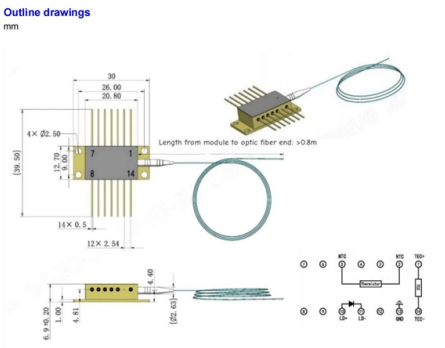
Selectivity of capacitors in distribution boxes



Article Overview

Capacitor selectivity in distribution boxes involves choosing the right size, type, and location of capacitors to optimize voltage, reduce losses, and improve power factor in distribution networks.

Purpose of Capacitor Selectivity

Capacitors in distribution systems are primarily used for reactive power compensation, which helps to:

• Reduce line losses by lowering reactive currents in the network .
• Improve voltage profiles across buses, especially in radial distribution systems .
• Enhance power factor, reducing the demand on transformers and cables .
• Increase system stability and capacity for current flow . Selectivity ensures that capacitors are appropriately rated and placed to achieve these benefits without causing overcompensation or resonance issues.

Factors Affecting Capacitor Selection
• Load Sensitivity and Bus Location: Capacitors are most effective when installed at buses with high loss sensitivity factors (LSF) or voltage instability indices. Optimal placement reduces losses significantly and improves voltage regulation .
• Capacitor Size: The reactive power rating must match the network's requirements. Oversized capacitors can lead to overvoltage, while undersized ones may not provide sufficient compensation ....

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