## EE 5220 - HW #4

Partnered Homework - Capacitor Bank Switching Problems

The file sk.acp, the in-class demo, is available on our class web page. Save it into your H:\ATP\Projects\ folder. This case may be a good starting point for this study. Attached find a hand-drawn sketch of a capacitor bank addition project. <u>Note: change the system voltage to 115-kV and the size the cap banks to 30 MVar each</u>! Values given on the sketch are total 3-phase MVA/MW/MVAR and L-L voltages. The sketch is a L-N per phase equivalent of this 3-phase system. E-mail forum requirement: each team shall 1) initiate a question or discussion on at least one pertinent technical or simulation question related to this assignment; and 2) contribute (help answer) at least one other discussion not your own.

The aim of this exercise is to develop a simplistic per-phase simulation and investigate:

- Inrush and bus voltage recovery involving a single 115-kV Cap bank.
- Back-to-back energization (energize 2nd bank with first already energized).
- Recovery voltage following clearing a fault at point "R." (Include CB bushing cap, see Table 13.4 in textbook).
- Outrush problems involving the old oil-filled CBs for fault at point "O."
- Voltage magnification at point "V."

I suggest the following approach:

- 1) Determine system parameters and create system model in ATPDraw GUI.
- 2) Predict the expected behaviors with simple hand calculations. Using a spreadsheet, develop a straightforward way of entering the key system parameters (neglect resistance) that directly calculates the values of a) the back-to-back current limiting reactors, if needed, and b) the outrush current limiting reactor, if needed. Input parameters should be CB max Ip x fo rating, bus inductances, voltage levels, Cap bank MVA sizes, etc.
- 3) Run ATP simulations for cases with and without the current liming reactors. Confirm the peak currents, frequencies, and Ip x fo products that the CBs are subjected to. (Refer to the CB ratings tables from lecture notes). Document the severity of the peak voltages observed for voltage recovery and voltage magnification.

<u>Report format</u>: Write a formal report. Present key waveforms. Give and explain the key equations you used. Attach your detailed hand calcs, and spread sheet. For this assignment, the content is what's important!

## In your report:

- Describe the system. Explain why the cap banks are used. Are they sized properly? Explain.
- Describe the system operating events leading up to each problem.
- Use ATP to demonstrate operating events, with simulated waveforms to illustrate problems.
- Recommend corrective actions
  - Current limiting L or R, synchronous switching, operating constraints, etc.
  - Show ATP output proving that problems have been mitigated.
- Make overall recommendations what should the design and operations engineers do?
- Include references to useful literature. Refer to the last page of the Cap Bank Switching Tutorial for some key references.

Note - it's expected that you may have many questions as you step through the spreadsheet and ATP implementation details. Ask away and I will respond with e-mails and copy the whole class. We'll work our way through this together and learn some good transient simulation skills.

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