

Framtida utmaningar inom skydds- och styrsystem

How Extensive use of Power Cables influence Protective Relaying?

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Short Introduction to Wind Farms



Offshore Wind Farm



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Typical SLD of an Offshore Wind Farm

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Wind Turbine Generator (WTG) Development





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Type of grounding used throughout the World



Different grounding principle

	isolated	compensated	low impedance	solid
EF Current	Ι _C	Theoretically 0A	lim	I _{SC}
Voltage factor	k = √3	k = √3	k ~ 1-1,4 / √3	k ~ 1-1,4
EF Property	self extinction possible Ifault < 35A	self extinction possible Ifault < 65A	steady arc	steady arc
Relay Action	Uninterrupted power supply	Uninterrupted power supply	immediate interruption	immediate interruption
Application	limited to small networks with I _C < 35A	up to an I _C of a few 100 A I _{fault} < 65A / up to 132 kV	Grounding via earthing resistance or earthing reactor	transmission systems solidly grounded

Impedance grounding typically used for WF MV System!

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Impedance Grounded Power System, EF Current Distribution





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What happens with currents during an Earth Fault



EF current may become capacitive at the fault point. Load current is typically ignored.

Some Practical Data about Wind Farm Power System



Typical Data

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- For WF having 33kV MV system:
 - ➢ Grid Transformer GT ∼ 200MVA
 - > NGR ~ 300A 2000A
 - > One WTG up to 8MW; up to 8 per feeder
 - > Array Cable Feeder length up to 20km
 - > 3lo_Cap ~ 100A per array feeder

> For WF having 66kV MV System:

- ➢ Grid Transformer GT ∼ 300MVA
- ➢ NGR ~ 1000A 4000A
- > One WTG up to 15MW ... ; up to 10 per feeder
- Array Cable Feeder length up to 40km
- > 3lo_Cap ~ 400A per array feeder
- In the future 132kV will probably be used on the "MV side" Public © 2023 Hitachi Energy. All rights reserved.



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Protection challenges and solution for MV Array Feeder Distance Protection

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Array Cable Feeder in an Offshore Wind Farm



Depending on MV voltage level one Array Cable Feeder can be up to 40km Long !!!



MV Voltage Level: 33kV or even 66kV

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DR from WF having 33kV MV Bus and 600A NGR



Secondary Current Waveforms Faulty Feeder 1A CT for the A-Gnd Fault

Secondary VT Ph-Gnd Voltage Waveforms for the A-Gnd Fault

Secondary VT Ph-Ph Voltage Waveforms for the A-Gnd Fault

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DR from WF having 33kV MV Bus and 600A NGR

MPI3p1:IA

l/mA



Secondary Current Magnitudes Feeder 1A CT for the A-Gnd Fault

Secondary VT Ph-Gnd Voltage Magnitudes for the A-Gnd Fault

Secondary VT Ph-Ph Voltage Magnitudes for the A-Gnd Fault

600 400 200 -0.025 0.075 0.100 0.125 0.150 -0.050 0.025 0.050 -0.075 0.175 MPV3p1:V A MPV3p1:V B MPV3p1:V C U/ V 50 25 -0.075 0 125 0.150 0 175 UL31* UL12* UL23* U/ V 50 25 -0.075 0.100 0.125 0.150 0 175

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Collection Network Exposed to a SLG Fault in Phase L1



Which fault current components will flow?



- ➤Load current before the fault (I_{WTG})
- ➢Fault current through the NGT+NGR (I_R)
- >Capacitive GF currents of all adjacent Feeders ($I_{\Sigma cap}$)
- >Capacitive GF current of the faulty Feeder (I_{Fcap})



Distance Protection: Problem Description for EFs



Phasor diagram seen by the distance protection for a forward Phase A to ground fault





Potential locus of the Z operating point is in the 4th quadrant now! What to do?



Complete Equivalent Circuits for the Zero-Sequence System



Example Substation

Equivalent Circuit for an GF in Feeder 1





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Directional EF Protection in Offshore Wind Farms having NGR

Phasor diagram Phasor diagram Directional characteristic of 67N for the faulty array cable 1 for the healthy array cable 3 protection **Restraint region** Operate region $+3U_{0}$ $+3U_{0}$ IN FAULTY I_{N_Fl} Phi $I_{CAP F1} I_{N_F2} I_{N_F3}$ I_{N_FAULTY} *cos(Phi) $I_{N F3 SEC} = I_{N F3}$ RCA $-3U_{0}$ 11/1/ $I_{N_F1_SEC} = -I_{N_F1}$ $I_{N_HEALTHY}$ $-3U_{0}$ $-3U_{0}$ Set pickup

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How IN and –VN phasors Looked Like in a Recorded Field Case? HITACHI Inspire the Next

Phasor Diagram

Very good match with the presented "theory" in the previous slides for the field DR for the Faulty Feeder

➤ Note:

≻ IN = 3lo

≻ -VN = -3Uo



Optimized Ground Distance Protection Logic



Logic to detect a forward ground fault

Additional directional supervision logic for each forward distance protection zone



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Use non-directional Zone and EF Directionality to trip



This combination works for WF MV systems having NGR







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Possible Solution



REL670 block diagram for Wind Farm Array Cable Feeder Protection

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Protection challenges and solution for REF protection on GT MV winding

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Single Resistor used for Grounding

- Many MV networks around the world have limited earthfault current by a resistor located in the infeed transformer MV winding neutral point.
- Simplified single-line diagram of such network for the MV side low-impedance restricted earth-fault protection function (i.e. REF) are shown in the Figure
- 3) IN is the neutral current
- 4) 3lo is residual current at the W2 busbar side
- 5) What can happen in case when power cables are extensively used in network connected to W2 (e.g. in a WF application)?

Example of power system circuit for WF GT MV winding



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Low Impedance REF Directional Operating Characteristics used for W2

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Field Example No 1: Current waveforms during Internal Ground Fault



W2 side is a 33kV winding grounded via a 1000A resistor. W2 CTR=2500/1; NP CTR=1600/1



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Field Example No 1: Phasor Diagram



Why angle between 3Io_W2 and IN_W2 is approximately 90°?

REF protection did not operate for this internal ground fault.

Fault was cleared by the 87T function when it developed into Ph-Ph fault.

Total fault clearance time was around 300ms.

3lo current was leading the IN current for approximately 90°.



Field Example No 2: Residual current waveforms during internal GF

W2 side is a 35kV winding grounded via a 300A resistor. W2 CTR=800/1; NP CTR=800/1



90 degrees phase shift is visible again! Why?

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Field Example No 2: Residual Current Magnitudes during internal GF

W2 side is a 35kV winding grounded via a 300A resistor. W2 CTR=800/1; NP CTR=800/1



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REF protection did operate for this internal ground fault, but the TRIP pulses were extremely short. Why?
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Simplified equivalent circuit for the zero-sequence system



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Simplified equivalent circuit for the zero-sequence system



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Low Impedance REF Revised Directional Operating Characteristic



Low Impedance REF

- 1) The directional check is executed if:
 - a) $3I_0$ (terminal side) is bigger than 3%
- 2) The trip condition is fulfilled if:
 - a) both $3I_0$ an I_N are within the operating region
- 3) If the check is not executed (small 3lo currents) then:
 - a) this check is not a condition for trip
- 4) Change ROA value to 115°

Revised Directional REF Characteristic



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Protection & Control Challenges for HV Export Cable Application

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Cross section example of an HV three-core submarine cable (up to 275kV)



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Modern power system becoms more and more complex.

Solidly Grounded 220kV System but charging current of the 100km cable is almost 900A.

Large & Variable Shunt Reactor permanently connected to the cable.

Presence of large L-C parallel circuit may cause problems for traditional protection principles.

How to set PoW switching equipment?

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Active Power Flow Direction





Modern power system becoms more and more complex.

What when several such cables exist in relative proximity? (i.e. on the same bus)



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What happen when Operational People want to run them in parallel due to availability reasons?

Under no circumstances both-cable circuit shall be triped at the same time!

Special settings needed.

Looking into better ways to protect such special installations.

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Present Protection Solution:

- 1. Charging current compensation is disabled for Line differential protection
- Line differential protection is desensitized (i.e. minimum pickup IdMin~150%)
- Line distance protection Zone 1 is time delayed for 40ms (i.e. potential directionality issue)



First Energizing of 100km Long Export Cable and Variable Reactor HITACHI Inspire the Next



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Energizing of 100km Long Export Cable and Variable Reactor

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What about Tap Position regulation of the Variable shunt reactors?

How to coordinate its control with other "reactive power devices" in the surrounding of such installations?



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Power from Shore Installation: "Import Cable" Example

125kV (145kV), 2500A





- 4. FACTS Devicesa) TCSCb) STATCOM
- 5. Mostly Motor Loads

What about protection and control for such installation? Shall be in operation in 2025.



400kV 50Hz 3PH

Active Power Flow Direction

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Be aware of what you are taking "for granted" in modern power system when power cables are extensively used. For example, the following assumptions will be wrong:

- > Current at the beginning and at the end of a long cable are the same
- > Capacitive (EF) currents are small, and consequently they can be neglected
- For forward faults the measured impedance by distance protection will be always in the first quadrant
- What will be seen as Forward and what as Reverse fault
- > P-flow is always bigger than Q-flow (i.e. p.f. value is close to one)
- Power system is always inductive
- Source impedance angles are always close to 90 degrees
- ≻ Etc.

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