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Introductory note

The existing IEC 61643-311 standard was published in 2001. The document has a title "Specification for gas discharge tubes (GDT)" which can be interpreted as a specification for testing, of performance values or both. The contents of the published IEC 61643-311 standard has elements of test specification, performance specification and applications principles.

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COMPONENTS FOR LOW-VOLTAGE SURGE PROTECTIVE DEVICES –

Part 311: Test circuits and methods for gas discharge tubes

1 Scope

This international standard is applicable to gas discharge tubes (GDT) used for overvoltage protection in telecommunications, signalling and low-voltage power distribution networks with nominal system voltages up to 1 000 V (r.m.s.) a.c. and 1 500 V d.c.. They are defined as a gap, or series of gaps, in an enclosed discharge medium other than air. They are designed to protect apparatus or personnel, or both, from high transient voltages. This standard contains a series of test criteria, test methods and test circuits for determining the electrical characteristics of GDTs having two or three electrodes. This standard does not specify requirements applicable to complete surge protective devices, nor does it specify total requirements for GDTs employed within electronic devices, where precise coordination between GDT performance and surge protective device withstand capability is highly critical.

This part of IEC 61643

- does not deal with mountings and their effect on GDT characteristics. Characteristics given apply solely to GDTs mounted in the ways described for the tests;
- does not deal with mechanical dimensions;
- does not deal with quality assurance requirements;
- may not be sufficient for GDTs used on high-frequency (>30 MHz);
- does not deal with electrostatic voltages;
- does not deal with GDTs connected in series with voltage-dependent resistors in order to limit follow-on currents in electrical power systems;
- does not deal with hybrid or composite GDT devices.

2 Normative references

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IEC 60068-2-1: 2007, *Environmental testing – Part 2: Tests. Tests A: Cold*

IEC 60068-2-20: 1979, *Environmental testing – Part 2: Tests. Test T: Soldering*

IEC 60068-2-21: 2006, *Environmental testing – Part 2-21: Tests – Test U: Robustness of terminations and integral mounting devices*

IEC 60364-5-51: 2005, *Electrical installations of buildings – Part 5-51: Selection and erection of electrical equipment - Common rules*

IEC 61000-4-5: 2005, *Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) – Part 4: Testing and measurement techniques – Section 5: Surge immunity test*

IEC 61180-1: 1992, *High-voltage test techniques for low voltage equipment – Part 1: Definitions, test and procedure requirements*

IEC 61643-312: 2008, *Components for low voltage surge protective devices – Part 312: Preferred values and characteristics for gas discharge tubes*

ITU-T Recommendation K.20: 2003, *Resistibility of telecommunication equipment installed in a telecommunications centre to overvoltages and overcurrents*

3 Technical data

3.1 Symbols

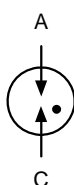


Figure 1 – Symbol for a two-electrode GDT

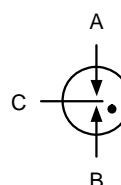


Figure 2 – Symbol for a three-electrode GDT

3.2 Definitions

For the purpose of this standard of IEC 61643-311 the following definitions apply.

3.2.1

arc current

current that flows after sparkover when the circuit impedance allows a current to flow that exceeds the glow-to-arc transition current

3.2.2

arc voltage (arc mode voltage)

voltage drop across the GDT during arc current flow

NOTE See figure 3a region A.

3.2.3

arc-to-glow transition current

current required for the GDT to pass from the arc mode into the glow mode

3.2.4

current turn-off time

time required for the GDT to restore itself to a non-conducting state following a period of conduction.

NOTE This applies only to a condition where the GDT is exposed to a continuous d.c. potential (see d.c. holdover).

3.2.5

d.c. sparkover voltage (d.c. breakdown voltage)

voltage at which the GDT transitions from a high-impedance off to a conduction state when a slowly rising d.c. voltage up to 2 kV/s is applied

NOTE The rate of rise for d.c. sparkover voltage measurements is usually equal or less 2000 V/s.

3.2.6**d.c. holdover**

state in which a GDT continues to conduct after it is subjected to an impulse sufficient to cause breakdown.

NOTE In applications where a d.c. voltage exists on a line. Factors that affect the time required to recover from the conducting state (current turn-off time) include the d.c. voltage and the d.c. current

3.2.7**d.c. holdover voltage**

maximum d.c. voltage across the terminals of a gas discharge tube under which it may be expected to clear and to return to the high-impedance state after the passage of a surge, under specified circuit conditions

3.2.8**discharge current**

current that flows through a GDT after sparkover occurs

NOTE In the event that the current passing through the GDT is alternating current, it will be r.m.s. value. In instances where the current passing through the GDT is an impulse current, the value will be the peak value.

3.2.9**discharge voltage**

peak value of voltage that appears across the terminals of a GDT during the passage of GDT discharge current

3.2.10**discharge voltage current characteristic (V/I characteristic)**

variation of peak values of discharge voltage with respect to GDT discharge current

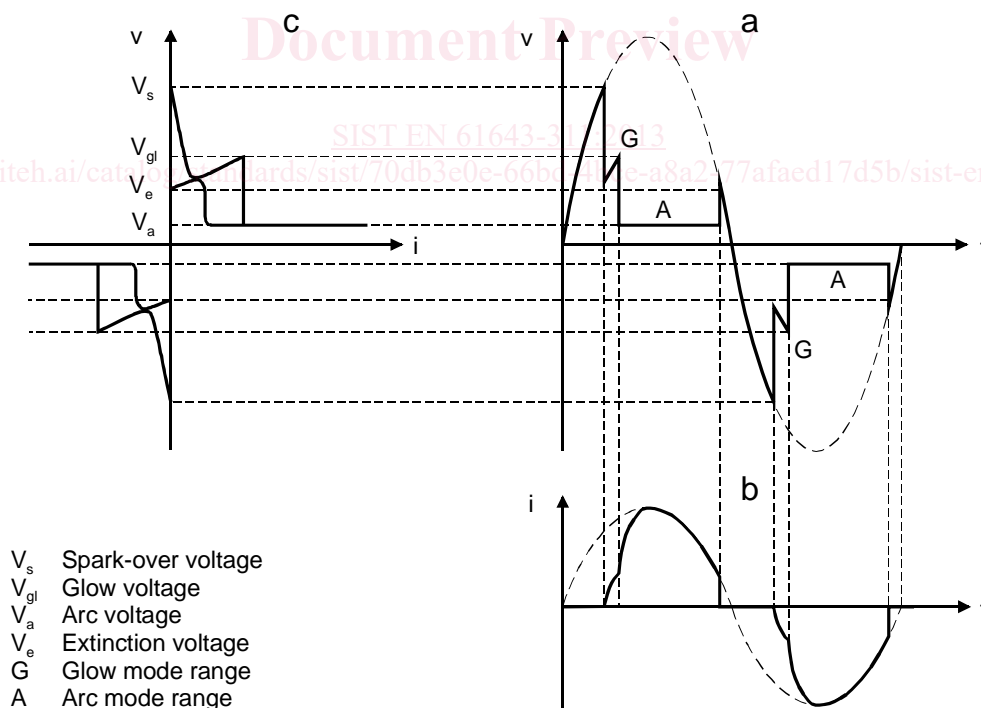


Figure 3a – Voltage at the GDT as a function of time when limiting a sinusoidal voltage surge

Figure 3b – Current at the GDT as a function of time when limiting a sinusoidal voltage surge

Figure 3c – V/I characteristic of the GDT obtained by combining the graphs of voltage and current

3.2.11**extinction voltage**

voltage at which discharge (current flow) ceases

3.2.12**fail-short (failsafe)**

thermally-activated external shorting mechanism

3.2.13**follow (on) current**

current that the GDT conducts from a connected power source after sparkover

NOTE The GDT is expected to extinguish after sparkover to avoid overheating

3.2.14**gas discharge tube (GDT)**

gap, or gaps, in an enclosed discharge medium, other than air at atmospheric pressure, designed to protect apparatus or personnel, or both, from high transient voltages

3.2.15**glow current (glow mode current)**

current that flows after breakdown when the circuit impedance limits the follow current to a value less than the glow-to-arc transition current

NOTE See figure 3a region A.

3.2.16**glow-to-arc transition current**

current required for the GDT to pass from the glow mode into the arc mode

NOTE See figure 3a region A.

3.2.17**glow voltage (glow mode voltage)**

peak value of voltage drop across the GDT when a glow current is flowing

NOTE See figure 3a region A.

3.2.18**impulse sparkover voltage**

highest value of voltage attained by an impulse of a designated voltage rate-of-rise and polarity applied across the terminals of a GDT prior to the flow of the discharge current

3.2.19**impulse waveshape**

outline of an electrical surge designated as x/y having a rise time of x μ s and a decay time to half value of y μ s as standardized in IEC 61180-1

3.2.20**nominal alternating discharge current**

current which the GDT is designed to conduct for a defined time

NOTE For currents with a frequency of 15 Hz to 62 Hz

3.2.21**nominal d.c. sparkover voltage**

voltage specified by the manufacturer to indicate the target value of sparkover voltages of a particular type of GDT products

NOTE 1 The nominal value is generally a rounded number such as: 75 V, 90 V, 150 V, 200 V, 230 V, 250 V, 300 V, 350 V, 420 V, 500 V, 600 V, 800 V, 1000 V, 1200 V, 1400 V, 1800 V, 2100 V, 2700 V, 3000 V, 3600 V, 4000 V and 4500 V

NOTE 2 Values in between shall be agreed jointly between the manufacturer and the user.