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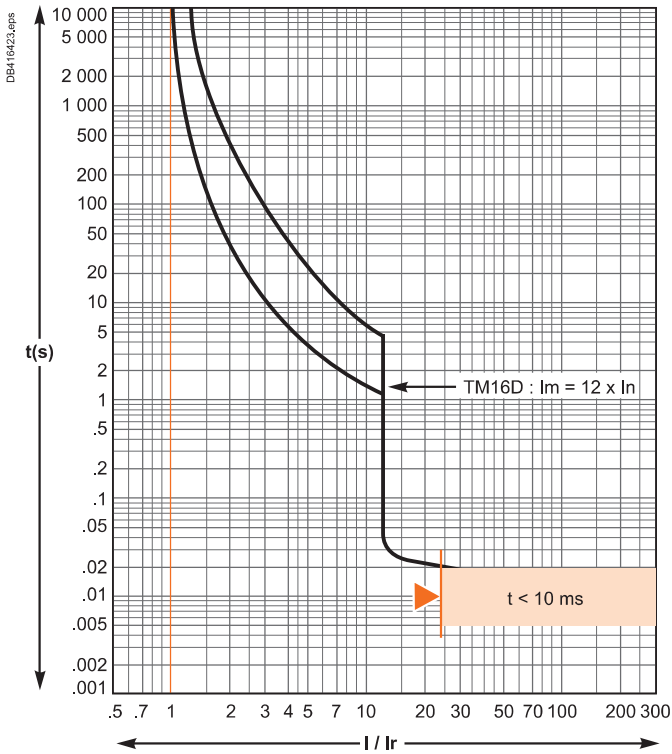
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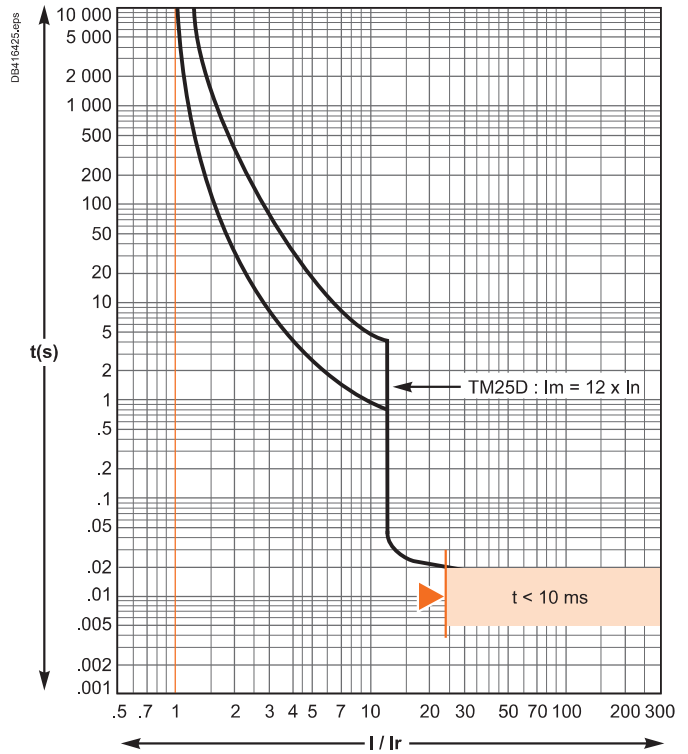
TMD magnetic trip units, tripping curves

Protection of distribution systems

TM16D

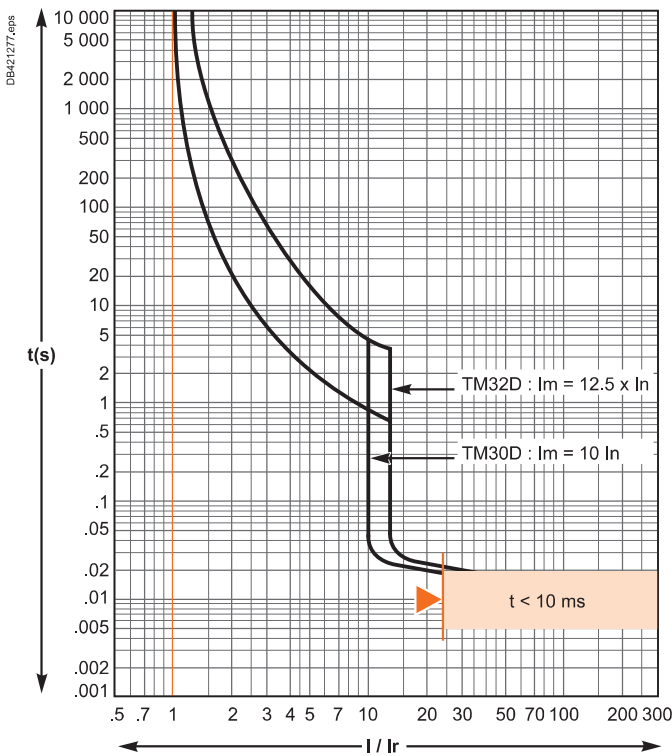


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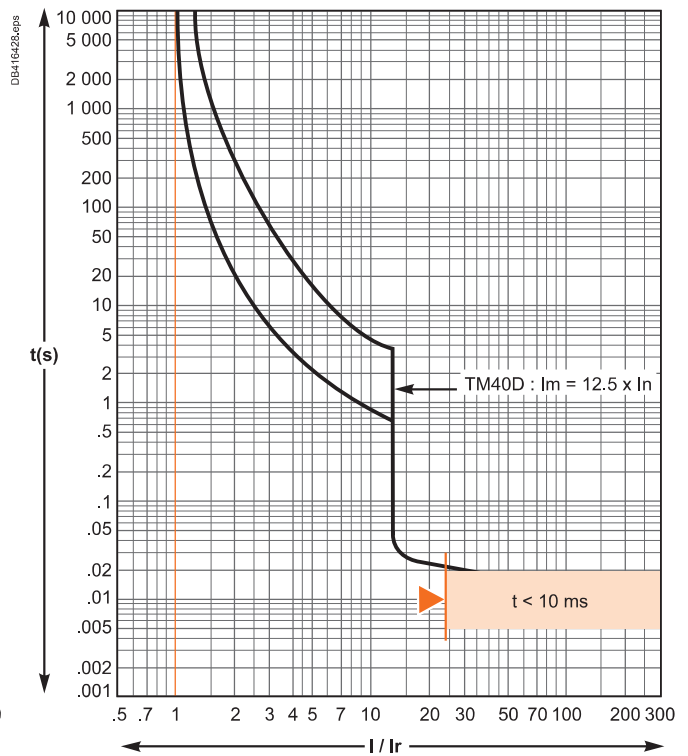


Reflex tripping.

TM30D/TM32D



TM40D



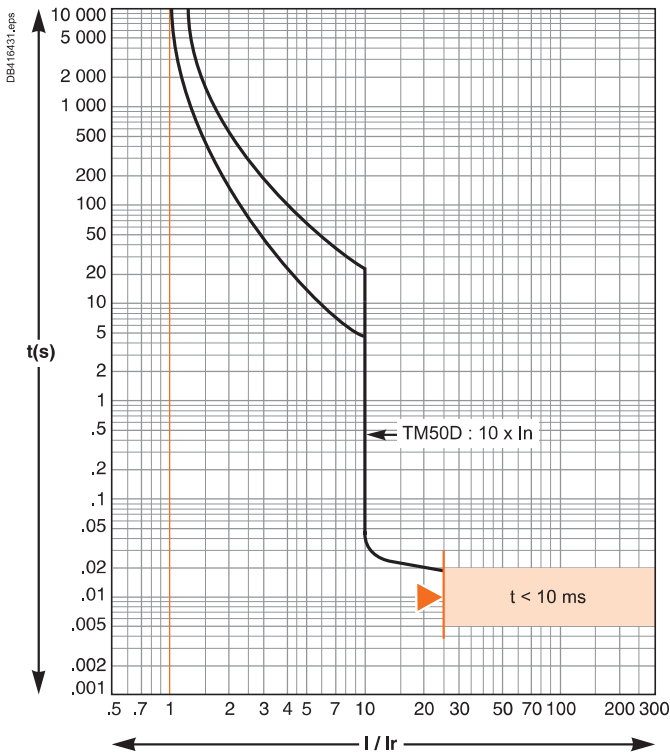
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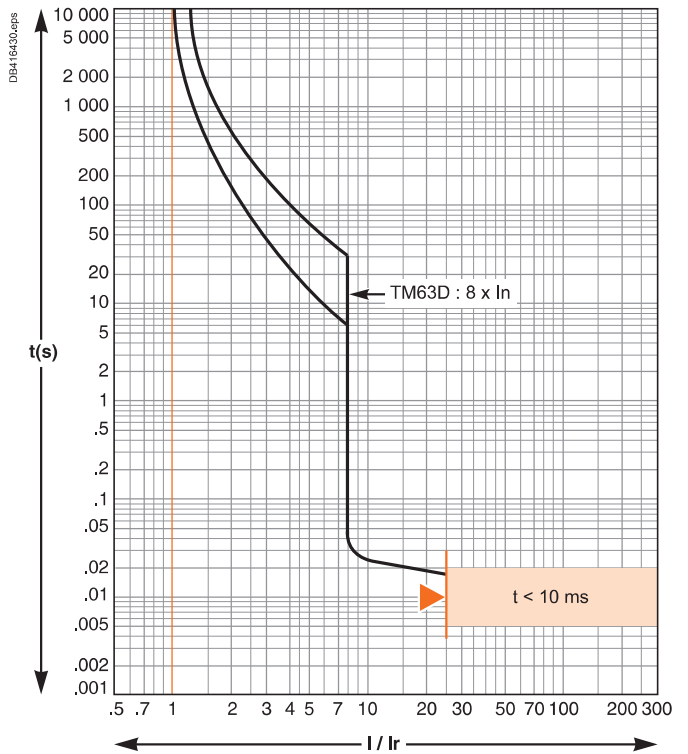
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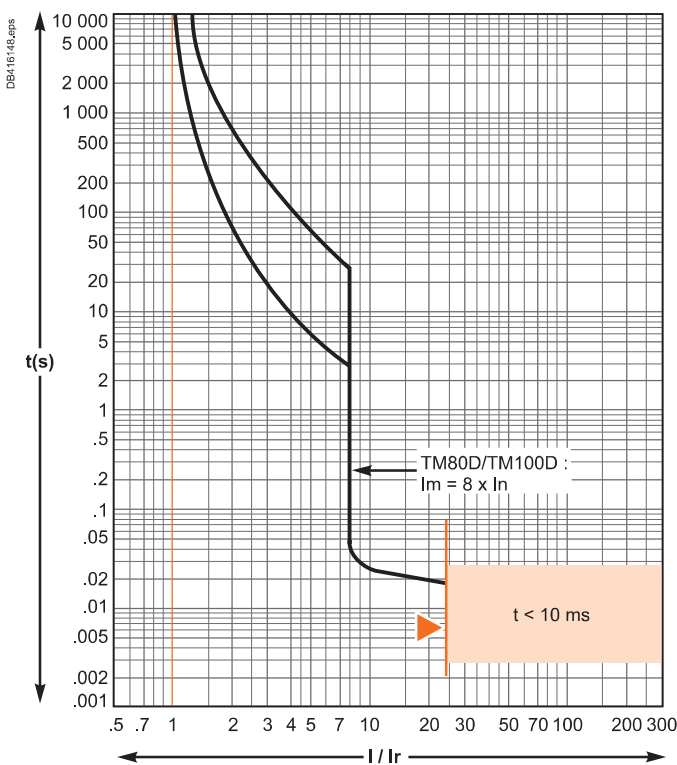
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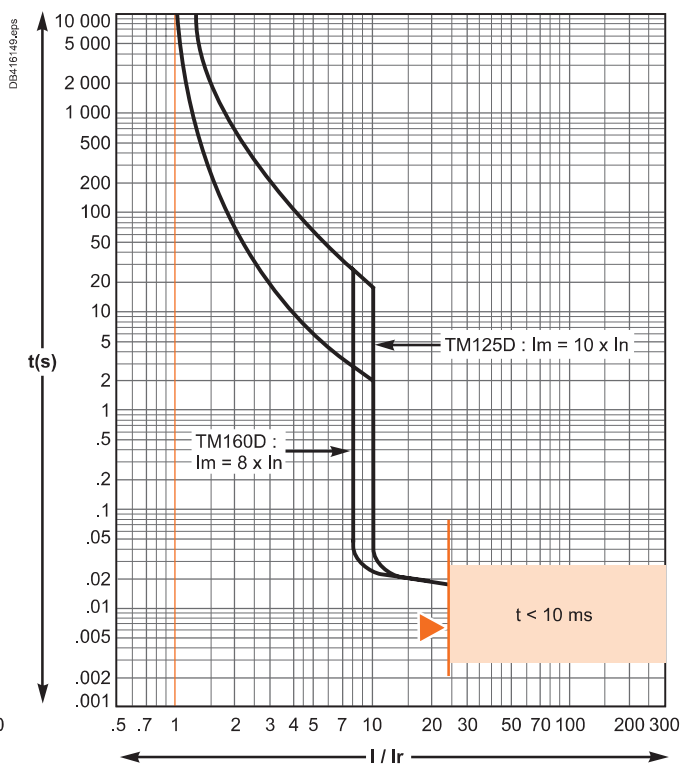
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TM80D / TM100D

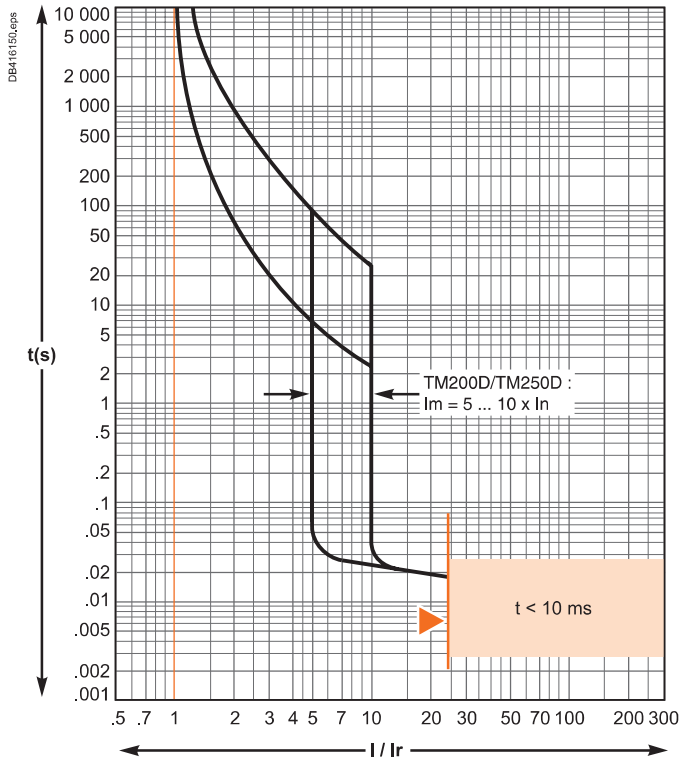


TM125D / TM160D



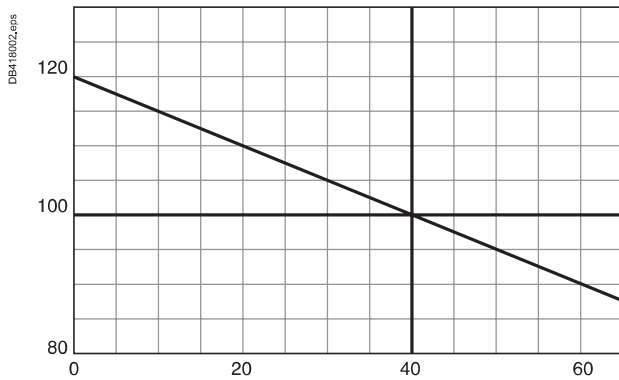
Reflex tripping.

TM200D / TM250D



Reflex tripping.

For all TDM curves :
 Values are given for 40 °C ambient, $I_r = 1 \times I_n$, 3 poles loaded, cold start.
 For $I_r = k \times I_n$, read the time corresponding to $1/k$ times given current.
 For 1 pole tripping, read the time corresponding to 0,85 times given current.
 For hot start ($0.9 \times I_r$), divide max. time by 2, min. time by 4.

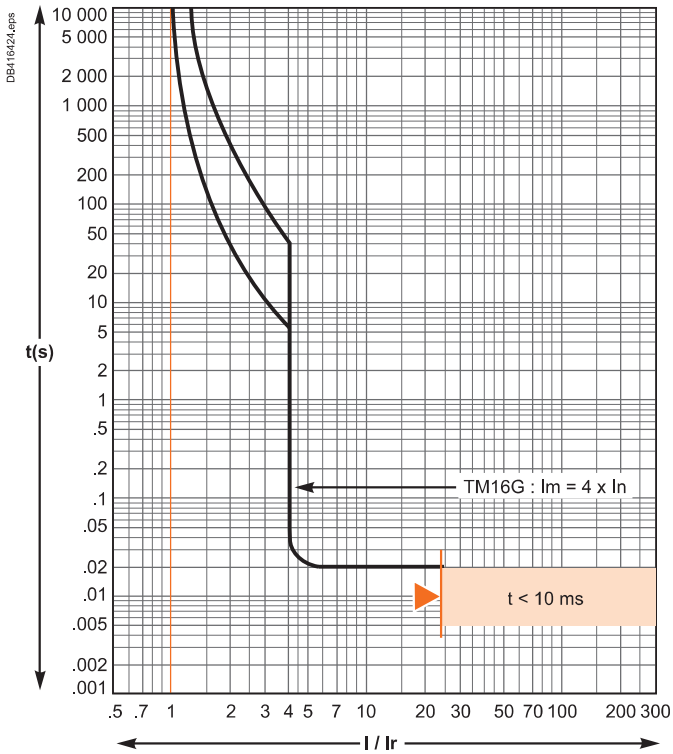


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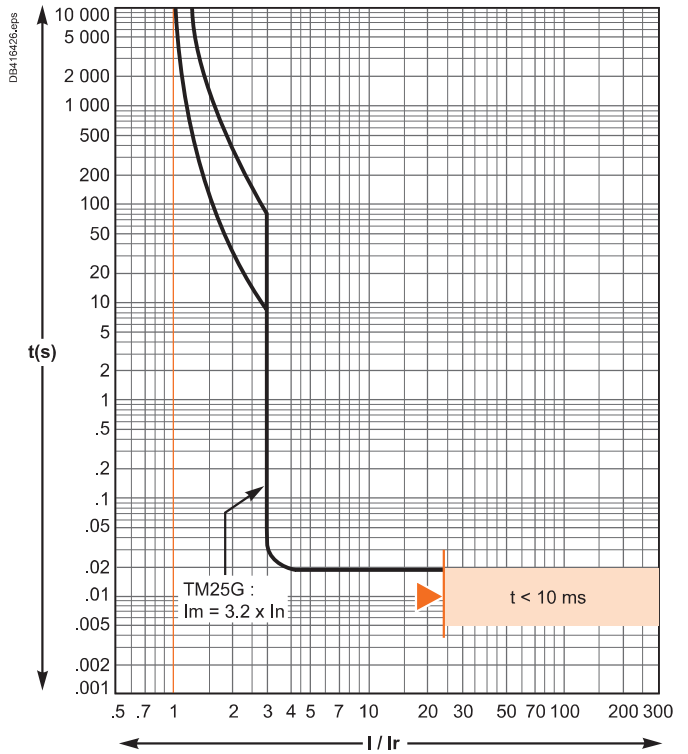
TMG magnetic trip units, tripping curves

Protection of distribution systems

TM16G

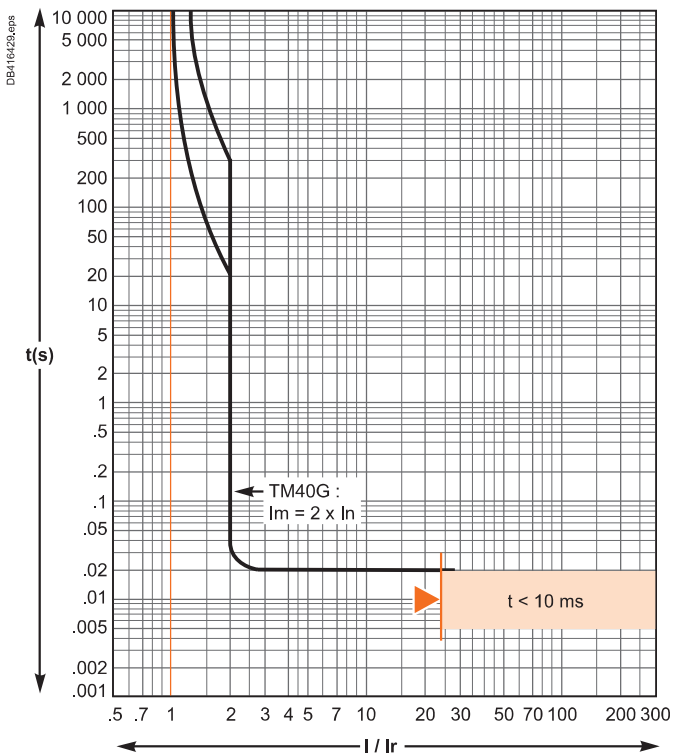


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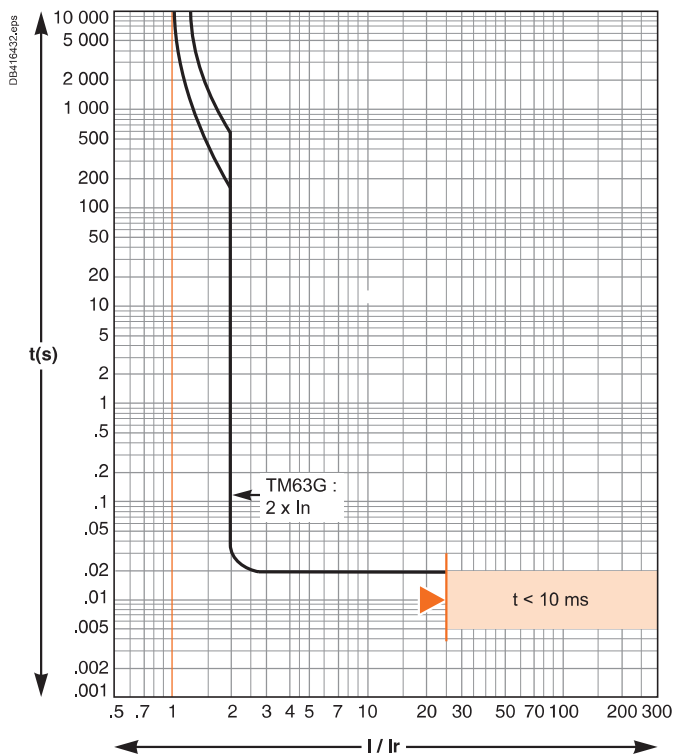


Reflex tripping.

TM40G



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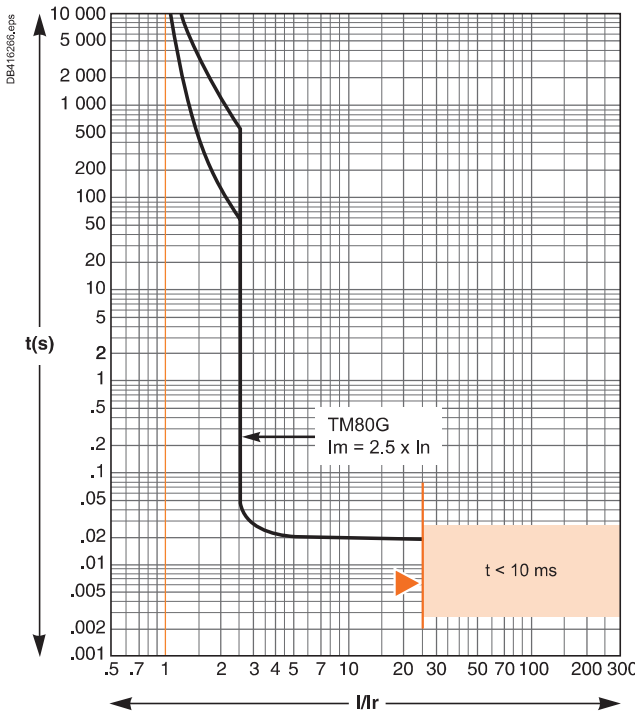
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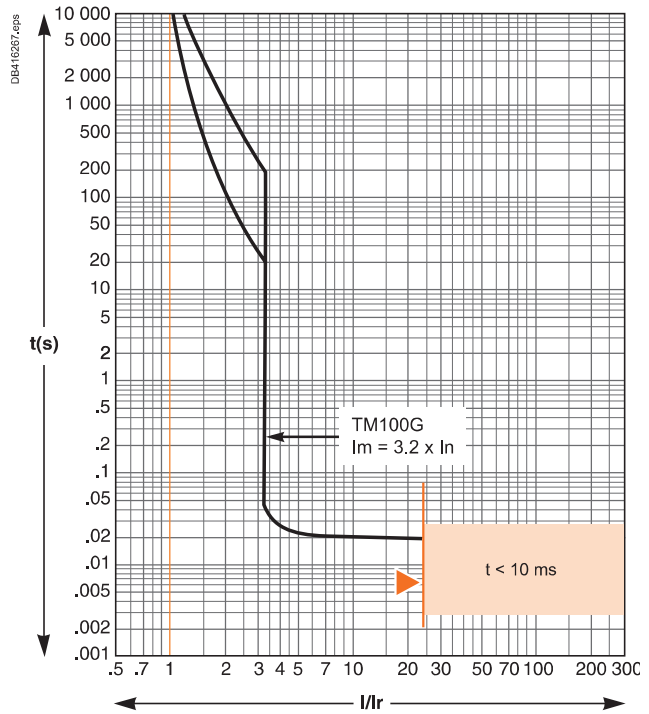
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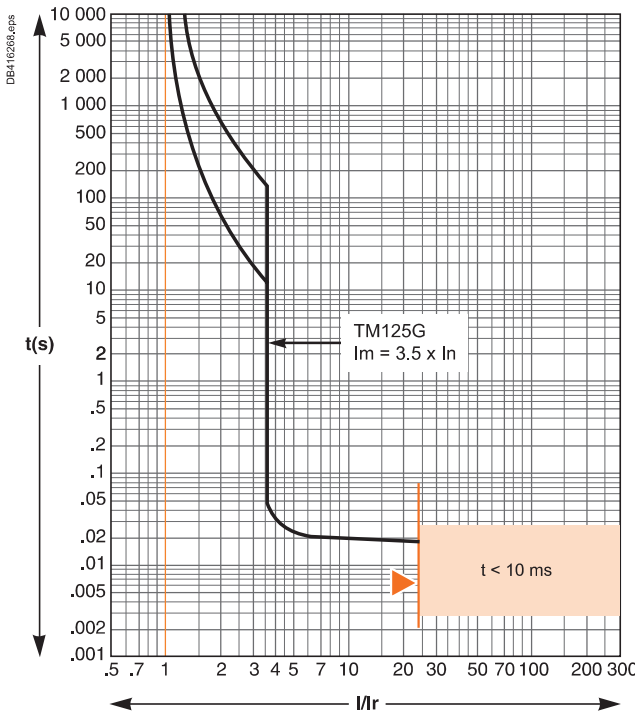


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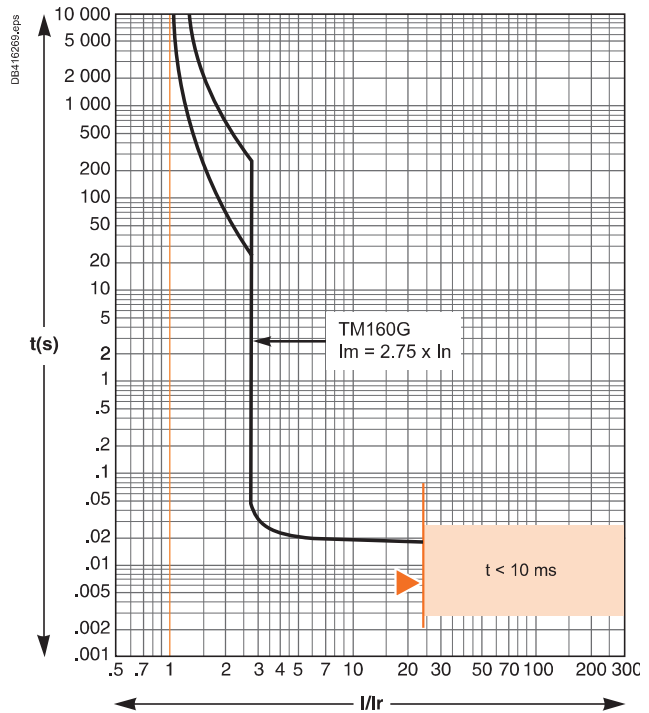


Reflex tripping.

TM125G



TM160G



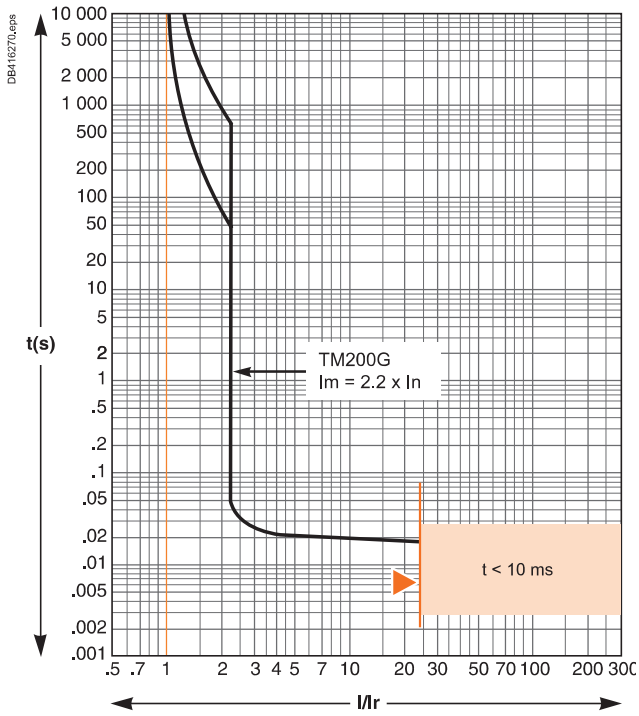
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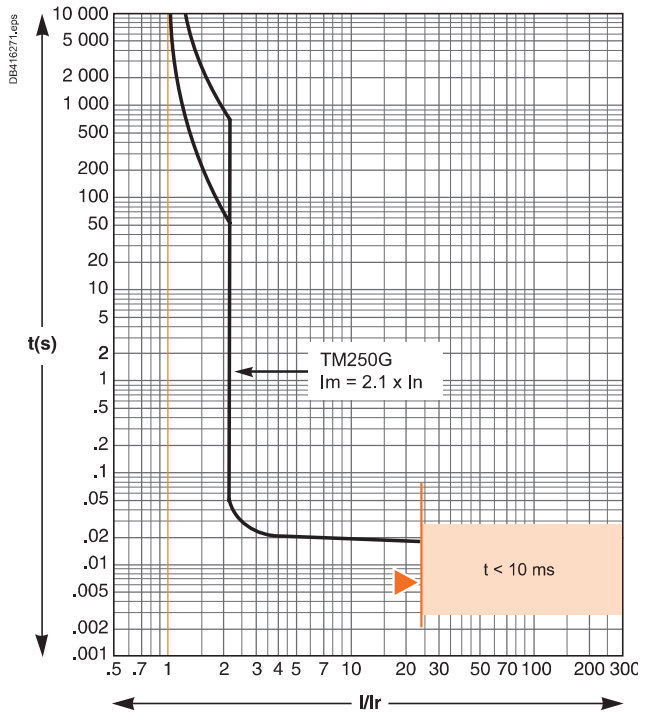
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Protection of distribution systems

TM200G



TM250G



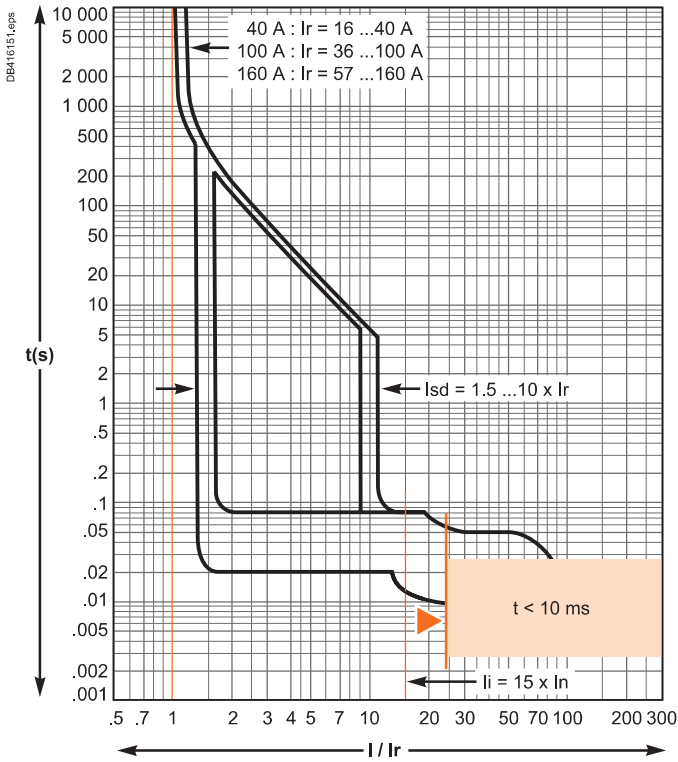
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Micrologic 2.2 and 2.2 G electronic trip units, tripping curves

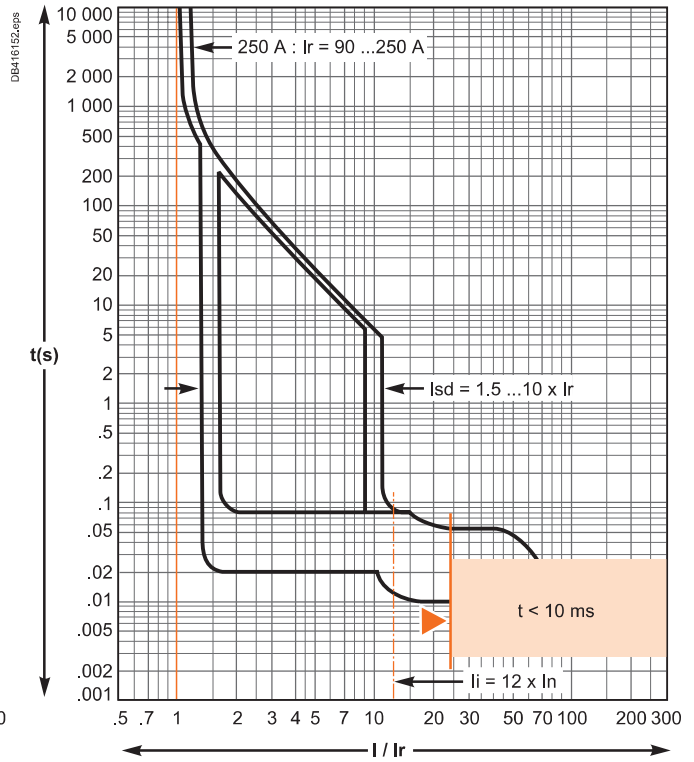
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Micrologic 2.2 - 40... 160 A

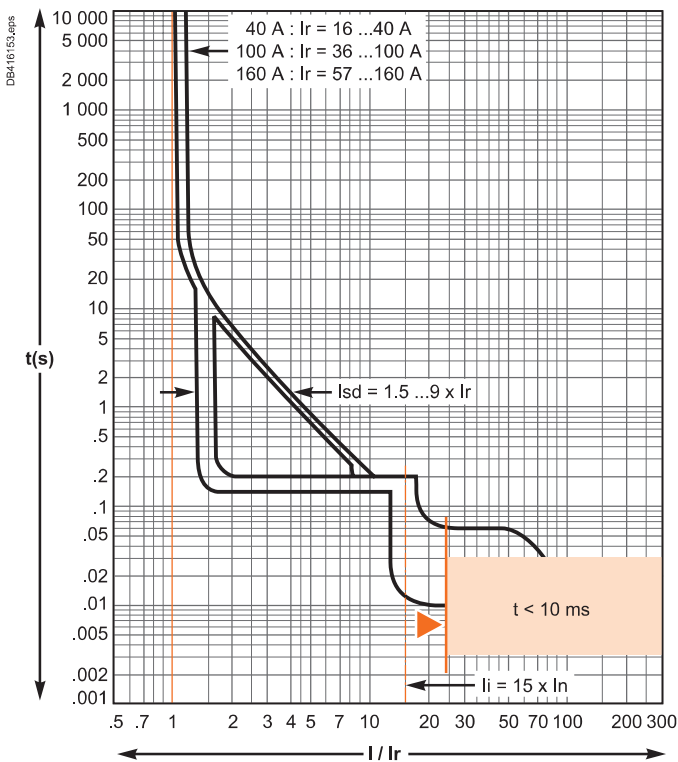


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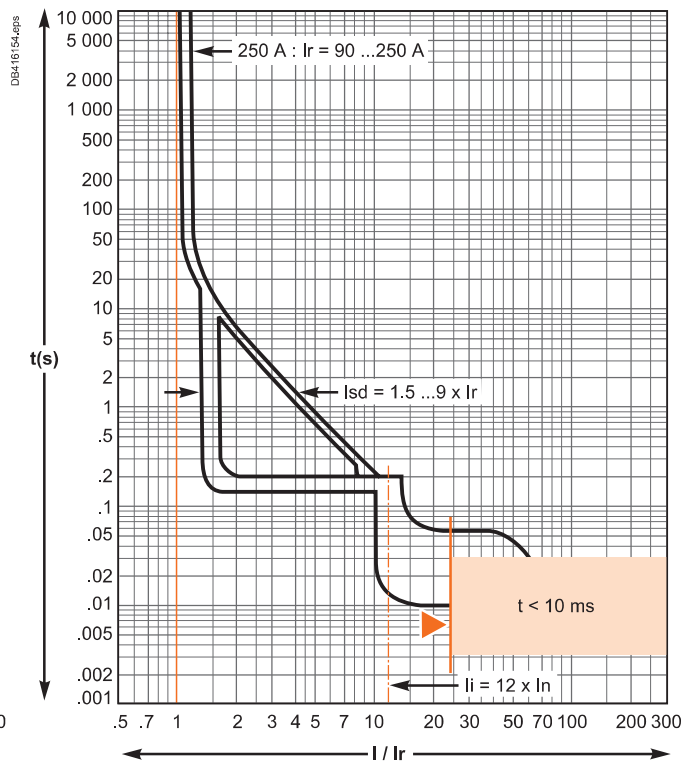


Micrologic 2.2 G - 40... 160 A



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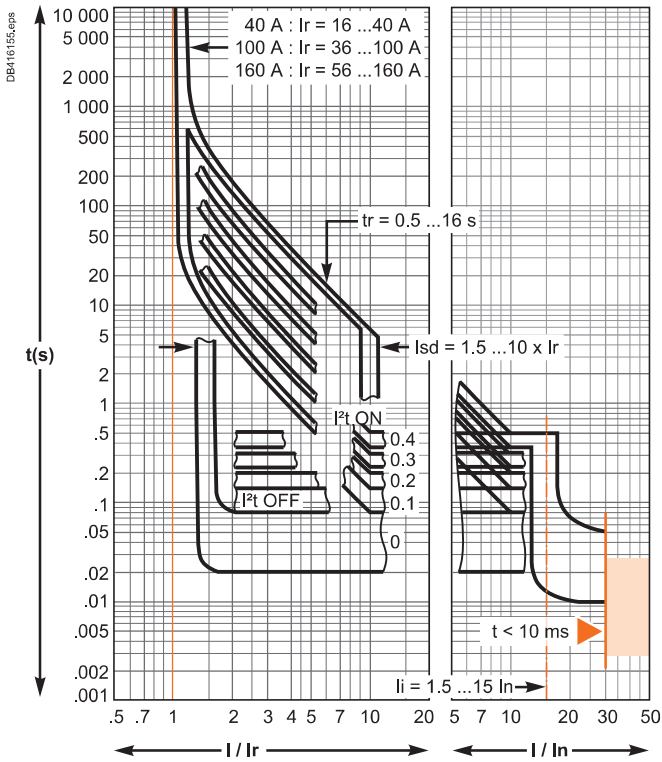


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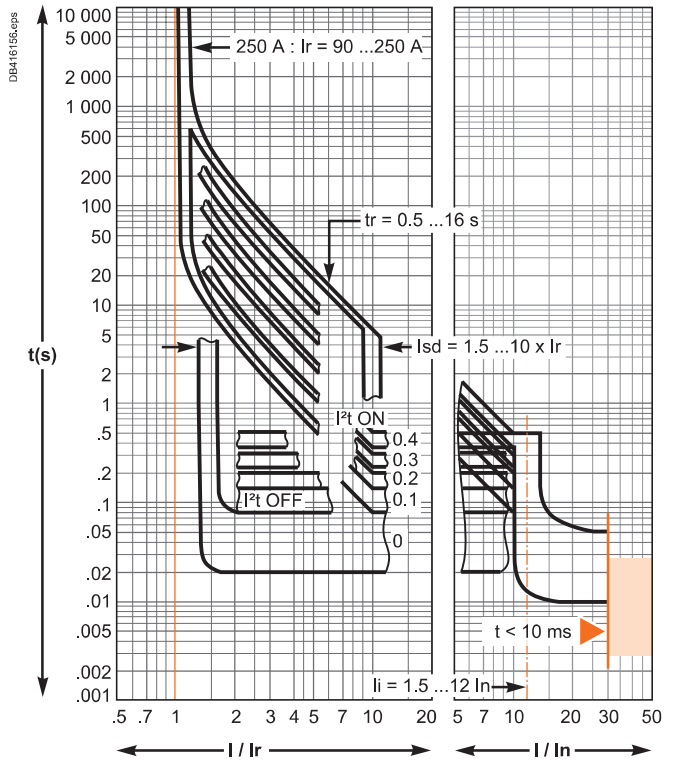
Micrologic 5.2 and 6.2 A or E electronic trip units, tripping curves

Protection of distribution systems

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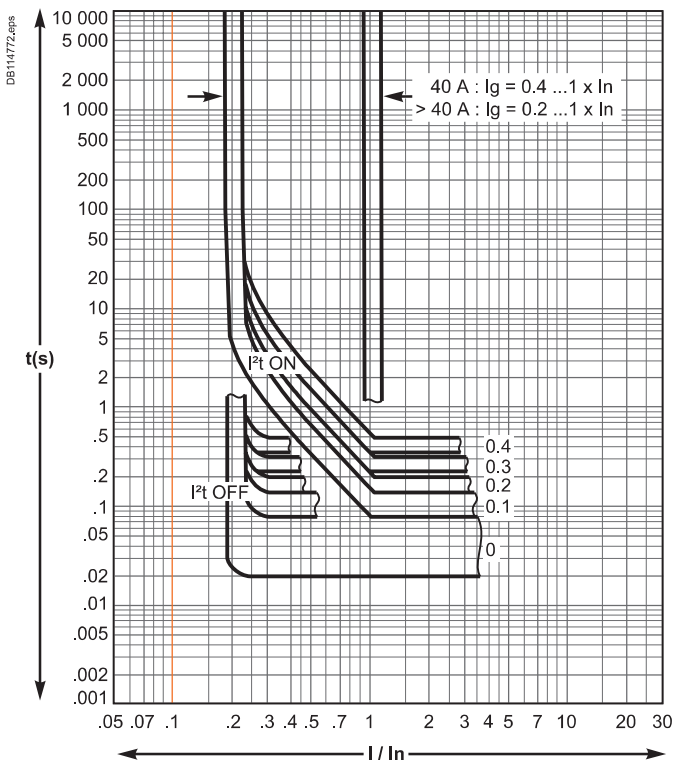


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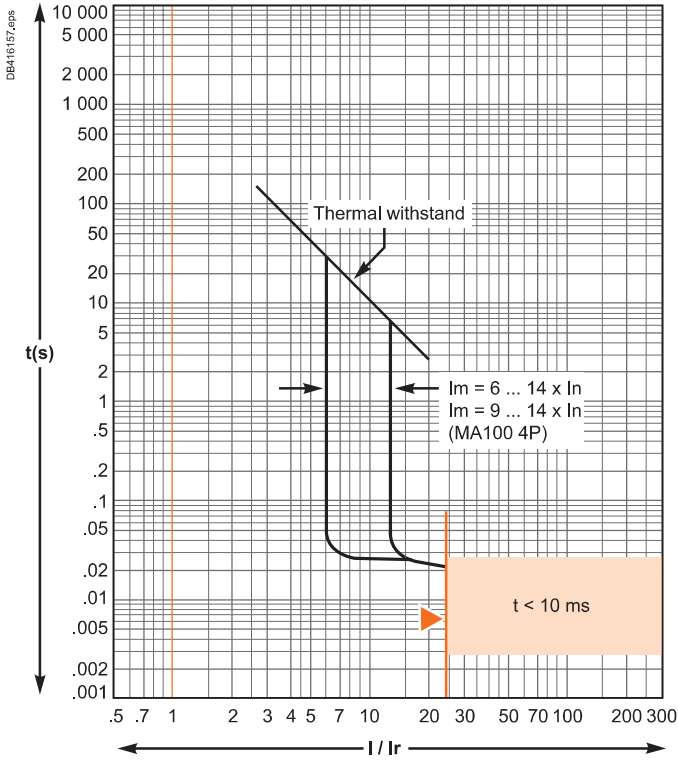
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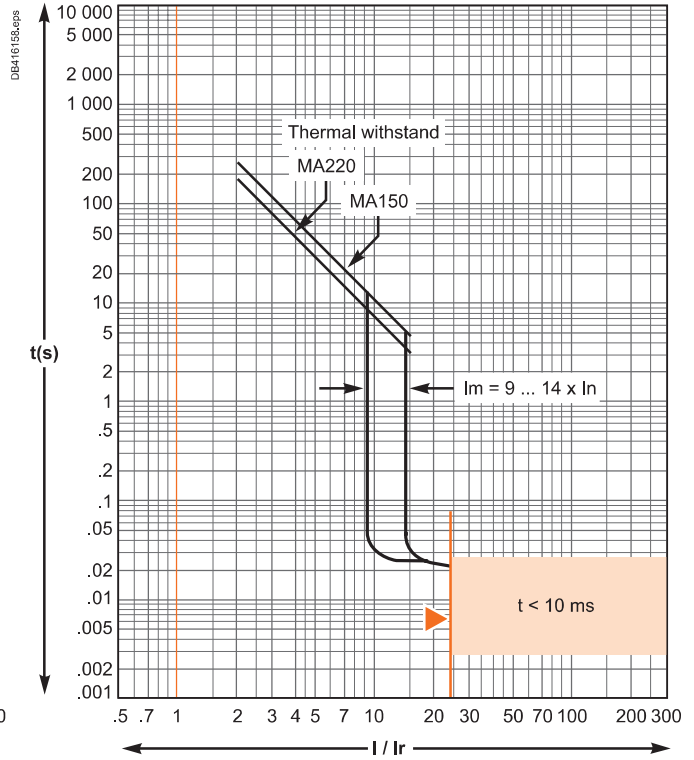
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electronic trip units, tripping curves
Motor protection

MA2.5... MA100

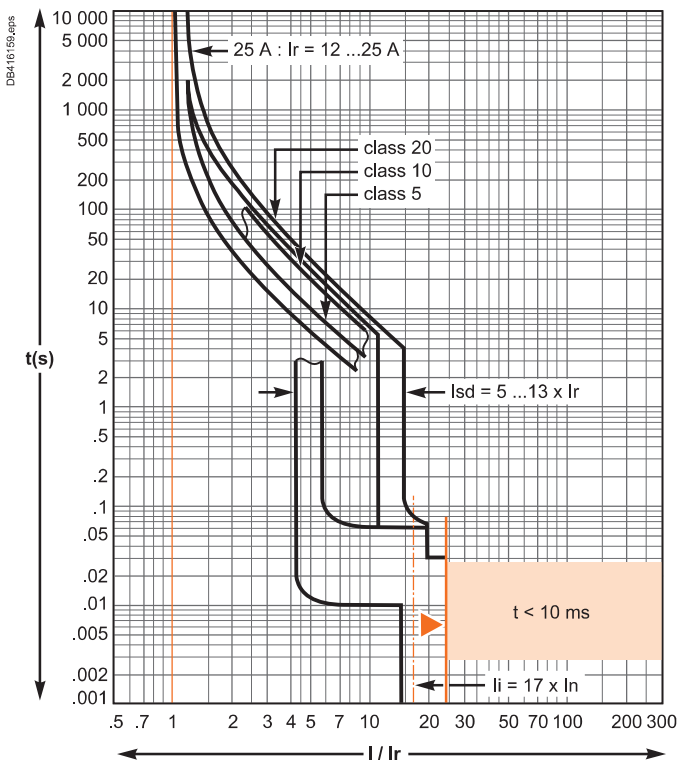


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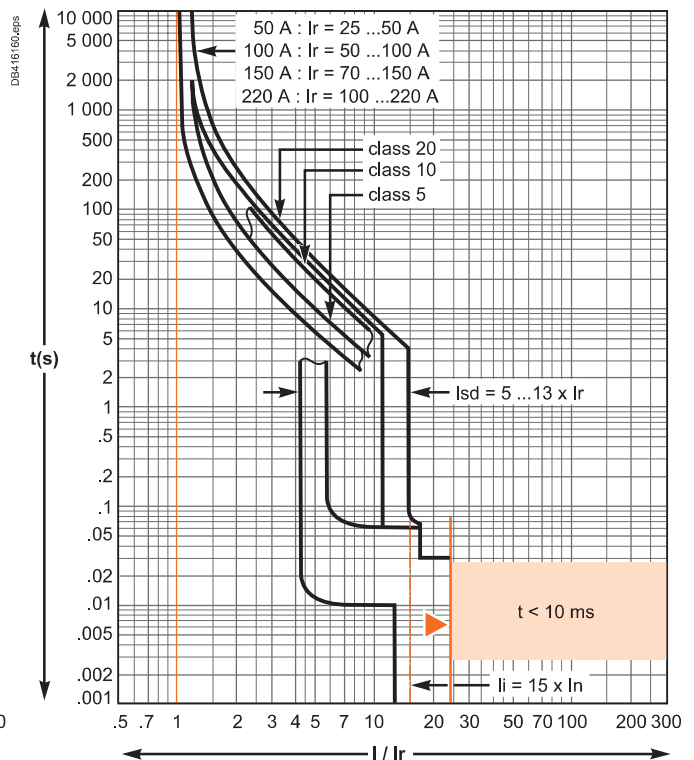


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Micrologic 2.2 M - 25 A



Micrologic 2.2 M - 50... 220 A



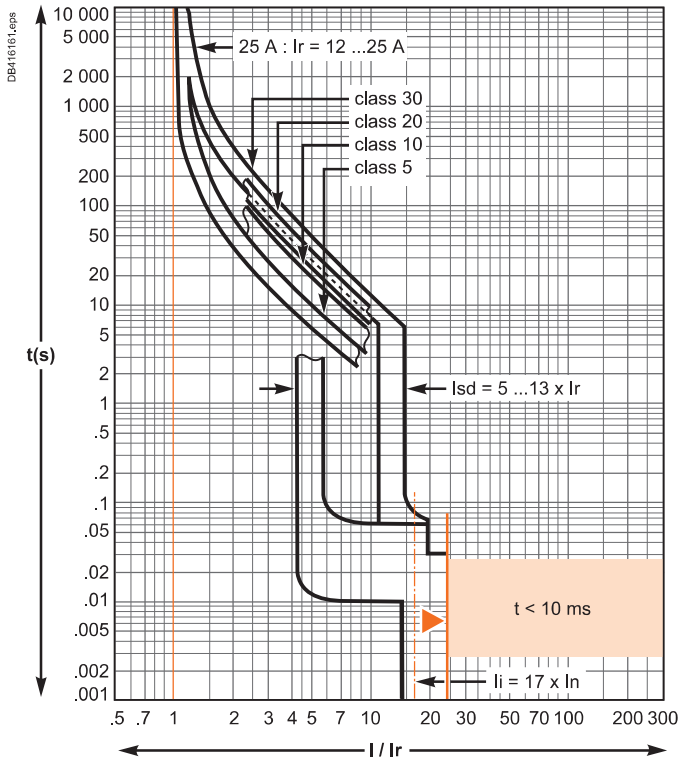
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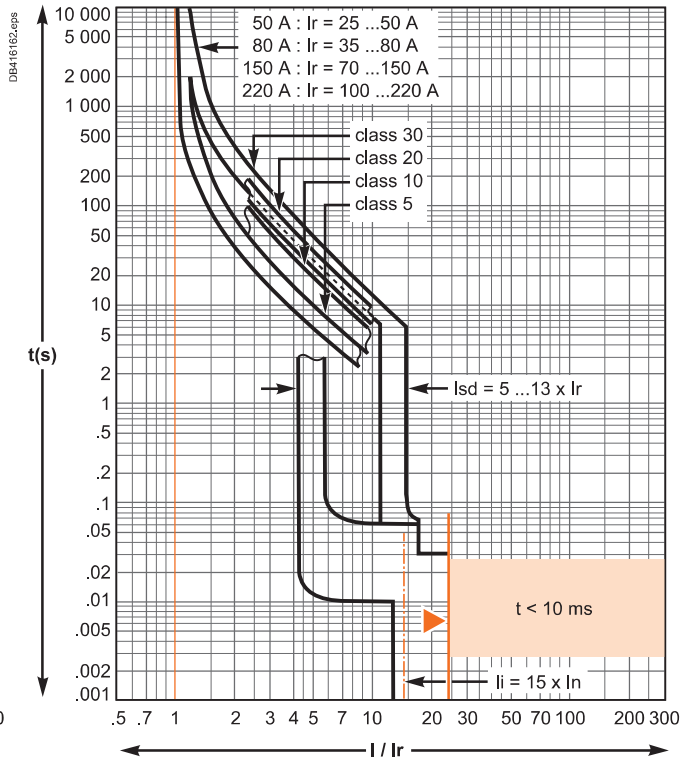
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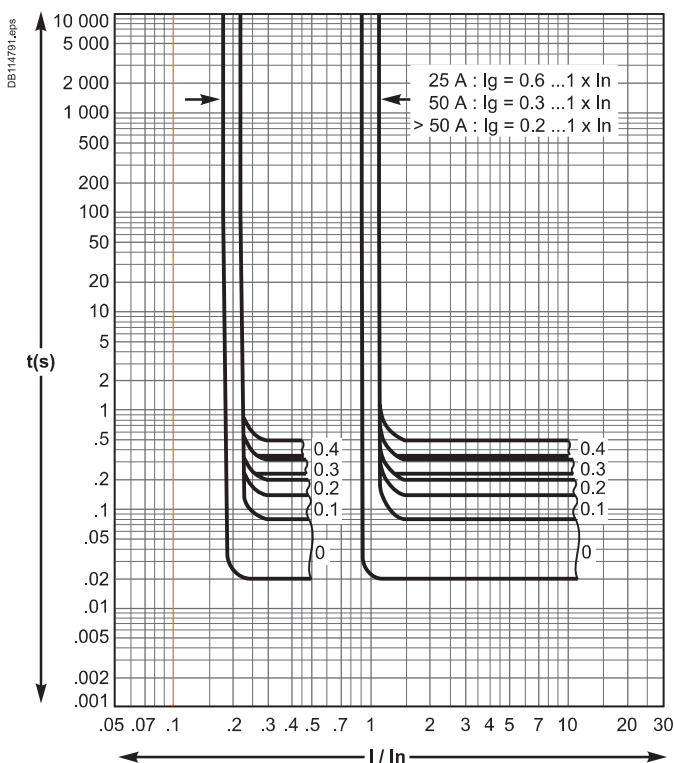


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Micrologic 6.2 E-M (ground-fault protection)

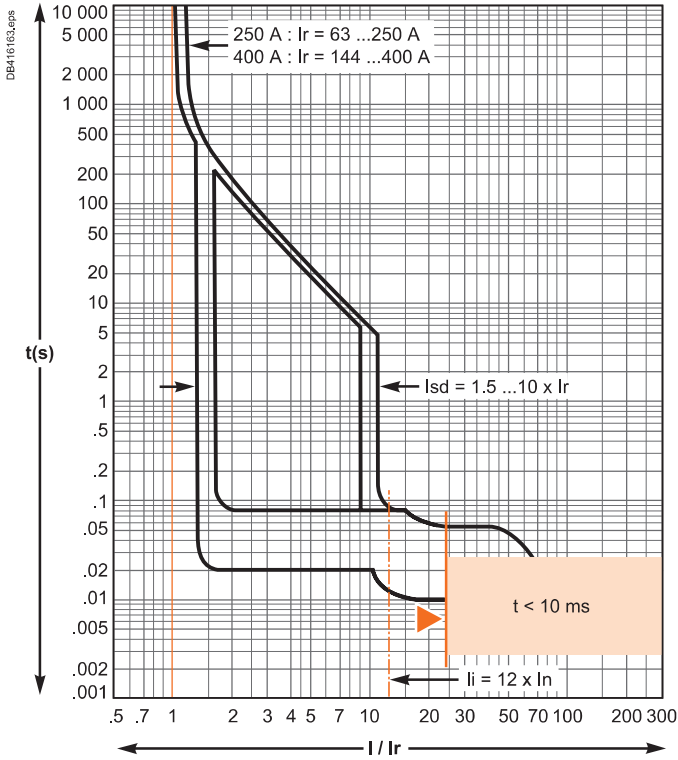


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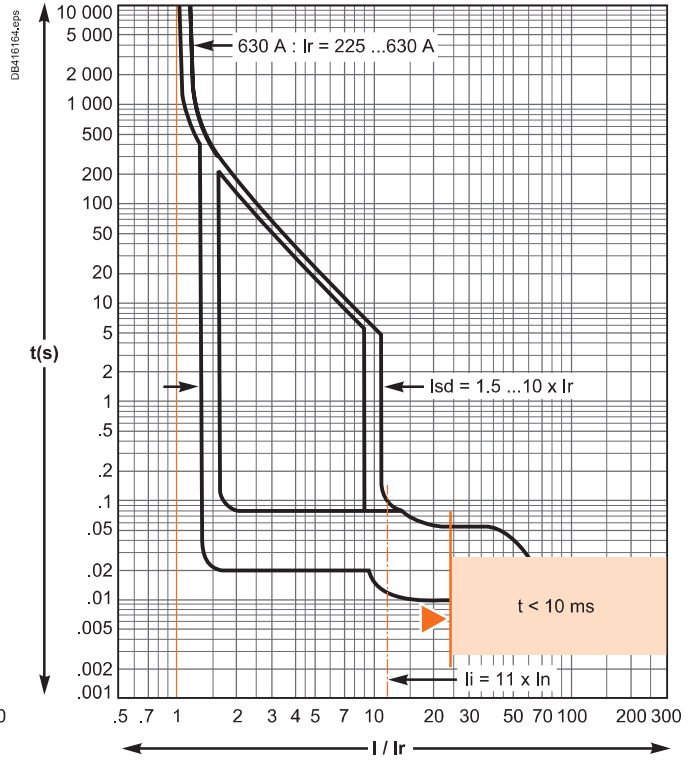
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Protection of distribution systems

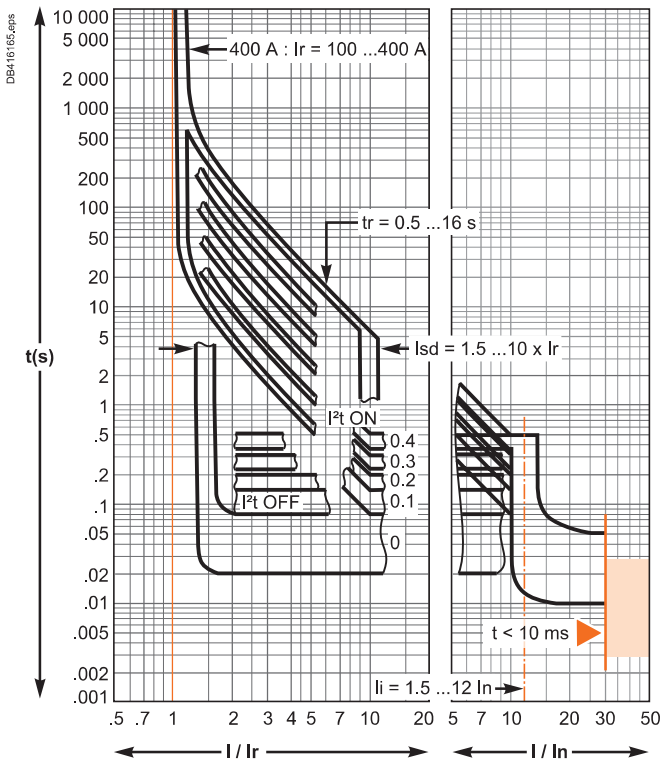
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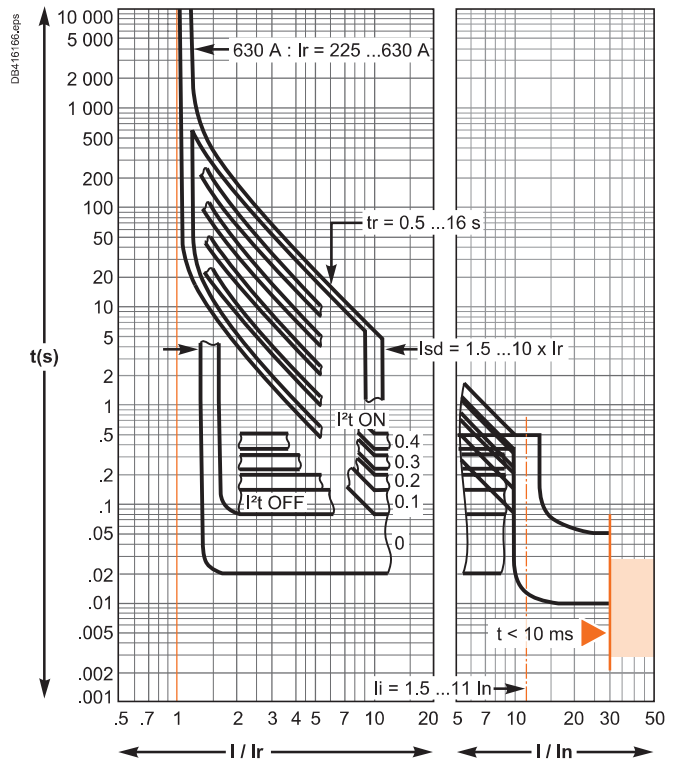
Micrologic 2.3 - 630 A



Micrologic 5.3 and 6.3 A or E - 400 A



Micrologic 5.3 and 6.3 A or E - 630 A

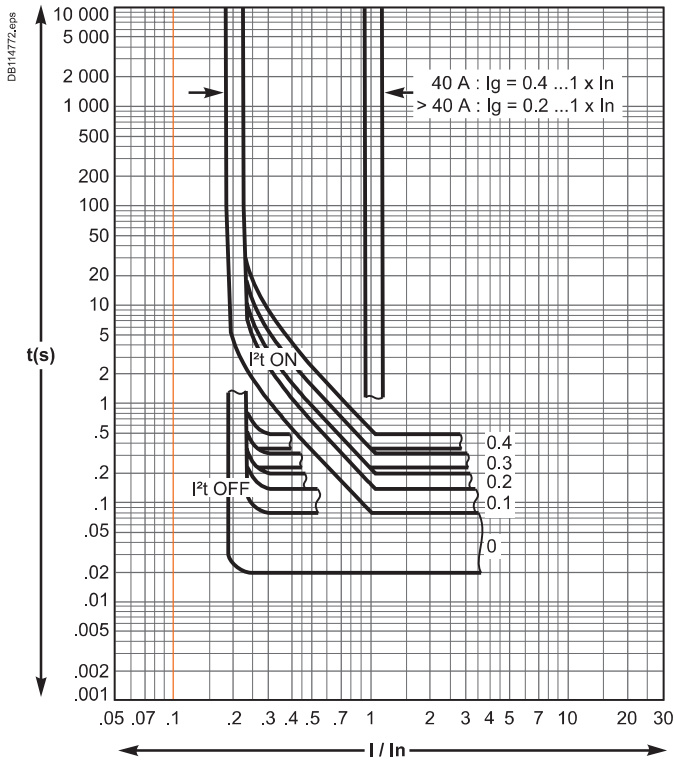


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Protection of distribution systems

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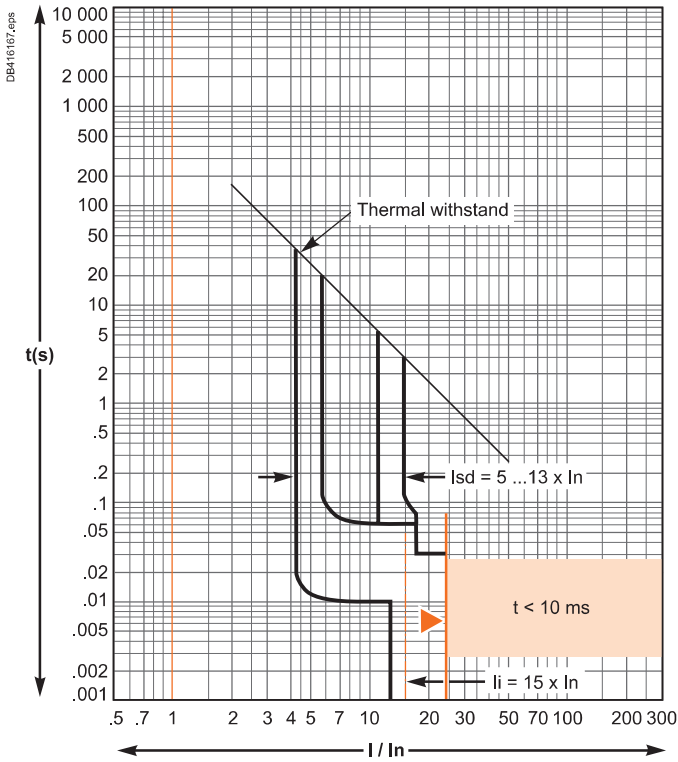


Compact NSX400 to 630

Micrologic 1.3 M and 2.3 M electronic trip units, tripping curves

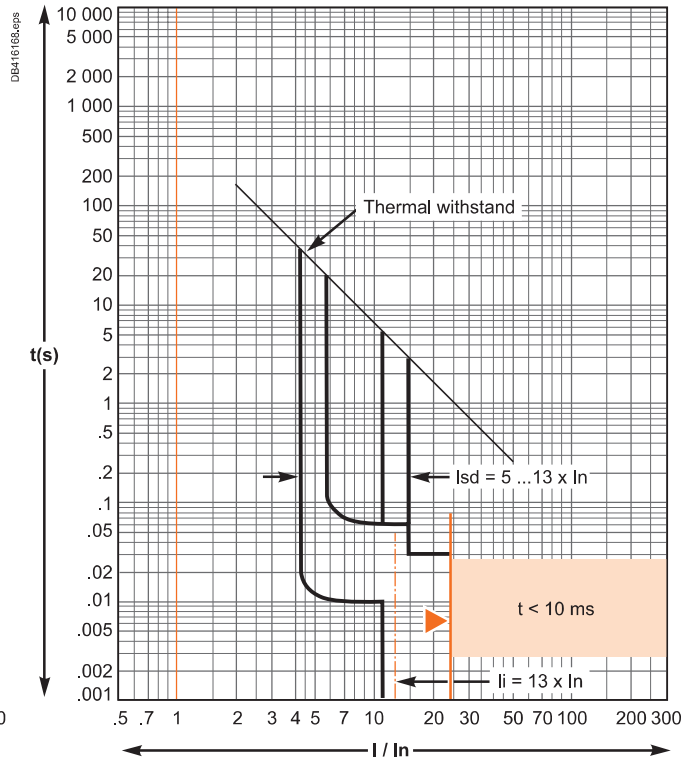
Motor protection

Micrologic 1.3 M - 320 A

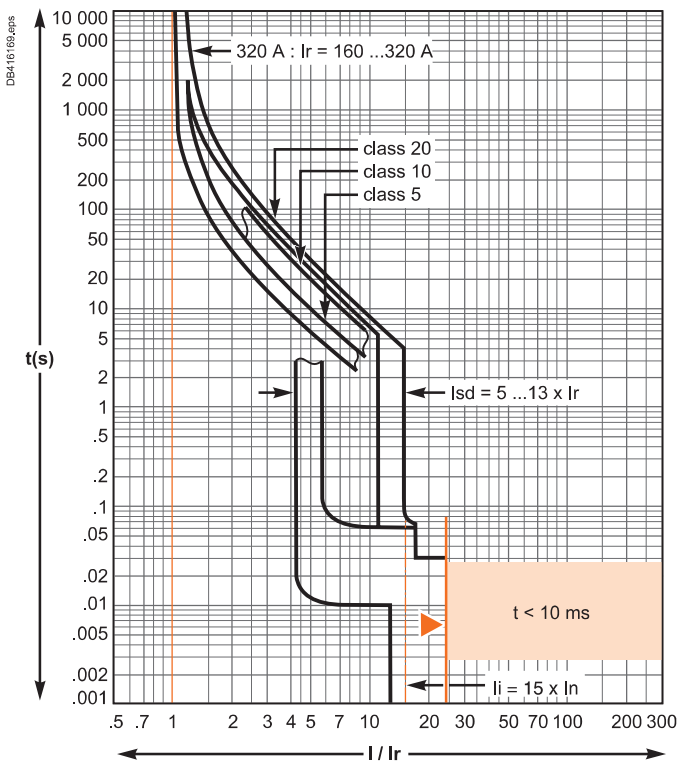


Reflex tripping.

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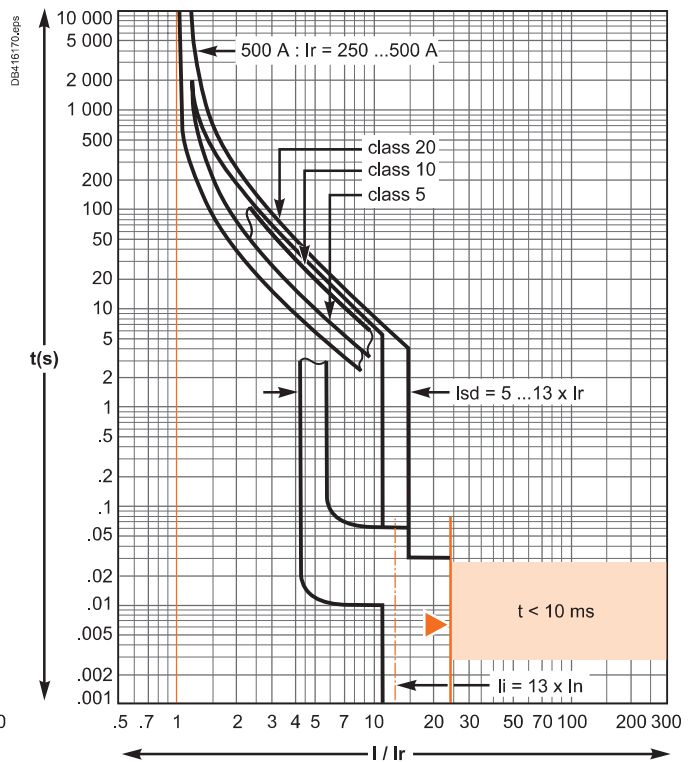


Micrologic 2.3 M - 320 A



Reflex tripping.

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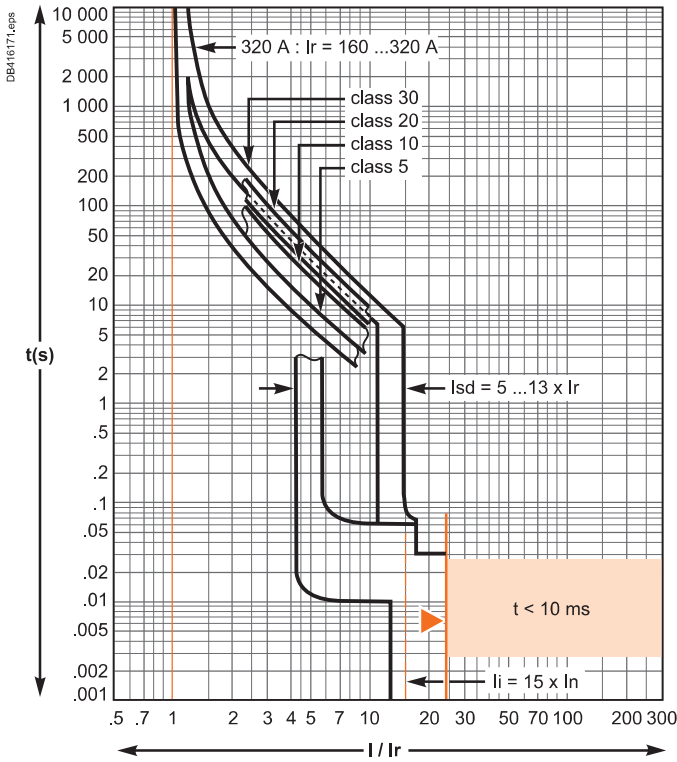


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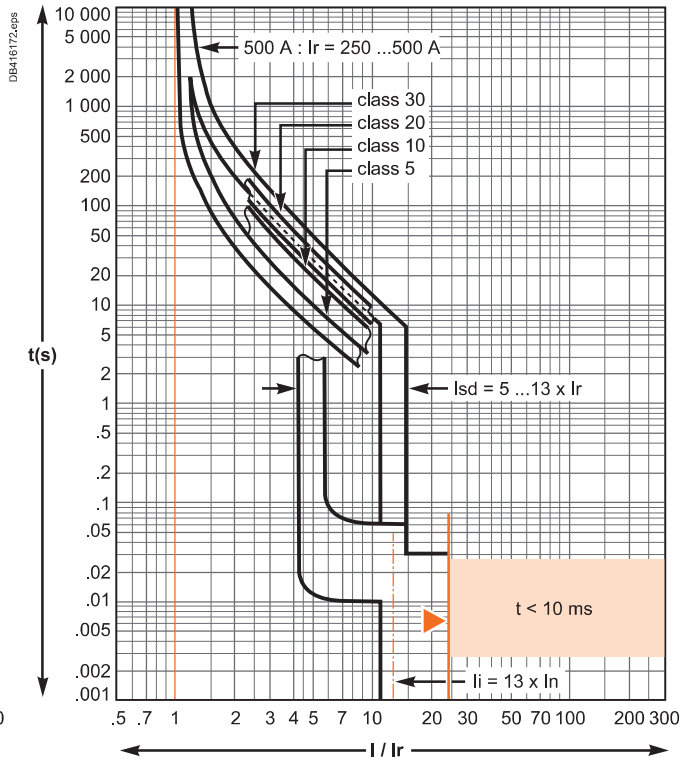
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tripping curves

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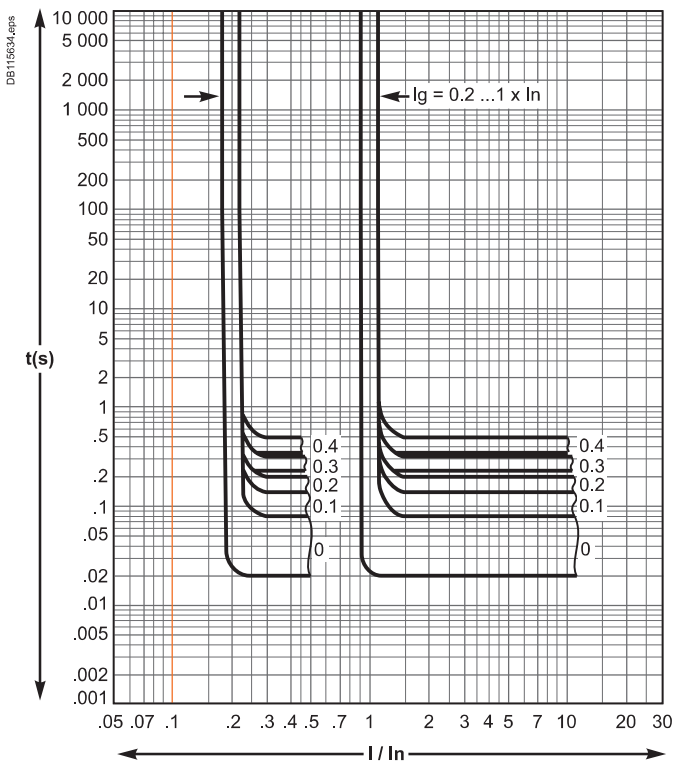


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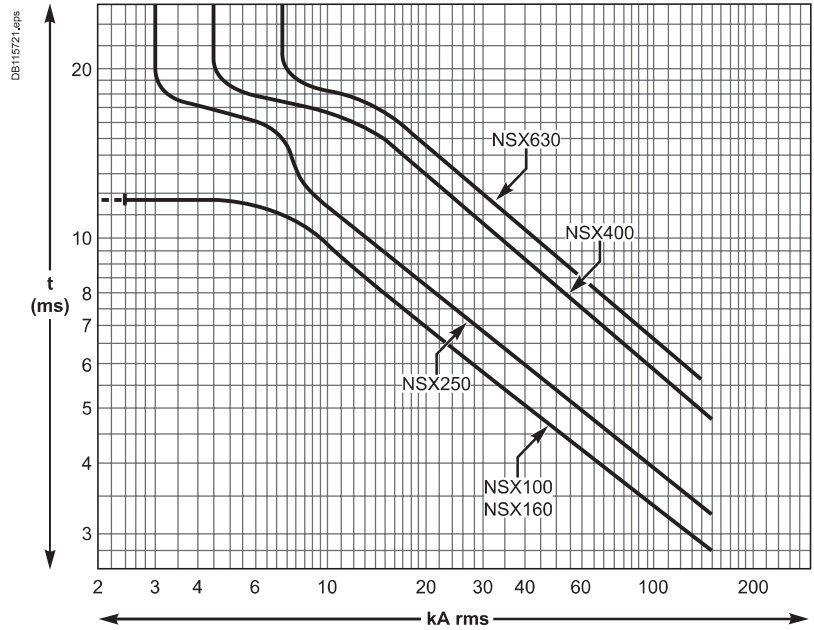


Tripping curves

Compact NSX100 to 630

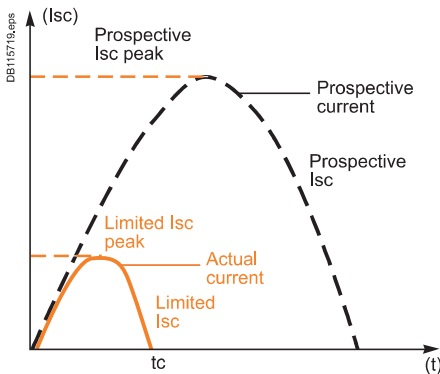
Reflex tripping

Compact NSX100 to 630 devices incorporate the exclusive reflex-tripping system. This system breaks very high fault currents. The device is mechanically tripped via a "piston" actuated directly by the pressure produced in the breaking units by the short-circuit. For high short-circuits, this system provides a faster break, thereby ensuring discrimination. Reflex-tripping curves are exclusively a function of the circuit-breaker rating.



Current and energy limiting curves

The limiting capacity of a circuit breaker is its aptitude to let through a current, during a short-circuit, that is less than the prospective short-circuit current.



The exceptional limiting capacity of the Compact NSX range is due to the rotating double-break technique (very rapid natural repulsion of contacts and the appearance of two arc voltages in-series with a very steep wave front).

Ics = 100 % Icu

The exceptional limiting capacity of the Compact NSX range greatly reduces the forces created by fault currents in devices.

The result is a major increase in breaking performance.

In particular, the service breaking capacity Ics is equal to 100 % of Icu.

The Ics value, defined by IEC standard 60947-2, is guaranteed by tests comprising the following steps:

- break three times consecutively a fault current equal to 100 % of Icu
- check that the device continues to function normally, that is:
 - it conducts the rated current without abnormal temperature rise
 - protection functions perform within the limits specified by the standard
 - suitability for isolation is not impaired.

Longer service life of electrical installations

Current-limiting circuit breakers greatly reduce the negative effects of short-circuits on installations.

Thermal effects

Less temperature rise in conductors, therefore longer service life for cables.

Mechanical effects

Reduced electrodynamic forces, therefore less risk of electrical contacts or busbars being deformed or broken.

Electromagnetic effects

Fewer disturbances for measuring devices located near electrical circuits.

Economy by means of cascading

Cascading is a technique directly derived from current limiting. Circuit breakers with breaking capacities less than the prospective short-circuit current may be installed downstream of a limiting circuit breaker. The breaking capacity is reinforced by the limiting capacity of the upstream device. It follows that substantial savings can be made on downstream equipment and enclosures.

Current and energy limiting curves

The limiting capacity of a circuit breaker is expressed by two curves which are a function of the prospective short-circuit current (the current which would flow if no protection devices were installed):

- the actual peak current (limited current)
- thermal stress (A²s), i.e. the energy dissipated by the short-circuit in a conductor with a resistance of 1 Ω.

Example

What is the real value of a 150 kA rms prospective short-circuit (i.e. 330 kA peak) limited by an NSX250L upstream ?

The answer is 30 kA peak (curve [page E-18](#)).

Maximum permissible cable stresses

The table below indicates the maximum permissible thermal stresses for cables depending on their insulation, conductor (Cu or Al) and their cross-sectional area (CSA). CSA values are given in mm² and thermal stresses in A²s.

CSA		1.5 mm ²	2.5 mm ²	4 mm ²	6 mm ²	10 mm ²
PVC	Cu	2.97x10 ⁴	8.26x10 ⁴	2.12x10 ⁵	4.76x10 ⁵	1.32x10 ⁶
	Al					5.41x10 ⁵
PRC	Cu	4.10x10 ⁴	1.39x10 ⁵	2.92x10 ⁵	6.56x10 ⁵	1.82x10 ⁶
	Al					7.52x10 ⁵
CSA		16 mm ²	25 mm ²	35 mm ²	50 mm ²	
PVC	Cu	3.4x10 ⁶	8.26x10 ⁶	1.62x10 ⁷	3.31x10 ⁷	
	Al	1.39x10 ⁶	3.38x10 ⁶	6.64x10 ⁶	1.35x10 ⁷	
PRC	Cu	4.69x10 ⁶	1.39x10 ⁷	2.23x10 ⁷	4.56x10 ⁷	
	Al	1.93x10 ⁶	4.70x10 ⁶	9.23x10 ⁶	1.88x10 ⁷	

Example

Is a Cu/PVC cable with a CSA of 10 mm² adequately protected by an NSX160F?

The table above indicates that the permissible stress is 1.32x10⁶ A²s.

All short-circuit currents at the point where an NSX160F (Icu = 35 kA) is installed are limited with a thermal stress less than 6x10⁵ A²s (curve [page E-18](#)).

Cable protection is therefore ensured up to the limit of the breaking capacity of the circuit breaker.

Current and energy limiting curves

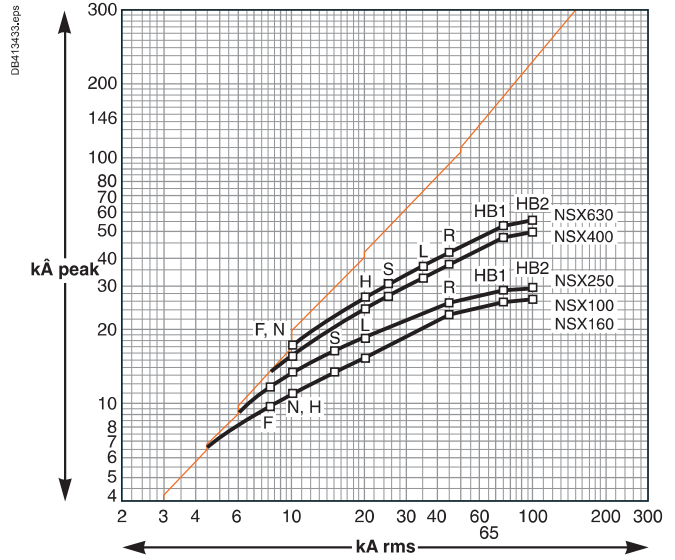
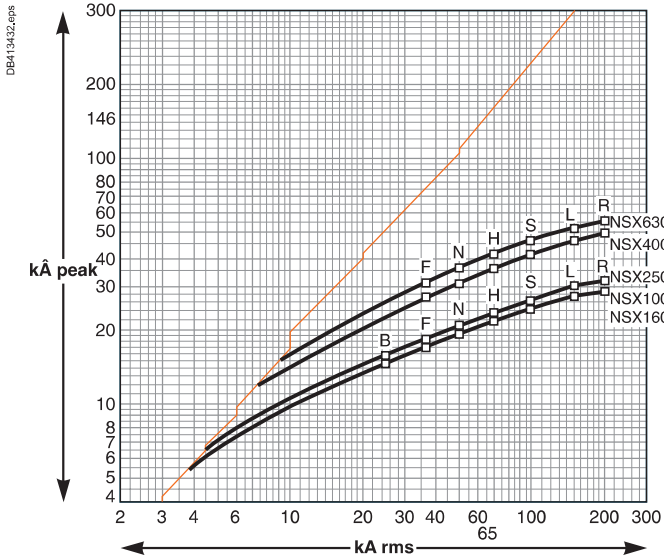
Current-limiting curves

Voltage 400/440 V AC

Voltage 660/690 V AC

Limited short-circuit current (kA peak)

Limited short-circuit current (kA peak)



Energy-limiting curves

Voltage 400/440 V AC

Voltage 660/690 V AC

Limited energy

Limited energy

