

# STATE OF THE ART UNIVERSAL IMPULSE CURRENT TEST SYSTEMS

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5. Conclusion

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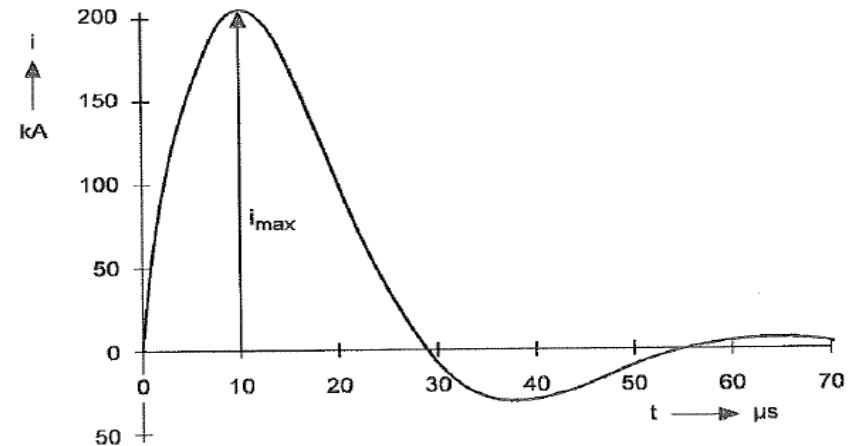
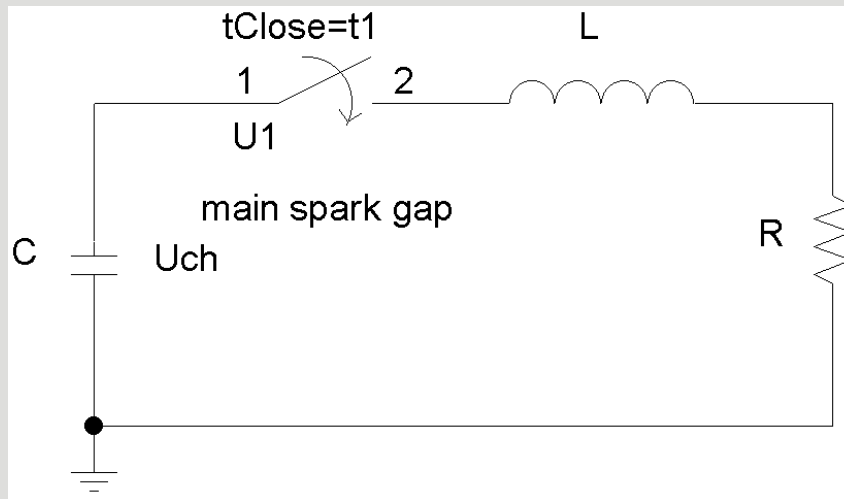
a in case of energy requirement  
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## Periodically Damped Impulse



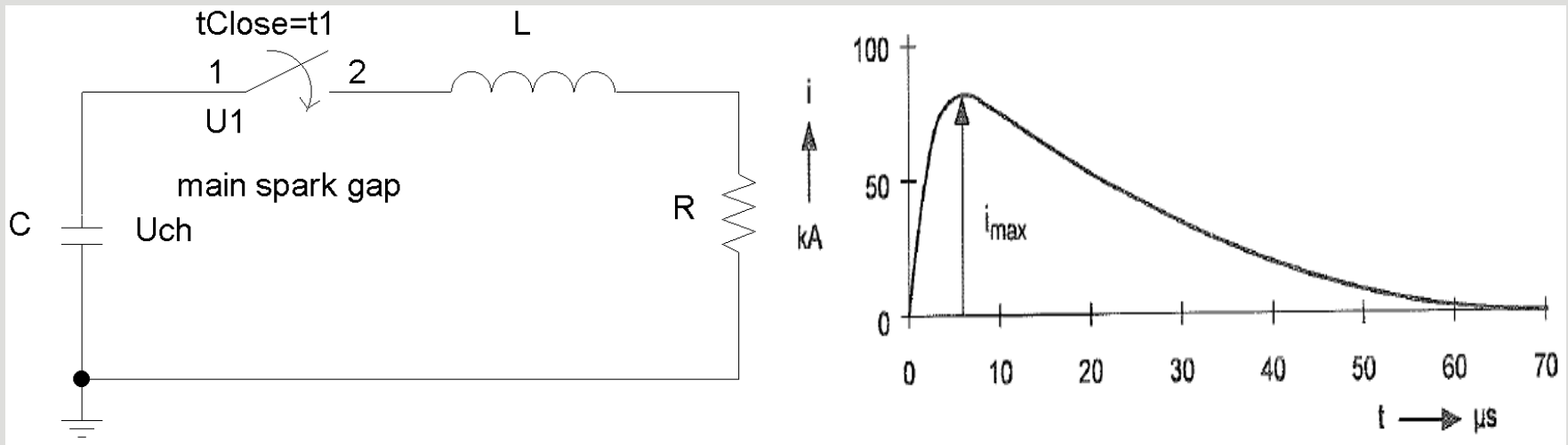
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$$\tau = \frac{2 \cdot L}{R}, \quad \omega = \sqrt{\frac{1}{L \cdot C} - \frac{R^2}{4 \cdot L^2}}, \quad R < 2 \sqrt{\frac{L}{C}}$$

$$Q = \int_0^{\infty} |i(t)| \cdot dt = \frac{U_{ch}/L}{\omega^2 + 1/\tau^2} \cdot \left( \frac{2}{1 - e^{-\pi/(\omega \cdot \tau)}} - 1 \right); \quad \int_0^{\infty} (i(t))^2 \cdot dt = \frac{U_{ch}^2}{4 \cdot \omega^2 \cdot L^2} \cdot \frac{\tau}{1 + 1/(\omega \cdot \tau)^2}$$

# BASIC PRINCIPLE

## Aperiodically Damped Impulse - Overdamping



$$i(t) = \frac{U_{ch}}{\sqrt{R^2 - 4 \cdot L / C}} \cdot (e^{-t/\tau_1} - e^{-t/\tau_2}); \quad \left( \frac{di}{dt} \right)_{max} = \frac{U_{ch}}{L}; \quad t_{i_{max}} = \frac{\tau_1 \cdot \tau_2}{\tau_1 - \tau_2} \cdot \ln \frac{\tau_1}{\tau_2}$$

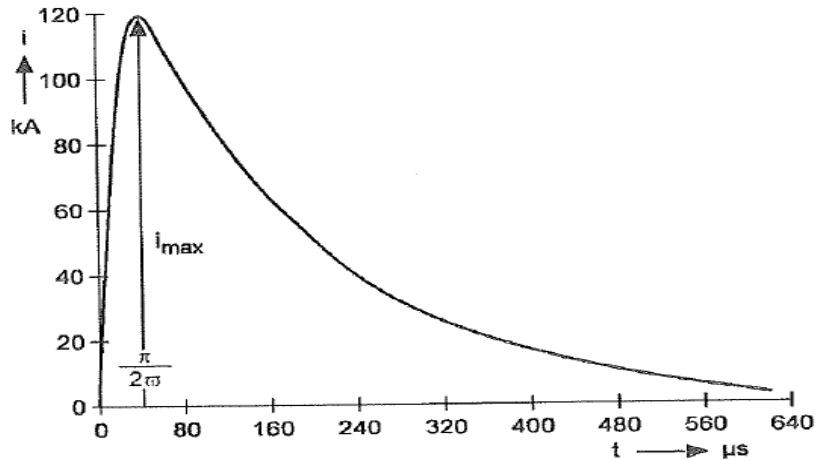
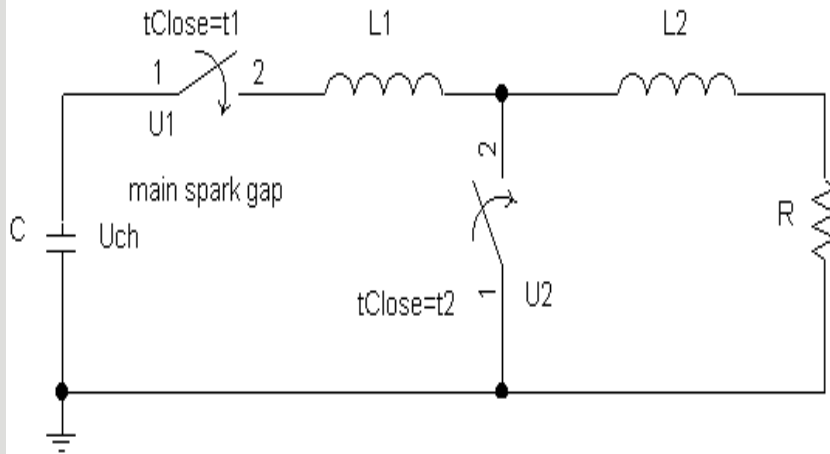
$$\tau_1 = \frac{1}{\frac{R}{2 \cdot L} - k}, \quad \tau_2 = \frac{1}{\frac{R}{2 \cdot L} + k}, \quad k = \sqrt{\left( \frac{R}{2 \cdot L} \right)^2 - \frac{1}{L \cdot C}}, \quad R > 2 \sqrt{\frac{L}{C}}$$

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## Aperiodically Damped Impulse - Crowbar



$$i(t) = \frac{U_{ch}}{\omega \cdot (L_1 + L_2)} \cdot \sin(\omega \cdot t) \text{ for } 0 \leq t \leq \frac{\pi}{2 \cdot \omega}; \quad i(t) = \frac{U_{ch}}{\omega \cdot (L_1 + L_2)} \cdot e^{-\frac{t}{\tau}} \text{ for } t \geq \frac{\pi}{2 \cdot \omega}$$

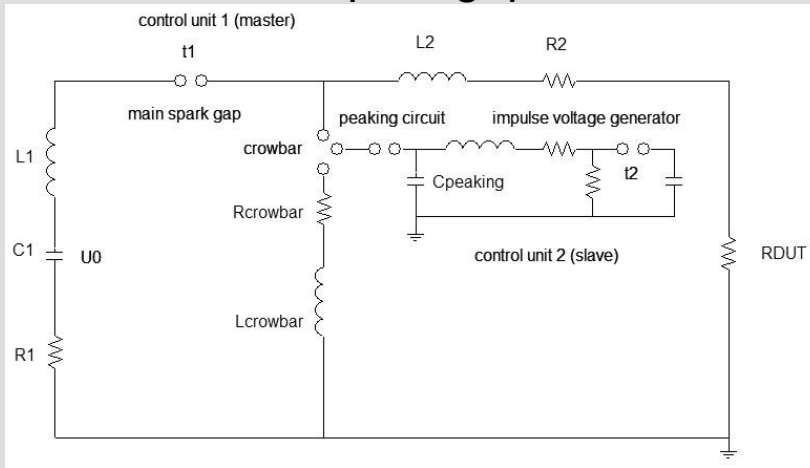
$$\omega = \sqrt{\frac{1}{C \cdot (L_1 + L_2)}}; \quad \tau = \frac{L_2}{R}, \quad i_{max} = \frac{U_{ch}}{\omega \cdot (L_1 + L_2)} @ t = \frac{\pi}{2 \cdot \omega}, \quad \left( \frac{di}{dt} \right)_{max} = \frac{U_{ch}}{(L_1 + L_2)} @ t = 0$$

$$Q = \int_0^{\infty} |i(t)| \cdot dt = U_{ch} \cdot C + \frac{U_{ch}}{\omega \cdot (L_1 + L_2)} \cdot \tau; \quad \int_0^{\infty} (i(t))^2 \cdot dt = \frac{U_{ch}^2}{\omega^2 \cdot (L_1 + L_2)^2} \cdot \left( \frac{\pi}{4 \cdot \omega} + \frac{\tau}{2} \right)$$

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## Aperiodically Damped Impulse - Crowbar Systems

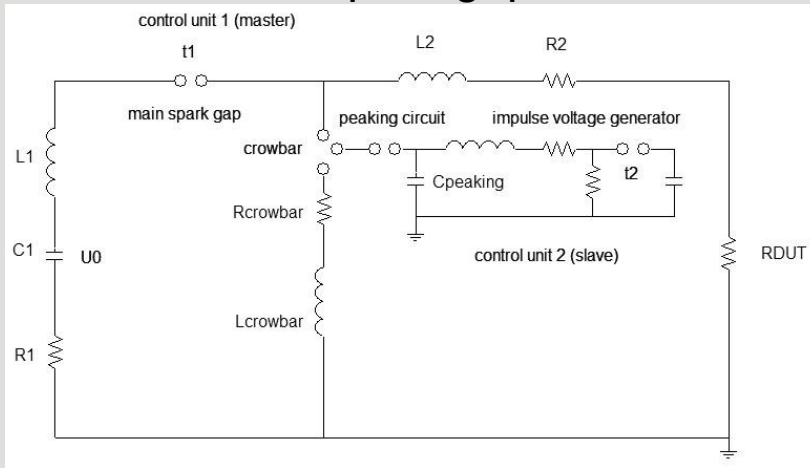
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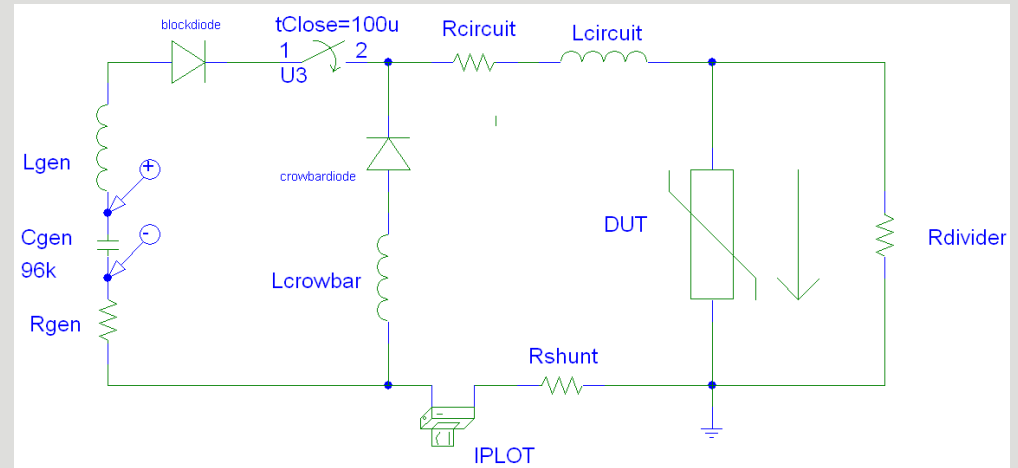
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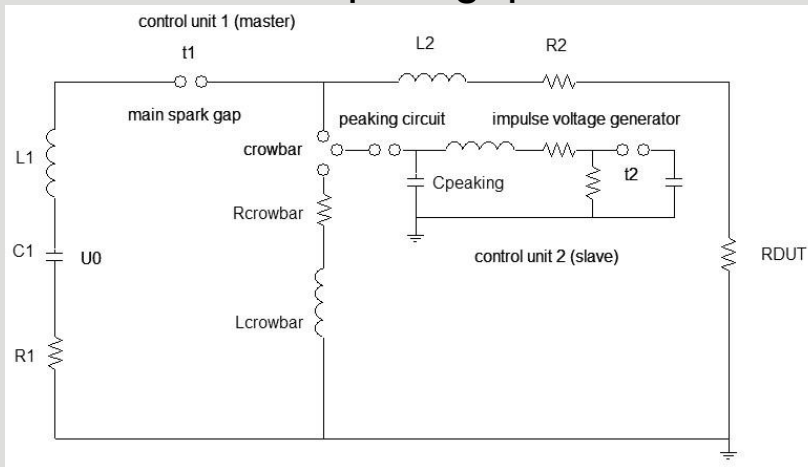


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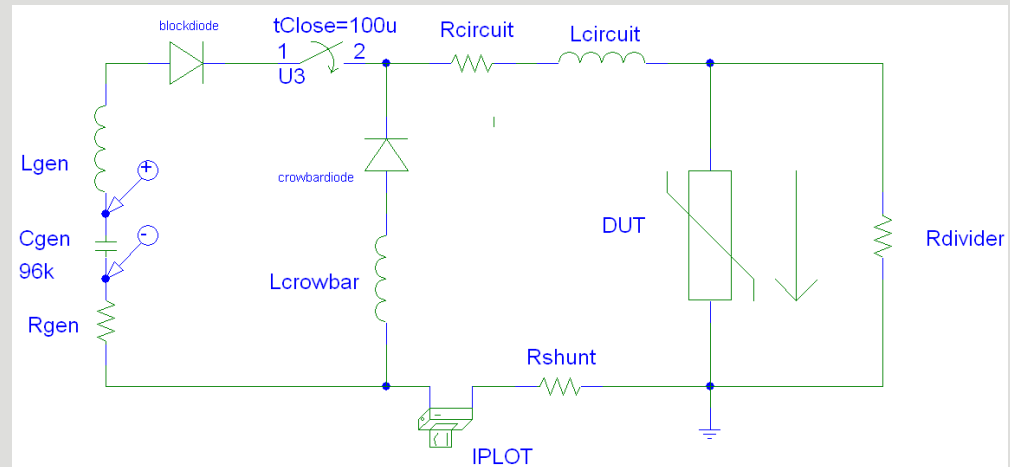


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## Crowbar with diode



	Crowbar Spark gap	Crowbar Diode	Overdamped
Efficiency	High Resistance .. mΩ	High Resistance .. mΩ	Low Resistance .. Ω
Peak amplitude 10/350	High 250 kA	Medium 50 kA	Low ... 10 kA
Back coupling DUT	High	High	Low
Handling	Complicated	Intermediate	Easy
Acoustic noise	High	Low	Low
Electric noise	High	Low	Low
Degree of freedom	High	Low	Low

# BASIC PRINCIPLE

## Comparison Crowbar / Overdamped Circuit

Identical capacitor bank, time to half value  $T_2 = 350 \mu\text{s}$

		Crowbar	Overdamped
Charging voltage	kV	100	100
Capacitance	$\mu\text{F}$	30	30
Resistance	$\Omega$	0.036	17
Inductance $L_1$	$\mu\text{H}$	1	
Inductance $L_2$	$\mu\text{H}$	18	2.1
$T_1$	$\mu\text{s}$	29.6	0.83
$T_2$	$\mu\text{s}$	350	350
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Peak current amplitude approx. 20 x higher for the crowbar arrangement!

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## Adjusting exponential impulses

	Charging voltage	Capacitance	Inductance	Resistance
Change	↑	↑	↑	↑
$I_{\text{peak}}$	↑	↑	↓	↓
$T_1$	–	↑	↑	↓
$T_2$	–	↑	↑	↑

General guidelines for linear loads without consideration of mutual interactions  
Variable impact of parameters depending on load point and mutual interactions  
Change in behaviour possible!

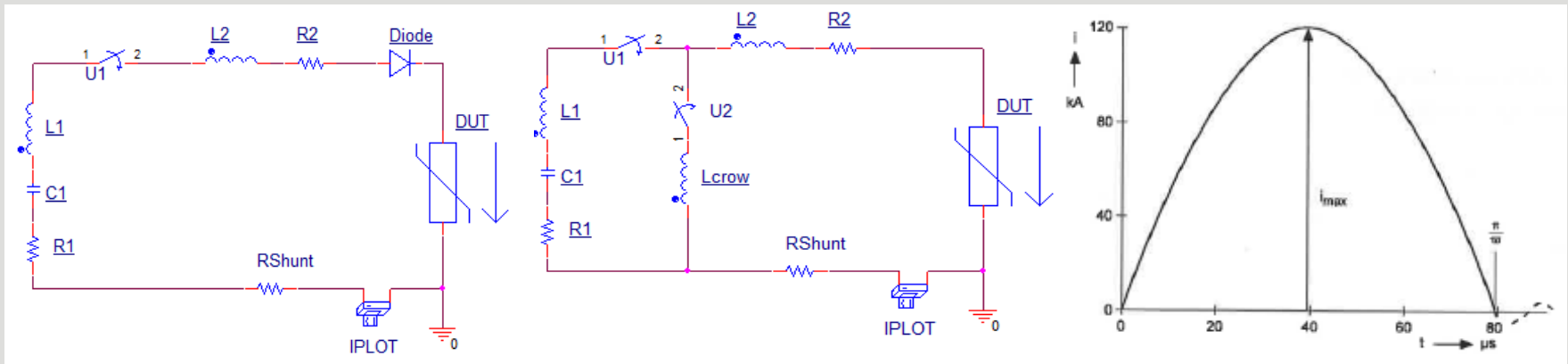
Examples:

1. Reduction of capacitors  $\Rightarrow$  increase of generator self inductance; non-linear!
2. Increase of system voltage  $\Rightarrow$  increase of generator self inductance

# BASIC PRINCIPLE

## Sine Half Wave

### Diode or crowbar to limit current reversal



$$i(t) = \frac{U_{ch}}{\omega \cdot (L_1 + L_2)} \cdot \sin(\omega \cdot t); \quad 0 \leq t \leq \frac{\pi}{\omega}; \quad \omega = \sqrt{\frac{1}{(L_1 + L_2) \cdot C}}$$

**Switching @  $i(t) = 0$ ;  $u(t) = -u_{peak}$**

$$i_{max} = \frac{U_{ch}}{\omega \cdot (L_1 + L_2)} \quad @ \quad t_{i_{max}} = \frac{\pi}{2 \cdot \omega}; \quad \left( \frac{di}{dt} \right)_{max} = \frac{U_{ch}}{(L_1 + L_2)} \quad @ \quad t = 0$$

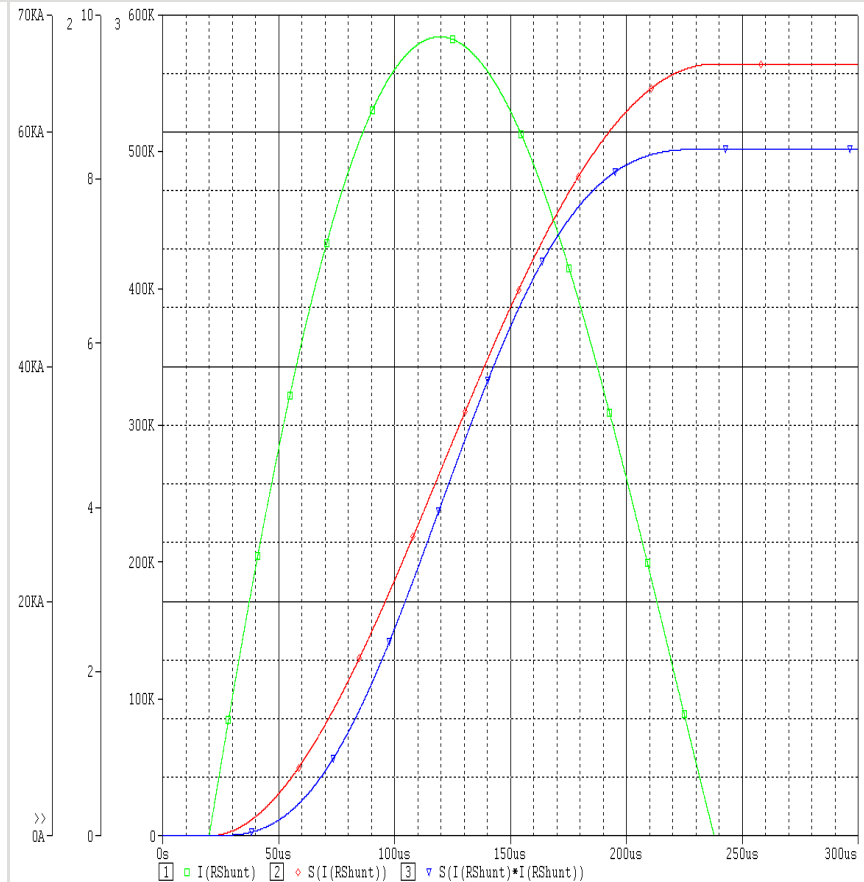
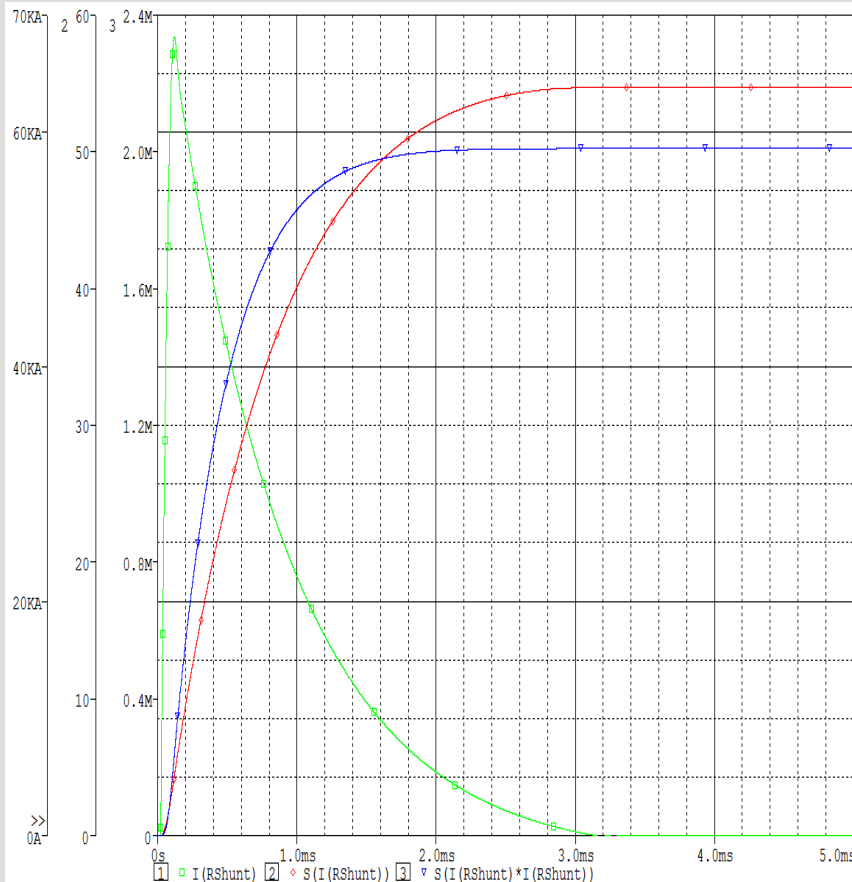
$$Q = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{\omega}} i(t) \cdot dt = 2 \cdot U_{ch} \cdot C; \quad \frac{W}{R} = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{\omega}} i(t)^2 \cdot dt = \frac{U_{ch}^2 \cdot \pi}{2 \cdot \omega^2 \cdot (L_1 + L_2)}$$



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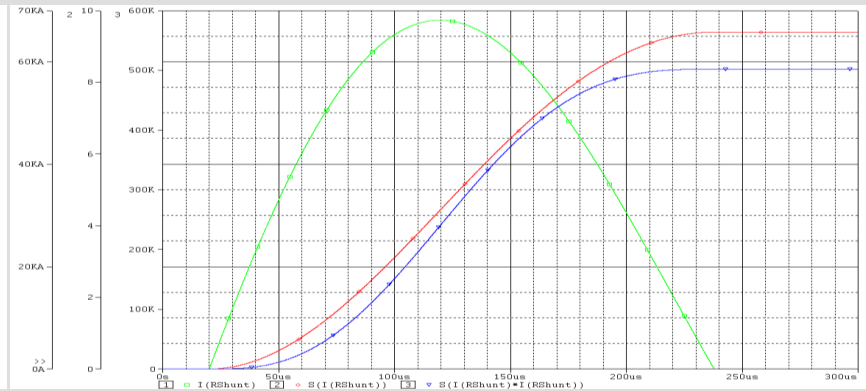
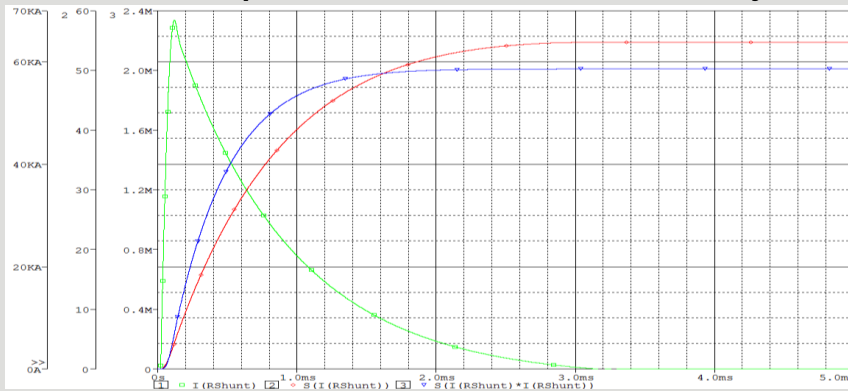
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### Aperiodically damped with crowbar

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$Q = 55 \text{ As}$

$W/R = 2000 \text{ kJ}/\Omega$

### Sine half wave

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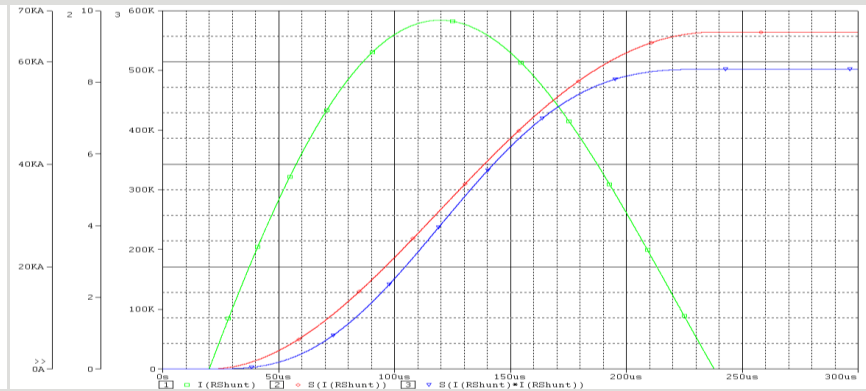
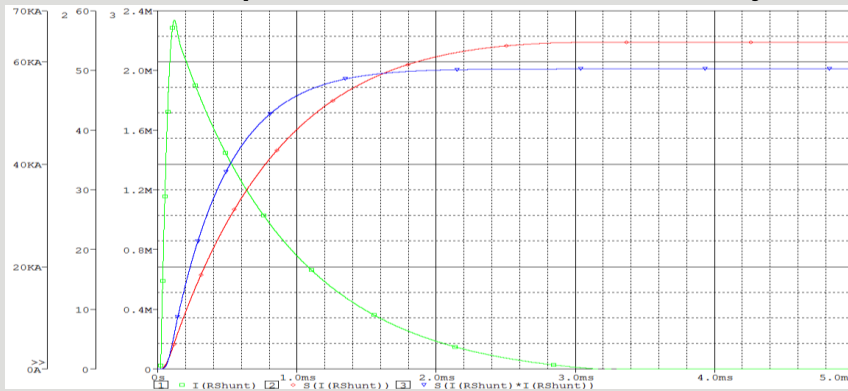
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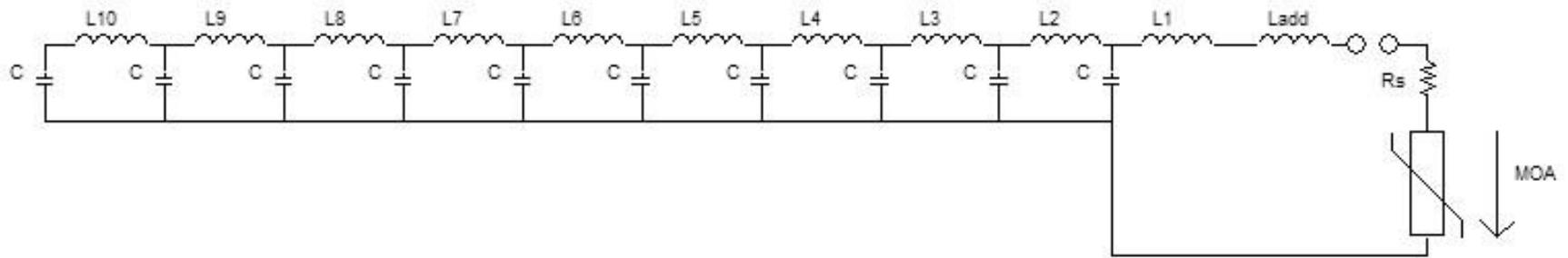
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Charge  $Q$  approx. 5.5 x higher for crowbar arrangement!

# IMPULSE CURRENT GENERATOR

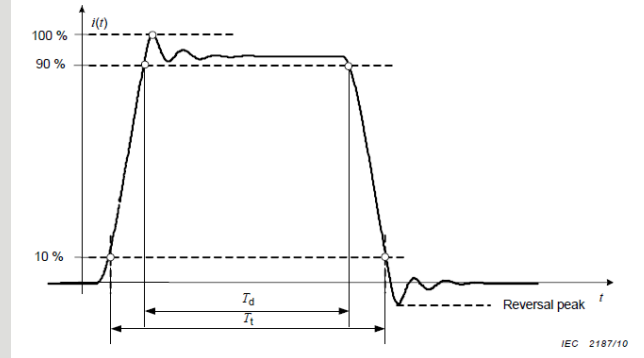
## BASIC PRINCIPLE – Rectangular Impulse



$$\frac{n \cdot 1.1 \cdot T_{90\%}}{2 \cdot (n-1)} = \sqrt{L_{tot} \cdot C_{tot}};$$

$$L_{tot} = \sum_{i=1}^n L_i, \quad C_{tot} = n \cdot C, \quad n = 8..12$$

$$i_p = \frac{U_0}{R_{tot} + \sqrt{\frac{L_{tot}}{C_{tot}}}}; \quad R_{tot} = R_s + R_{MOA} = \sqrt{\frac{L_{tot}}{C_{tot}}}$$



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## Requirements

IEC 62305-1 general wave shapes

	Positive impulse	First negative impulse	Subsequent impulse
	10/350	1/200	0.25/100
$I_{peak}$	200 kA	100 kA	50 kA
$di/dt$	20 kA/ $\mu$ s	100 kA/ $\mu$ s	200 kA/ $\mu$ s
$T_1$	10 $\mu$ s	1 $\mu$ s	0.25 $\mu$ s
$T_2$	350 $\mu$ s	200 $\mu$ s	100 $\mu$ s
$Q_{short}$	100 C		
W/R	10 MJ/ $\Omega$		

IEC 62305-1 wave shapes for test

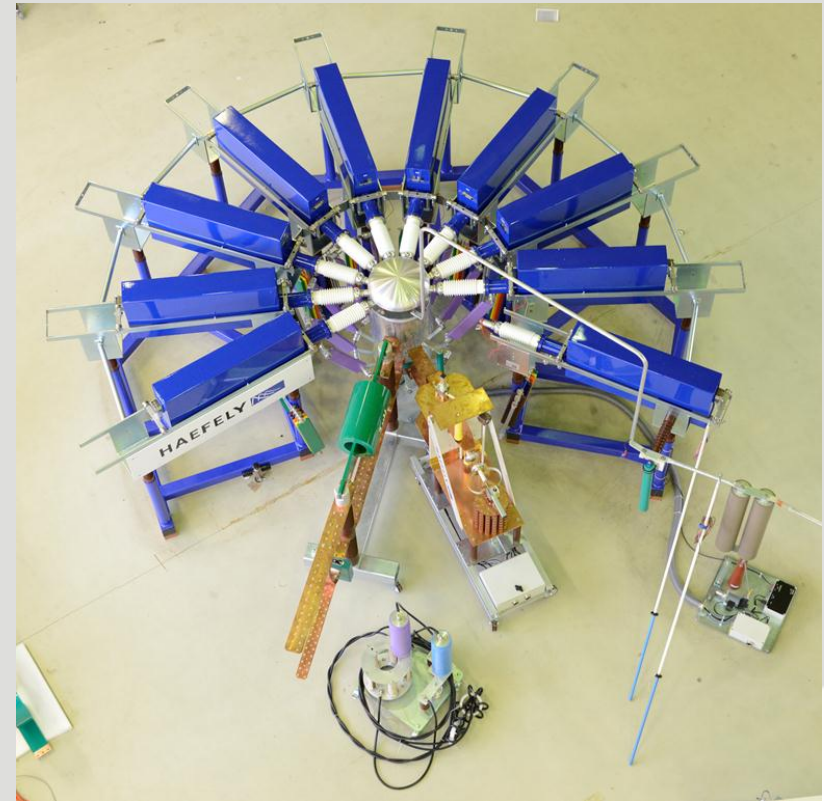
LPL I	First positive impulse energy	First positive Impulse	Subsequent negative impulse
	10/350	10/350	0.25/100
$I_{peak}$	200 kA		
$Q_{short}$	100 C		
W/R	10 MJ/ $\Omega$		
$\Delta i$		200 kA	50 kA
$\Delta t$		10 $\mu$ s	0.25 $\mu$ s

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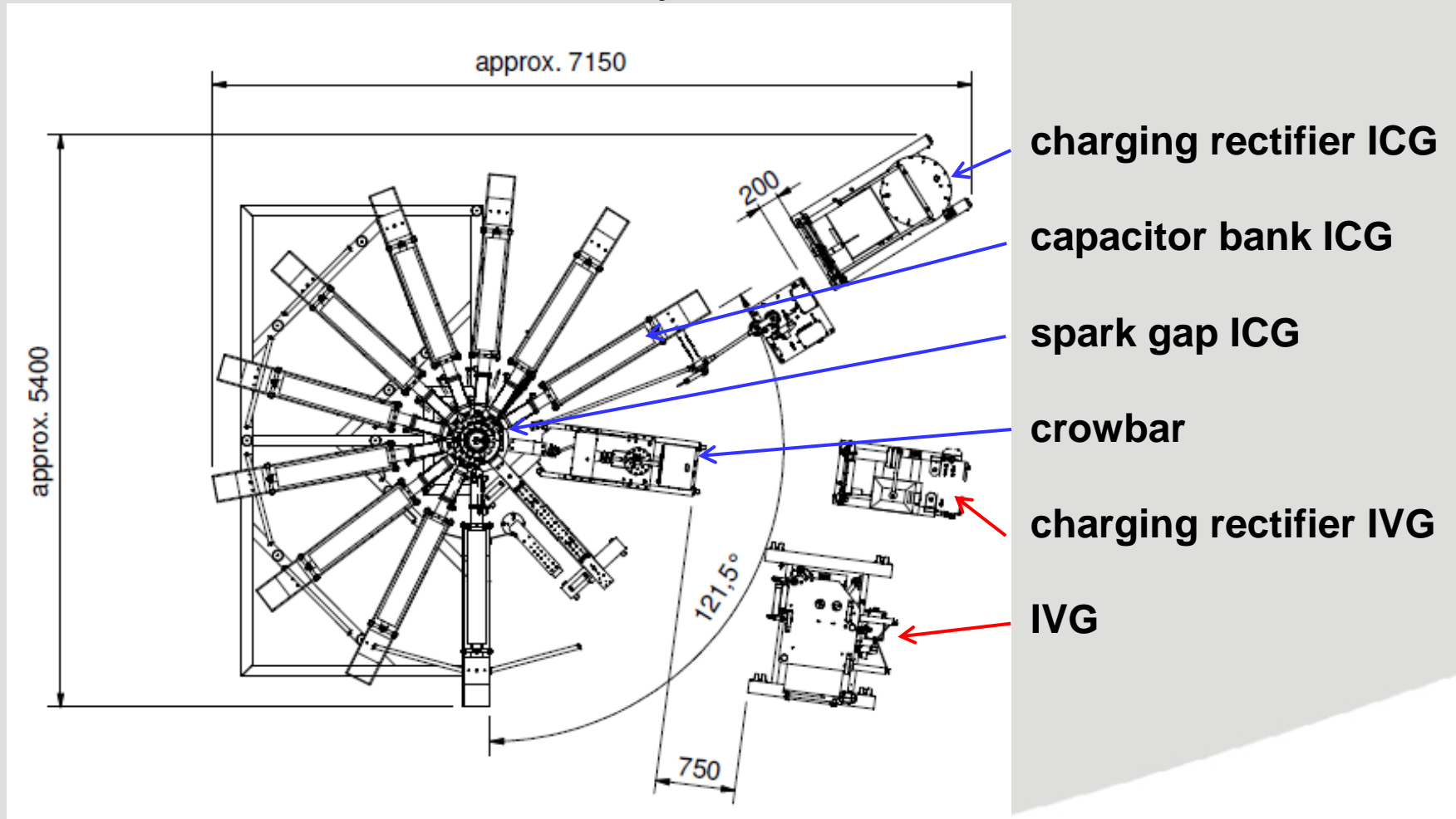
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$T_1$	10 $\mu s$ $\pm 10 \%$	4 $\mu s$ $\pm 10 \%$	0.25 $\mu s$ $\pm 20 \%$
$T_2$	350 $\mu s$ $\pm 10 \%$	200 $\mu s$ $\pm 10 \%$	100 $\mu s$ $\pm 10 \%$
$Q_{short}$	100 C $\pm 20 \%$		
W/R	10 MJ/ $\Omega$ $\pm 35 \%$		



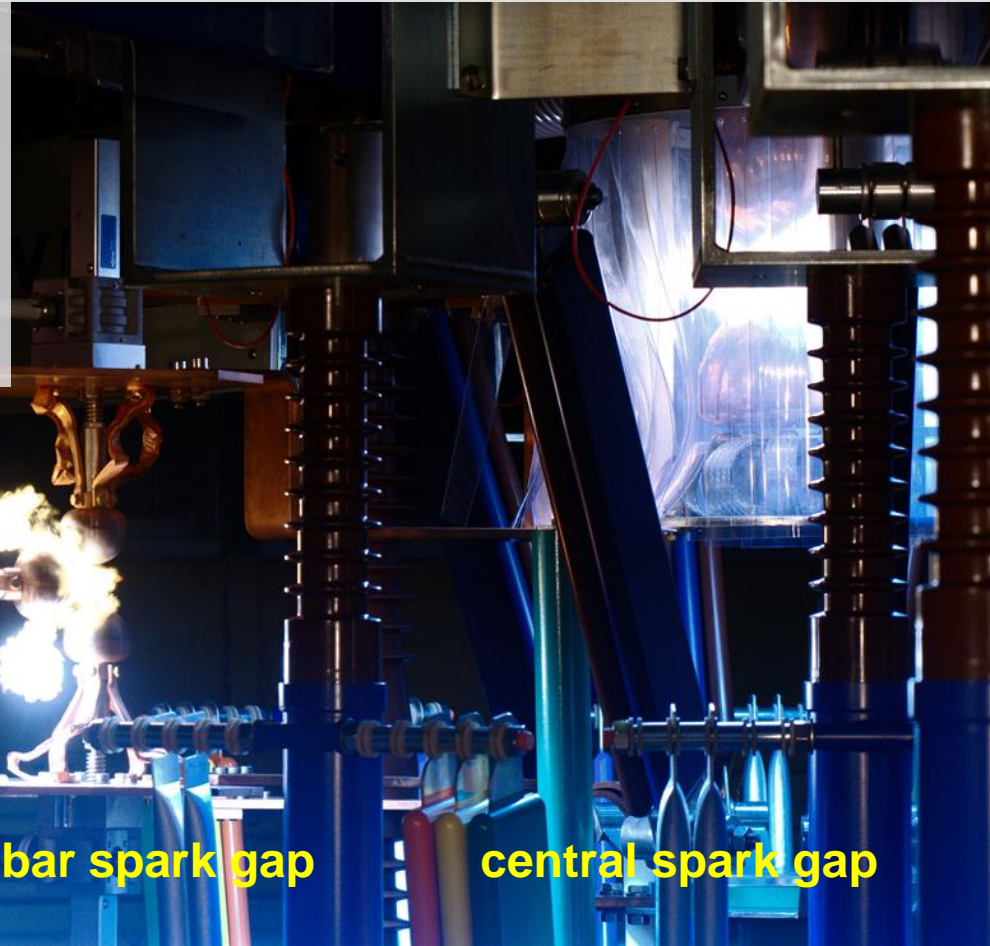
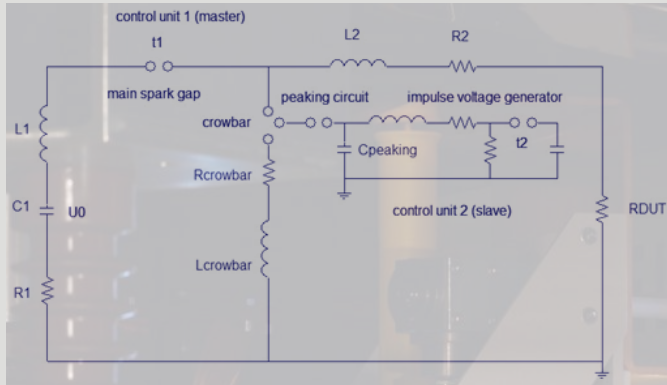
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## Sphere gaps



peaking spark gap

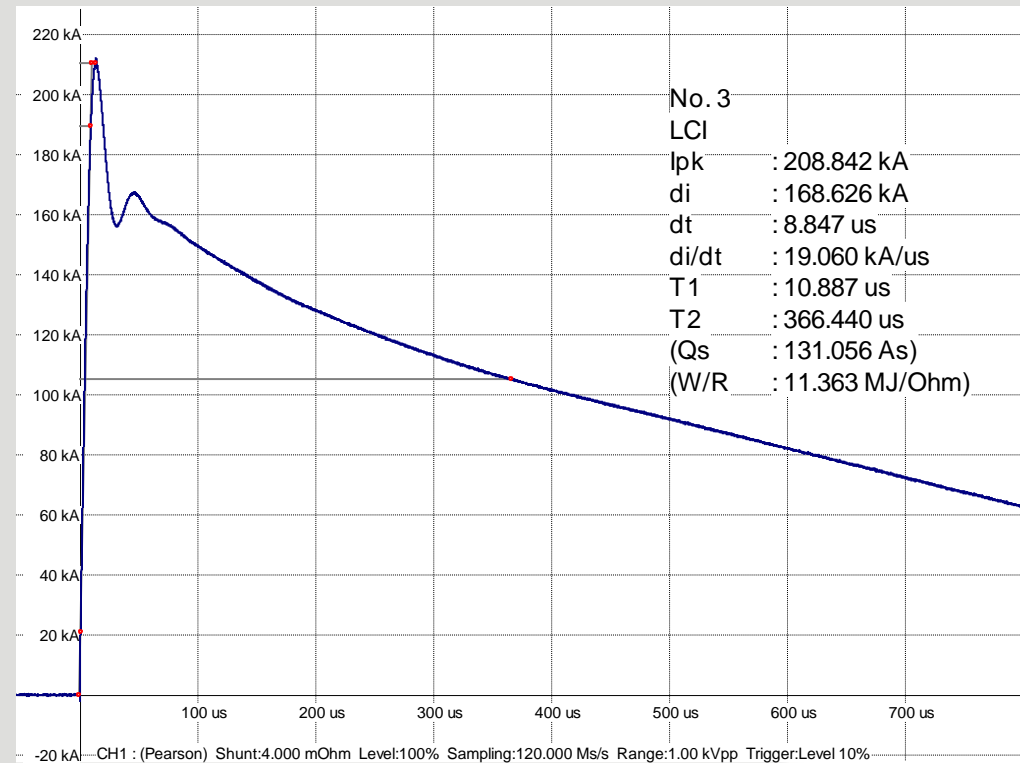
crowbar spark gap

central spark gap

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## Results 10/350

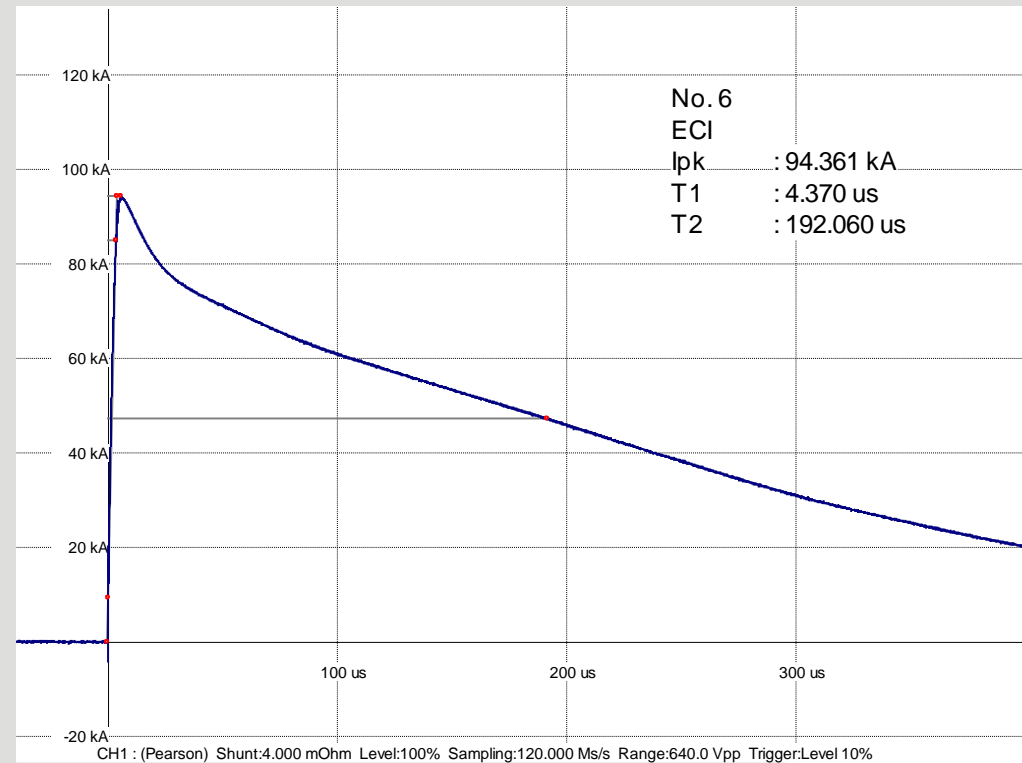
10/350	Positive impulse
	10/350
$I_{peak}$	209 kA
$di/dt$	19 kA/ $\mu$ s
$T_1$	10.9 $\mu$ s
$T_2$	366 $\mu$ s
$Q_{short}$	131 C
W/R	11.4 MJ/ $\Omega$



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## Results 1/200

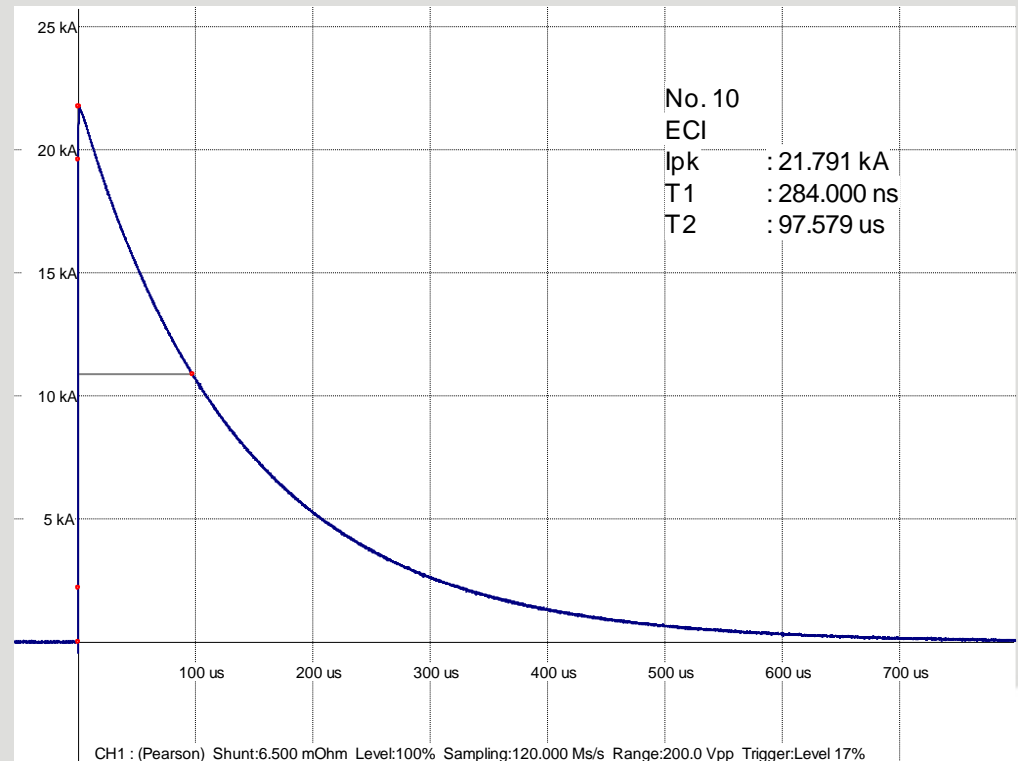
1/200	$T_1/T_2$	$I_{\max}@1\ \mu\text{s}$	$I_{\max}$
$I_{\text{peak}}$	11.0 kA	53.0 kA	94.4 kA
$T_1$	1.0 $\mu\text{s}$	1.0 $\mu\text{s}$	4.37 $\mu\text{s}$
$T_2$	190.0 $\mu\text{s}$	40.0 $\mu\text{s}$	192.0 $\mu\text{s}$
Setup			Crowbar



# ICG FOR IEC 62305-1

## Results 0.25/100

1/100	Subsequeunt impulse
	1/100
$I_{peak}$	21.8 kA
$T_1$	0.28 ns
$T_2$	97.6 $\mu$ s



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### Exponential wave shapes

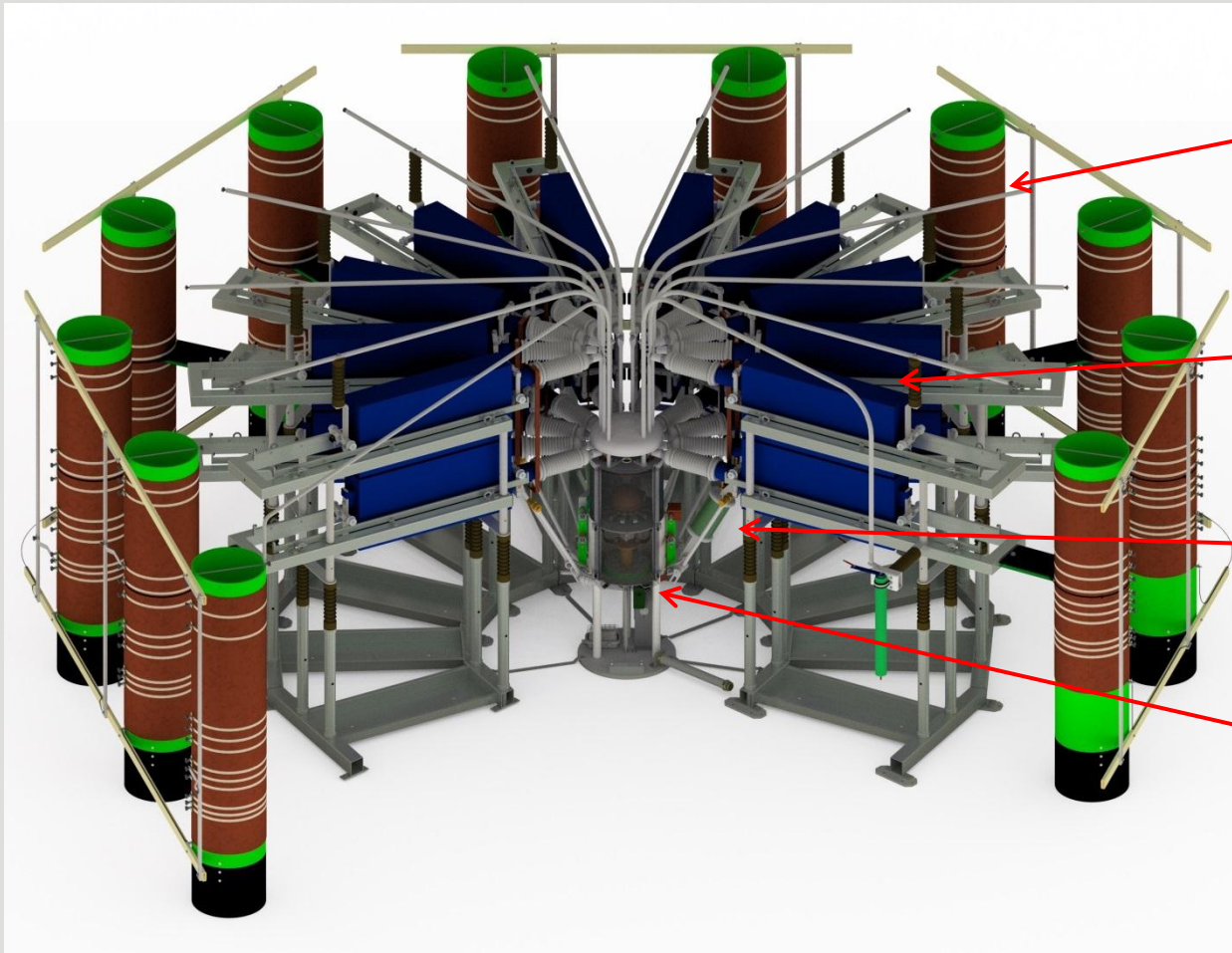
Impulse	$I_{\text{peak}}$ kA	$T_1$ $\mu\text{s}$	$T_2$ $\mu\text{s}$
0.5/<20	30	0.5	<20
1/<20	50	1	< 20
8/20	75	8	20
4/10	150	4	10
30/80	50	30	80
30/60	45	30	$\approx 2 \times T_1$

### Sine half wave / rectangular wave

Sine Half Wave	$I_{\text{peak}}$ kA	$T_{\text{duration}}$ ms
0.2	48	0.2
2	5.8	2
4	3	4
Rectangular	$I_{\text{peak}}$ kA	$T_{\text{duration}}$ ms
2	2.8	2
4	1.5	4



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inductances for  
rectangular wave

capacitor bank

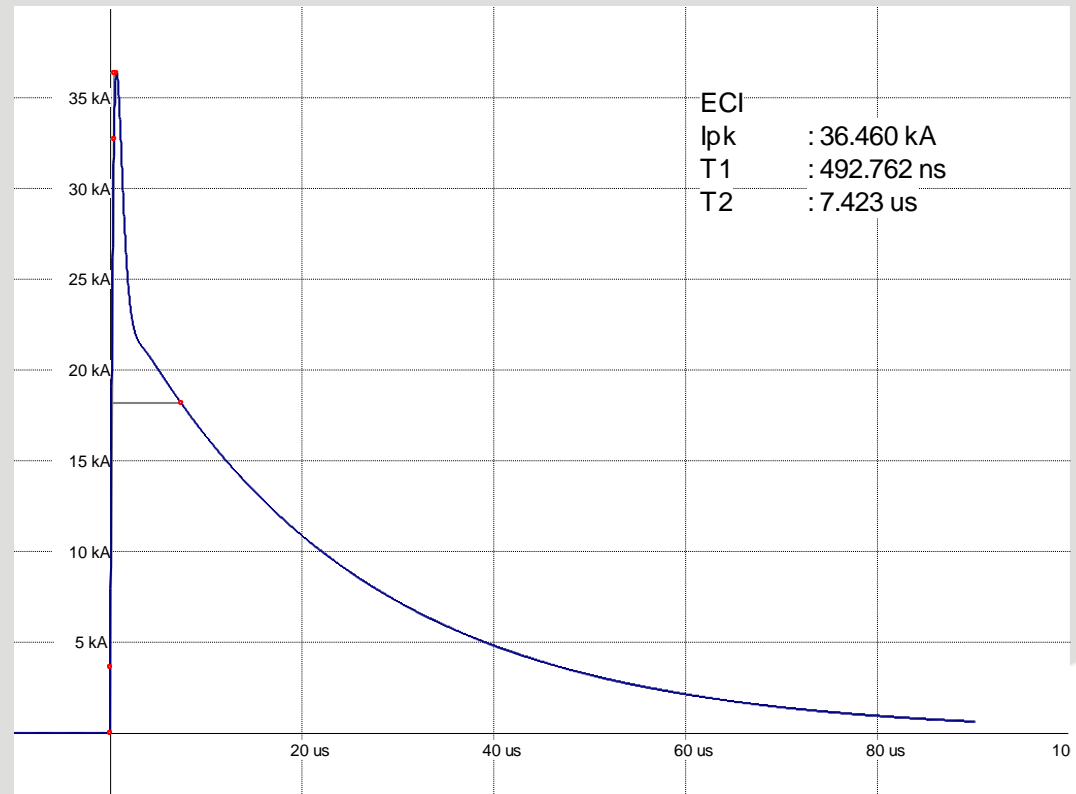
damping elements

central spark gap

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## Special Wave Shapes – 0.5/<20

Combination of capacitors with  
different capacitance value  
Superposition of currents

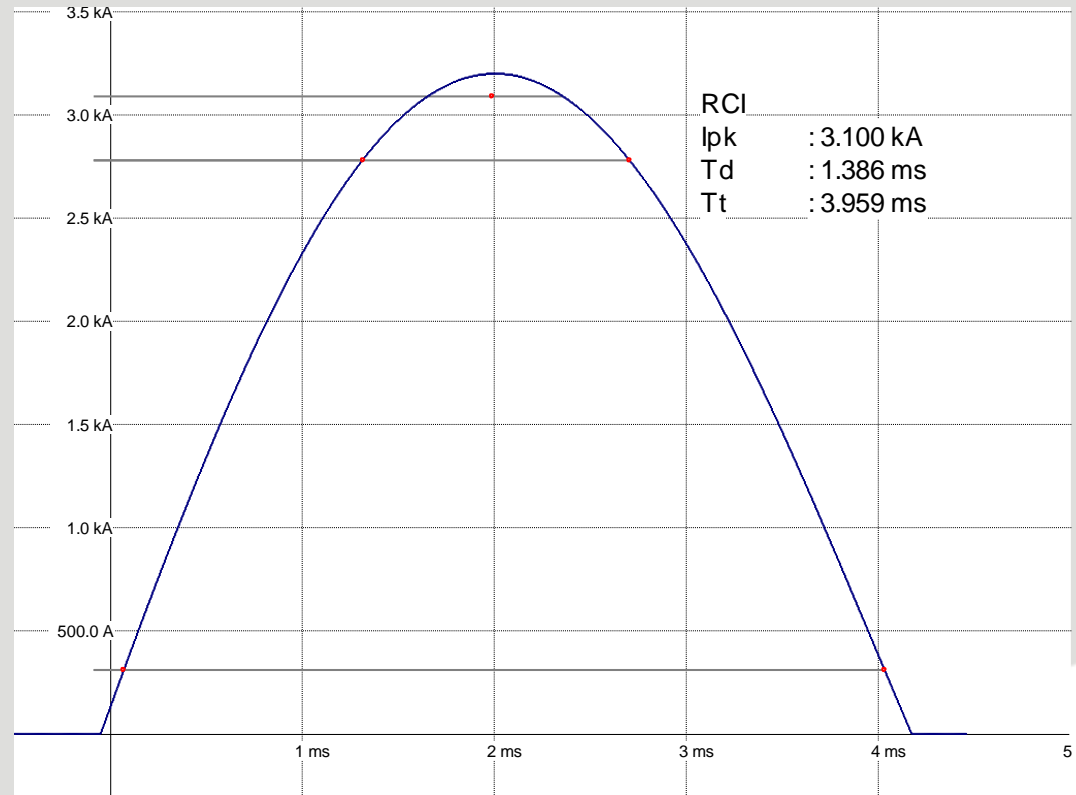




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## Special Wave Shapes – Sine Half Wave

First time with diode  
Up to 50 kA



# OUTLINE

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# Conclusion

- **Universal impulse current generators for almost all waveforms possible with optimally chosen components/extensions**
- **Crowbars can be built for highest current levels up to 250 kA**
- **Aperiodically damped impulses using crowbars beneficial for high energy / charge impulses**
- **Time parameters (especially front times) critical for high energy / charge impulses (10/350) due to necessary inductance values**



**Thank you for your attention!**