



Powerful-CB

Closedown Webinar

18/08/2022



Agenda

10:00 – 10:10

Welcome and introduction

Loukas Douvaras, UK Power Networks and Tobias Hintzen, ABB

10:10 – 10:20

Project overview

Loukas Douvaras, UK Power Networks

10:20 – 10:40

What we did

Jesper Magnusson, ABB and Jack McKellar, UK Power Networks

10:40 – 10:55

The results and next steps

Jesper Magnusson and Martin Kropf, ABB

10:55 – 11:00

Summary and close

Loukas Douvaras, UK Power Networks

11:00 – 11:30

Q&A

Whole team

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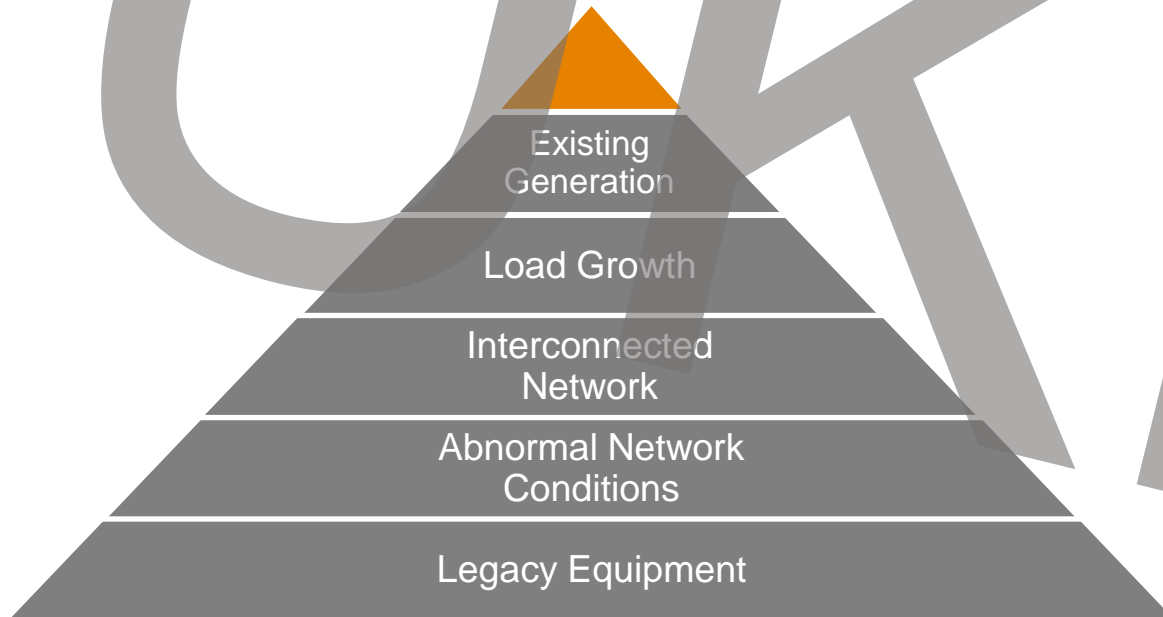
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Project motivation

Short circuit current situation



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Short circuit current situation

Limit fault current

Flexibility services

Network reinforcement

Existing Generation

Abnormal Network Conditions

Challenges

Existing infrastructure at capacity limit

London target: Net Zero by 2030

Existing Fault Limiting Mitigation Technologies unfit for purpose within London Power Network

Polling

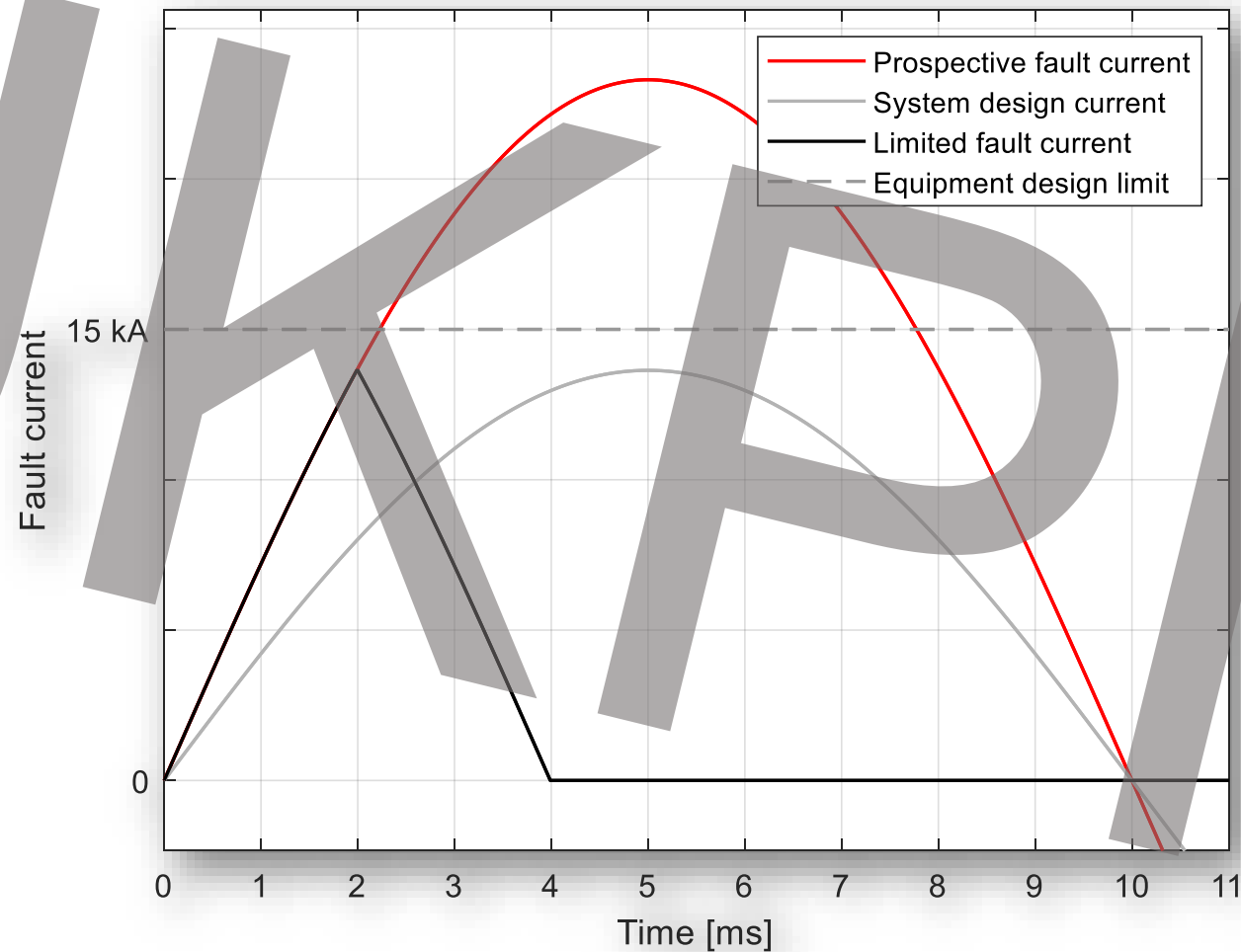
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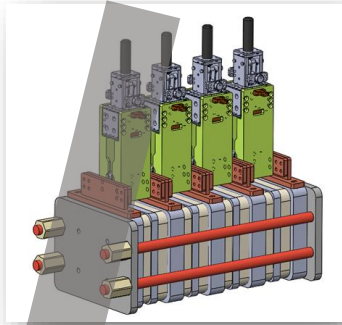
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FLCB operation principles

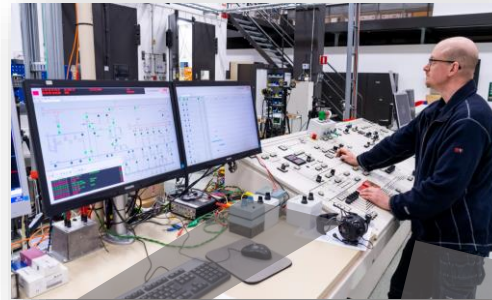


Powerful CB project outline



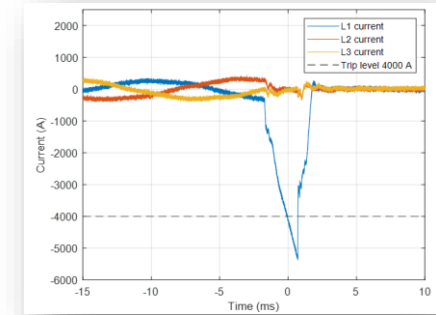
Idea and requirements

2017



Verification

2019



Monitoring of pilot

2020-2022

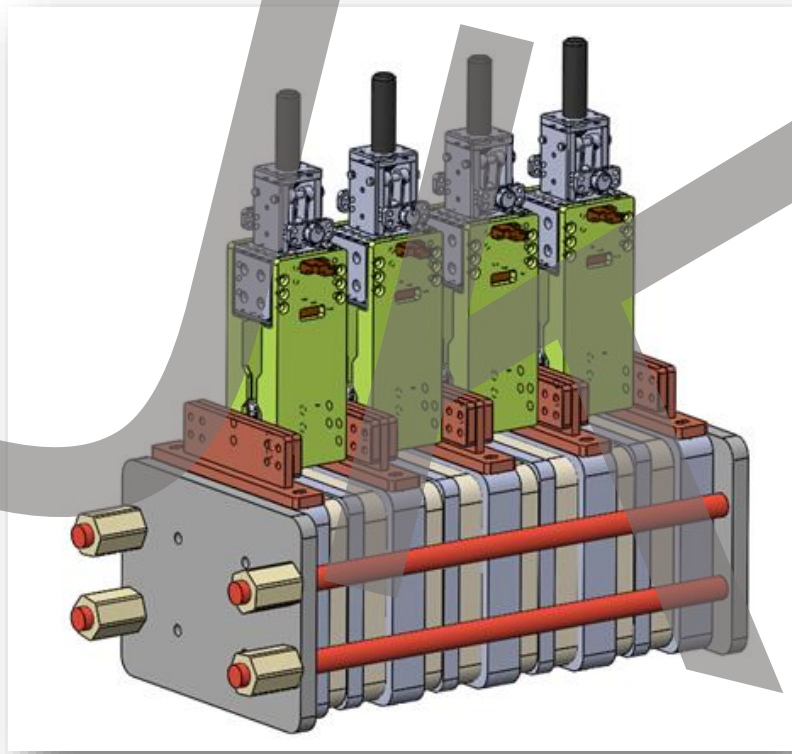
Design and implementation



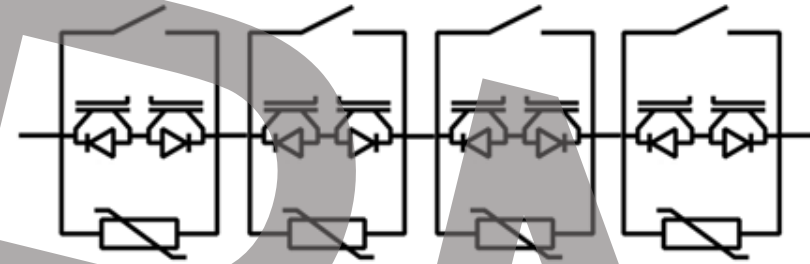
Commissioning



Hybrid technology concept



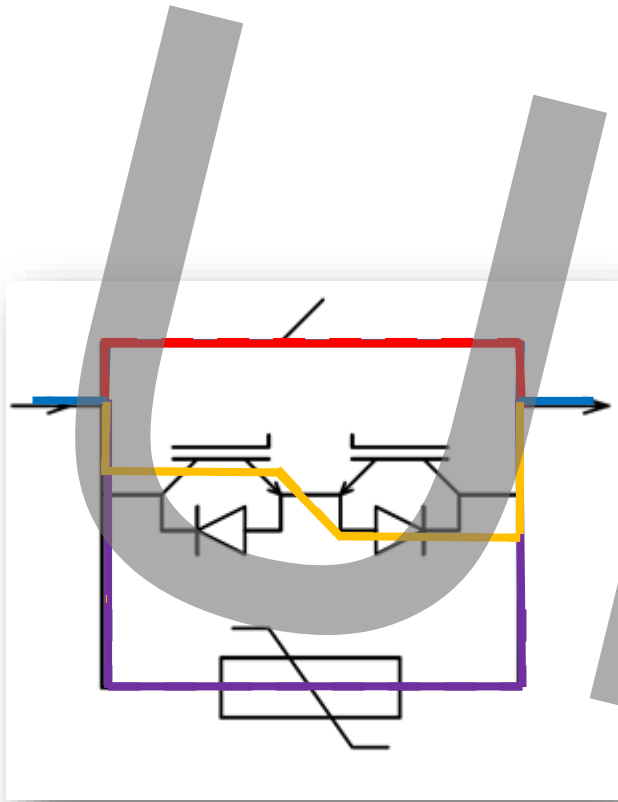
← Mechanical switches
- Low losses



← Power Electronics
- Fast switching

Combines the best of two technologies, power electronics and mechanical switches

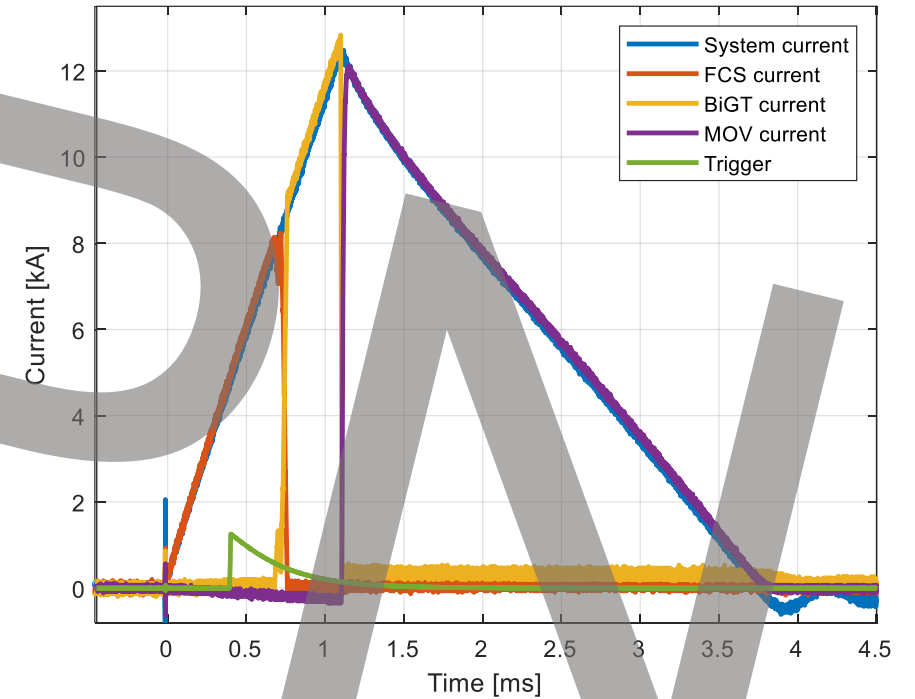
Hybrid technology concept



Fast commutation switch (FCS)

Semiconductor switch (BiGT)

Metal-oxide varistor (MOV)



Design according to requirements agreed with UKPN

Ultra fast – limitation within 1 ms

Low losses – No active cooling

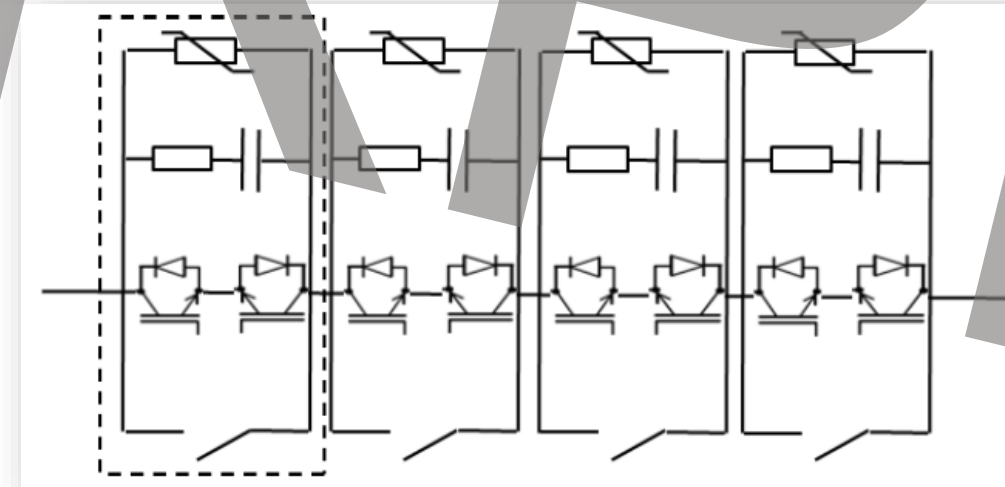
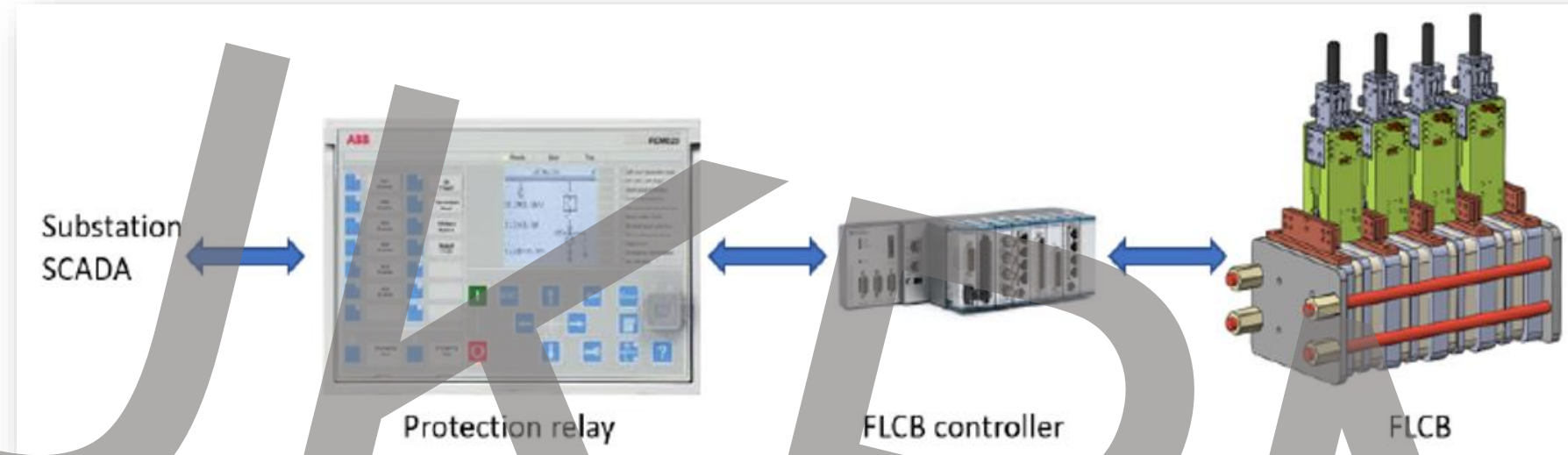
Compact – Compared to existing solutions

Multiple operations

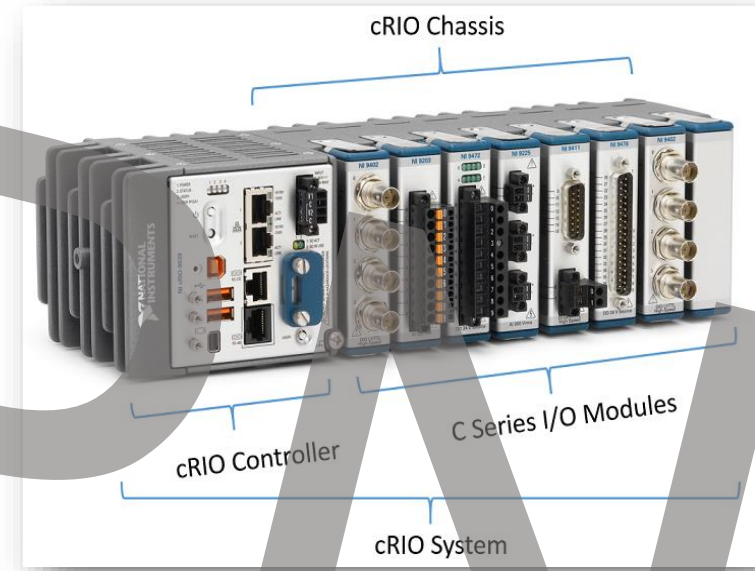
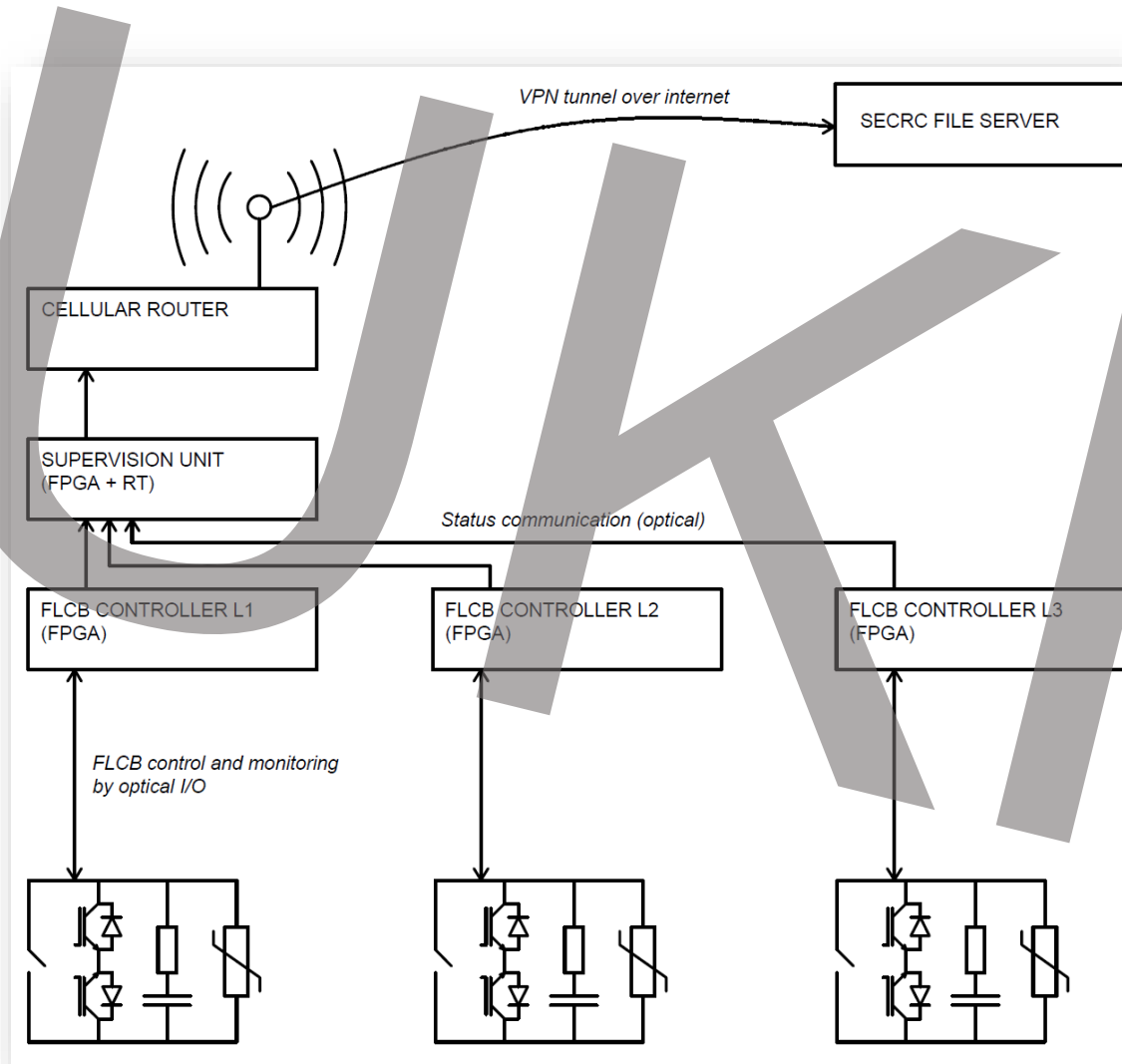
Commercially available	Specifically developed
BiGT	FCS
MOV	Control software
Panels	Gate drive units
QR6	
REF	

Nominal voltage	11 kV	(12 kV)
Nominal current	1250 A	(2000 A)
Prospective fault current	16 kA	(25 kA)
Limited peak current	13 kA	
Interruption time	< 1 millisecond	
Mechanical endurance	(2000 operations)	
Electrical endurance	(100 operations)	
Actual grid values, pilot design levels in parenthesis		

High focus on reliability



FLCB control and monitoring system



Control system based on National Instruments CompactRIO platform

Polling

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Requirement and verification

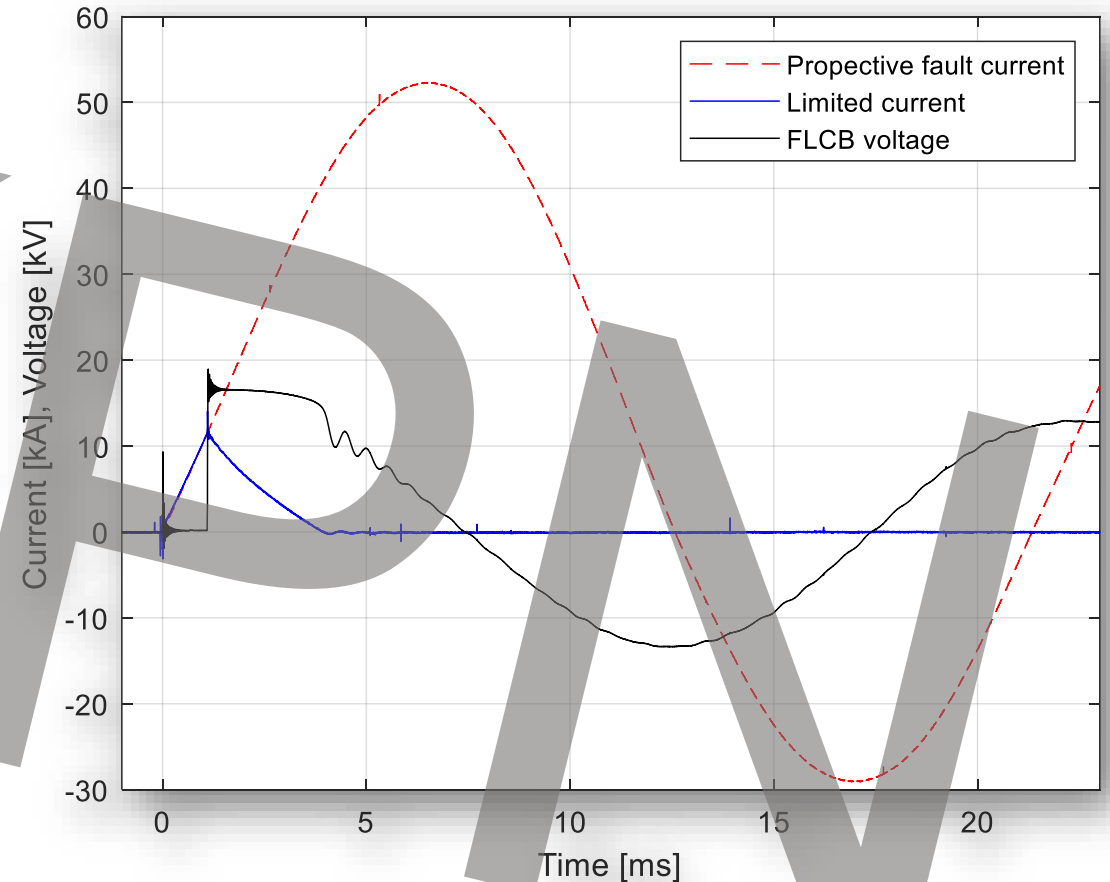
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Testing according to standard (IEC 62271-100)

Interruption, 25 kA prospective
Close-Open, 25 kA prospective
28 kV AC, 1 min
75 kV BIL
2000 A temperature rise
STC, 25 kA, 1 s
Internal arc testing

Additional tests for pilot (Agreed with the customer)

Current limited 0.7 ms after trip
Current peak limited to < 13 kA
Mechanical endurance
Electrical endurance
EMC
STC, 16 kA, 3 s

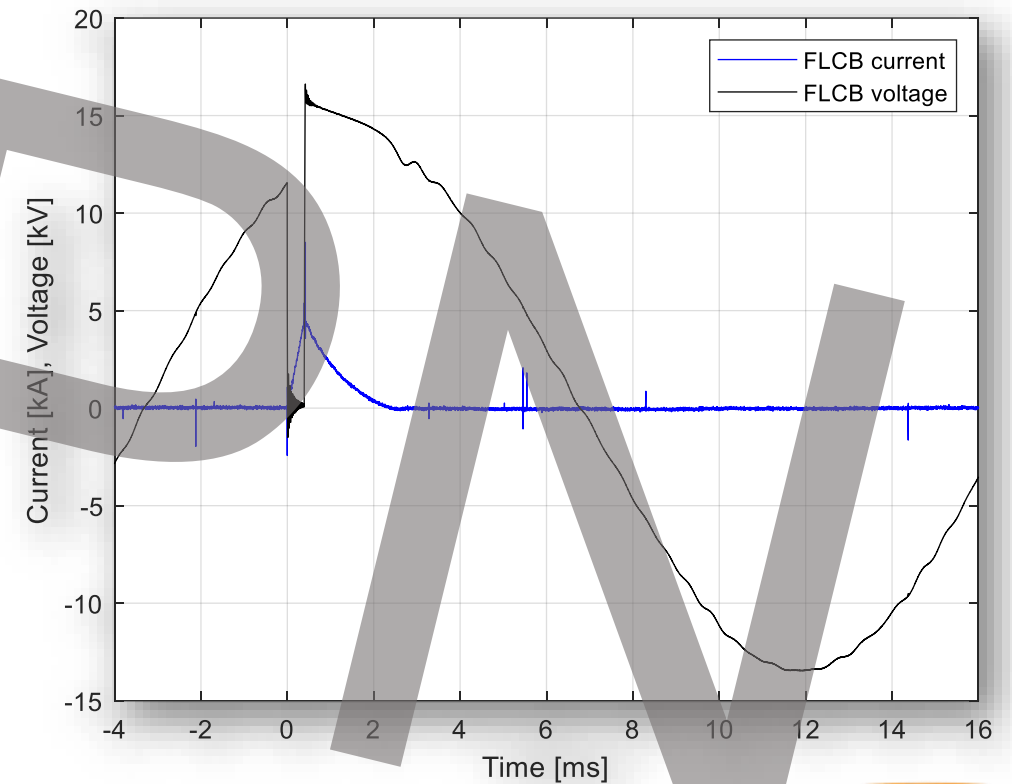


Additional testing according to standard

CO-CO with full prospective SC current

(3 min)

Test No.	HQ 136 F 001 /	27	28	29	
Operating sequence and time intervals		CO	CO	CO	
Applied voltage	kV	9.38	9.43	9.44	
Peak current	kA	52.3	4.44	4.18	
Current at tripping	kA	-	4.20	4.46	
Breaking current (r.m.s.)	kA	25.3	-	-	
Recovery voltage (r.m.s.)	kV	9.19	9.35	9.36	
Transient recovery voltage	Peak value u_c	kV	17.5	16.8	16.7
	Time t_3	μ s	68.7	-	-
	Time delay t_d	μ s	12.9	-	-
	Rate of rise u_c/t_3	kV/ μ s	0.26	-	-
	Time to peak t_2	μ s	-	27.4	26.8
	Rate of rise u_c/t_2	kV/ μ s	-	0.61	0.62
	Current duration	ms	42.1	2.4	2.5
	Clearing time	μ s	-	19.9	19.7
Occurrence of NSDD		no	no	no	
Test result		-	P	P	



Trial selection

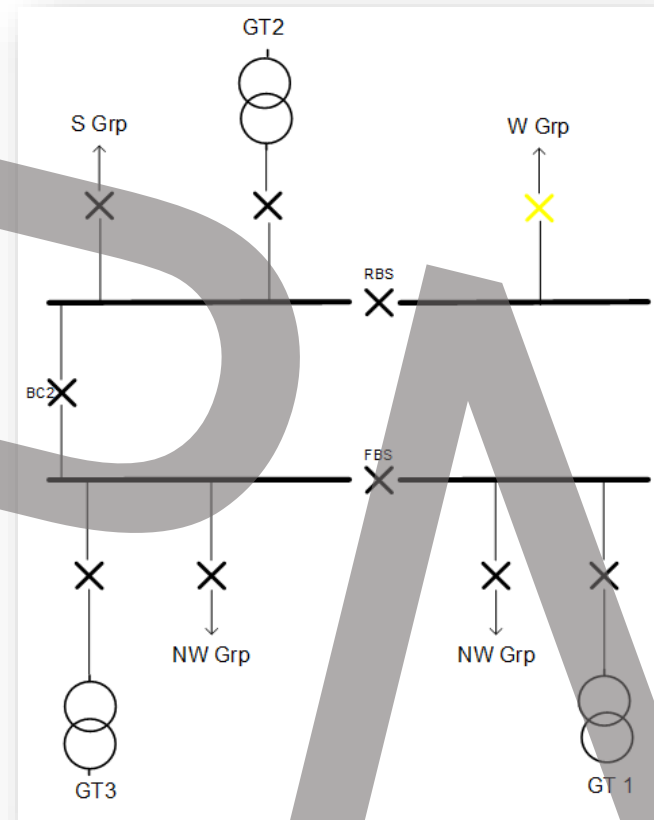
High incidence of fault

Existing protection would be sufficient

Spare room in the substation

LPN dense urban environment area

Glaucus Street site layout



Entrance to building

Installation activities



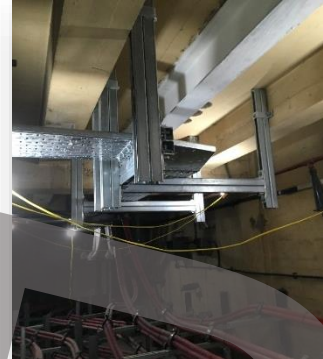
Room cleared of spare equipment ready for FLCB installation



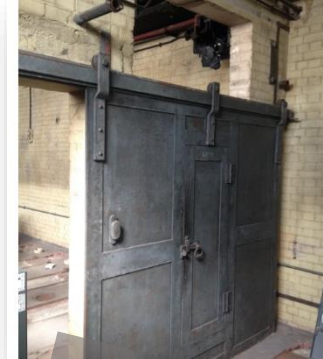
Room prepared, floor levelled and holes made for HV cables and multicore cables



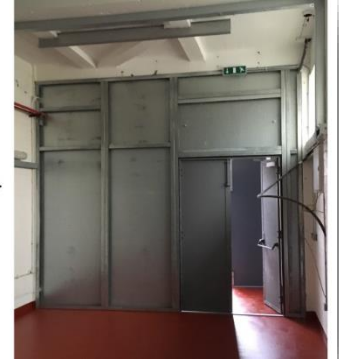
Floor finished ready for installation of FLCB



Installed supporting steelwork and cable trays



Asbestos containing walls replaced with fire-rated durasteel walls



Installation activities

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Extension of existing busbar to include 2x feeder panels



Retrofit vacuum circuit breakers installed



Delivery of FLCB to site

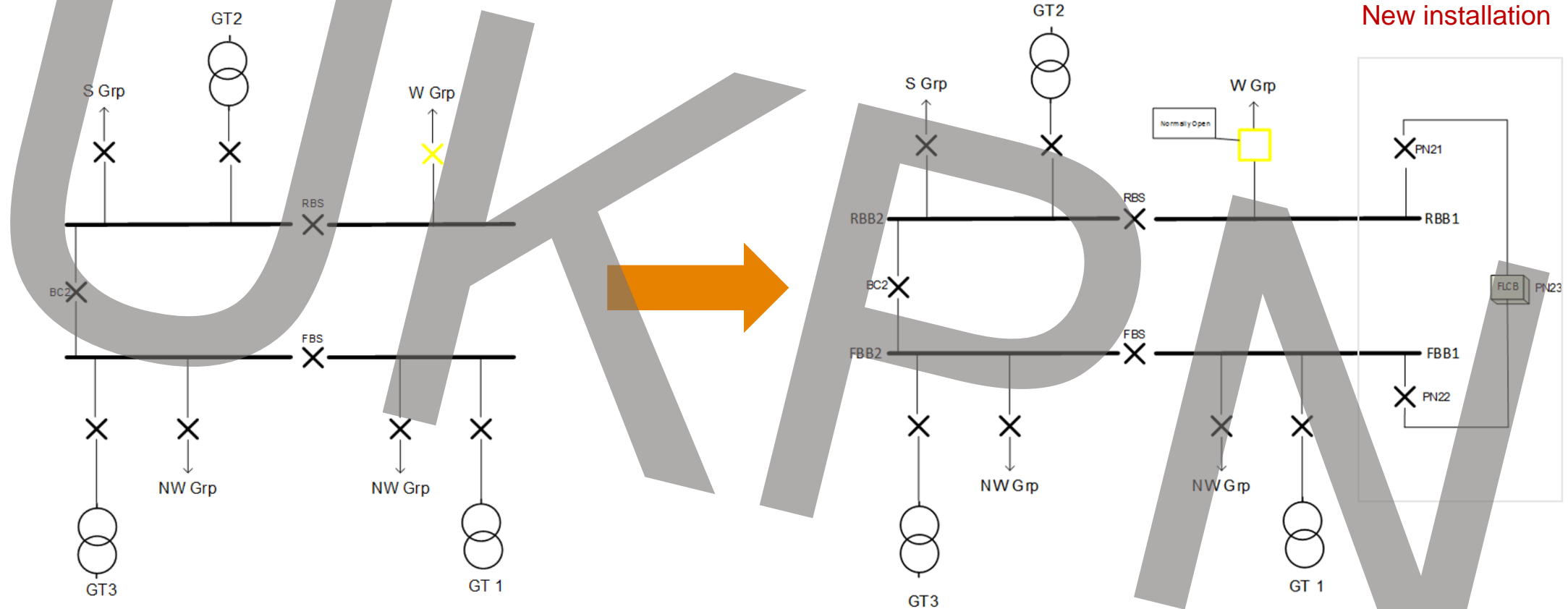


Installation of FLCB

Installation activities

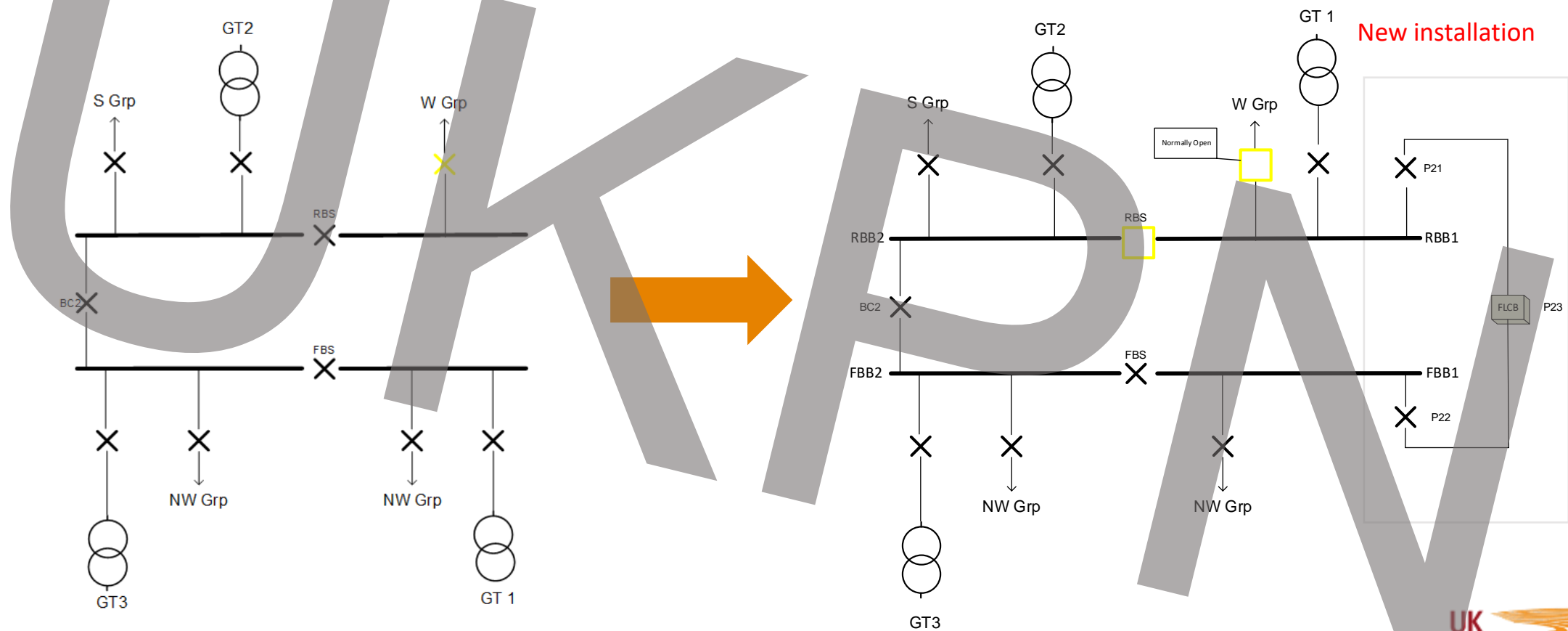
Trial arrangements

Option 1 – Parallel to existing bus coupler



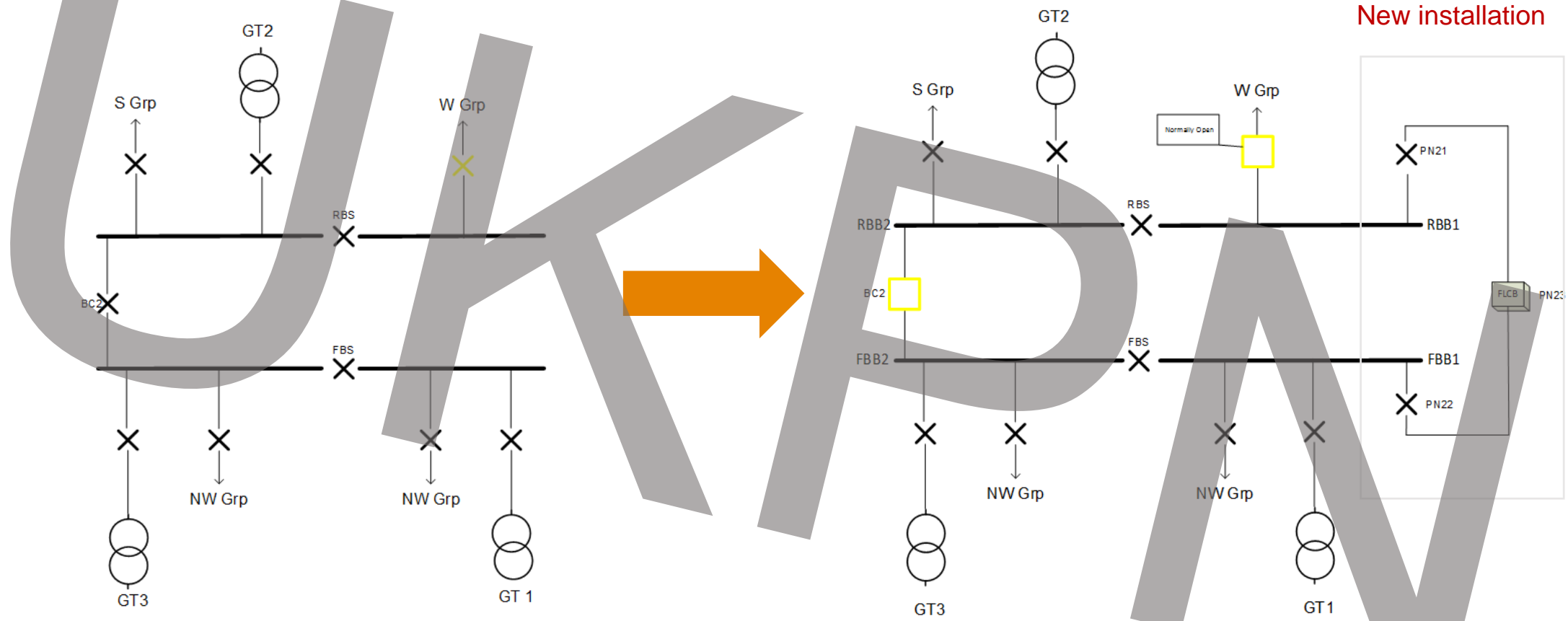
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Option 2 – Incomer transformer feeder

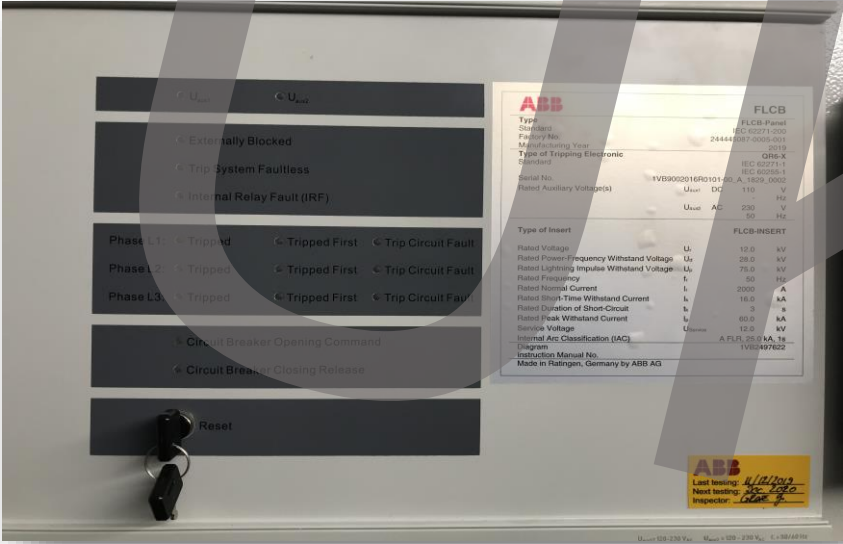


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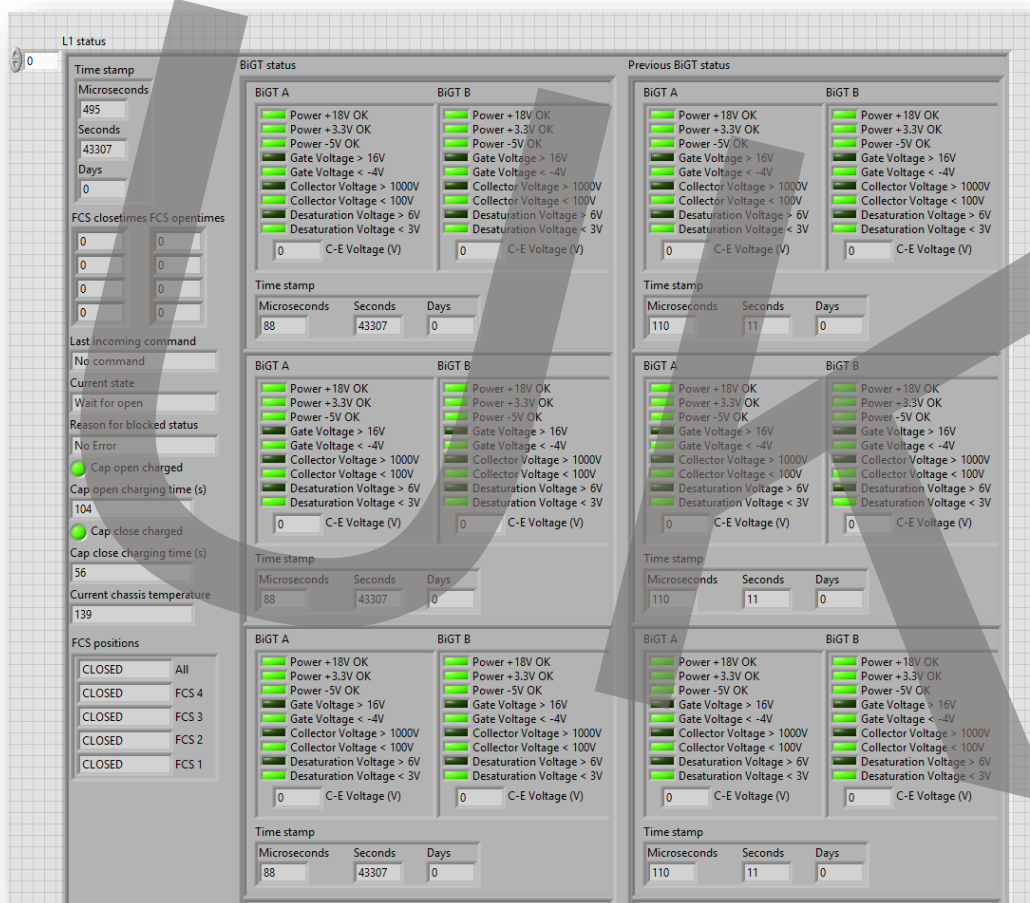
Option 3 – Bus coupler



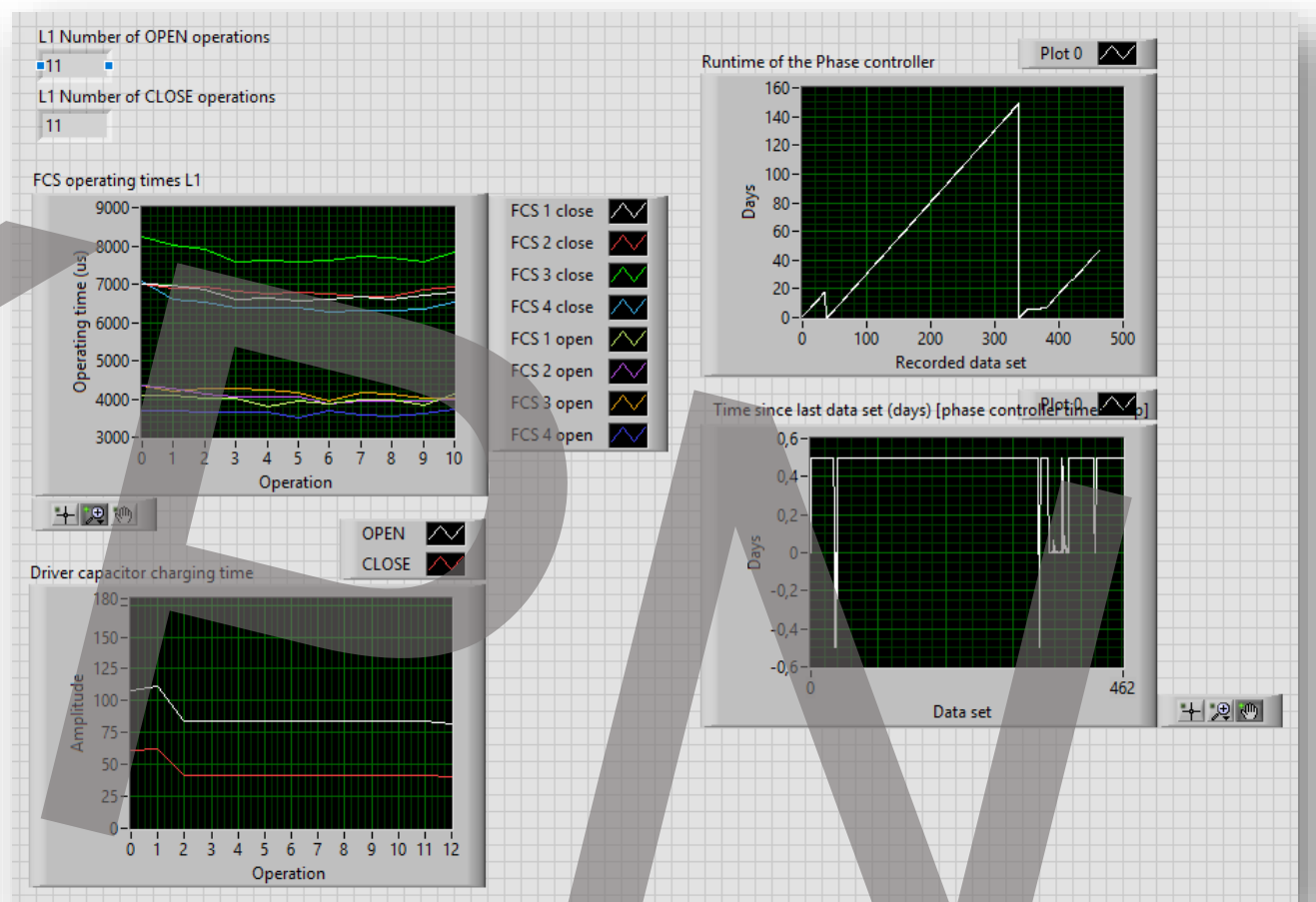
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FLCB operation & performance



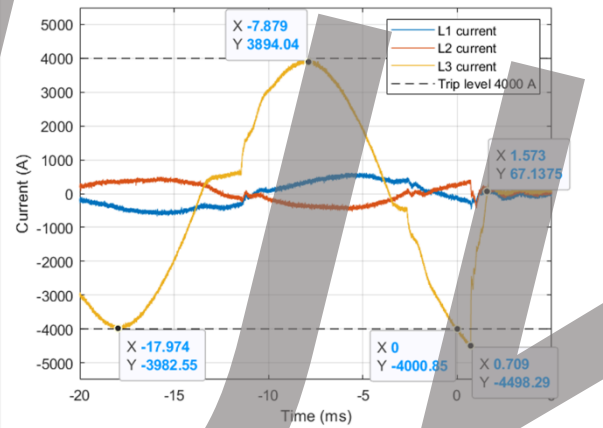
Status panel



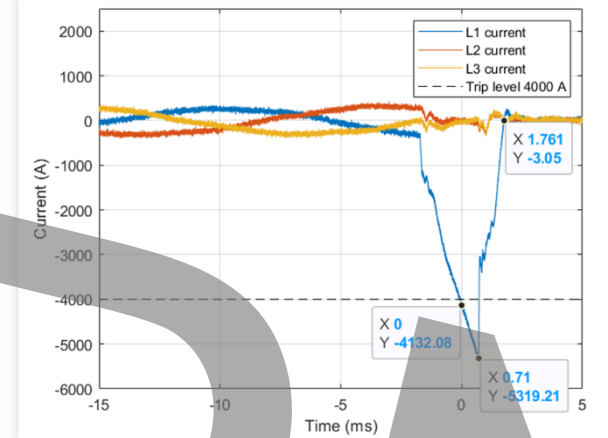
Trending data

FLCB trip events 2020-2022

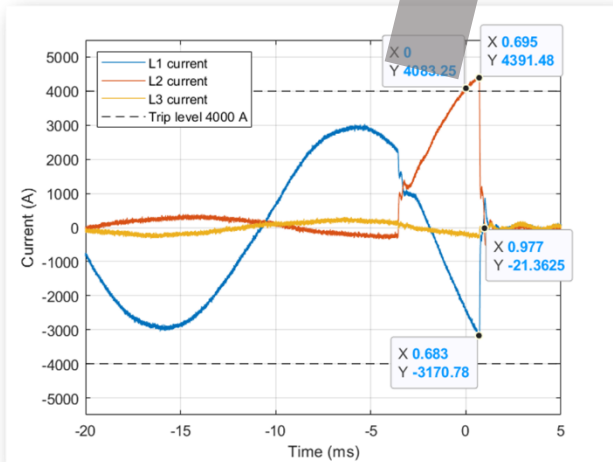
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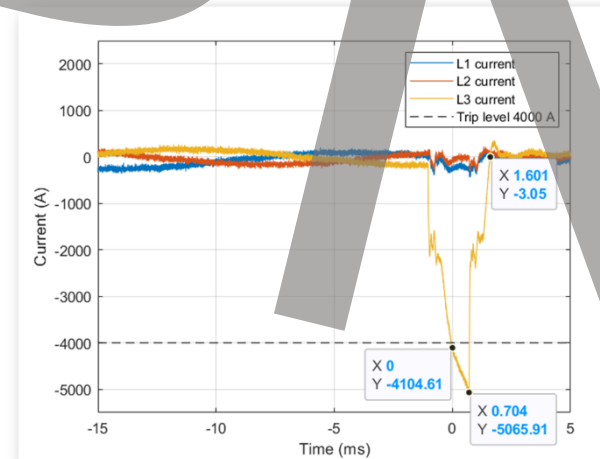
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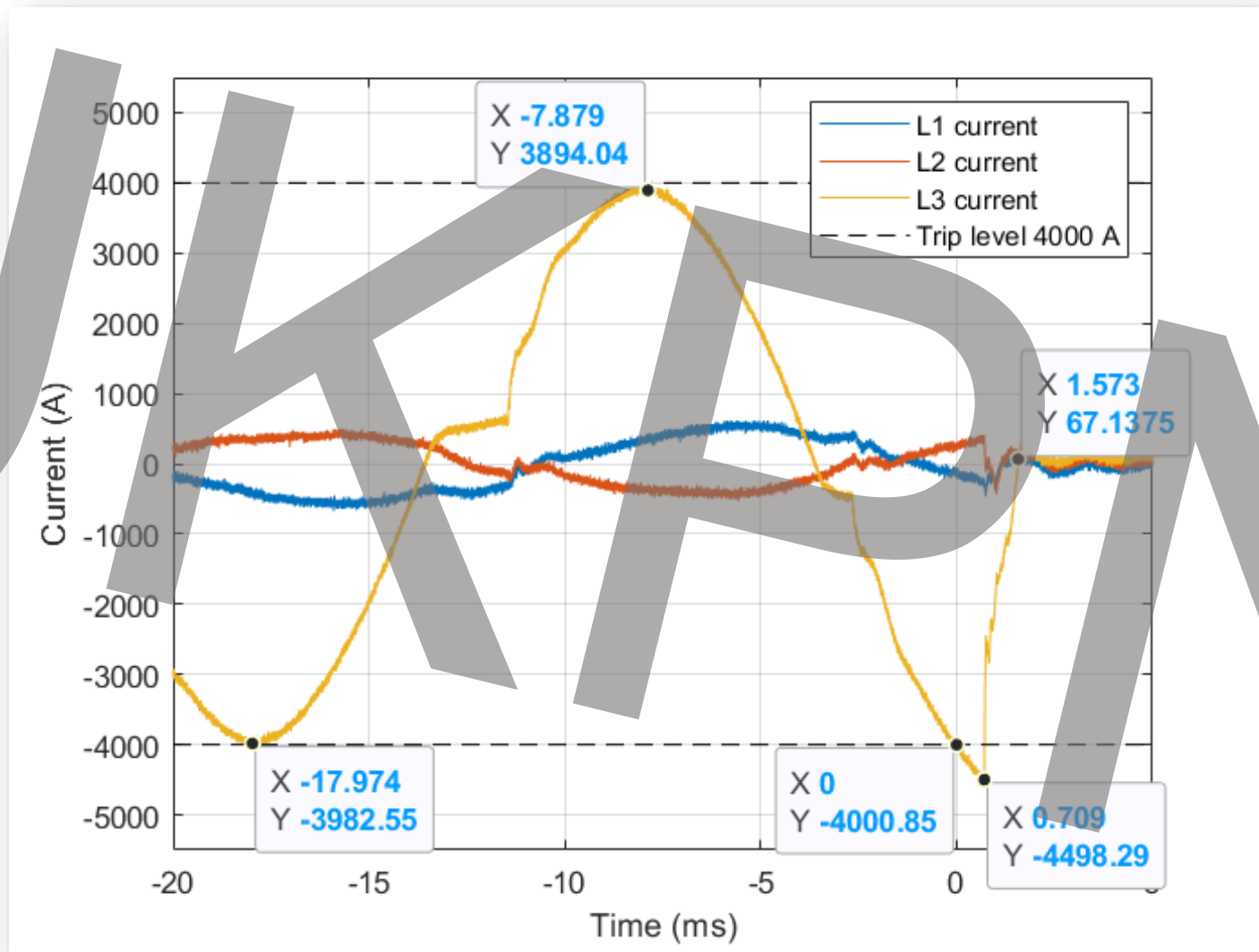
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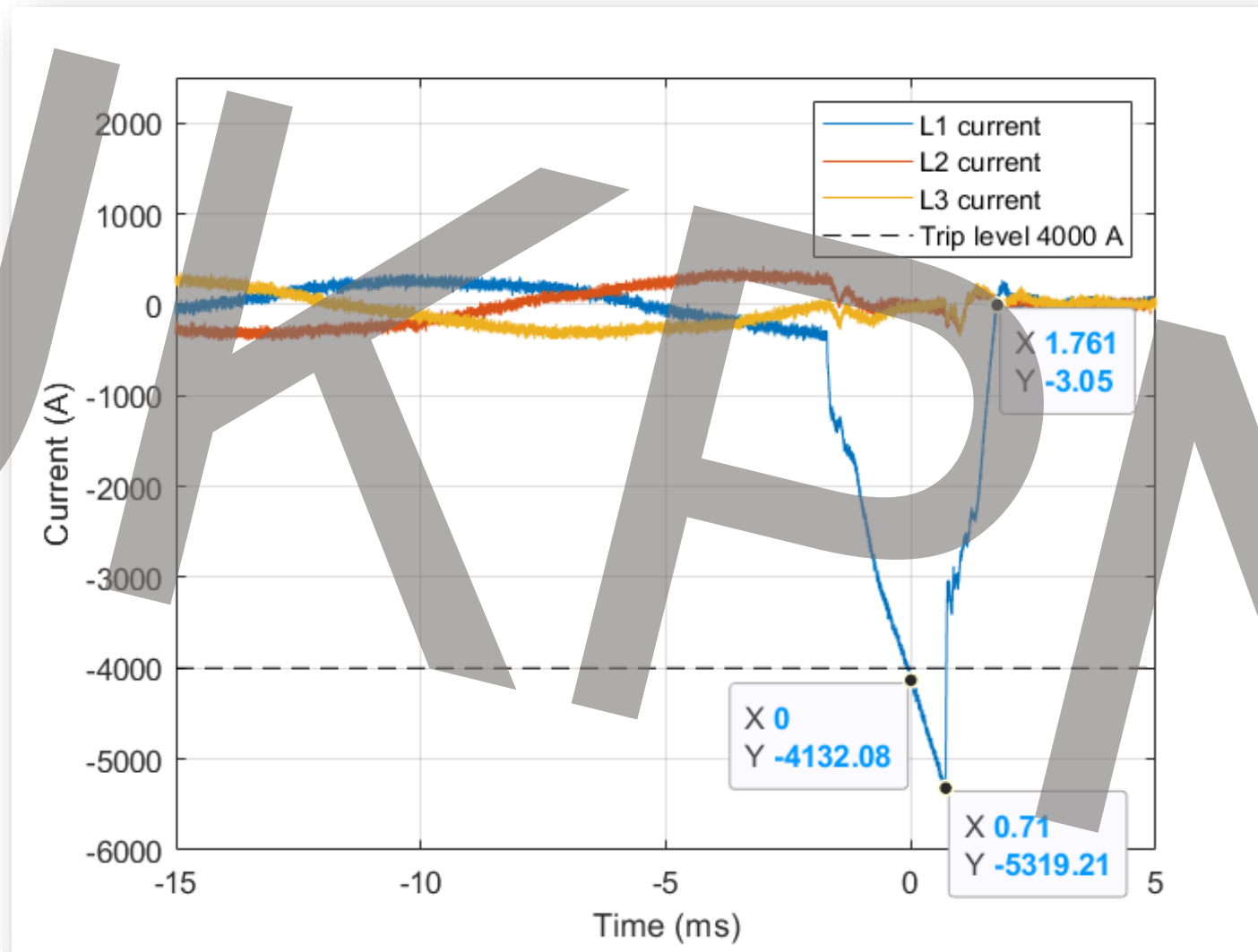
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FLCB Trip event 24 March 2021



FLCB Trip event 15 April 2021



Service visit (28-30 September 2021)



ABB Portfolio – Fault Current Limiter Solutions

I_S -Limiter - Advanced fault-current limiter for complex applications



ABB Portfolio – Fault Current Limiter Solutions



Safety & protection

Optimized protection by extended tripping criteria providing highest stability and reliable tripping



Optimum interface

Tailored to customer needs due to project related detailed engineering with flexibility to adapt to later system changes



Process continuity

For individual solutions that fulfill the highest requirements of critical applications like achieving Tier 4 availability level for data centers

Fault Current Limiter (FCL) Portfolio of ABB

	FCL Portfolio - ACTIVE
Rated Voltage	0,75-40,5 kV
Rated Current	... 4000 A
Short-circuit current, device/panel	... 210 / 50 kA _{rms}
Comments	Different panel solutions available (fix/withdrawable), One shot only

Fault Current Limiter (FCL) Portfolio of ABB

	FCL Portfolio - ACTIVE	FLCB - PILOT	Higher Ratings?
Rated Voltage	0,75-40,5 kV	... 12 kV	Detailed evaluation with R&D involvement required Detailed input on higher ratings needed, welcome!
Rated Current	... 4000 A	... 2000 A	
Short-circuit current, device/panel	... 210 / 50 kA _{rms}	... 25 / 25 kA _{rms}	
Comments	Different panel solutions available (fix/withdrawable), One shot only	3 panel arrangement for pilot installation, 100 electrical operations maintenance free	

FLCB – Status update of product

Other Pilots?

ABB is interested in additional pilot installations

Pilot estimated time:
approx. 12 months

Time to market?

Confirmed ratings, once decision taken: 2-3 years to market

Higher ratings, once technically confirmed: 3-4 years to market

Price of a FLCB

Full industrialization and market introduction required

Approx. cost for a new pilot (confirmed ratings) 500 kUSD – to be reviewed together

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Polling

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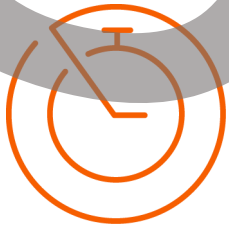
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Summary

Commercial advantages



Cheaper than switchgear upgrades



Increased uptime through multi-shot functionality

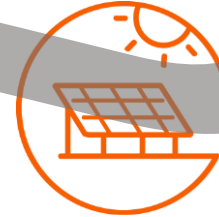


Compact and no cooling required

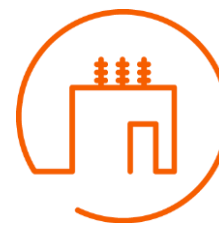
Technical solution features



Pilot ratings of standalone solution:
12 kV – 2000 A – 25 kA;



Connect multiple renewables without reinforcing the network



Based on proven ABB components, SF₆ free

Share your questions

Our experts are available to answer



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