

# CT & VT Testing

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# Agenda

- Introduction to CTs and VTs
- Standard Tests for CTs and VTs
- Testing Mythology
- MRCT (Reveal)

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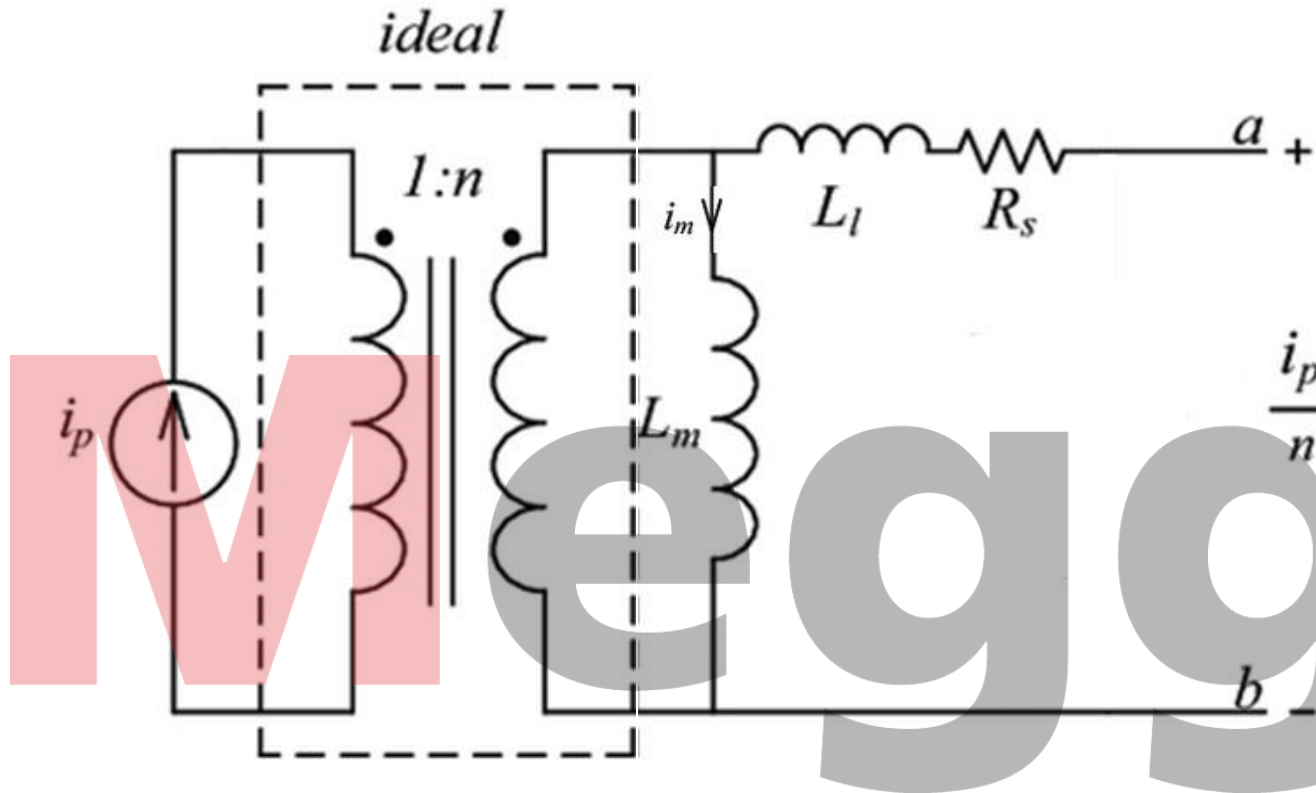
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## Current Transformers

Applications , Identification , Classification

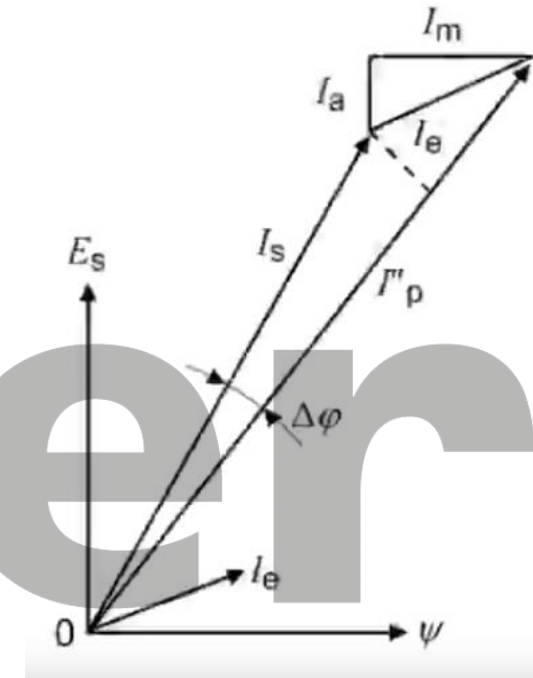
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# Current Transformer



## Ideal CT

$$I_s = \frac{N_1}{N_2} \times I_1$$



## Real CT

$$I_1 I_s = \frac{N_1}{N_2} \times I_1 - I_e$$



# Current Transformers in Applications

■ Metering

■ Protection



# Standard Definition

- IEC 61869-2 – 2012
  - IEC 60044-1
  - IEC 60044-6
- IEEE C37.110 – 2007

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# Name Plate

Most Important Ratings :

1- Ratio (150/5)

2-Burden (15 VA)

3- Classification

a- Accuracy  
b-Factor

Network voltage characteristics  
 Rated insulation voltage: 17.5 kV  
 Power frequency withstand voltage: 38 kV 1 mn 50Hz  
 Impulse withstand voltage: 95 kV peak

CT serial number with year of manufacture

Network current characteristic  
 $I_{th} : 25 \text{ kA/1 s}$   
 $I_{dyn} : 62.5 \text{ kA peak}$

Ratio

1 primary circuit  
 1 secondary circuit 1S1 - 1S2  
 1 secondary circuit 2S1 - 2S2

Accuracy power

Accuracy class

Accuracy limit factor (ALF)

Safety factor (SF)

Applicable CT standard

CT type

MERLIN GERIN									
transformateur de courant - current transformer									
n° 9191671		type		RCF 2 / B					
17.5/38/95		kV		50 Hz		norme standard		CEI - 185	
I <sub>th</sub> 25		kA		1 s		I <sub>dyn</sub> 62.5		kA ext. %	
rapport ratio		bornes terminals		VA		classe class		FS ou FLP	
150/5		1S1 - 1S2		15		0.5		7	
150/5		2S1 - 2S2		15		5P		10	

Source : [Electrical-Engineering-Portal.com](http://Electrical-Engineering-Portal.com)

# Metering CT – IEC 61869-2

The Ratio Error and Phase displacement at rated frequency shall not exceed the values given in the standard

The Burden can assume any value from 25% to 100% of the rated output

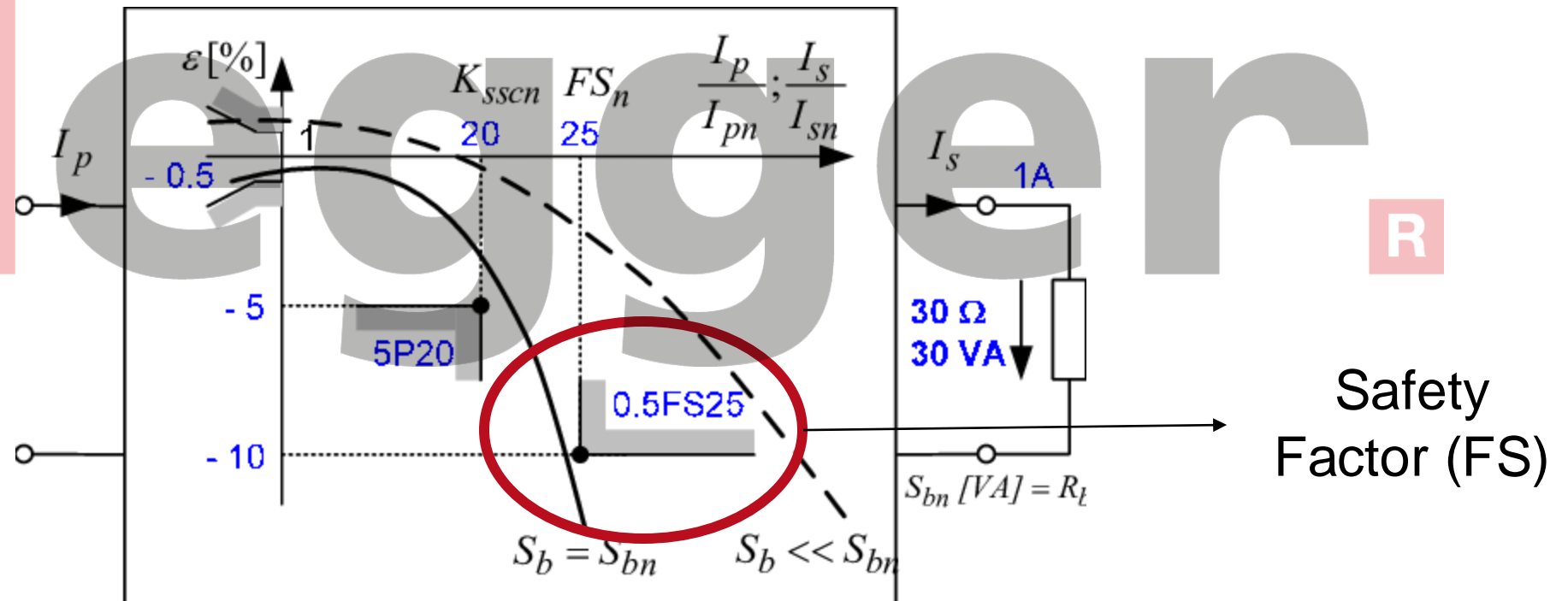
# Accuracy Classification – IEC

Accuracy Class	Percentage current (Ratio Error at Percentage of Rated Current)					Phase Displacement at Percentage of Rated Current									
						Minutes					Cent radians				
	1	5	20	100	120	1	5	20	100	120	1	5	20	100	120
<b>0.1</b>	N/A	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.1	N/A	15	8	5	5	N/A	0.45	0.24	0.15	0.15
<b>0.2</b>	N/A	0.75	0.35	0.2	0.2	N/A	30	15	10	10	N/A	0.9	0.45	0.3	0.3
<b>0.5</b>	N/A	1.5	0.75	0.5	0.5	N/A	90	45	30	30	N/A	2.7	1.35	0.9	0.9
<b>1.0</b>	N/A	3.0	1.5	1.0	1.0	N/A	180	90	60	60	N/A	5.4	2.7	1.8	1.8
<b>0.2S</b>	0.75	0.35	0.2	0.2	0.2	30	15	10	10	10	0.9	0.45	0.3	0.3	0.3
<b>0.5S</b>	1.5	0.75	0.5	0.5	0.5	90	45	30	30	30	2.7	1.35	0.9	0.9	0.9



# Metering (FS) Security Factor

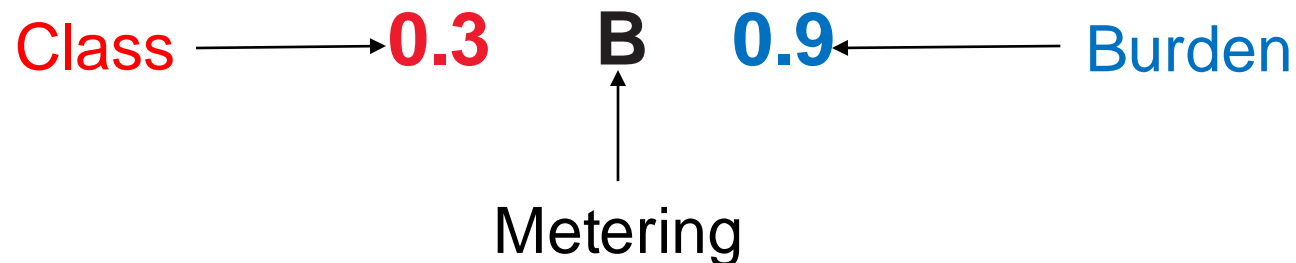
- Factor that should not be exceeded by Metering CT , to protect the Connected Meter from high Fault currents



Source: [www.researchgate.net](http://www.researchgate.net)

# Metering CT - IEEE

- High degree of accuracy at the specified standard burden at 10% and 100% of the rated primary current
- Revenue metering requirement
  - The Transformer correction factor (TCF) of the CT shall be within the specified limits when the PF ( lagging) if the metered load (burden) has any value from 0.6 to 1.0
- The Identifier



# Metering CT - IEEE

Standard accuracy class for metering CTs	Limits of transformer correction factor			
	@ 100% rated current		@ 10% rated current	
	Min	Max	Min	Max
0.3	0.997	1.003	0.994	1.006
0.6	0.994	1.006	0.988	1.012
1.2	0.988	1.012	0.976	1.024

Standard accuracy class for metering CTs	Limits of Transformer correction factor					
	@ 100% rated current		@ 15% rated current		@ 5% rated current	
	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max
0.15	0.9985	1.0015	-		0.997	1.003
0.15S	0.9985	1.0015	0.9985	1.0015	-	

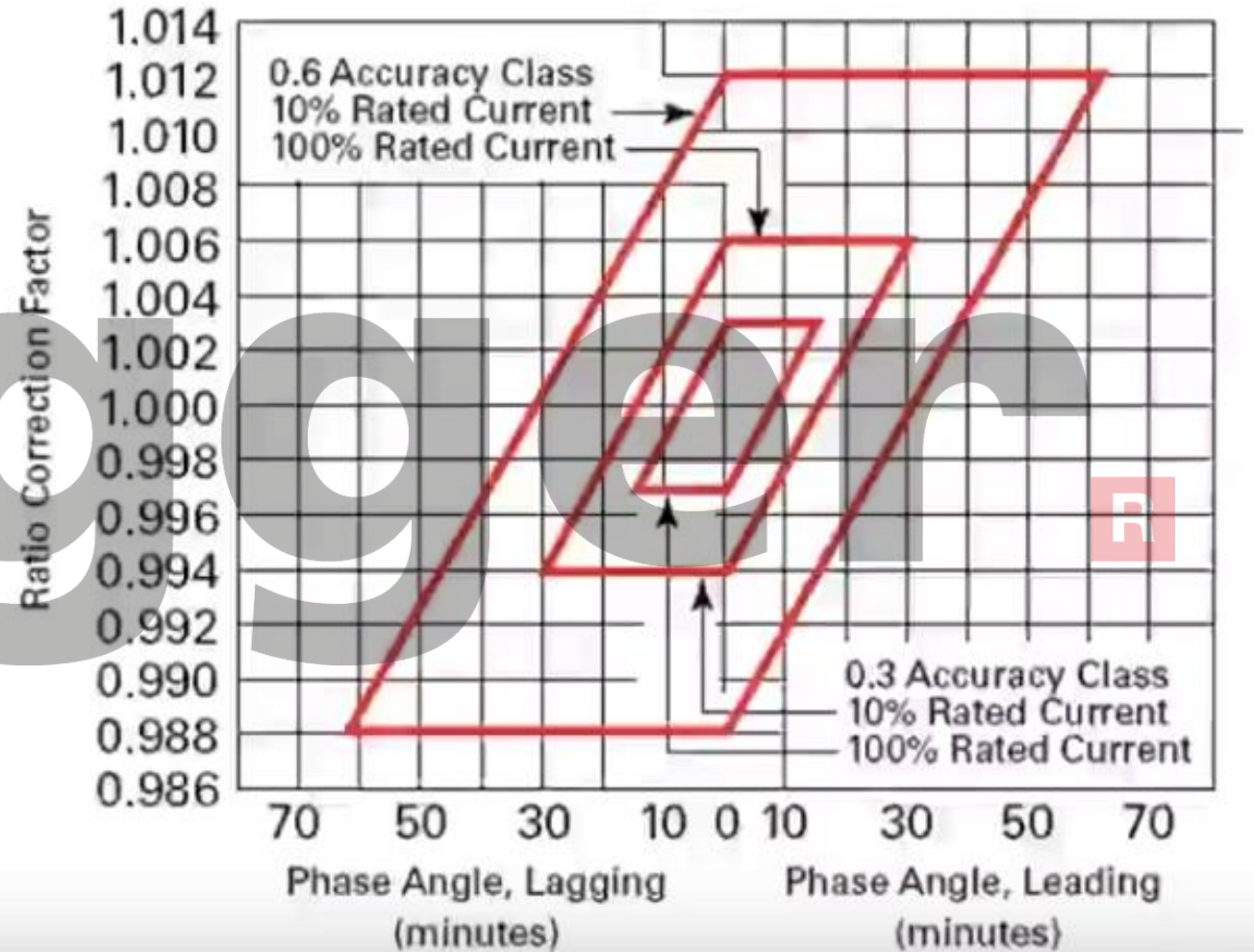
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# Accuracy Class Tolerances for Metering CTs - IEEE

$$RCF = \frac{\text{Actual CT Ratio}}{\text{Nameplate Ratio}}$$

$$\text{Actual Ratio} = \text{Nameplate Ratio} * RCF$$

$$\cos(53.13^\circ - \Delta\phi) = 0.6 \cdot \frac{RCF}{TCF}$$



# Metering CT- Burden

Burden Designation	Resistance (Ω)	Inductance (mH)	Impedance (Ω)	Volt amperes (@ 5 A)	PF
B-0.1	0.09	0.116	0.1	2.5	0.9
B-0.2	0.18	0.232	0.2	5.0	0.9
B-0.5	0.45	0.580	0.5	12.5	0.9
B-0.9	0.81	1.040	0.9	22.5	0.9
B-1.8	1.62	2.080	1.8	45.0	0.9

Burden Designation = Impedance =  $Z = R + j\omega L$

$$VA = V \times I_s = I_s^2 \times Z, I_s = 5 A$$

$$PF = R / Z$$



# Protection Classes- IEC61869-2



# Protection (P) Class CTs – IEC

- IEC 61869-2 Specifies that , the ratio error , phase displacement and composite error shall not exceed the limits specified in the standard
- To maintain the Specified Class connected burden my stay within the rated burden
- ALF ( Accuracy limit Factor)

Accuracy Class	Percent error for the Nominal Primary current	Offset for Primary Rated Current		Compound Error Limit for Primary current Accuracy in %
		Minutes	Centi-radians	
5 P ALF	+/- 1	+/- 60	+/- 1.8	5
10 P ALF	+/- 3	-	-	10

Example :10P20 = not more than +/-10% error at 20 times rated current



**Purpose:** Special-purpose CT for differential/distance protection as per **IEC 61869-2**.



**Defining Feature:** No fixed accuracy class; performance defined by **excitation curve**.



**Parameters:**

**Knee Point Voltage ( $V_k$ ):** Determines linearity.

**Excitation Current ( $I_e$ ):** Current at  $V_k$ .

**Secondary Winding Resistance ( $R_s$ ):** Affects CT performance.

**Turns Ratio ( $N$ ):** Ensures relay accuracy.



**Application:** High-accuracy differential protection (transformer, line, generator) to prevent CT saturation.

# Low remanence Type CT (PR Class)

- Low remanence Type CT (PR Class)
  - E.g. 5PRX , X = ALF (accuracy limiting Factor)
  - Where the remanence shall not Exceed 10%
  - Usually contains air Gaps to achieved that

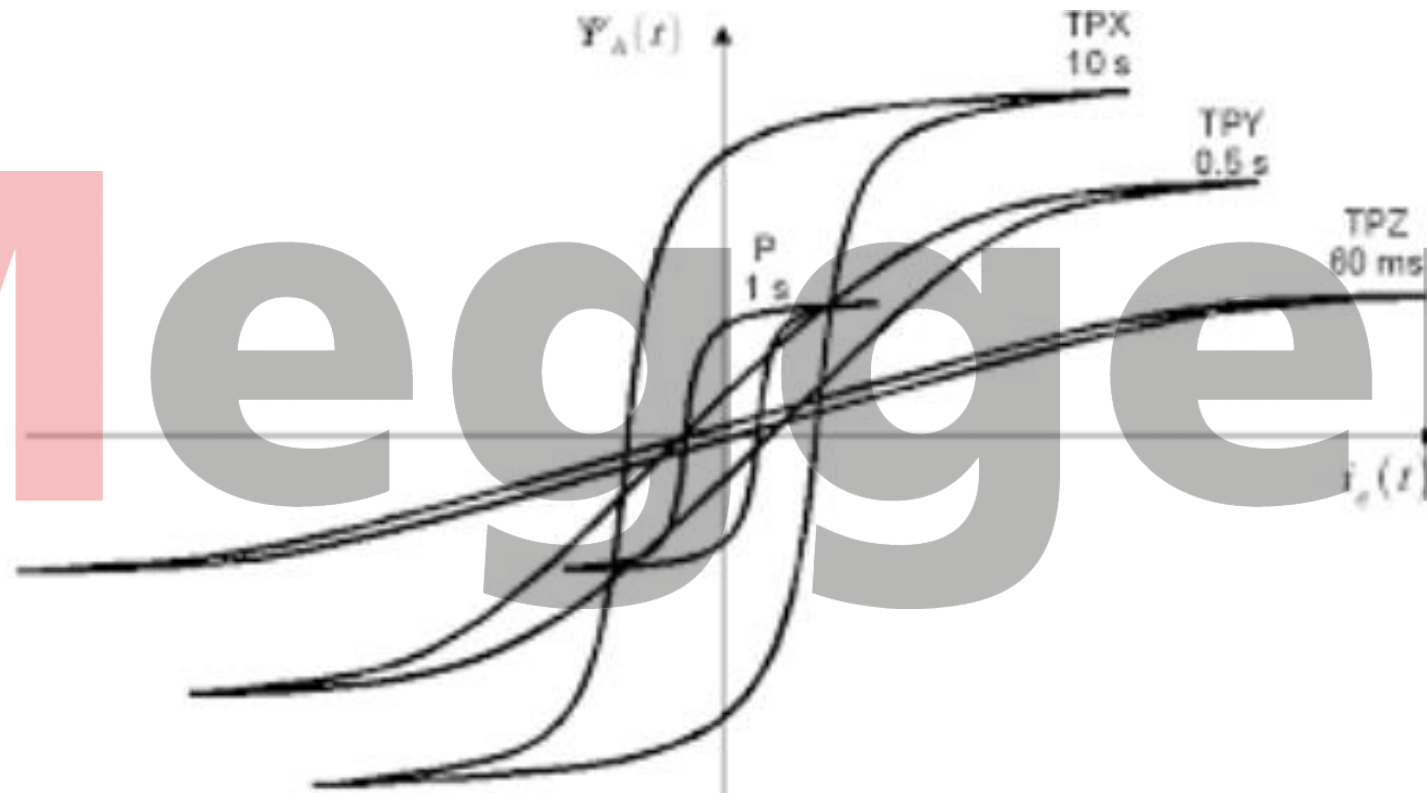
Example : 10PR20 = not more than +/-10% error at 20 times rated current  
Shall not exceed more than 10% Remanence

# TP Classes(Transient conditions)

- IEC 61689-2 defines the accuracy classes TPX, TPY and TPZ. The cores designed for transient current including AC and DC with Specified Duty Cycles
- TPX have no air gaps. High remanence CT.
- TPY with small air gaps. Low remanence CT.
- TPZ the air gaps will be large. Non remanence CT.



# Characteristics Transient Classes



Source : [IEEEExplore.ieee.org](http://IEEEExplore.ieee.org)

## ■ Protective Relaying

- Protection Class CTs provide input information for the protection of a power system
- IEEE C57.13.1 – 2006 specifies that protection CTs must maintain a ratio error of no more than  $\pm 10\%$  in a range from 1 to 20 times rated secondary current at the specified load

# Protection CT – Classification IEEE

## Class T

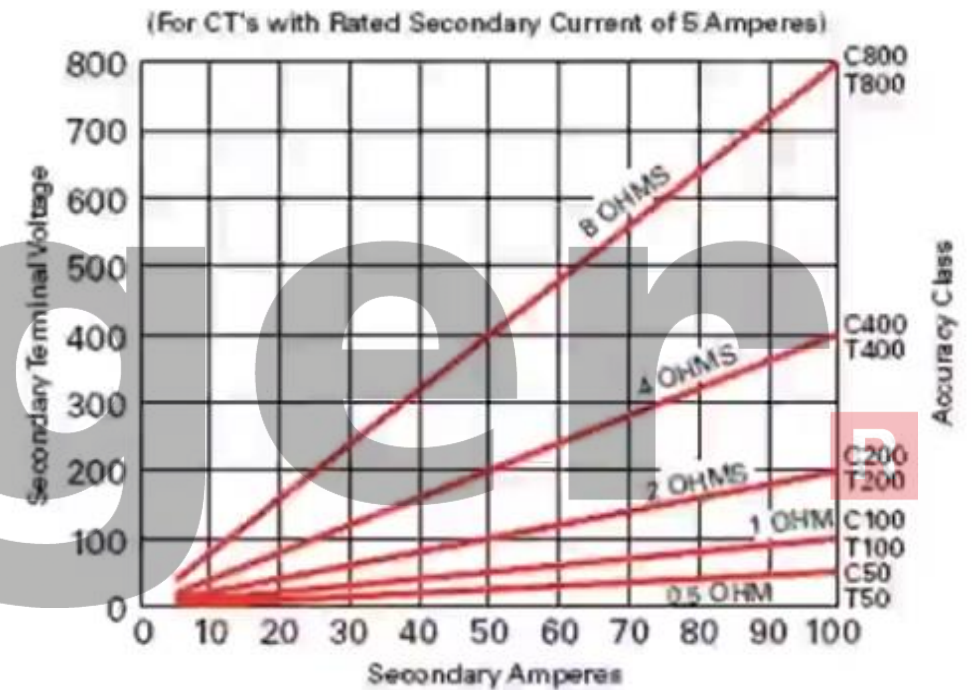
- Covers the CTs where the leakage flux in the core creates a 1% difference between the actual ratio correction and the calculated ratio correction within the current and burden limits , in this case the ratio must be Tested (name **T** come from)

## Class C

- Widely use , Covers the CTs that leakage flux in the core has a **negligible** effect on the ratio within the limits of current and burden , so that ratio can be Calculated (name Class **C** comes from)

# Protection CTs – Standard Burden IEEE

Burden	R ( $\Omega$ )	L (mH)	Z ( $\Omega$ )	VA (at 5A)	PF
B – 1	0.50	2.30	1.0	25	0.5
B – 2	1.00	4.60	2.0	50	0.5
B – 4	2.00	9.20	4.0	100	0.5
B – 8	4.00	18.40	8.0	200	0.5



# **Voltage Transformer (VT) Testing**

Applications , Identification , Classification

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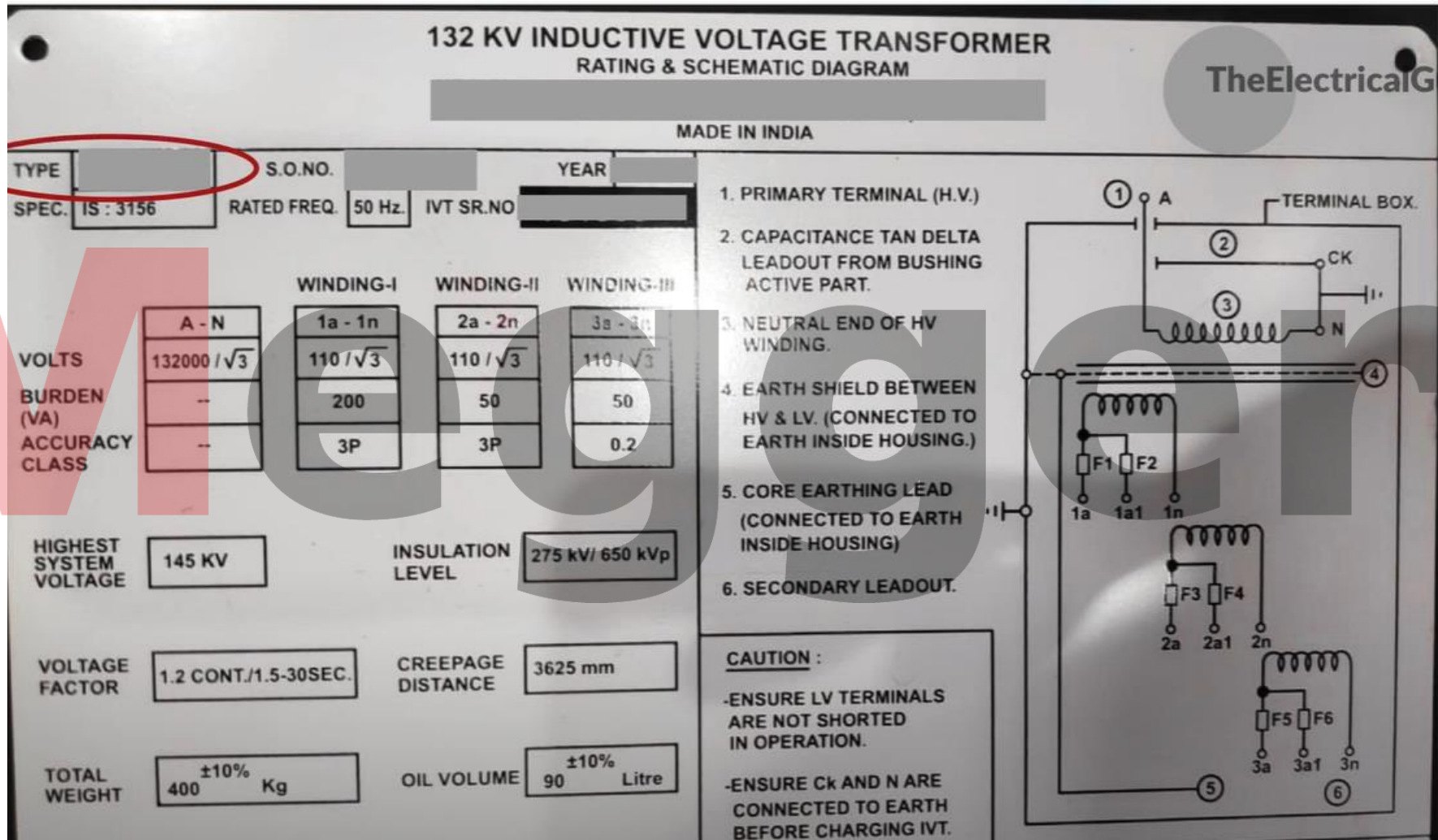
A circuit diagram showing a parallel circuit. A battery is connected to a parallel combination of three branches. The first branch contains a capacitor labeled 'C2'. The second branch contains a switch labeled 'G' in series with an inductor labeled 'L0'. The third branch contains a single inductor labeled 'L0'. The circuit is grounded on the right side.



# Standard Definitions

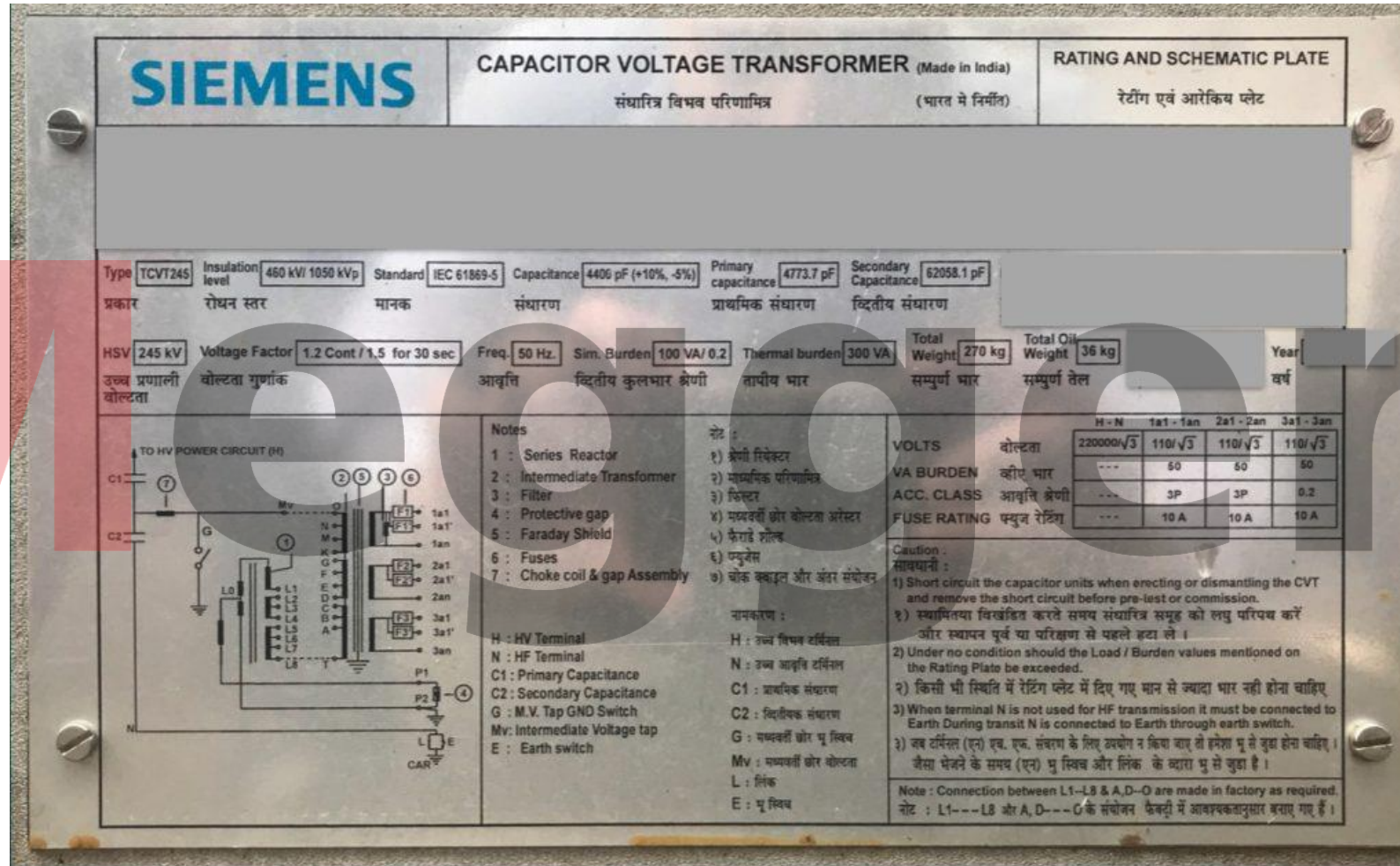
- IEC 61869-3 – *Instrument transformers – Part 3: Additional requirements for inductive voltage transformers*
  - IEC 60044-2 are withdrawn voltage transformer standards
- IEC-61869-5- Additional requirements for capacitor voltage transformers
- IEEE Std C57.13 – *IEEE Standard Requirements for Instrument Transformers*

# IVT Nameplate



<https://www.theelectricalguy.in>

# CVT Nameplate



<https://www.theelectricalguy.in/tutorials/nameplate-details-of-capacitive-voltage-transformer-explained/>



# Voltage Transformers in Applications

■ Metering

■ Protection



# IEC61869 – Classes

## ■ Metering Classes

- 0.1
- 0.2
- 0.5
- 1
- 3

## ■ Defined Accuracy from 80%-120%

## ■ Protection Classes

- 3P
- 6P

## ■ Defined Accuracy from 5%-120%

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# IEC61869 Burdens

10 VA

25 VA

50 VA

100 VA

200 VA

400 VA

15 VA

30 VA

75 VA

150 VA

300 VA

500 VA

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# IEEE Std Classes

## ■ Metering Classes

- 0.15
- 0.3
- 0.6
- 1.2

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# IEEE Std Burdens

M	—	35 VA,	pf = 0.2
W	—	12.5 VA,	pf = 0.1
X	—	25 VA,	pf = 0.7
Y	—	75 VA,	pf = 0.85
Z	—	200 VA,	pf = 0.85
ZZ	—	400 VA,	pf = 0.85

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## CT and VT Tests

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# Standard Field Electrical Tests for CTs

- Insulation Resistance
- Winding Resistance
  - Demagnetization of Ct
- Excitation / Saturation ( Knee point)
- Ratio and phase deviation
- Polarity
- Burden

## ■ Typical Tests

- Insulation Resistance
- Winding Resistance
  - Demagnetization of VT
- Ratio and phase deviation
- Knee-point (Saturation Test)
- Short-Circuit (impedance) Test

## ■ Additional Tests(Depends)

- Tan-Delta Test (Power Factor)
- DFR (Dielectric Frequency response)
- Partial Discharge

# Testing methodology

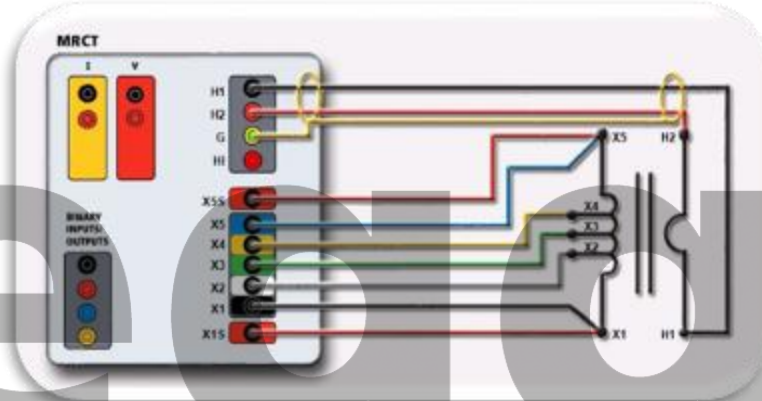
## Primary Current Injection



Pros :  
-Direct Actual Values

Cons :  
Difficult setup  
Not possible to automate  
Limited to Source  
No full assessment

## Hybrid (Primary – Secondary)



Pros:  
-Direct Actual Values  
-Easy Setup  
-Automate Testing (one click)  
-Assessment

## Secondary Voltage Injection



Pros :  
-Easy Setup  
-Automate Testing (one click)  
-Assessment

Cons :  
Not Actual Values  
Indirect Results  
Lower Voltages

# Megger MRCT

The Hybrid Primary and  
Secondary Injection

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# MRCT – Megger Voltage and Current Transformer Tester

- Dedicated CT & VT and CVT Tester
- Small and lightweight
- Performs all usual CT test in Single Connection
  - Winding Resistance
  - Ratio
  - Knee-point
  - Burden measurement
- Perform 5 taps Testing Simultaneously
- Can perform Insulation resistance test (1 kV)
- 2Kv Source for VT and CVT testing

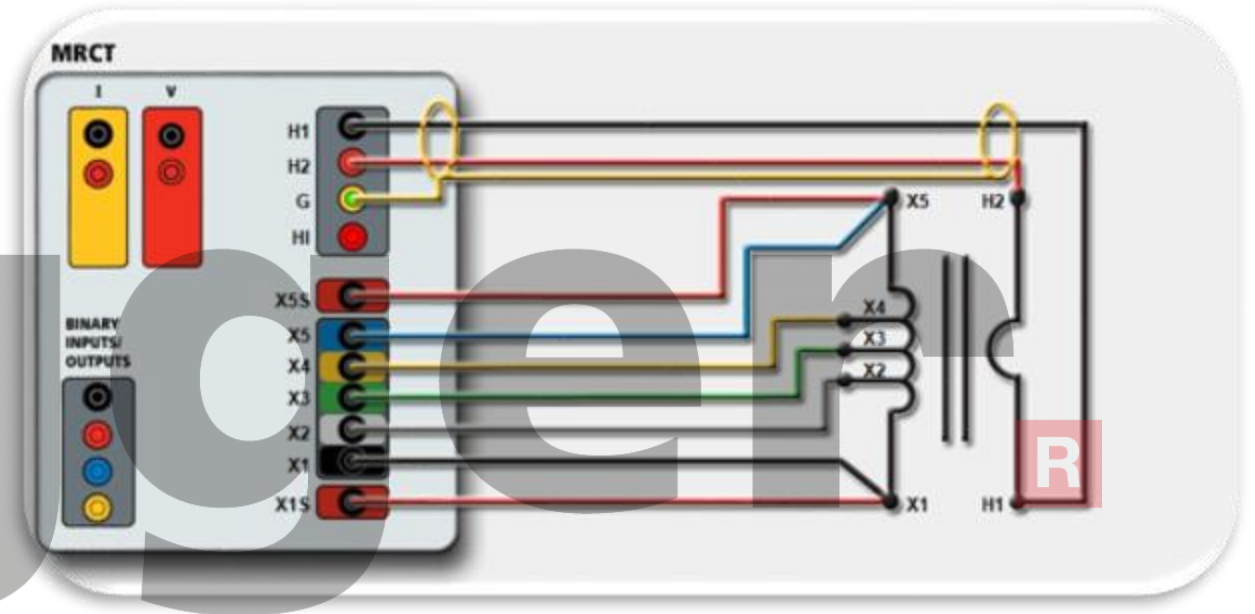


# Operated by built-in touchscreen



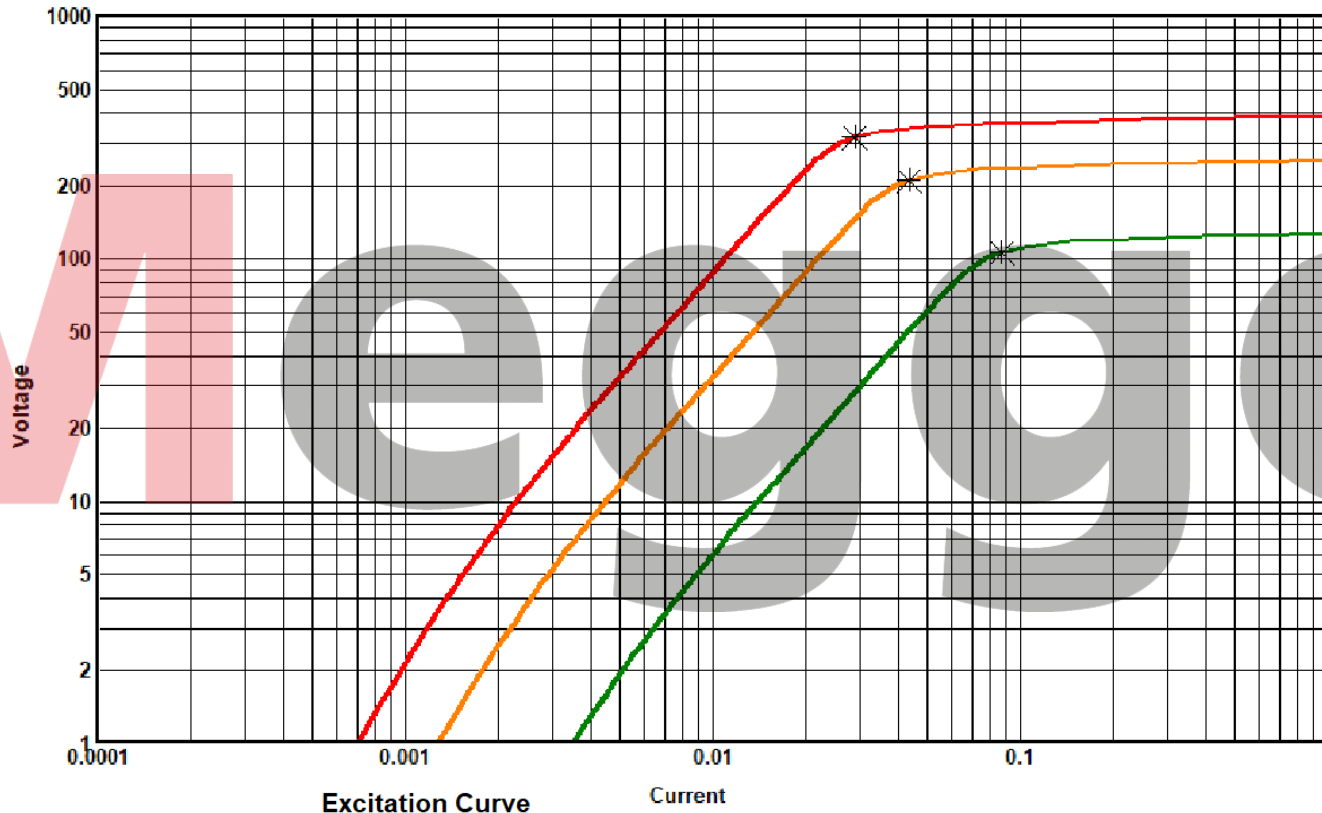
# Simultaneous Tap measurement

- Patented Concurrent method for testing up to 5 taps simultaneously and in one connection
- **No switchbox** or internal switching needed!
  - All taps are tested at the same time



# Kneepoint measurement

- Measures CT kneepoints upto 2kV – using AC voltage injection method
- Uses DC method to measure knee points up to **30kV**



- Supports for both IEC and ANSI standards for kneepoint measurement

# Test Transformer Bushing CTs

- Ability to tests CTs mounted on power transformers bushings



# Fully automated testing, assessment and reporting

No. of CTs  No. of Cores  No. of Taps  CT Label  Name

Manufacturer

Serial No.

Asset ID

Phase

Buried CT in Delta Connection ☐

Simulated Primary Leads Swap ☐

Zero Sequence CT ☐

In Service Tap

Saturation Standard

Accuracy Class

VA

FS

Actual Burden (VA)

PF

**Ratios**

S1-S2  :  S1-S3  :

Custom User Defined Fields

Test Frequency Line

VA By Tap

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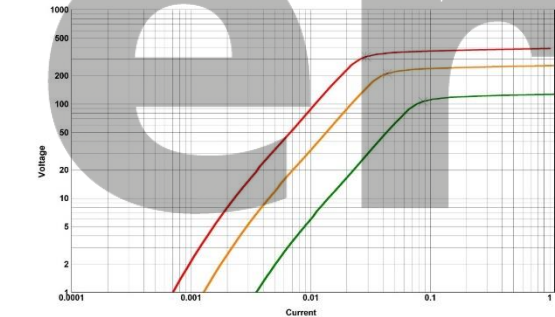
## CT TEST REPORT



CUSTOMER  DATE  PAGE   
ADDRESS  AMBIENT TEMP.   
SUBSTATION  HUMIDITY  ASSET ID   
POSITION  TEST STATUS

CT: CT1		NAMEPLATE DATA			
MANUFACTURER		SERIAL NO.		IN SERVICE TAP	S1-S2
ASSET ID		ACCURACY CLASS	0.5	Meter	SATURATION STD
PHASE		FS	5	VA	30

Tap	Ratio				Knee		Phase Dev.	Polarity	Resist. (Ohms)
	Nameplate	Measured	% Error	Test V (V)	Test I (A)	Prim V (V)	Volt (V)	Cur. (A)	
S1-S2	400:1	389.599:1	-5.098	19.915	0.0073	0.0523	211.48	0.0437	2"8"
S1-S3	600:1	572.445:1	-4.814	29.954	0.0048	0.0523	318.08	0.0290	2"8"
S2-S3	200:1	191.846:1	-4.250	10.038	0.0144	0.0523	106.60	0.0886	2"8"



Tap	Lm	Ls	Ts
S1-S2	16.293	0.0121	0.5177
S1-S3	36.864	0.0298	1.1435
S2-S3	4.1390	0.0020	0.1345

VA / PF		Ratio and Phase Error						
		S1-S2						
		Ratio Error (%) at % of Rated Current	1	5	10	20	50	100
30.0 VA / 0.8		1.7045	2.7985	3.2034	3.5521	3.9278	4.1539	4.2071
15.0 VA / 0.8		3.0698	3.7156	3.9448	4.1524	4.3825	4.5236	4.5561
7.50 VA / 0.8		3.8292	4.2542	4.3790	4.5007	4.6438	4.7346	4.7560
3.75 VA / 1.0		4.7295	4.8285	4.8390	4.8491	4.8874	4.9217	4.9311

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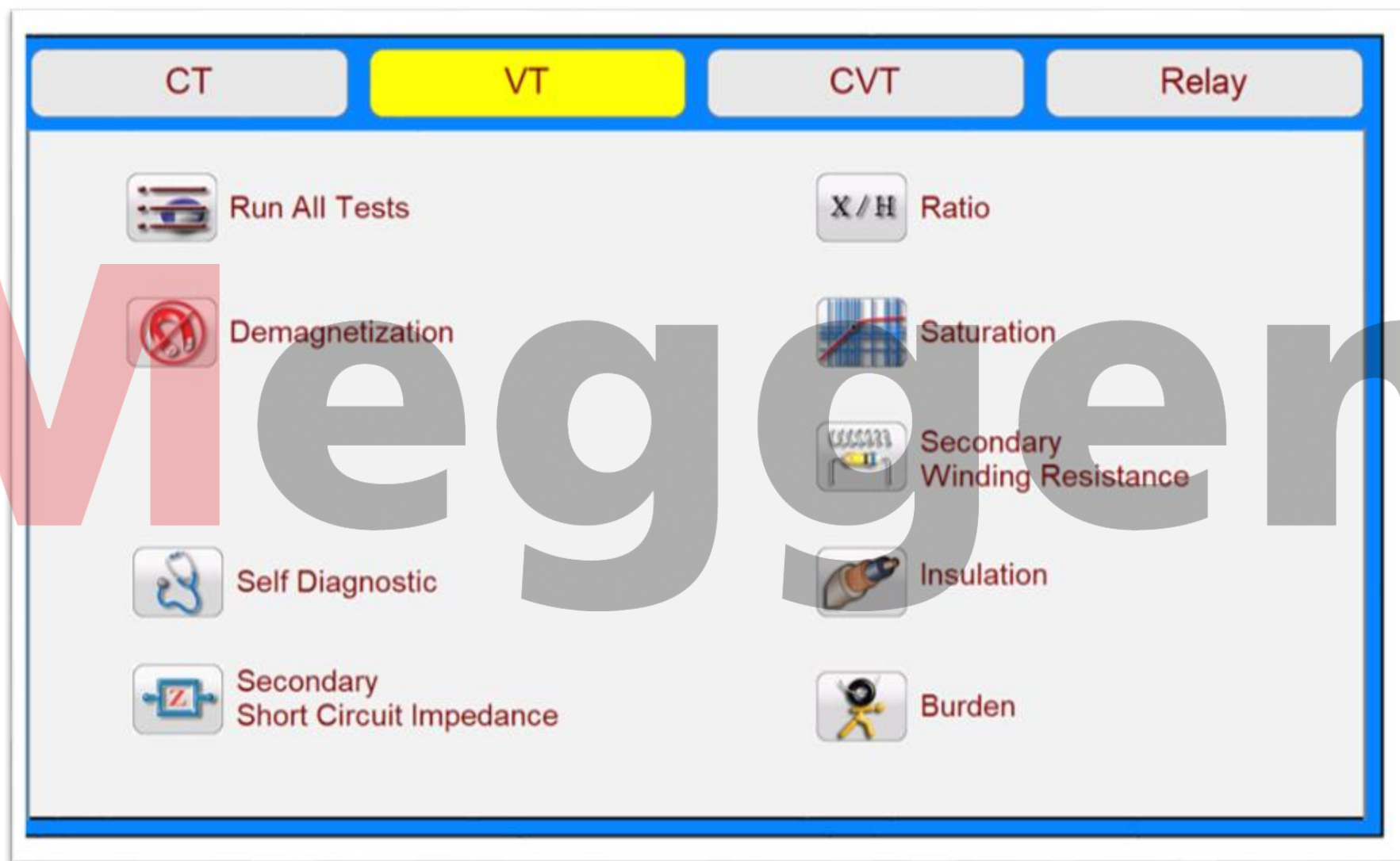
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# VT Testing





# MRCT – Megger Relay and CT Tester



Capacitive Voltage  
Transformer

**Any Questions?**  
Thank you very much for your Attention



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- For Your info , additional information in the slides below

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## Essential VT Tests

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# TRAX

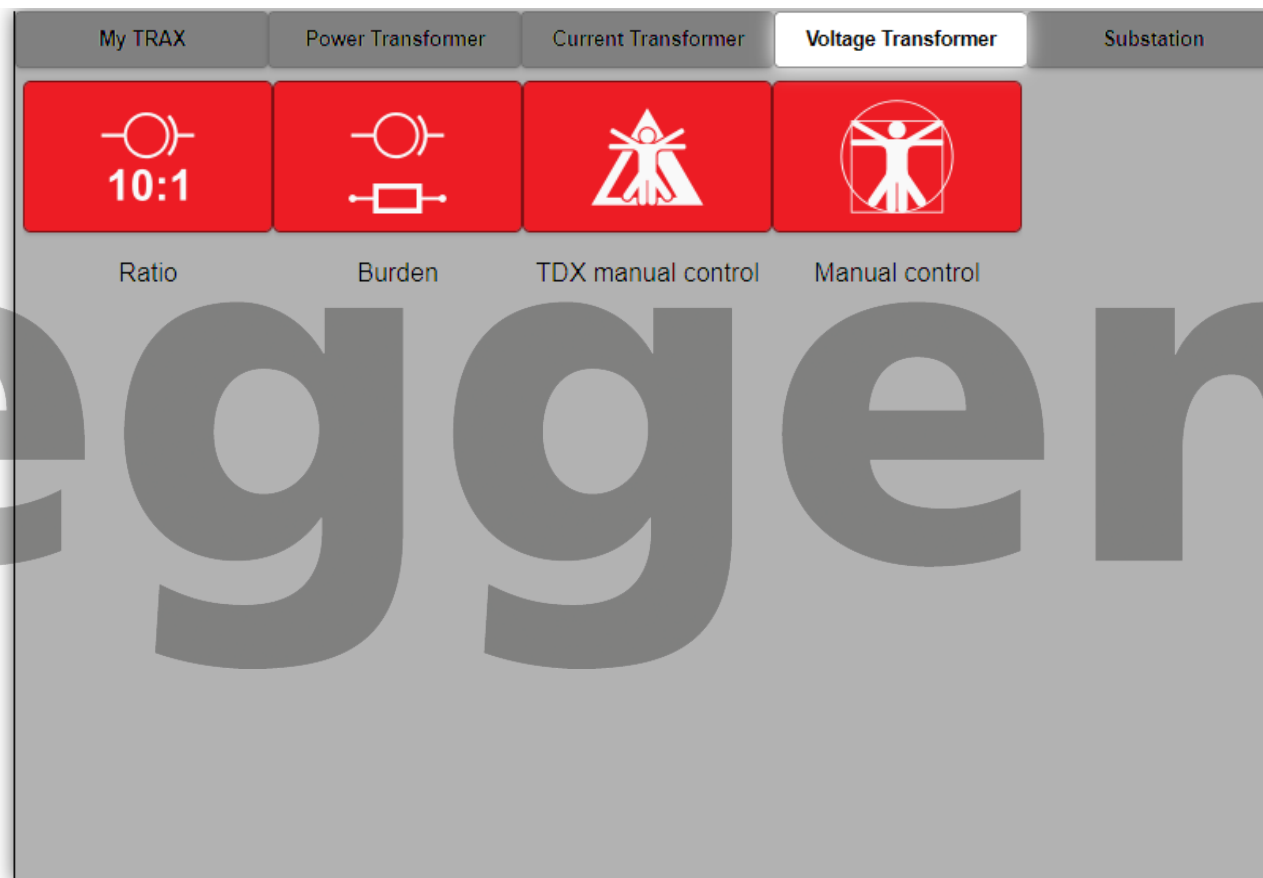


Multifunction transformer and substation test system

**TRAX - Multifunction Transformer and Substation Test System**



TDX120 Tan-Delta unit



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# Test Transformer Bushing CTs

- Ability to test CTs mounted on power transformers bushings



# DELTA4000 (Tan-Delta)

- Power factor test set
- Automatic and manual operation
- Accurate and repeatable measurement results with high noise suppression
- Lightweight, rugged two-piece design
- New built-in intelligent temperature correction (patent pending)
- New automatic voltage dependence detection (patent pending)





# Dialectic Frequency Response



IDAX300



IDAX350



IDAX322