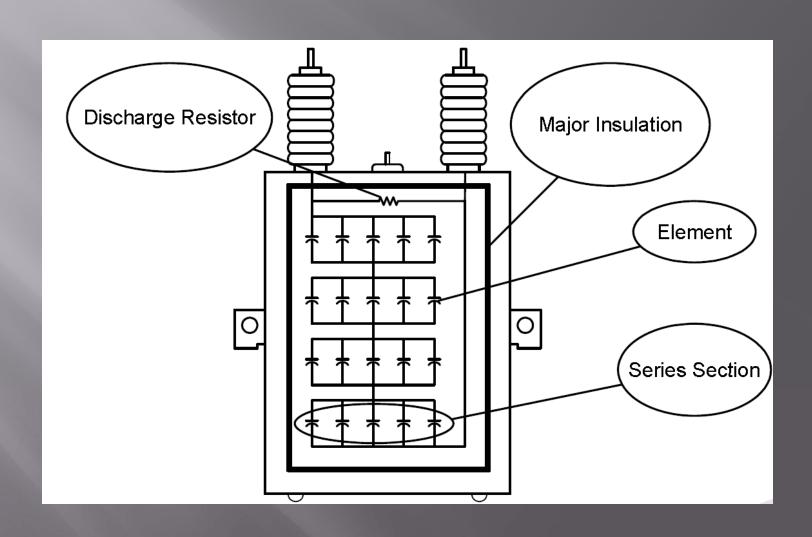
Introduction



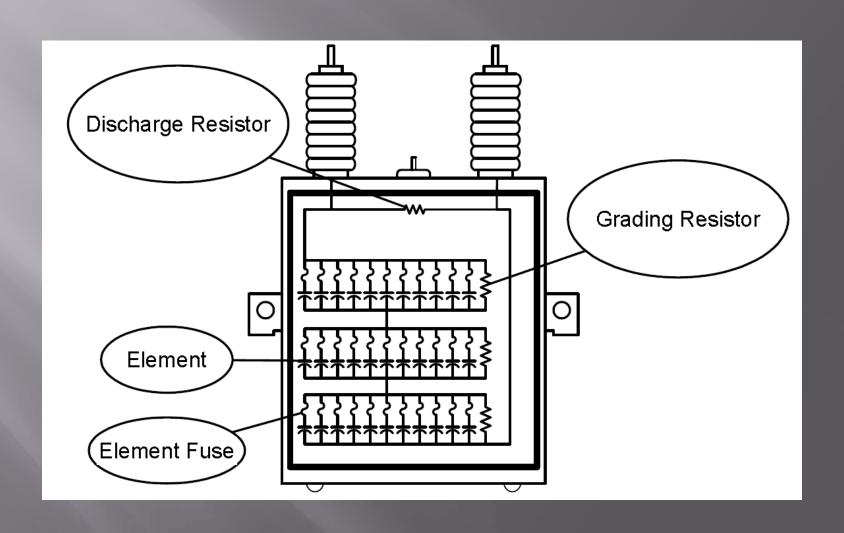
Types of Capacitor Banks

- Externally-fused
- Internally-fused
- Fuseless

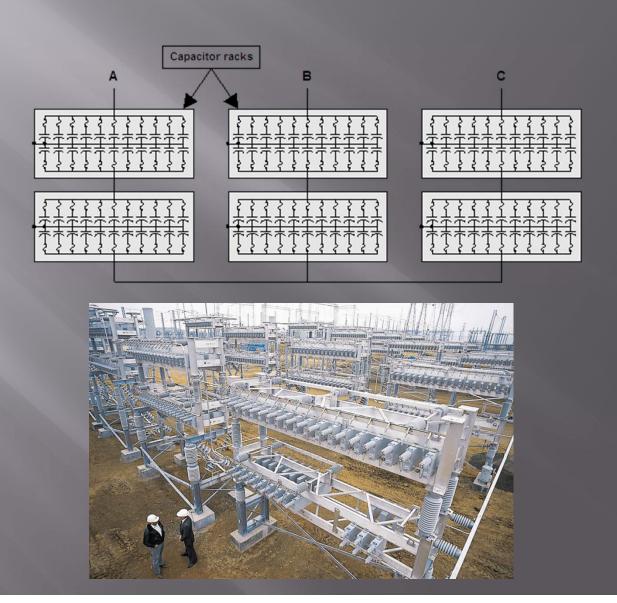
Unfused Capacitor Unit



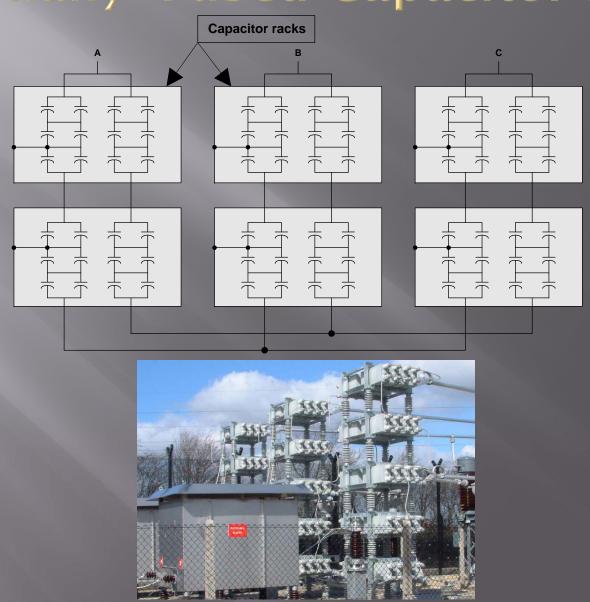
Internally-Fused Capacitor Unit



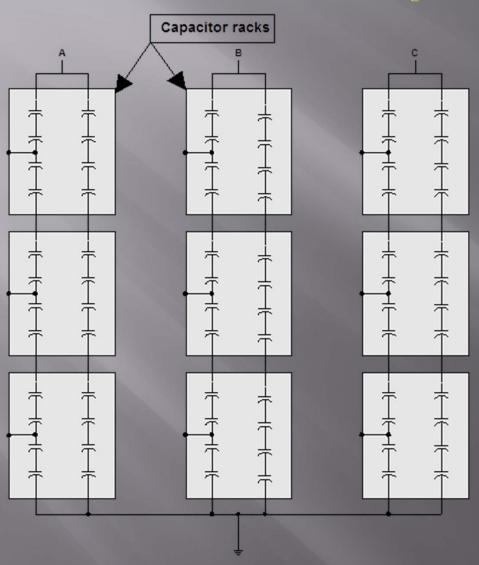
Externally-Fused Capacitor Bank



Internally-Fused Capacitor Bank



Fuseless Capacitor Bank





Fuseless Capacitor Bank

Capacitor
Unit

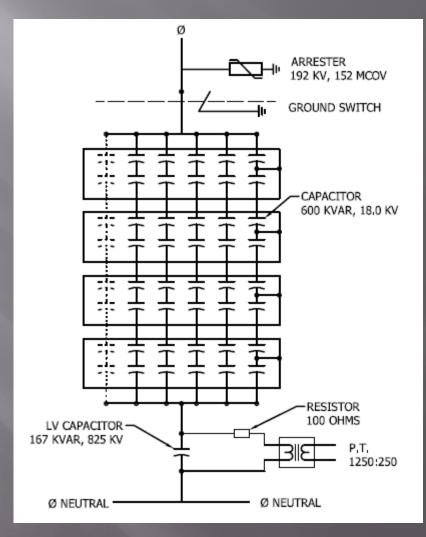
Advantages and Disadvantages of Capacitor Bank Types

	Externally- Fused	Internally- Fused	Fuseless	
Total Losses	Low	Higher	Lowest	
Capacitor unit temperature rise	Low	Higher	Low	
Unbalance Protection Sensitivity	Low	Highest	Higher	
Required Substation Space	Most	Least	More	
Difficulty in locating faulted units	Least	Most	More	
Equipment cost	More	Most	Least	
Installation cost	Most	Least	Least	

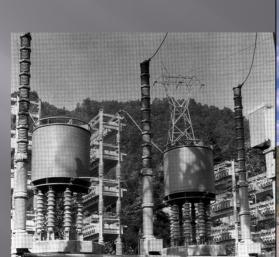
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	Externally- Fused	Internally- Fused	Fuseless		
Protection against animals	Worst	Better	Best		
Capacitance change with failures	Highest	Lowest	Higher		

Fuseless Capacitor Bank: Typical Connection Diagram



- Vacuum switches (with optional controlled closing)
- Circuit-Switchers (with optional preinsertion inductors)
 - Mark V
 - Mark VI
 - Series 2000
- Circuit breakers (with optional controlled closing)







- IEEE Std C37.06-2009, IEEE Standard for AC High-Voltage Circuit Breakers Rated on a Symmetrical Current Basis — Preferred Ratings and Related Required Capabilities for Voltages Above 1000 V
 - Preferred capacitance current switching ratings for Class S1 cable systems circuit breakers rated below 100 kV
 - Preferred capacitance current switching ratings for Class S2 line systems circuit breakers rated below 100 kV
 - Preferred capacitance current switching ratings for circuit breakers rated 100 kV and above, including circuit breakers applied in gas-insulated substations

Rated capacitor bank current

Table 14—Preferred capacitance current switching ratings for circuit breakers rated 100 kV and above, including circuit breakers applied in gas-insulated substations a, b, c

Line No.	Rated	Rated continuous current	Class C0 circu	uit breakers (1) (2)	Class C1 or Class C2 (2) (4)		
	maximum voltage <i>U_r</i> kV, rms		Rated overhead line current A, rms	Rated Isolated capacitor bank or cable current A, rms	Rated isolated capacitor bank current (6) A, rms	Rated overhead line current A, rms	
	Col 1	Col 2	Col 3	Col 4	Col 5	Col 6	
1	123	(9)	50	50	1200	160	
2	145	(9)	80	80	1200	160	
3	170	(9)	100	100	1200	160	
4	245	(9)	160	160	1200	200	

- Back-to-back capacitor bank switching
 - Rated inrush current
 - Peak value (kA, peak)
 - Frequency (kHz)

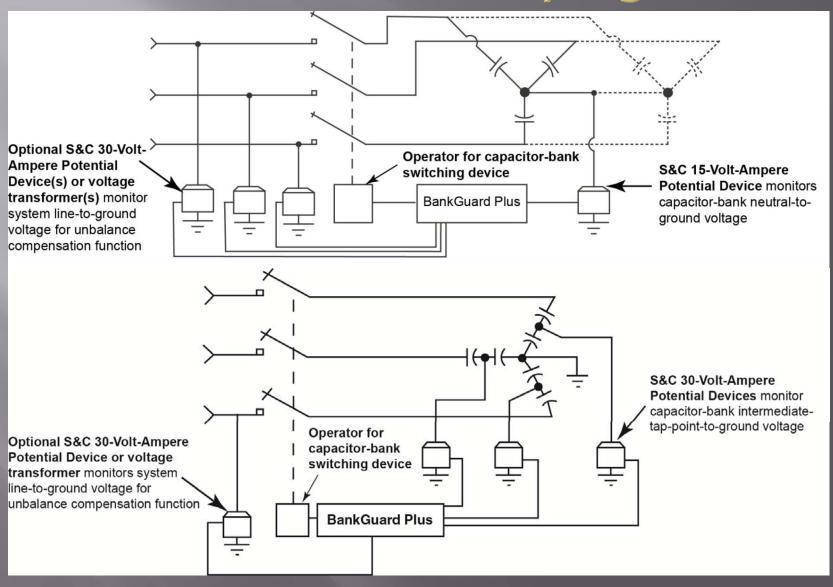
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			Class C1 or Class C2 circuit breakers (2) (4)							
	Rated maximum	Back-to-back capacitor bank switching								
Line No. U_r kV, rms			Rated inrush current (3) (5)							
	Rated back- to-back	Preferred rating (7)		Alternate 1 rating (7) Alterna		Alternate	2 rating (7)	Alternate 3 rating (7)		
		capacitor	Peak value kA, peak	Frequency kHz	Peak value kA, peak	Frequency kHz	Peak value kA, peak	Frequency kHz	Peak value kA, peak	Frequency kHz
	Col 1	Col 7	Col 8	Col 9	Col 10	Col 11	Col 12	Col 13	Col 14	Col 15
1	123	700	16	4.3	6	2	25	13	60	8.5
2	145	700	16	4.3	6	2	25	13	60	8.5
3	170	700	20	4.3	6	2	25	13	60	8.5
4	245	700	20	4.3	6	2	25	13	60	8.5

Capacitor Bank Protection

- Capacitor fusing (fuse links)
- Unbalance relaying
- Overcurrent relaying

Capacitor Bank Protection Unbalance Relaying



Capacitor Bank Protection Unbalance & Overcurrent Relaying



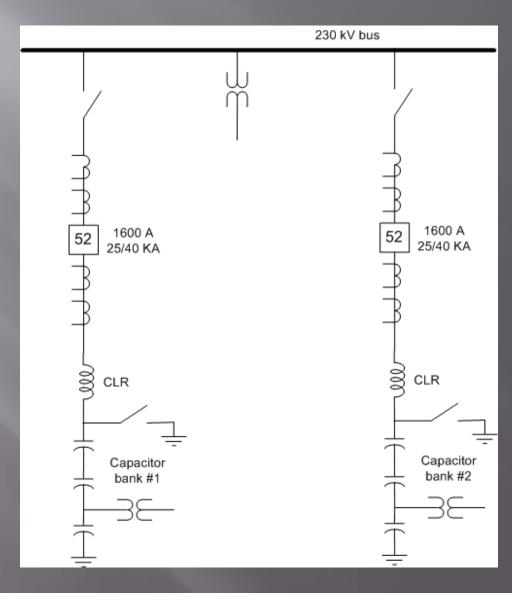
Transient Considerations

- Transient overvoltages& mitigation
- Back-to-back inrush currents & mitigation
- Outrush currents into close-in faults & mitigation
- Current-limiting reactor effect on CB TRV
 - TRV taming capacitance

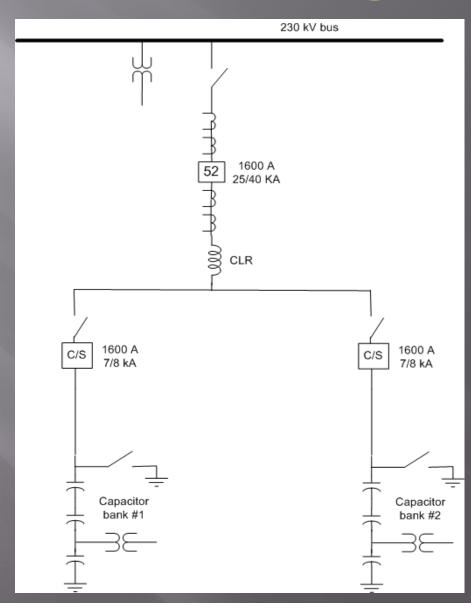




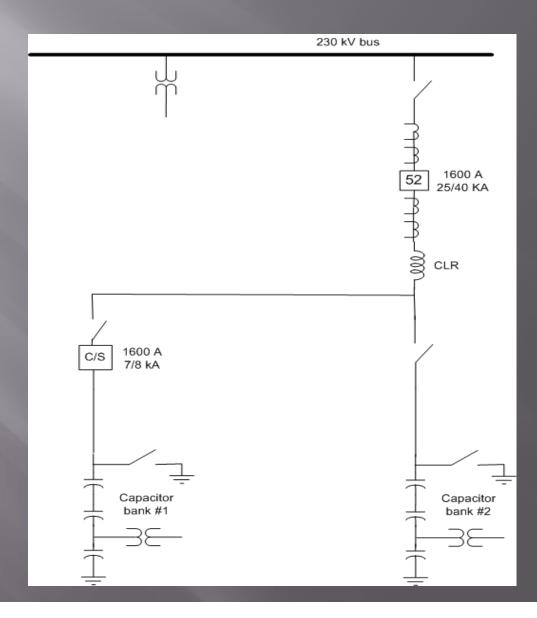
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