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## Distance Relays Types LZ3, LZ31, LZ32

### Application

Suitable for selective protection against short circuits and earth faults on overhead lines or cables of networks with insulated, compensated or solidly earthed neutrals, irrespective of whether the fault current is higher or lower than the rated current. Suitable for permissive underreach or permissive overreach tripping schemes (see description CH-ES 35-30.11).

Can be used, with additional apparatus, for 1-ph. only or 3-ph. only or 1+3-ph. autoreclosure, permissive underreach transferred tripping, or permissive underreach acceleration, or directional comparison schemes. Temporary reversal of directional sensitivity. Back-up protection schemes can easily be realized.

### Main features

Suitable for protection of very long or heavily loaded overhead lines as well as cables.

Covers all kinds of faults selectively.

Underimpedance starting.

Earth-fault back-up protection (in LZ32 type only).

Distance-time step characteristic with four independently adjustable time steps and distance zones.

One switched directional distance measuring element with offset mho tripping characteristic.

Fast tripping in the first step.

Low settable minimum measuring impedance.

Great adaptability due to large ranges of adjustments.

High degree of immunity to power swings.

Selector switch for four different autoreclosure programmes.

Selector switch for underreach or overreach operation facilities.

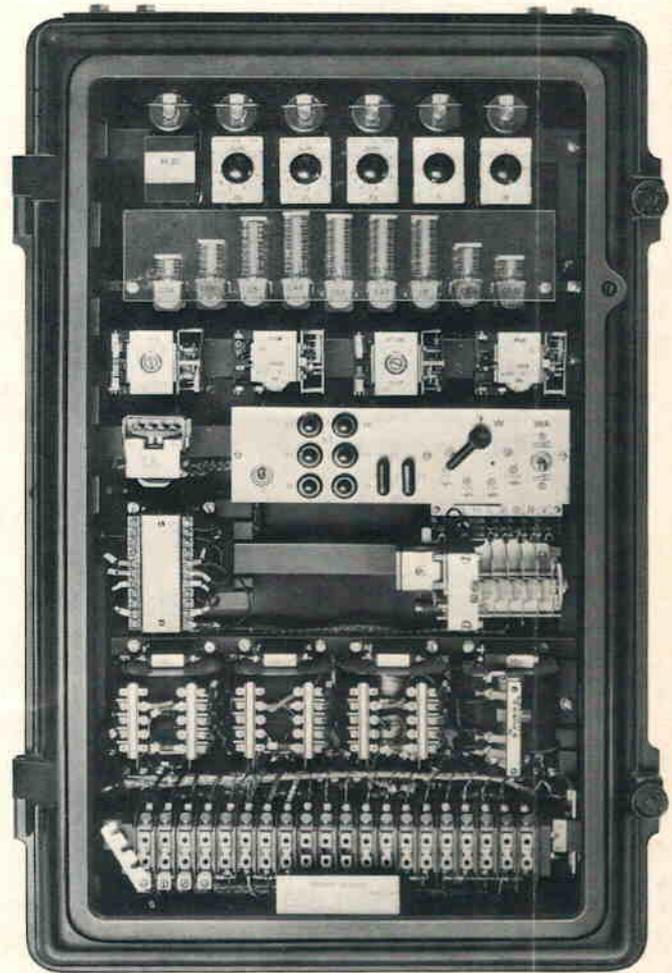
Versatility of application (see Accessories).

Test terminals for easy connection with the test set type BB.

Contact for remote annunciation of kind of fault, step of operation and tripping.

Access to neutral point of current circuit (variant).

Possibility of temporary reversal of measurement direction of second or second and third zone.



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Front view of LZ32 type for semi-flush mounting

# Technical data

## Input and auxiliary voltage

Relay type	LZ3	LZ31	LZ32
Rated voltage $U_n$	100/110V or 200/220V		
Rated current $I_n$	1, 2 or 5A		
Frequency $f_n$	50 or 60 Hz		
Permissible continuous current	$2 \times I_n$		
Thermal short-time current	$30 \times I_n$ during 5 s $50 \times I_n$ during 1 s		
Burden of current circuit	LZ3 ( $\cos \beta \sim 1.0$ )	LZ31 and LZ32 at $X_{comp.} = 5.2 \Omega/ph.$ ( $\cos \beta = 0.6 - 0.7$ )	
during normal operation	0.9 VA	6.0 VA	
during two and three-phase short circuits	1.0 VA	6.5 VA	
during single-phase and cross-country faults	4.2 VA	16.0 VA (at $k_0 = 1$ )	
Burden of voltage circuits when minimum impedance starting relays adjusted to lowest value:			
matching transformer taps at:	100%	200%	
during normal operation	2.2 VA	2.2 VA	
during short circuit	11.5 VA	23.0 VA	
during earth faults	8.5 VA	9.0 VA	
Auxiliary voltage	24, 36, 48, 60, 100, 110, 125, 200, 220 or 250V d.c. (tolerance $\pm 10\%$ )		
Consumption of d.c. auxiliary circuits			
during normal condition		0 W	
during normal condition with overreach feature		2 W	
during short circuits		max. 110 W	

● to be specified with the order

## Measurement

(The values indicated with  $\oplus$  are based on a rated voltage of 110 V, a rated current of 5 A and a rated frequency of 50 Hz; the impedance values must be multiplied by 2 at rated voltage of 200 V, by 2.5 at rated current of 2 A and by 5 at rated current of 1 A.)

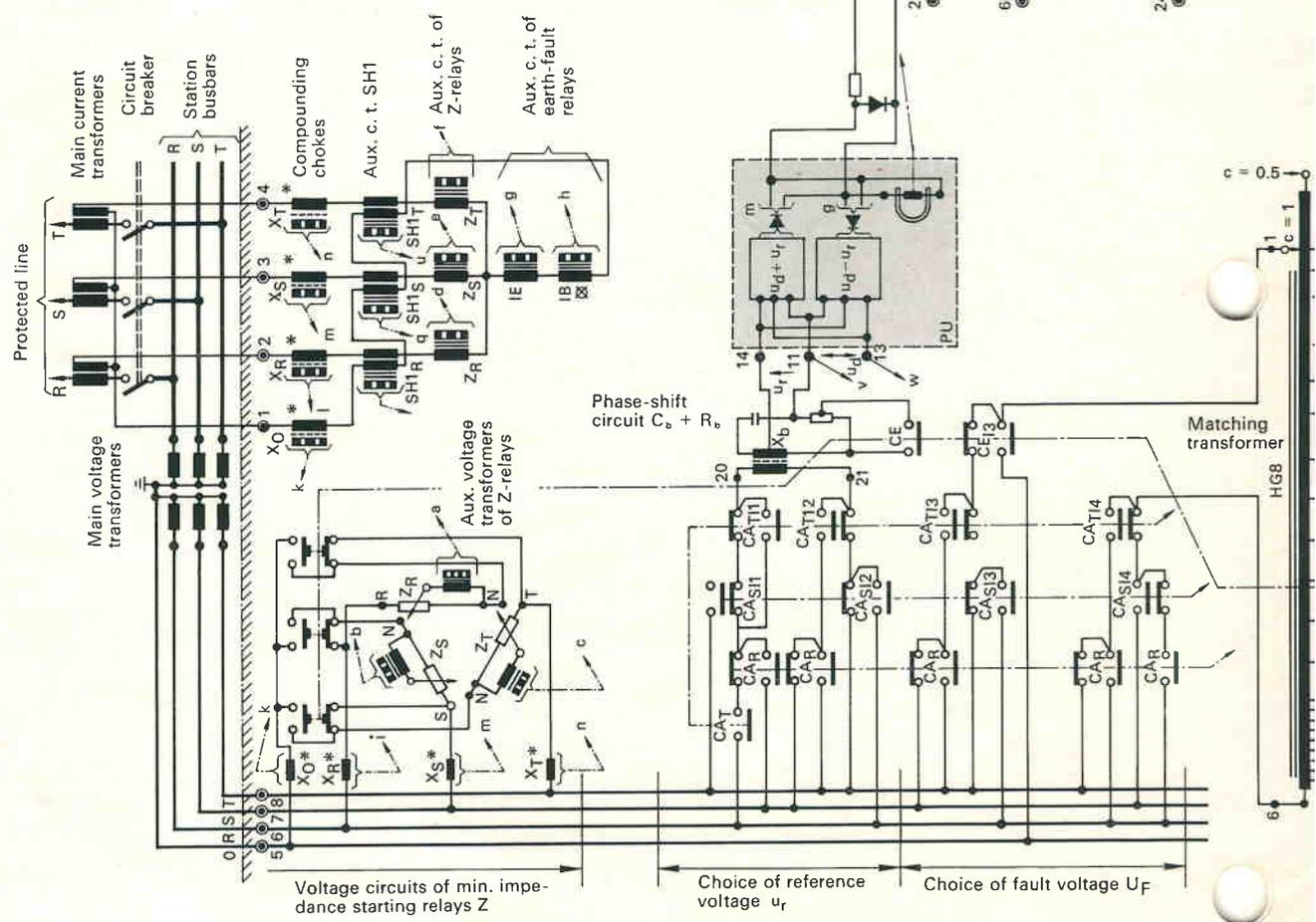
a) Starting element: Pick-up impedance of underimpedance starters, adjustable between $\oplus$ Fall-back ratio Minimum operating current Compounding choke adjustment range (for relays type LZ31 and LZ32) $\oplus$	1 and 10 $\Omega/ph.$ 103% $0.25 \times I_n$  0 to 5.2 $\Omega/ph.$ (in steps of 0.4 $\Omega/ph.$ )
b) Earth-fault relay: Earth-fault starting relay adjustable between Fall-back ratio Back-up earth-fault starting relay (LZ32) adjustable between Fall-back ratio	0.2 and $2 \times I_n$ 93%  0.1 and $1 \times I_n$ 93%
c) Timer: Number of directional time steps Number of non-directional time steps Adjustment range of each time step Accuracy of timer	3 1 0.5 to 5 s 0.1 s

d) Measuring element: Lowest setting of measuring impedance ⊕	0.075 Ω/ph.
Directional sensitivity for three-phase short circuits for two-phase and earth faults	0.1 % of rated voltage unlimited
Zero-sequence compensation: adjustment range ( $k_0$ ) between	0 and 1.5 in steps
Shortest tripping time	45 ms

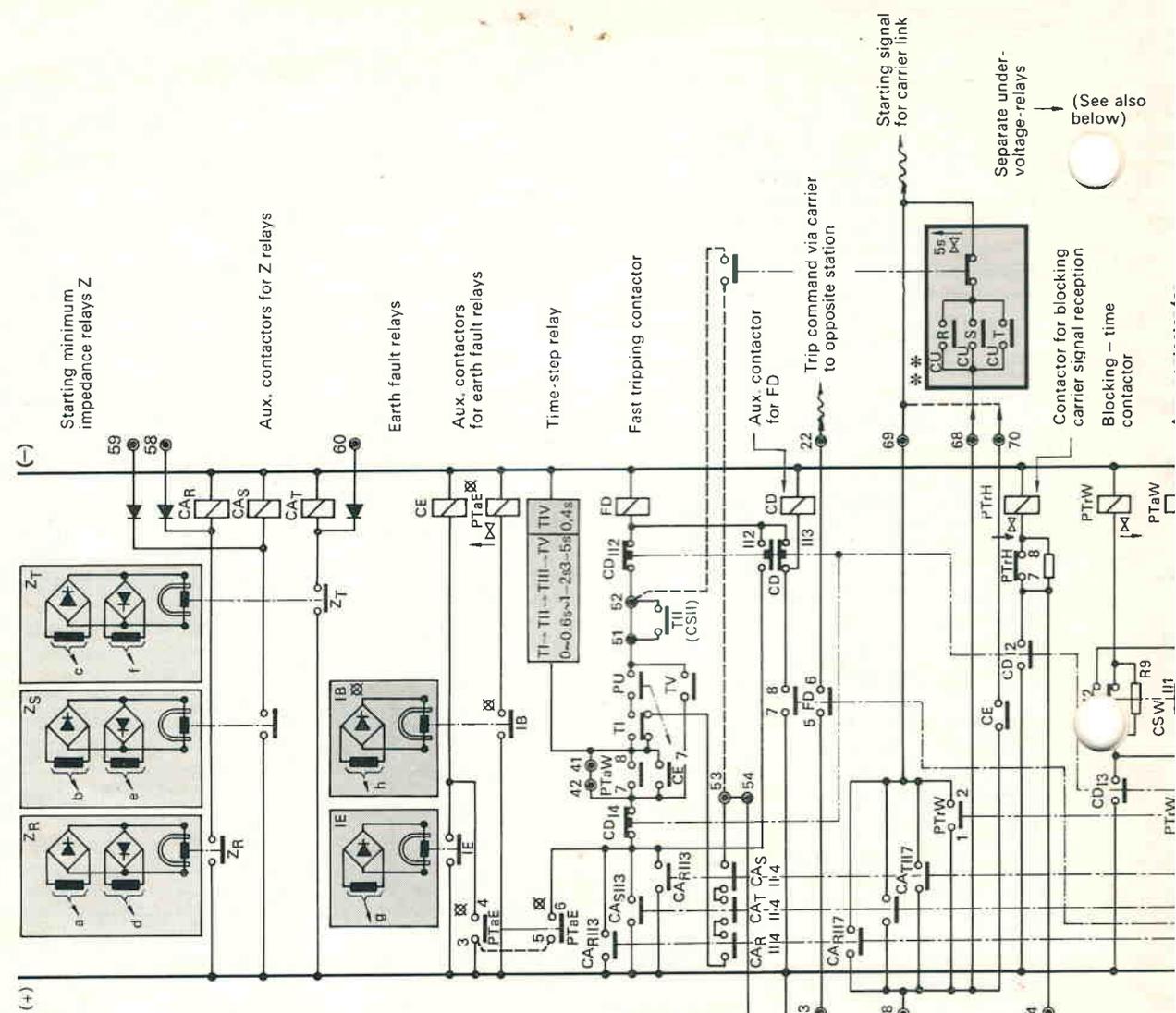
### Output

One n.o. tripping contact (combined with phase-selection logic for one-phase reclosure) making current continuous current breaking current	20 A at voltages up to 250 V d.c. 6 A 0.4 A resistive } at 220 V d.c. 0.2 A inductive }									
Signalling contacts (for arrangement see schematic) making current continuous current breaking current	10 A at voltages up to 250 V d.c. 0.5 A 0.2 A resistive } at 220 V d.c. 0.1 A inductive }									
Temperature range	-5°C to +40°C									
Insulation test	2 kV at power frequency for 1 min									
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AC-Circuits



DC-Control - Circuits



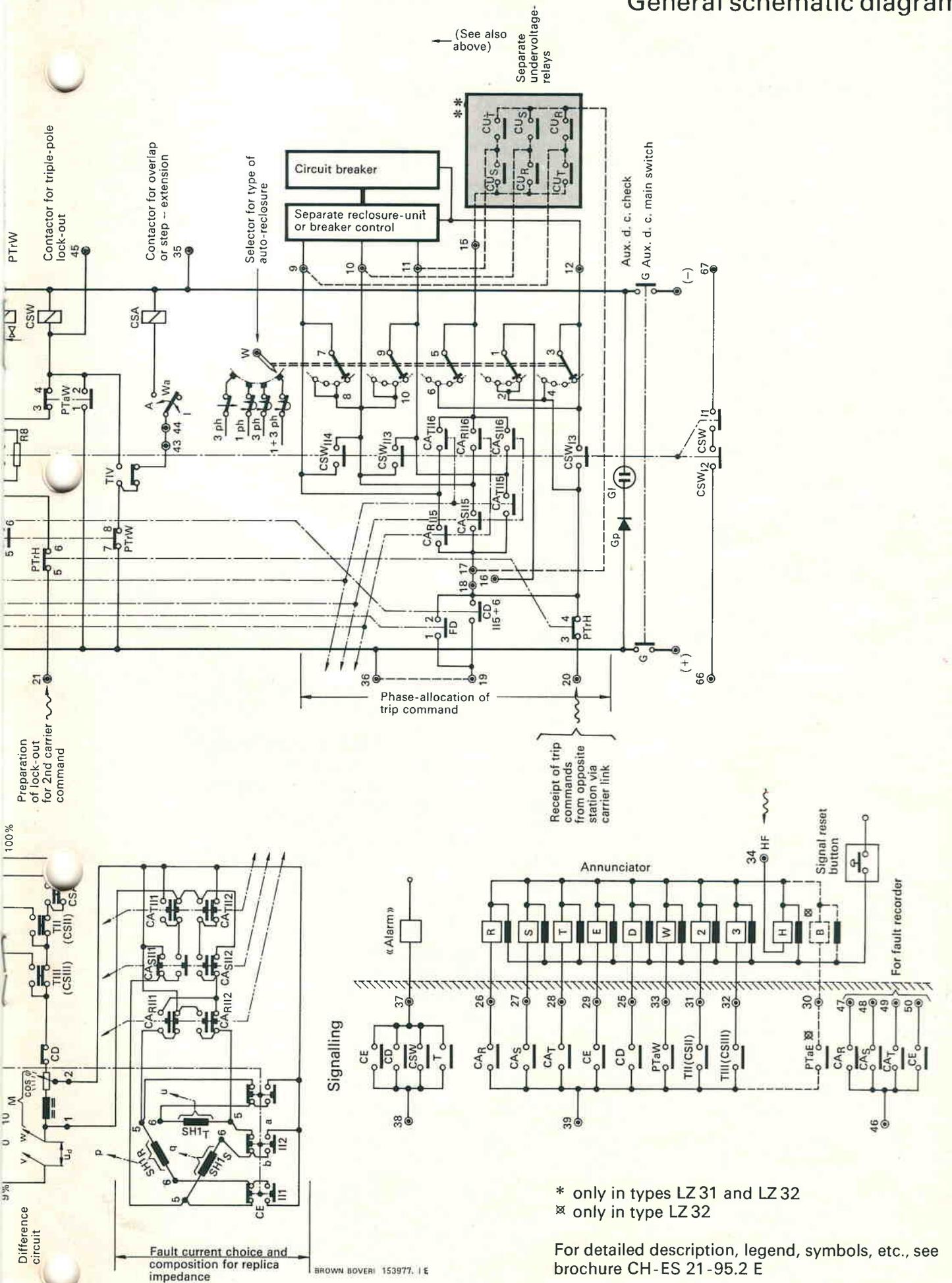
(See also below)

Voltage circuits of min. impedance starting relays Z

Choice of reference voltage  $u_r$

Choice of fault voltage  $U_F$

# Distance relay LZ 32 General schematic diagram



(See also above)  
Separate undervoltage relays

\* only in types LZ 31 and LZ 32  
 ✕ only in type LZ 32

For detailed description, legend, symbols, etc., see brochure CH-ES 21-95.2 E

## Principle of operation

This three-zone time-step distance relay has three compounded underimpedance starting elements (compounded in types LZ 31 and LZ 32) and one highly sensitive overcurrent relay (two in type LZ 32) in the neutral. They control a timer and switch the voltages and currents required to the switched directional distance measuring element.

Moreover, they automatically select the tripping phase-channels in accordance with the desired autoreclosure mode.

The compounding of the underimpedance starting elements allows the protection even of very long and heavily loaded lines. For the protection of extremely long lines additional compounded underimpedance relays may be applied.

The directional and the distance measurement are made in one highly sensitive moving coil element, which operates with rectified a.c. quantities. Accurate directional measurement is accomplished by detecting the phase relation between a difference voltage and a reference voltage. The difference voltage is the difference between the voltage drop across an adjustable replica impedance, derived from the fault current, and a selected portion of the fault potential at the relay location. The use of the replica impedance reduces strongly the influence of harmonics and transient d.c. components.

In the R/X plane, the tripping characteristic is an offset mho circle with unlimited directional sensitivity for all asymmetrical faults. For three-phase faults, the characteristic is a mho circle with directional sensitivity, ensured down to 0.1 % rated voltage.

Instantaneous tripping for three-phase close-in solid short circuits (complete voltage break-down) is provided for by a special trip assistance circuitry.

Contact pressure amplification by yet another special circuit ensures definite closing of the moving coil measuring element's contact once even the slightest touch has taken place.

## Mechanical design

The complete distance relay which comprises all the components for covering interphase short-circuits and earth faults, is assembled in a single metal casing. The front of it consists of a framed glass panel, to allow observation of relay operation; it can be unhinged if required. The functional elements of the relay are mounted on a hinged frame which can be swung out to give access to the rear of these components and the internal wiring.

A row of test terminals is fitted across the lower part of the relay facilitating simple connection of the multi-terminal plug of the test set type BB.

Testing and checking of the adjustments can thus be accomplished without removing the distance relay from the panel or disconnecting its terminals.

## Accessories

With the aid of the supplementary equipment mentioned below, the field of applications can be enlarged.

### Autoreclosure apparatus

For carrying out single, three-phase or single and three-phase autoreclosure cycles automatically, as selected on the distance relay selector switch; additional apparatus available for slow or multiple reclosure.

### Supplementary apparatuses

Pilot wire directional comparison schemes. Temporary reversal of the direction of the third zone alone. Busbar protection schemes by interconnecting all distance relays in one station, in conjunction with temporary reversal of the second directional time step.

### Power line carrier

Permissive underreach transferred tripping schemes.  
Permissive overreach transferred tripping schemes.  
Directional comparison schemes.  
Permissive underreach transferred acceleration schemes.  
Blocking schemes, etc.

### Annunciator

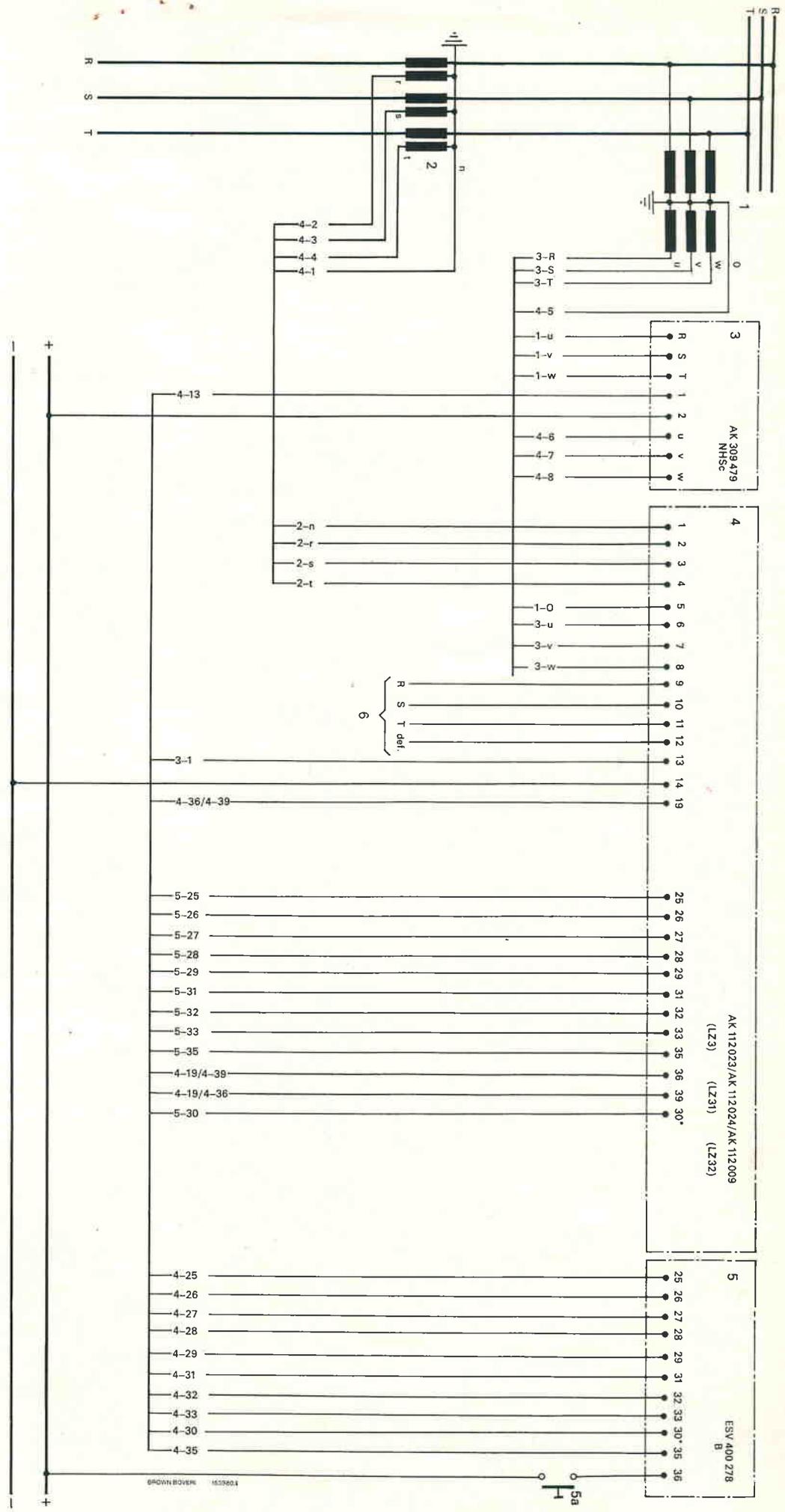
Indicates type of faults, zone in which the fault occurred, tripping, as well as operating of HF coupling.

## Type designations

Distance relay LZ 3: the minimum impedance starting elements are without compounding.  
Distance relay LZ 31: the minimum impedance starting elements have compounding.  
Distance relay LZ 32: like LZ 31, with additional sensitive back-up earth-fault starting relay.  
All other data, facilities, designs features, etc., are identical.

## Documentation

Description CH-ES 21-95.2 E



Example of a basic connection diagram

- 1 Voltage transformer
- 2 Current transformer
- 3 Protection switch NHSc for the voltage circuits
- 4 Distance relay type LZ3 or LZ31 or LZ32
- 5 Annunciator type B
- \* only for LZ32

# Dimensions

