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DCGL-666 DC Ground Fault Locator

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1. GENERAL DESCRIPTION

1.1 GENERAL:

The ground fault of DC system in power system is a kind of fault which is easy to happen and is

harmful to power system. Whether it is positive or negative ground, it may cause the protection

to be mis-operated or the protection to resist, endangering the normal operation of the power

system.

DC system ground fault locator, is used for power station and transformer substation DC power

system ground fault locating and pinpointing.

It adopts isolate programmable constant flow source to insert small current single to find the

faulty point quickly, accurately and safely.

The waveform analysis method real-time calculate and display the resistive current value, the

current direction and check the ground current waveform directly.

Device effectively get rid of the system distributed capacitance interference and solve the

locating of high resistance ground, low resistance ground, AC in DC ground, instant ground,

impulse interference, loop ground, single-point, multiple point ground and so on.

1.2 FUNCTION FEATHER:

No need system power off, power on to locate the system ground fault on-line to rise the

system safety.

AC crossing into system checking function to avid the device damage of AC in

Auto test the DC system voltage and auto adjust output voltage

• Intelligent distinguish the ground state and auto alarm when grounding.

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- The transmitter detects fault information such as positive and negative bus voltage, fault resistance, grounding capacitance and balance resistance in real time.
- The transmitter supports DC and AC power supply modes; DC power supply without external power supply, direct power from the DC system, simple and convenient wiring.
- The transmitter can measure the DC system grounding resistance and distributed capacitance to the ground, and automatically calculate the optimal frequency of the output signal.
- In the current difference location mode, the receiver calculates and displays the resistive current in real time through the difference between the injected current signals, so as to determine the fault points in real time. The test sensitivity is greatly improved and can measure up to 1M insulation faults.
- Under the current waveform positioning mode, the receiver adopts waveform analysis
 digital signal processing technology to calculate and display the resistive current
 waveform in real time, so as to determine the fault point in real time.
- Using wireless communication technology, real-time data transmission, convenient and fast.
- Low battery indicator function of receiver: the instrument will automatically alert when the battery is under voltage.
- Receiver automatic power off function: within 60 minutes without operation or battery low voltage to a certain extent can be automatically power off.

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1.3 SPECIFICATION:

Transmitter:

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- Applicable DC system voltage grade 220V, 110V, 48V, 24V.
- Power supply mode of the transmitter: DC screen power supply (220V, 110V) or AC 220V power supply. If AC 220V power supply is used, the transmitter will automatically cut off the DC power supply loop, and AC 220V power supply is preferred.
- DC system voltage measurement range: DC 0~500V.
- DC voltage measurement resolution: DC 1V, accuracy: $5\% \pm 5$ V.
- The system for ground impedance measurement range: 0 ~ 1 m $\ \Omega$, accuracy: 10% plus or minus 3 k $\ \Omega$.
- The system insulation resistance measuring range: 0 ~ 1 m $\,^{\Omega}$, accuracy: 10% plus or minus 3 k $\,^{\Omega}$.
- AC crossing in voltage measurement range: AC 0~280V.
- AC voltage measurement resolution: AC 1V, accuracy: $5\% \pm 5$ V.
- Resistance to ground distributed capacitance value: branch ≤ 47UF, system total capacitance to ground ≤150 UF.
- Maximum current of transmitter output: 5mA.
- Transmitter output signal frequency:

Receiver positioning mode in current difference: 0.1Hz~0.25Hz adaptive frequency.

Receiver in current waveform locating mode: 0.5Hz/0.2Hz/0.1Hz.

Receiver:

- The insulation resistance measuring range: $0 \sim 600 \text{ k}$ Ω .
- Insulation impedance measurement resolution: 1 k Ω .
- The resolution of earth leakage current detection: 0.1mA.

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• Clamp dynamic range: clamp double wire (positive and negative bus clamp together)

range: 0~40A (load) Single wire clamp range: -5A to +5A

- Receiver power supply: built-in rechargeable lithium battery. It can work for 20 hours, and the battery can be fully charged in 3~4 hours.
- Clamp power supply: 2 AA (No.5) alkaline dry batteries. Continuous working time of 10~20 hours (depending on battery quality).
- Wireless communication technology indicators

ISM frequency band: 433MHz.

Air speed: 2.4 KBPS.

Wireless communication signal power: 30dBm.

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- Power consumption: transmitter <15W.Receiver <2W.
- Conditions of use: temperature :-10 °C ~40 °C; Humidity 10 ~ 90% RH; < 4500 m elevation.
- Size:

Transmitter 280mm × 220mm × 90mm;

Receiver 220mm×125mm×55mm;

Signal calipers $180 \text{mm} \times 60 \text{mm} \times 35 \text{mm}$;

Current sensor 180mm × 130mm × 30mm

• Quality:

Transmitter 2.00kg; Receiver 0.90kg;

Signal clamp 0.21kg; Current sensor 0.18kg.

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2. DEVICE COMPOSITION:

DC system ground fault locator consists of transmitter, receiver, signal clamp and current sensor, etc. :

2.1 TRANSMITTER:



Fig.1 Transmitter appearance



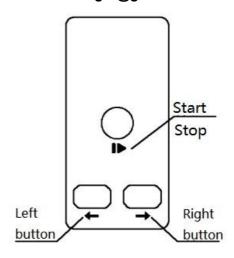


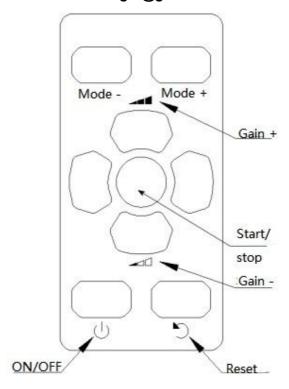
Fig.2 Transmitter press button

2.2 RECEIVER



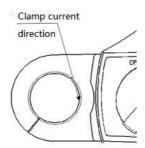
Fig.3 Receiver appearance





2.3 SIGNAL CLAMP

Fig.4 Button board



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Fig.5 current sensor

1. jaw handle: press to open the jaw of the clamp.

2. Power on/off: turn on or turn off the working power of the clamp.

3. Power indicator: When the indicator light is on, the working power of the clamp is normal.

4. Low battery indicator: When the indicator light is on, it means that the battery of the clamp has been used up and a new battery needs to be replaced.

5. Reset: used for clamp output signal level zero setting.

6. Signal output port: output port of clamp signal voltage.

7. Signal clamp diameter: 23mm

2.4 CURRENT SENSOR



3. WORK PRINCIPLE

Fig 6 current sensor

The red output clip, green output

clip and black output

clip of the transmitter are respectively connected to the positive bus, ground bar and negative bus of the DC system, and the transmitter power on after confirming the wiring is correct.

First of all, the transmitter detects the positive bus voltage to ground and the negative bus voltage to ground respectively through the internal relay switching, so as to determine the positive bus fault or the negative bus fault. Then, the transmitter carries out parameter measurement on the weak current signal <5mA injected into the fault bus to determine the

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fault resistance, balance resistance, grounding capacitance and other parameter information.

Receiver work in current differential positioning mode: according to the fault busbar and

parameter information, signal clamp connect into the fault branch correctly, press the

start/stop button, the transmitter begin to do HV output. Transmitter will output a 0.1 Hz to 0.5

Hz DC impulse signal. The receiver according to the signal difference before and after injection

signal, so as to determine the fault point in real time;

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Under normal circumstances, about 15s later, it can judge whether there is a fault in the

current branch. If there is a fault, the fault probability pointer points to the red area, the buzzer

alarm, and the lower right corner of the interface shows grounding.

If there is no fault in the busbar branch, the fault probability pointer points to the green area

and the buzzer rings one time to indicate..

Then the signal clamp is clamped into another branch, and presses the receiver reset button to

continue detection until the fault bus branch is detected.

When the detection is completed, presses the receiver start/stop button again, and the

transmitter will stop the high-voltage output.

The receiver works in the current waveform location mode: Press the receiver start/stop button,

and the transmitter starts to output high voltage. The optimal output frequency is

automatically determined according to the fault impedance of the DC system and the

magnitude of the distributed capacitance to the ground. The receiver determines the fault

point in real time through the magnitude of the waveform amplitude.

If there is a fault, the display is a impulse waveform; If there is no fault, there is no impulse

waveform. When change to new each branch, press the receiver reset button to continue

detection until the fault bus branch is detected. When the detection is completed, presses

receiver start/stop button again, and the transmitter will stop the high-voltage output.

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Note: When the current sensor is connected to the receiver, the receiver will automatically

switch to the current waveform locating mode. When the signal clamp is connected to the

receiver, both operating modes can be used.

4. OPERATION METHOD

If the DC system is equipped with a fixed grounding line selection detection device, the line

selection device should be shut down and the insulation alarm relay should be unplugged to

avoid reducing the test accuracy when locate a grounding fault.

4.1 TRANSMITTER OPERATION METHOD

4.1.1 Wiring:

Power off the transmitter and connect the positive, negative, ground wire with the DC system

according position.

Connect the Red clip to the power positive (+220V,+110V,+48V,+24V),connect the Black clip to

the power negative (0 V) and connect Green clip with the system ground cable.

4.1.2 Power supply:

Use the DC power supply when the DC system is 220V,110V.

Use the 220V AC power supply when DC system is 48V,24V or DC system power off.

4.1.3 Transmitter operation steps:

After wiring the transmitter, power on and the screen will display Start information and in 1s,

device will enter the testing status for power choice, display as below:

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Fig 7 Output power choice interface

After	power		confirmed,enter	the
main int	erface as below	Warning! Error wiring please check!!!		

Fig 8 Interface during measuring

After waiting for about 2S, if any wiring error, device will alarm as below

Fig 9 Interface of error wiring

If any DC system AC crossing, the device will alarm as below:

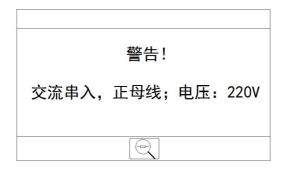


Fig.10 Principle reference

4.2 WORK MODE:

Work mode	Step voltage	Fault current	HV rod
Suitable	Buried cable	Laying cable through	Cable laying on the
fault		PVC	holder

3.2.1 Prepare

According to the fault location results, the FLC-908D receiver and probe are carried to the detection area. The detection area is mainly selected according to the ranging results. For example, if the ranging result is 1000m, the detection area should be between 950m and 1050m.

Assemble the probe and connect the probe output wire to the signal input jack of CD-6680 (note the color corresponding)

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Insert two probes into the soil along the cable path. The orientation of the two probes must be maintained during the fixing process, with the black probe towards the source and the red

probe towards the distal end. The two probes are separated by a certain distance. When the

signal is weak, the distance will be extended properly, and when the signal is strong, the

distance will be shortened. When the signal is very close to the fault point, the distance can be

very small for accurate fixing.

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If the cable is laid through PVC pipe, access the current sensor according to the need, and

measure the current flowing through the exposed fault cable through the sensor to find the

location of the fault point.

3.2.2 Step voltage signal pinpointing

Press the power switch for more than 1 second, power on the FLC-908D, Insert the probe into

the soil near the fault cable (do not hold the probe with your hand), press the RESET key, and

observe the signal waveform of the FLC-908D LCD display. If the waveform amplitude is small,

the gain should be turned up. Then observe the signal waveform of the FLC-908D LCD display

until the gain is adjusted properly. Observe the arrow indicating the direction of fault. Then

move forward about 10 meters along the direction indicated by the arrow to continue the

measurement. When the FLC-908D display signal is strong and the arrow direction is reversed,

it means that the fault point has been crossed. Shorten the moving distance and look back

carefully for the point where the direction of the arrow changes and the signal is strong, which

is the fault point. In the pinpointing process, if the signal amplitude displayed is very small, the

direction indicated by the arrow will change from left to right. The measuring point is far from

the fault point, so it can continue to move forward for measurement. Or increase the signal

gain over a period of time, the direction indicated by the arrow will be stable. The fixed-point

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process is shown in Figure 8.

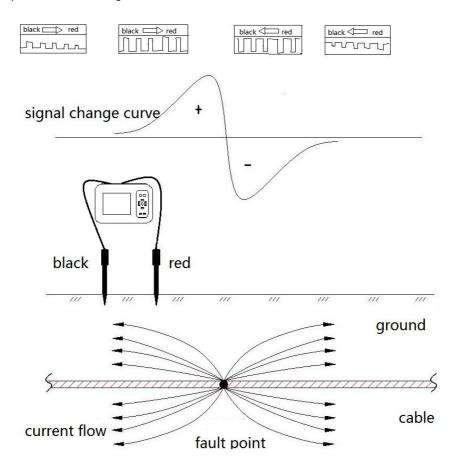


Fig.8 Step voltage pinpointing reference

3.2.3 Fault current signal pinpointing

Step voltage signal pinpointing may fail when cable is laid through PVC pipe. Now we should

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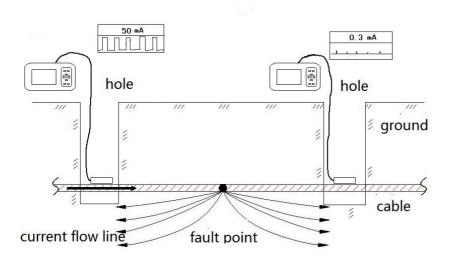
the fault current signal pinpointing method.

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A current sensor is plugged in device to measure the current flowing through the faulty cable in the power hole. The current is present before the position of point of failure and disappears after over the point of failure. According to this feature, the fault point can be located between two bore holes. See Figure 9.

After inserting the current sensor, press the mode plus or minus key to switch to the fault-current pinpointing mode. During measurement, the current sensor should face up and the bottom side should be as close as possible to the cable under test. The direction of the arrow of the sensor should be consistent with the direction of the cable and point to the far end.





3.2.4 HV signal rod Fig.8 Step voltage pinpointing reference pinpointing

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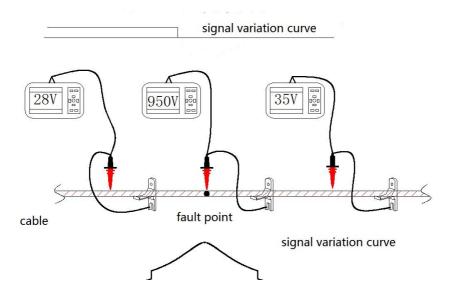


Usage: suitable for cable laid on cable support, such as cable special tunnel, comprehensive trench, shared tunnel and other corridors or tunnel structures that used to hold a large number of cables laid on cable support.

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Transmitter mode setting: remove the output line of the reference phase of the FLD-902D sheath rangefinder, and connect the output line of the fault phase to the fault sheath, then test ground wire connected to the earth. Press the DC/PULSE button to make the FLD-902D work in the DC output state.

When the cable insulation layer on the support in the tunnel is damaged, the high voltage rod is used to pinpoint. According to the different voltage at different positions, the fault point of the cable insulation layer can be quickly found. After inserting the high voltage probe, press the mode plus or minus key to switch to the high pressure probe fixed point mode to start measuring pinpointing .See Figure 10.



T| Fig.10 HV rod pinpointing section diagram (CO.,LTD.

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Safety warning!

The pinpointing of the high voltage rod involves the safety of

people and equipment. Do not touch the cable body on the

cable bracket when working!!!

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1. The injection voltage using the pulsating DC method may be very high, and there may be

high voltage on the cable surface (semiconductor layer) near the fault point, so it is forbidden

to directly contact the cable body with the step voltage probe.

2. If there is a cement cover directly above the cable and the probe cannot be inserted, the test

can be carried out in the nearby soil parallel to the cable. If the hardened ground area above

the cable is large area and dry, wet the ground at the test point with water before measuring.

3. If there are multiple fault points in the protective layer, the ranging result is generally close to

the most serious fault point, the point should be pinpoint and repaired first. If there is still a

fault, the ranging and pinpointing process should be repeated until all the fault is repaired.

4. The output voltage of the high-voltage signal source should be lower than the withstand

voltage standard of the cable sheath, generally not exceeding 10KV. Special attention should be

paid especially when using the impact method.

5. For the core wire fault of three-core clad cable, if the armor at the fault point has been

damaged, the step voltage method can also be used to assist the pinpointing point. However,

since the armor is likely to be damaged at multiple points, the pinpointing point result is not

unique, and it can only be used as an auxiliary method if other pinpointing methods (such as

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acoustic magnetic synchronization method)not work.

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For device breakdown by incorrect using (in the warranty) or device quality problems over warranty, we are responsible for maintaining and only charge basic component cost.

When auto power-off, unable to power on or immediately shut after power on, it's possible because low battery. Charging first and again.

If other problems, don't to maintain by yourself, contact with us first.

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