Relay protection for transformers



Overview

Fuses may adequately protect small transformers, but larger ones require overcurrent protection using a relay and CB, as fuses do not have the required fault breaking capacity.Conventional earth fault protection using overcurrent elements fails to provide adequate protection for transformer windings. This applies particularly to a star-connected winding with an impedance-earthed neutral. For the high-impedance type, the residual current of three line current transformers is balanced against the output of a current transf. The restricted earth fault schemes described above depend entirely on the Kirchhoff principlethat the sum of the currents flowing into a conducting network is zero. Figure 5 shows the principle. Current transformers on the primary and secondary sides are connected to form a circulating current system.The magnetizing inrush phenomenon produces current input to the energized winding which has no equivalent on the other windings. The whole of the inrush current appears, therefore, as unbalance and the differential protection is unable to distinguish it from current due to an internal fault. Methods of delaying, restraining or blocking of the diffe. Power transformer protection relaying (combined differential / REF, overfluxing, tank-earth and oil / gas) 1. Combined differential and restricted earth fault schemes 1.1. Application when an earthing transformer is connected within the protected zone 2. Overfluxing protection 3. Tank-earth protection 4. Oil and gas protection devices 4.1. Oil pres.

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REF protection is implemented using a set of Phase Current Transformers and Neutral Current transformer along with Metrosil and Stabilising

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