

### **ELECTRICAL POWER ENGINEERING**



# **Protection Techniques**

In electrical power supply systems, currents and voltages are constantly measured and monitored to ensure that they remain within certain limits.

These values are needed in order to provide constant information on the state of the system, to calculate the amount of power supplied to a customer and to switch off rapidly faulty sections of a network in case of a fault. In general, the current and voltage values are so high that they cannot be measured directly and special transformers have to be used to reduce these values to a level which can be measured safely and economically. In this laboratory single and three-phase current and voltage transformers are studied.

But, a very important subject must also be considered, the one related to the protection of electrical power systems, in order to avoid that any fault could spread through the network and result in a collapse of the entire power supply system. In cases of short-circuit, for instance, the very high fault currents produced can destroy parts of the system and could often even endanger the lives of humans.

For these reasons, special protection systems, which must react quickly and reliably in the event of faults, have been developed in the area of electrical power distribution.

A fundamental task of a protective system is to recognize the damaged system component and, where possible, to disconnect only this component so that the remaining power distribution can be maintained.

In this laboratory a number of protective relays are analyzed: under/over voltage time relays, definite time over-current relays, inverse time over-current relays, earth-fault relays, etc.).

Then, special attention is paid to the problem of high voltage line protection, with discussions on the criteria about the most suitable protective system to be used. Experiments on over-voltage and under-voltage monitoring, short-circuit protection and earth-fault monitoring complete the analysis of this very important problem.

#### Protection of HV line - GTU103.3

- demonstration of how an under/over voltage time relay monitors the protection of a load against under- and overvoltage
- demonstration of the protection of a transmission line connected in a solid earthed network, when there is a threephase, two-phase or single-phase short-circuit
- demonstration of how an earth-fault warning relay monitors the transmission line for an earth fault in a network with isolated neutral connection

#### Instrument transformers - GTU103.1

- determination of the transformation ratio of a current transformer for various primary currents and investigation on the influence of the load on the transformation ratio
- explanation of the terms: ratio error (current error), accuracy class and rated accuracy limit factor
- test on the performance of the current transformer at over-current
- assembly of the common current transformer circuit for measurement on three-phase network
- measurement of the zero-phase sequence current of a three-phase system
- measurements on a summation current transformer
- demonstration of the principle of differential protection
- determination of the transformation ratio of a voltage transformer for various primary voltages and investigation on the influence of the load on the transformation ratio
- explanation of the terms: ratio error (voltage error) and accuracy class
- assembly of the common voltage transformer circuit for measurements in three-phase network
- measurement of the residual voltage in a three-phase system with a fault to ground
- assembly of a voltage transformer circuit in open delta connection
- measurement of the three conductor voltages on symmetrical and asymmetrical loads

### **Protective relays - GTU103.2**

- connection of an under/over voltage relay in a three-phase net- work and investigation on its behaviour with respect to under and overvoltages
- determination of the resetting ratio of an under/over voltage relay
- measurement of the operating time of an under/over voltage relay
- connection of a definite time over-current relay in a three-phase network and investigation on its behaviour with respect to different settings
- determination of the resetting ratio of a definite time over-current relay
- measurement of the operating time of a definite time over-current relay
- connection of an inverse time over-current relay in a three-phase network and investigation on its behaviour with respect to different settings
- measurement of the operating time of an inverse time over-current relay
- investigation on an earth-fault relay
- check of the operate time set
- demonstration of an earth-fault alarm in a three-phase network
- reaction to so-called transient earth faults
- investigation on a directional earth-fault relay behaviour for effective currents and on the direction of operation
- investigation on a combined over-current and earth-fault relay behaviour connected in a solid earthed three-phase network
- · demonstration of how the external blocking input works



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|  |               | GTU103.1 | GTU103.2 | GTU103.3 | TOTAL |
|--|---------------|----------|----------|----------|-------|
| Variable three-phase power supply                      | DL 1013T1     | 1        | 1        |          | 1     |
| Line model   | DL 7901TT     |          |          | 1        | 1     |
| Three-phase transformer                                | DL 1080TT     |          | 1        | 1        | 1     |
| Resistive load   | DL 1017R      | 1        | 1        | 1        | 1     |
| Experiment transformer                                 | DL 1055TT     | 1        |          |          | 1     |
| Three-phase power supply                               | DL 2108TAL-SW |          | 1        | 1        | 1     |
| Power circuit breaker                                  | DL 2108T02    |          | 1        | 1        | 1     |
| CT load  | DL 2108T10    | 1        |          |          | 1     |
| VT load  | DL 2108T11    | 1        |          |          | 1     |
| Under/over-voltage time relay                          | DL 2108T12    |          | 1        | 1        | 1     |
| Inverse time over-current relay                        | DL 2108T13    |          | 1        |          | 1     |
| Definite time over-current relay                       | DL 2108T14    |          | 1        | 1        | 1     |
| Combined over-current & earth fault relay              | DL 2108T15    |          | 1        |          | 1     |
| Single-phase directional relay                         | DL 2108T16    |          | 1        |          | 1     |
| L/C loads  | DL 2108T17    |          | 1        |          | 1     |
| Earth fault control relay                              | DL 2108T18    |          | 1        | 1        | 1     |
| Moving coil ammeter (100-500-1000mA)                   | DL 2109T1A    | 4        |          |          | 4     |
| Moving coil ammeter (1.25-2.5A)                        | DL 2109T2A5   |          | 1        | 1        | 1     |
| Moving iron ammeter (5A)                               | DL 2109T5A    | 2        |          |          | 2     |
| Moving iron voltmeter (125-250-500V )                  | DL 2109T3pV   | 4        | 1        | 1        | 4     |
| Single-phase current transformer                       | DL 2109T21    | 1        |          |          | 1     |
| Three-phase current transformer                        | DL 2109T22    | 1        |          |          | 1     |
| Single-phase voltage transformer                       | DL 2109T23    | 1        |          |          | 1     |
| Three-phase voltage transformer                        | DL 2109T24    | 1        | 1        | 1        | 1     |
| Summation current transformer                          | DL 2109T25    | 1        |          |          | 1     |
| Acoustic continuity tester                             | DL BUZ        |          | 1        | 1        | 1     |
| Electronic stopclock                                   | DL CRON       |          | 1        |          | 1     |
| Connecting leads                                       | DL 1155GTU    | 1        | 1        | 1        | 1     |
| Accessories: Table                                     | DL 1001-1     | 1        | 1        | 1        | 1     |
| Accessories: Frame                                     | DL 2100-3M    | 2        | 2        | 2        | 2     |
| Accessories: Storage cabinet                           | DL 2100TA     | 1        | 1        | 1        | 1     |
| For Countries with 3-phase mains different from 380V : |               |          |          |          |       |
| Three-phase transformer                                | DL 2100ATT    | 1        | 1        | 1        | 1     |