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# Generator Protection Fundamentals

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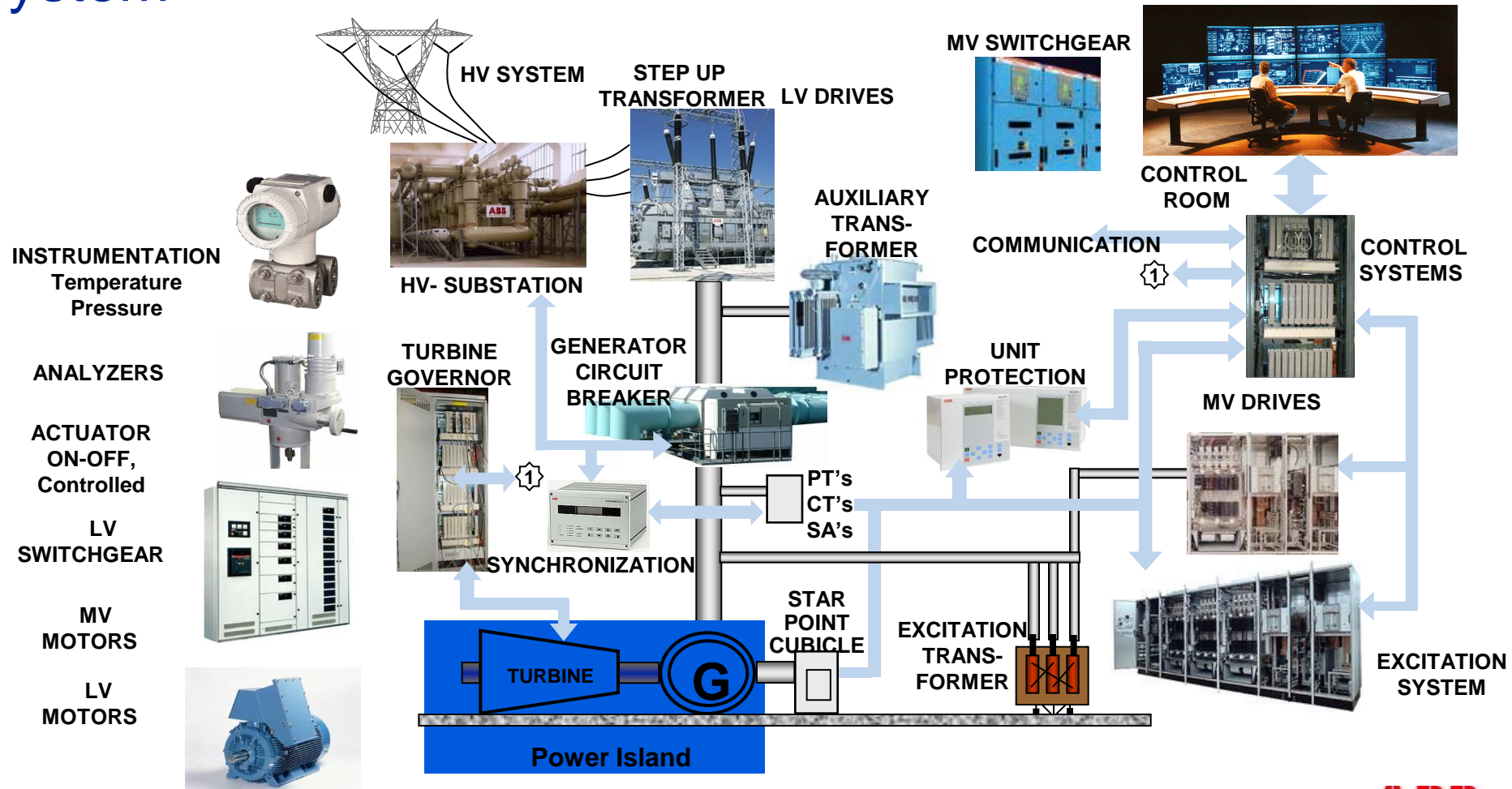
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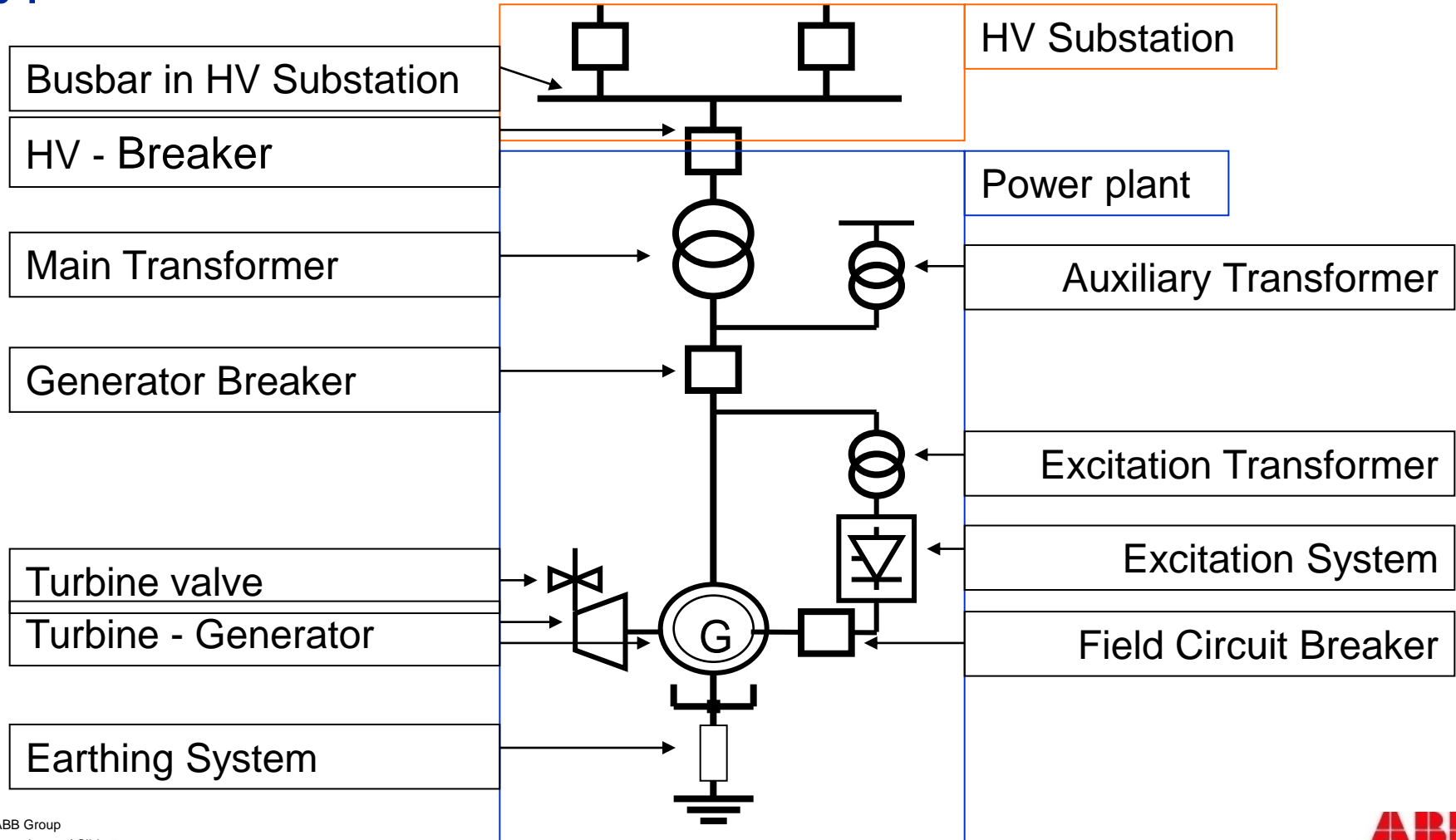
# Learning objectives

- Power Generation fundamentals
- Generator Faults
- Generator Abnormal Conditions
- Typical Generator Protections

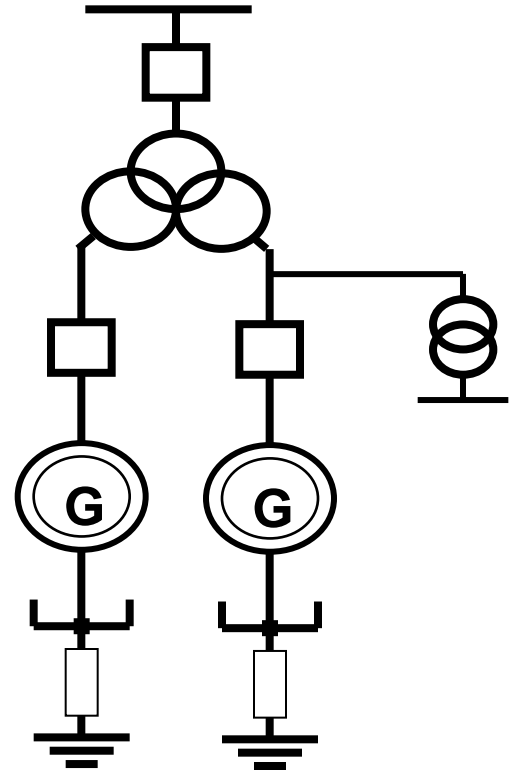
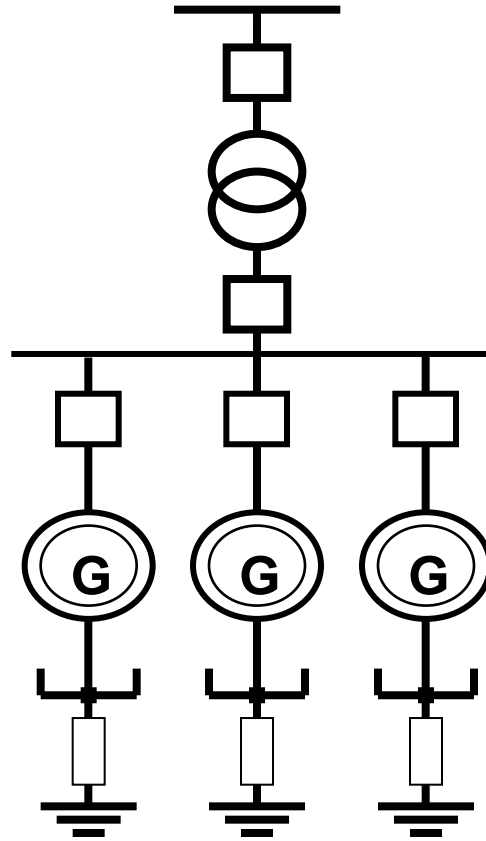
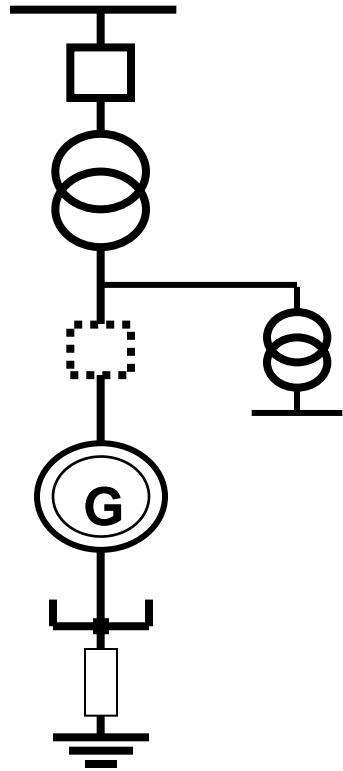
# Power station is the most complex part of the power system



# Typical Parts of a Power Plant

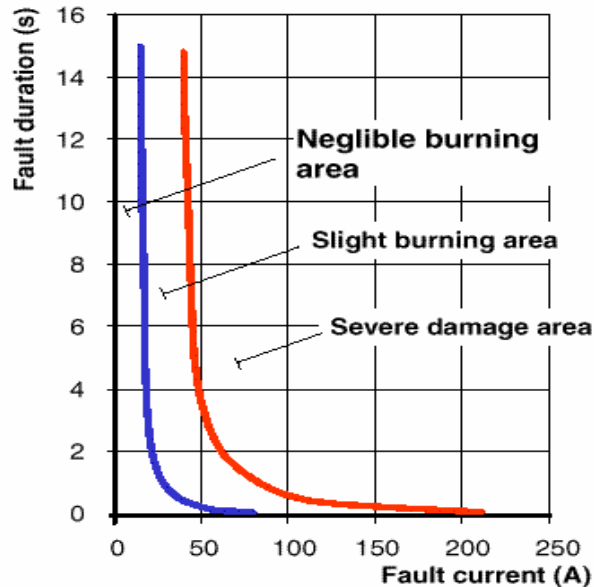


# Different power plants electrical equipment layouts





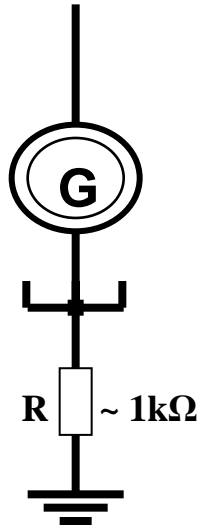
# Damage to the stator core in case of earth-fault



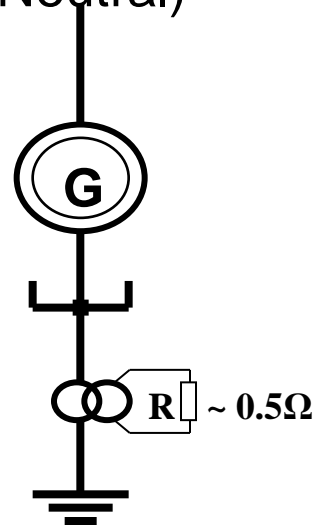
- Practically all unit connected generators are high-impedance earthed
- Only industrial generators may be low-impedance earthed

# Stator winding earthing practices

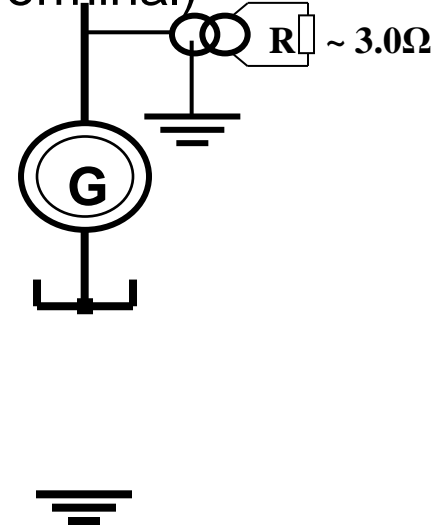
Resistive Grounded



Grounding Transformer (Neutral)



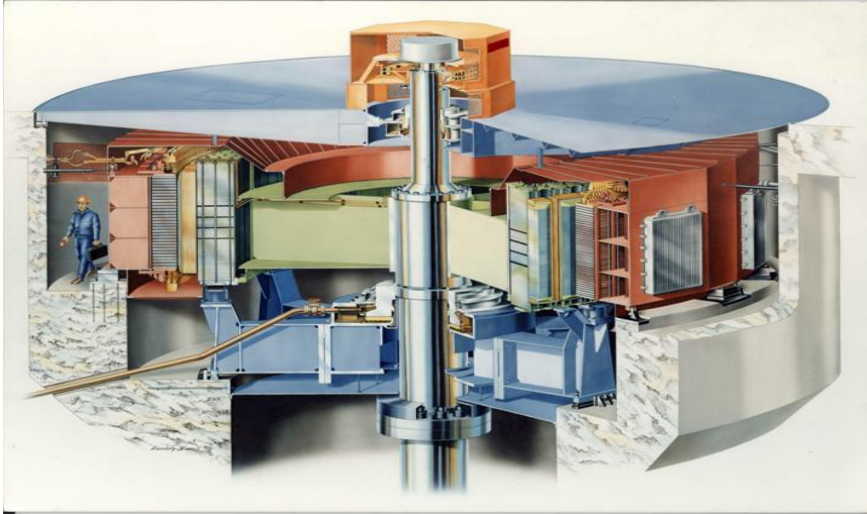
Grounding Transformer (Terminal)



Isolated



# Possible faults



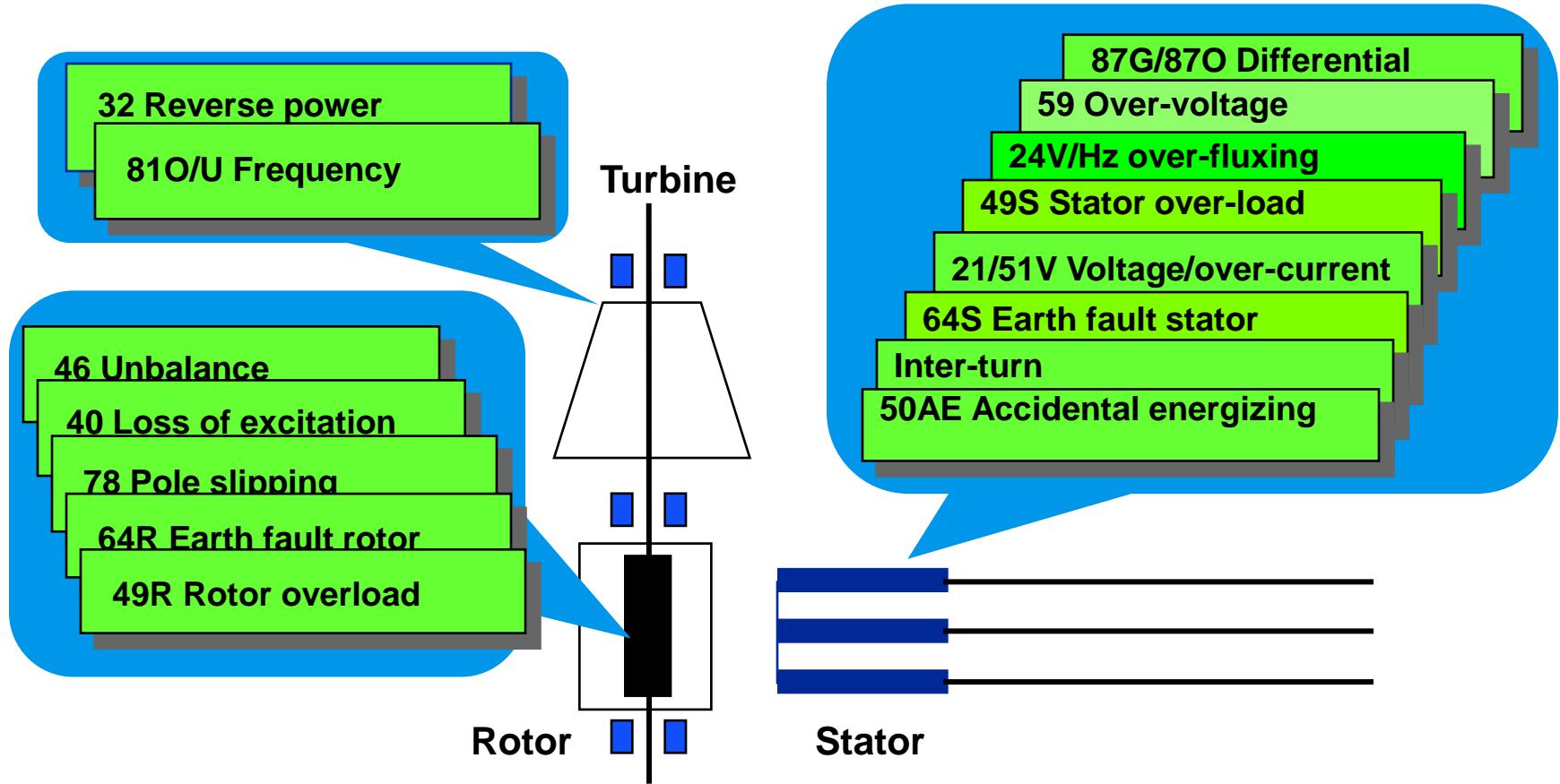
- Stator Earth Faults
- Rotor Earth Faults
- Stator Short Circuits
- Stator/Rotor Interturn faults
- Unit transformer faults
- External faults

# Abnormal operating condition



- overcurrent/overload
- unbalanced load
- overtemperature
- over- and undervoltage
- over- and underexcitation
- over- and underfrequency
- over-fluxing
- asynchronous running
- out of step
- generator motoring
- failures in the machine control system (i.e. AVR or governor failure)
- failures in the machine cooling system
- failures in the primary equipment (i.e. breaker head flashover)
- open phase

# Allocation of protection functions



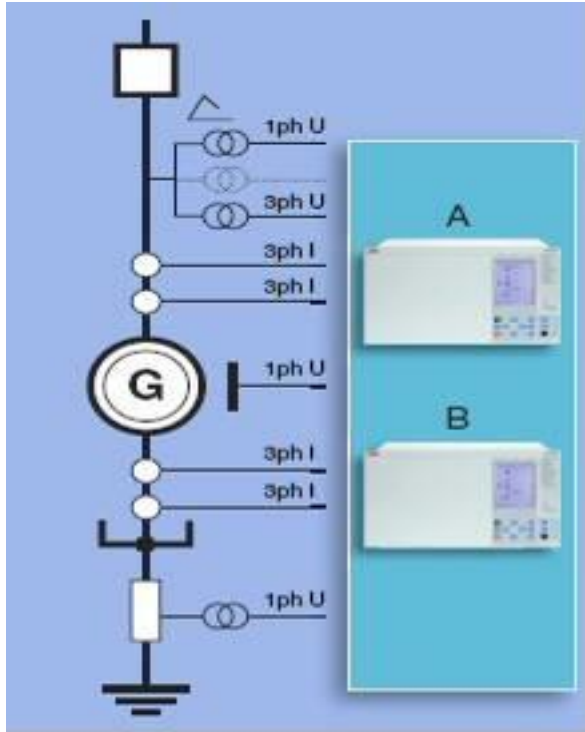
# Function allocations with older generation relays

- Older type of design:
  - M1 and M2 with different function allocations

Table 3: Example on relay functions divided into two function groups

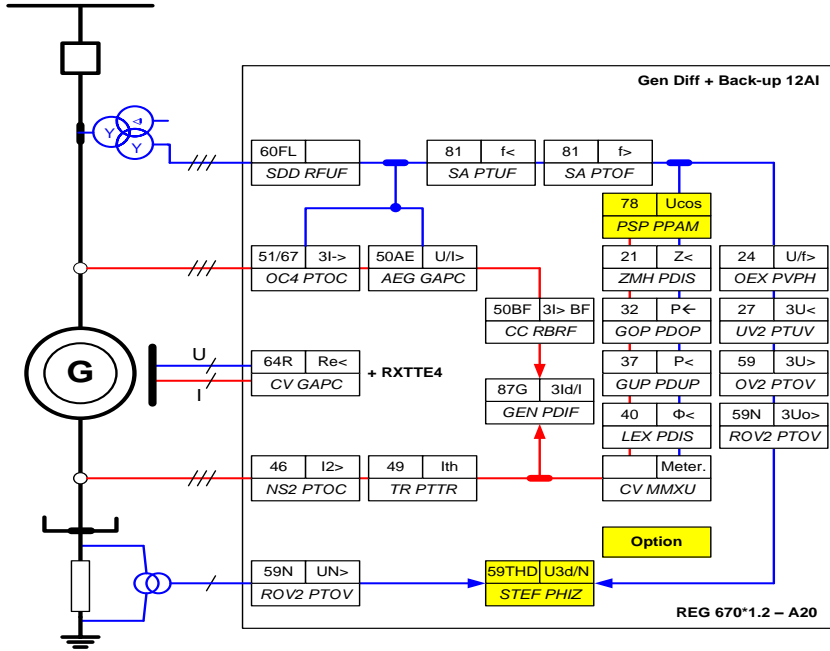
Type of fault	ANSI	Protection function	System	
			A	B
<b>Generator stator</b>			A	B
Short circuit	87G	Generator differential	X	
	21	Minimum impedance or alternatively		X
	51/27	Overcurrent/undervoltage for thyristor magnetisation		X
	51	Overcurrent		X
Dissymmetry	46	Negative sequence overcurrent		X
Stator overload	49	Thermal overload	X	
Stator earth fault	59	95% stator earth fault	X	X
Loss of excitation	40	Reactive current and phase angle		X
Motoring	32	Reverse power Redundant protection used for large generators	X	X
Overspeed	81	Max. frequency	X	
Turbine blade fatigue	81	Min. frequency	X	
Interturn fault	59 or 51N		X	(X)
Overvoltage	59	Overvoltage		X
Over magnetization	24	V/Hz	X	
Low voltage	27	Undervoltage		X
Inadvertent breaker closing (Dead-machine protection)	50/27	Overcurrent with low voltage		X
Shaft current	-	Overcurrent, fixed time		X
<b>Generator rotor</b>				
Rotor overload	49	Thermal overload		X
Rotor earth fault	64R	Injected AC Injected DC	X	X
<b>Step-up (Block) transformer</b>				
Short circuit/earth fault	87T	Differential protection	X	
Overcurrent	50/51	Time overcurrent with instantaneous function		X
Breaker failure protection	50BFR			X
Earth fault differential prot.	87D		X	
Over magnetization prot.	24	V/Hz		X

# Generator protection with modern IEDs



- Generator/transformer protection with integrated IEDs
- Mainly function duplication used
  - Most functions duplicated
- Duplication not used for small machines only

# Generator protection



## Other functions available from the function library

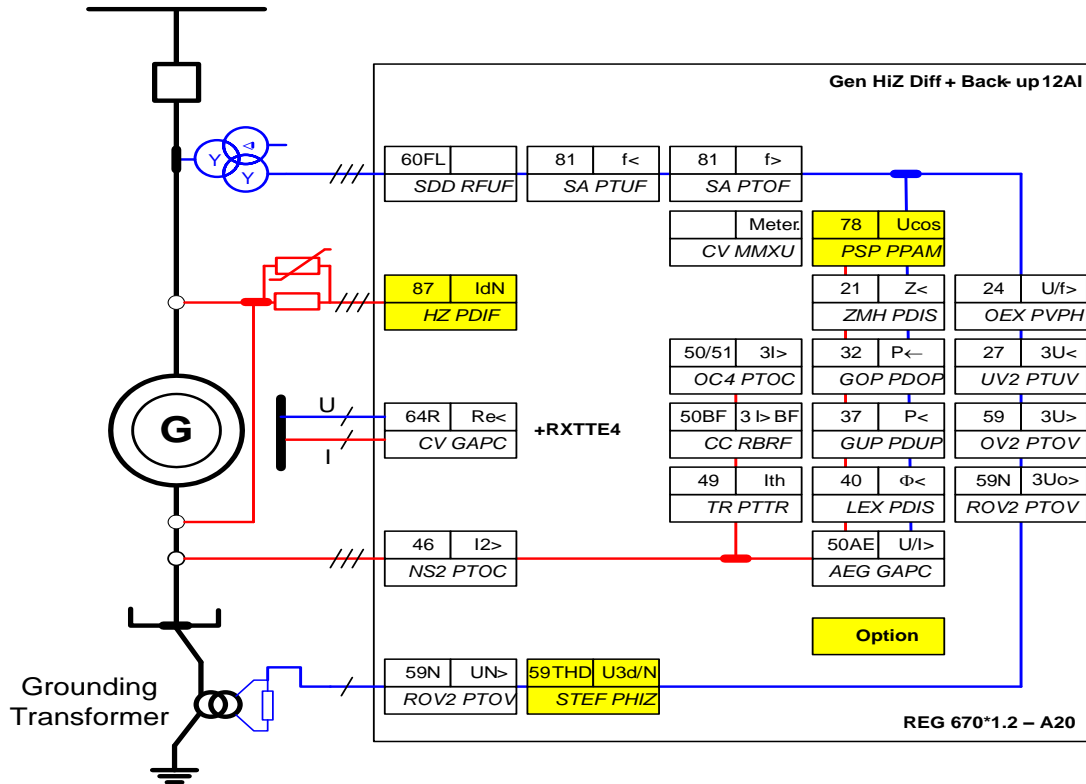
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52PD PD CC RPLD	51/67 3I> OC4 PTOC	51V I>/U CV GAPC	87CT I2d/I CCS RDIF	64R R <sub>RE</sub> < ROTI PHIZ

## Function alternatives for 87G/GEN PDIF

87T 3Id/I T2W PDIF	87 IdN HZ PDIF
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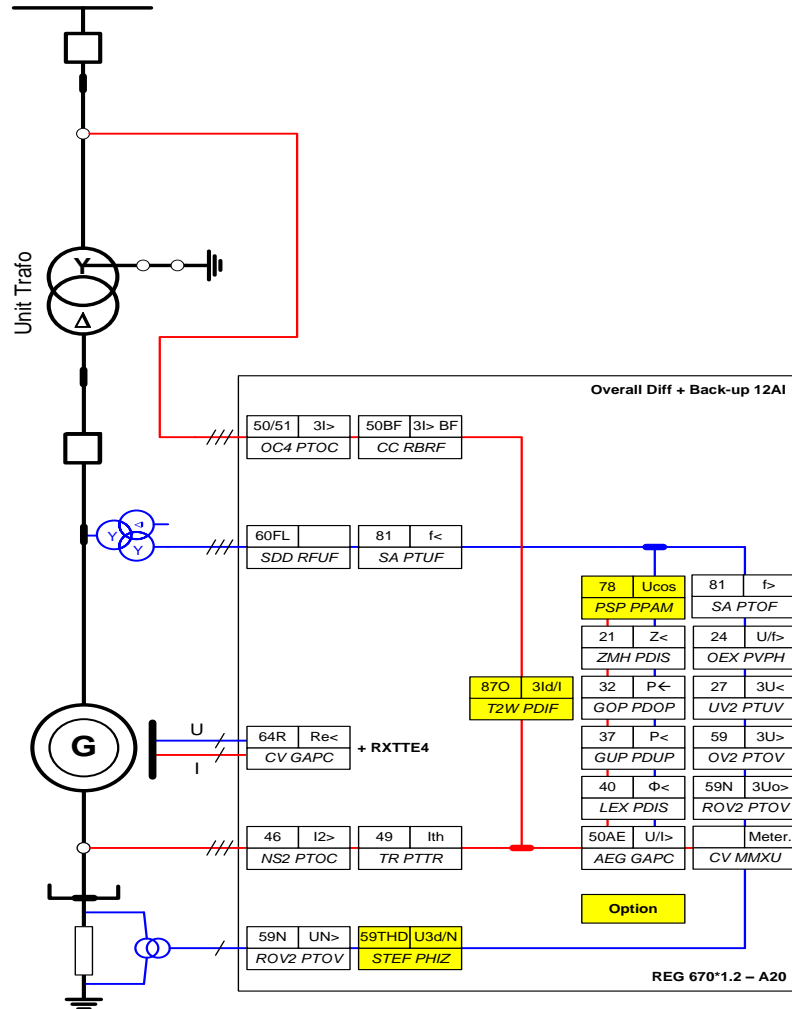


# Generator protection with 87HZ



- Fast and sensitive differential protection against short-circuits
- Requires dedicated and identical CT cores on both sides of the generator
- Requires external resistor and metrosil

# Generator protection with 87T

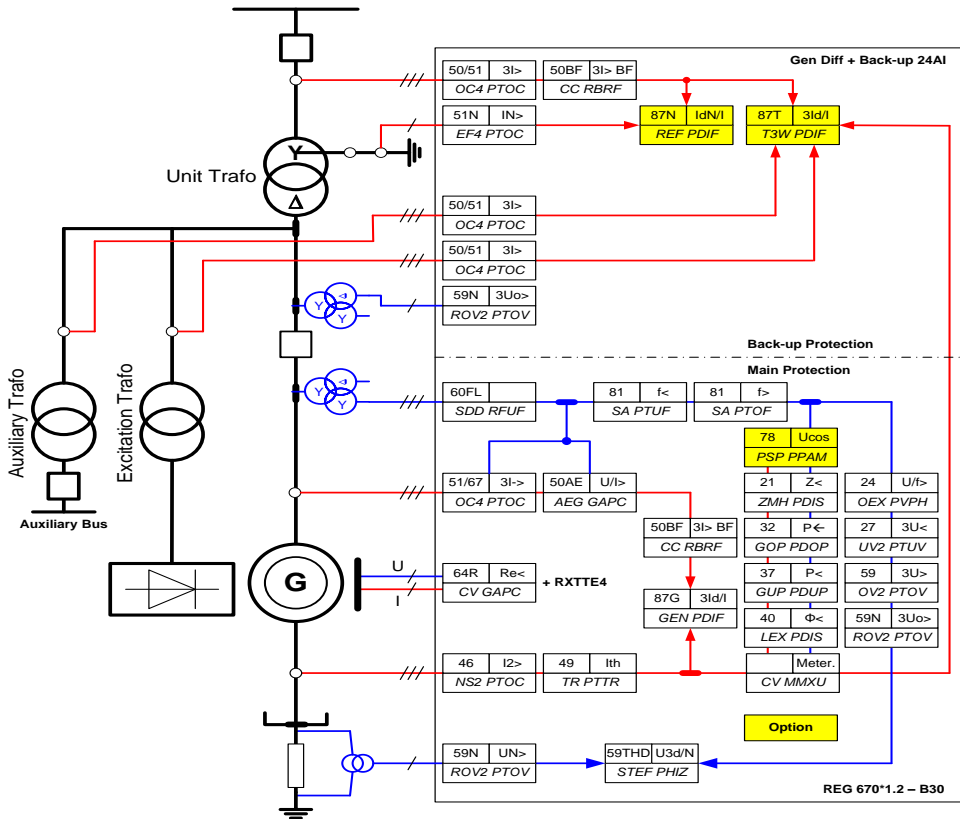


# Complete Protection Scheme

- Generator M1 & M2 protection
  - Two identical IEDs with 87G (low/high impedance based)
- Complete Unit Protection for Smaller Machines
  - One with 87G
  - One with 87T or 87O



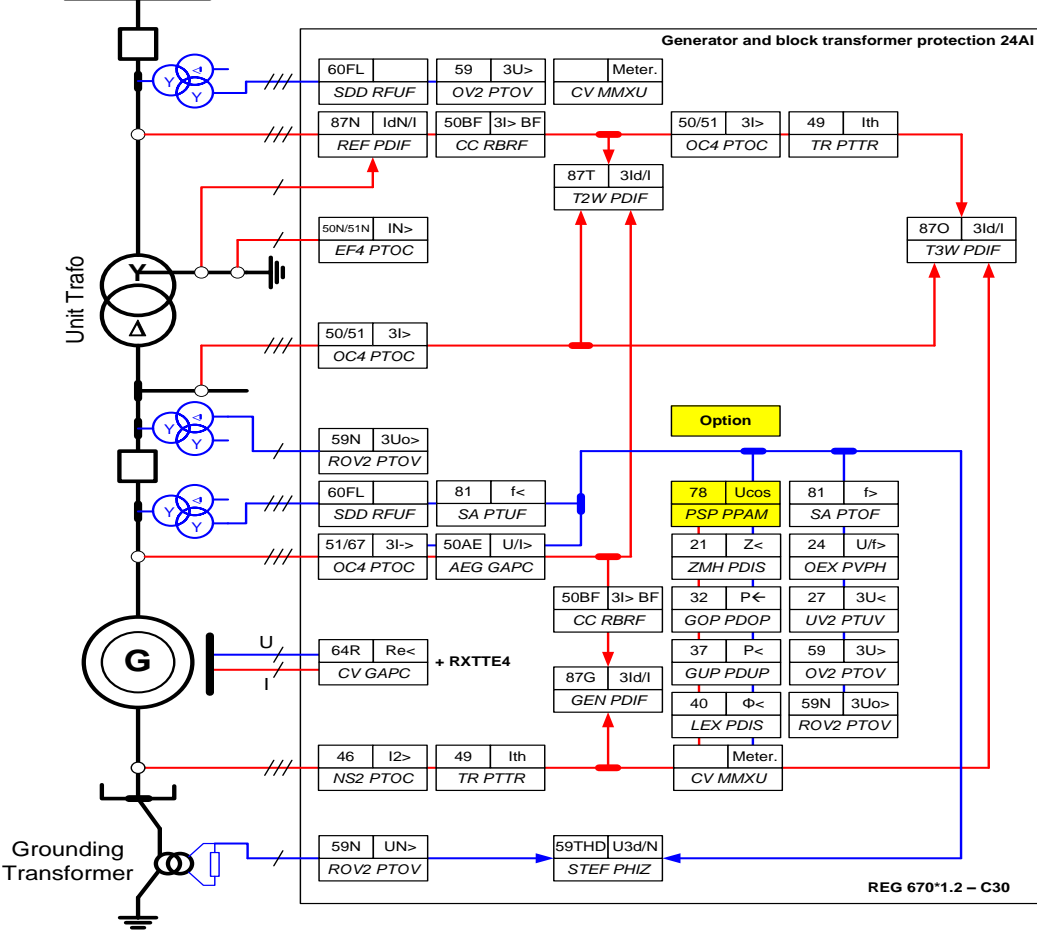
# Generator protection & optional transformer protection



**Other functions available from the function library**

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SES	RSYN	PH	PIOC	CV	GAPC	STTI	PHIZ	T2W	PDIF
52PD	PD	87CT	I2d/I	51V	I>/U	64R	R <sub>RE</sub> <	32N	P0->
CC	RPLD	CCS	RDIF	CV	GAPC	ROTI	PHIZ	SDE	PSDE

# Complete generator-transformer unit protection



## Other functions available from the function library

25	50	51/27	32N	64S
SES RSYN	PH PIOC	CV GAPC	SDE PSDE	STTI PHIZ
52PD	51/67	51V	87CT	64R
CC RPLD	3I> OC4 PTOC	I>U CV GAPC	12d/I CCS RDIF	RRE< ROTI PHIZ

# Stator short circuit

- Consequence of stator short circuit
  - Insulation, windings and stator core can be damaged
  - Large forces, caused by large fault currents, can give damage to other components in the plant
  - Risk of explosion and fire
  - Mechanical stress on generator- and turbine shafts

# Detection of stator short circuits

- Protection functions
  - Generator differential protection
  - Block (unit) differential protection
  - Directional negative sequence overcurrent protection
  - Under impedance protection
  - Phase overcurrent protection
  - Voltage dependent phase overcurrent protection
  - Under voltage protection
  - Phase overcurrent protection of the block transformer

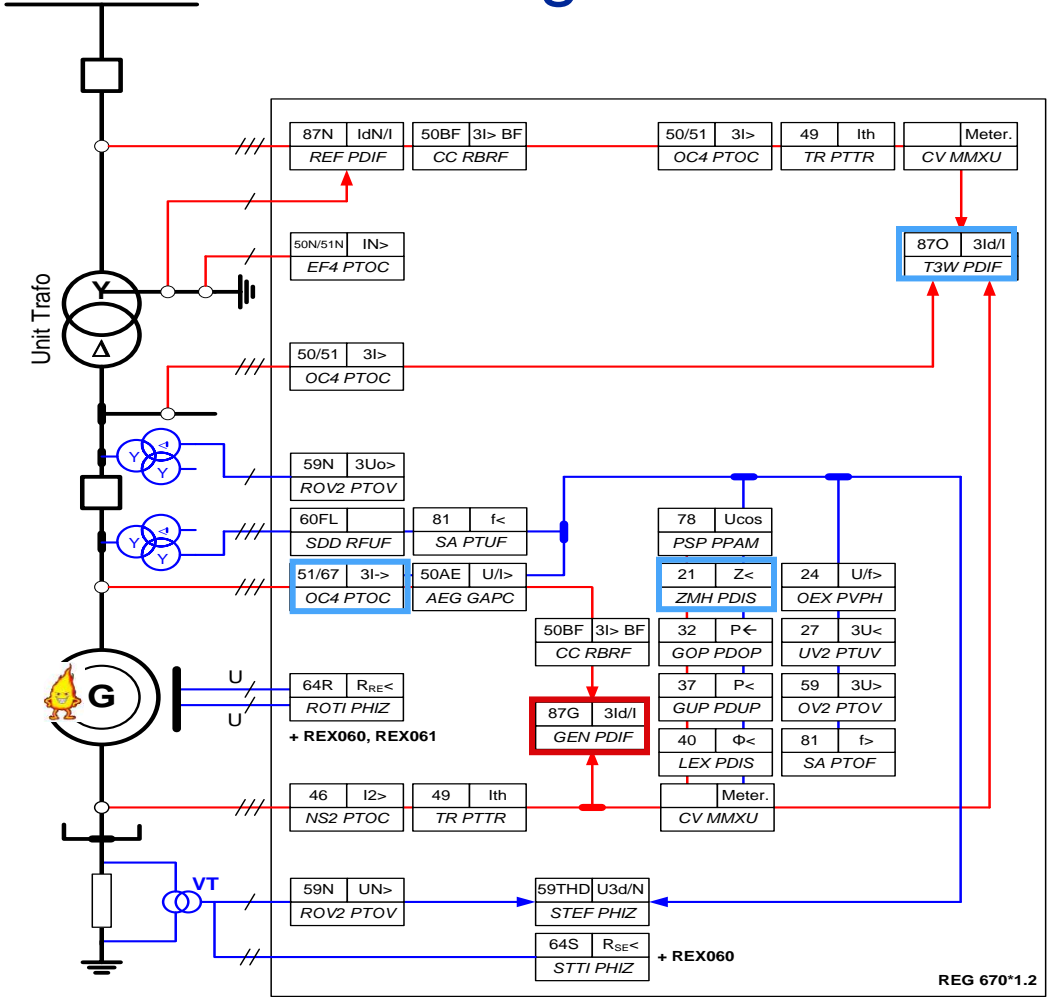
# Phase to phase fault in the stator winding

- Endangering condition
  - Overcurrent
- Protected object
  - Stator winding
- Consequences
  - Heating
  - Forces
  - Smelted stator core

Main Protection Function



Reserve Protection Function



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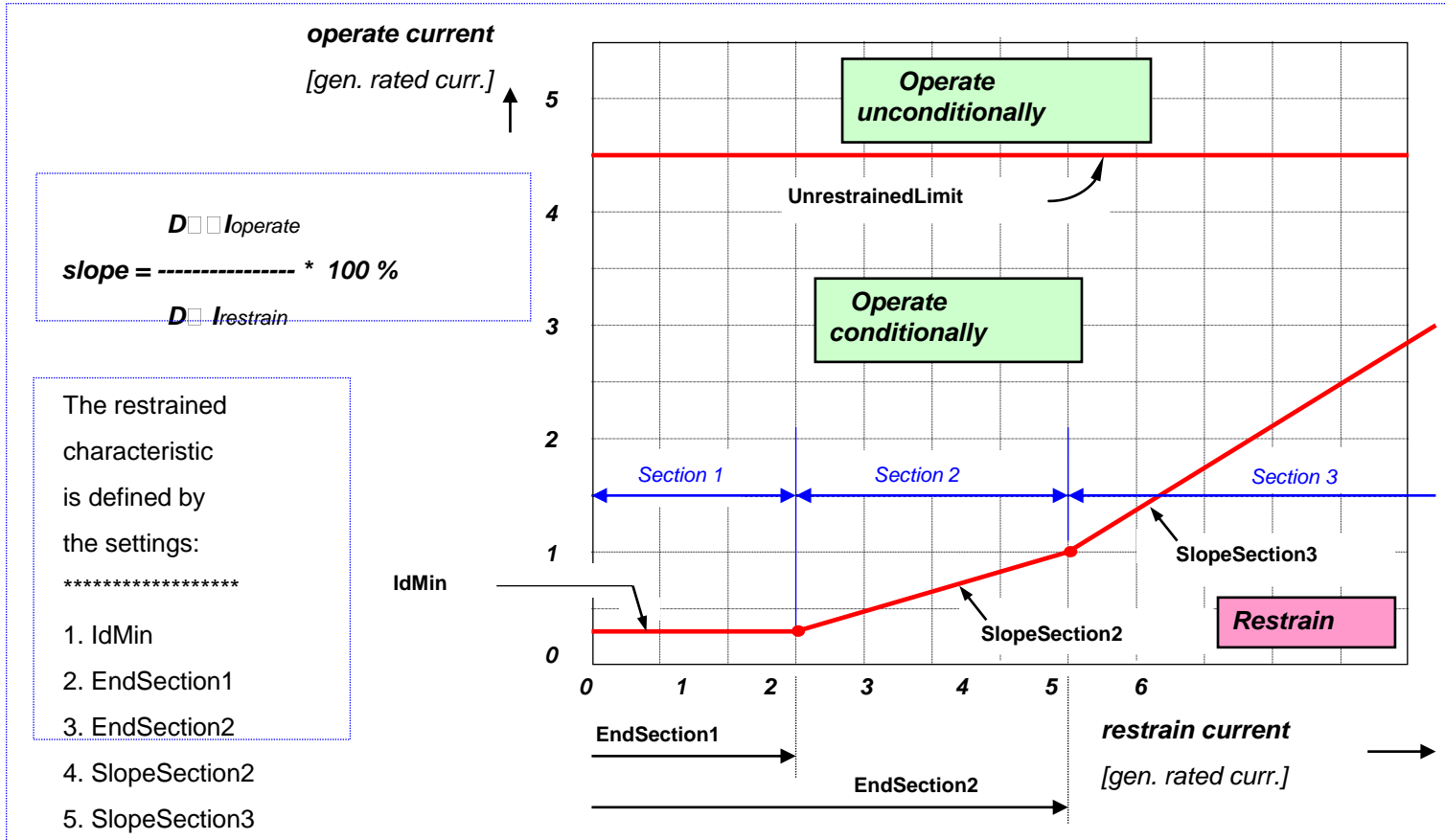




# Generator differential protection

- Unstabilized differential protection level
- Stabilized differential protection level
  - Harmonic blocking
- Negative sequence unrestrained
  - Combination: bias differential and negative sequence internal/external discriminator; increases speed and security
- Negative sequence sensitive differential protection

# Differential protection characteristics



$$\text{slope} = \frac{D_{\square} I_{\text{operate}}}{D_{\square} I_{\text{restrain}}} * 100 \%$$

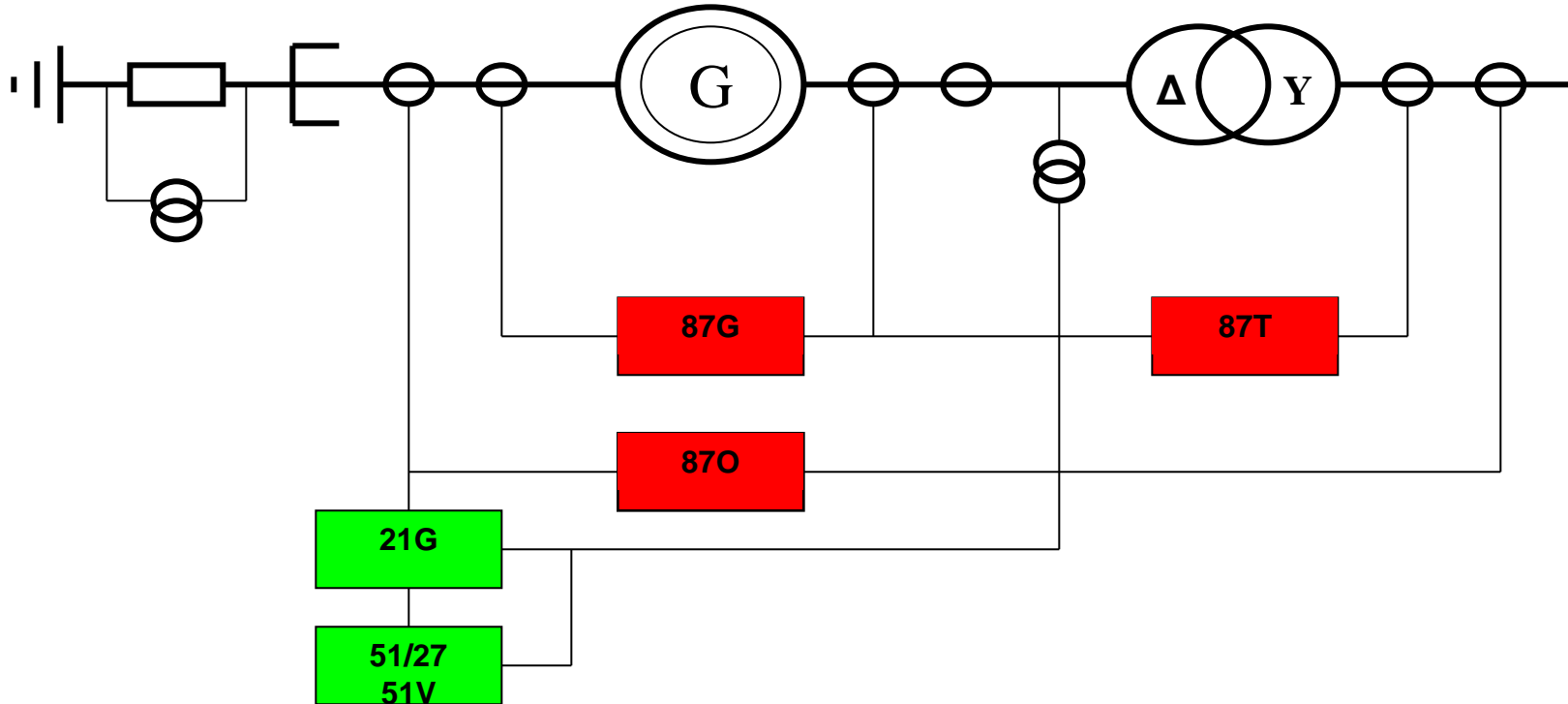
- The restrained characteristic is defined by the settings:
- \*\*\*\*\*
1. IdMin
  2. EndSection1
  3. EndSection2
  4. SlopeSection2
  5. SlopeSection3



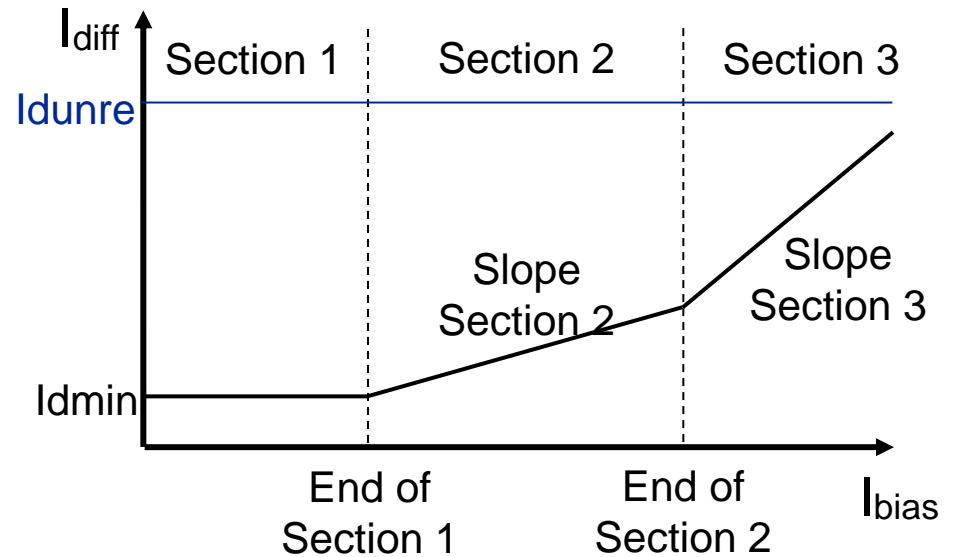
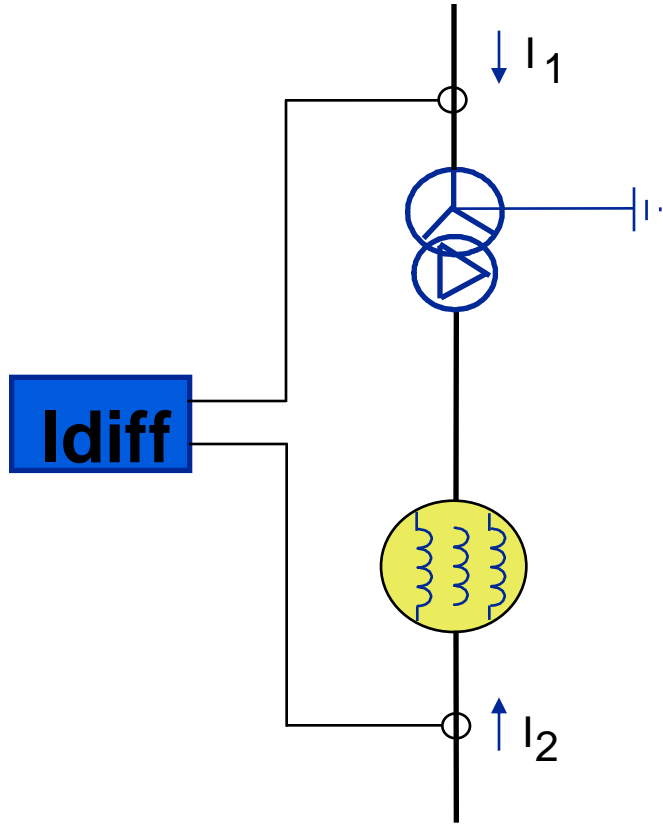
# Generator differential protection

- Shall trip
  - Turbine: close down active power
  - Generator breaker: if available
  - Field breaker
  - Unit breaker: If no generator breaker
  - Fire protection

# Different differential protection functions can be used



# Overall or transformer differential protection (87O/87T)



# Generator unit (overall) differential protection

- Identical to transformer differential protection
  - Zero sequence current elimination
  - Vector group compensation
  - Transformer ratio compensation
  - Unstabilized differential protection
  - Stabilized differential protection
    - Harmonic blocking
    - Waveform blocking
  - Negative sequence unrestrained
    - Combination: bias differential and negative sequence internal/external discriminator
  - Negative sequence sensitive differential protection

# Transformer (overall) differential protection

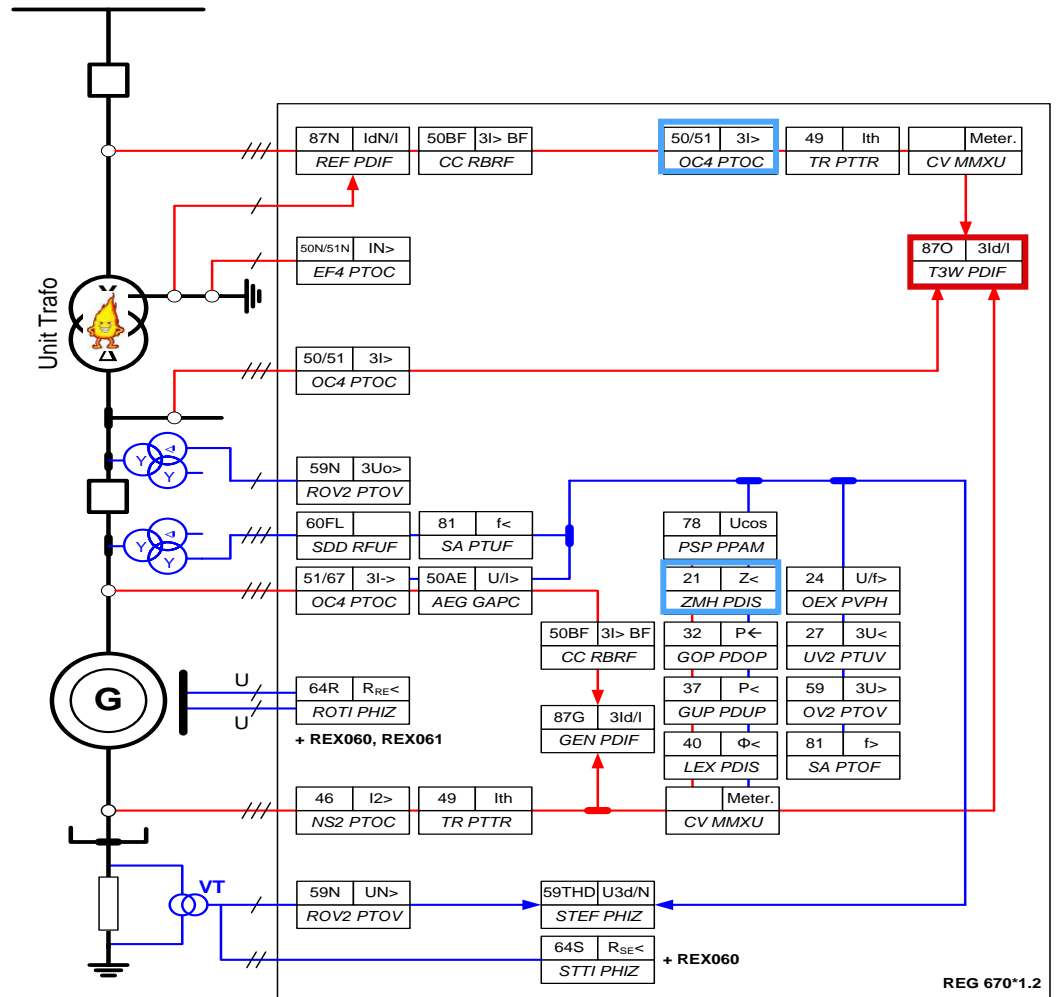
- Shall trip
  - Turbine: close down active power
  - Generator breaker: if available
  - Field breaker
  - Unit breaker

# Phase to phase fault in the transformer winding

- Endangering condition
  - Overcurrent
- Protected object
  - Transformer windings
- Consequences
  - Heating
  - Forces
  - Smelted trafo core

**Main Protection Function**

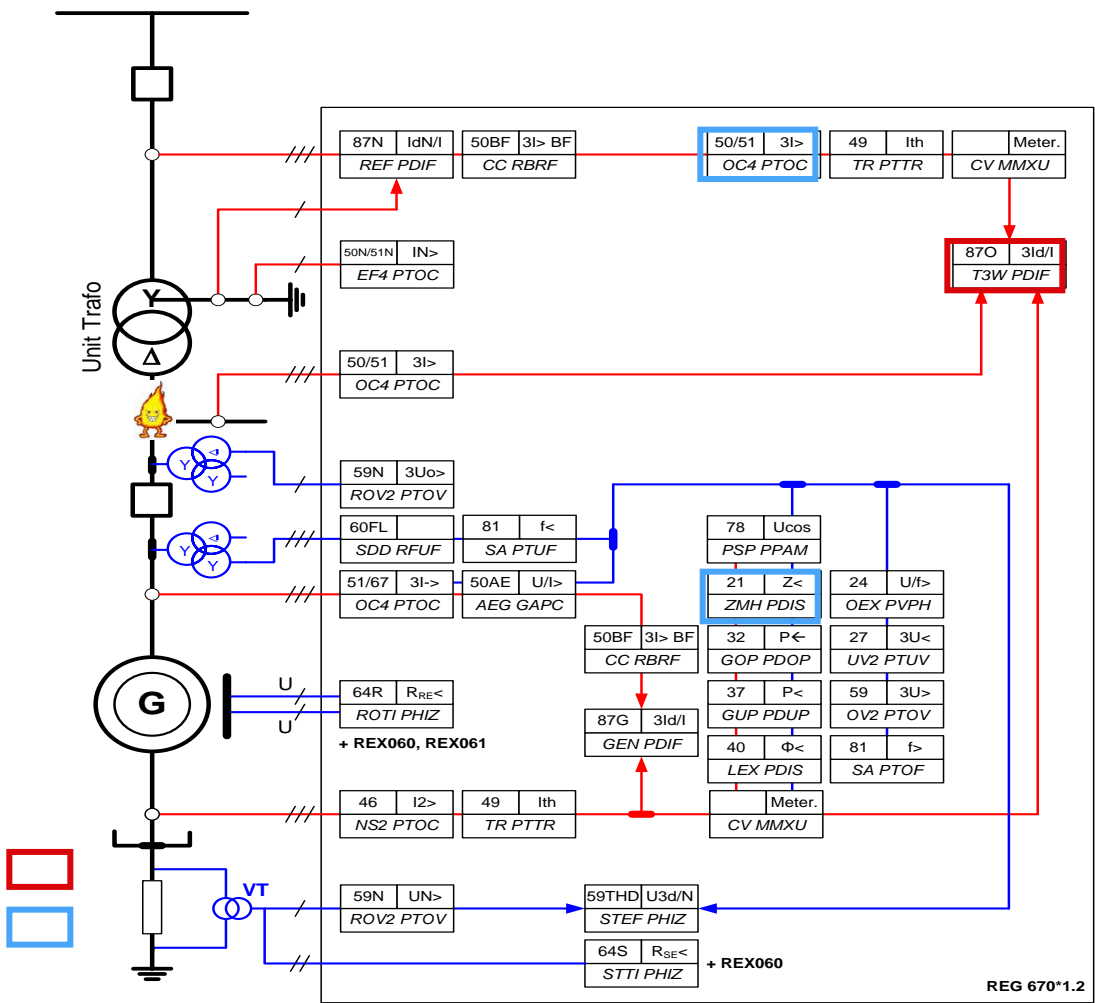
**Reserve Protection Function**





# Phase to phase fault at the generator buswork 1

- Endangering condition
    - Overcurrent
  - Protected object
    - Buswork, other equipment
  - Consequences
    - Heating
    - Forces
    - Mechanical damages
- Main Protection Function**
- Reserve Protection Function**

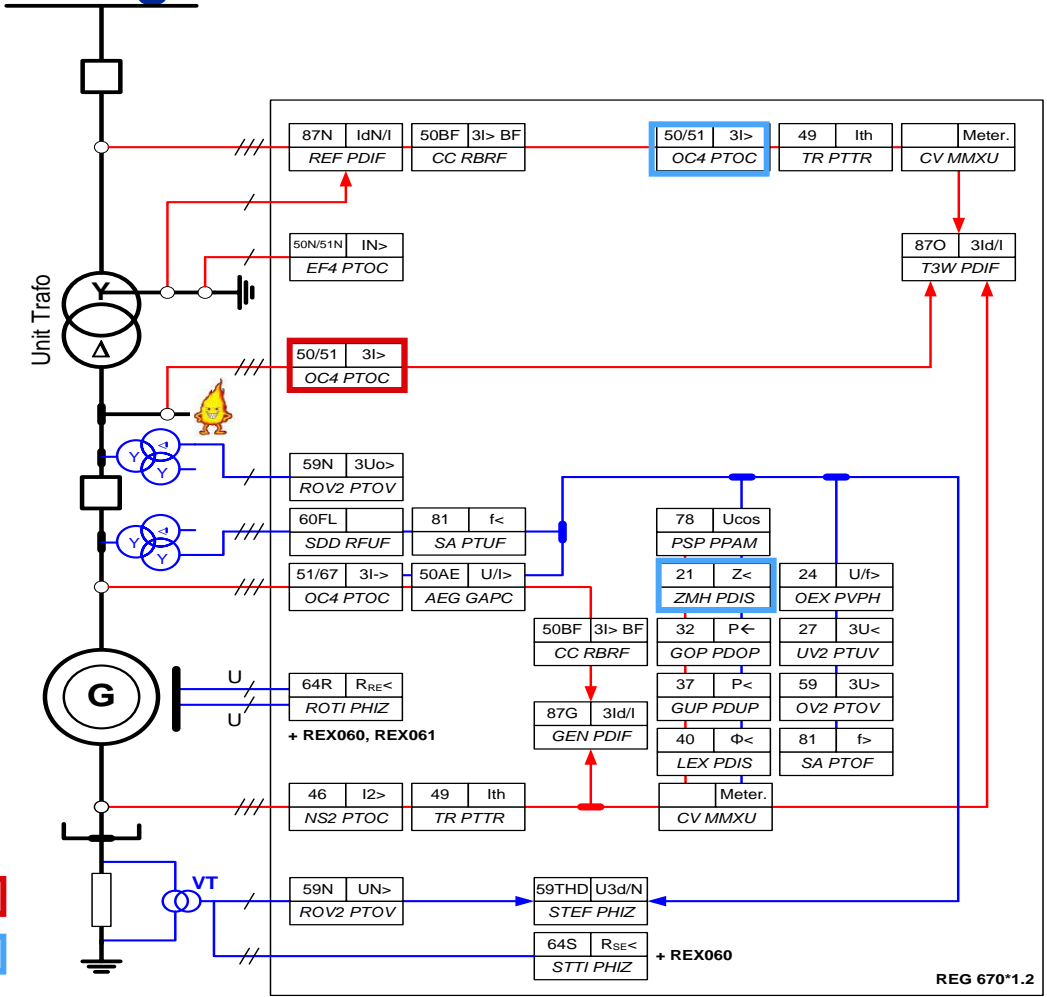


# Phase to phase fault at the generator buswork 2

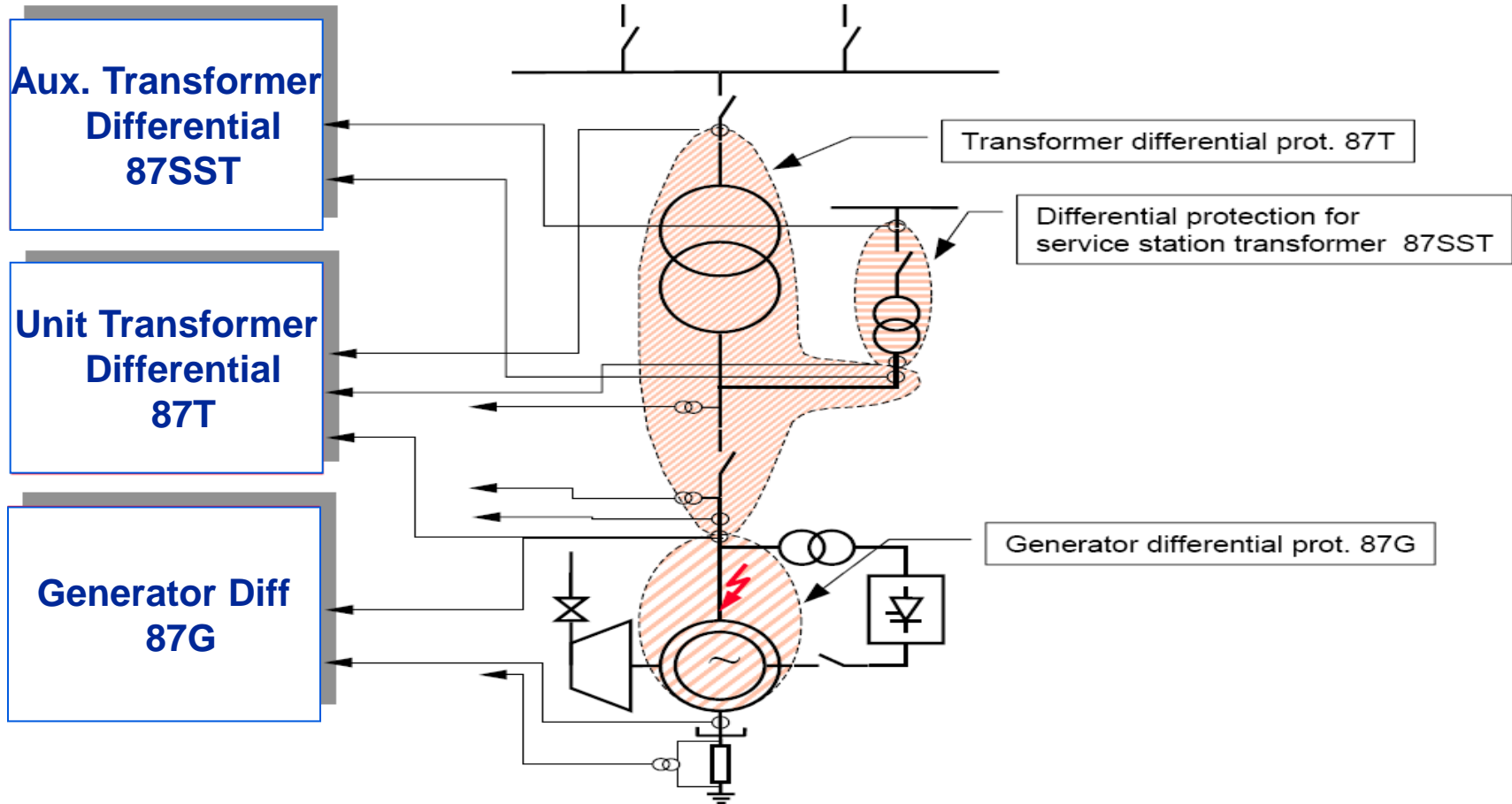
- Endangering condition
  - Overcurrent
- Protected object
  - Buswork, other equipment
- Consequences
  - heating
  - forces
  - mechanical damages

**Main Protection Function** ▭

**Reserve Protection Function** ▭

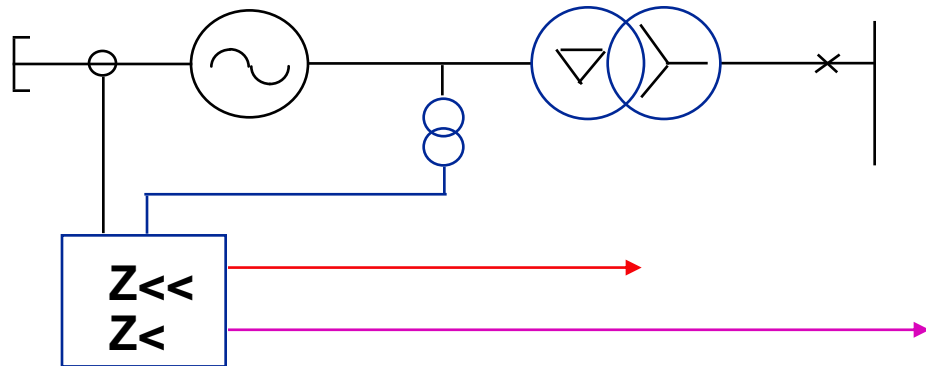
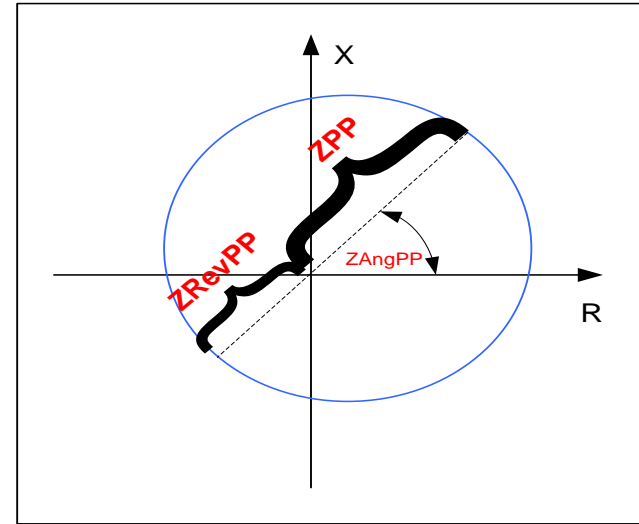


# Short circuit protection: Differential protection (87)



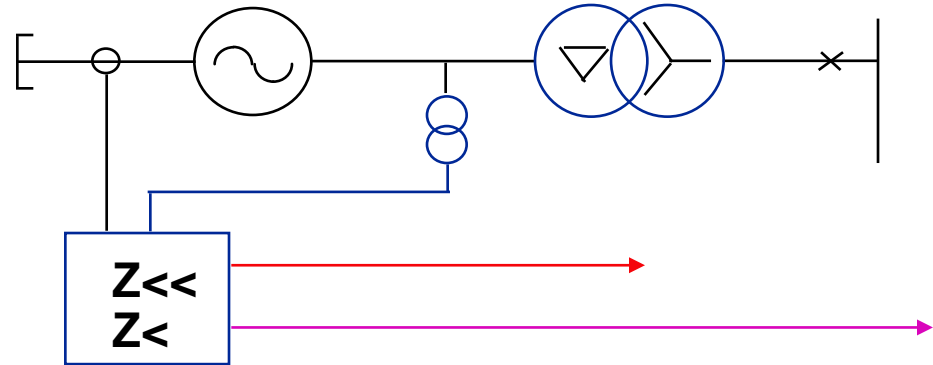
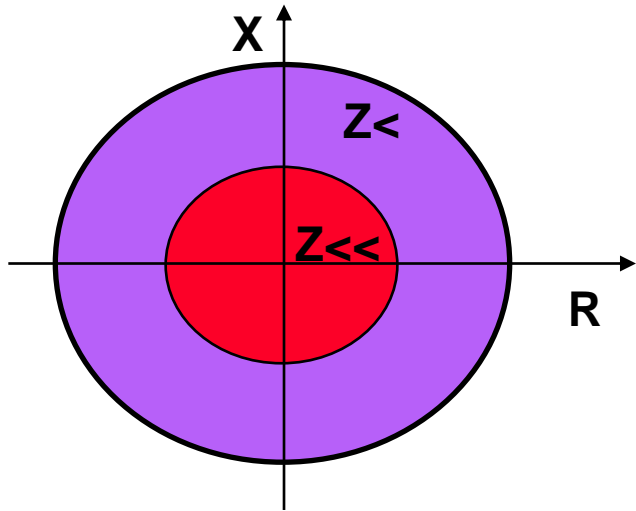
# Under-impedance protection

- Backup protection for internal short circuits in the generator or the unit transformer
- Backup or main protection for fault at the busbar where the plant is connected to the power system
- Backup protection for line-faults at lines out from the power plant
- Up to 3-zones with offset mho characteristic



# Under-impedance protection (21)

- Offset mho characteristic with up to three zones (two zones shown only)
  - Zone 1: Generator and trafo back up
  - Zone 2: External faults back up



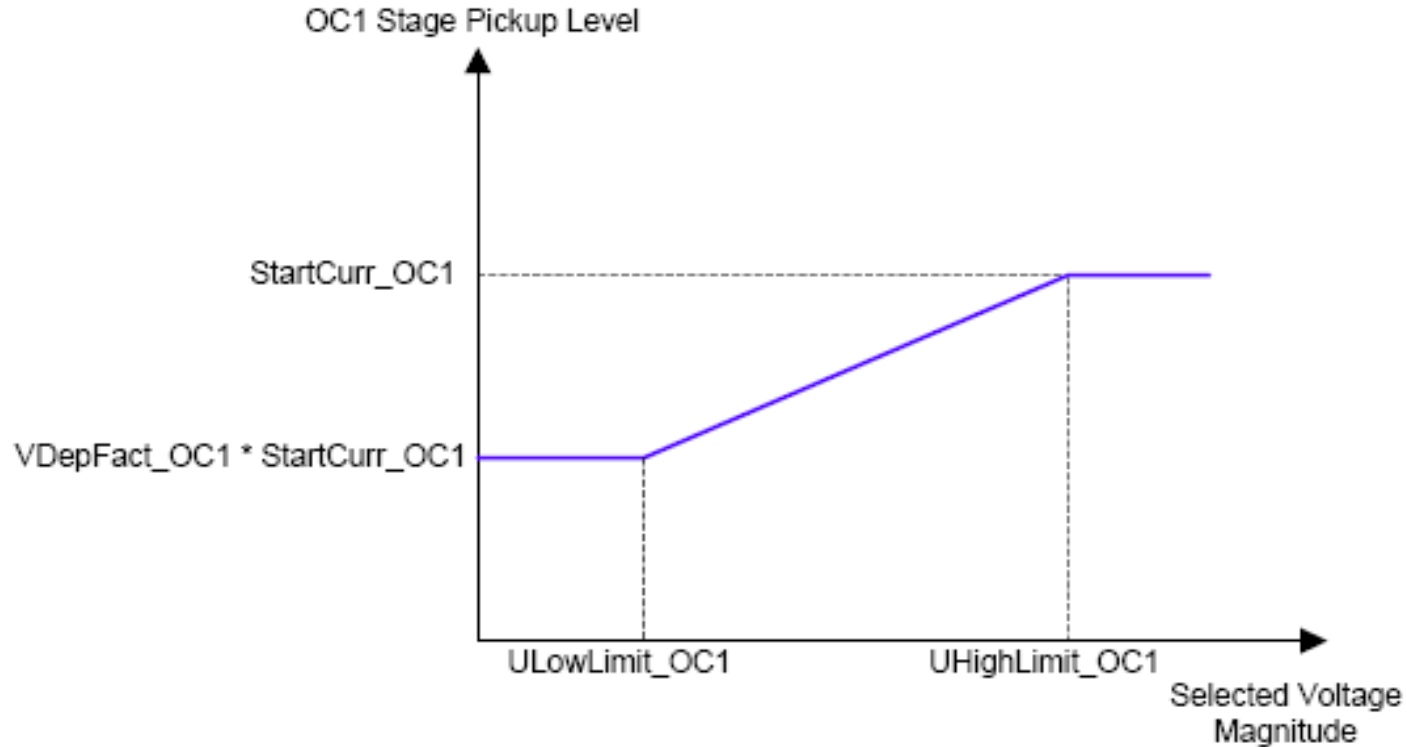
# Phase overcurrent protection

- Backup protection for internal short circuits in the generator or the unit transformer
- Backup or main protection for fault at the busbar where the plant is connected to the power system
- Backup protection for line-faults at lines out from the power plant

# Generator short circuit current

- The fault current from the generator change during fault sequence
  - Change of generator reactance  $X_d'' \rightarrow X_d' \rightarrow X_d$
  - Dependent of the excitation system

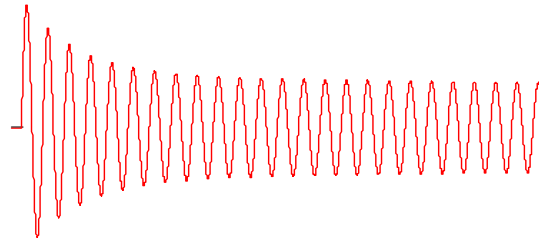
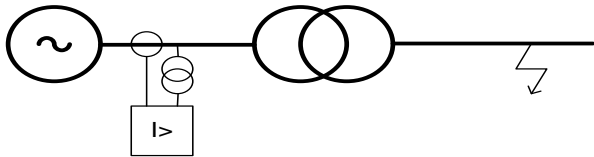
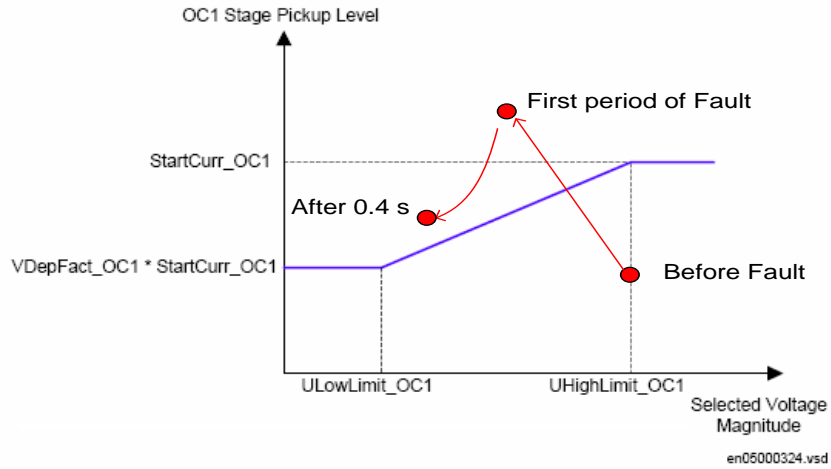
# Voltage dependent phase overcurrent protection



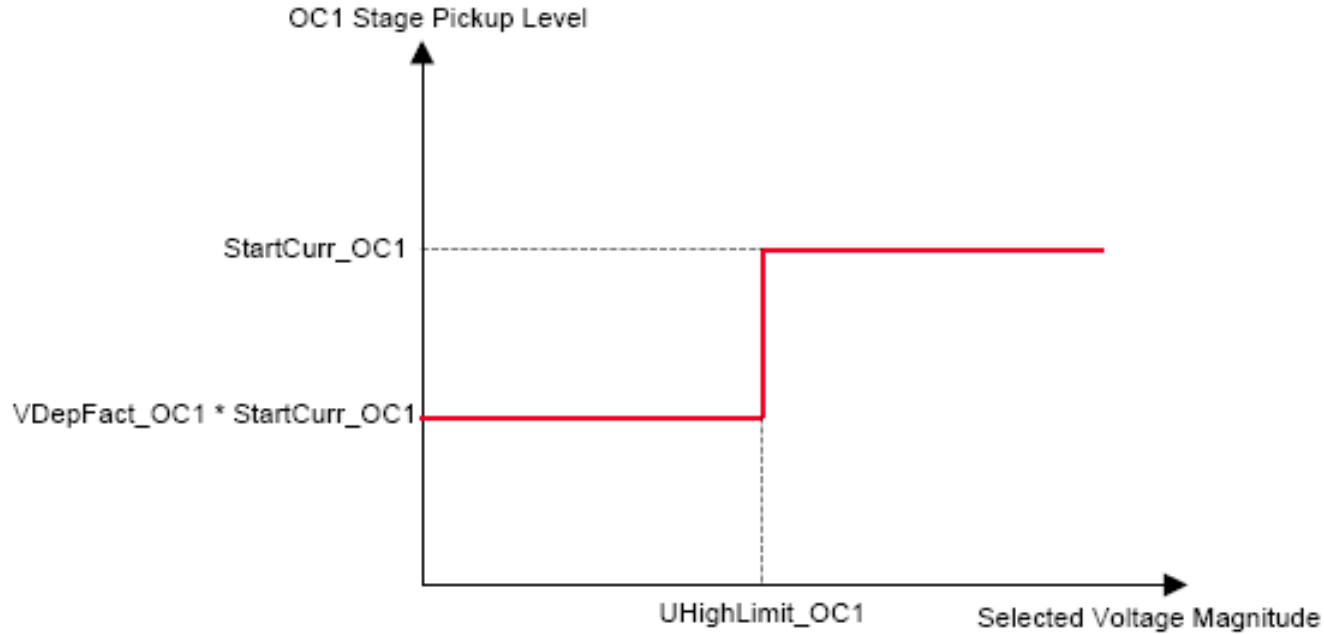
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# External short circuit



# Voltage controlled phase overcurrent protection



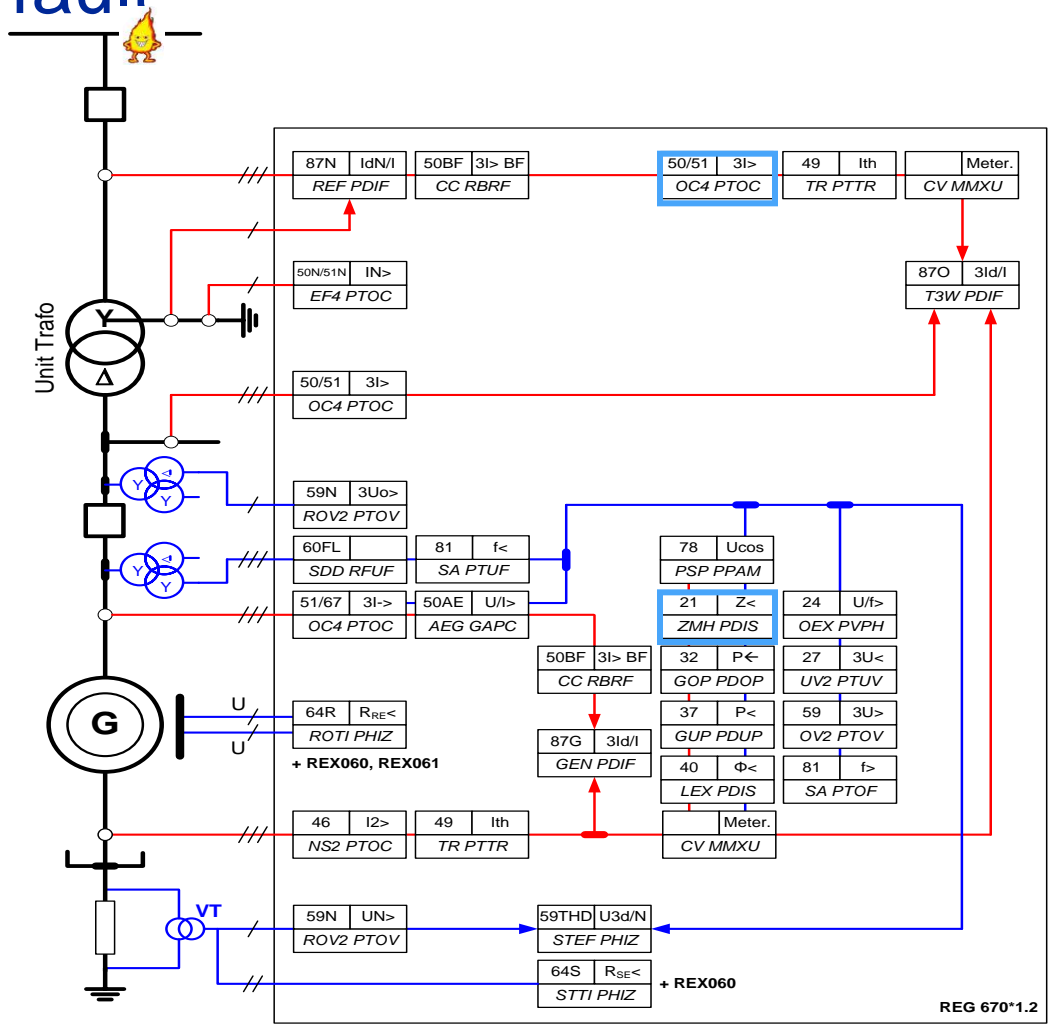
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# External phase-to-phase fault

- Endangering condition
  - Overcurrent
- Protected object
  - External power system parts.
- Consequences
  - Heating
  - Forces
  - Mechanical damages

**Main Protection Function** ▭

**Reserve Protection Function** ▭



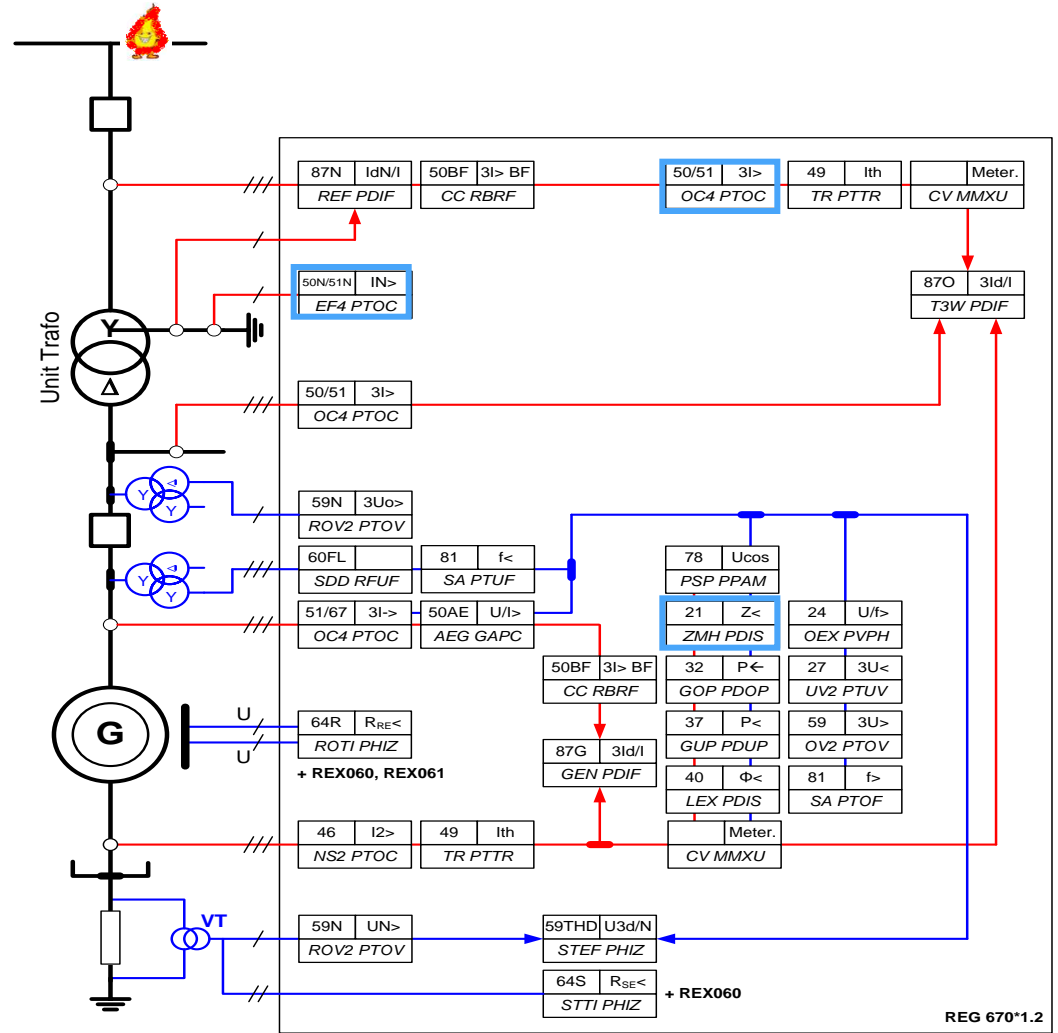
# External earth fault

- Endangering condition
  - Overcurrent
- Protected object
  - External power system parts.
- Consequences
  - Heating
  - Forces
  - Mechanical damages

**Main Protection Function**



**Reserve Protection Function**

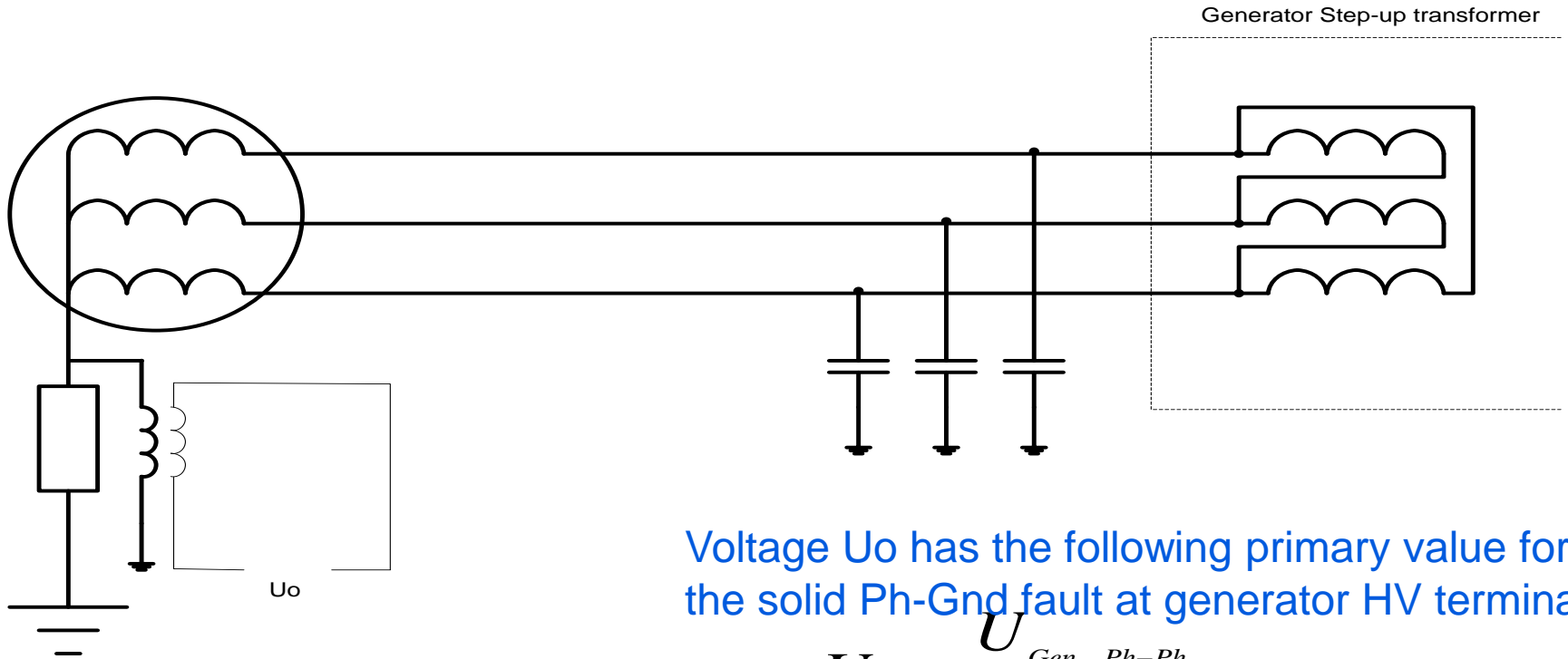


# Stator earth fault

- Damages on the stator iron
- Increased voltage on “healthy phases”
- Small fault currents
- Sensitivity requirements on fault clearance
- The fault resistance is normally low at stator earth fault
- The residual voltage and earth fault current is highly dependent on fault location in the generator

# Voltage based 95 % stator earth fault protection

Neutral point voltage transformer used to measure  $U_0$  voltage

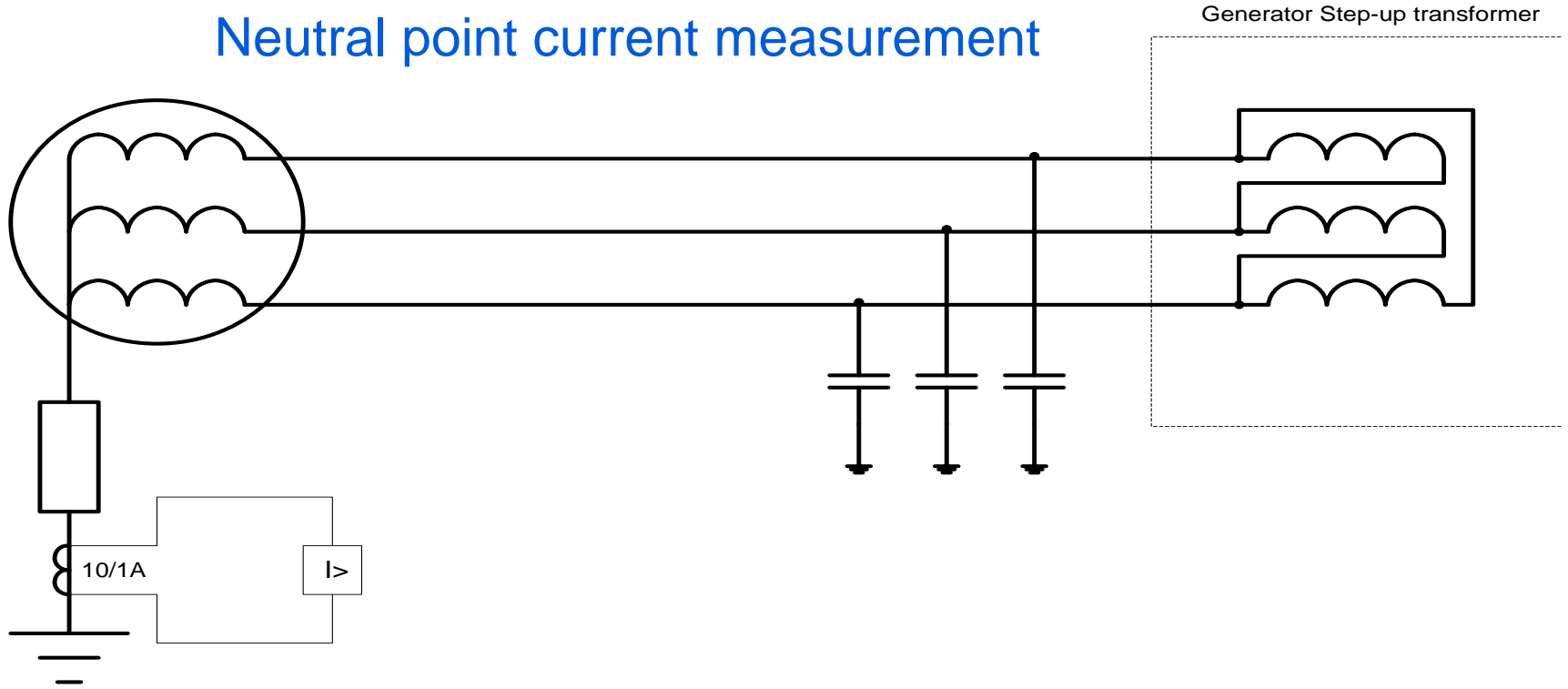


Voltage  $U_0$  has the following primary value for the solid Ph-Gnd fault at generator HV terminals

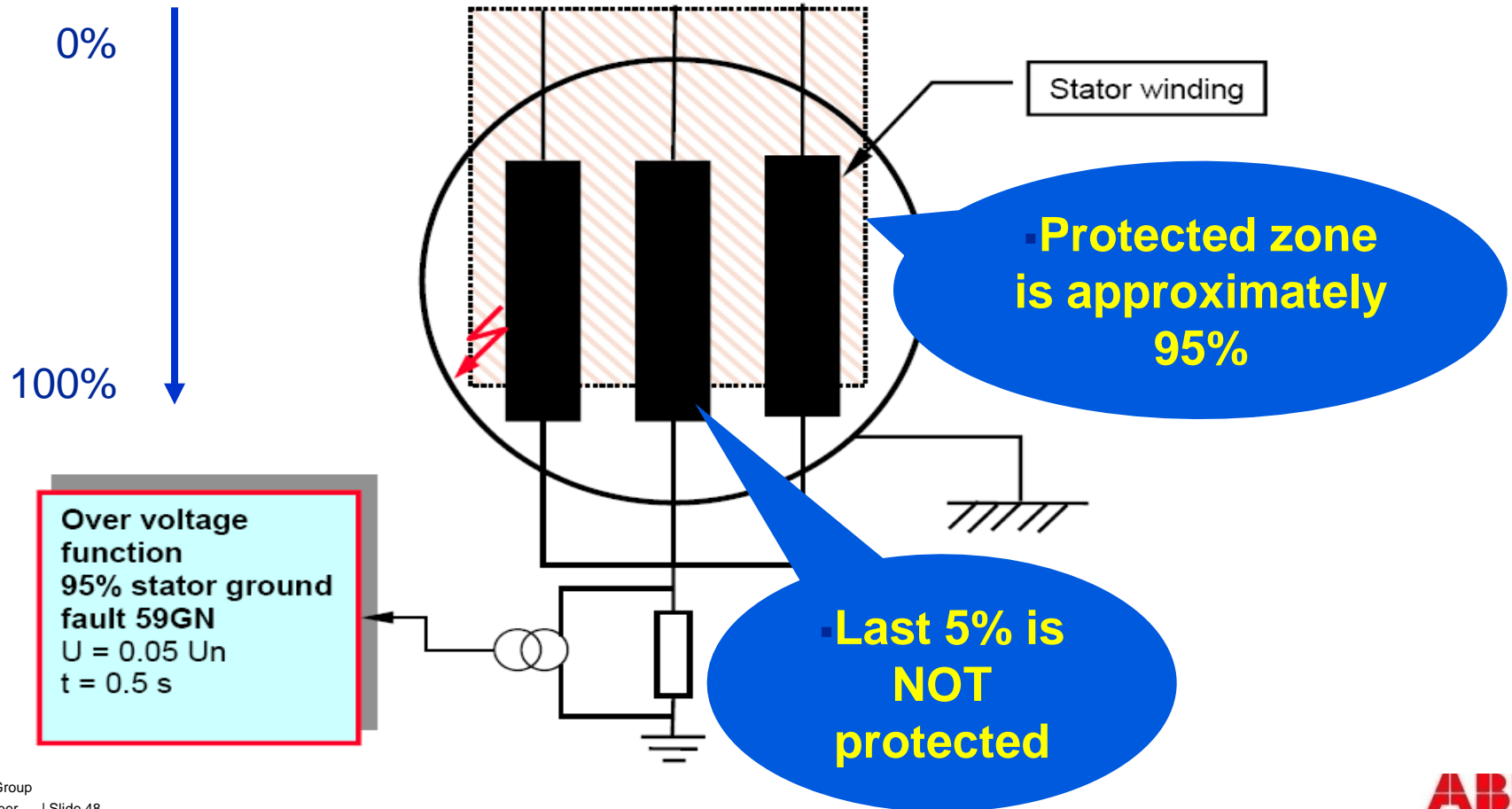
$$U_0 = \frac{U_{Gen\_Ph-Ph}}{\sqrt{3}}$$

# Current based 95 % stator earth fault protection

## Neutral point current measurement



# Why 95 % and 100% stator ground fault protection?

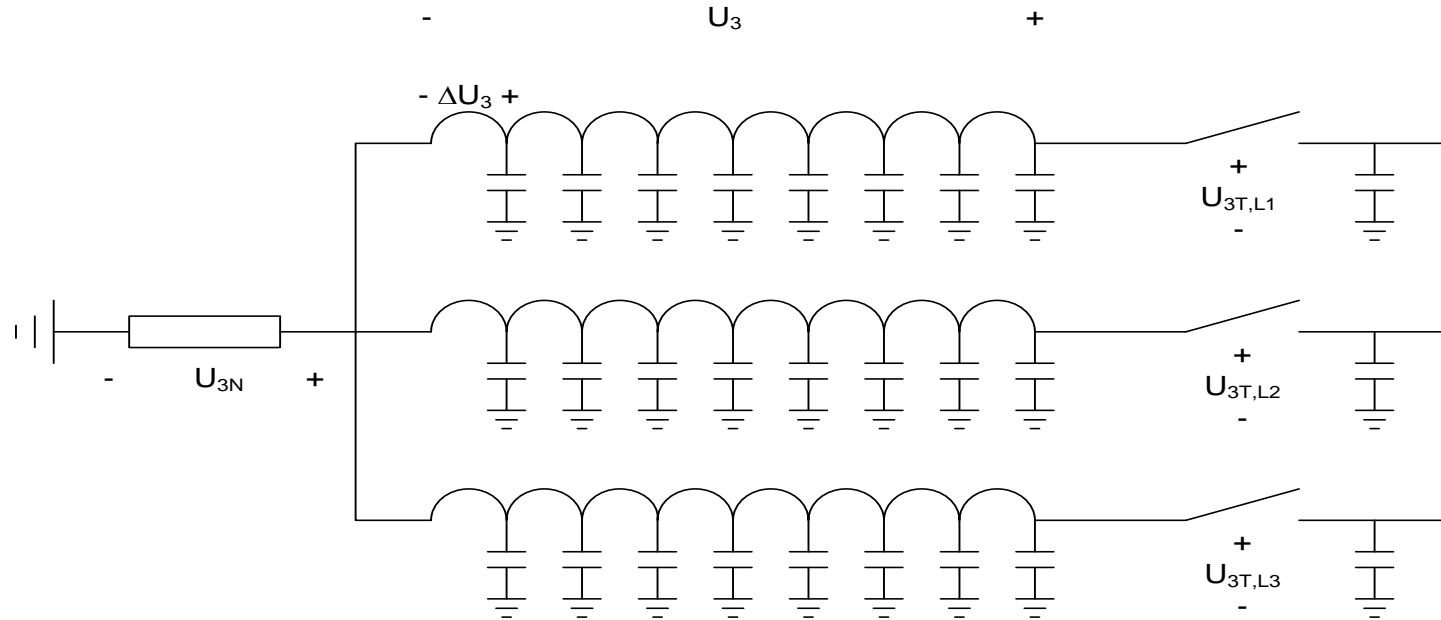




# Possible 100 % stator earth fault protection solutions

- Measurement of the "natural" third harmonic voltage induced in the generator can be used to protect against EF close to the generator neutral point (i.e. 3rd harmonic based principle; 59THD)
- Neutral point voltage injection where the injected voltage has non-harmonic frequency (i.e. injection principle; 64S)

# 3rd harmonic voltages

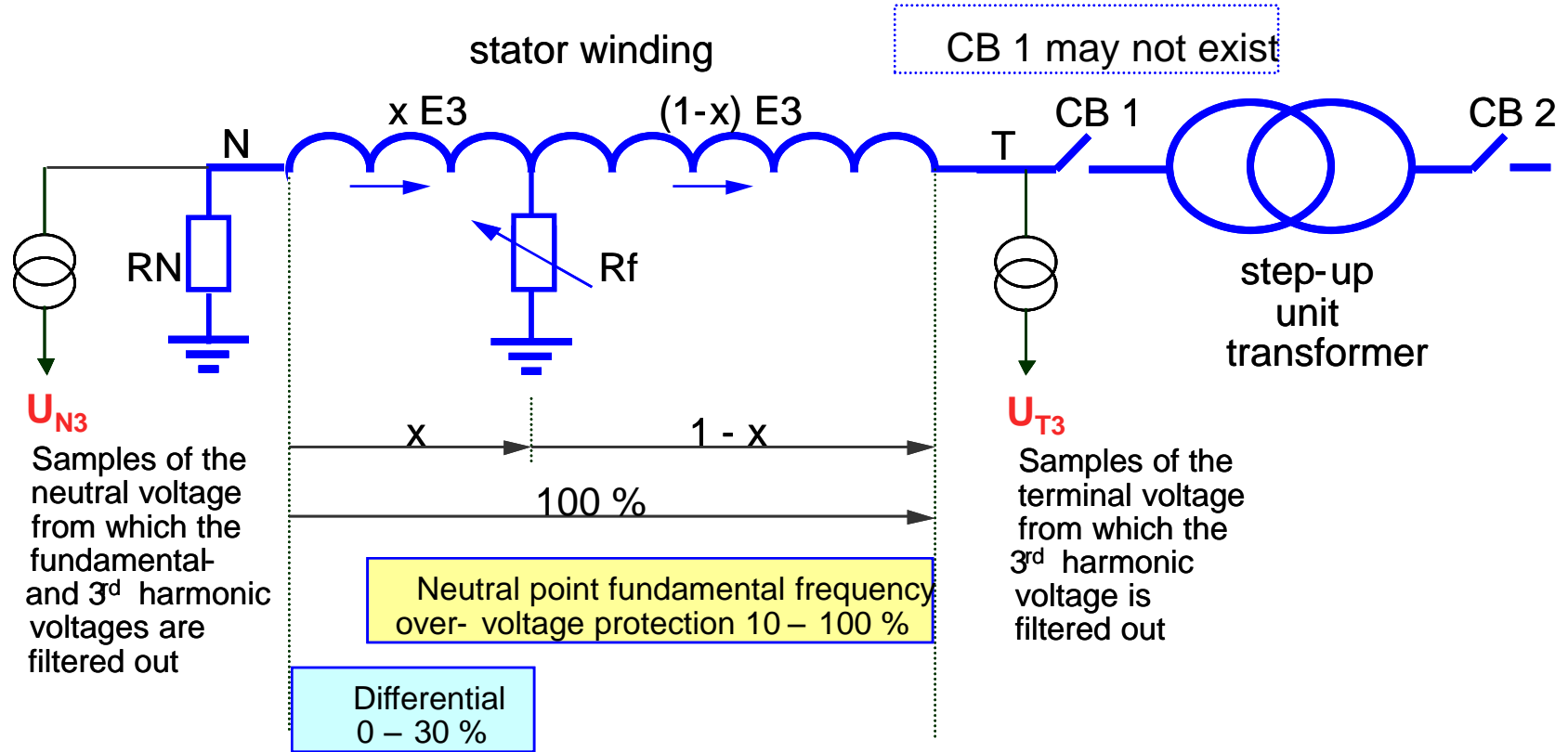


# 3rd harmonic 100% stator ground fault

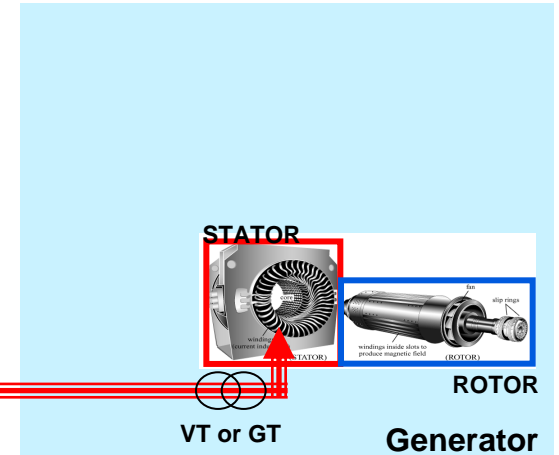
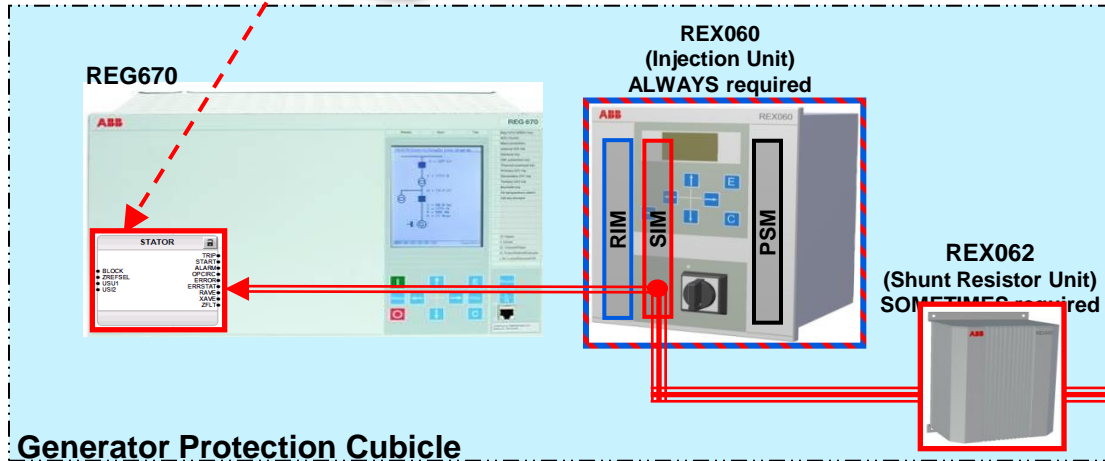
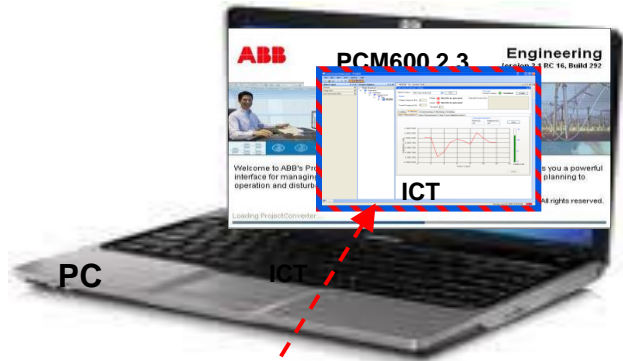
- Simplest approach :
  - 3rd harmonic under-voltage in the neutral (i.e.  $U_{3N}<$ )
  - 3rd harmonic over-voltage at generator terminals (i.e.  $U_{3T}>$ )
  - Possible problems:
    - Generator start-up
    - Generator shut-down
    - Different generator loading
- 3<sup>rd</sup> harmonic differential principle

$$|U_{N3} + U_{T3}| \geq \textit{Beta} \cdot |U_{N3}|$$

# 3rd harmonic based 100% stator earth-fault



# Stator injection

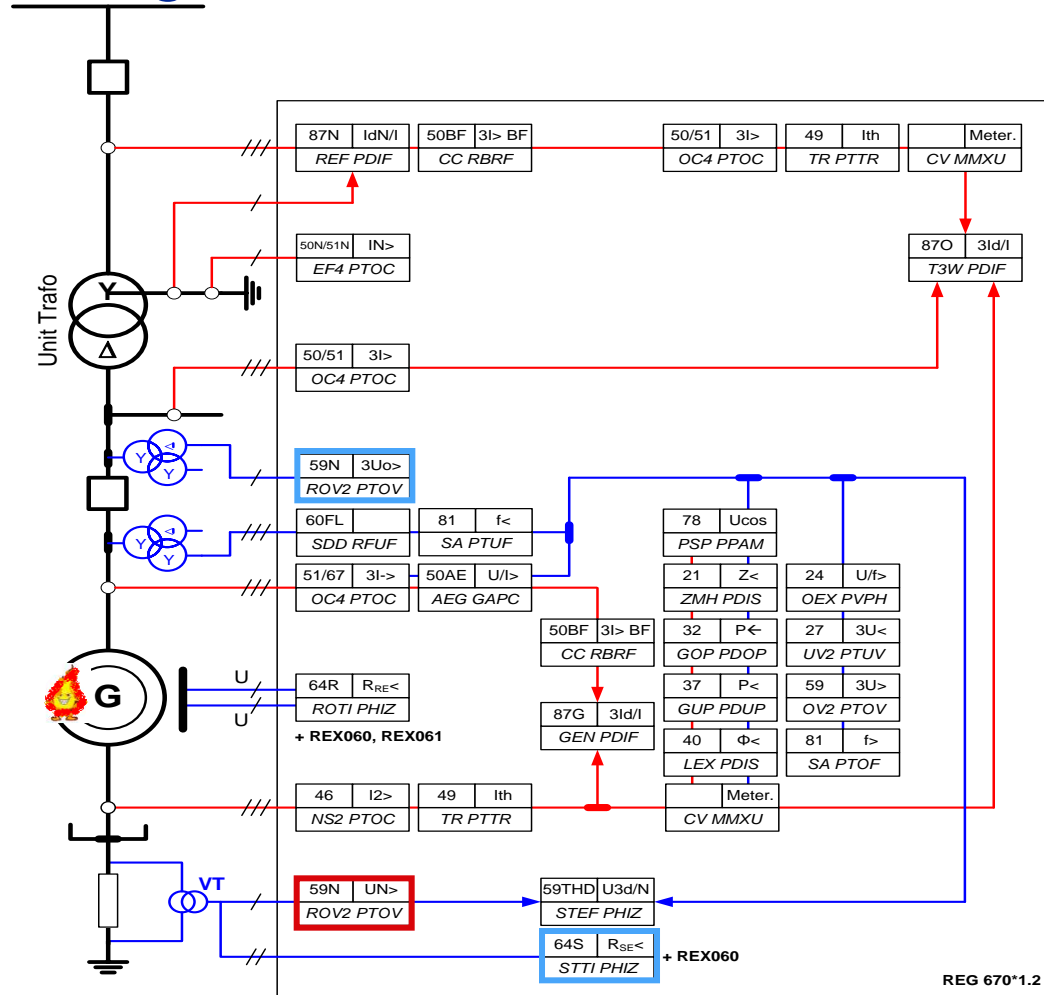
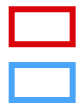


# Earth fault in the stator winding

- Endangering condition
  - Oversvoltage in two healthy phases
  - Voltage in the star point
  - Relatively small earth fault current
- Protected object
  - Stator winding
- Consequences
  - Damage to the stator core
  - Risk of second earth fault

**Main Protection Function**

**Reserve Protection Function**



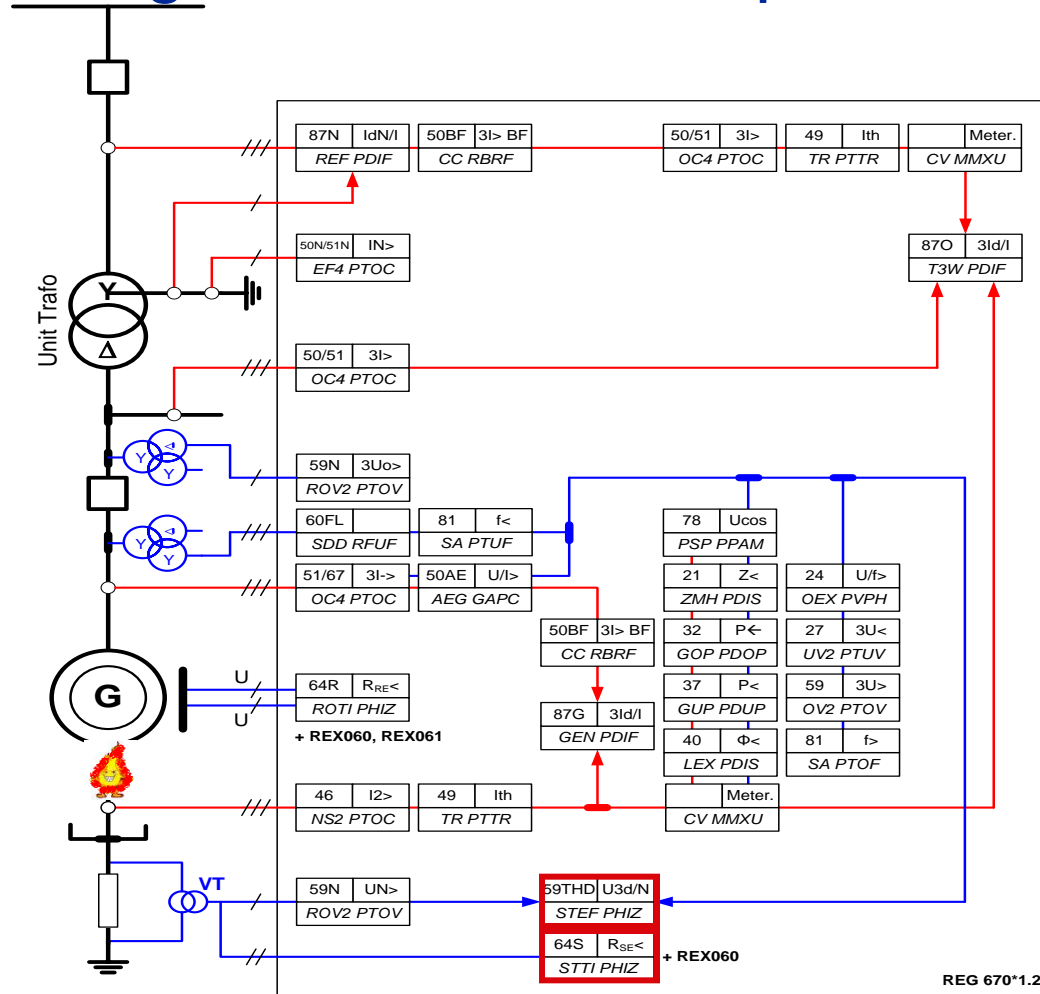
# Earth fault in the stator winding close to the star point

- Endangering condition
  - None
- Protected object
  - Stator star point
- Consequences
  - Damage to the stator core
  - Risk of second earth fault

Main Protection Function



Reserve Protection Function



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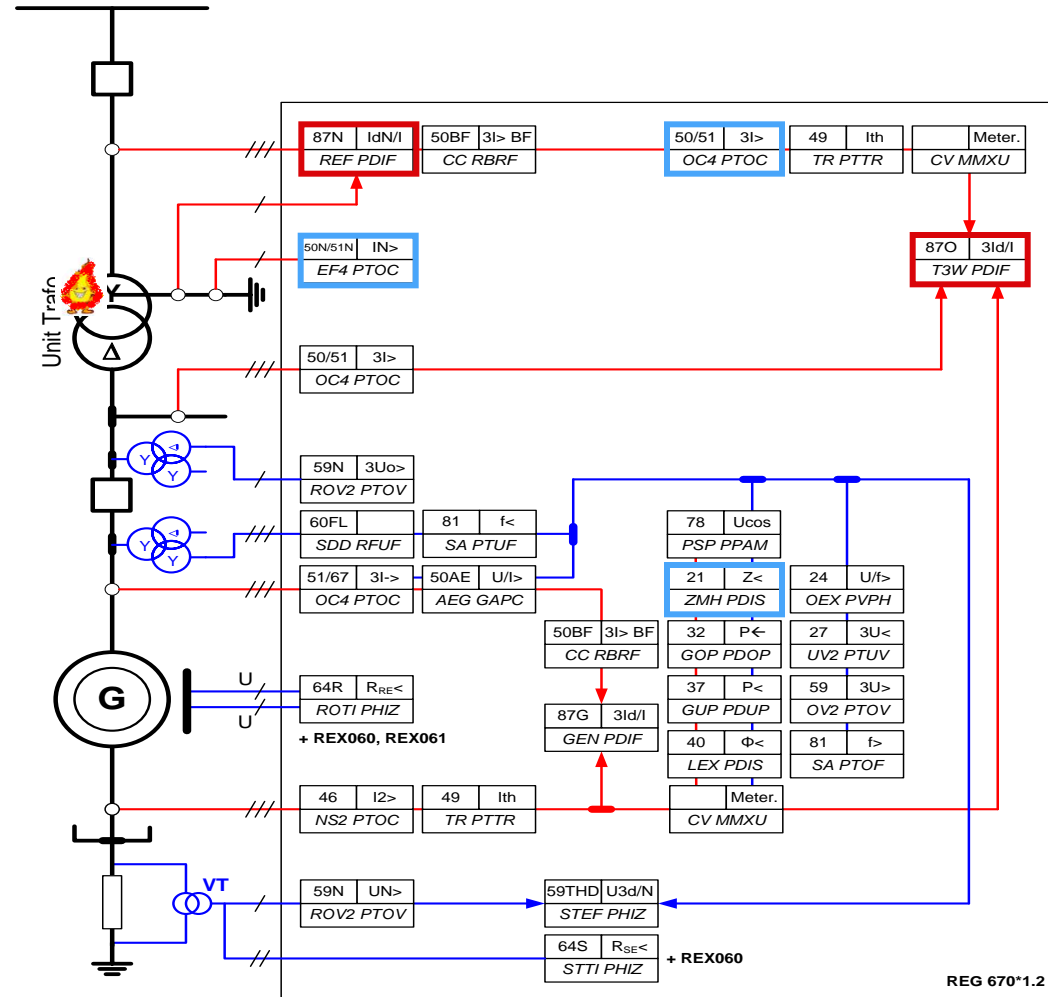
# Earth fault in transformer HV winding

- Endangering condition
  - Overcurrent
- Protected object
  - Transformer windings
- Consequences
  - Heating
  - Forces
  - Smelted trafo core

Main Protection Function



Reserve Protection Function



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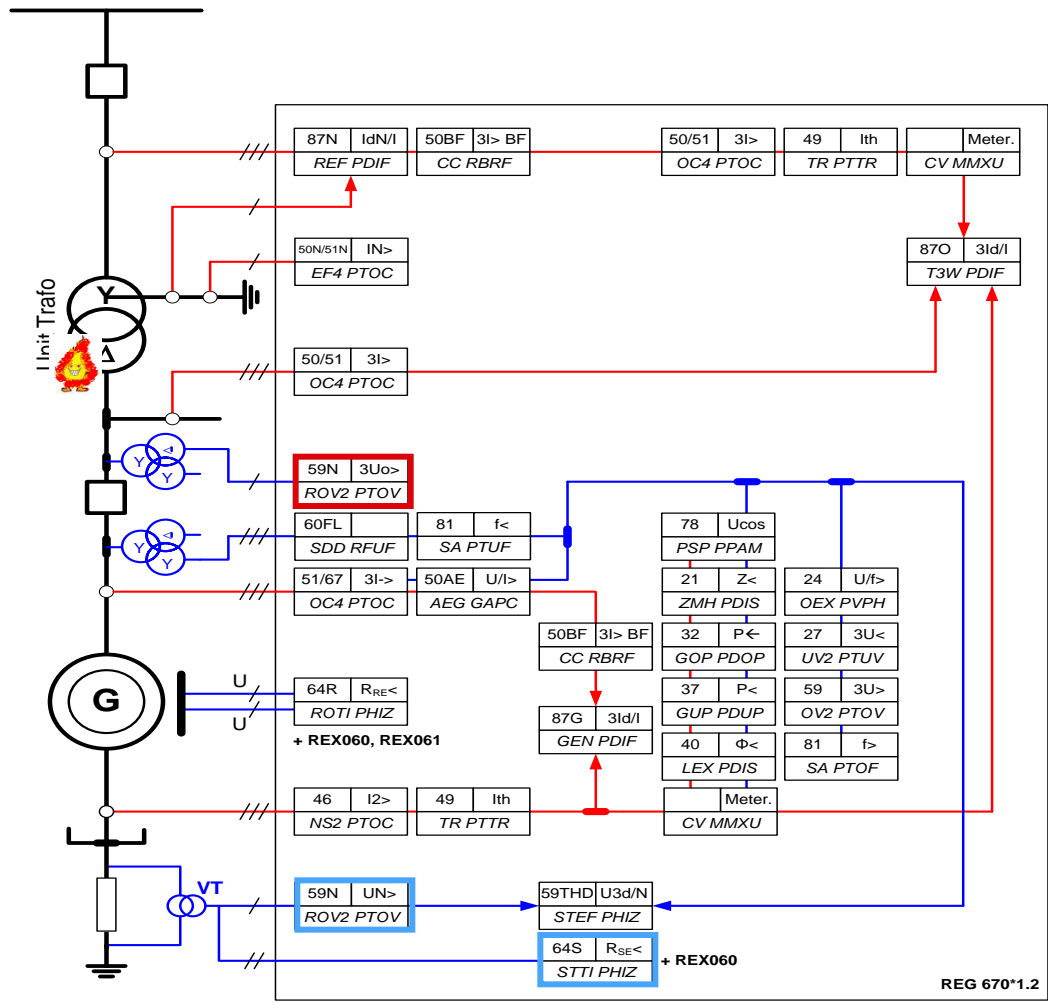
# Earth fault in transformer LV winding

- Endangering condition
  - Overvoltage in two healthy phases
  - Voltage in the star point
  - Relatively small earth fault current
- Protected object
  - Transformer winding
- Consequences
  - Small possibility to damage trafo core
  - Risk of second earth fault

**Main Protection Function**



**Reserve Protection Function**

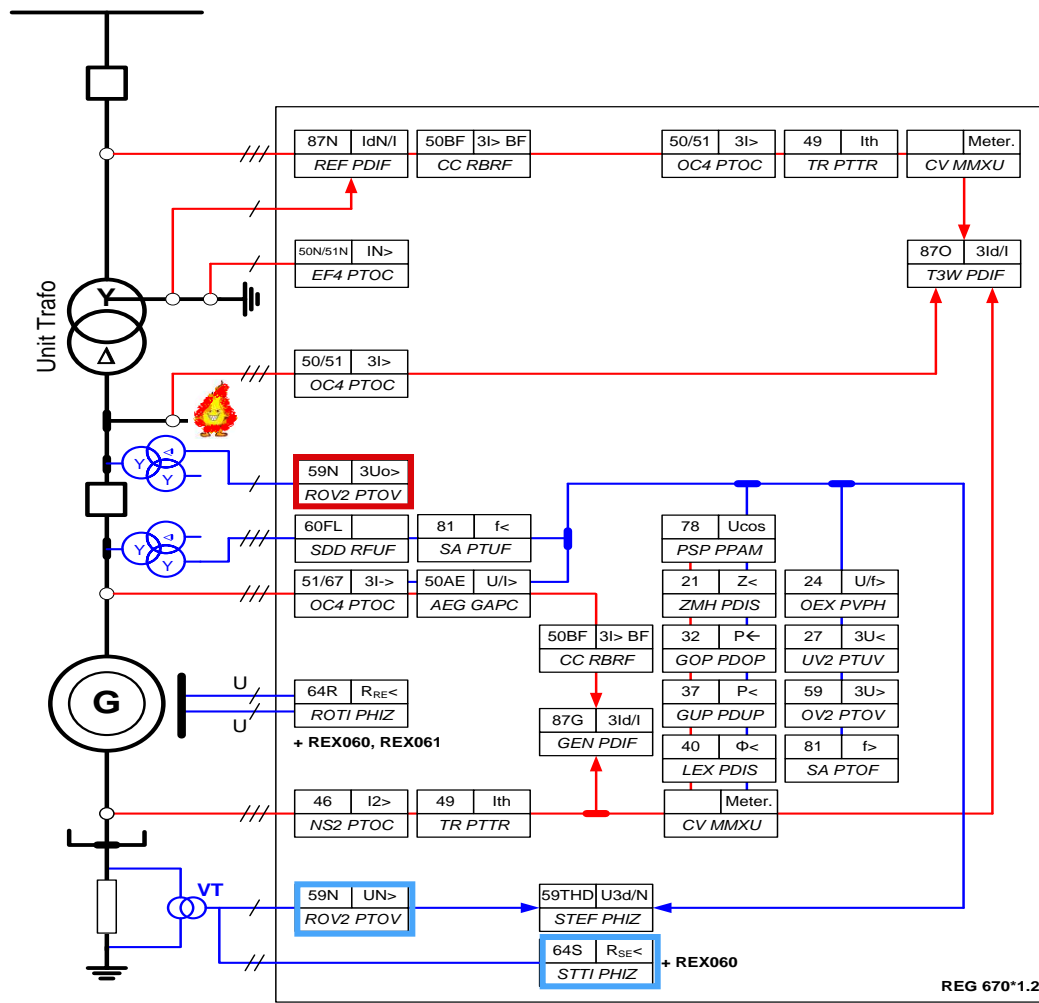
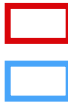


# Earth fault at the generator buswork 2

- Endangering condition
  - Overvoltage in two healthy phases
  - Voltage in the star point
  - Relatively small earth fault current
- Protected object
  - Buswork, other equipment
- Consequences
  - Risk of second earth fault

**Main Protection Function**

**Reserve Protection Function**

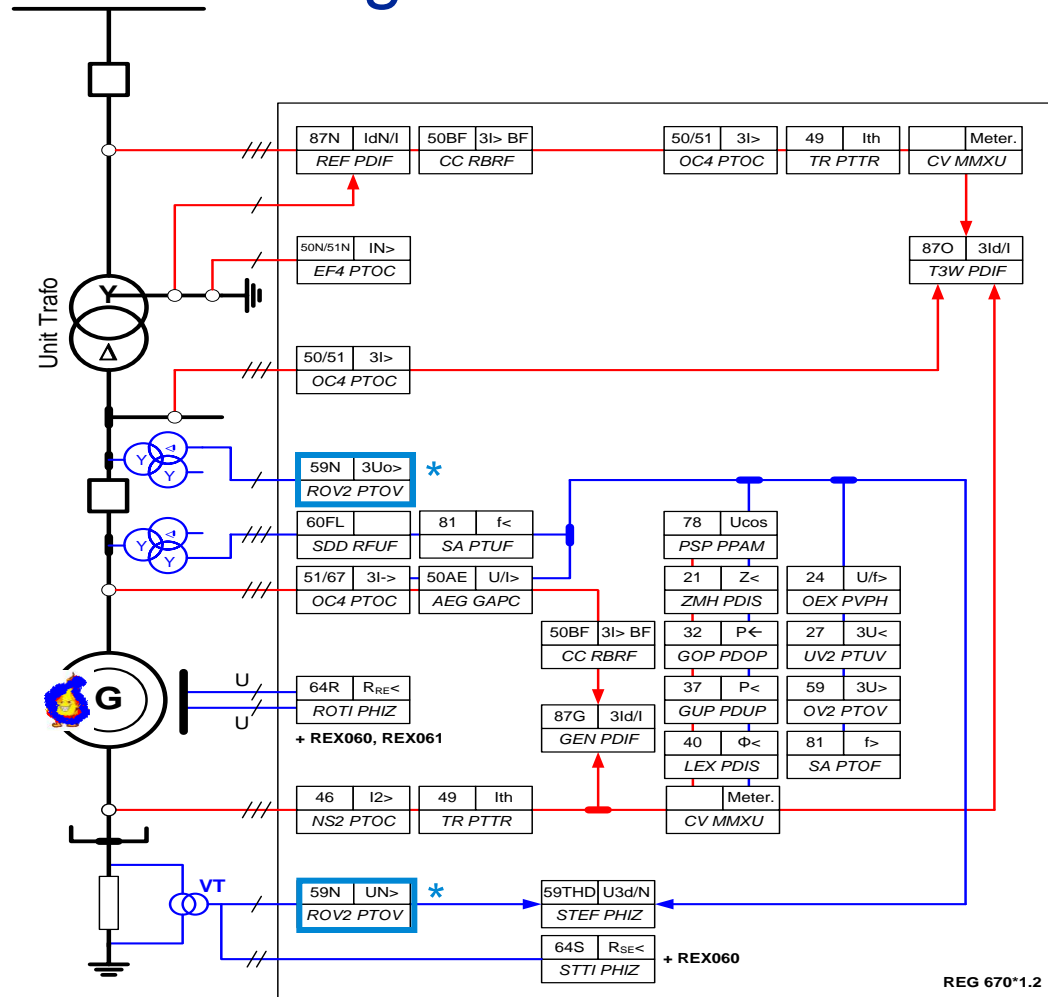


# Turn to turn fault in the stator winding

- Endangering condition
  - Circulating currents
  - Asymmetrical phase currents
- Protected object
  - Stator winding
- Consequences
  - Damage to the stator core
  - Risk of evolving into earth fault

\* 59N will detect this fault when develops into an earth fault

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 Reserve Protection Function ▭



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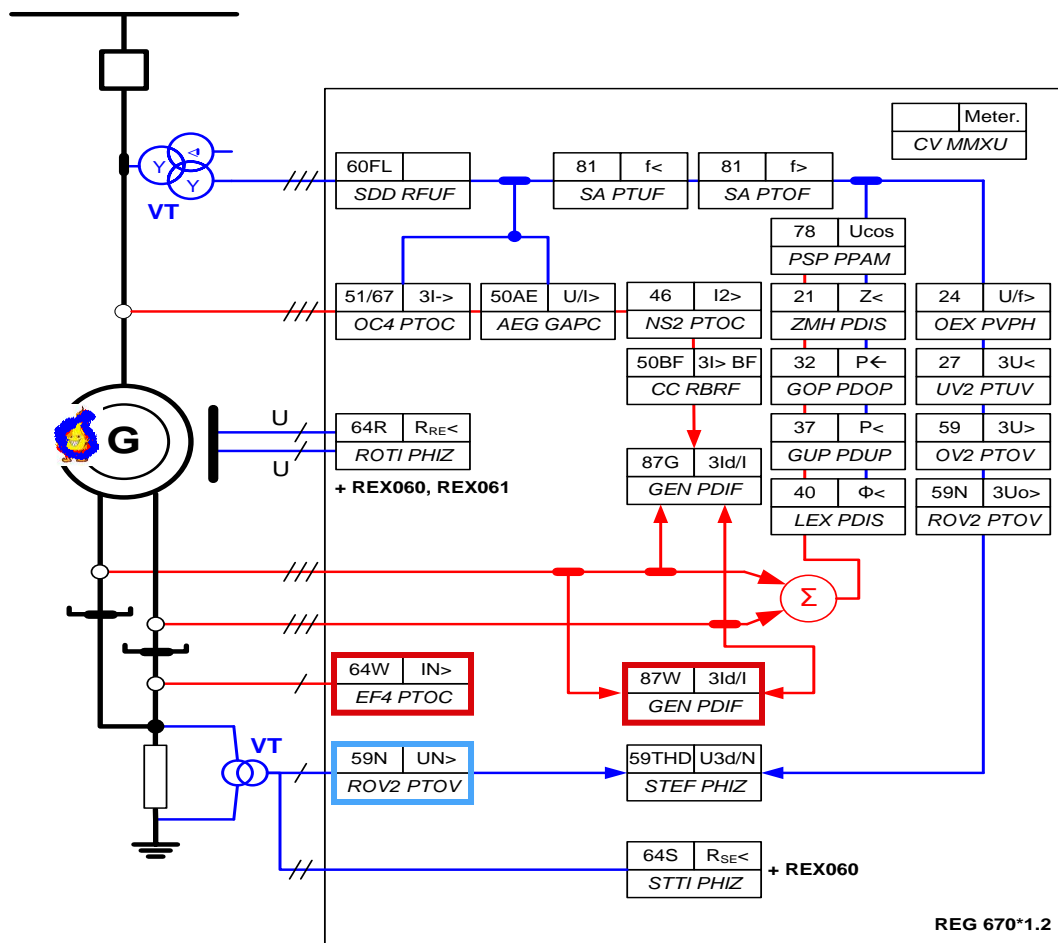


# Turn to turn fault in the stator winding

- Generator with split stator phase winding can have dedicated turn-to-turn fault protection as shown in the figure

**Main Protection Function**

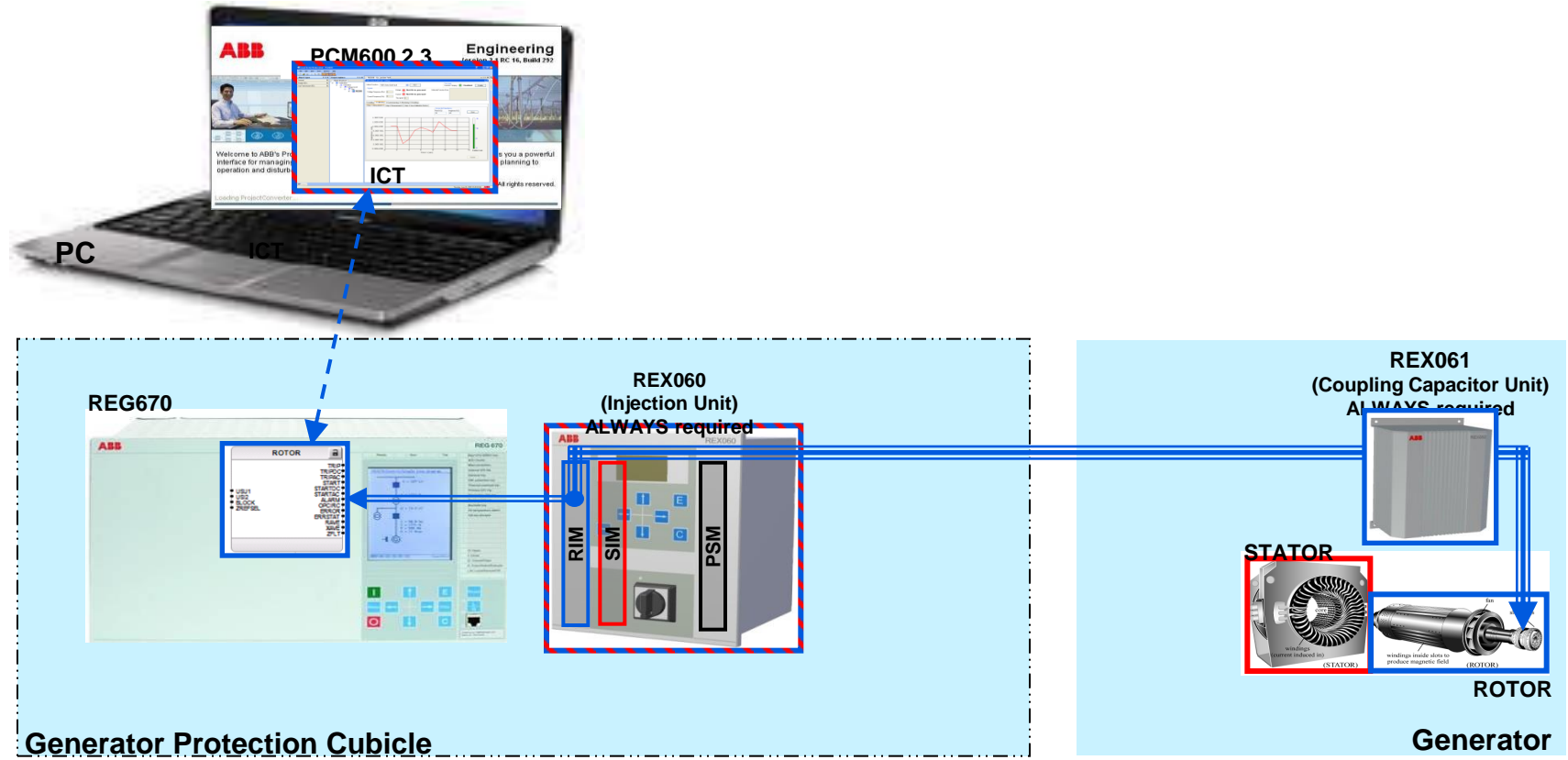
**Reserve Protection Function**



# Rotor earth fault

- The field circuit of the generator is normally isolated from earth
- With a single earth fault in the rotor circuit it is possible to have continuous operation without generator damages
- There is however a risk of a second rotor earth fault. In such a case there will be large current and risk of severe damages.
- The requirement of fast fault clearance is moderate

# Rotor injection



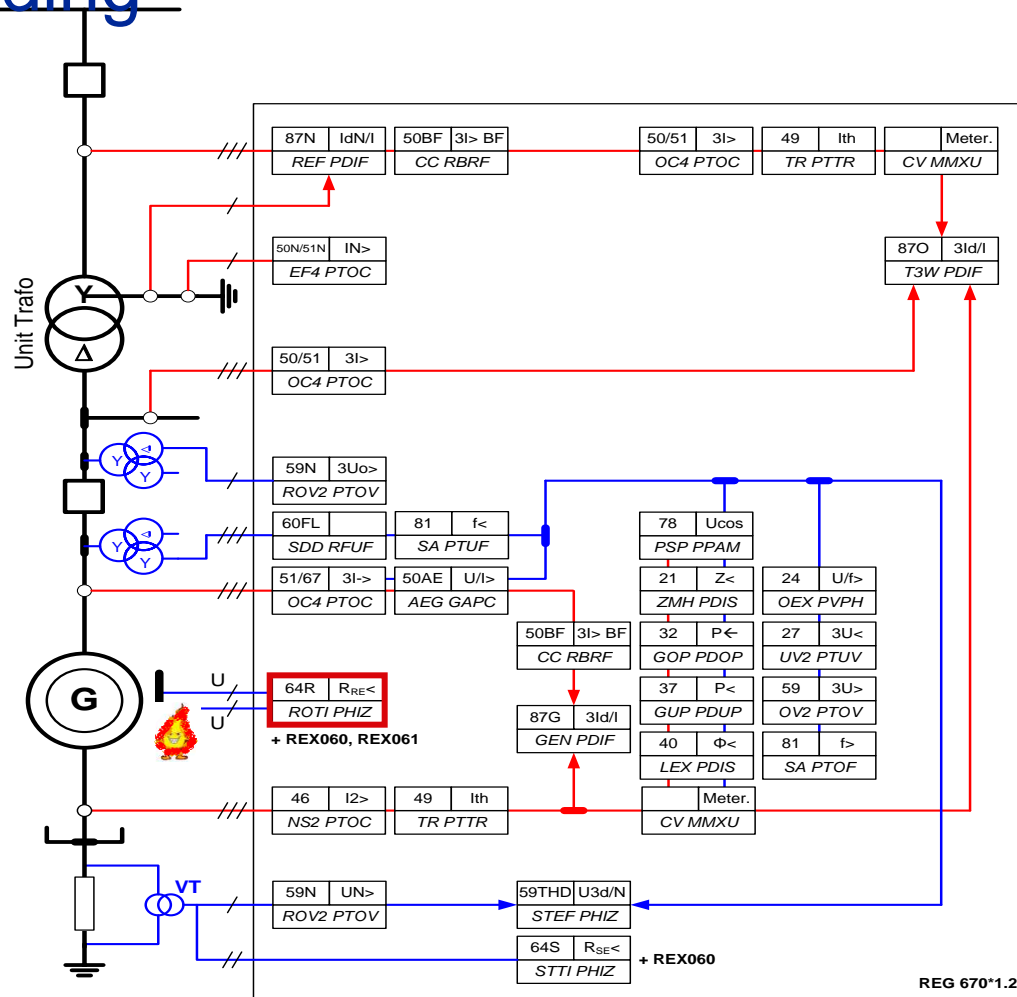
# Earth fault in the rotor winding

- Endangering condition
  - None
- Protected object
  - Rotor winding
- Consequences
  - Risk of evolving into double earth fault

Main Protection Function



Reserve Protection Function



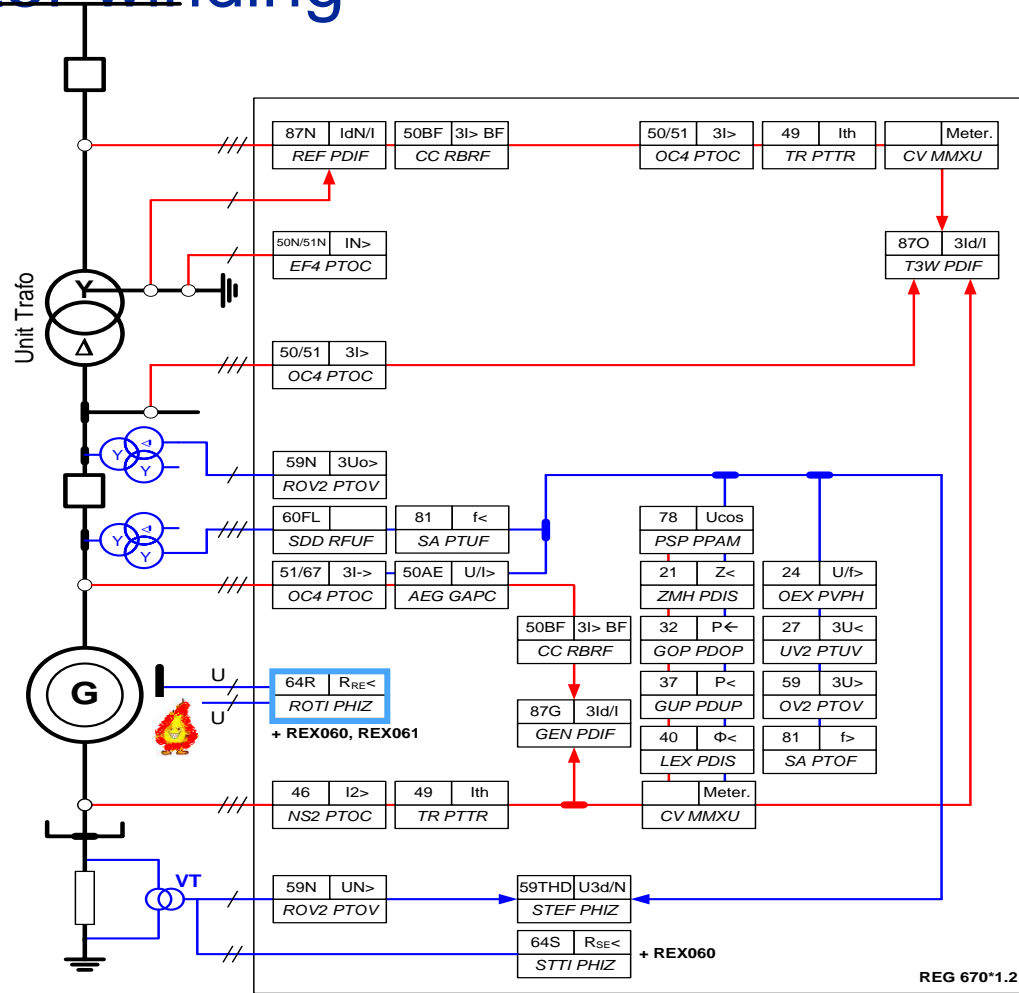
# Turn to turn fault in the rotor winding

- Endangering condition
  - None
- Protected object
  - Rotor winding
- Consequences
  - Damage to the rotor core
  - Risk of evolving into earth fault

\* **64R will detect this fault when develops into an earth fault**

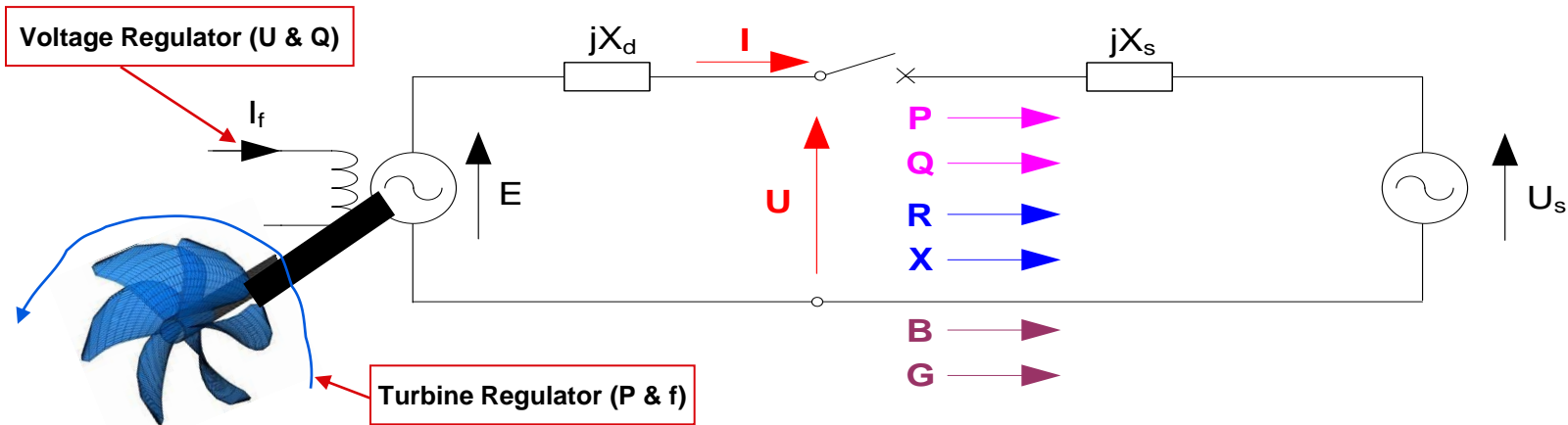
Main Protection Function

Reserve Protection Function





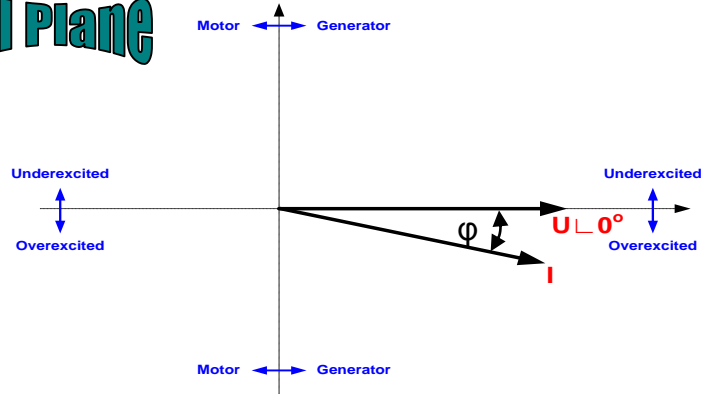
# Performance of synchronous machine



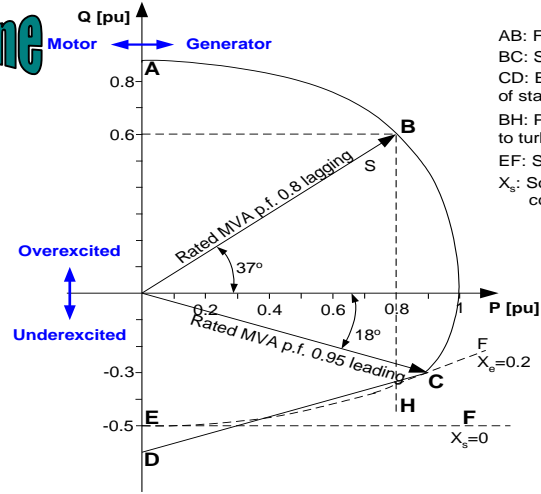
- Synchronous machine operating in a parallel with a large power system can:
  - supply active power to the system (operates as generator)
  - receive active power from the system (operates as motor)
  - supply reactive power to the system (overexcited machine; operates as shunt capacitor)
  - receive reactive power from the system (underexcited machine; operates as shunt reactor)
  - Note: machine shall have fixed rotating speed at all times

# Different protection operating planes

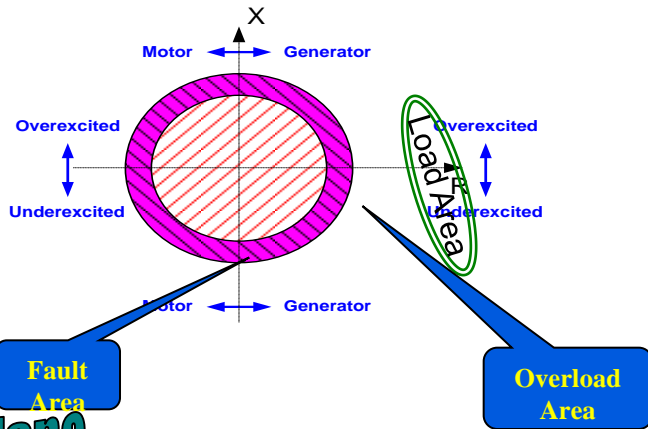
## U-I Plane



## P-Q Plane



- AB: Field current limit
- BC: Stator current limit
- CD: End region heating limit of stator, due to leakage flux
- BH: Possible active power limit due to turbine output power limitation
- EF: Steady-state limit without AVR
- $X_s$ : Source impedance of connected power system



## R-X Plane

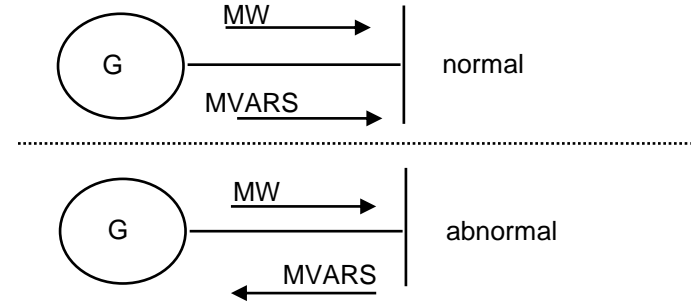
# Loss of/under excitation 40

## Causes

- open field circuit
- field short circuit
- accidental tripping of the field breaker
- AVR failure
- loss of field at the main exciter

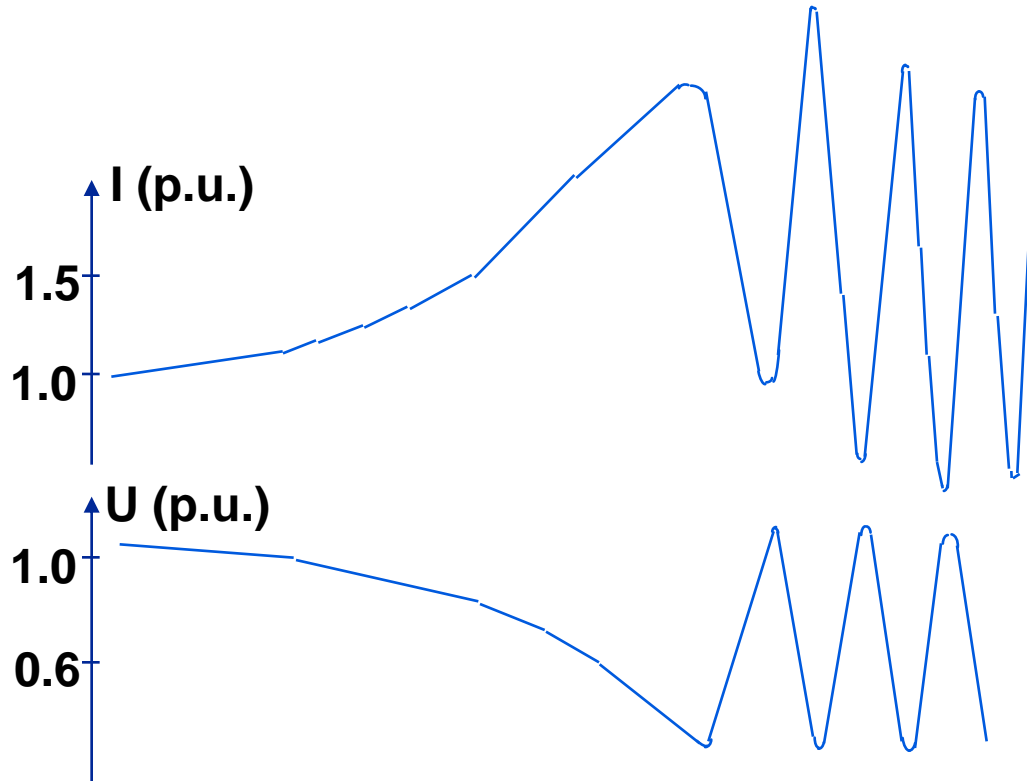
## Consequence

- Machine speed higher than synchronous speed
- Asynchronous running of a synchronous machine **without excitation**
- Stator end-core heating
- Induced rotor currents



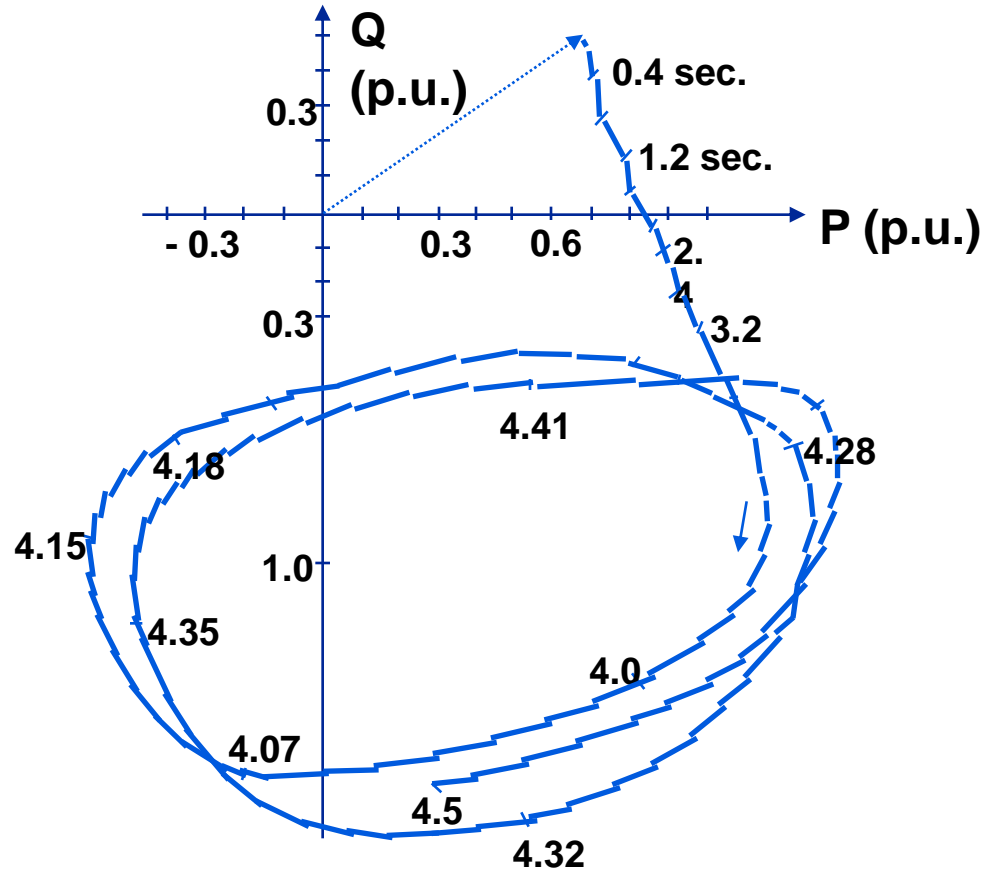
# Loss of/under excitation 40

## RMS values of U & I during loss of field



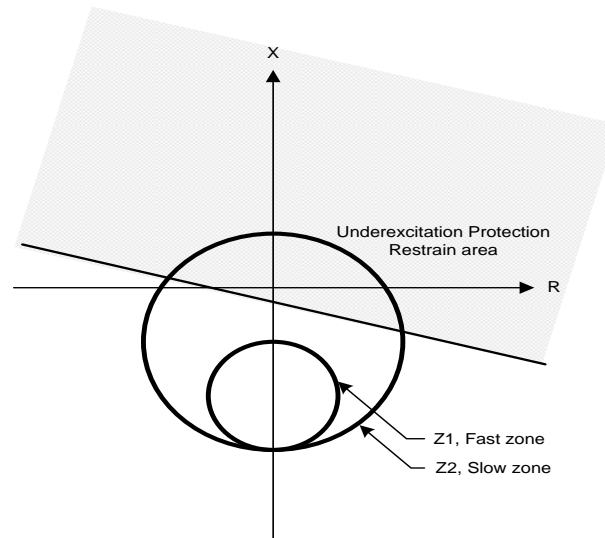
# Loss of/under excitation 40

## Generator apparent power S during loss of excitation



# Loss of/under excitation 40

- Loss of/under excitation is based on under-impedance measurement (offset Mho)
- Main features:
  - Two zones Z1 and Z2, with independent block and trip
  - Directional element for additional zone restriction



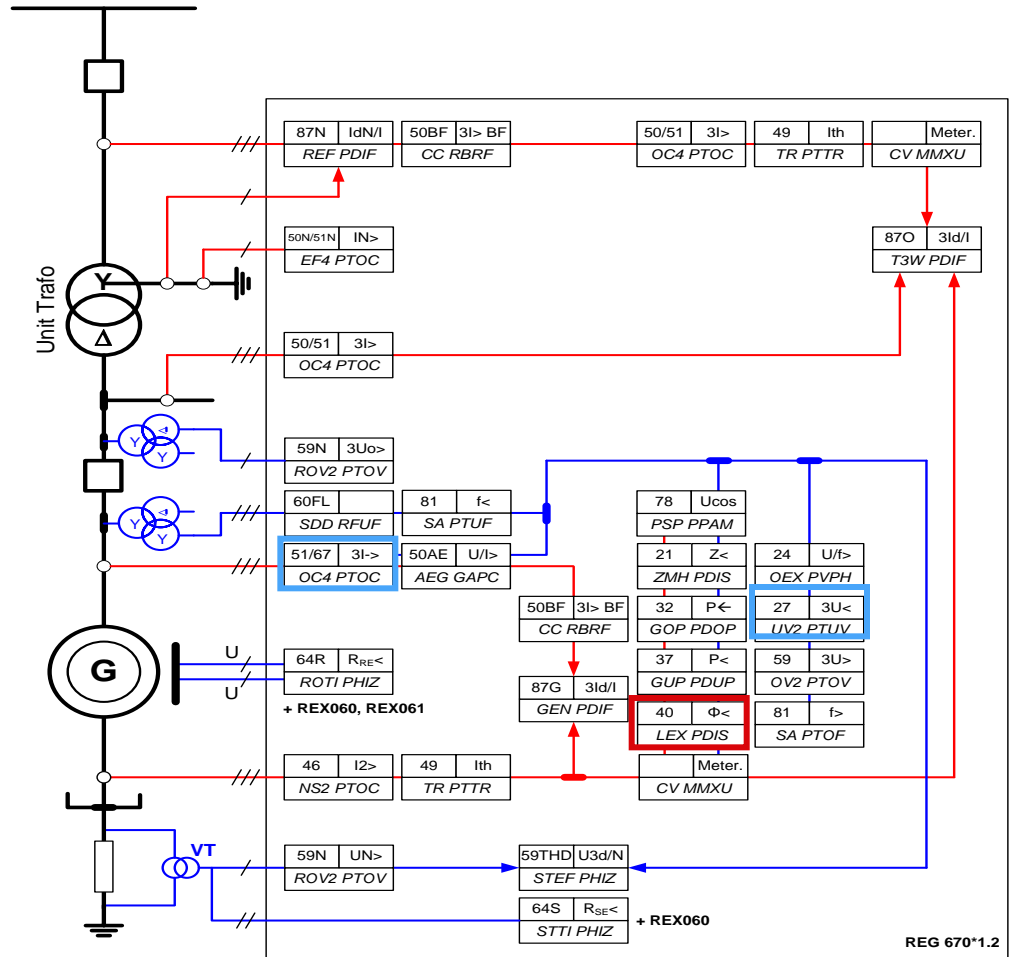
# Loss of/Under excitation 40

- Endangering condition
  - Stator reactive current component
- Protected object
  - Rotor and stator winding
- Consequences
  - Thermal damage of rotor and stator end regions
  - Asynchronous machine operation
  - Voltage and current variations

**Main Protection Function**



**Reserve Protection Function**



# Generator motoring protection 32/37



- Generator shall produce active power (i.e.  $P > 0$ )
- When it starts to receive the active power it acts as a motor (i.e.  $P < 0$ )
- Not dangerous operating condition for machine but it may be dangerous for the turbine



# Generator motoring protection 32/37

- Causes

- loss of prime-mover
- low water flow (hydro)
- load variations / problems



- Effects

- steam units → overheating of turbine and turbine blades
- hydro units → cavitation of the blades

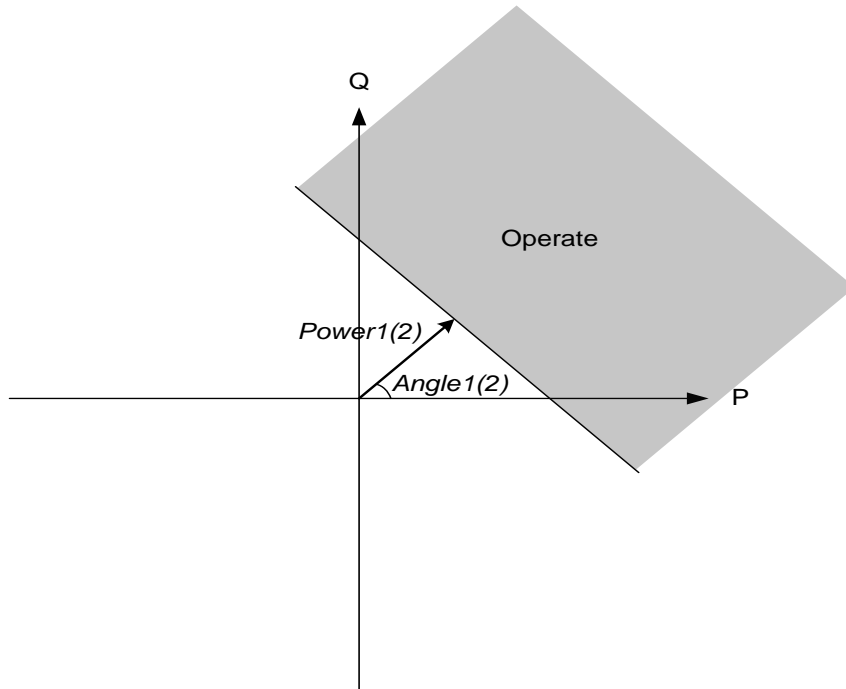
- Demands

- accurate active power measurement (i.e.  $P \sim 0$  &  $Q = 30-60\%$ )

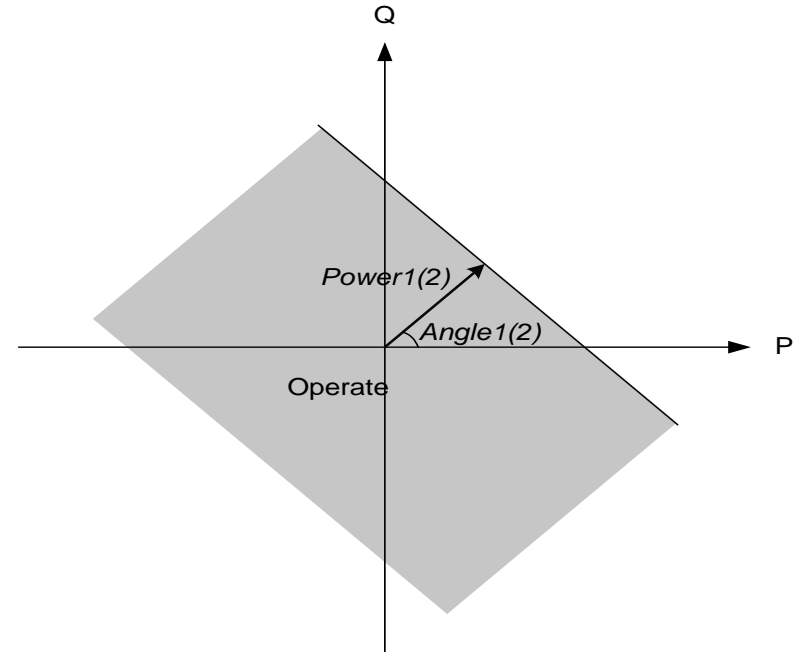
# Directional power protection 32/37

- Reverse power, low forward, active and reactive power

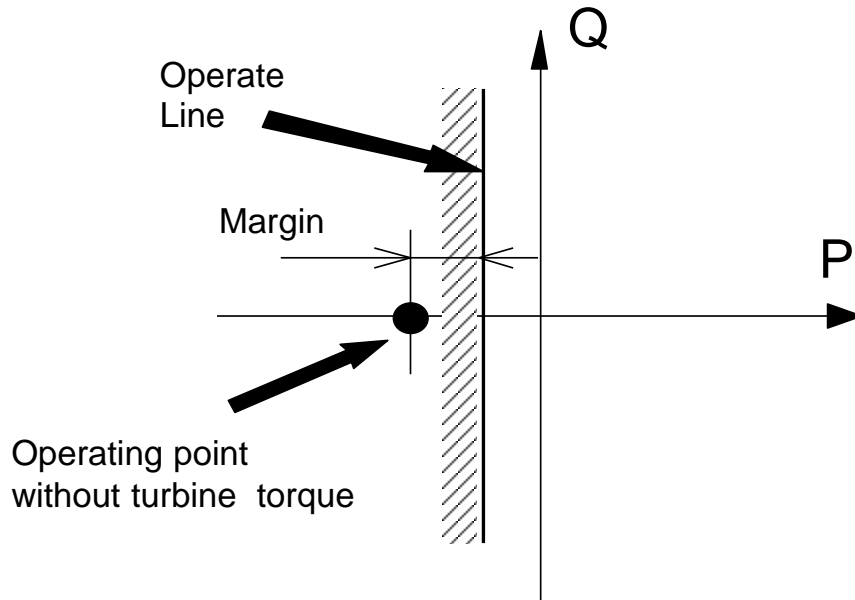
Overpower (e.g. 32)



Underpower (e.g. 37)

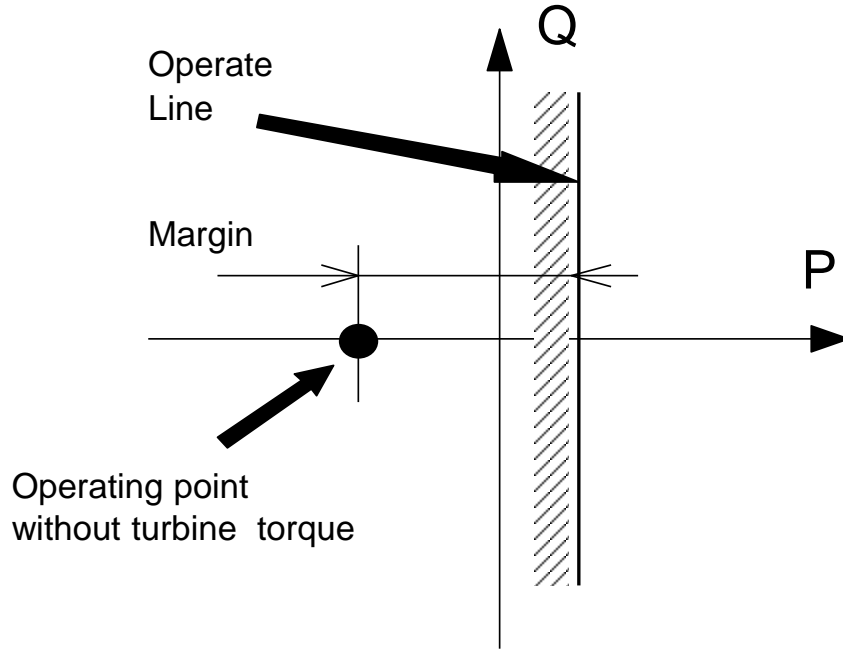


# Reverse power protection



- Set desired pickup (0,5 to 3%)
- Set time delay 5-30 s
- Sequential tripping logic

# Low forward power protection



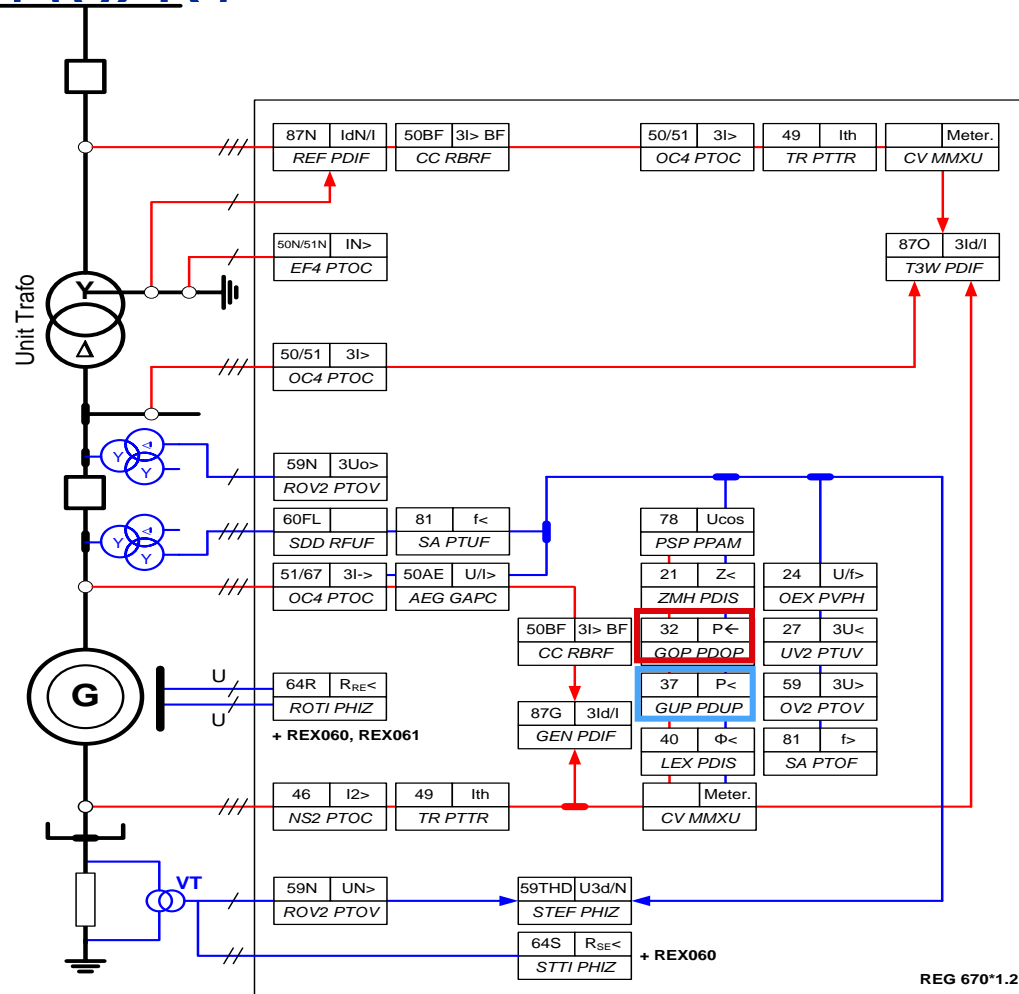
- Set desired pickup (1 to 10%)
- Set time delay 5-30 s
- Sequential tripping logic
- Blocked by external signal when generator is not loaded

# Reverse Power Protection (32R)

- Endangering condition
  - Motor operation
- Protected object
  - Turbine
- Consequences
  - Excessive heating of turbine blades (steam units)
  - Mechanical damages to thrust bearing (Francis turbines)
  - Explosion risk for diesel units

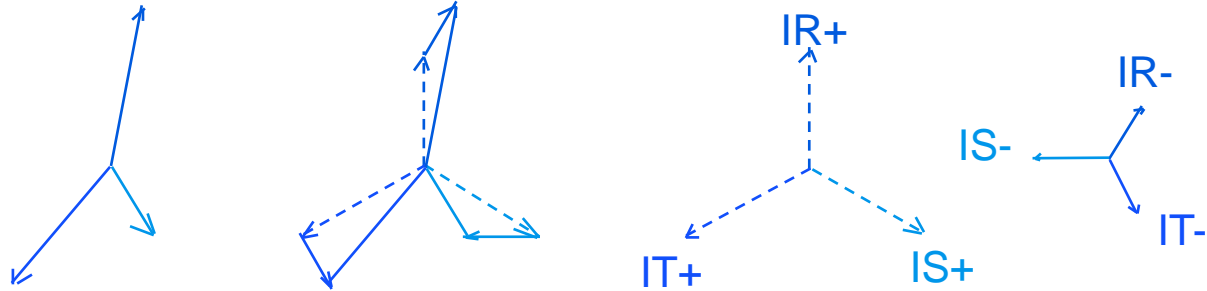
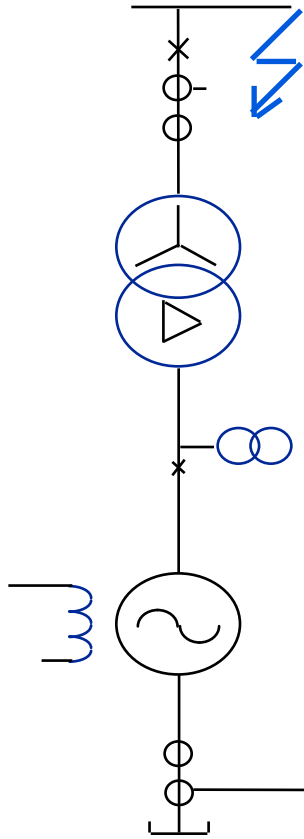
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# Negative sequence overcurrent (46)



From asymmetric currents, a negative sequence current component  $I_2$ , is filtered out.

Negative sequence stator currents rotate in a opposite direction from the rotor and consequently induce a 100Hz current component into the rotor. As a consequence rotor ends can over-heat.

$I_2, I_{nsc}$   
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$$I_2^2 \times t = k$$

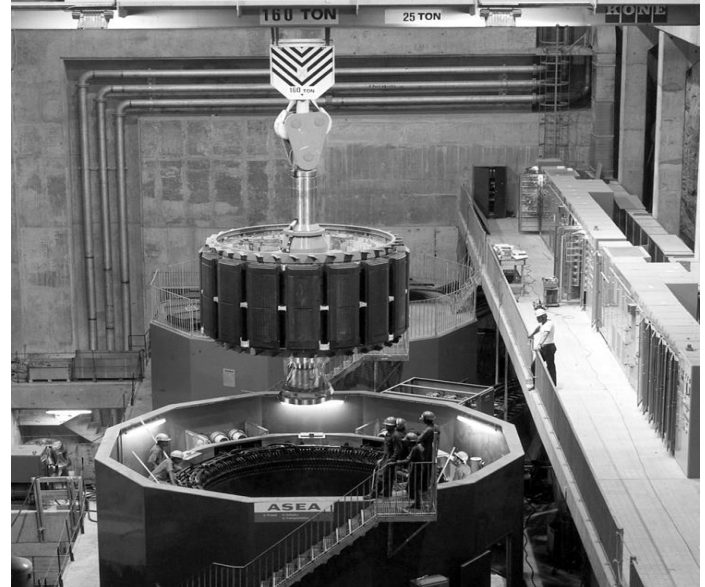
# Negative phase sequence (46)

## Causes

- unbalanced loads
- untransposed transmission circuits
- unbalanced system faults
- series faults
- CB pole discrepancy
- open circuits

## Features

- Characteristic adjustable to  $I_2^2 t=k$



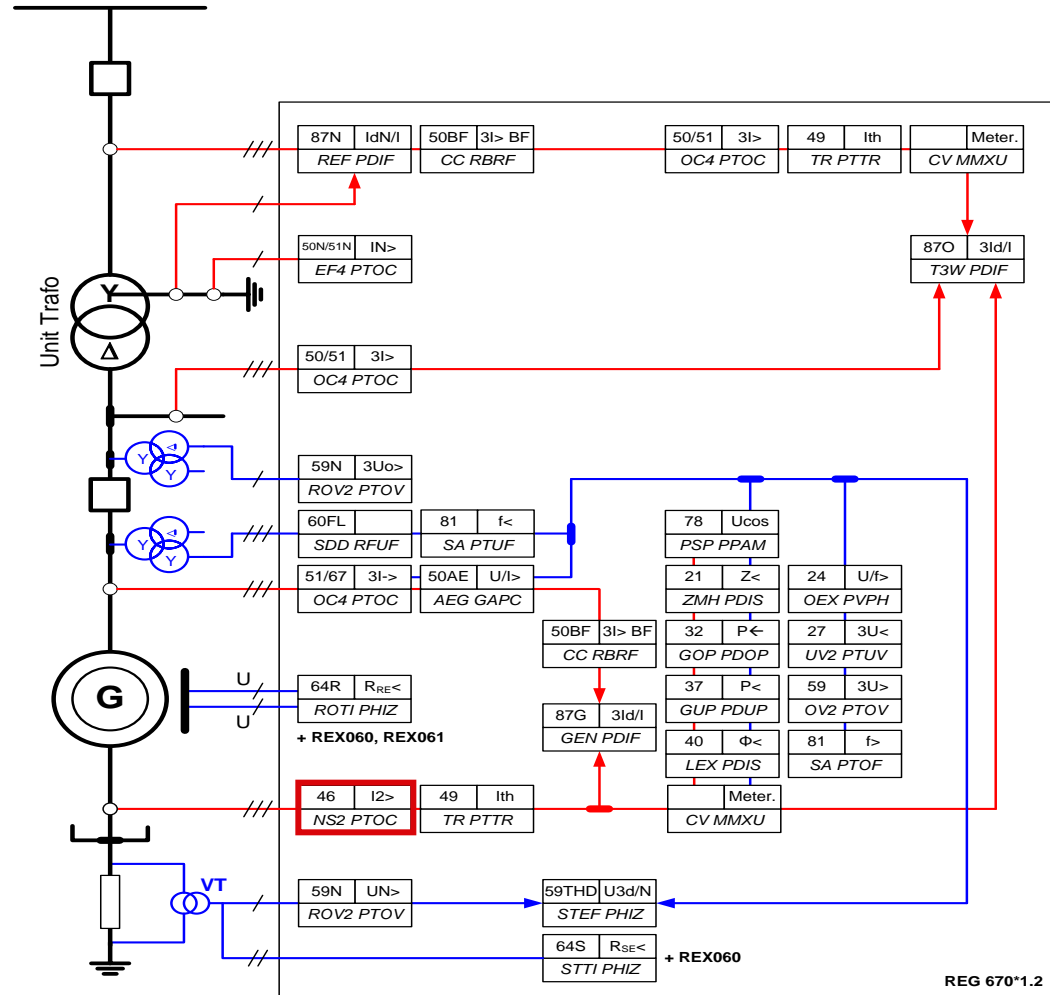
# Broken stator winding

- Endangering condition
  - Unsymmetrical currents
- Protected object
  - Stator windings
  - Rotor
- Consequences
  - Rotor overheating
  - Vibrations

Main Protection Function



Reserve Protection Function





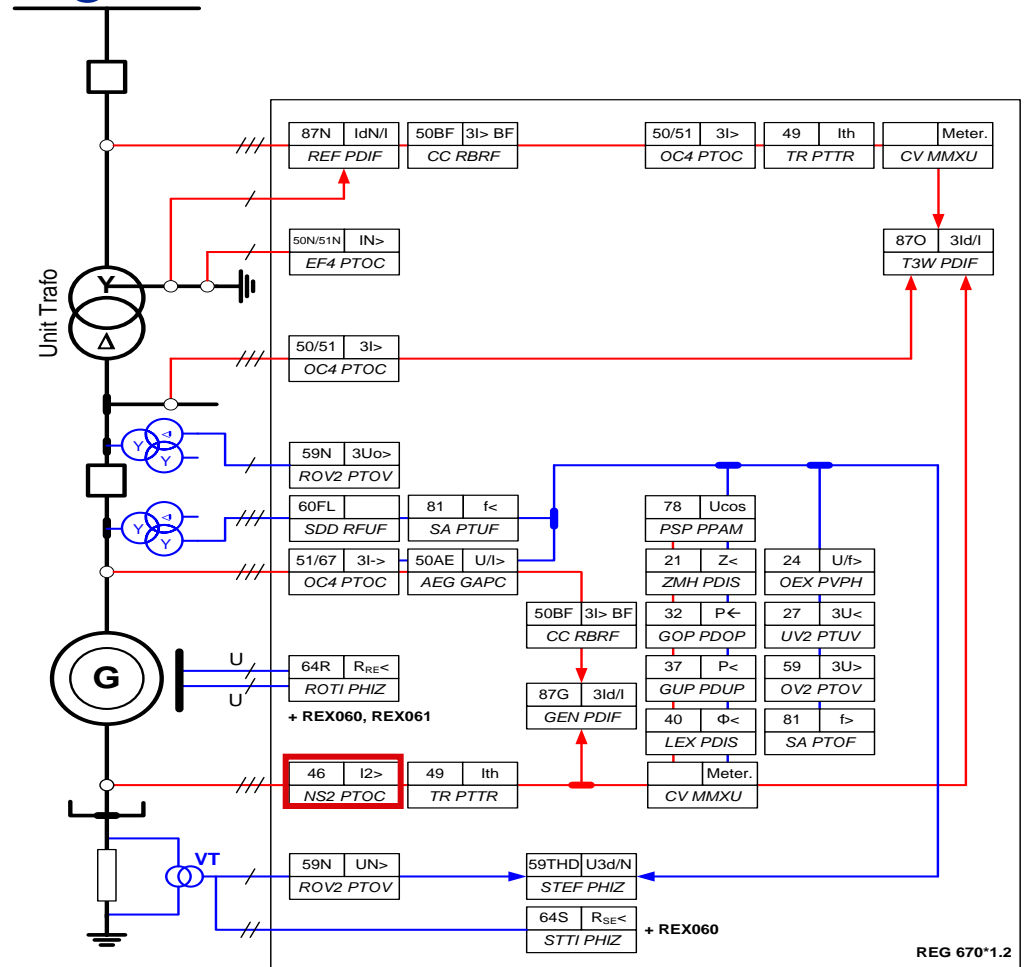
# Broken transformer winding

- Endangering condition
  - Unsymmetrical currents
- Protected object
  - Stator windings
  - Rotor
- Consequences
  - Rotor overheating
  - Vibrations

Main Protection Function

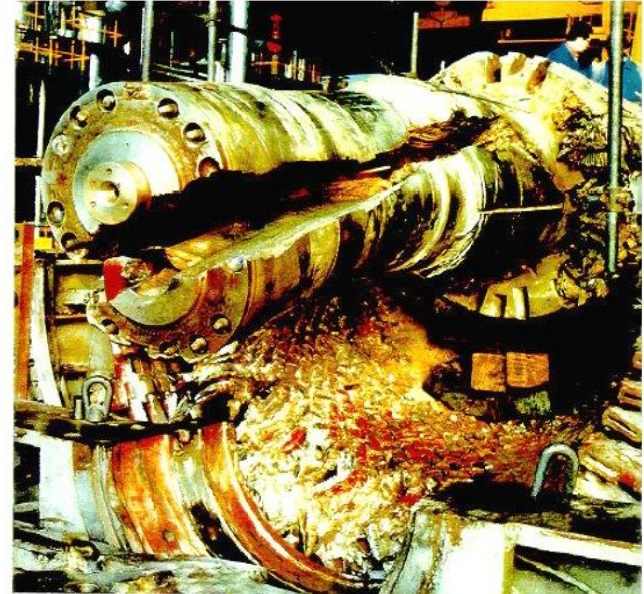


Reserve Protection Function



# Pole slip / out of step protection (78)

- Asynchronous running of a synchronous machine with the rest of the system but **with excitation intact**
- Characterized by power (P & Q) oscillation
- Manifests as impedance movement in R & X plane
- Big mechanical impact on turbine and shaft
- Pole Slip typically caused by:
  - Long fault clearance time (especially close by 3Ph faults are critical)
  - Inadvertent tripping of a transmission line (increase of transmission impedance between generator and load)
  - Loss of large generator unit



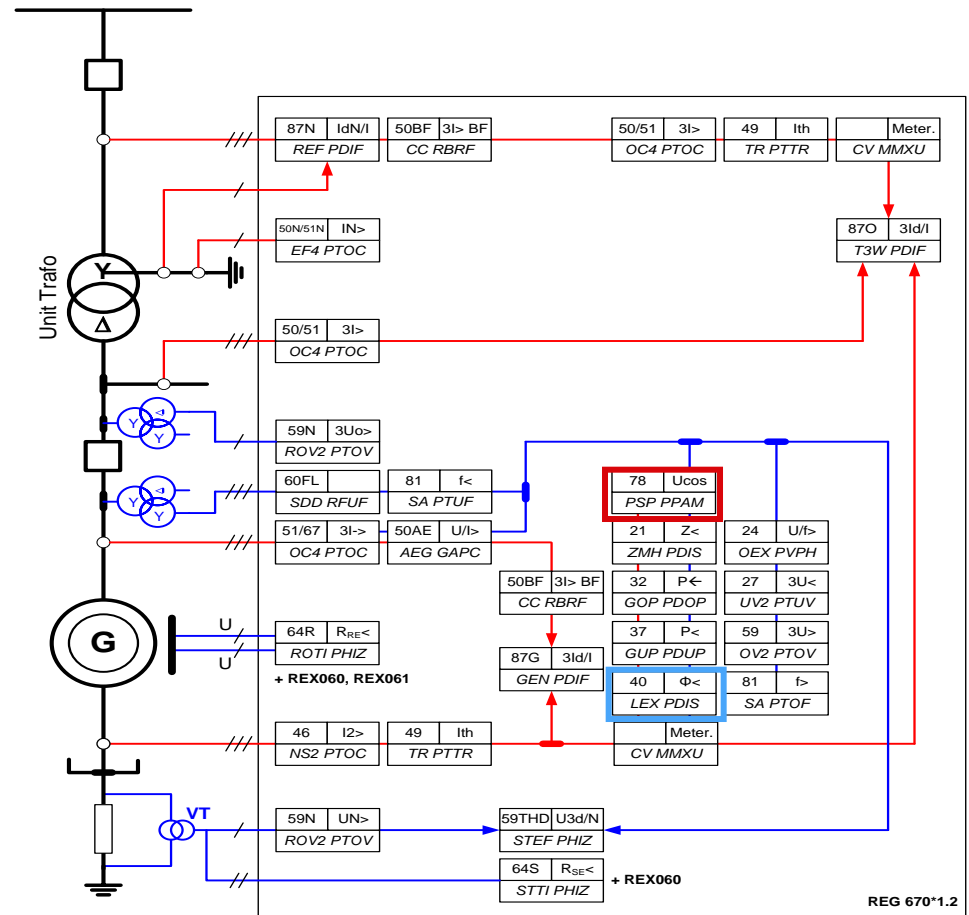
# Pole slip / out of step protection (78)

- Endangering condition
  - High stator current
  - Possible system blackout
- Protected object
  - Rotor shaft and stator winding
- Consequences
  - Mechanical damages to shaft
  - Asynchronous machine operation (with field intact)
  - Voltage and current variations

**Main Protection Function**

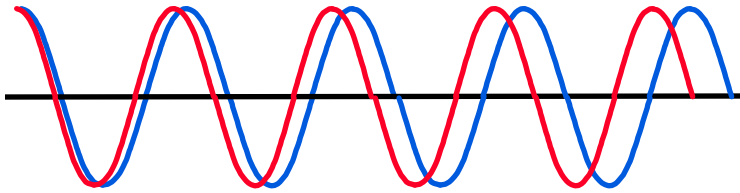


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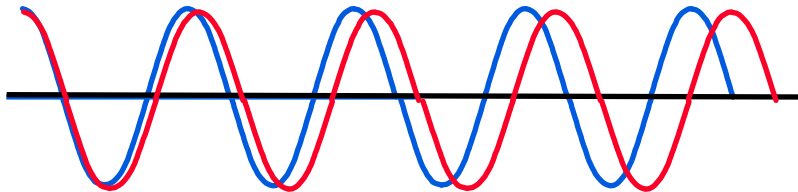


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# Frequency protection (81U/O)



- Over-frequency 81O: protects in case of turbine over-speed



- Under-frequency 81U: protection of the steam turbine at the "critical speed"

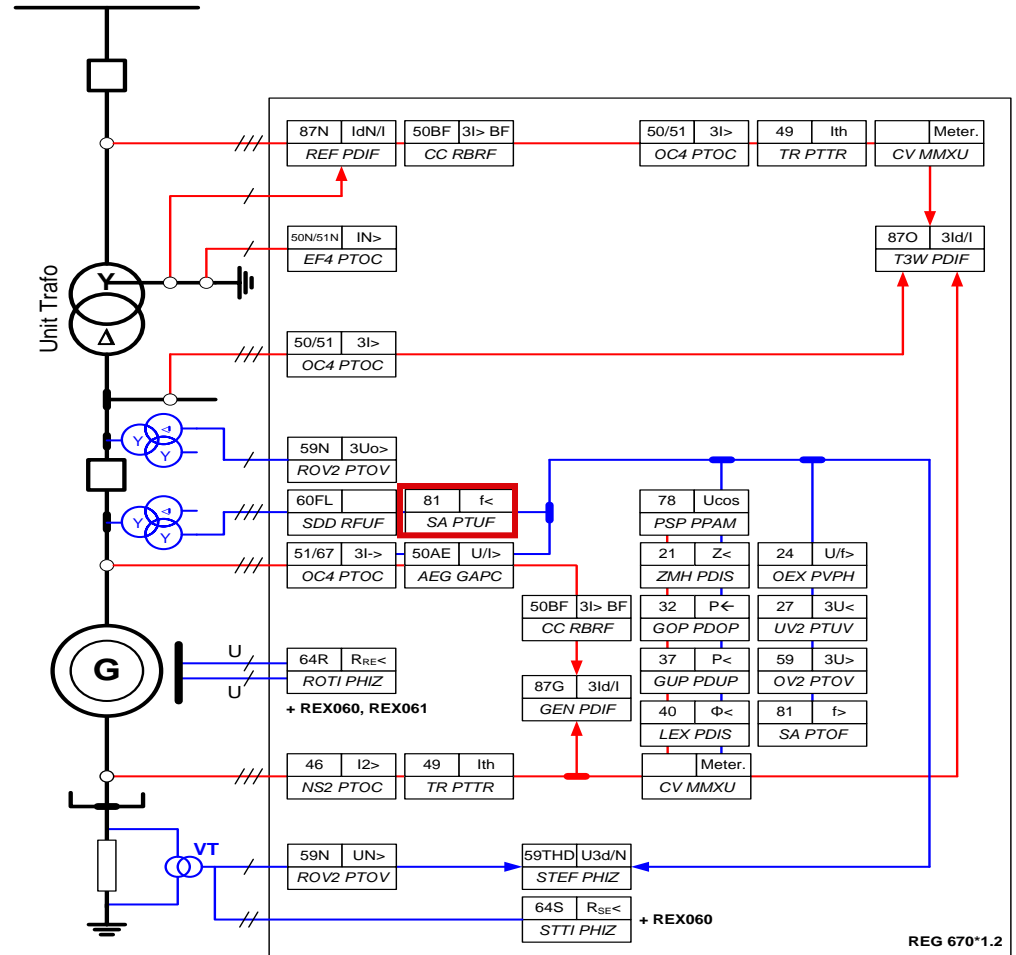
# Low network frequency (81U)

- Endangering condition
  - Under-frequency
- Protected object
  - Transformer
  - Steam turbine
- Consequences
  - Over-excitation
  - Steam turbine vibrations

**Main Protection Function**



**Reserve Protection Function**



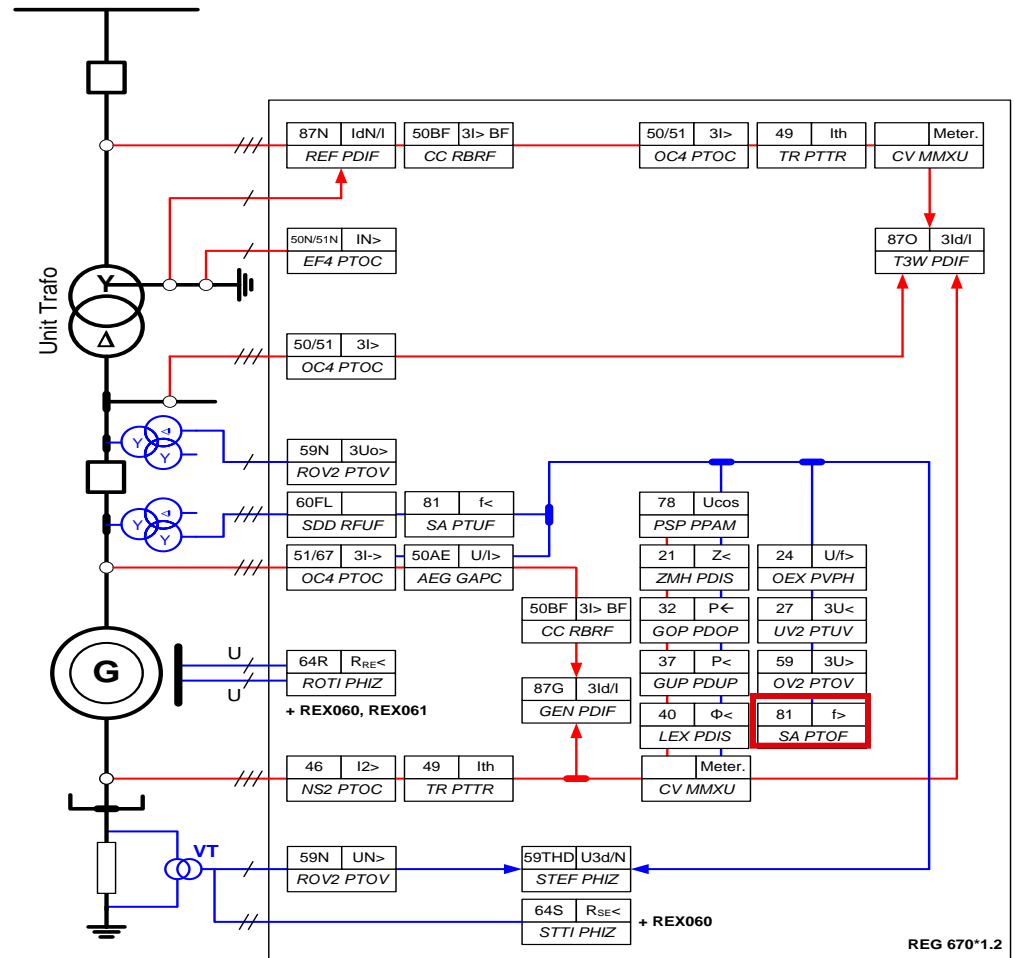
# High Network Frequency (81O)

- Endangering condition
  - Over-frequency
- Protected object
  - Turbine
  - Rotor
- Consequences
  - Mechanical stresses
  - Turbine vibrations

Main Protection Function



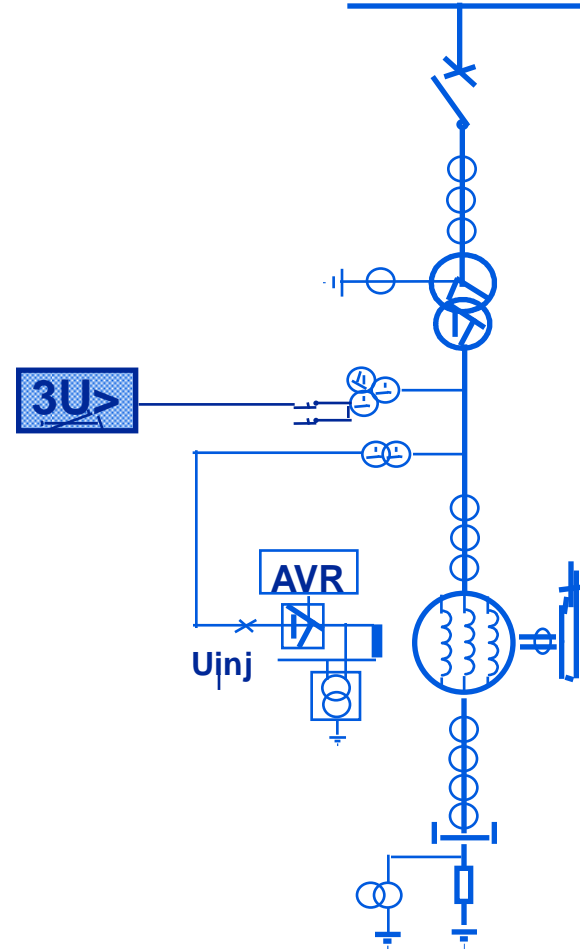
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# Over-voltage protection, 59

- With faulty AVR overvoltage can cause over excitation of the generator-transformer block
- V can sharply increase after load rejection followed by machine runaway

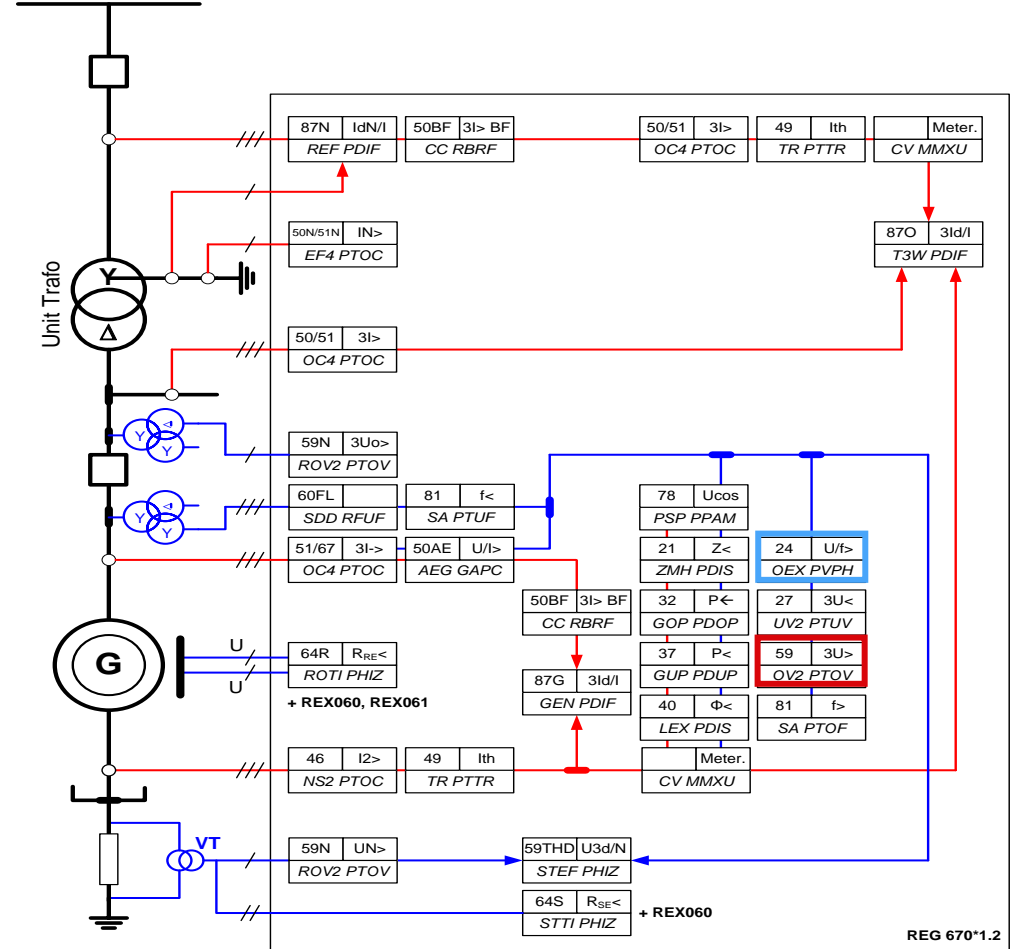


# Over-voltage protection (59)

- Endangering condition
  - Over-voltage
  - Improper voltage regulation
- Protected object
  - Electrical circuits
- Consequences
  - Increased risk for earth-faults
  - Over-excitation

**Main Protection Function**

**Reserve Protection Function**





# Over-fluxing (excessive V/Hz), 24



- Overfluxing protects generator and transformer magnetic core against overheating
- Specially critical during start-up and shut-down
- Wide frequency operation of the relay important for generator protection

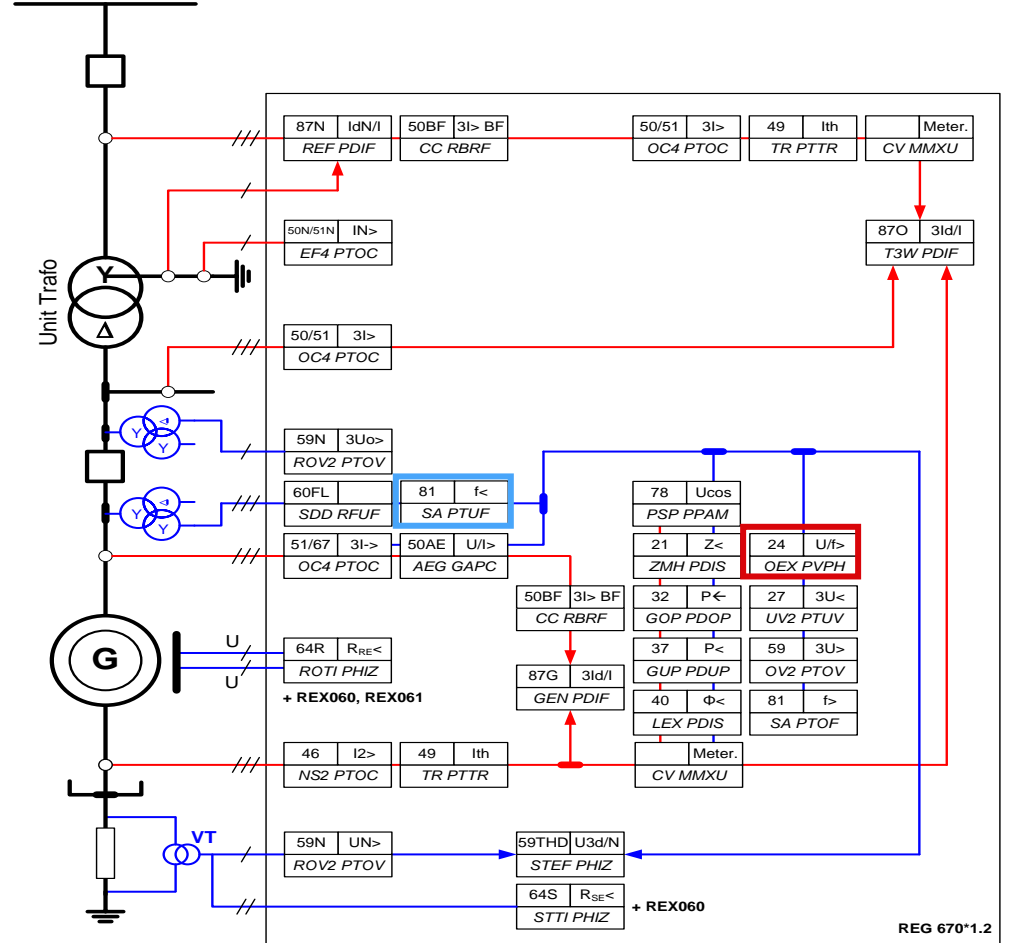
$$\Phi \text{ or } B = \text{const} \cdot \frac{E}{f} \approx \text{const} \cdot \frac{U}{f}$$

# Incorrect turbine control (24, 81O/U)

- Endangering condition
  - Under-frequency
- Protected object
  - Transformer
- Consequences
  - Over-excitation

Main Protection Function

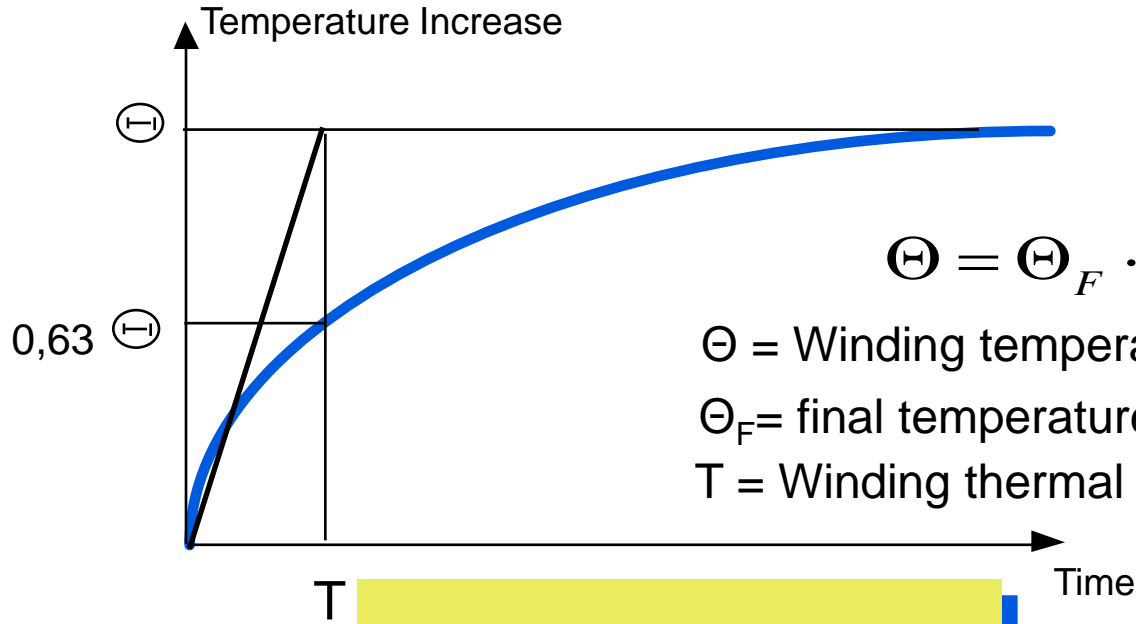
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# Thermal overload, 49



$$\Theta = \Theta_F \cdot (1 - e^{-\frac{t}{T}})$$

$\Theta$  = Winding temperature increase

$\Theta_F$  = final temperature with present current

$T$  = Winding thermal time constant

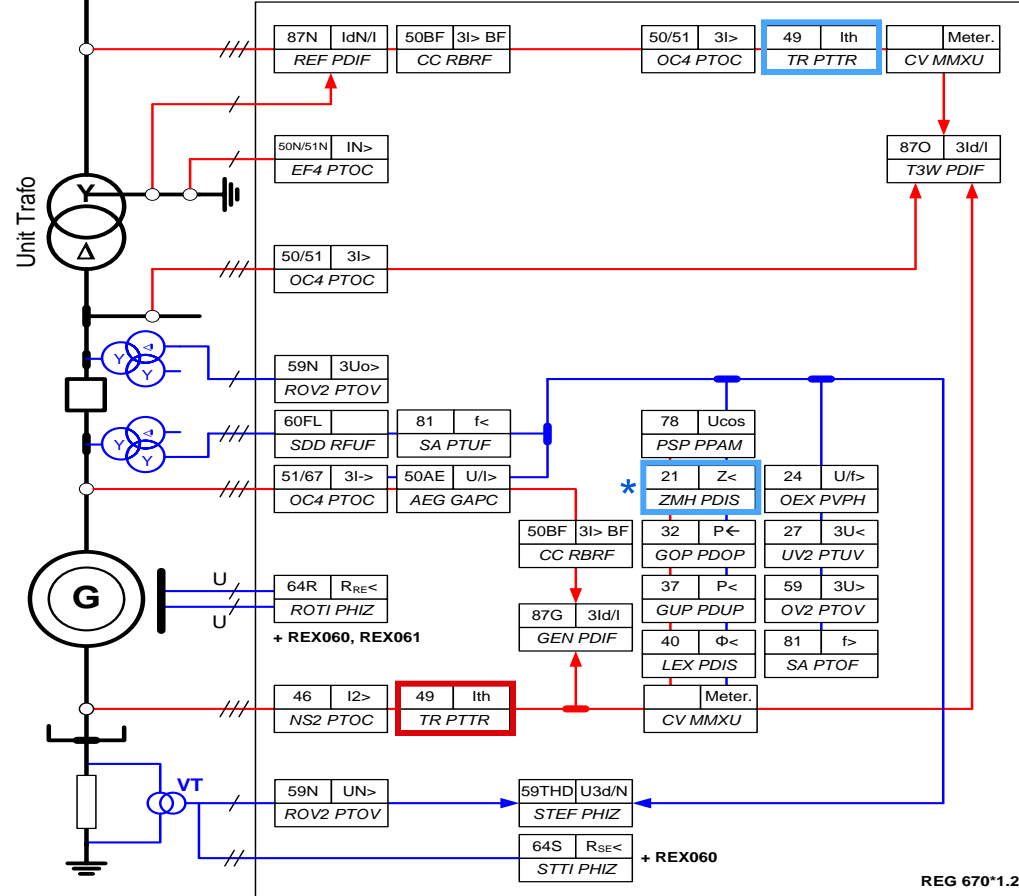
$$t = \tau \times \ln \frac{I^2 - I_p^2}{I^2 - (k \times I_b)^2}$$

# Stator thermal overload (49S)

- Endangering condition
  - Stator overcurrent
- Protected object
  - Electrical circuits
- Consequences
  - Stator overheating

Main Protection Function   

Reserve Protection Function   



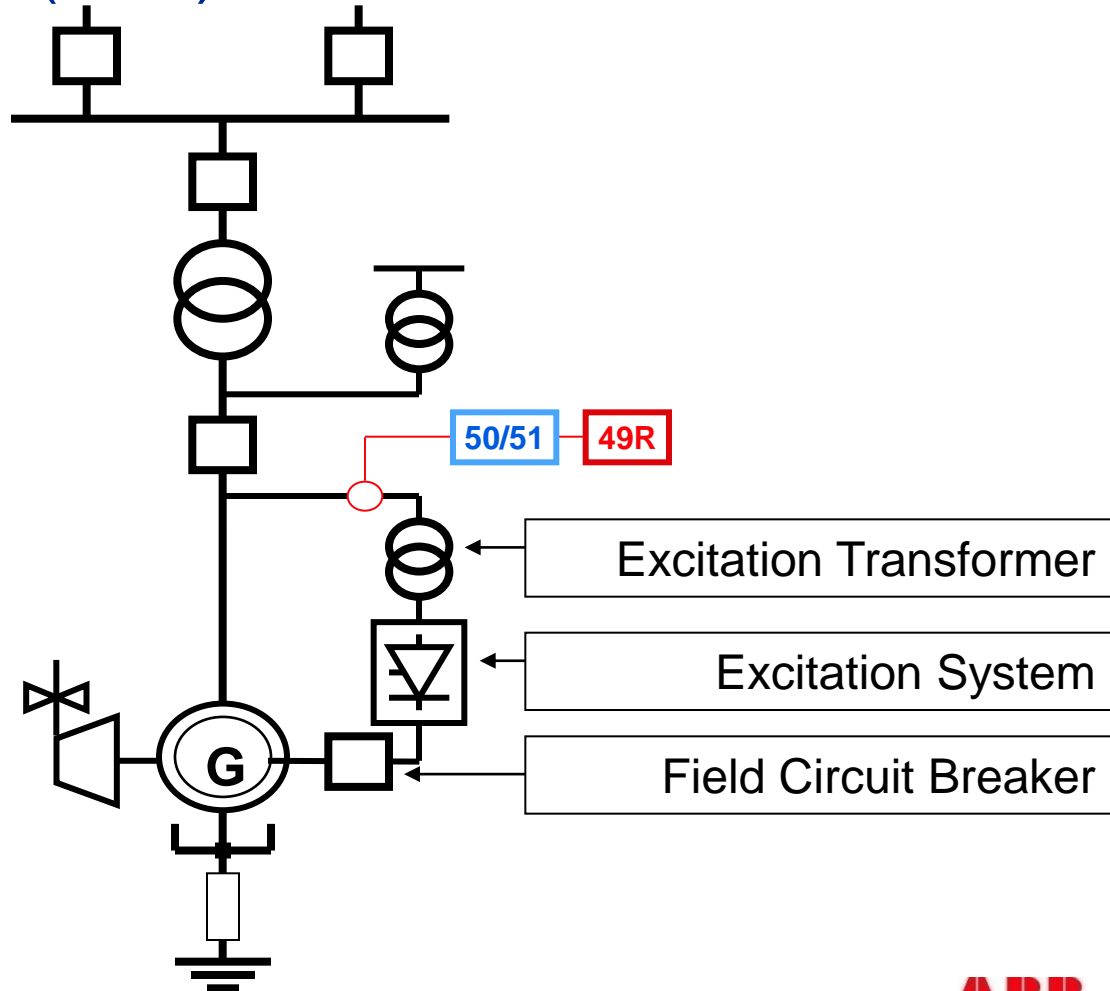
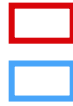
\* In case of severe overload (setting dependent)

# Rotor thermal overload (49R)

- Endangering condition
  - Rotor overcurrent
- Protected object
  - Rotor winding
- Consequences
  - Rotor overheating

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**Reserve Protection Function**



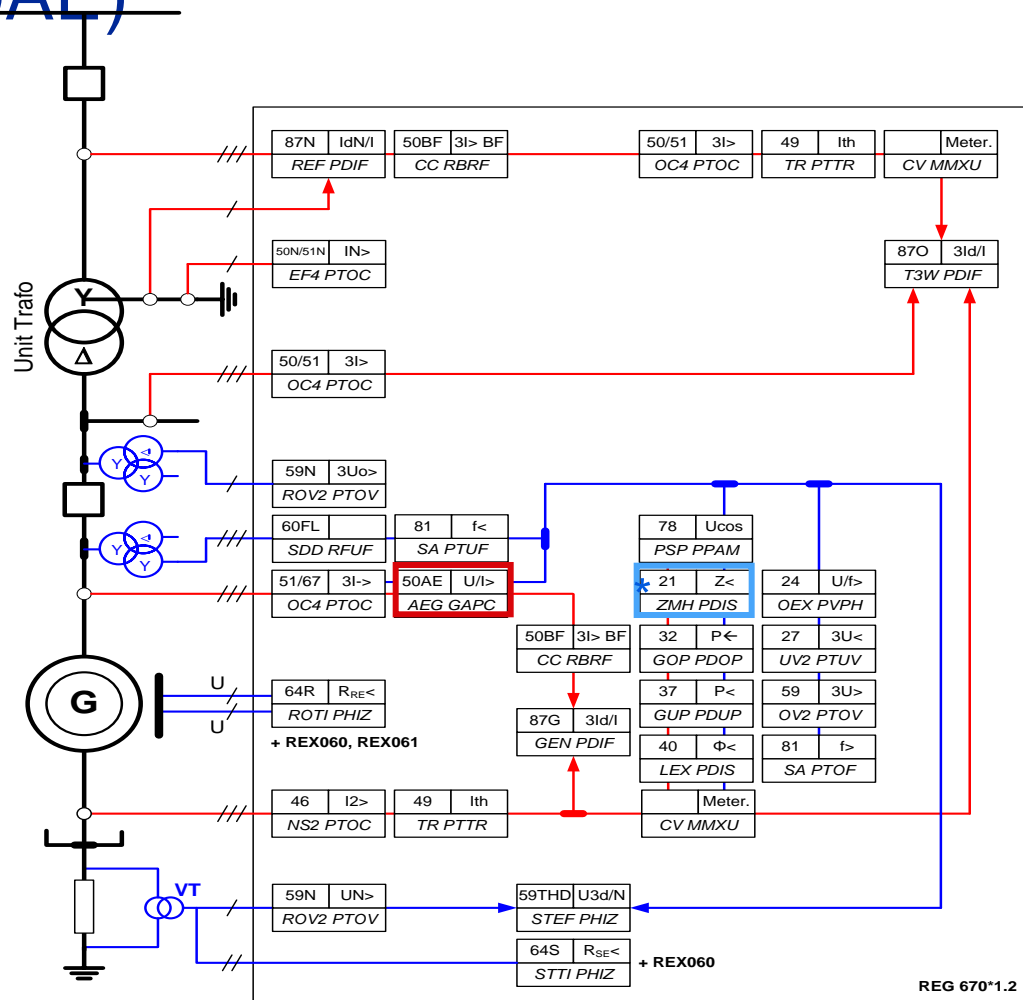
# Accidental energizing, 50AE

- Operates when generator is energized by a mistake
- In principle voltage controlled OC function



# Accidental energizing (50AE)

- Endangering condition
  - Stator overcurrent or unsymmetrical currents
- Protected object
  - Bearings
  - Rotor
- Consequences
  - Bearing damages due to low oil pressure
  - Rotor overheating
  - Stator overheating



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\* 3Z< is a delayed reserve protection



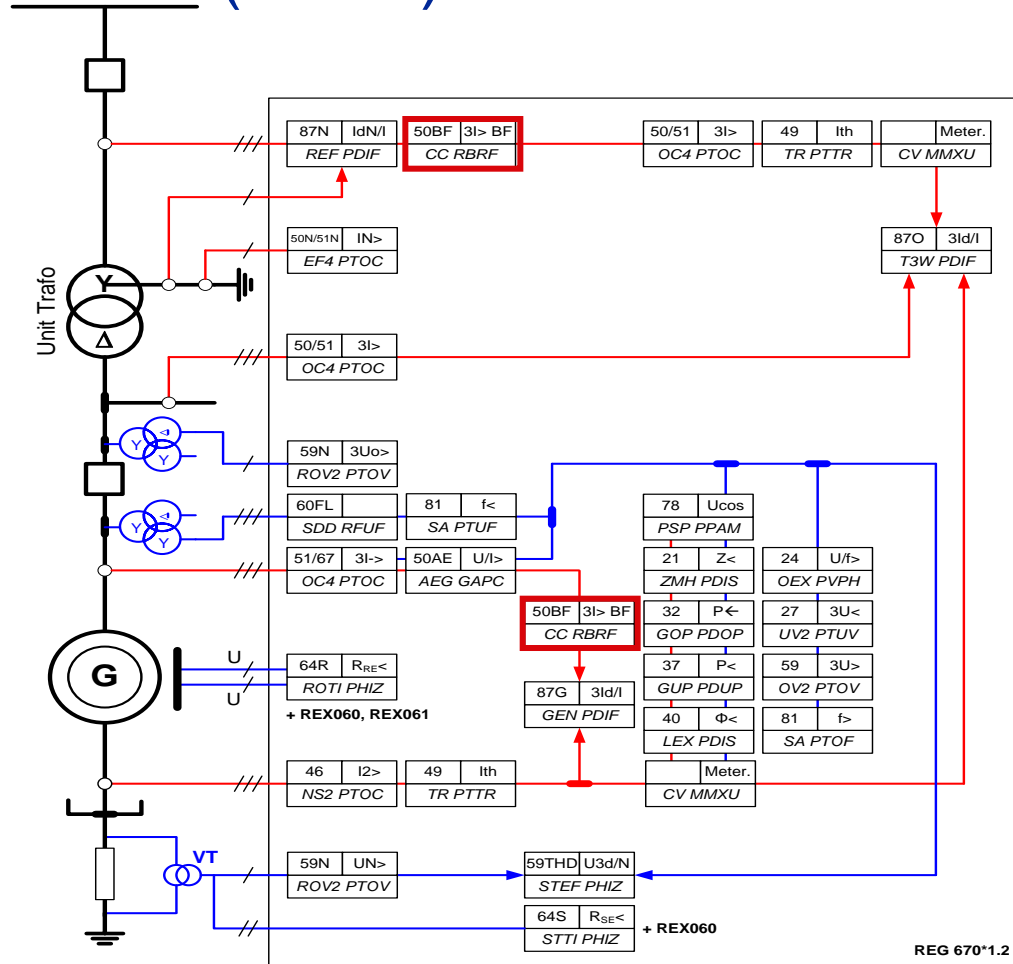
# Breaker-failure protection (50BF)

- Issues a back-up trip of adjacent breaker in case of failure of the circuit breaker of the protected object to open (i.e. to interrupt the primary circuit)
- Its operation in most cases trips only local breakers
- Commonly uses the bus bar protection disconnecter replica logic to route its tripping command to adjacent breakers
- Re-trip (t1), Backup trip / bus-strip (t2), Second back-up trip timer (t3)
- Short reset time (15ms)
- Known CB faulty (bypass t2)
- Operating mode
  - Current / Contact / Current & Contact



# Breaker fails to open the circuit (50BF)

- Endangering condition
  - Stator overcurrent or unsymmetrical currents
- Protected object
  - Electrical circuits
  - Rotor
- Consequences
  - Rotor overheating
  - Stator overheating
  - Prolonged damages caused by the fault current



Main Protection Function

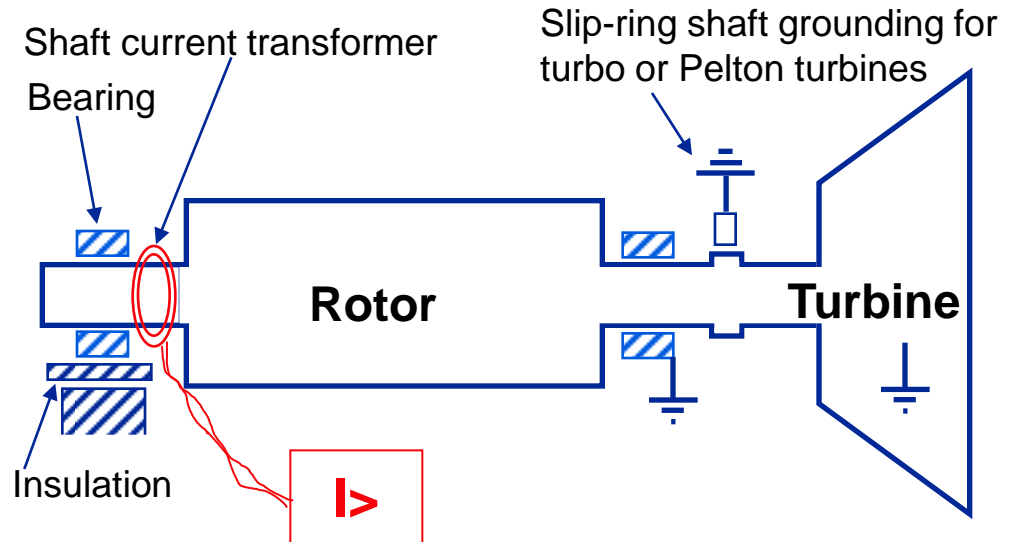


Reserve Protection Function



# Destroyed bearing insulation (38)

- Endangering condition
  - Shaft (bearing) current
- Protected object
  - Bearing
- Consequences
  - Bearing damages
  - Stator/rotor damages



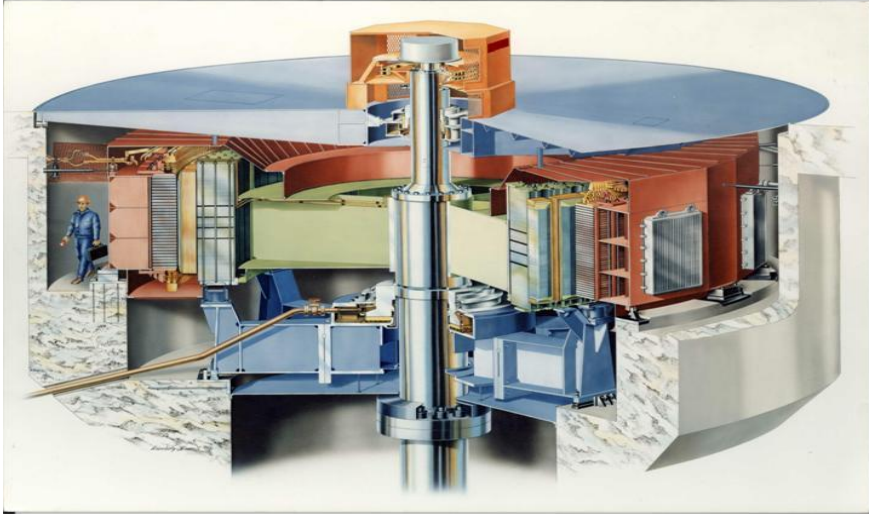
Relay type: RARIC (setting range 0.5-2.0 mA)

Shaft CT type: ILDD

Damage to the bearings occurs if the current through the shaft exceeds 1 A

The induced EMF is about: 0.5 - 1 V for turbo-machines; 10 - 30 V for hydro-machines

# Conclusion



- Stator earth faults
- Rotor earth faults
- Stator short circuits
- Stator/rotor interturn faults
- External faults
- Abnormal operation

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