

PIEZO ELECTRIC CIRCUIT BREAKER PCB400M

DESCRIPTION

This circuit breaker PCB400M displays a short response time thanks to the integration of a piezoelectric release mechanism piloted with an appropriate electronic driver in order to allow a power cut at zero point. It means that over mains current can be cut off inside its half oscillation while conventional circuit breakers generally cut the electric current after 2 or 3 oscillations at least. The advantage of a powercut at zero point is that no arc over is generated.



The performances of this piezo circuit breaker are summarised in the following table, here below. Note that these performances can be adapted to new technical specifications.

UNIT	PCB400M
	APA400M
mm	65
mm	30
mm	50
g	125
V	100
ms	0.5
ms	2.5
ms	4.5
mm	7.7
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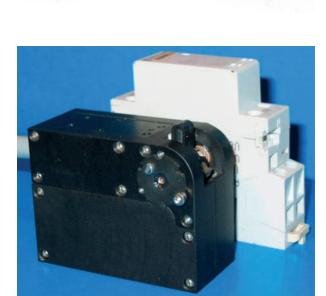


Fig. 2: Piezoelectric circuit breaker compared to a conventional one

APPLICATIONS

Thanks to the lack off arc over, the PCB400M can be used in harsh environment where the lifetime of the contact parts is critical and could also allow the use of electric breaker in explosive environment.

This technology is protected by patents from Norbert Beyrard France company

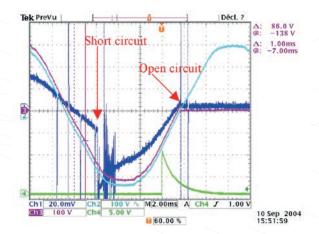


Fig. 1: Oscilloscope display during an over current. CH1: Dark blue, current in the circuit breaker (calibre 20A/V) CH2: Light blue, voltage up from the cicuit breaker CH3: Purple, voltage down to the cicuit breaker CH4: Green, release order of the circuit breaker.