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Controlled switching technology, known for about thirty years, seems to experience a renewed interest...

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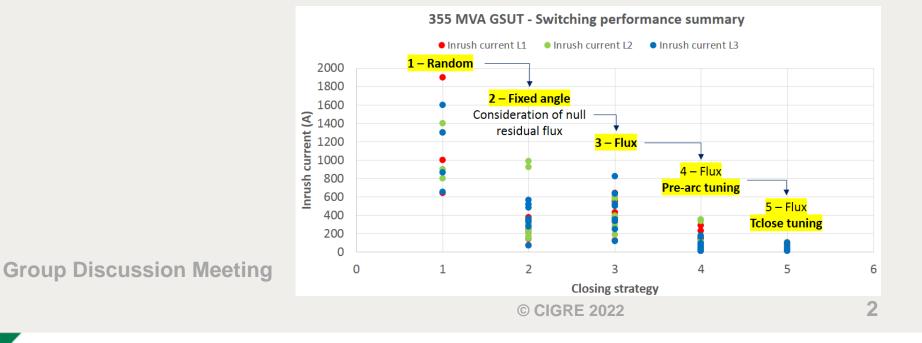
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History...

- Early ages (90's) : « zero crossing device », no transient record (very basic). Along with "historically" robust networks and switchgears.
- 2000's : line application, power transformer with residual flux (increased processing power) + « light » transient records
- Nowadays : full range of applications, extremely accurate transient records, performance indicators. Networks and switchgears "at the limit"

Pedagogy...

- The **relevant performance indicators** are better understood.
- Not an easy technology to understand. In the past, the actual benefits were not explained correctly.



By application...

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Value chain...

- Standard electronics
 - R&D and industrialization : tremendous effort
 - Commissioning, expertise

By REX...

Commissioning is the key to success.

Shunt reactor : CSD or SA

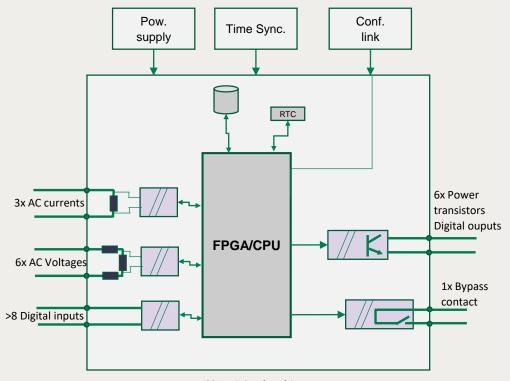
Power transformer : CSD

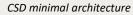
Line / Cable : CSD or PIR

Cap bank : CSD (PIR ?)

- CB + CSD as an infrangible device (same manufacturer)
- Reliability of the CSD itself is not a concern.
- IEC 61850 : so far, rare applications : •
 - MMS, to publish measurements and alarms. ۲
 - Sample values for pilot applications.



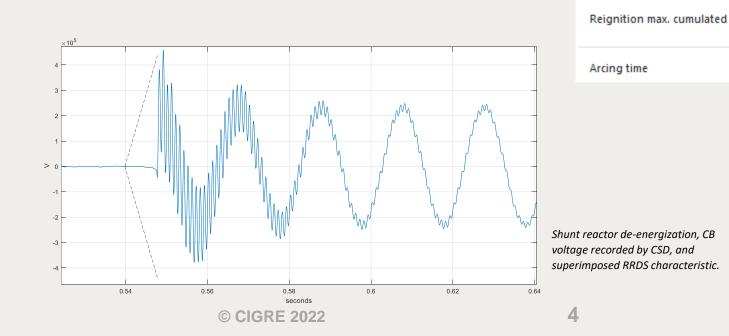




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Shunt reactor...

- **Mandatory** application of synchronization (small inductive current, arcing time control).
- Site conditions more severe than IEC 62271-110 : -110 CB test report is not a guarantee or does not guarantee applicability
- Possible alternative to CSD : Surge Arrester
- Basic CSD application (fixed targets), but monitoring of reignitions is crucial



Reignition last opening

Reignition rate

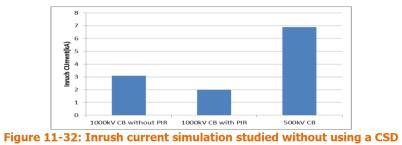
\rightarrow CSD is the « de facto » solution

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Power transformer

- CSD is the only efficient solution (literature, REX...)
- CSD address the root cause
- PIR : not efficient (little efficiency due to lower RDDS)
- REX example : enormous inrush current (>8.7kA) with CB fitted with CSD + 400Ω PIR (error in CSD setting during commissioning...)

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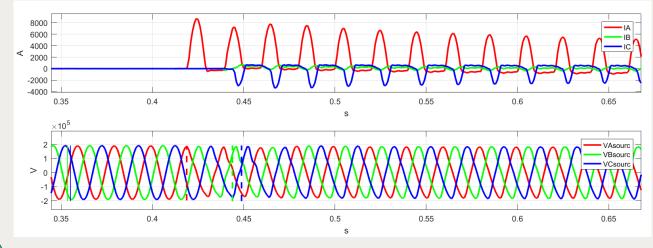


CIGRE A3.35 technical brochure (TB757), section 11.15.5

- Compared simulations and commissioning of CSD / PIR / CSD & PIR
- No difference or very limited difference

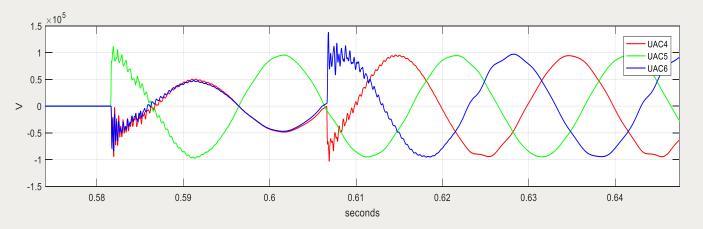
Table 11-7: Test results of inrush current with CSD

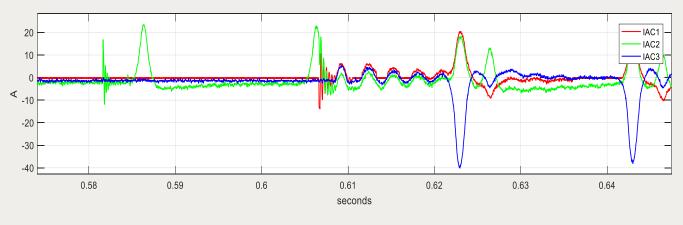
Number of energisation	Maximum Inrush current(kA)
5	1.2
6	1.4
6	3.7
	Number of energisation 5 6 6



Summary...

- Technology is more and more trusted and mature.
- Only efficient solution for several applications
- Growing demand
- Common remaining concerns:
 - Quality of commissioning. Training is crucial.
 - Who's in charge of CSD maintenance/follow-up at customer side, during service life ?
 - No standard (ANSI codes for protections...)
 - IEC61869 not finalized





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