Useful Applications for Differential Relays With Both KCL and ATB 87 Elements

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KCL-based current differential element



ATB-based current differential element



ATB element requirements





Protection against inrush (harmonic restraint/blocking)

Fast tripping for severe internal faults (87U)

Transformer with dual-breaker terminals





Transformer with long lead bus



Generator and GSU



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* Polarity inverted by setting

Banks of three single-phase transformers



Organizational benefits

- Improved availability
- Reduced maintenance cost
- Simplified stock
- Simplified training
- Reduced panel sizes



Conclusion

- It is important to choose "the proper tool for the proper job"
- Using ATB for everything may lead to compromises in performance
- Adding a KCL element provides extra sensitivity and speed
- Using a relay with both ATB and KCL elements provides organizational benefits
- Paper includes more applications



Questions?