

Power factor correction controller for unbalanced systems

User and service manual



version 2.3 (FW version 7.1 and newer)



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### 1. Safety instructions

Instrument comply the standard EN 61010-1: Safety requirements for electrical equipment for measurement, control, and laboratory use.

- Installation of the instrument can be done by qualified and authorised person only.
- Instrument should not be installed in the environment with increased humidity and close to explosive gases. .
- Use the instrument in accordance instructions written in the user manual.
- Before the disconnection of CT measuring circuits assure that terminals of CT are short circuited. ٠
- Installation and connection changes can be done without supply voltage only.
- Do not apply supply, measuring voltage and current higher that allowed.

### 2. Packaging content

- Power factor controller FCR06 or FCR12 according the type
- Mounting holders with screws -2 pieces
- User manual

#### Control and signal elements 3.



Picture 1. Description of front control panel

- 1. LED ind
- it is ON in the case of inductive  $\cos \phi$
- 2. LED cap
- it is ON in the case of capacitive  $\cos \phi$ 3. LED power supply - it is ON when there is power supply to electrical network
- 4. LED manual

5. LED cos q

7. LED harm.

- it is ON at manual operation of capacitor steps
  - it is ON when instantaneous or average value of  $\cos \varphi$  is shown on the display
- 6. LED amp/volt - it is ON when value of measured current / voltage is shown on the display

- it is ON when powers are shown on the display

- it is ON when total harmonic distortion of current / voltage is shown on the display
- 8. LED kvar/kW
- 9. LED alarm - it is ON when alarm is present
- 10. LED STAGES - dichromatic LEDs indicate status of each step individually
- 11. Buttons for regulator control





Picture 2. Device terminal connection

#### 4. Device description

Power factor correction regulator FCR06T and FCR12T are designed for power factor control in low and medium voltage system networks 50/60 Hz. FCR06T and FCR12T regulator belong to the group of fast regulators and allow to make regulation up to 25 times per second. This feature allows to regulator control mechanical contactors and also fast semiconductor steps.

FCR06T	and FCR1	2T regul	lators measu	re and di	isplay als	so followi	ng parameters:
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Parameter	Display	Displaying unit	Maximum
Instantaneous cos	•	-	
Phase to phase voltage between measured phases	•	V, kV	•
Current in the measured phases L1, L2, L3	•	A, kA	•
System frequency	•	Hz	•
Apparent three-phase power	•	kVA	•
Active three-phase power	•	kW	•
Reactive three-phase power	•	kvar	•
Allowed reactive power	•	kvar	•
Odd current harmonics (1 19) in %	•	%	•
Total harmonic distortion of current THDI	•	%	•
Odd voltage harmonics (1 19) in %	•	%	•
Total harmonic distortion of voltage THDU	•	%	•
Number of connections of each stage	•	-	
Total time of step operation of each step	•	hour	
Temperature	•	°C	

#### Table 1. Measured and displayed parameters

Regulator is available with 6 and 12 steps versions where FCR06T has available 1 x 6 outputs and regulator FCR12T has available 2 x 6 outputs. Outputs for mechanical contactors are with relays and outputs for semiconductor switches are realized by OPTO-MOSFET transistors.



Regulator variant	Total number of all steps	Number of dynamic steps	Control voltage
FCR 06T	6	0	230 VAC
FCR 06T-01	6	1	230 VAC
FCR 06T-02	6	2	230 VAC
FCR 06T-03	6	3	230 VAC
FCR 06T-06	6	6	24 VDC / 230 VAC
FCR 12T	12	0	230 VAC
FCR 12T-01	12	1	230 VAC
FCR 12T-02	12	2	230 VAC
FCR 12T-03	12	3	230 VAC
FCR 12T-06	12	6	24 VDC / 230 VAC
FCR 12T-12	12	12	24 VDC / 230 VAC

Table 2	Controller	variants for	r contactor	and	semiconductor	stages
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Regulator variant	Power supply voltage	Measuring voltage	Alarm output
FCR 06T	400 VAC	400 VAC	yes
FCR 12T	400 VAC	400 VAC	yes

	Table 3.	Controller	variants	according to	power	supply a	and mea	asuring	voltage
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## 5. Fast setting in to operation

Default parameters are set to the device in production, according to the table 4. Supply voltage has to be taken from regulated network, because it is used also for voltage measuring circuit. Value of this supply voltage is on the product label. Current for current measuring circuits is taken from the measuring transformers installed in each phase. The connection of measuring circuits is shown at picture 3.

Commissioning procedure:

- 1. Make connection according to connection diagram at picture 6.
- 2. Connect supply voltage. In the case that the value of current is lower than 3 mA, the display will show "----". If not, the display will show instantaneous value of power factor.
- 3. Press button **SET** for the time longer than 5 seconds. After that device will switch to the service menu and on the display will appear parameter **CoS1**.
- 4. By pressing the button SET once again display will show target cosφ. Setting the targeting values of cosφ is done via buttons
  ▲ (+) and ► (-).
- 5. Confirmation of the set value CoS1 is done by pressing the button SET.
- 6. Press the button  $\blacktriangle$  until the parameter **Itr** will appear on the display. It means ratio of current transformer.
- 7. Press the button SET and on the display will appear set value of transformer ratio (default value is 1).
- 8. Using the buttons  $\blacktriangle$ ,  $\blacktriangleright$  set known value of transformer ratio.
- 9. By pressing button SET confirm set value. On the display will appear again the parameter Itr.
- 10. In the case that measuring / supplying voltage is taken from voltage transformer, move to the parameter U\_tr by pressing button ▲. For example, if the ratio is 22000 / 100, then it should be set like 220.
- 11. At the end press button **SET** until value of power factor will appear on the display. If everything is set correctly, on the display is shown real instantaneous value of power factor. Regulator FCR06T or FCR12T is ready for operation.

Other parameters may remain on having the default values, that were made by the manufacturer. In the case that further changes are necessary, the user should follow detailed manual given in chapter 9.

### 6. Description of the function

Device digitizes measured phase to phase voltage between two phases and current in the measured phase. Then, from those values, parameters like: power factor, effective values of voltage and current, harmonic distortion of voltage and current, are being counted. Calculation of the needed compensation power is done by using the value of allowed reactive power, which is set in the device in the form of requested power factor. According to its size, regulator will switch on or switch off appropriate capacitor steps.



In preference, regulator compensates via semiconductor steps. When it gets to the point when it's not possible any more, the regulator will use contactor steps.

Within the scope of each power level, regulator uses method of circle switching. All the time connects this step at appropriate power level which was switched off for longest time. Everything is made so that regulator will reach optimal compensation in one regulation cycle with minimum number of switched steps.

The regulator makes harmonics analysis of current and voltage up to 19<sup>th</sup> harmonics and counts THD factor of voltage and current. If the limit value of TDHI (current) is set, in the case that this value has been overpassed, the regulator will disconnect all capacitor stages and switch on the alarm relay.

The regulator can operate not just with compensation capacitor steps, but also with de-compensation reactor steps as well, at the same time. The power of these reactor steps will be registered with the negative numerical sign. De compensation reactors has to be connected after last capacitor steps. If the automatic detection of the powers is not possible, these values could be also set manually. For more details, follow the manual in chapter 9.

## 7. Installation

Regulators FCR06T and FCR12T are designed in metal box, which provides perfect EMC shielding. Regulator's design also provides panel mounting, into the hole 138 x 138 mm. The connection of the wires is from the back side of regulator, to the terminals box.



In order to assure well ventilation, instrument has to be installed vertically. There has to be empty space at least 50 mm at the top and bottom and 20 mm at the sides.

#### 8. Connection

Measuring and auxiliary voltages are being taken from supply voltage, which must be protected by fuse 6 A.

Location of the current transformer has to allow both current of the load and the current of the capacitor to be measured together. Correct location is shown on the picture 4 as well as examples of incorrect location.





The complete connection is shown at the picture 5. There is only one rule that should be considered. Stages with the same power have to be connected side by side. For example:

1 <sup>st</sup> step	2 <sup>nd</sup> step	3 <sup>rd</sup> step	4 <sup>th</sup> step	5 <sup>th</sup> step	6 <sup>th</sup> step
6.25 kvar	6.25 kvar	12.5 kvar	-	25 kvar	25 kvar

However, ranging the powers in accordance is not necessary. There could be even gaps between particular power levels. For example, steps 1 and 2 could be connected, then step 3 disconnected, steps 4 and 5 connected and so on.

#### Important

Fast thyristor steps have to be placed from the first step of regulator outputs. De-compensation reactors is useful to connect behind the capacitors.

Connection diagrams depend according to the fact if the regulator controls only contactor steps, combination of contactor and semiconductor steps in one set of six steps, or it controls only semiconductor steps in the set of six steps.





Picture 6: Connection of the FCR12T-06 controller for contactor and thyristor stages for standard supply voltage 400 VAC

## 9. Regulator parameter setting

Considering various usage of regulators FCR06T or FCR12T, there is a number of programmable parameters. For easy start, regulator is set to default parameters, made by manufacturer. Set parameters are stated in the following table.

For fast start, the parameters that should necessary be set are  $\cos\varphi$  and transformer ratio of current transformer. Eventually, transformer ratio of voltage transformer could also be set. Further more, there are also other parameters that could be set, in accordance to the customer request.

In order to avoid any unwanted reprogramming of the device, it is possible to protect access to service mode by setting the four digits password. By default, new regulator doesn't have any password protection activated. It is recommended to activate password protection after setting all parameters. After the protection has been activated, it is possible to see all set parameters, but not to change any of them.

For checking respective setting set parameters follow those instructions:

- 1. Press the button **SET** for 5 seconds to switch instrument to the service mode. Parameter **CoS1** will appear on the display. Set value will appear after another pressing of button **SET**.
- 2. Via buttons  $\blacktriangle$ ,  $\blacktriangleright$  is possible to set the requested value of specified parameter.
- Pressing the button SET again, regulator saves set value and on display symbol of the set parameter will appear again. Via buttons ▲, ▶ it is possible to move to another parameter (see the table 4).
- 4. Regulator turns back automatically from service mode after 1 minute without any keyboard action, or by repeated pressing of buttons **SET** during returning from parameter value setting.



#### Important

While configuration mode is activated, device is not regulating. Regulator will not react to the power factor changes, neither to the changes of other monitored variables. Alarm output will not operate as well.



Parameter	Description	Factory setting	Setting range
CoS1	target cosφ	Ind 0.98	0.80 cap 0.80 ind. in steps of 0.01
CoS2	target cosφ for second tariff	Ind 0.98	0.80 cap 0.80 ind. in steps of 0.01, <b>OFF</b>
l_tr	current transformer ratio	1	1 6000 in steps of 1
U_tr	voltage transformer ratio	1	1 300 in steps of 1
Auto	automatic detection of compensation stages	oFF	without usage
SHtd	deceleration of regulation in the case of over-compensation	60	0 9999 s in steps of 1 s
St_P	manual setting of compensation stages	0	999.9 kVAr cap 999.9 kVAr ind.
diti	discharging time for thyristor / contactor stage	0/60	5 900 s in steps of 5 s or overdrive of 50 s
dIPA	delay for disconnection of thyristor / contactor stage	0/15	5 900 s in steps of 5 s or overdrive of 50 s
rSSt	number of circuit closing of thyristor / contactor stage	0/99.99	up to 99990
FISt	fixed capacitor stages	Auto	Auto / oFF / on
CoCo	connection configuration	90	without usage
rCPo	reactive power offset for regulation	0	0 999.9 kVAr
⁻CoS	regulation to the average power factor	on	on / oFF / Auto – off regulates on instant. $cos\phi$
tACo	averaging time for APFR regulation	60	15, 30, 45, 60 minutes
C_St	recording the operations and maxim to non volatile memory	oFF	on / oFF
E_IC	activation of inductive steps for de-compensation	oFF	on / oFF
C_IL	minimum current sensitivity	0	0 1000 mA in steps of 10 mA
uL.AL	under-voltage alarm	oFF	on / oFF – off alarm does not operate
uL	voltage trigger value for an alarm activation	0	0 750 V
t_uL	minimum event duration for an alarm activation	0	0 3600 s
o_uL	alarm event disconnects compensation steps	oFF	on / oFF
uH.AL	over-voltage alarm	oFF	on / oFF – off alarm does not operate
uH	voltage trigger value for an alarm activation	0	0 750 V
t_uH	minimum event duration for an alarm activation	0	0 3600 s
o_uH	alarm event disconnects compensation steps	oFF	on / oFF
IL.AL	under-current alarm	oFF	on / oFF – off alarm does not operate
IL	current trigger value for an alarm activation	0	0 5 A
t_IL	minimum event duration for an alarm activation	0	0 3600 s
o_IL	alarm event disconnects compensation steps	oFF	on / oFF
IH.AL	over-current alarm	oFF	on / oFF – off alarm does not operate
ІН	current trigger value for an alarm activation	0	0 8 A
t_IH	minimum event duration for an alarm activation	0	0 3600 s
o_IH	alarm event disconnects compensation steps	oFF	on / oFF
Co.AL	alarm for $\cos\varphi$ , that is permanently over set limits	oFF	on / oFF – off alarm does not operate
_Co	cosφ level value for an alarm activation	0	0.80 cap 0.80 ind.
t_Co	minimum event duration for an alarm activation	0	0 3600 s
o_Co	alarm event disconnects compensation steps	oFF	on / oFF
Hu.AL	alarm of voltage harmonic distortion	oFF	on / oFF – off alarm does not operate
tHdu	THDU trigger value for an alarm activation	0	0 50 %



t_Hu	minimum event duration for an alarm activation	0	0 3600 s
o_Hu	alarm event disconnects compensation steps	oFF	on / oFF
HI.AL	alarm of current harmonic distortion	oFF	on / oFF
tHdl	THDI trigger value for an alarm activation	0	0 300 %
t_HI	minimum event duration for an alarm activation	0	0 3600 s
o_HI	alarm event disconnects compensation steps	oFF	on / oFF
ot.AL	alarm for high ambient temperature	oFF	on / oFF – off alarm does not operate
tEPA	temperature level for alarm	55	10 80°C
t_tE	minimum event duration for an alarm activation	0	0 3600 s
o_tE	alarm event disconnects compensation steps	oFF	on / oFF
rS.AL	alarm for exceeding of maximum number of step closing	oFF	on / oFF – off alarm does not operate
tEPV	temperature level for ventilator start	35	10 80°C
ld	device ID number in RS485 network	0	0 255
bAud	communication speed for data transmission	0	0 38400 Bd
PAr	communication control by parity checking	oFF	oFF / on /on_o
CaSC	ID number of parallel controller in cascade connection	0	0 32
U_Fr	grid system frequency	50	50 / 60Hz
d_rE	delay of regulation for fast thyristor steps	10	10 9000 ms in step of 10 ms
r_1F	single phase measurement	oFF	oFF / on – on all 3ph powers counted from 1 ph
C_PS	allowed PF correction at active power distribution to grid	oFF	oFF / on
CodE	password for access to SET mode	0000	any four digits number 0001 9999
rES	reset to the factory setting	-	

Table 4. Configuration menu parameters

# 9.1. Target cosF setting (CoS1, CoS2)

Press the button **SET** at least for 5 second for entering service mode. On the display will appear parameter symbol **CoS1**. After another pressing of button **SET** display will show set value. Via buttons  $\blacktriangle$ ,  $\blacktriangleright$  set new requested value in the limits from 0.8 inductive to 0.8 capacitive. Another pressing of button **SET** saves new value to the memory and on display it will appear again symbol **CoS1**.

For programming **CoS2** follow the same instructions as previous case. For changing from **CoS1** to **CoS2** it is necessary to connect auxiliary supply of 230 V AC to the terminal marked as **2nd Tariff** on the connection diagram.

## 9.2. Setting of transformer ratio (I\_tr, U\_tr)

If SET mode is activated, move by buttons  $\blacktriangle$ ,  $\blacktriangleright$  to the parameter **I\_tr**. After pressing button SET, the set value will appear on the display. Via buttons  $\blacktriangle$ ,  $\blacktriangleright$  is possible to change value of transformer ratio. Another press of button SET saves new value to the memory and on display, symbol **I\_tr** will appear again.

It is important to have in mind that the value which is set, is ratio itself. It means that, for example, if primary nominal current of transformer is 50 A and secondary is 5 A then set parameter value is  $\mathbf{I_tr} = 10$ .

In case of voltage transformer usage, parameter  $U\_tr$  should also be set the same way.

#### Caution

Measurement range of the current inputs is from 3 mA to 6 A. Maximum of the current transformer ratio is 30000 / 5 A



### 9.3. Automatic detection (Auto)

This feature is for controller variant FCR06T and FCR12T unavailable.

#### 9.4. Deceleration at over compensation (SHtd)

This parameter is represented by symbol **SHtd**. This function is used for slowing down the regulation during overcompensation. At under-compensation regulation is slowed down according to average power factor. This function assures reduction of switch on/off operation of contactor stages. After pressing the button **SET**, display will show set value of deceleration. By buttons  $\blacktriangle$ ,  $\blacktriangleright$  it is possible to change value and button **SET** saves this into the memory. Current situation of regulation deceleration during over-compensation is shown under parameter **SHtd**, in the menu of measured values.



#### Important

This function does not affect semiconductor stages. Semiconductor stages react immediately.

### 9.5. Manual setting of steps (St\_P)

After parameter Shtd, the parameter that follows in the menu is St\_P. Pressing the button SET will enter the sub menu, where it is necessary to select the stage, which has to be set, via buttons  $\blacktriangle$ ,  $\blacktriangleright$ . Selected stage will be signalized by green LED. By pressing button SET on display will appear set value of stage that is signalized by relevant green LED. Via buttons  $\blacktriangle$ ,  $\triangleright$  it is possible to change the value and by pressing button SET to save this into memory. Via buttons  $\blacktriangle$ ,  $\triangleright$  select another stage, which must be set and follow the same procedure as before. After setting of all stages, keep pressing button SET until display will show St\_P and all LED's will be off.

#### 9.6. Discharging time (dltl)

For setting the absorption of stages, parameter **dItI** is available in the menu. By this parameter, it is possible to set, for each stage separately, suitable time for capacitor discharge. This time can be set from 5 to 900 seconds. Default factory setting value is 60 seconds. Setting procedure is according to the same rules as another parameters explained before.



#### Important

For semiconductor stages the time is set on 0 seconds, and it is not possible to change it.

### 9.7. Delay for disconnection (dIPA)

This parameter is represented on the display by symbol **dIPA**. It is the minimum time for contactor stage circuit closing. It is possible to be set from 5 to 900 seconds. Setting procedure is according to the same rules as another parameters explained before.



#### Important

For semiconductor stages the time is set on 0 seconds, and it is not possible to change it.

#### 9.8. Number of step operation (rSSt)

On the display, it is represented by symbol **rSSt**. It is possible to set allowed number of circuit closing for each contactor stage. For semiconductor stages, this feature doesn't have any reason. Maximum set value is 99.99, which means 99990 closings. Number that appears on display has to be multiplied by 1000.

#### 9.9. Fixed capacitor stages (FISt)

On the display it is represented by symbol **FISt**. This parameter allows to set stages as a fixed ones. The regulator is not counting those stages for regulation cycle. Each stage can stay in three working regimes.

- Auto stage is normally regulated by controller
- oFF always off (status indication LED blinks red)
- on always on (status indication LED blinks green)
- tAr2 stage is always on when second tariff is activated at tariff input

Setting procedure is according the same rules as another parameters explained before.



### 9.10. Connection configuration (CoCo)

This feature is for controller variant FCR06T and FCR12T unavailable..

#### 9.11. Reactive power offset (rCPo)

This parameter is useful for such type of systems where there is permanent presence of inductive or capacitive reactive power offset. Typical example of this can be long lines which generates permanent and constant capacitive reactive power.

Parameter **rCPo** is set as a real power offset present in the system. This value is then assigned to measured reactive power.

#### 9.12. Regulation method (<sup>-</sup>CoS)

This setting defines if regulator will regulate slow contactor steps to average or instantaneous power factor. If the set value is **on** then usage of contactor steps is regulated by average power factor. If the set value is **off** then regulation is performed only according to instantaneous power factor. In configuration mode move via button  $\blacktriangle$ ,  $\blacktriangleright$  to the item **CoS**. After pressing of button **SET** display will show set value **on** / **oFF** / **Auto**. Via buttons  $\blacktriangle$ ,  $\blacktriangleright$  it is possible to change this value. Another pressing of button **SET** saves new value into the regulator configuration memory.

## Caution

Option **auto** is a modification for markets where there is not defined any area for  $\cos\varphi$  (for example 0.96 ... 1) but strict limit  $\cos\varphi = 1$ . With enabled option **Auto**, controller is regulating symmetrically according to parameter **SHtd**.

#### 9.13. Averaging time for APFR (tACo)

This setting defines half-period of average  $\cos\varphi$  calculation. There are available four times for average  $\cos\varphi$  calculation (15, 30, 45 and 60 minutes). Default value of period for average  $\cos\varphi$  calculation is 30 minutes which refers to half-period set from factory on 15 minutes. It is suitable for most of applications.

After entering selected parameter currently set value of time period will appear. Via buttons  $\blacktriangle$ ,  $\blacktriangleright$  it is possible to change this value. Another pressing of button **SET** saves new value into the regulator memory.

#### 9.14. Recording to memory (C\_St)

Activation of this parameters allows the controller to save maximums (the minimum value of frequency is being recorded as well) of measured values into to internal memory.

Monitoring of measured parameters is being done in real time but recording to non volatile memory is done 3 times per 24 hours. Before recording the maximum (minimum) into the memory, this value is kept in standard operating memory. In the case that power supply is lost before recording to non volatile memory the maximum (minimum) values will be lost.

#### 9.15. De-compensation steps settings (E\_IC)

For application where there is a need of de-compensation by reactors it is necessary enable inductive steps setting in parameter  $E_IC$ . If the parameter is set on yes then particular step powers can be set in inductive or capacitive power.



Picture 7. De-compensation PFC

De-compensation by reactor steps is possible be done in two solutions. For application where there is only capacitive load the all steps may be based on de-compensation reactors. For application where there is inductive load which time to time turns to



capacitive load the only compensation one step of controller can be based on de-compensation reactor and rest of steps can be based on capacitors. In this case the appropriate de-compensation power will be tuned on by combination of de-compensation reactor and capacitor steps.

#### 9.16. Minimum current for PF correction (C\_IL)

Setting the minimum current of secondary side of CT at PF controller will still correct PF. If current drops under this value, controller stops PF correction and will disconnects steps little by little.

#### 9.17. Alarms

During normal operation alarm output is opened. In the case of any disturbance the alarm output will close. There are lot of events, that can be enabled to activate alarm.

#### Notice

#### Alarm output is switched on for 1 minute. After that it is switched off.

Individual events, which activate alarm event can be defined in setting mode by four particular settings. Each alarm event that is requested has to be enabled at first. After that the value of trigger that activated alarm has to be set and also duration of event presence. Last setting option is an alarm event influence on disconnection of compensation outputs.

In the following table there is a list of available alarm events.

Code	Description
UL.AL	Under-voltage alarm
UH.AL	Over-voltage alarm
IL.AL	Low-current alarm
IH.AL	Over-current alarm
Co.AL	Under compensation alarm
Hu.AL	THDU alarm
HI.AL	THDI alarm
ot.AL	Temperature alarm
rS.AL	Alarm from maximum allowed step connection

Temperature alarm is a special alarm which behaves in two levels. If this alarm is activated, alarm output contact is used for ventilator control and cannot be used for any other alarm event indication. Output contact closes when temperature measured by controller goes over level set in parameter **tEPV**. In this case, all alarm events are only shown on the display without output contact action. Second level which disconnects all compensation steps and gives alarm event on display is defined by parameter **tEPA**.

#### Caution

If the ot.AL alarm is enabled then alarm output is used for ventilator control. All other alarms are then only informative without feedback on the alarm output.

### 9.18. Configuration of RS485 interface

Following parameters relate to configuration of serial communication for RS485 port (MODBUS communication protocol).

- Id defines the number of device in the RS485 network and can be set from 1 ... 255
- **bAUd** defines communication speed between the FCR controller and PC. Default value is 0.
- **PAr** by default it is set to **oFF** and it can be changed to even (**on**) or odd (**on\_o**)

### 9.19. Parallel work of two controllers (CASC)

Controllers FCR06TRSC and FCR12TRSC can work in cascade mode of two controllers. Controllers are connected via RS485 interface which is managing the communication in between.





Picture 8. Cascade connection of two controllers

Each controller has to have unique **Id** of serial interface. In parameter **CASC** is then set the Id of opposite controller. For example: there are two controller with Id=1 and Id=2. Then for correct parallel work of both controllers in cascade mode the controller with Id=1 will have set the parameter CASC=2 and controller with Id=2 will have the parameter CASC=1.



Parallel work of controller cascade does not have defined master and slave. Both controllers can work as a master or slave or even independently. Everything depends on measured conditions of network. In case that one of controllers does not measure any power and if the second controller does not have enough compensation power it offers to second controller its compensation power.

One of the application can be also enlarging the number of outputs in case that there is demand for more than 12 steps. Controller which will be expanding number of outputs only will not have connected the current measuring circuit and will work permanently as a slave.

#### Important

For correct work it is necessary that first step power size of controller working as a slave is lower or equal to the maximum step size of controller working as a master.

### 9.20. Delay or regulation for fast steps (d\_rE)

This parameter adds delay to the fast steps regulation in order to prevent regulation oscillation. When the regulation action is made then controller wait for set delay time  $d_r E$  before to consider measured parameters for next regulation action. It gives additional time to the system stabilize the load after regulation action.

In the loads where there is unstable voltage level (week transformer or longer cables) can happen that capacitor discharging to the level suitable for re-connection takes longer time. For such cases the parameter  $d_rE$  should be tuned to longer time to assure that there will not be send signal to the thyristor module that cannot switch capacitor.

For thyristor modules with control voltage 230 VAC that are generally slower with the response time of control signal the recommended setting of  $d_rE$  is 100 ms.



#### 9.21. Three-phase or single-phase measurement (r\_1F)

Controller is as default prepared for three-phase measurement. In case it is not possible to take measurement of current from all three phases it is possible set controller to measure current only at phase L1 by enabling the parameter  $r_1F$ . Controller in variant T does not have automatic detection. It is necessary to connect proper phase to proper input.

#### 9.22. PF correction at active energy distribution (C\_PS)

If this parameter is set to **ON** and an active energy supply is detected, then PF controller continues to regulate to the set **COS1** power factor. If this parameter is set to **OFF** and an active energy distribution is detected, the controller stops regulation and waits for approx. 5 minutes to see if the active energy distribution is stable. If so, it will start switching off procedure of individual enabled stages every minute till all stages are off. As soon as a active energy consumption is detected, the controller starts to compensate PF immediately.

### 9.23. Password for configuration mode (CodE)

Thanks to password is possible to protect regulator against unauthorized configuration. Without proper password knowledge it is possible only see set parameters but not to change them. Password is set as four digit number. In service mode move via buttons  $\blacktriangle$ ,  $\blacktriangleright$  to the parameter **CodE**. After pressing of button **SET** display will show ''- - - -''. First dash from left side is blinking. Via button  $\blacktriangle$  set number from 0 ... 9 and confirm by button  $\blacktriangleright$ . Now second dash is blinking and first set number lights on the display. Keep the same procedure until last number is set. By pressing of button **SET**, password for entering service mode is saved into the memory. From this moment it is necessary, for each change, type password in order to enter service mode. Otherwise any change will not be accepted.

### 9.24. Restart (rES)

This function restores default configuration. It is last item in the menu and it is represented on the display by symbol **rES**. Press the button **SET** and keep it. At the same time press the button **MAN**. LED of capacitor steps will turn on and then slowly will start to go down. This cycle will repeat two times. After that, the display will show instantaneous value of power factor. Factory setting will be restored.



#### Important

After restart, it is necessary to set device again as well as make auto detection.



### 10. Displayed values

Monitoring features do not affect regulation process which is invisibly working all the time. Displayed value is possible to be changed at any time and LEDs on the right side of display identify type of shown value.

Shown values are divided to levels so that values in one level are closely related. For switching between particular levels press button  $\blacktriangle$  and for changing screens in one level press button  $\blacktriangleright$ . Splitting of shown values to the levels is clear from following list. For returning to the instantaneous **CoSF** press button **SET**.



#### 10.1. Maximums

FCR06T and FCR12T controllers record maximums of several measured parameters to volatile memory for information

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purposes only. Registered maximum values are reset when the power supply is lost.

For getting information about maximum of the measured value, press button **MAN** and the max value will be shown for a while. Keeping the button pressed, the display will show maximum of the measured value.

To erase this maximum value, press together button MAN and button SET.

#### 10.2. Cosq

Displaying the  $\cos\varphi$  is default indication. This value will appear on display after supply voltage connection and if in current input the current flow is higher than 3 mA. Red LED on the left side of display marked as **ind** and **cap** indicates if measured power factor is in inductive or capacitive area.

If measuring current drops below 3 mA, controller disconnects all steps and on the display will appear "----". By button  $\blacktriangleright$  it is possible move to average inductive power factor indication. At first, the display will show symbol **i\_CoS** and then after 1 second numeric value will be shown. After pressing the button  $\blacktriangleright$ , the display will show symbol **ċCoS** and after 1 second it will show numeric value. Another pressing of button  $\blacktriangleright$  will show **iCOS** during distribution (power supply LED is on), followed by **cCOS** during distribution, and then will return back to instantaneous value of cos $\varphi$ .

#### 10.3. Apparent current

In next level the value of first phase apparent current is shown. This value is represented by symbol **IAP1**. Value of apparent current is followed by value of THDI and then by odd harmonics up to 19<sup>th</sup>.

In next level the information about current in phase 2 and next phase 3 is shown.

#### 10.4. Voltage

In the voltage level the effective value of phase-phase voltage is shown. This value is represented by symbol  $U\_EF$ . Value of effective voltage is followed by value of THDU and then by odd harmonics up to  $19^{th}$ .

#### 10.5. Powers

Another level offers values of four powers. At the first position there is apparent power  $P_AP$ , following by active power  $P_rL$  and reactive power  $P_rC$ , respectively and the last but not least there is allowed reactive power  $rC_P$ . For all powers actual measured value is available and of course also maximum measured value. Procedure of showing or erasing of all values is the same as for previous levels.

#### 10.6. De-compensation delay

This information shows actual remaining time (seconds) to regulation action during over-compensation. Displayed value is decreased each second by square of true control deviation and requested power factor value.

#### 10.7. Step operation number and time

Number of steps circuit closings is divided to the 6 for FCR06T (12 for FCR12T) independent levels. For the first steps, the display will show symbol C1\_S and after it disappears the number of first stage circuit closings will be displayed. By simultaneous pressing of buttons SET and MAN this information can be erased. To another level, where information about second stage is, move by pressing the button  $\blacktriangle$ . The rest of procedure is the same as for the first stage.

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Note

For semiconductor steps the number of step operation is not recorded.

#### 10.8. System frequency

Next to the last level is system frequency  $U_Fr$ . Also at this level, actual value of system voltage frequency, maximum value and minimum value are available. Showing of actual and maximum values is the same as for previous levels.

#### 10.9. Temperature

Controller FCR06T and FCR12T does not measure or show ambient temperature. The value in the parameter  $t_{C}$  is permanently set on 0.



### 11. Manual operation

Switching the regulator to the service mode and by subsequent press of button **MAN**, manual regulation of compensation steps will be activated. The status is indicated by LED with label **manual**. On the display, symbol **St\_1** will be shown for 1 second. After that, it will be replaced by actual value, which blinking (manual mode indication). Button  $\blacktriangle$  allows to change step status with respecting the set discharging time and delay for stage disconnection. It means that if the step was disconnected, pressing the button  $\bigstar$  will switch the stage on. If the stage was connected, the same button will switch the step off. For another step selection press button  $\blacktriangleright$ . After pressing this button, the display will show symbol **St\_2** for 1 second, representing another step. Whole procedure is the same like for the previous step. By pressing the button **MAN**, manual mode can be deactivated.

### 12. Alarm notification

If at least one of enabled alarm events appeared, then alarm output relay will be switched on for 1 min and LED with label **alarm** will blink on the display. This LED will also blink after the alarm event disappears, until it gets canceled by long press of button **SET**. Alarm notification does not have any influence to regulator behaviour, except in the case when alarm is activated by high harmonic disturbance.

The symbol of alarm sort is shown on the display after pressing of button **SET** for at least 5 seconds. Symbol of the event that caused the alarm will appear on the display. Another pressing the button **SET** will cancel shown alarm. If more alarm events happened, another event symbol will appear on the display. By keeping the same procedure, it is possible to follow till last alarm event is cancelled. In the displayed values mode it is possible to find out which values of alarm events activated alarm (chapter 10). Alarm event symbols are the same as symbols used during alarm setting in service mode.



## 13. Technical features

Parameter	Value
Supply voltage / measuring voltage (according the type)	$\begin{array}{l} 400 \; V_{AC} \; (+10\%, -15\%) \\ 230 \; V_{AC} \; (+10\%, -15\%) \; / \; 100 \; \; 690 \; V_{AC} \\ 100 \; V_{AC} \; (+10\%, -15\%) \end{array}$
Frequency	50 / 60 Hz
Current range	0.003 6 A
Measurement accuracy of current input	± 0.2%
Measurement accuracy of voltage input	± 0.5%
THDU and THDI accuracy	(U>10%Un) ±5% / (I>10%In) ±5%
Phase error for I > 3% In	± 3° (otherwise ±1°)
Power consumption	< 6 VA
Output channels number	6 or 12
Switching power of alarm output	250 VAC / 5 A
Switching power of relay contacts	250 VAC / 5 A
Switching power of semiconductor contacts	24 VDC / 100 mA or 230 VAC / 100 mA
Switching speed of semiconductor stages	25 operations per second
Range of requested power factor	0.8 ind 0.8 cap.
Range of adjustable step reactive power	999.9 kVAr ind 999.9 kVAr cap.
Re-connection delay: semiconductor / contactor steps	0 s / 5 900 s
Switching off delay: semiconductor / contactor steps	0 s / 5 900 s
Compensation stages value setting	manually / automatically
Communication port	RS485 (optional)
Communication protocol	MODBUS RTU
Communication speed	9600 38400 Bd
Temperature limit	-40°C +70°C
Front panel	144 mm x 144 mm
Panel cutout	138 mm x 138 mm
Site depth	55 mm
Weight	1 kg (including packaging)
Protection degree	IP20 rear cover / IP54 front panel
Standards	EN 61010-1, EN50081-1, EN50082-1