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Introduction

What Is a Low Voltage Switching Gear?

Switching gears that perform starting/stopping and overload protection (burnout protection) in low voltage distribution and motor control.

What Is a Magnetic Contactor?

In general, a contactor by itself is called a magnetic contactor. Mainly used in stand-alone applications, such as electric circuit breaking and heater switching.

What Is a Thermal Overload Relay?

Used to protect a motor from burnout due to overload (overcurrent). The motor will burn out if a current exceeding the rated current flows in it for a certain period of time. Before that happens, the thermal overload relay activates (overload detected with a bimetallic strip) and cuts off the circuit.

What Is a Manual Motor Starter (MMS)?

This is a completely new type of motor protection circuit breaker. A single unit performs overload, phase failure and short circuit protection, and switching in the motor circuit. A single MMS unit functions as both a wiring circuit breaker and a thermal overload relay.

Magnetic Contactor or Thermal Overload Relay Selection Procedure





In Europe, to conform the safety standard IEC60204-1 for electrical equipment of machines, it is required to install overcurrent and overload protective device at power supply connection point on motor circuit.

Meanwhile, in Japan, JIS B9960-1 is regulated based on the above standard. Also, electrical equipment technical standard regulates that appropriate countermeasure for prevention of burnout accident is required, including installation of overcurrent circuit breaker at motor which exceeds 0.2 kW. Its trend is the similar as in Europe.

Manual Motor Starter (MMS) functions a wiring circuit breakers (short circuit protection) and thermal overload relay (overload, phase failure protection) with space saving.

Configuration and Operating Principle

Magnetic contactor

Magnetic contactor consist of contacts to open and close the electrical circuit for supplying electricity to the load such as electric motor, control coils for allowing contactor to open and close, and an electromagnet which made of iron core, and connection construction for transmitting the movement of the electromagnet to the contactor.

When the specified voltage is applied to the coil, the exciting current flows. This current generates magnetic flux in the iron core, then the iron core becomes a magnet. That is, the movable core is attracted toward the fixed core.

The movable contact support connected to this movable core by a pin incorporates a movable contact, moves by the movement of the movable core, contacts the fixed contact fixed to the frame, and closes the circuit.

When the voltage applied to the coil is turned OFF, the excitation of core is released and the movable core is pushed back to the right by back spring. At the same time, the movable core aparts from the movable contact and opens the circuit.



Configuration and Operating Principle

Thermal overload relay

The main components of the thermal overload relay are a heat element which consists of heater and bimetallic, an adjustment dial to set the operating current of thermal overload relay, and contacts to output the operating state by electrical signal. The operating distance between the release lever and shifter is set. On the other hand, the current flows through the heater that composing the heat element. Then, the bimetal curves due to the heat energy generated by the heater, which changes the set operating distance. When the curvature of bimetal is greater than the operating distance, the reversal spring is activated, and the mechanical movement is transmitted to the contact mechanisms to open and close the contact.

Operating flow of thermal overload relay



Explanation of Operating Characteristics

- Below is the operating characteristics of standard model thermal overload relay (J7TC).
- The operating characteristics include cold start and hot start. The differences are described on Explanation of Terms.

• Explanation of Operating Characteristics

The vertical axis shows the operating time, and the horizontal axis shows the multiple of settling current. For example, when the current flows twice the settling current, the thermal overload relay trips in about 30 seconds to 2 minutes 20 seconds for cold start characteristics and 3 seconds to 60 seconds for hot start characteristics.





Explanation of the motor protection

If the motor is operating within the specified rated range, the internal winding insulator will keep own temperature rise within the rated range and the service life is no problem for actual use. However, if the motor will be overloaded or locked, the larger current than rated current flows which resulting in overheat, that may causes the insulation deterioration or burn. As a fundamental motor protection, the motor should be disconnected from the circuit before reaching such like this dangerous temperature.

For the protection by detecting of current, the allowable time for winding insulator to reach dangerous temperature against overload current is the operating characteristic of protective equipment. This time-current characteristic is called the thermal characteristic. The characteristic of winding temperature from the ambient temperature state is published as the cold start characteristic and the characteristics from rated temperature rise state as the hot start characteristic.

The operating characteristics of protective equipment using current detection method must be lower than this thermal characteristics. However, since the thermal characteristics of electric motors differ depending on insulator type, protective structure, and number of poles, thermal overload relay, which is the most representative protective devices for current detection, in which the operating characteristics are specified by the regulation for standard electric motor.

Thermal overload relay satisfies these specifications and is capable of overload and rocking protection of standard motors operating constant load continuous operation.



(1) Cooperative operation

The thermal overload relay shall not be operated by normal operation of motor.

 The starting current of the motor and the operating characteristics of the thermal overload relay shall not be crossed.

(2) Protection cooperation

Do not cause sudden deterioration of the insulation of the motor.

*2. The operation shall be faster than the thermal characteristics of the motor.



Current

Coordination between thermal characteristics of electric motor and operating characteristics of thermal overload relay

Explanation of Terms

Magnetic Contactor

Magnetic switch

A combination of a magnetic contactor and a thermal overload relay is called a magnetic switch in the industry. Mainly used in motor (motor load) switching applications.

Frame size

Indicates the size (dimensions) of the magnetic contactor. Basically, the outer dimensions increase as the rated operational voltage and rated operational current increase.

Rated capacity (kW)

The maximum rated output (kW) during motor operation at the rated operational voltage.

Rated operational voltage (V)

The maximum load voltage that satisfies the switching capacity, switching frequency, and contact service life.

• Rated operational current (A)

The maximum load current that satisfies the switching capacity, switching frequency, and contact service life at the rated operational voltage.

• Rated carry current (AC-1)

The maximum switching current that can be applied when the contact is not switching. In addition, load conditions that assume resistive loads, such as heaters, are called AC-1.

• Rated carry current (AC-3)

Load conditions set assuming a 3-phase cage motor. This is the reference load condition when switching the motor with a magnetic contactor.

Auxiliary contact

Contacts that operate in conjunction with the main contacts. Auxiliary contacts have a switching capacity lower than that of the main contacts, and are used for sequence circuits such as signal and self-holding circuits.

Mirror contact

Mirror contact is a mechanism found mainly in contactor. With the combination of the main circuit and the auxiliary circuit of the main unit, welding the main contacts will result in a structure that secures a shock resistance voltage of 2.5 kV or more, or a contact interval of 0.5 mm or more, for all b-contacts of the auxiliary circuit contacts even if the excitation of the coil is released. The main contact may also be turned ON when the auxiliary circuit is welded. Even with the combined usage of the auxiliary contact unit (J73KC-AM), welding the main contact in the main unit will create a mirror contact construction where the attached auxiliary contact (b-contact) is opened.

Thermal Overload Relay

Bimetallic strip

A special metal that curves when heat is applied. The property of this metal is used for the overload detection function in thermal overload relays.

Setting current

The current value that determines the operation of the thermal overload relay that is the standard for the rated operational current. Generally, it is set to the same value as the rated current value of the motor. When a current exceeding the set setting current continuously flows in the thermal overload relay, it is detected and the circuit is cut.

Phase failure protection function

This function detects an open circuit and activates a thermal overload relay to protect the motor from burnout.

Cold-start characteristics

Thermal overload relay characteristics from the off status until the thermal overload relay trips.

• Hot-start characteristics

Thermal overload relay characteristics from normal operation (when the rated current flows in the thermal overload relay) until the thermal overload relay trips.

Manual reset and auto reset methods

The manual reset method sets manual return after the thermal overload relay trips. The auto reset method sets automatic return after the thermal overload relay trips.

Trip class 10A

This is an operating characteristic in which motor circuit operation when overload occurs (hot start) takes less than two minutes at 150% le, and operation when locking occurs (cold start) takes less than two to ten seconds at 720% le in accordance with IEC 60947-4-1. (le is setting current.)

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Trip class 10

This is an operating characteristic in which motor circuit operation when overload occurs (hot start) takes less than four minutes at 150% le, and operation when locking occurs (cold start) takes less than four to ten seconds at 720% le in accordance with IEC 60947-4-1. (le is setting current.)

• Type 1, Type 2 harmonized protection

When a short-circuit current flows in a combination of short circuit protection devices (SCPD), such as magnetic switches and overcurrent circuit breakers, the current is interrupted by the short circuit protection device. If the combination is not properly selected, the magnetic switch contacts and thermal overload relay heater element may be damaged by the electromagnetic force or energy of the short-circuit current. IEC 60947-1 and JIS C 8201-1 provide types of harmonized protection according to the degree of damage to the magnetic switch during a short circuit. The short-circuit current is evaluated using "assumed short-circuit current 'r' " and "conditional rated short circuit current Iq" defined by the manufacturer.

Type 1: Damage to magnetic switch or heater is observed. Requires partial or complete replacement at the time of inspection. Type 2: No damage except light welding of the magnetic switch. Can remain in use without replacement at the time of inspection.

Utilization category Cat.A

This category of circuit breaker has no deliberate short-time delay in the operation of short circuit conditions for other other circuit breakers in series on the load side.

Further Information

FAQs about Magnetic Contactors



They are test conditions for magnetic contactors. They are used as a reference for the appropriate load and endurance of the magnetic contactor. The AC-3 is a load condition assuming a motor load, and the AC-1 is a load condition assuming a resistive (heater) load.



I want to use the relays overseas. Are general relays available with 380 or 400 VAC coil rated voltage?

As with the magnetic contactor (J7KC), the auxiliary relay (J7KCA) can be used at up to 550 VAC or 220 VDC coil rated voltage.



What difference between mirror contact and linked contact?

The mirror contact mechanism is that when welding a-contact (main contact), b-contact of the auxiliary circuit is in open-circuit state even if the excitation of coil is released. In addition the above, on the linked contact, when welding b-contact, a-contact of linked contact is in open-circuit state even if the coil is excited.

The magnetic contactor J7KC is applicable to the mirror contact shown in Attachment F of IEC 60947-4-1. The auxiliary relay J7KCA is applicable to the linked contact shown in Attachment L of IEC 60947-5-1.



To what extent can the J7KC support for the construction of safety categories B to 4?

The following is the example of the configuration in combination with the safety relay unit G9SA-301.

By connecting two J7KC units in series, up to the safety category 4 can be supported.

23 S2 24 Guard 11 S1 Feedback loop \ominus 12 J7KC1 F---S3 J7KC2 Open :(~); 13 · 3 · 4 TΗ K1 K2 J7KC1 Control Circuit \bigcirc J7KC2 SB1 (24)(34)(4) (В Μ J7KC2 J7KC1



What is the difference between power relay G7Z and magnetic contactor J7KC?

The application is different. J7KC contactor is intended for motor, having an electrical life of over 1,000,000 operations. On the other hand, G7Z is intended for which has low-frequency switching (assumed tripping as rare case), having a electrical life of 80,000 operations.



What is motor capacity the J7KC actually can be applied?

At AC-3 load, upto 2.2 kW (200 to 240 VAC) in Japan, upto 5.5 kW (380 to 440 VAC) in Europe. If a single unit is placed with specified space (10 mm of both side) or more, and the ambient temperature of -10 to 55°C (however, not exceed 35°C of 24 hours a day average temperature), it is usable without derating. If units are mounted by side-by-side, make sure that operational current is 9 A or less.



Why is the rated capacity at 200-240 VAC used under AC-3 load of 2.2 kW (JIS) differ from 3 kW (IEC)?

Because JIS follows trend in the past, and the test conditions and criterias are different from IEC.

"AC-1", "AC-3", "AC-4" and "AC-15" are described. (also, as for DC are described similarly). What does each mean? "AC-1/AC-3" is descried for main circuit, "C-15" or "AC-12" are described for auxiliary circuit. Why is the description like this?



Those indicate operational load types. Each application examples are as follows.

- AC-1 (AC) switching of resistive load
- AC-3 (AC) starting of cage motor, stopping in during operation
- AC-4 (AC) starting, plugging*1, inching*2 of cage motor
- DC-1 (DC) switching of resistive load
- DC-3 (DC) starting, plugging*1, inching*2 of shunt motor 2
- DC-5 (DC) starting, plugging*1, inching*2 of series motor 2
- ***1.** Plugging means to quickly change the direction of rotation of a motor, so suppress or reverse the rotation.
- ***2.** Inching means to repeatedly start a motor with reduced amount of power.

The auxiliary circuit is mainly used for control, and AC-15, AC-12, etc. show the load type used for the control switch element.

We would like to open/close the heater with the auxiliary contact. Let us know maximum A which is applicable.

Depending on inductive component, it is shown as follows that according to operational voltage. If inductive component is large, it must be reduced. In all cases, make sure the current when closing or tripping is 30 A or less. 100 to 120 VAC/200 to 240 VAC: 3 to 6 A

100 to 120 VAC/200 to 240 VAC: 3 t 24 VDC: 2 to 3 A 48 VDC: 1 to 2 A



What do the rated code "A600" and "Q300" of auxiliary contact mean?

It is the contact rating, in which the alphabet indicates the rated current and the number indicates the rated voltage. A600 means AC contact rating 10 A 600 V and Q300 means DC contact rating 2.5 A 300 V.

(AC rating A: 10 A, B: 5 A, C: 2.5 A, D: 1 A) (DC rating N: 10 A, P: 5 A, Q: 2.5 A, R: 1 A)

FAQs about Thermal Overload Relays



Thermal overload relay J7TC is used in combination with the magnetic contactor J7KC to protect a motor from overload. When an overload current flows, the bimetallic strip in the thermal overload relay operates to open the auxiliary contacts (NC contact), and this signal from the thermal overload relay stops the operation of the magnetic contactor.



How does it differ from a circuit breaker that similarly protects against overcurrents?

In principle, a thermal overload relay protects a motor. Therefore, it is generally not used in equipment in which no motor is used. However, the thermal overload relay will also burn out if a short-circuit current exceeding several thousand amperes flows through a circuit, so the entire circuit including the thermal overload relay is protected by a circuit breaker.



How can we select the trip current for overcurrent countermeasure by using thermal overload relay?

Select a thermal overload relay in which full load current (rated current) of the motor is within the settling current range, and turn the adjustment dial to the full load current (rated current) value of the motor. Selection example of thermal overload relay for motor capacity are shown as follows.

3-phase standard motor capacity and full load current (reference values)			Sotting ourrent range [A]	Thermal overload	Magnetic contactor	
Main circuit voltage	Capacity P [kW]	Current le [A]		relay model	model	
200-240 VAC	0.1	0.68	0.48-0.72	J7TC-01-E72		
	0.2	1.3	0.95-1.45	J7TC-01-1E4		
	0.4	2.3	1.7-2.6	J7TC-01-2E6		
	0.75	3.8	2.8-4.2	J7TC-01-4E2		
	1.5	7	5-7.5	J7TC-01-7E5		
	2.2	9.8	7-10.5	J7TC-01-10		
380-440 VAC	0.2	0.65	0.48-0.72	J7TC-01-E72	J7KC-12	
	0.4	1.15	0.8-1.2	J7TC-01-1E2		
	0.75	1.9	1.4-2.1	J7TC-01-2E1		
	1.5	3.5	2.8-4.2	J7TC-01-4E2		
	2.2	4.9	4-6	J7TC-01-6		
	3.7	8	6-9	J7TC-01-9		
	5.5	11.9	9-13	J7TC-01-13		

Note: Full load current of 3-phase motor is a reference value. For applicability, check the full load current which you will use.



I heard that the overcurrent of 6 times flows in motor when inrush. Is there the possibility of thermal and MMS malfunction?

Thermal relays and MMS designed to protect the motor have an operating characteristic that prevents over-current protection from being applied by the current at the start-up of the motor. This characteristic prevents the motor from detecting this current within the range that can be used without burning it for several to several tens of seconds after the start-up. (Please refer the graph on page 6 shows that the starting current of the motor and the operating characteristics of the thermal overload relay.)



How is thermal phase failure detected?

A special metal strip called bimetal inserted in each phase curves by heat from electric current, and its movement is transmitted to contact part to operate. If a phase failure is occurred, bimetallic strip of 2-phase bimetallic curves by current flow, but which of 1-phase will not curve because current does not flow. This difference is transmitted to the contact part and operate it.

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What is the difference between the 1E, 2E, and 3E thermal relays? What is the equivalent of MMS?



The elements to be detected differ as follows.

1E: overload

2E: overload, failure phase

3E: overload, failure phase, reverse phase

MMS model J7MC is equivalent to 2E.

What is the recommended method for connection of thermal overload relay and electric magnetic contactor?

Connect the b-contact of thermal overload relay to control coil of magnetic contactor.



FAQs about Manual Motor Starter



Where is a MMS used?

It is used in motor branch circuits of various machine tools and machines to provide optimal overload, phase failure, and short circuit protection.



Compared to the conventional configuration, which combines molded case circuit breaker, magnetic contactor and thermal overload relay, the MMS can significantly reduce the occupied area occupied to less than 50%.



How does it differ from a wiring circuit breaker?

The basic functions of overload and short circuit protection are the same as those of a circuit breaker, but it differs significantly from a circuit breaker in the following points.

- (1) Compact with a high breaking capacity
- (2) Overload and phase failure protection of a three-phase motor are possible with a thermal bimetallic trip mechanism and a differential amplifier link mechanism
- (3) AC-3 switching performance



What is the endurance of MMS?

100,000 cycles for both electrical/mechanical endurance.



What is the equivalent thermal overload relay in terms of operating characteristics?

The MMS three-phase overload characteristics correspond to the operating characteristics of the OMRON thermal overload relay J7TC.



The J7MC-3P is a locker switch (standard type). The J7MC-3R is a rotary switch (High performance type) with improved visibility for operation and display.



What are the MMS accessories?

An auxiliary contact unit (J73MC-W) and alarm contact unit (J73MC-K) are available. The following combinations are available.

Table of accessory combinationsMounting position of accessories

Main unit Optional unit

Optional unit ○ Auxiliary contact unit (W) : J73MC-W ● Alarm contact unit (K) : J73MC-K

Main unit model	J73MC-3P/J7MC-3R						
Optional unit		W (left)	W (right)	K (right)	W + W	W + K	
combination							

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Is it applicable to a single-phase motor?

To apply it to a single-phase motor, connect the MMS to three-phase power as shown in Figure C below. If all phases are not energized, the operating current will be low and the motor will not operate normally. If only two phases are connected as shown in Figures A and B, the phase function operates at 5% lower current, as defined in the IEC standard.

Therefore, the normal operating range can be achieved by increasing the value set on the variable adjustment dial by 5%. (See Table 1)

As with a normal circuit breaker, no correction is required when it is used at a load of 80% or less of the rated current of the circuit breaker.

Table 1. Minimum operating range in standard





3-phase \rightarrow (single-/2-phase continuous) \rightarrow dial adjustment

What harmonized protection is supported for MMS and magnetic contactors?

Both Type 1 and Type 2 harmonized protection are possible by combining an MMS and magnetic contactor J7KC. (For type 1 and 2, refer to the Explanation of Terms of MMS on page 8.)



How is a test trip used?

A mechanical trip is possible during a sequence check. The MMS can be tripped by pushing the test trip lever to the left while the handle is ON. After completing the sequence check, check the safety before resetting the product.

Does it meet international standards?

Certificated safety standards are as follows. Certified standard: IEC 60947-2, IEC 60947-5-1, UL60947-4-1, CSA 22.2 No.60947-4-1, GB/T 14048.2(CCC), GB/T 14048.5-1(CCC)

Applicable standard: IEC 60947-4-1, GB/T 14048.4(CCC)

What are the markings on the product?

In addition to the model, rated current setting range and instantaneous tripping current value, a (PS)E mark based on the Electrical Appliances and Material Safety Act is displayed on the front of the main unit. The left side of the main unit displays the IEC rating, AC-3 display indicating motor application, Icu and Ics breaking current values, and connected wire size. The right side displays the UL rating. The accessories display a circuit diagram on the top, and a circuit diagram, rated specifications, and connected wire size on the side.

Is it compliant with IEC 60947-3?

IEC 60947-3 is a standard for switchgear and does not apply to MMS. However, since it conforms to IEC 60947 Isolation, it can be applied as IEC 60204-1 "Power Switchgear".



What is the protective structure of the terminals?

The J7MC has IP20 (finger protection) protective structure with no contact to conducting parts by the test finger specified in IEC 60529 in both terminal (insertion) holes and release holes.



What does "conforms to Isolation" mean?

It means that in response to the requirements that the main contacts of the main unit are closed and the handle (1) does not indicate OFF and (2) cannot be unlocked at this time, the mechanical electrical equipment satisfies the electrical equipment standard IEC 60204-1 "Power Switchgear".



Is there a product lineup of combination starters that combine MMS and contactor (magnetic contactor)?

Combination starter so makes its height direction (between the ducts) longer, that space efficiency becomes worse when installing other products on the control panel. Therefore, OMRON have no line-up of combination starter for the low voltage switch gear. If the combination starter is required, combine the magnetic contactor and MMS on the control panel.



Where should I confirm tripping characteristics and short circuit current due to MMS overcurrent?

For the tripping characteristics of overcurrent, refer to rated current In and current setting range/rated operating current le. Current operating current le is set by variable adjustment dial. For the current that can be instantaneously shut off when the short circuit current flows, refer to Instantaneous trip current. For actual performance for short circuit current, refer to the rated breaking capacity (rated limit breaking capacity Icu and rated operating breaking capacity Icu).



What is the difference between Icu and Ics in MMS breaking performance? What is shut-off duty?

These are short circuit current capacities that can be interrupted, but lcs can be used continuously after one interruption (however, replacement is required after the second interruption), whereas lcu is a capacity that can be safely interrupted (when the second interruption is interrupted, it cannot be energized and must be replaced). The shut-off duty is a condition that must be operated in a test assuming a short circuit accident.

Icu requires operating condition that trips current in state the load circuit short circuit current flows at contact ON (O duty) and several minutes later to turn contact ON, and immediately trips the current (CO duty).

The operation condition at lcs is that the contact goes ON at lcu and tripping operation is immediately repeated twice.



What does "Ics=100%Icu (Icu=100kA)" mean?

"Icu=100kA" indicate that the Ics is the same value as Icu.



What is the maximum current value that can be shut off repeatedly with MMS manual switch?

It is shown on the Instantaneous trip current described each rated current specification.

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How is the MMS specification selected for the motor capacity?

Select the MMS of rated current specification that full load current (rated current) is within the range of setting operating, set the adjustment dial to the full load current (rated current) of the motor. The table below shows an example of MMS selection for the motor capacity.

3-phase standard motor capacity and full load current (reference values)		Rated current	Current setting range	MMS		Magnetic	
Main circuit voltage	Capacity [kW]	Current [A]	In [A] In [A] In [A] In [A]		Standard type model High-performance type model		contactor model
	0.03	0.24	0.25	0.16-0.25	J7MC-3P-E25	J7MC-3R-E25	-
	0.06	0.37	0.4	0.25-0.4	J7MC-3P-E4	J7MC-3R-E4	
	0.1	0.68	1	0.63-1	J7MC-3P-1	J7MC-3R-1	
	0.2	1.3	1.6	1-1.6	J7MC-3P-1E6	J7MC-3R-1E6	
	0.4	2.3	2.5	1.6-2.5	J7MC-3P-2E5	J7MC-3R-2E5	J7KC-12
200-240 VAC	0.75	3.5	4	2.5-4	J7MC-3P-4	J7MC-3R-4	
	1.5	6.9	10	6.3-10	J7MC-3P-10	J7MC-3R-10	
	2.2	9.5	10				
	2.2	9.5	13	9-13	J7MC-3P-13	J7MC-3R-13	
	3.7	15.5	16	11-16	J7MC-3P-16	J7MC-3R-16	
	3.7	15.5	20	14-20	J7MC-3P-20	J7MC-3R-20	
380-440 VAC	0.02	0.1	0.16	0.1-0.16	J7MC-3P-E16	J7MC-3R-E16	J7KC-12
	0.06	0.21	0.25	0.16-0.25	J7MC-3P-E25	J7MC-3R-E25	
	0.1	0.34	0.4	0.25-0.4	J7MC-3P-E4	J7MC-3R-E4	
	0.12	0.41	0.63	0.4-0.63	J7MC-3P-E63	J7MC-3R-E63	
	0.2	0.65	1	0.63-1	J7MC-3P-1	J7MC-3R-1	
	0.4	1.15	1.6	1-1.6	J7MC-3P-1E6	J7MC-3R-1E6	
	0.75	1.8	2.5	1.6-2.5	J7MC-3P-2E5	J7MC-3R-2E5	
	1.5	3.5	4	2.5-4	J7MC-3P-4	J7MC-3R-4	
	2.2	4.8	6.3	4-6.3	J7MC-3P-6	J7MC-3R-6	
	3.7	7.8	10	6.3-10	J7MC-3P-10	J7MC-3R-10	
	5.5	10.5	13	9-13	J7MC-3P-13	J7MC-3R-13	
	7.5	13.5	16	11-16	J7MC-3P-16	J7MC-3R-16	
	11	20	20	14-20	J7MC-3P-20	J7MC-3R-20	

Note: Full load current of 3-phase motor is a reference value. For applicability, check the full load current which you will use.



Can MMS be used to Inverter?

Usage to inverter is allowed. However, make sure to follow the precautions below.

• When installing on the power supply side of inverter.

When installing the MMS on the input side of the inverter (Fig. 1), select the MMS with the rated current slightly larger than the rated current of the inverter because it is affected by the inverter harmonics. The influence of harmonics varies depending on the length of wires from the inverter. Therefore, it is necessary to check the length on the actual equipment.



Example of thinking way for selection

(1) The rated current of the MMS should be at least 1.4 times the input current IINV of the inverter.

Note: Note that the input current INV varies depending on existence of DC reactor (DCR) of the inverter.

(2) For the purpose of protection of wires, confirm that the operating characteristics of the MMS is below the thermal characteristics of the wires.

* Measures for false trip.

• Turn the adjustment dial clockwise to increase the settling current.

• When installing on the load side of the inverter. A

When installing the MMS on the output side of the inverter (Fig. 2), it is affected by the inverter's harmonics and high frequencies.

These values depending on the length of the wires from the inverter and the carrier frequency. (Since the MMS trips in thermal tripping method by bimetallic element, similar to the thermal overload relay, the operation becomes faster as higher the frequency.) Accordingly, select the MMS after measuring the current value on actual machine at the instaration site. At this time, use a thermoelectric measuring instrument.



Example of thinking way for selection

- (1) Use the thermoelectric instrument to measure the actual current at the site where the MMS is installed, and select the rated current of the MMS.
- (2) Confirm that the current is below the thermal characteristics of the motor.

* Measures for false trip.

- Install the power filter for the output circuit on the load side of the inverter.
- Turn the adjustment dial clockwise to increase the settling current.
- Install the wiring from the inverter in the far distance.(close to the motor)
- Lower the carrier frequency. However, the motor noise tends to increase.
- It is recommended that the temperature detecting element be embedded in the winding of the motor to detect the temperature of the winding wire directly as a means of ensuring protection of the motor.

Common FAQs



Described as IP20, how about oil resistance? Is it safe if sebum is attached?

There is no oil resistance. Do not use in an environment where exposed to cutting oil. The sebum is no problem.

What happens if use it at an altitude over 2,000 m?

The insulation property decreases as the air becomes thinner, so operation is not guaranteed.

What happens if I use a stranded wire which is not plated? Or, if not use an insulation stop? We can't use it because the insulation stop is required for all lines of 1mm² or less. Do you have any future development plan?

If stranded wire without plating is used, contact resistance between wire and terminal block will increase, and abnormal heating may occur when current flows. Therefore, the usage is not allowed. If insulation stop is not used, abnormal heating may occur when current flows due to contact failure, or wires may be easily removed. We have no future development plan. If you do not want to use the insulation stop, use a wire thicker than 1mm².



How do the motor (3-phases motor) fail?

Most of the failures occur on the stator coil or the bearing. The load applied to the motor becomes heavy due to deterioration or failure of the equipment or device which connected to the motor shaft. In the worst case, the shaft is locked. In such a situation, the overcurrent exceeding the rated current flows through the motor coil, causing abnormal heat generation. Furthermore, if this state is continued for a long time may result in burn out.

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