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Bus Protection Fundamentals
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Learning objectives

- Types of bus configurations
- Current transformer characteristics and their effect on bus protection
- Types of bus protection schemes
- Modern Numerical Bus Protection Features

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Why bus protection?

- Different configuration and design
- Usually very robust, high current faults
- Need to clear quickly
- A Delayed bus trip leads to:
  - Network instability pole slip of nearby generators
  - Possible system collapse
  - Bigger fault related damages & risk to human life or injury
  - Many bus faults caused during maintenance (eg. Arc flash)
Bus fault protection

- Easy to detect because of robust nature
- Easy to protect for internal faults (87B)
- Summation of currents not equal to zero for internal fault
- External faults can cause current transformer saturation which results in unwanted differential currents
- Infrequent, but must be cleared with high speed
  - Substation is well shielded
  - Protected environment
Bus configurations

- Single bus *
- Main and transfer bus
- Double bus, single breaker *
- Double bus, double breaker
- Breaker and a half *
- Ring bus *
Single bus
Main and transfer bus
Double bus single breaker
Double bus, double breaker
Breaker and one half
Ring bus
Main-Tie-Main

Transmission Owner

City Utility

138kV Bus

25kV bus B2

25kV Bus B1
Some issues

- Availability of overlapping protection zones (CTs)
- Blind or end zone protection
- Will loads or sources be switched from one bus to the other
- Current transformer switching from one zone to another
- Open circuit current transformers
- CT Saturation
Zones of protection
Zones of protection

CT for Green Zone

CT for Blue Zone

Dead tank breaker, two CTs
Zones of protection

Green Zone

Blue Zone

CT for Green Zone

CT for Blue Zone

Green Zone

Live tank breaker, single CT

Blue Zone
Current transformer
Ratings of concern for bus protection

- Ratio: 200/5, 1200/5, …500/1
- Burden capability: VA burden
- Accuracy Class: C800, K200, T400
- Knee point, saturation voltage (can be derived from chart in C class CTs)
- CT availability

ANSI current transformer accuracy class

- Example 1200/5 C800
- This current transformer will deliver 800 volts on its secondary when it is connected to a standard burden and 20 times rated current is flowing in the primary winding without exceeding 10% ratio error.
ANSI accuracy class
Standard chart for class C current transformers
Knee point voltage

- Knee point
  - Log-log plot
  - Square decades
  - I.e. (.01,1) – (.1,10)
  - Tangent 45° line (knee pt)
Differential measurement difficulties

- Three measuring conditions
  - normal load flow - no differential current
  - external fault - ideally no differential current
  - internal fault - high differential current
- CT saturation
  - causes false differential current for external faults
CT saturation

- CT core may reach saturation flux density due to a combination of dc offset in the fault current, with possibility of remnant flux (20-80%, no way to predict, but can be erased by demagenatizing)

- The output current suddenly changes from a proportional signal to zero

- DC saturation depends on
  - system time constant \((X/R)\)- large close to generating stations
  - secondary burden
CT saturation

- CT secondary model
  - a perfect current source (infinite impedance) in parallel with an exciting impedance branch that drives proportional current
- Exciting impedance is normally very high
- At saturation, exciting impedance drops to a very low value
  - the CT appears short-circuited
  - neither delivers nor resists current flow
- Time to saturation is important in low impedance bus protection
Issues effecting bus protection selection

- Bus arrangement
  - Fixed
  - Switchable
- Availability and characteristics of current transformers
- Performance requirements
  - Speed
  - Dependability
  - Security
  - Sensitivity (for high impedance grounded system)
Types of bus protection

- Differential
  - Differentially connected overcurrent
  - Percentage-restrained differential (low Z)
  - High impedance differential
  - Partial differential
- Zone interlocked scheme
- Back up schemes (eg. remote over-reaching zones)
Differentially connected overcurrent relay
External fault case

Protected Bus

TOTAL INTO BUS

Fault Location

TOTAL OUT OF BUS

TOTAL OUT OF BUS MINUS $I_E$

Relay

$I_d = I_E$
Internal fault case

\[ I_d = I_1 + I_2 + I_3 + I_4 \]
Application OK if:

- Symmetrical CT secondary current less than 100
- Burden less than rated
- Typical pickup setting $I_{PU} > 10A$
- Trip delay greater than $3 \times$ primary time constant (L/R)
Resistor added to relay branch

External fault

Total primary contribution to external fault $I_F (\text{out})$ through saturated ct

$\begin{align*}
I_d &= I_F (\text{in}) \cdot \left( \frac{R_S}{R_S + R_d} \right) \\
R_d &= \frac{V_{CL} (\text{acc class})}{4 \cdot I_{pu} (\text{min})}
\end{align*}$

- Resistor reduces current in relay and increases current in $R_S$ (secondary and lead)
- Increases sensitivity to internal faults
Multiple restraint Percentage Differential (Legacy)

**PROTECTED BUS**

A | B | C | D
---|---|---|---
\[R\] | \[S\] | \[T\] | \[\times\]

R, S AND T ARE RESTRAINT COILS

Net restraint (0)

ONLY ONE PHASE SHOWN

External fault example – 4 circuit connection

All circuits have 10 Amp contribution

Restraint = 60
Operate = 0

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Multiple restraint Percentage Differential (Legacy)

Internal fault example – 4 circuit connection

All circuits have 10 Amp contribution
Restraint = 0
Operate = 40

PROTECTED BUS

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OPERATE COIL

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Torque for typical multi-restraint relay
Torque for typical multi-restraint relay

55 A. of restraint overcomes 7 A of operating current with one restraint winding
Multi-restraint percentage differential

- Good sensitivity
- Good security
- Allows other relays on the same CT core
- Different CT ratios with Aux CTs.
- Slow compared to high impedance
- Number of feeders limited by restraint windings
- Each CT is wired to relay
- Not easily extendable
High impedance bus protection

- High resistor (R > 1500 ohm) in series with relay coil and a MOV to prevent over-voltages
- High voltage develops for internal faults. Lower voltage will develop on external faults where with ct saturation
- Voltage unit must be set higher than the maximum junction point voltage for any external fault
- The lowest achievable sensitivity must be verified for the application
- Proven reliability and very sensitive
- Operating times of less than one cycle for internal faults
High impedance bus protection

**EXTERNAL FAULT - SECURITY**
Setting \( V_R > \left( \frac{I_F}{N} \right) \left( R_L + R_S \right) \)

- \( K \) = margin factor
- \( I_F \) = Max external fault current
- \( R_S \) = Ct secondary resistance
- \( R_L \) = Lead resistance to junction box
- \( N \) = ct turns ratio

**INTERNAL FAULT - SENSITIVITY**
\( I_{MIN} = (X I_E + I_R + I_V) N \)

- \( X \) = number of circuits
- \( I_E \) = Ct exciting current at \( V_R \)
- \( I_R \) = resistor current at \( V_R \)
- \( I_V \) = Varistor current at \( V_R \)

\( R > 1500 \) W
High impedance bus protection
Criteria to be met

- Objective: Keep $V_R$ and $I_{\text{min}}$ low
  - Ct secondary loop resistance kept low
  - Impedance from junction point to relay is of no consequence so good practice to parallel the CTs as close to the CTs as possible.
  - Theoretically no limitations in the number of parallel CTs but sensitivity reduced.
- All cts should have the same ratio and magnetizing characteristics
High impedance bus protection
Criteria to be met

- Tapped CT’s may be interconnected with fixed ratio ct’s if attention is given to the autotransformer effect and the overvoltage protective characteristics of the relay

- A voltage setting higher than the lowest of all of the relaying accuracy class voltages of the CT’s used in the scheme (400 V for a C400 CT). $I_E$ obtained from the excitation character contains large errors

- Voltage setting can be lowered by reducing CT lead resistance
Differential comparator (Legacy, Static type)
RADSS/REB103

- Developed to lessen restrictions imposed by high impedance
- All CT secondary circuits connected via interposing cts
- Connection made using a special diode circuit producing rectified incoming, outgoing and differential currents
Differential comparator
Single phase connection

- $I_{IN}$ is sum of all feeder instantaneous positive values
- $I_{OUT}$ is sum of all feeder instantaneous negative values
- $I_{DIFF} = I_{IN} - I_{OUT}$
Differential comparator
Differential comparator
Single phase connection

- $I_{DIFF}$ is typically small (normally 0) for external fault and restraint voltage, $V_{Res}$, is greater than operating voltage, $V_{Op}$.
- $I_{DIFF}$ is typically large for an internal fault and operating voltage, $V_{Op}$, is greater than restraining voltage, $V_{Res}$. This produces voltage across trip relay.
Differential comparator

- All measurement decisions based on three quantities
  - $I_{\text{DIFF}}$ - difference of input current and output current ($I_{\text{DIFF}} = I_{\text{IN}} - I_{\text{OUT}}$)
  - $I_{\text{IN}}$ - total input current
  - $S$ - % differential setting
  - $I_{\text{DIFF}} > S \times I_{\text{IN}}$
  - e.g. for setting $S=50\%$, differential current $\geq 50\%$ of incoming current before operation
Differential comparator
Advantages over high impedance differential

- Lower ct requirements
- Allows much higher ct loop resistances
- Accommodate different CT ratios / auxiliary CTs
- Fast operating times for internal faults
  - Detects internal 1 - 3 ms
  - Before ct saturation
Numerical differential comparator

- Analog input currents are instantaneously sampled and quantized to numerical number
- Similar technique to legacy differential comparator, but with measured sampled data
- Secondary circuit loop resistance no longer a critical factor
- Critical factor is time available to make the measurement, i.e. time to saturation. (only 3ms required to properly restrain for heavy external faults)
- Algorithms for Ct saturation Detection and CT state supervision
Differential comparator
Quick operation for internal fault

REB 670 detects that I_IN goes up while I_OUT goes down at the beginning of the internal fault and enables fast tripping.

When ID>Diff Operation Level trip is issued.
Proper & secure restrain during external fault

REB 670 detects this short interval when $i_{\text{in}} = i_{\text{out}}$ (after every fault current zero crossing) and restrain properly during external fault.

REB 670 detects that $I_{\text{IN}} = I_{\text{OUT}}$ at the beginning of the external fault.
REB 670 detects that \( I_{IN} \) doesn't change while \( I_{OUT} \) goes down when some of the CTs is open/short circuited.

Diff Operation Level must be set to a higher value than Open CT Level.

ID > Open CT Level second condition fulfilled & REB is blocked.
Other Features in Modern Numerical Bus IEDs

- Each device capable of connecting multiple bays (eg. CTs) in 3-ph or 1-ph design
- Multiple differential zones, dynamic bay switching, zone interconnection, and check zone logics
- External fault/CT saturation detection, open CT detection algorithms
- Blind zone protection (see next 2 slides)
- End zone protection (see next 2 slides)
- Backup protection (eg. 50/51, 50BF) for each connected bay
- Modern substation automation communication (DNP 3.0, IEC61850)
Blind zone detection

- Blind zone between live tank CT and breaker
- A fault in the blind zone makes operation in ZA unnecessary (tie breaker normally open)
- ZB cannot detect the fault
- Solution: connect BKR NC (open) status to the bay to remove this CT from ZA, ZB (software)
- Remove CT dynamically can force operation of ZB
End Zone Protection

- Regions not overlapped by both red and blue boundaries are blind zones
- CTs are used for both feeder and bus protection measurement (live tank CTs)
- Common in HV 1-1/2 stations
- Requires local backup (eg. BF) to trigger DTT for 3
- Requires remote back up (eg. zone 2) to open local breaker and disconnect the CT to clear bus zone for 4
Other distribution (MV) bus protection methods

- Partial differential
- Blocking on feeder fault
Partial differential
Blocking scheme
Conventional Blocking Scheme

- Traditional busbar protection based on upstream blocking
  - Dedicated hard-wire signal paths needed
  - Signal path delay needs to be considered, input and output delay + auxiliary relays
  - Changes in the protection scheme may require re-wiring
- Typical needed delay in incoming relay is over 100 ms
Blocking Scheme with IEC-61850 GOOSE

Yes I am!
I'll block the Inst. O/C!
Block-PHIPTOC!

Who is interested?
PHLPTOC-start!

Delay setting with inst. O/C protection
(REF615 GOOSE approach)

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## Bus Protection Comparison Chart

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Questions?

Recommended reading

- ANSI C37.234  Guide for Protective Relay Applications to Power system Buses
Relion® REB650/670 Advanced Busbar Protection
Reliable protection and control of busbars

- Selective, reliable and fast fault clearance for all types of internal phase-to-phase and phase-to-ground faults in solidly earthed or low-impedance earthed power systems
- Significant savings in configuration and commissioning with efficient system integration and optimum “off-the-shelf” solutions and settings
- Do more with less - the advanced logic and multipurpose functionality allow you to customize protection schemes for multiple zones with a single IED
- Maximize flexibility and performance with powerful application and communication capabilities that allow you to integrate these IEDs into new or retrofit substation automation systems or use them as stand-alone multifunctional units
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