1. CURRENT TRANSFORMERS

Oil-paper insulation
Gas insulation
Dry insulation

420 kV Current transformers with gray silicone rubber insulator. Statnett (Norway).
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INTRODUCTION

Current transformers are designed to provide a scaled down replica of the current in the HV line and isolate the measuring instruments, meters, relays, etc., from the high voltage power circuit.

Oil-paper insulation:
model CA up to 800 kV,
model LB up to 362 kV.

Gas insulation:
model CG up to 550 kV.

Dry insulation:
model CX up to 72.5 kV.
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SECTION

1. Oil volume compensating system
2. Oil level indicator
3. Primary terminal
4. Cores and secondary windings
5. Primary winding
6. Secondary conductors
7. Insulator (porcelain or silicone rubber)
8. Capacitive bushing
9. Reinforced ground connection
10. Oil sampling valve

Model CA

Model LB
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11. Tangent delta tap
12. Grounding terminal
13. Secondary terminal box
14. Pressure relief device
15. Head

16. Manometer
17. HV electrode
18. Equipotential ring
19. Resin insulation
20. Gas filling valve
APPLICATIONS

Ideal for installation at metering points due to its very high accuracy.

Excellent frequency response; ideal for monitoring power quality and measuring harmonics.

Suitable for installation in AC and DC filters in converter substations for HVDC projects.

Examples of applications:

1. Protection for high voltage lines and substations.

2. Protection for capacitor banks.

3. Protection for power transformers.

4. Revenue metering.

Examples:

1. 765 kV Current transformer. RAO-FSK (Russia).

2. 245 kV Current transformer protecting capacitor bank (India).


4. 420 kV Current transformers. Rede Eléctrica Nacional (Portugal).
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DESIGN AND MANUFACTURE

The current transformer consists of one or several cores with their corresponding secondary windings (active parts).

CA RANGE:
The active parts are located in the top section of the CT inside a hermetically sealed metal box that acts as a low-voltage shield; the main oil-paper insulation is wrapped around, ending up with a high-voltage shield. The primary conductor can be a pass-through bar (with or without external reclosings) or a winding, depending on the case. The secondary cables run through an oil-paper insulated capacitive bushing with several shields for proper electrical field distribution.

LB RANGE:
The active parts are located in the bottom section. The primary conductor is hairpin shaped and the main oil-paper insulation is wrapped around it, including several intermediate capacitive shields so that the electrical field is properly distributed.

CG RANGE:
The active parts are located in the top section, inside a hermetically sealed metal box that acts as a low-voltage shield surrounded by SF₆ gas insulation. The primary conductor can be a pass-through bar with or without external reclosings. The secondary conductors run through a low voltage tube to the secondary terminal block. High voltage electrode uniformly surrounds this metal tube allowing the electrical field to be properly distributed.

CX RANGE:
The active parts are located approximately in the center of the resin body, vacuum cast with epoxy resin, which fixes and isolates the active parts, creating a rigid body with high mechanical resistance, excellent thermal performance and dielectric withstand capability.

This resin body is inside a hollow porcelain or silicone rubber insulator. The chamber between the resin body and the insulator is hermetically sealed with nitrile rubber gaskets; this space is filled with oil for insulation levels above 36 kV.

With more than 65 years of experience, ARTECHE guarantees the performance of its transformers under challenging operating conditions such as extreme temperature, salty or polluted environment, seismic hazard areas, violent winds or high altitude.

› Detail of a rupture disc in a CG head.
› Metallic bellows in a CA.
ADVANTAGES

› Variety of designs and technologies of insulation for greater adaptation to client needs.
› Robust mechanical strength and reduced size due to a compact design that is easy to transport, store and install, and which reduces visual impact.
› Hermetically sealed to guarantee complete water tightness with the minimum volume of oil or gas (Each unit is tested individually).
› Excellent response under extreme weather conditions (Oil-paper insulation from -55°C; up to +55°C; gas insulation from -45°C up to +55°C), altitudes over 1,000 m.a.s.l., seismic hazard areas, violent winds, etc.
› Maintenance-free throughout their lifespan.
› Very high and invariable accuracy (up to 0.1%).
› Protection for the secondary windings in the terminal block.
› Wide range of primary and secondary terminals.
› Different cable glands and accessories available.
› Each transformer is routine tested for partial discharges, tangent delta (DDF), insulation and accuracy and designed to withstand all the type tests included in the standards.
› Compliance to any international standards: IEC, IEEE, UNE, BS, VDE, SS, CAN/CSA, AS, NBR, JIS, GOST, NF...
› Officially homologated in-house testing facilities.
› May be transported and stored horizontally or vertically.

420 kV Current transformers, model CA.CFE, Chicoasén (Mexico).
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**OIL-PAPER INSULATION:**

Wide range of primary currents: from 1 to 5,000 A.

Oil level compensating system that effectively regulates changes in oil volume mainly caused by temperature.

Oil sampling valve for periodic analysis.

The materials used for construction are recyclable and resistant to the elements. Its advanced design adheres to environmental regulations through the use of high quality insulating oils, free of PCB.

**Top-core Type:**

› All types of measurement and protection cores: multi-ratio, linear...
› Very high rated currents and short-circuit currents.
› Reinforced safety design, resistant to internal arc.
› Metallic oil bellows and tangent delta measurement tap.

**Hairpin Type:**

› Excellent seismic performance.
› Good heat dissipation in the primary conductor.
› Reduced size makes it extremely easy to handle.
› Metallic oil bellows and tangent delta measurement tap.

**OPTIONS:**

› Silicone rubber insulator.
› Capacitive voltage tap.

**GAS INSULATION:**

› Total safety in case of internal arc: overpressure is relieved by the pressure relief device (rupture disc) in the top part of the head.
› The silicone rubber insulator guarantees safety during transportation and service.
› Online monitoring of the insulation status with a manometer alarm.
› Compact and very light design.
› Designed to minimize gas volume, pressure and leaks, thus reducing its environmental impact.

**DRY INSULATION:**

› Cast in high dielectric strength resin.
› Primary winding with spark gap for over-voltage protection.
› Compact design for easy handling.
› May be transported, stored and installed vertically or horizontally.
› Porcelain or silicone rubber insulators.

Innovations in transformers in recent years have made them more efficient with compact designs, making them easy to transport, store and install; minimizing visual impact.
ARTECHE transformers are installed in over 150 countries.
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RANGE

ARTECHE current transformers are named with the letters CA (top-core type, oil-paper), LB (hairpin type, oil-paper), CG (gas type) or CX (dry type) followed by 2 or 3 numbers indicating the maximum service voltage for which they have been designed.

The table on the next page shows the range manufactured by ARTECHE. These characteristics are merely indicative; ARTECHE can manufacture transformers to comply with any domestic or international standard.

Winding ratios: all types of combinations possible in a single device.

Secondary windings for:
› Protection: all possible types, including linear cores, low induction, etc.
› Metering: accuracy classes for any metering/billing need (including high accuracy class 0.1 / 0.15 with extended range in current).

Number of secondary windings: as per customer needs, up to 10 secondary windings (or more) are possible in a single device.
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- Model CA
- Model LB
- Model CG
- Model CX

- Type test performed on a CG 245 kV
- 36 kV Current transformers. Fingrid, Kimy (Finland).
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### Oil-paper insulation > Model CA

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Primary currents: from 1 A to 5000 A. Short circuit currents: up to 120 kA/1 s.

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Primary currents: from 1 A to 4000 A. Short circuit currents: up to 50 kA/1 s.
## Instrument Transformers

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Primary currents: up to 5000 A. Short circuit currents: up to 120 kA/1 s.

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Over 2300 professionals committed to a common project.