

Connection of busbar and small wire in high voltage switchgear



AI Overview

Busbar-to-wire connections in high-voltage switchgear require proper connectors, material compatibility, and secure mechanical fastening to ensure safe, reliable, and thermally stable operation.

Material Compatibility and Connector Selection

When connecting a busbar to a smaller wire in HV switchgear, material compatibility is critical to prevent corrosion and ensure good electrical contact. Typical guidelines include:

- Copper-to-copper connections:** Use bronze connectors (tin bronze or aluminum bronze) to enhance contact reliability and prevent creep relaxation of pure copper.
- Aluminum-to-aluminum connections:** Use 6061-T6 aluminum alloy connectors with aging treatment to maintain oxide film stability.
- Copper-to-aluminum connections:** Use bi-metallic connectors (explosive welding or brazing) to prevent electrolytic corrosion between dissimilar metals.

Mechanical and Thermal Considerations

Connections must withstand mechanical stresses from short-circuit currents and thermal expansion. Key points include:

- Ensure tight, corrosion-free contact** between the busbar and wire to avoid overheating.
- Use dead-end clamps or bolted connectors** for stranded or small wires to maintain mechanical stability.
- Verify** that the connection can handle the rated current without exceeding permissible temperature rise (typically 45°C for bare conductors).

Installation Best Practices

- Surface preparation:** Clean mating surfaces to remove oxides or contaminants before assembly.
- Torque specifications:** Follow manufacturer-recommended torque values for bolted connections to ensure consistent contact pressure.
- Insulation and spacing:** Maintain adequate insulation and creepage distances, especially in HV switchgear, to prevent arcing or flashover.
- Support and strain relief:** Provide mechanical support for small wires to prevent vibration or movement.

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