# **Electrical Distribution System**

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# **Types of Systems**

- Radial
- Primary-Selective Radial
- Loop-Primary Selective
- Secondary Selective
- Sparing Transformer
- Spot Network

## **Simple Radial System**

- •Simple, least costly
- •Easy to coordinate
- •No idle parts

### **Radial System**



Figure 1.1-1. Simple Radial System

## **Primary and Secondary Radial**



Figure 1.1-2. Primary and Secondary Simple Radial System

# **Loop Primary – Radial Secondary**



Figure 1.1-3. Loop Primary — Radial Secondary System

# Loop Switching – Substation Transformer



Figure 1.1-4. Secondary Unit Substation Loop Switching

### Primary Selective Radial System

Duplex or selector switch
Spare primary incoming circuit
Duration of outage from cable failure limited

# Primary Selective – Secondary Radial



Figure 1.1-7. Basic Primary Selective — Radial Secondary System

## **Duplex Selector Switch**



Figure 1.1-8. Duplex Fused Switch in Two Structures

# **Selector Switch – Single Structure**



Figure 1.1-9. Fused Selector Switch in One Structure

## **Secondary Selective System**

- •Normally operated as two electrically independent substations with tie breaker open
- •Failure of either primary circuit affects only one bus
- •Service restored by opening dead bus main and closing tie
- •Operation can be made automatic
- •Transformers not paralleled so fault currents similar to radial

# **Two-Source Primary – Secondary Selective**



Figure 1.1-10. Two-Source Primary — Secondary Selective System

# **Sparing Transformer System**

- •Alternative to Double-Ended Substations
- •Single Common Backup Transformer
- •Service restored by opening dead bus main and closing tie
- •Operation can be made automatic
- •Transformers not paralleled so fault currents similar to radial
- Location of substations limited (must be clustered)

## **Sparing Transformer**



Figure 1.1-11. Sparing Transformer System

# **Spot Network**

- Transformers paralleled on the secondary side
- Uses network protectors
- If primary voltage fails, associated protector automatically opens
- Other protector remains closed
- No "dead time" on bus, even momentarily
- Upon voltage restoration automatically synchronizes and re-closes
- Improved voltage regulation
- Secondary fault current increased

## **Spot Network**



Figure 1.1-12. Three-Source Spot Network

# Low-Voltage Circuit Breaker Types







#### **Molded Case Circuit Breakers**

- Tested in accordance with UL489 & Nema AB-1
- Open Air Test Rated @ 80% (Optional 100%)
- Over Toggle Mechanism
- Sealed Case Not Maintainable
- Applied in Switchboards/Panelboards

#### **Insulated Case Circuit Breakers**

- Tested in accordance with UL489 & Nema AB-1
- Open Air Test Rated @ 80% or 100%
- 2-Step Stored Energy Mechanism
- Sealed Case Not Fully Maintainable
- Applied in Switchboards

### **Power Circuit Breakers**

- Tested in accordance with UL1066 & ANSI C37
- Tested in the Enclosure Rated @ 100%
- 2-Step Stored Energy Mechanism
- Open Access Fully Maintainable
- Applied in Metal-Enclosed Draw-out Swgr

# Low-Voltage Circuit Breaker Typical Ratings







#### **Molded Case Circuit Breakers**

- Frame Size: 100 through 3000 ampere
- Interrupting: 10/35/65/100 kA @ 480 Volts
- Limiters Available: 200 kAIC
- Instantaneous: 10-13X Frame Rating @ various X/R

#### **Insulated Case Circuit Breakers**

- Frame Size: 400 (800) through 5000 ampere
- Interrupting: 65/85/100 kA @ 480 Volts
- Limiters Not Normally Available
- Inst./Short Time: 25/35/65 kA @ various X/R

#### **Power Circuit Breakers**

- Frame Size: 800 through 5000 ampere
- Interrupting: 65/85/100 kA @ 600 Volts
- Limiters Available: 200 kAIC
- Short Time: 35/65/85/100 kA @ X/R of 6.6

# **TCC with Power Circuit Breakers**



#### PCB 2400 amp

480V, Microprocessor Trip, LS Frame size: 3200 A Sensor: 2400 LTPU: 1.0 f(S) = 2400 amp STPU: 5.0 f(s) = 12000 amp LTD: 7.00 sec. STD: .3 sec. No Instantaneous Trip

#### <u>PCB 800 amp</u> 480V, Microprocessor Trip, LS Frame size: 800 A Sensor: 800 LTPU: 1.00 f(S) = 800 amp STPU: 5.0 f(s) = 4000 amp LTD: 7.00 sec. STD: .1 sec. No Instantaneous Trip

#### MCCB 200 amp 480V, Microprocessor Trip, LSI Frame size: 250 A Trip: 200 A Inst. PU: 10.0\*T = 2000 A

#### MCCB 50 amp

480V, Thermal-Magnetic Trip Frame size: 100 A Trip: 50 A Inst. PU: Non adjustable

# **Maintenance - MCCBs and ICCBs**

- Enclosed design requires little maintenance
- Terminal connections and trip units tightened to the proper torque values
- Inspect conductors
- Visually inspect and operate periodically
- Replacement parts are not available
- Repair, refurbishment, or remanufacture not recommended - replace damaged breakers

### **Maintenance - PCBs**

- Designed to be serviced
- Replacement parts are available (contacts, pole assemblies, arc chutes)
- Inspection and maintenance program is recommended
- Keep it dry, keep it clean, keep it tight