

pb. THE MAXIMUM DEMAND CURRENT OF A SUBMAIN IN
 A NON DOMESTIC INSTALLATION IS CALCULATED TO BE
80 AMP. THE SELECTED CABLE IS 4 CORES, NON
 ARMoured, V90 INSULATED AND SHEATHED CIRCULAR
 CABLE WITH COPPER CONDUCTORS. INSTALLATION OF THE
 CABLE PLACES IT SECURED FLAT ON A SINGLE
PER FORATED CABLE TRAY WITH THREE OTHER
CIRCUITS ALL TOUCHING. THE CABLE TRAY IS
SUSPENDED 300 mm FROM THE CEILING, OPEN
 TO AIR AND THE CIRCUIT IS PROTECTED BY
 CIRCUIT BREAKER. CALCULATE CABLE SIZE
 CABLE LENGTH = 100m.

TABLE 3(1) ITEM

↳ TABLE

DERATING

TABL

PER FORATED
TRAY
ALL TOUCHING

NO. OF TIERS
ROWS OF CABLE
SUPPORT

TABLE 3(1) (OR) 3(2)

↓
OPEN

↓
ENCLOSED

OPEN TO
AIR → 3(1)

PER FORATED
TRAY

4 CORES → 3 CORES → ITEM 10, 11, 13

A SUBMAIN IN
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 A SINGLE
 OTHER
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 ECTED BY
 LE SIZE
 LE LENGTH = 100m.

TABLE 3(1) ITEM (10)

TABLE 13, 14 (col 2 → 4)
 15 (col 2, 3) } CURRENT RATING

DERATING
 TABLE (24)

PERFORATED TRAY
 ALL TOUCHING — ITEM 7 → 9.

NO. OF TIERS
 ROWS OF CABLE
 SUPPORT

1000! ← 1 row
 ↓
 ITEM 7 → DERATING FACTOR 0.78

V₉₀ TABLE (14) COLUMN (2)

$$\text{CURRENT} = \frac{80 \text{ A}}{0.78} = 102.56 \text{ Amp}$$

C.S.A - 25 mm²

PERFORATED TRAY
 → ITEM 10, 11, 13

VOLTAGE DROP

3 CORE CABLE →
 25 mm² → 1.6

$$V_d = \frac{V_c L I}{1000}$$

57.0 of 415V =

V_d <

ACCEPTABLE

TABLE 3(1) ITEM (10)

TABLE 13, 14 (col 2 → 4) } CURRENT RATING
15 (col 2, 3)

DERATING
TABLE (24)

DERATED
BY
LOADING

NO. OF TIERS
OF CABLE
SUPPORT

1000 → 1 row

ITEM 7 →

DERATING FACTOR
0.78

V_{90} TABLE (14) COLUMN (2)

$$\text{CURRENT} = \frac{80 \text{ A}}{0.78} = 102.56 \text{ Amp}$$

C.S.A - 25 mm²

3 OTHER CIRCUITS

↓
4 CIRCUITS

VOLTAGE DROP

3 CORE CABLE → TABLE 42

25 mm² → 1.61 mV/A-mm

$$V_d = \frac{V_c L I}{1000} = \frac{1.61 \times 100 \times 102.56}{1000}$$

$$= 16.51 \text{ V}$$

$$5\% \text{ of } 415 \text{ V} = \frac{5}{100} \times 415$$

$$= 20.75 \text{ V}$$

$V_d < 5\% \text{ of } 415 \text{ V}$

ACCEPTABLE

3 CORE

CIRCULAR

ARMOURED

BURIED D

DEPTH OF

TEMPERATURE

SPACED AT

ONE ANOTHER

175A WHE

CALC

BURIED D

4 CORES →

11/19

pb / 3 CIRCUITS OF 4 CORES HFI 90 TP
 CIRCULAR INSULATED AND SHEATHED NON
 ARMOURED COPPER CONDUCTOR CABLES ARE
 BURIED DIRECTLY IN THE GROUND AT A
 DEPTH OF 0.5m WHERE AMBIENT SOIL
 TEMPERATURE OF 25°C. THE CABLES ARE
 SPACED AT A DISTANCE OF 150mm FROM
 ONE ANOTHER. EACH CIRCUIT IS TO CARRY
 175A WHEN PROTECTED BY C.B THE

LENGTH OF CIRCUIT IS 50m.
 CALCULATE THE SIZE OF WIRE.

BURIED DIRECTLY IN TO GROUND → TABLE
 3(3)

4 CORES → 3 CORES CABLE → ITEM (4) →
 TABLE 13/14

HFI 90 → 90°C

TABLE 14, COL 23

TABLE 15 - COL 13

COL 23/24

DERATING
 25(2)

TABLE 25(2)

NO. OF CABLES IN GROUP	SPACING
3 CIRCUITS	150mm → 0.15m 0.78

$$CURRENT = \frac{175}{0.78} = 224 A$$

TABLE 14 - COL 23

70 mm²

V_c = ?

TABLE 42

4 CORES - MULTI CORES.

$$70 \text{ mm}^2 \xrightarrow{90^\circ\text{C}} 0.609 \text{ mV/A-m}$$

$$V_d = \frac{V_c L I}{1000} = \frac{0.609 \times 50 \times 224}{1000} = 6.83V$$

5% of 415V =

< 5%

ACCEPTABLE

CABLE SIZE

70 mm²

10 TP
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 LES ARE
 AT A
 NT SOIL
 BLES ARE
 m FROM
 TO CARRY
 THE
 IS 50cm.

TABLE 25(2)

NO. OF CABLES IN GROUP	SPACING
3 CIRCUITS	150mm → 0.15m 0.78

5% of 415V = 22.5V
 < 5% of 415V
 ACCEPTABLE

CURRENT = $\frac{175}{0.78} = 224 \text{ A}$

CABLE SIZE LS
 70mm²

TABLE 14 - COL 23
 70mm²

V_c = ? TABLE 42

4 CORES - MULTI CORES.

TABLE
 3(3)
 →
 13/14
 COL 23/24
 15 - COL 13
 3

DERATING
 25(2)

70mm² → $\begin{matrix} 90^{\circ}\text{C} \\ \downarrow \\ 0.609 \text{ mV/A-m} \end{matrix}$

$$V_d = \frac{V_c L I}{1000} = \frac{0.609 \times 50 \times 224}{1000} = 6.83 \text{ V}$$

TABLE 42
THREE-PHASE VOLTAGE DROP (V_c) AT 50 Hz

CABLE TYPE: MULTICORE WITH CIRCULAR COPPER CONDUCTORS

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Conductor size mm ²	Three-phase voltage drop (V_c) at 50 Hz, mV/A.m									
	Conductor temperature, °C									
	45		60		75		90		110	
	Max.	0.8 p.f.	Max.	0.8 p.f.	Max.	0.8 p.f.	Max.	0.8 p.f.	Max.	0.8 p.f.
1	40.3	—	42.5	—	44.7	—	46.8	—	49.7	—
1.5	25.9	—	27.3	—	28.6	—	30.0	—	31.9	—
2.5	14.1	—	14.9	—	15.6	—	16.4	—	17.4	—
4	8.77	—	9.24	—	9.71	—	10.2	—	10.8	—
6	5.86	—	6.18	—	6.49	—	6.80	—	7.22	—
10	3.49	—	3.67	—	3.86	—	4.05	—	4.29	—
16	2.19	—	2.31	—	2.43	—	2.55	—	2.70	—
25	1.39	—	1.47	—	1.54	—	1.61	—	1.71	—
35	1.01	—	1.06	—	1.11	—	1.17	—	1.24	—
50	0.751	—	0.790	—	0.829	—	0.868	—	0.920	—
70	0.530	—	0.556	—	0.583	—	0.609	—	0.645	—

TABLE 25(2)
DERATING FACTORS FOR GROUPS OF CIRCUITS

CABLE TYPE: MULTICORE
INSTALLATION CONDITIONS: BURIED DIRECT IN GROUND

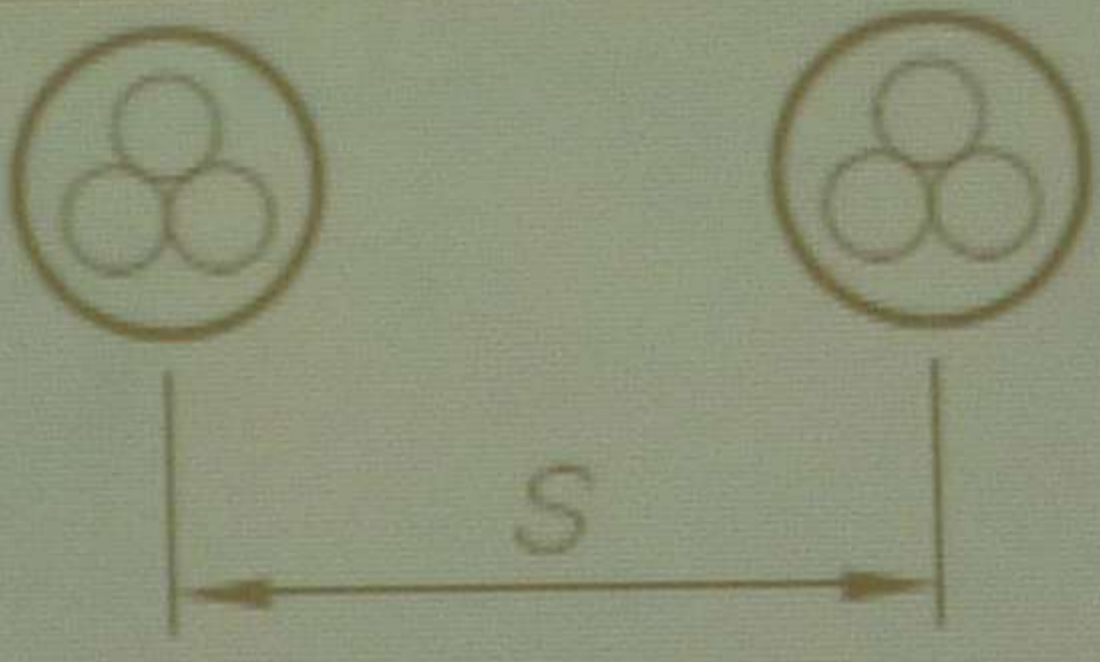


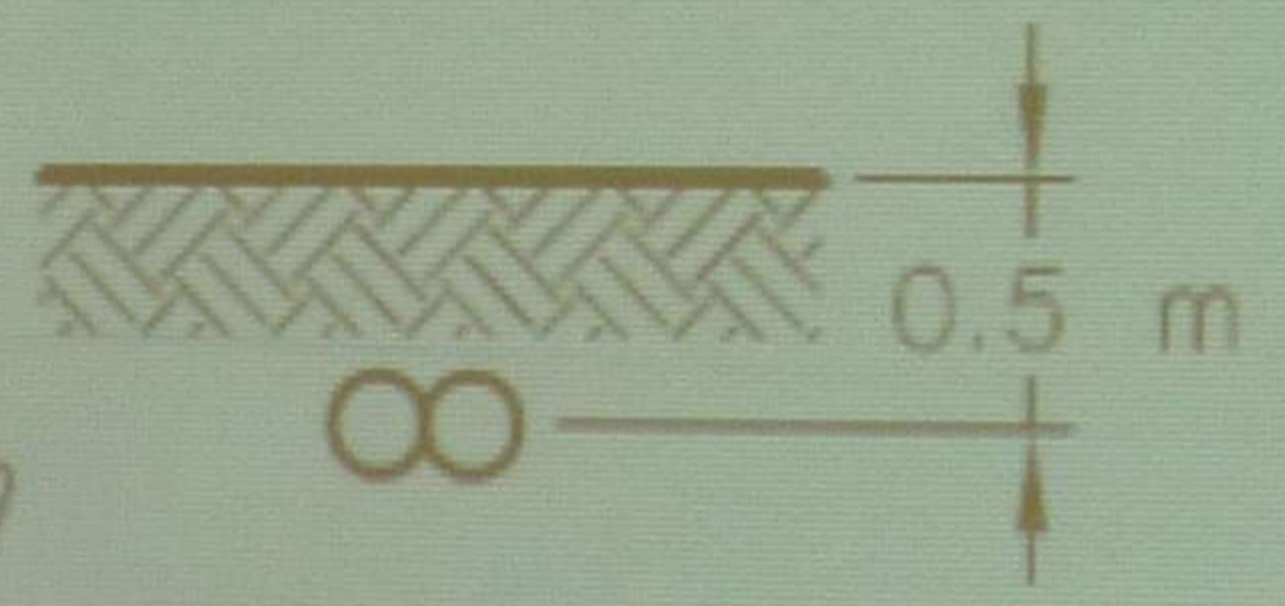
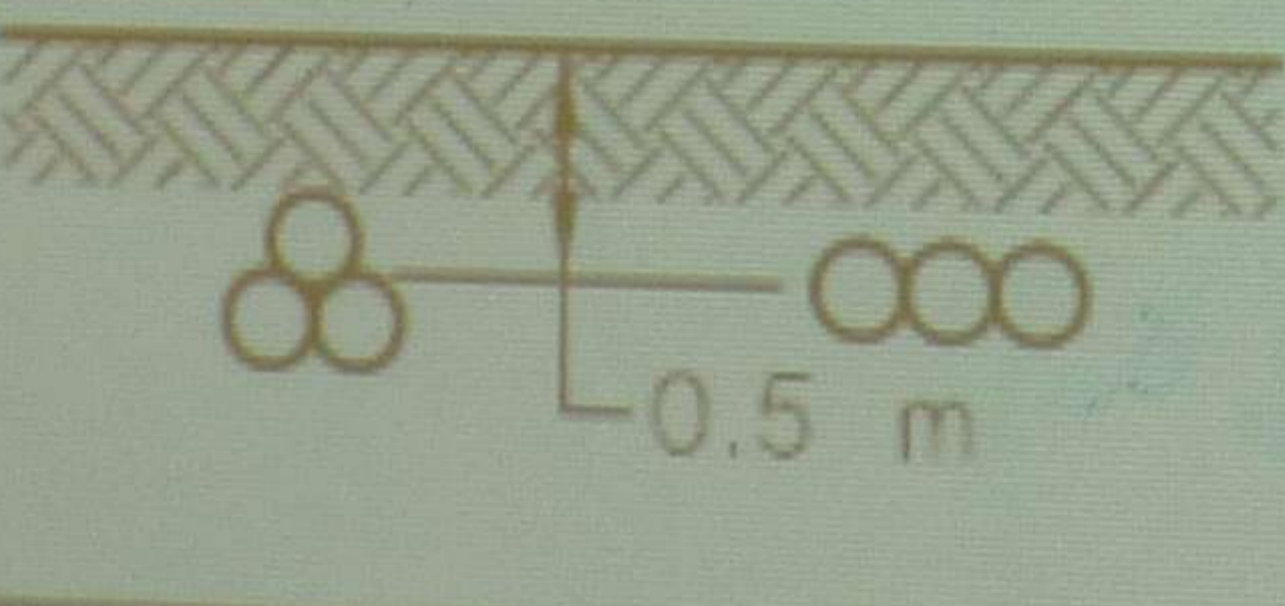
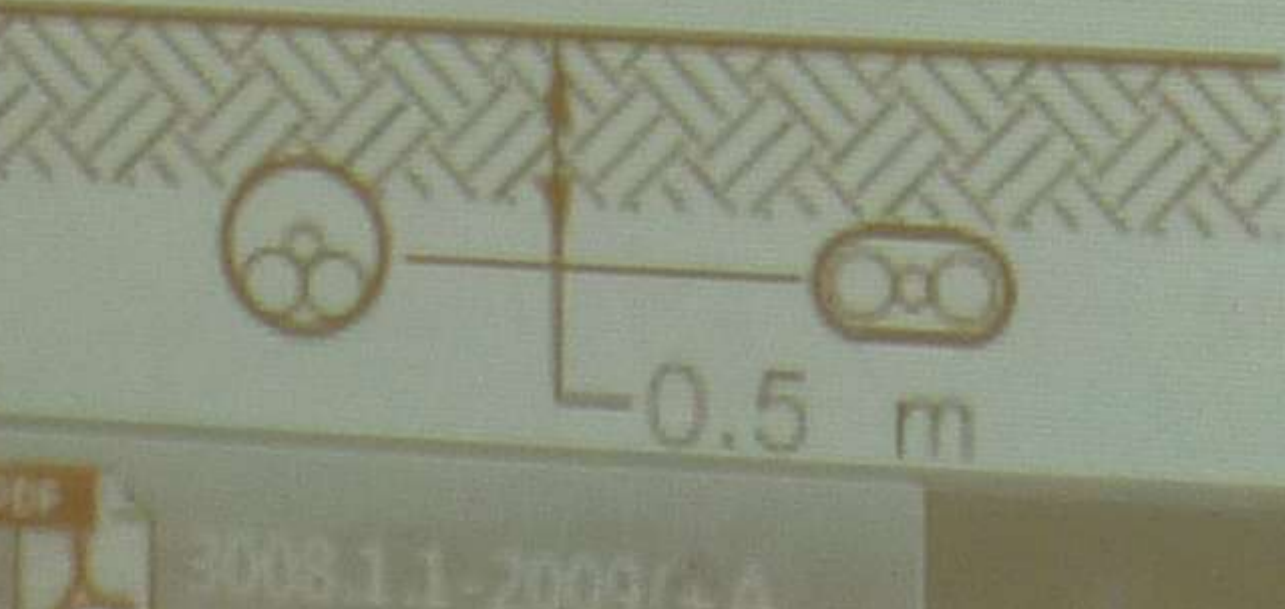
Number of cables in group	1	2	3	4	5	6	
							
		Derating factors					
			Distance (S), m				
	Touching		0.15	0.30	0.45	0.60	
2	0.81	0.87	0.91	0.93	0.95		
3	0.70	0.78	0.84	0.88	0.90		
4	0.63	0.74	0.81	0.86	0.89		
5	0.59	0.70	0.78	0.84	0.87		
6	0.55	0.68	0.77	0.83	0.87		
7	0.52	0.66	0.75	0.82	0.86		
8	0.50	0.64	0.75	0.81	0.86		
9	0.48	0.63	0.74	0.81	0.85		

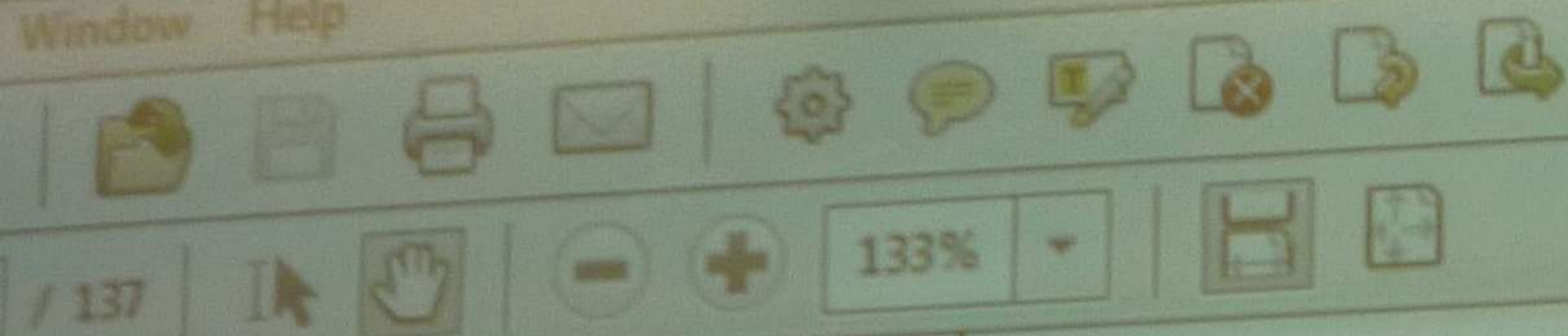
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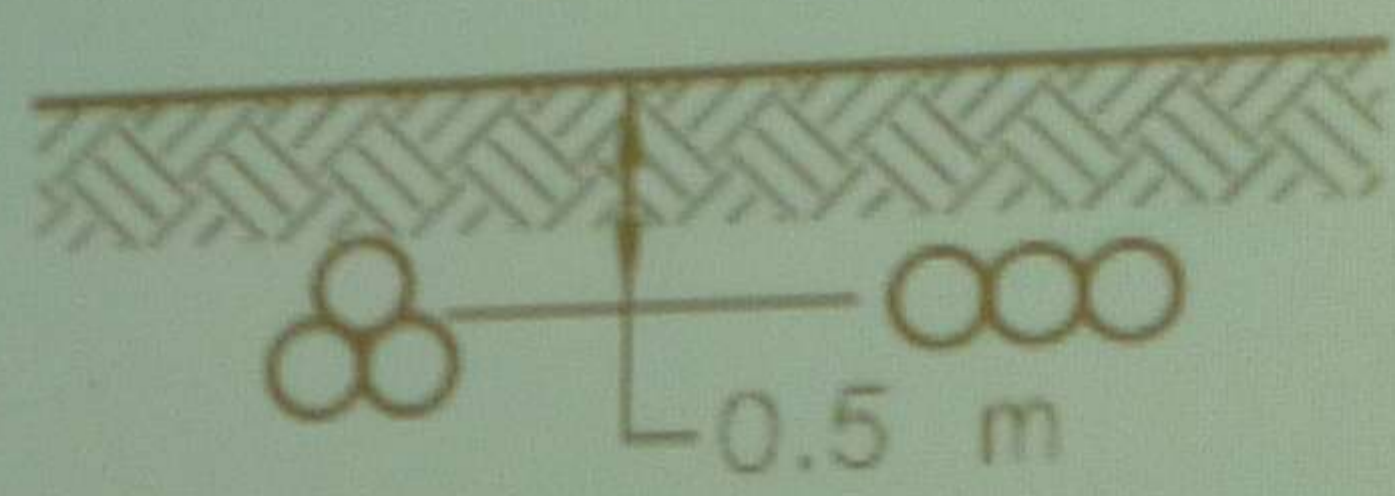
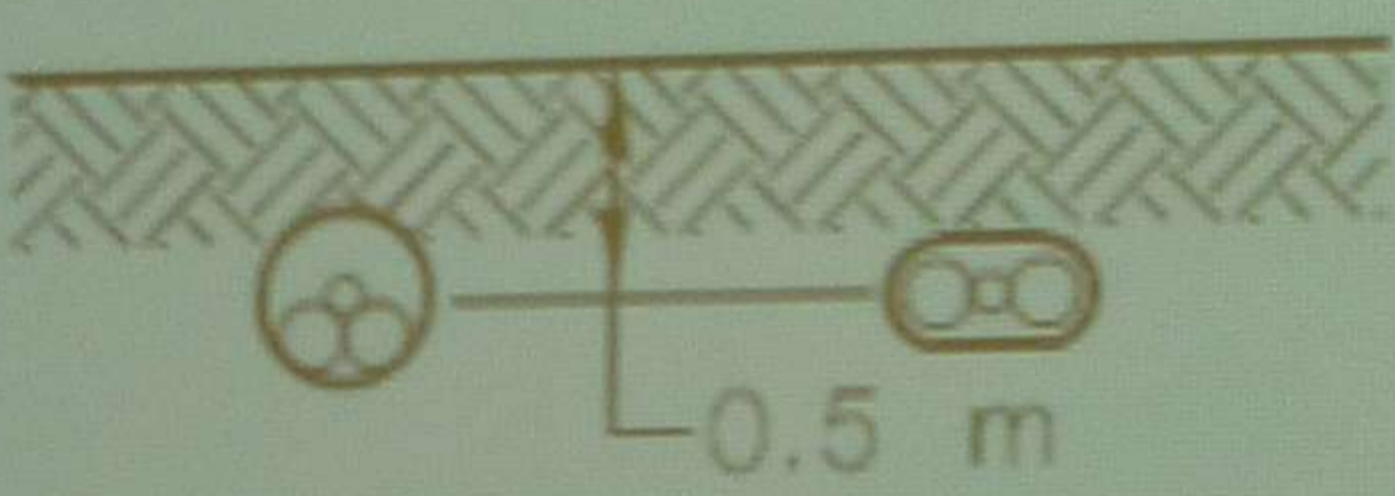
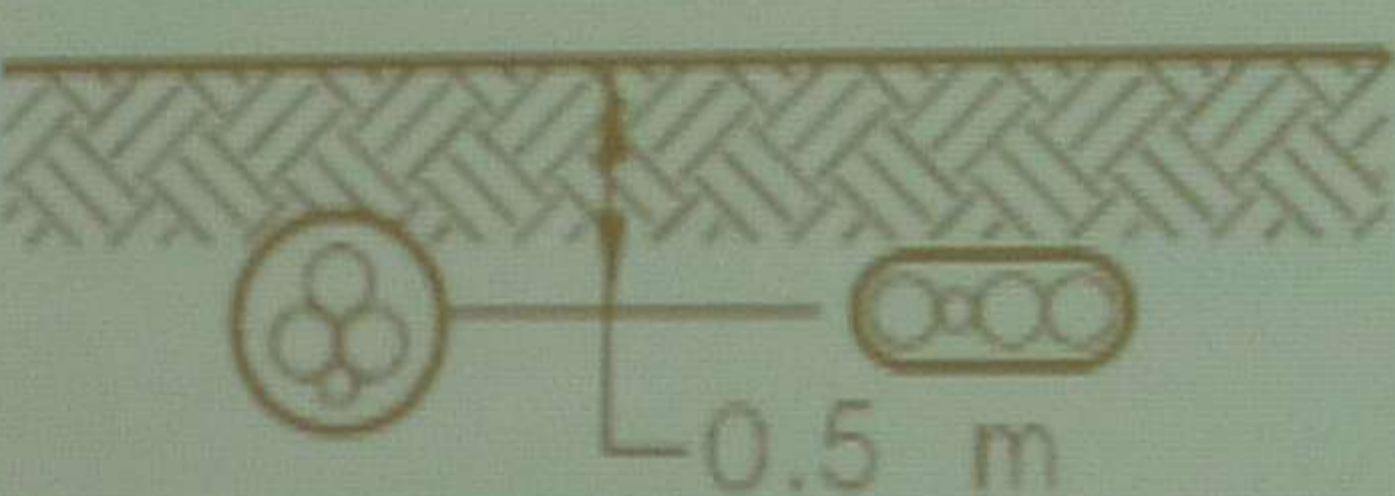
Conductor size	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
	Current-carrying capacity, A													
	Thermal insulation								Buried direct		Underground wiring enclosure			
	Partially surrounded by thermal insulation, unenclosed	Partially surrounded by thermal insulation, in a wiring enclosure	Completely surrounded by thermal insulation, unenclosed	Completely surrounded by thermal insulation, in a wiring enclosure										
mm ²	Cu	Al	Cu	Al	Cu	Al	Cu	Al	Cu	Al	Cu		Al	
											Solid/Stranded	Flexible		
1	12	—	10	—	7	—	6	—	16	—	16	17	—	
1.5	15	—	13	—	9	—	8	—	20	—	20	21	—	
2.5	21	—	19	—	13	—	12	—	29	—	29	28	—	
4	28	—	24	—	18	—	15	—	37	—	37	36	—	
6	36	—	30	—	22	—	19	—	46	—	46	45	—	
10	49	—	42	—	31	—	26	—	63	—	63	62	—	
16	66	51	55	42	41	32	34	26	110	85	81	79	63	

TABLE 3(3)

SCHEDULE OF INSTALLATION METHODS FOR CABLES DEEMED TO HAVE THE SAME CURRENT-CARRYING CAPACITY AND CROSS-REFERENCES TO APPLICABLE DERATING TABLES—BURIED DIRECT IN THE GROUND

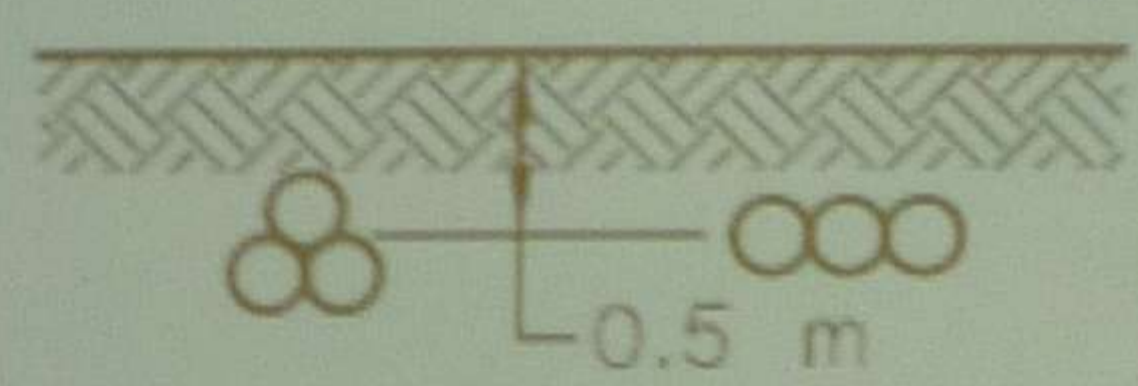
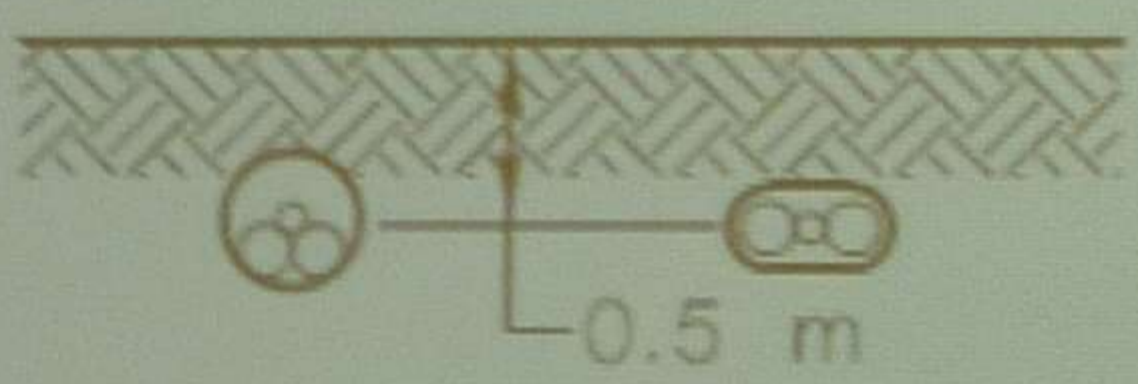
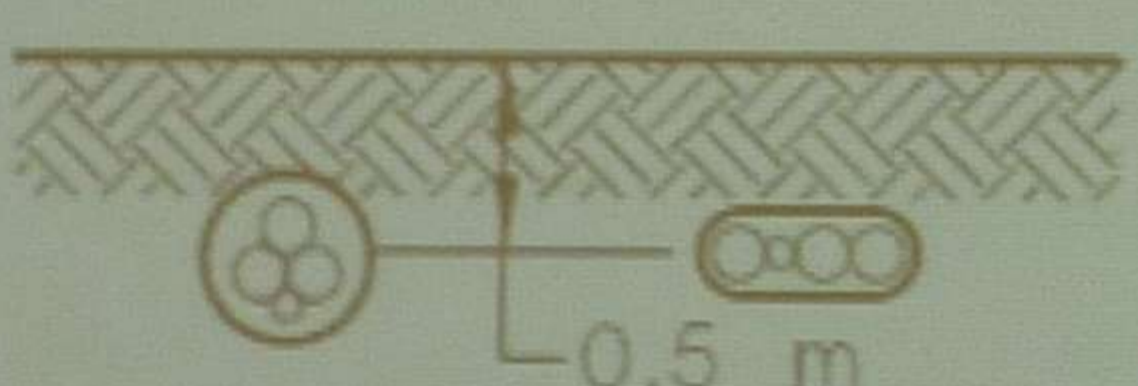
1	2	3	4	5	6
Item No.	Cable details (see Note 1)	Reference drawing (see Note 2)	Current-carrying capacity table reference	Methods of installation for cables deemed to have the same current-carrying capacity (see Note 3)	Derating table for more than one circuit
1	Two single-core cables		Tables 4 and 5 Columns 22 and 23 Table 6 Column 15	Cables with a minimum depth of laying of— (a) 0.3 m under continuous concrete paved areas; or (b) 0.5 m in other locations.	25(1)
2	Three single-core cables		Tables 7 and 8 Columns 22 and 23 Table 9 Column 15		
3	Two-core cables		Tables 10 and 11 Columns 23 and 24 Table 12		



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4	Three-core cables		Tables 13 and 14 Columns 23 and 24 Table 15 Column 13		

NOTES:

- 1 Earthing conductors, lightly loaded neutral conductors of three-phase circuits and conductors subject only to momentary loading, such as control wiring, shall not be counted in the number of cable cores.
- 2 See column headings of Tables 4 to 15.
- 3 See Tables 27 and 28 for rating factors applicable to different ambient soil temperatures and depths of laying.

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DERATED MAXIMUM DEMAND FOR
HRC FUSE PROTECTION

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A FACTORY INSTALLATION HAS A 3 ϕ 400V SUPPLY WHICH HAS A MULTIPLE EARTHED NEUTRAL CONNECTION. THE MAXIMUM DEMAND CURRENT OF THE INSTALLATION IS CALCULATED AT 180 AMP/PH. THE GREATEST PORTION OF THE MAXIMUM DEMAND CURRENT IS BALANCED OVER THREE PHASES. THE ACTIVE CONDUCTORS ARE 3 SINGLE CORE NON ARMoured V90 INSULATED AND SHEATHED CIRCULAR CABLE WITH COPPER CONDUCTORS. INSTALLATION OF THE CABLE PLACES THEM IN RIGID THERMO PLASTIC CONDUIT. BURIED IN THE GROUND AT THE DEPTH OF 500mm WHERE AMBIENT SOIL TEMPERATURE 25C. THE CABLES ARE PROTECTED BY C.B. DETERMINING THE MAXIMUM

CONDUCTOR 5
WIRE .

RIGID THERMO
BURIED

3

NO

CONDUCTOR SIZE AND THE SIZE OF NEUTRAL WIRE . CABLE LENGTH IS 100m.

RIGID THERMO PLASTIC CONDUIT BURIED INTO GROUND → TABLE 3(4)

3 SINGLE CORE CABLE → ITEM (2) → TABLE 7(3) COL 24 → 26

TABLE 9 COL 16/17

DERATING TABLE 26(2)

NO MENTION ABOUT SPACING → ASSUME TOUCHING

TABLE 26(2) COL 2

NO MENTION ABOUT NO. OF CIRCUITS → GO / RETURN - 2 CIRCUITS.

CIRCUITS	TABLE 26(2) TOUCHING COL 2
2	0.9

CURRENT IN LINE =

CABLE SIZE → TABLE

CSA TABLE

70mm²

ACTIVE WIRE

NEUTRAL WIRE SIZE

AS 3000 : 2007 { 3.5.2 (b) (c)

NEUTRAL

CURRENT

200A

70

$$\text{CURRENT IN LINE} = \frac{180 \text{ A}}{0.9}$$

$$= 200 \text{ A} \quad | \quad \text{PHASE WIRE}$$

CABLE SIZE → TABLE 8 COL 24 → 26
 ↑
 SOLID STRAND

CSA TABLE COL 24

$$70 \text{ mm}^2 \longleftarrow 203 \text{ A}$$

$$\text{ACTIVE WIRE SIZE} = 70 \text{ mm}^2$$

NEUTRAL WIRE SIZE

$$\text{AS 3000} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} 3.5.2 (b) (iv) \\ : 2007 \end{array} \right\}$$

NEUTRAL WIRE
 CURRENT IS ALSO
 200 A & SIZE

$$70 \text{ mm}^2$$

VOLTAGE DROP

TABLE 40 | 41 | 42

SINGLE CORE CABLE IN
 RIGID THERMOPLASTIC
 CONDUIT

qoc ← V₉₀

TABLE 41

$$70 \text{ mm}^2 \rightarrow 0.623 \text{ mV/A-m}$$

$$V_d = \frac{V_c L I}{1000}$$

$$= \frac{0.623 \times 100 \times 200}{1000}$$

$$= 12.46 \text{ V}$$

LESS THAN 5% OF 415V

ACCEPTABLE

SIZE IS 70 mm²

FINAL SUB CIRCUIT

TABLE 41
THREE-PHASE VOLTAGE DROP (V_c) AT 50 Hz

CABLE TYPES:

SINGLE-CORE INSULATED AND SHEATHED COPPER
CONDUCTORS, LAID FLAT TOUCHING OR IN A WIRING
ENCLOSURE

Conductor size mm ²	Three-phase voltage drop (V_c) at 50 Hz, mV/A.m									
	Conductor temperature, °C									
	45		60		75		90		110	
	Max.	0.8 p.f.	Max.	0.8 p.f.	Max.	0.8 p.f.	Max.	0.8 p.f.	Max.	0.8 p.f.
1	40.3	—	42.5	—	44.7	—	46.8	—	49.7	—
1.5	25.9	—	27.3	—	28.6	—	30.0	—	31.9	—
2.5	14.1	—	14.9	—	15.6	—	16.4	—	17.4	—
4	8.77	—	9.24	—	9.71	—	10.2	—	10.8	—
6	5.86	—	6.18	—	6.49	—	6.81	—	7.23	—
10	3.49	—	3.68	—	3.86	—	4.05	—	4.30	—
16	2.20	—	2.32	—	2.43	—	2.55	—	2.71	—
25	1.40	—	1.47	—	1.55	—	1.62	—	1.72	—
35	1.02	—	1.07	—	1.12	—	1.18	—	1.25	—
50	0.763	—	0.801	—	0.840	—	0.878	—	0.929	—
70	0.545	—	0.571	—	0.597	—	0.623	—	0.657	—
95	0.413	—	0.431	—	0.449	—	0.467	—	0.491	—

TABLE 26(2)
DERATING FACTORS FOR GROUPS OF CIRCUITS

CABLE TYPES: SINGLE-CORE OR MULTICORE
INSTALLATION CONDITIONS: IN UNDERGROUND WIRING ENCLOSURES—MULTICORE CABLES ENCLOSED SEPARATELY OR MORE THAN ONE SINGLE-CORE CABLE PER WIRING ENCLOSURE

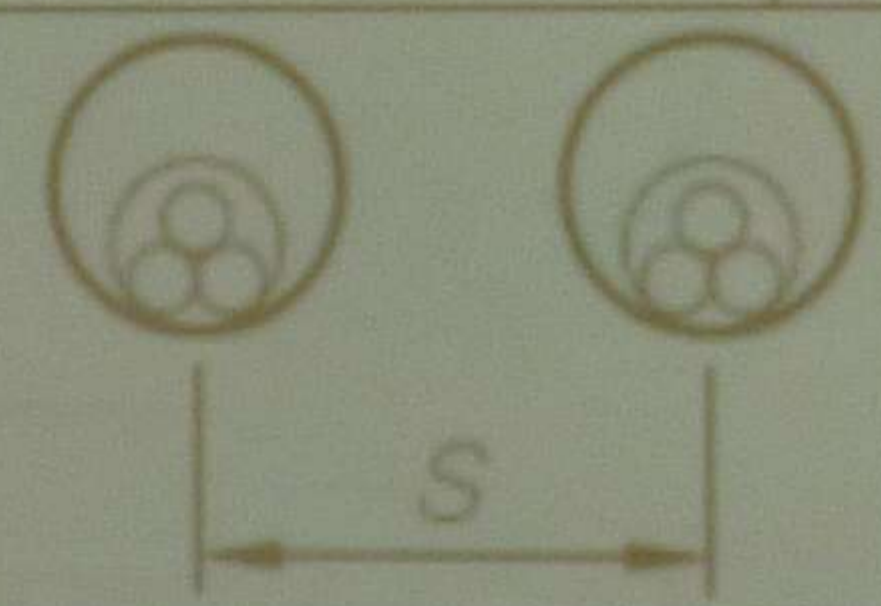
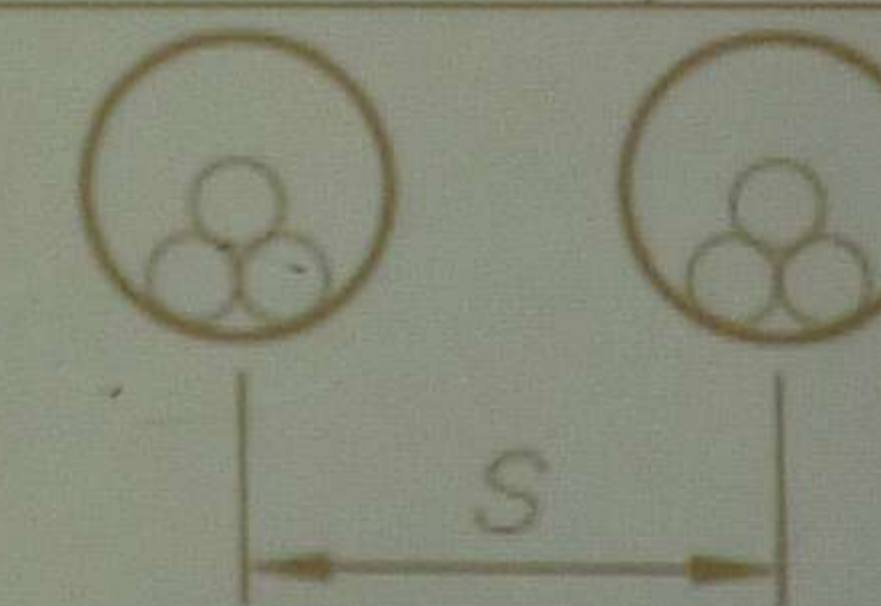
	1	2	3	4	5	
Number of circuits						
		Derating factor				
		Distance (S), m				
		Touching	0.30	0.45	0.60	
2	0.90	0.93	0.95	0.96		
3	0.83	0.88	0.91	0.93		
4	0.79	0.85	0.89	0.92		
5	0.75	0.83	0.88	0.91		
6	0.73	0.82	0.87	0.90		
7	0.71	0.81	0.86	0.89		

TABLE 14 (continued)

Conductor size	Current-carrying capacity, A													
	Thermal insulation								Buried direct		Underground wiring enclosure			
	Partially surrounded by thermal insulation, unenclosed		Partially surrounded by thermal insulation, in a wiring enclosure		Completely surrounded by thermal insulation, unenclosed		Completely surrounded by thermal insulation, in a wiring enclosure							
mm ²	Cu	Al	Cu	Al	Cu	Al	Cu	Al	Cu	Al	Cu		Al	
											Solid/ Stranded	Flexible		
1	12	—	10	—	7	—	6	—	16	—	16	17	—	
1.5	15	—	13	—	9	—	8	—	20	—	20	21	—	
2.5	21	—	19	—	13	—	12	—	29	—	29	28	—	
4	28	—	24	—	18	—	15	—	37	—	37	36	—	
6	36	—	30	—	22	—	19	—	46	—	46	45	—	
10	49	—	42	—	31	—	26	—	63	—	63	62	—	

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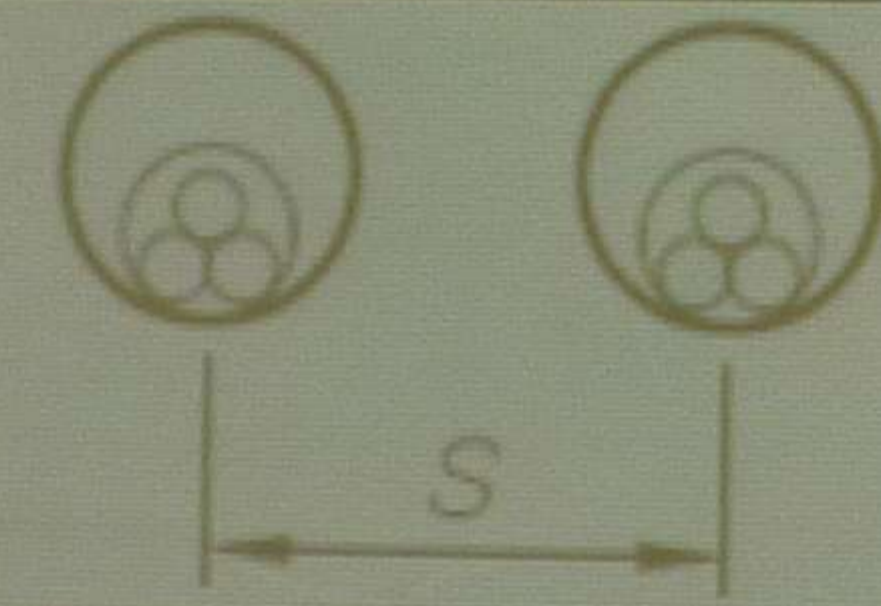

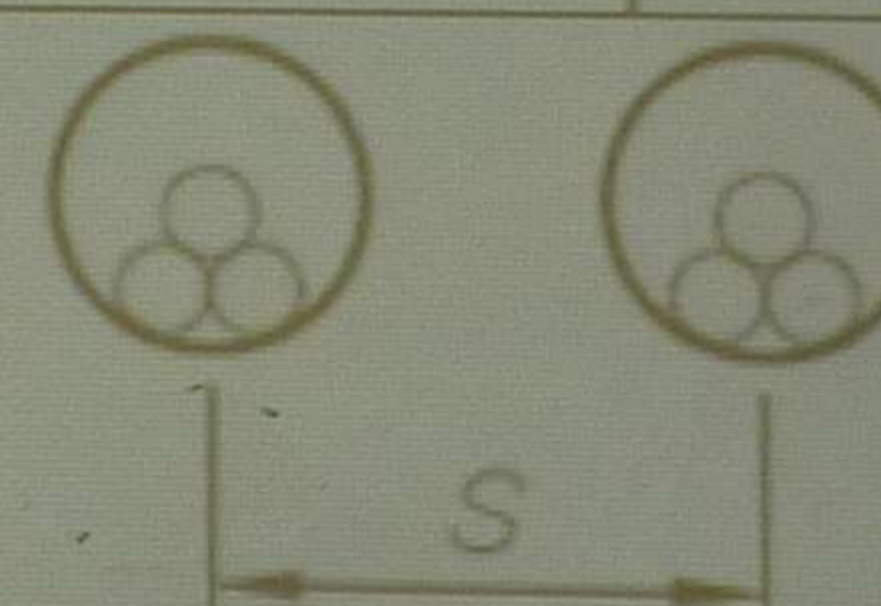

Number of circuits	2		3		4		5	
								
	Derating factor							
	Touching		Distance (S), m					
	0.30		0.45		0.60			
2	0.90		0.93		0.95		0.96	
3	0.83		0.88		0.91		0.93	
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6	0.73		0.82		0.87		0.90	
7	0.71		0.81		0.86		0.89	
8	0.70		0.80		0.85		0.89	

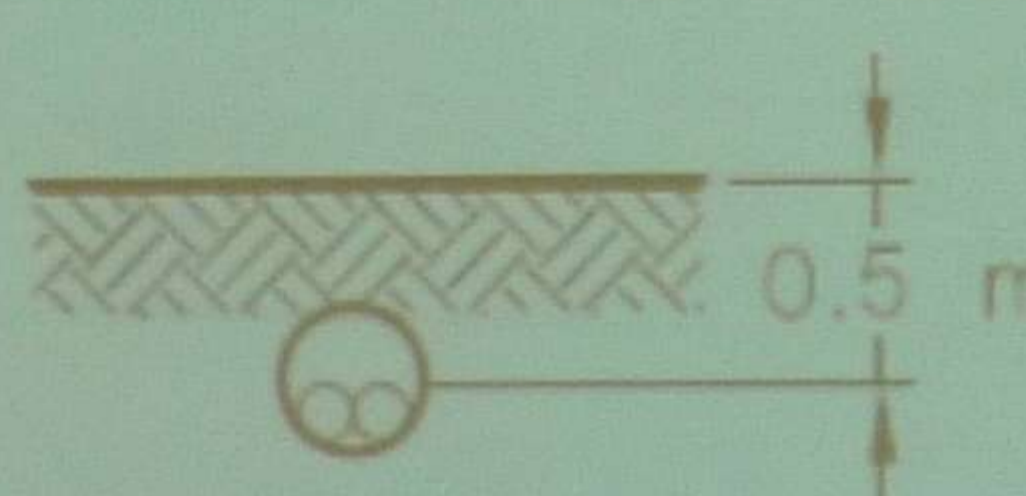
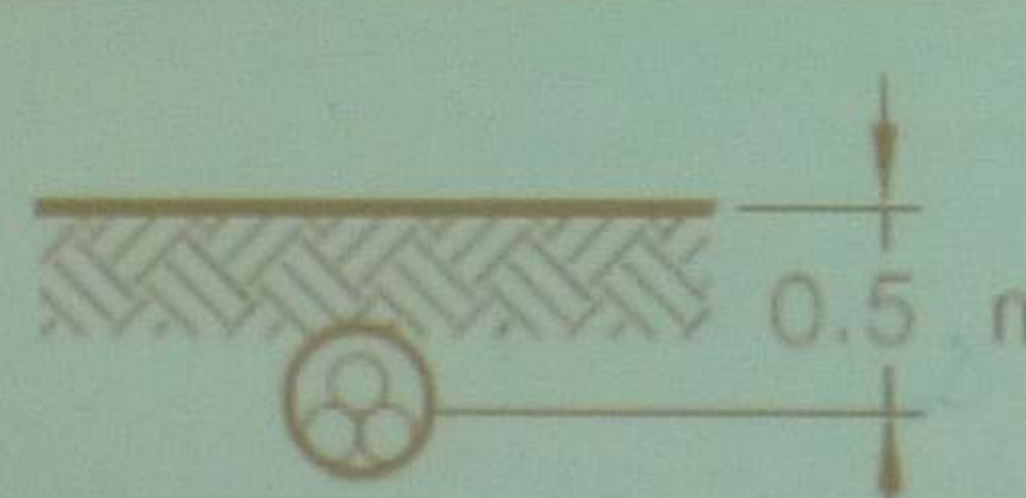
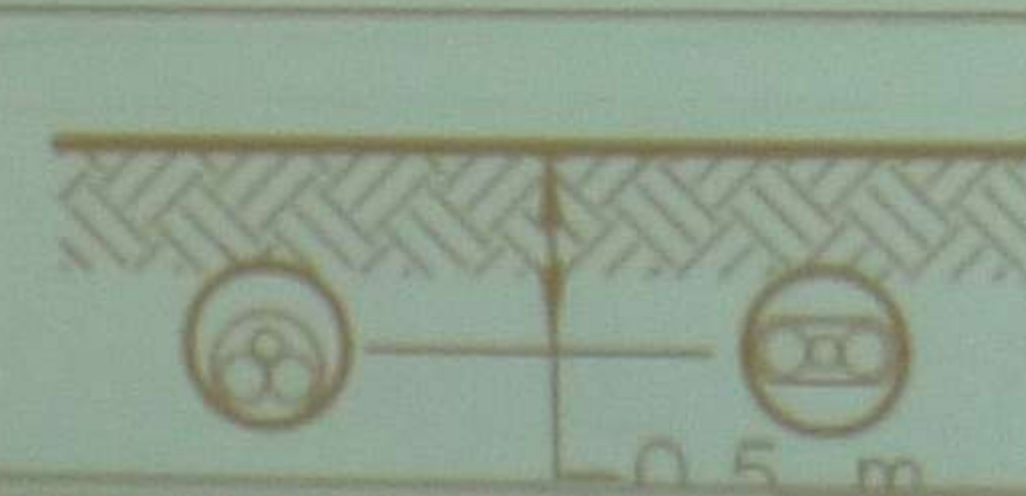
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		14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28
		Current-carrying capacity, A														
		Enclosed		Thermal insulation				Buried direct		Underground wiring enclosure						
Conductor size		Wiring enclosure in air		Partially surrounded by thermal insulation		Completely surrounded by thermal insulation										
		Cu		Al	Cu	Al	Cu	Al	Cu	Al	Cu		Al	Cu	Al	
mm ²		Solid/Stranded	Flexible								Solid/Stranded	Flexible				
Al	1	15	15	—	12	—	8	—	18	—	18	19	—	22	—	
	1.5	18	19	—	15	—	10	—	22	—	22	23	—	27	—	
	2.5	25	24	—	20	—	14	—	31	—	31	30	—	38	—	
	4	33	31	—	26	—	19	—	40	—	40	38	—	49	—	
	6	42	41	—	34	—	24	—	50	—	50	49	—	60	—	
	10	56	55	—	45	—	32	—	67	—	67	66	—	79	—	



TABLE 3(4)

SCHEDULE OF INSTALLATION METHODS FOR CABLES DEEMED TO HAVE THE SAME CURRENT-CARRYING CAPACITY AND CROSS-REFERENCES TO APPLICABLE DERATING TABLES—UNDERGROUND WIRING ENCLOSURES

1 Item No.	2 Cable details (see Note 1)	3 Reference drawing (see Note 2)	4 Current-carrying capacity table reference	5 Methods of installation for cables deemed to have the same current-carrying capacity (see Note 3)	6 Derating table for more than one circuit	
					in same enclosure	in separate enclosures
1	Two single-core cables		Tables 4 and 5 Columns 24 to 26 Table 6 Columns 16 and 17	Cables in a single enclosure laid— (a) a minimum of 0.3 m below continuous concrete paved areas; or (b) minimum 0.5 m in		26(2)
2	Three single-core cables		Tables 7 and 8 Columns 24 to 26 Table 9 Columns 16 and 17			
3	One two-core cable		Tables 10 and 11 Columns 25 to 27 Table 12			

2 *This Table does not limit cable sizes for extra-low voltage or switchboard wiring.*

NOTE: The size of unprotected consumers mains should be coordinated with the electricity distributor.

3.5.2 Neutral conductor

The minimum size of the neutral conductor shall be as follows:

(a) *Single-phase two-wire circuit* The neutral conductor or conductors of a single-phase consumers main, submain or final subcircuit shall have a current-carrying capacity not less than—

- (i) the current-carrying capacity of the associated active conductor; or
- (ii) the total current to be carried, where there is more than one active conductor.

(b) *Multiphase circuit* The current-carrying capacity of the neutral conductor of a multiphase circuit shall not be less than that determined in accordance with the following:

- (iii) *Harmonic currents* Where a consumers main, submain or final subcircuit supplies a substantial load that generates harmonic currents, e.g. fluorescent lighting, computers, soft starters, variable speed devices or other electronic devices, the third and any higher order harmonic current generated in the equipment shall be added to the maximum out-of-balance load to determine the current to be carried by the neutral conductor.

For this purpose the third and any higher order harmonic current in the neutral conductor shall be taken as 100% of the highest load-generating harmonic currents on any phase.

NOTES:

- 1 A harmonic current load that constitutes not less than 40% of the total load on any single-phase is regarded as substantial.

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NOTES:

- 1 A harmonic current load that constitutes not less than 40% of the total load on any single-phase is regarded as substantial.
- 2 The third harmonic currents (and multiples thereof) are additive to the normal 50 Hz current to be carried. Therefore, it may be necessary for the capacity of a neutral conductor to be greater than that of the associated active conductors. Further information can be obtained from a number of sources including IEC 60364-5-52.

(iv) *Consumers mains, submains and final subcircuits* The current-carrying capacity of the neutral conductor of multiphase consumers mains, submains or final subcircuit shall be not less than that of the current-carrying capacity of the largest associated active conductor.

NOTE: Where more than one active conductor is connected to the one phase, the associated active conductor, for the purposes of this Clause, is the sum of the cross-sectional areas of all conductors connected to any one phase, e.g. conductors connected in parallel or separately metered portions of consumers mains operating on the same phase.

FINAL SUB CIRCUIT FAULT LOOP IMPEDANCE

① A FINAL SUB CIRCUIT SUPPLIES A LOAD CONSISTING OF A RANGE IN A DOMESTIC INSTALLATION AND IS PROTECTED BY 32 A TYPE (C) C-B

DETERMINE THE MAXIMUM INTERNAL FAULT LOOP IMPEDANCE OF FINAL SUB CIRCUIT BASED ON 230V WHEN SUPPLY IS UNAVAILABLE.

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TABLE 8.1
TYPE (C)

32A → 0.96

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$$\begin{aligned}
 Z_{INT} &= 0.8 \frac{U_0}{I_n} \\
 &= 0.8 \times 0.96 \\
 &= 0.768 \Omega
 \end{aligned}$$

② A FINAL SUB CIRCUIT SUPPLIES A LOAD CONSISTING OF 15A SOCKET OUTLET IS PROTECTED BY 25 A HRC FUSE. DETERMINE THE MAXIMUM INTERNAL FAULT LOOP IMPEDANCE OF FINAL SUB CIRCUIT BASED ON 230V WHEN SUPPLY IS UNAVAILABLE.

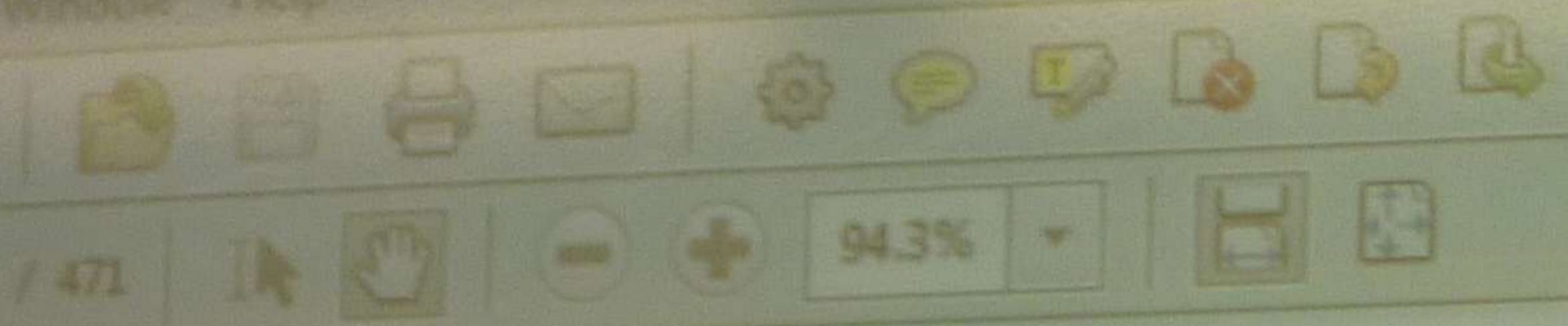
HRC FUSE
0.45
25A → 1.64 Ω (TABLE 8.1 PAGE 343)

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$$\begin{aligned}
 Z_{INT} &= 0.8 \frac{U_0}{I_n} \\
 &= 0.8 \times 1.64 = 1.312 \Omega
 \end{aligned}$$

TABLE 8.1
MAXIMUM VALUES OF EARTH
FAULT-LOOP IMPEDANCE (Z_s at 230 V)

Protective device rating	Circuit-breakers			Fuses	
	Type B	Type C	Type D		
	Disconnection times				
	0.4 s			0.4 s	5 s
A	Maximum earth fault-loop impedance Z_s Ω				
6	9.58	5.11	3.07	11.50	15.33
10	5.75	3.07	1.84	6.39	9.20
16	3.59	1.92	1.15	3.07	5.00
20	2.88	1.53	0.92	2.09	3.59
25	2.30	1.23	0.74	1.64	2.71
32	1.80	0.96	0.58	1.28	2.19
40	1.44	0.77	0.46	0.96	1.64
50	1.15	0.61	0.37	0.72	1.28
63	0.91	0.49	0.29	0.55	0.94
80	0.72	0.38	0.23	0.38	0.68
100	0.58	0.31	0.18	0.27	0.48
125	0.46	0.25	0.15	0.21	0.43
160	0.36	0.19	0.12	0.16	0.30



The suitability of the particular overcurrent protective device depends on the value of the earth fault-loop impedance (Z_s).

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NOTE: Where the circuit protective device is an RCD, the measurement of earth fault-loop impedance is not necessary; however, it is recommended that such measurement be carried out so as to identify any abnormal circuit conditions which may be present.

B5 MAXIMUM CIRCUIT LENGTHS

B5.1 General

The information in Paragraph B5.2 may be used as a guide to provide a reasonably accurate assessment of maximum circuit lengths, in metres, that will ensure the correct operation of the protective device within the appropriate disconnection time to provide fault protection, in accordance with Clause 5.7.

B5.2 Calculation of maximum length of circuit

B5.2.1 Determination of Z_{int}

From Paragraph B4.4, $Z_s = Z_{ext} + Z_{int}$.

When an electrical installation is being designed, Z_{ext} may or may not be available (it will depend on the electricity distributor's transformer and supply cables). If it is not available Z_{int} may be determined by either of the following methods:

- (a) When the length and cross-sectional area of conductors are known:

$$Z_{int} = Z_{CD} + Z_{EF} \quad \dots B5$$

Where

Z_{CD} = impedance of the active conductors (C to D in Figure B5)

Z_{EF} = impedance of the protective earthing conductors (E to F in Figure B5)

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NOTES:



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NOTES:

- 1 Consumers mains (Z_{BC} and Z_{FG}) form part of Z_{ext} .
- 2 Impedances for conductors are given in the AS/NZS 3008.1 series.

(b) When the length and cross-sectional area of the supply conductors are not known, it may be assumed that there will always be 80% or more of the nominal phase voltage available at the position of the circuit protective device. Therefore, Z_{int} should be not greater than $0.8 Z_s$. This may be expressed as follows:

$$Z_{int} = 0.8 U_0 / I_a \quad \dots B6$$

EXERCISES

- ① A FACTORY INSTALLATION HAS A 3ϕ 400V SUPPLY WHICH HAS A MULTIPLE EARTHED NEUTRAL CONNECTION. THE MAXIMUM DEMAND CURRENT OF THE INSTALLATION IS CALCULATED AT 150 A/ph. THE GREATER PORTION OF THE MAXIMUM DEMAND CURRENT CONSISTS OF 1ϕ LOAD. THE ACTIVE CONDUCTORS ARE 3 SINGLE CORE, V90 INSULATED COPPER CONDUCTORS. THEY ARE PLACED THEM IN RIGID THERMOPLASTIC CONDUIT, CLIPPED DIRECTLY TO AN INTERNAL WALL OPEN TO THE AIR, PROTECTED BY HRC FUSE. FIND THE CONDUCTOR SIZE FOR ACTIVE AND NEUTRAL CONDUCTOR.

- ② A FINAL FLOURESCENT TYPE (C) DETERMINE FINAL SUB C

② A FINAL SUB CIRCUIT SUPPLIES A LOAD CONSISTING OF FLOURESCENT LUMINAIRES AND IS PROTECTED BY A 10A TYPE (C) CIRCUIT BREAKER.

DETERMINE THE MAXIMUM INTERNAL FAULT LOOP IMPEDANCE OF FINAL SUB CIRCUIT BASED ON 230V WHEN SUPPLY IS UNAVAILABLE

$$\text{CURRENT IN LINE} = \frac{180 \text{ A}}{0.9} = 200 \text{ A} \quad \left| \text{PHASE WIRE} \right.$$

CABLE SIZE → TABLE 8 COL 24 →
↑
SOLID ST

CSA TABLE COL 24

70mm² ← 203A

ACTIVE WIRE SIZE = 70mm²

NEUTRAL WIRE SIZE

$$\text{AS 3000 : 2007} \left\{ 3.5.2 (b) (iv) \right\}$$

NEUTRAL WIRE

CURRENT IS ALSO

200A & SIZE

70mm²