Renewable energy integrated multi-terminal transmission system using wavelet based protection scheme

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ABSTRACT

The power plants behavior is crucial under faulted conditions and responses on protection systems. Major microgrid (MG) protection problem is the problem between the fault current in utilitygrid mode and microgrid mode. As conventional protection system doesn’t offer solution for all MG protection challenge, but it needs advanced protection strategy. Protection system must response to both the utilitygrid and MG faults. Fast response of protection is necessary as early as possible if the fault is occurs on utilitygrid and if the fault is occurs on MG, the protection scheme must separate the small possible portion of MG to remove the fault. This work presents a typical MG protection scheme using digital relaying and satellite communication with wavelet detailed D1-coefficients of mother wavelet Bior 1.5. This research work is done for the detection, discrimination and locality of faults at distributed generators (DG’s) integration in multi-terminal transmission system. The algorithm tested under various faults with fault inception angles (FIA), fault impedances and fault distance of feeder line.

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1. INTRODUCTION

Renewable energy generation of various technologies on small size capacity DG’s are suitable where many micro power sources are linked to the distribution system and produce electricity nearer to demand requirements[1]. This may overcome the necessity of central power generation, transmission, distribution costs. A microgrid is the one which can be linked to utilitygrid during normal condition and separated from the utilitygrid in an isolated or island mode during fault condition. Since a decade, the evolution of MG has become an efficient way of integrating DG’s in the electric network. However, besides these benefits, the microgrids raised a different hurdles, amongst these the problem of its protection [2, 3]. In order to get high performance and better AC power quality of the converters, it is worthwhile to control directly the phase angle and magnitude of 3-Φ supply currents [4]. The major hurdle is protection system of MG must respond rapidly for the both utilitygrid and MG faults also should separate the MG from the utilitygrid to protect RES’s and isolate the least priority part of MG during clearance of the abnormal conditions [5].

Power electronics based components are required for the Smart grids which are very crucial for the interconnection of variable RES’s. It is important to choose settings of over-current relays are considered for grid topology, location, fault type and quantity of power generation. Otherwise, mal-operation may take place. As conventional protection system doesn’t give solution for all MG protection challenge, but it requires advanced protection strategy. The protection scheme must be proper secure operation of MG in 2 modes of operations [6]. The implementation of fault analysis of power network done with wavelet
transforms (WT) in recent trends [7]. However, the works rarely mention about the locality of fault on multi-
terminal with renewable energy sources (RES). WT analyzes discontinuous signals of current during faults in
time & frequency domain. The proposed algorithm carried fault analysis on multi-terminal transmission with
variable RES’s connected system. Wavelet Multi-Resolution Analysis (WMRA) is used to detect, classify
and discrimination of the faults with the use of detailed D1-coefficients of signals output of current using
mother wavelet Bior1.5 [8]. The system is tested under various faults with various locations, FIA and at fault
resistance and it is confirmed that the algorithm works efficiently.

2. INTEGRATION OF RENEWABLE ENERGY WITH POWER GRIDS PROTECTION

The MG interconnection makes the network more flexible from various regions with wide
availability of DG’s where ever high demand of electricity is required. Integration of DG’s with conventional
power to coordinate each other at different times for example solar energy on the day time and wind energy
on overnight. The electricity demand of small islands with a peak value load of a few 100 KW could be
completely supplied by RES’s energy storage units to co-ordinate the supply and demand. Proper power
network design requires extensive simulation and depends on load profile, wind, solar resources and the level
of integration. The operation of a power grid involves the protection scheme for the detection of fault
conditions and restores normal condition through the corrective measures [9, 10].

3. WAVELET ANALYSIS

WT is the tool it divides the data into various components of frequency, and then traces each signal
with a resolution matched to its particular scale. For a given function x(t) the continuous wavelet transform is
as follows:

$$\text{WT}(a,b) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{a}} \int x(t) g\left(\frac{t-b}{a}\right) dt \quad (1)$$

Where ‘a’ and ‘b’ are dilation, translation constants and ‘g’ is the WT function which is real. The
mother wavelet Bior1.5 to be chosen according to type of application. A new method of detection,
categorization and locality of faults using WMRA of the transient or discontinues currents are discussed [11].
Where the signals have transients or irregular discontinuities the WT concepts are used to analyze the signals
particularly more efficient like the post faults voltage /current waveform. Mother wavelet Bior1.5 is used by
translation and dilation for the transmission protection. So that WT is advantageous for analyzing transients
signals [12].Wavelet was used for fault classification in TLs and specifically, third order Daubechies (db3)
was used as the mother wavelet [13].

4. PROPOSED SYSTEM MODELLING AND PROTECTION SCHEME

An utilitygrid connected to hybrid MG shown in Figure1. PV arra y is connected to DC bus through
DC-DC converter and a capacitorconnected for smoothen the high frequency ripples of the output of PV
voltage [14]. Fortunately, the problems can be moderately overcome by integrating the DER’s to form a
hybrid Micro-grid system, power generation of one source overcome the limitation of the other power
generation [15]. At any given time, to extract the maximum power generated by a solar cell, the solar System
has to be equipped with a maximum power point tracker. It helps to operate the PV system at the maximum
output power point for a given set of conditions, thereby maximizing the array efficiency [16]. The various
operating situations of the RES’s like Wind and solar P Vconnected to the MG and their combinations have
created and simulated in MATLAB/Simulink [17].A proposed test systemwith a transmission line in between
Bus1, 2 with a distance 90km is presented. A MG is formulated with comprises of RES’s designed. The wind
energy source of capacity 9MVA, 575V through a transformer of 575V/25KV is connected
at Bus 3. A bus4 formulated with RES’s of capacity 400KVA connected through transformer of 575V/25KV.
A Power system block and SIMULINK software is taken to simulate the test system.

Photovoltaic (PV) system has array of cells consists of PV material in which solar radiation converts
to direct current and further dc is converted into the alternating current via inverter then it is connected to
utilitygrid. Maximum power obtained from solar PV system directly proportional to solar irradiance
intensity. Wind turbine operates like a prime mover coupled to DC generator.A PMW technique converts
output of DC generator to 3-Φ AC voltage. Whenever rotor blades strike the wind, wind turbine extracts
maximum K.E from the wind. The complete protection scheme algorithm is provided below:
Step 1: Determination of phase currents
Step 2: Calculating detailed $D_1$-coefficients and sum of detailed $D_1$-coefficients.
Step 3: Comparison of sum of detailed $D_1$-coefficients with threshold value
Step 4: Faults identification on terminals
Step 5: Type of fault classification on terminal comparing with threshold value.

Figure 1. Proposed microgrid connected to utility grid system

Figure 2. Simulation model for proposed system
5. RESULTS

All terminals 3-Φ currents are evaluated with mother wavelet Bior.1.5 to obtain detailed D1-coefficients over a ½ cycle length moving window. The detailed D1-coefficients are evaluated from the Bus1, 2, 3 and 4 to obtain detailed D1-coefficients. The Fault Index (FI) of every phase is calculated. The results are then plotted for various faults given below. The identification of faulted terminal is observed by detailed D1-coefficients of current indices of all terminals has largest value among other terminals shown in Figure 3 and indicating that the LG fault at terminal 1. Figures 4-5 illustrates discrimination of fault at bus 1 by observing Sum of detailed D1-coefficients of FI and FI of signals of current at Bus1. Figures 6-9 shows analysis of FI at various distances from bus 1 with LG fault, LL fault, LLG fault and 3-Φ fault at FIA 40°. It is concluded that faulted phase index values are high compared with healthy phase.

Figure 3. Variation of FI to discriminate type of fault from bus1

Figure 4. Variation of Sum of FI at terminal 1

Figure 5. FI of signals of current at terminal 1

Figure 6. FI analysis at a distance from bus1 with LG fault

Figure 7. FI analysis at a distance from bus1 with LL fault

Figure 8. FI analysis at a distance from bus1 with LLG fault

Figure 9. FI analysis at a distance from bus1 with 3-Φ fault
Figure 9. FI analysis at a distances from bus1 with 3-Φ fault

Figure 10 shows detect and discriminate the LL fault at terminal 2 (utility Grid). The identification of faulty terminal is observed by detail D$_1$-coefficients of current indices of all terminals has largest value among the other terminals as shown in Figure 11 and indicating that the LLG fault at terminal 2. Figures 12-13 illustrates discrimination of the fault at bus2 by observing Sum of detailed D$_1$-coefficients of the FI and FI of signals of current at Bus2. Figure 14-17 shows the analysis of FI at various distances from bus 2 (Utility Grid) with Single line-ground (LG), double line (LL), Double line-ground (LLG) and 3-Φ fault at FIA 20°. It is concluded that faulted phase index values are high compared with healthy phase.

Figure 10. Variation of FI to discriminate the type of fault from bus 2 (Utility Grid).

Figure 11. Variation of FI to discriminate the type of fault from bus 2 (AG Fault)
Figures 18-19 illustrates discrimination of the fault at bus2 by observing Sum of detailed D1-coefficients of the FI and FI of signals of current at Bus3. Figures 20-21 shows analysis of FI at various distances from bus_3(Wind source) with LG fault and LLG fault and 3-Ф fault at FIA 60°. It is concluded that faulty phase index values are high compared to healthy phase.
Figure 20. FI analysis at a distances from bus3 (Wind source) with LLG fault

Figure 21. FI analysis at a distances from bus3 (Wind source) with LG fault

Figure 22. Parameters variation at bus 3 (PV source) Sum of FI

Figure 23. Parameters variation at bus 3 (PV source) FI

Figures 24-25 shows that Analysis of FI at various distances from bus3 (wind energy source) with LG fault, LLG fault at FIA 40°. It is concluded that all the index values are below the threshold value except faulty phase values. The proposed protection scheme is fast, accurate and reliable for faults on multi-terminal transmission network with MG containing RES’s generation using WMRA.

Figure 24. FI analysis at a distances from bus4 (PV source) with LG fault

Figure 25. FI analysis at a distances from bus4 (PV source) with LLG fault

6. CONCLUSION

The major problem occurred in MG protection related to large difference between utility grid and MG mode fault currents are studied. The determination of the time must be small when it is islanded from the utility grid in response to under abnormal conditions. Protection system is proper synchronization and reliable method of protection for the effective tripping under fault condition. In this paper, the test system is created and simulated using the power system block with SIMULINK software and the analysis is done by WMRA to detection, categorization and locality of faults on transmission network. A Detailed D1-coefficients of signals of current using mother wavelet Bior.1.5 are used to detect and classify of fault less than a half cycle. The proposed protection scheme is found to be fast, accurate and reliable for various types of faults on multi-terminal transmission network with microgrid containing RES’s generation.
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