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# INTRODUCTION TO POWER SYSTEM STUDIES SESSION 2

Friday I 10th July 2020 I 3.30PM – 5.30PM Free admission for members I Register online

## **OBJECTIVES**

- 1. To reintroduce three old friends the per unit system, Thevenin's theorem and symmetrical components or The Romance of the Three Sisters
- 2. To breathe new life into old formulas and to transform old equations into meaningful entities, which can then be related to Ohm's law for a clearer understanding
- 3. To be able to make simple, quick and reasonably accurate estimates of the results of power system studies

### **SYNOPSIS OF SESSION 2**

#### Thevenin's Theorem

The use of a single voltage and impedance to represent a complex network is a most useful tool in power system studies. There are actually two such impedances. The Thevenin positive sequence impedance is simply the total upstream impedance while the Thevenin zero sequence impedance is the secondary zero sequence impedance of the last Dyn transformer. The two impedances are required for earth fault analysis.

#### Three-Phase Fault Analysis

The session starts with a discussion of the differences between strong and weak systems and the reason why a running motor can contribute a current to a nearby fault. The traditional estimate for a three-phase fault is based on the rated current and impedance of the last transformer. However, the estimate can be substantially higher than the actual value because it ignores the upstream impedance. It will be shown that the use of the data for the last two transformers will provide a better result. There will also be a discussion on the effect of cables on fault currents and the difference between the fault MVA and current.



#### **Pretalk Exercise**

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You are to attend a FAT for a 33/11 kV 10 MVA

transformer with Z = 10% and R = 1%. This will involve a short-circuit test at the rated currents with results of the test voltage, current and power. Calculate the following:

- 1. The primary voltage required
- 2. The expected power loss



3. The secondary current if the test voltage were to be increased to the rated value

The above is an exercise in understanding the concept of the per unit system

#### **SPEAKER**

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Webinar Session 3 on Earth Fault Analysis will be held on 8 August 2020 at 9.30 am - 11.30 am