ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING DESIGN SOFTWARE

PART 3 of a series: Variable Speed Drives - Selection & Compliance checking to IEEE 519 utilising PowerCad-5 electrical design software

PowerCad-5 electrical engineering design software allows engineers to rapidly integrate variable speed drives (VSD) into the LV electrical distribution model for an Industrial project.

VSD CONFIGURATION

The VSD location:

- Within the motor control centre,
- Remote, or
- Close coupled to the motor

HARMONIC MITIGATION

PowerCad-5 offers the following Harmonic mitigation solutions:

- Passive Filter: Line Passive filters can be added to the VSD
- Active Filter: An Active filter added to the MCC bus

VSD MOTOR FEED CABLE

A VSD/EMC variable speed drive cable with 3 cores plus 3 earths and a copper tape screen can be selected as the feed cable from the VSD to the motor.

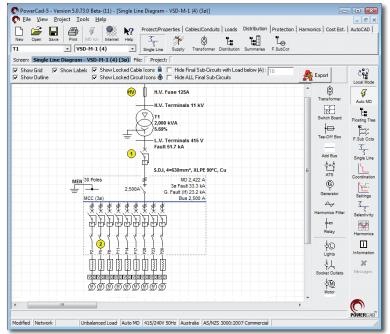


Figure 1



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CODES/STANDARDS

PowerCad-5 electrical engineering design software allows the user to select Codes/Standard for compliance checking from the following options.

Power Distribution - Conductor Loss:

 Hong Kong Code of Practice for Energy Efficiency of Electrical Installations – 2002 Edition

Maximum Total Harmonic Distortion (THD):

- IEEE Std 519:1992
- Emirate of Abu Dhabi Limits for Harmonics in the Electricity Supply System (2005)
- Hong Kong Code of Practice for Energy Efficiency of Electrical Installations – 2002 Edition

Maximum Allowable Harmonic Current:

 Emirate of Adu Dhabi - Limits for Harmonics in the Electricity Supply System (2005)

User defined:

- Total Harmonic Current Distortion (THD) as %Fundamental or % RMS
- Total Harmonic Voltage Distortion (THD) as %Fundamental

VARIABLE SPEED DRIVE SELECTION

PowerCad-5 electrical engineering design software allows engineers to automatically select the variable speed drive based on the electric motor size selected. (See Figure 2 without filter)

The variable speed drive can be selected with or without a Passive line filter. (See Figure 3 with filter)



Figure 3

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