# ANALYSIS OF HIGH VOLTAGE CURRENT TRANSFORMER UNDER DETERIORATING AND FAILED INSULATION

BY

#### VUSUMUZI SAMUEL MAHLASELA

Bsc (Eng)

Submitted in partial fulfillment of the requirements for the degree of Master of Science in Engineering, in the School of Electrical, Electronic and Computer Engineering, University of KwaZulu Natal, South Africa

Supervisors: Prof A M Chol

**Prof A A Jimoh** 

March 2006

#### ABSTRACT

Data pertaining to the number of failed high voltage current transformers installed in transmission substations by Eskom has been collected for a period from 1982 to 2000. The collected data was populated into a database. The data was then analysed and the single phase faulting was identified as the most dominant failure mode. The failure mode identified formed a cornerstone to the model that was developed. This model in turn served as the means for analysis and critical probing into the behaviour of this equipment. All possible scenarios that could lead to insulation failure within a CT were investigated.

For all the scenarios considered, the steady and transient equations relating the state variables of the model have been developed and analysed. For the implementation of the model, the model parameters were determined through laboratory experiments. Model implementation was performed in Matlab<sup> $\odot$ </sup> for steady state analysis and Simplorer<sup> $\odot$ </sup> for transient analysis. The CT insulation was modeled as a parallel combination of resistance and capacitance. The model showed at which values of resistance and capacitance when the insulation is perfect, deteriorating and complete failure. The magnitudes of current and voltage at which the insulation breakdown takes place have been demonstrated. This helps to explain why the failures experienced by Eskom were so catastrophic.

# ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

I would like to thank Eskom for the financial support which they provided for this work to be realized and University of KwaZulu Natal HVDC Centre for affording me the opportunity to carry out this research work.

In addition, I would like to thank the following people:

My family for their support, patience and their best wishes

Prof AM Chol and Prof AA Jimoh for their leadership while carrying out this work

God for making everything possible

Page iii

· .

# **TABLE OF CONTENTS**

Abstract	i
Acknowledgement	ii
List of Figures and Symbols	ix
1. INTRODUCTION	
1.0 Introduction	1
1.1 Problems Statement and Objectives	3
1.2 Solution Methodology	3
1.3 Dissertation Layout	4

### 2. CURRENT TRANSFORMER FAILURES DATABASE

,

2.1	Introduction	6
2.1	Background to the development of the database	7
2.3	Results of the database	9
2.4	Conclusion	13
3. N	10DEL DEVELOPMENT AND EQUATIONS	
3.1	Introduction	14
3.2	Background of the development of the model	14
3.3	Model development and associated equations	17
	3.3.1 Model Development Voltage ignored	17

# Page iv

.

3.3.1.1 Insulation Breakdown within Primary Winding only	17
3.3.1.1.1 Steady State Equations	19
3.3.1.1.2 Transients State Equations	. 20
3.3.1.2 Insulation Breakdown within the Primary Winding and	
Ground	22
3.3.1.2.1 Steady State Equations	22
3.3.1.2.2 Transients State Equations	23
3.3.1.3 Insulation Breakdown within Secondary Winding	23
3.3.1.3.1 Steady State Equations	24
3.3.1.3.2 Transient State Equations	25
3.3.1.4 Insulation Breakdown within Secondary and Ground	25
3.3.1.4.1 Steady State Equations	26
3.3.1.4.2 Transient State Equations	27
3.3.1.5 Insulation Failure between Primary and Secondary	
Windings	27
3.3.1.5.1 Steady State Equations	28
3.3.1.5.2 Transient State Equations	29
3.3.1.6 Insulation Failure between Primary Winding and Core	29
3.3.1.6.1 Steady State Equations	30
3.3.1.6.2 Transient State Equations	31
3.3.1.7 Insulation Failure between Secondary Winding and	
Core	31
3.3.1.7.1 Steady State Equations	32
3.3.1.7.2 Transient State Equations	33
3.3.1.8 Insulation Failure between the Core and Ground	34

....

# Page v

	3.3.1.8.1 Steady State Equations	34
	3.3.1.8.2 Transient State Equations	35
	3.3.2 Model with Breakdown Voltage	35
	3.3.2.1 Insulation Breakdown between Primary Windings and	
	Ground	35
	3.3.2.1.1 Steady State Equations	36
	3.3.3.1.2 Transient State Equations	37
	Conclusion	38
4. M	IODEL IMPLEMENTATION AND RESULTS ANALYSIS	
<b>4</b> .1	Introduction	39
4.2	Determination of Model Parameters	-40
4.3	Steady State Implementation	44
4.4	Transient State Implementation	45
4.5	Steady State Results and Discussions	46
	4.5.1 Results and Discussion with Breakdown Voltage ignored	46
	4.5.1.1 Insulation Breakdown between Primary Winding	46
	4.5.1.2 Insulation Breakdown between Primary Winding	50
	And Ground	
	4.5.1.3 Insulation Breakdown between Secondary Winding	52
	4.5.1.4 Insulation Breakdown between Primary and	
	Secondary Windings	58
	4.5.1.5 Insulation Breakdown between Secondary Winding	
	and Ground	59

.

.

# Page vi

4.5.1.6 Insulation Breakdown between Core and Ground	61
4.5.2 Results and Discussion with Breakdown Voltage present	66
4.5.2.1 Insulation failure between primary windings and ground with cur	rent
controlled voltage source	<b>66</b> .
4.6 Transient Results and Discussions	68
4.6.1 Insulation Breakdown between Primary Winding only	69
4.6.2 Insulation Breakdown between Primary Winding and Core	70
4.6.3 Insulation Breakdown between Secondary Winding and Core	<b>7</b> 0
4.6.4 Insulation Breakdown between Secondary Winding and	
Ground	71
4.7 Conclusion	72

# 5. CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS

5.1 Current Transformer Failures Database			73
5.2 Model Developments and Equations			. 74
5.3 Model Implementation and Results Analysis	· · :	<sup>.</sup> .	- 75
5.4 Suggestions for Further Work			76

## APPENDICES

APPENDIX A	Current Transformer Failure Database	A1
APPENDIX B	Determination of Model Parameters	B1
APPENDIX C	Sample of Matlab programs	C1
APPENDIX D	Results from Chapter Four	D1
APPENDIX E	Sample of Simplorer circuit	E1

## REFERENCES

R1

# LIST OF FIGURES AND TABLES

Fig.l	Failures classified according to the manufacturers	10
Fig.2	Failures distribution per month	11
Fig.3	Design type distribution	12
Fig.4	Hair pin HV Current Transformer	15
Fig.5	Equivalent circuit of a practical insulator	15
Fig.6	Phasor diagram of an ideal insulator	16
Fig.7	Phasor diagram of the practical insulator	16
Fig.8	Inter-turn breakdown within Primary Winding	18
Fig 9	Inter-turn breakdown within Primary Winding	22
Fig.10	Insulation failure within Primary Winding and Ground	21
Fig.11	Inter-turn failure within Secondary Winding	24
Fig.12	Insulation breakdown within Secondary Winding and Ground	26
Fig.13	Insulation failure between Primary and Secondary Windings	28
Fig.14	Insulation failure between Primary Winding and Core	30
Fig.15	Insulation failure between Secondary Winding and Core	32.
Fig.16	Insulation failure between the Core and Ground	34
Fig.17	Insulation failure between primary winding and ground with bree Voltage	akdown 36
Fig.18	Open circuit test circuit diagram	40
Fig.19	Short Circuit test circuit diagram	41
Fig.20	Laboratory set up	42
Fig.21	Iins VS Rinsulation	47

Fig.22	Iins vs Cinsulation	48
Fig.23	Iinsvs Rins & Cinsulation	48
Fig.24	Iins vs n & Cinsulation	49
Fig.25	Iins vs n & Rinsulation	49
Fig.26	Iins vs Rinsulation	50
Fig.27	Iins vs Rinsulation and Cinsulation	51
Fig.28	$I_{imag}$ vs $R_{insulation}$ and $C_{insulation}$	51
Fig.29	Isec vs Rinsulation and Cinsulation	52
Fig.30	Iins vs Rinsulation	53
Fig.31	Iisec vs Rinsulation	53
Fig.32	I <sub>imag</sub> vs R <sub>insulation</sub>	54
Fig.33	Iins VS Cinsulation	54
Fig.34	Imag VS Cinsulation	55
Fig.35	$I_{sec} vs C_{insulation}$	55
Fig.36	Iins vs Rinsulation and Cinsulation	56
Fig.37	Iimag vs Rinsulation and Cinsulation	56
Fig.38	Isec vs Rinsulation and Cinsulation	57
Fig.39	Isec vs n and Rinsulation	57
Fig.40	Iins vs n and Rinsulation	58
Fig.41	$I_{ins}$ vs n and $C_{insulation}$	58
Fig.42	Iins vs Rinsulation	59
Fig.43	Iimag vs Rinsulation	59
Fig.44	I <sub>isec</sub> vs R <sub>insulation</sub>	60
Fig.45	Iins VS Cinsulation	60
Fig.46	Iins vs Rinsulation	61

Fig.47	$I_{ins}$ vs $R_{insulation}$	62
Fig.48	I <sub>imag</sub> vs R <sub>insulation</sub>	62
Fig.49	$I_{sec}$ vs $R_{insulation}$	63
Fig.50	Imag VS Cinsulation	63
Fig.51	Iimag VS Cinsulation	64
Fig.52	Isec vs Cinsulation	64
Fig.53	$I_{ins}$ vs n and $R_{insulation}$	65
Fig.54	$I_{ins}$ vs n and $C_{insulation}$	65
Fig.55	Iins vs Cinsulation	66
Fig.56	Iins vs Rinsulation	67
Fig.57	Vbreakdown VS Rinsulation	67
Fig.58	Input Current	69
Fig.59	I <sub>capacitor</sub> waveform when failure is in primary windings only	69
Fig.60	$I_{capacitor}$ waveform primary windings and core failure	70
Fig.61	$I_{\text{capacitor}}$ waveform secondary windings and core failure	70
Fig.62	Icapacitor waveform secondary windings and ground failure	71

# TABLE

Table 1	Eskom Transmission installed current transformers	6
Table 2	Failure Records from 1982-1999	9
Table 3	Failure modes of CTs	12

# LIST OF SYMBOLS AND ABBREVIATIONS

The commonly used symbols and notations adopted in this dissertation are listed below. Other symbols used in the text are explained where they first occur.

## Acronyms

CT	Current Transformer
HV	High Voltage
kV	Kilo Volts

## Current transformer model parameters

R <sub>ins</sub>	insulation resistance
Cins	insulation capacitance
Z <sub>p</sub>	primary impendance
n	inter-turn ratio
m	inter-turn ratio
Isource	supply current in the primary windings
R <sub>p</sub>	primary winding resistance
$L_p$	primary winding inductance
I <sub>mag</sub>	magnetizing current
L <sub>m</sub>	magnetising inductance
R <sub>m</sub>	magnetizing resistance
R <sub>s</sub>	secondary winding resistance
L <sub>s</sub>	secondary winding inductance
R <sub>burden</sub>	burden resistance
L <sub>burden</sub>	burden inductance
Isec	secondary current

et na 🕠

l <sub>ins</sub>	insulation current
Zm	magnetizing impedance
Zs	secondary winding impedance

#### **CHAPTER ONE**

#### INTRODUCTION

#### **1.0 INTRODUCTION**

The restructuring of the electricity market worldwide, especially in European and American countries has changed the way things were done due to competition in the market. The electricity market in these countries has been dominated by regional or national monopolies. During the past few years, this picture has been changing significantly and it is soon going to hit South African shores. Eskom, the South African utility has enjoyed a national monopoly since its inception, but in the next few years this picture will change drastically due to privatization.

The privatization of the electricity utilities has put utilities under severe pressure to reduce cost in order to be competitive. The trend towards free competition and privatization with the related demand on return on investments, results in a cost consciousness among utilities [1],[2]. Planned maintenance has been seen as a contributor to high cost investment with very little return on investment. The objectives of planned maintenance are to avoid failures by ensuring the plant is in good condition, minimizing the duration and/or the frequency of un-planned outages, preserving the long term integrity of assets, sometimes environment responsibility, safety responsibility and statutory requirements.

Before, much emphasis was placed on cost. Planned maintenance was a routine activity which every utility carried out as a necessity. The frequency of planned maintenance was determined from manufacturer specifications and recommendations, performance of the plant, environment which the plant is exposed to and sometimes 'thumb suck' rule from experienced personnel within the organization. Planned maintenance is executed in the plant even if it was not required. This was done as prescribed by utilities standards although sometimes it was neither improving performance, nor reducing network outages but was for satisfying management of the utility. In most scenarios a breakdown of plant would occur after execution of the planned maintenance [3].

Experience has shown that planned maintenance is expensive and it does not guarantee the prevention of plant failure. This became a concern to all utilities because their high investment on planned maintenance results in little or no return, or in some cases total loss [4]. This is the case with the failures of current transformers in Eskom. The failure of a current transformer (CT) in a utility could result in a loss of revenue, network outages, damage to the adjacent equipments that could be up to millions of rands and pose a safety risk to the operating personnel [5]. Due to risks that equipment in the field are exposed to and the transformation in the electrical industry which require justification for any investment made, maintenance engineers worldwide had to come up with solutions to solve the problems. Economic pressure was forcing the industry to reduce maintenance while increasing reliability and availability of all equipment.

Eskom, South African utility has in excess of 1000 CTs in their transmission substations, which can amount to more than a billion rands in investment. Standards for maintaining these equipment in Eskom are available and management are enforcing them to be followed. The failure rate of CTs in Eskom's transmission substations has reached an alarming rate which any utility can not tolerate [4]. Planned maintenance is done as per standard, but this has not prevented the CTs failures. Causes of CT failures and modes of failures are not understood.

#### **1.1 Problems Definition and Objectives**

High voltage bushings and current transformers are among the most vulnerable power system's equipment because they are subjected to high dielectric and thermal stresses. Sudden failure of a current transformer in the transmission substation can cost a utility in excess of one million rands in damage and loss of revenue [5].

The failure pattern of current transformers in Eskom has generally been violent, catastrophic and in some instances near fatal. The nature of these failures makes it difficult in most cases for an Eskom investigation team to determine the root cause of the failure [5]. The objectives of this work is to:

1. Develop a database and analysis of current transformers failures experienced by Eskom.

2. Use the database findings to develop and implement a current transformer model that will lead to the understanding of the phenomena and processes that leads to violent and sudden failure of CTs in HV substations.

#### **1.2 Solution Methodology**

In Eskom there has been some work done on the power transformer failures. The common modes of failures for the power transformer were determined by looking at the workshop records where failed transformers were dismantled to determine the root causes of failures. From the workshop records, a database was formed to determine dominant cause of failure.. In this study, the same approach has been taken to determine the most common mode failure that HV current transformers normally suffer.

The investigation records from Eskom CT Investigation Group were obtained to prepared CT failure database. The staff from the Investigation Group were interviewed for additional information which may be missing on the investigation report. After the analysis of the investigation reports and information from the interviews, a comprehensive database of failures experienced so far was prepared. Statistical methods were used to analyse the database prepared from the investigation reports.

After the analysis of the current transformer database a model was developed with the help of the results from the database and some background work done on this topic. All the possible scenarios that the HV CT can be exposed to, were then investigated using this model with the goal to determine the phenomena preceding the failure. Steady state and transient conditions were investigated, and the influence of changes in the insulation state of the device on its state variables became the focal points of the analyses. The steady state equations of the model were implemented in Matlab<sup>©</sup> software while transient equations were implemented in Simplorer<sup>©</sup> software.

#### **1.3 Dissertation Layout**

The First chapter is an introduction of the problem that Eskom is currently facing where CT failures experienced have been violent and investigation conducted were not conclusive, hence the objectives of this work was to develop and implement the current transformer model to contribute to the understanding of the phenomena and processes that leads to violent and sudden failure of CTs in HV substations.

Chapter Two highlights the description of CT failures database and reasons why it was done. Data is examined to determine the most common mode of failure of CTs in the transmission substation with the voltage rating from 88kV to 400kV.

Chapter 3 is devoted for model development. Results from the analysis of the database played an important role in the development of the model. Different scenarios that the CT in Eskom transmission substation can be exposed are considered in this chapter.

۲.

Implementation of the model is contained in Chapter Four. For this work steady state equations were developed and simulated using Matlab software. Transient analysis of the model was also done and the development of the corresponding equations. The analysis of the steady state and transient results are discussed

Chapter Five summarises all that has been achieved in this work and the further work that can be pursued on the same topic.

.

#### **CHAPTER TWO**

#### **CURRENT TRANSFORMER FAILURES DATABASE**

#### 2.1 Introduction

Some information in high voltage current transformers in Eskom's 153 transmission substations are presented in Table 1. The total value of this plant is in excess of R700M [5]. Most of the current transformers that Eskom uses are hermetically sealed. Due to the seal, the quality of the high voltage paper and oil can not be easily evaluated, without breaking the seal, which can lead to introduction of moisture [6]. The quality of the seal deteriorates over the 30 years of service in the harsh South African weather conditions, where summer temperatures of 40 degrees are common, and moisture ingress and deterioration of the insulation quality is only a matter of time [6]. After deterioration of insulation, a violent or catastrophic failure will normally follow. The failure of one current transformer is normally accompanied by damage to the adjacent equipment, buildings, quality of supply due to voltage depressions and sometimes poses risk to Eskom personnel working in the vicinity of the equipment. To rectify the situation an outage is normally arranged for which the customers go without electricity for the duration of the outage.

	No of CTs	No of Substations
Total (400, 275,220,	8886	135
132, <b>88,66</b> kV )		
Average per substation	66	

Table 1: Eskom, Transmission installed current transformers [6]

The failure of one CT does not cost less than one million rands per incident, which may prove costly for any utility [5]. The mentioned cost is for putting the system back to normal and excludes cost suffered by customer due to power loss and production lost in some instances. Eskom has to intervene to eliminate any risk associated with its plants, danger posed to personnel working in the vicinity of the equipment, quality of supply delivered to the customers and cost associated with the failure of current transformer. Eskom has tried to implement various methods to ensure that they correctly intervene before any failure.

#### 2.2 Background to the development of the database

During the literature survey it was discovered that Eskom has done work on the power transformer failures. In the power transformer research work available databases were searched to get insight into the dominant failure mode [7]. In this study interrogation of historical records of the failed power transformer from the workshop was also carried out.

With this in mind it was decided to embark on the search of the available information on the CT failures because this would form a corner stone of this study. There was no existing database within Eskom with the information of the CTs failures with their failure mode and causes of such failures. After the investigation, staff in the Instrument Transformer Support Group were interviewed to determine the available information on CTs failures. It was discovered that this department is in charge of investigating any CT failures in Eskom country wide. They explained the whole procedure on how they get involved on investigating the CTs failures.

After discussion with the staff it was discovered that the post-mortem reports are not properly stored. There was no standardised source of storing this useful information from the investigations. In this work it was decided to collect all the available information. This was done by spending 2 weeks with the Instrument Transformer Support Group. All the possible sources of post-mortem reports were thoroughly interrogated. When there was a doubt with the report, an interview was held with the author of that particular report to remove any uncertainties. Where the authors were not available for the interview because he or she has left Eskom, the Head of Department was interviewed.

The post-mortem reports were obtained from different sources like staff personal computers, unofficial filing cabinets in the Head of Department's office and desks of the staff personnel of this department. This was viewed as a deficiency from the information management point of view. There was no workshop where information could be searched about repairs they have done on the CTs. With all the information obtained from the Current Transformer Support Group a database was prepared as shown in Appendix A1.

From the literature it was discovered that generally the current transformer failures are due to the following problems [4]:

- Electric circuit faults(winding short circuits, insulation failure, bad joints, partial discharge)
- Magnetic circuit faults(circulating currents)
- Dielectric circuit faults (moisture in oil, paper).
- Others fault includes transportation problems, faulty manufactured equipment.

### **Results of the database**

Several databases (like Phoenix, Orion and Permac) exist within Eskom transmission department but they do not have details of CT failures. The existing databases consisted of the current transformer's asset information but lacked failure details. During the literature survey, post mortem Manual Reports were identified as the only source with CT failures. It was decided to collect these Manual Reports and conduct interviews to form a comprehensive database as can be seen in Appendix A1. The following results were obtained from Manual Reports and interviews and were used as the basis for this study. There could be more current transformer failures that Eskom has experienced but this information could be lost due to investigation teams not documenting the failure or capturing them into any source of data records.

Voltage(kV)	No of failures	
400	30	
275	31	
220	2	
132	33	
88	2	

Table 2: Current Transformers Failure records (from 1982-1999)



From the above records, manufacturers of the failed current transformers were as follows:

Fig.1: Current Transformers Failures classified according to manufacturer

Eskom has an installed database of 8886 CTs in their substations. From Fig.1 it can be noted that majority of failures has been dominated by Balteau manufactured CTs with 32 failures out 96 failures of the available information. Although the number of Balteau failures is a small percentage compared to the installed base but it should be closely monitored.

It was decided to use the available information to determine which month of the year are the failures dominant. The reason for the investigating seasons of the year was because of the temperature variations within season of the year. The failures distribution was as shown in Fig.2 which showed more failures were experienced in months during storm seasons. It can be concluded that temperature variation (seasonal variations also include precipitation and pressure ) could be factor to the recorded failures of CTs.



Fig.2: CT Failure distribution per month (Appendix A)

Fig.3 shows different types of current transformer design in the Eskom transmission substations. When the design of CT was not mentioned in the fault report then it was designated as unknown. From the available information top core CT design dominated failures experienced.



Fig.3: Design type distribution [Appendix A]

Table 5. I diffuit modes of CTS	Table 3:	Failure	modes	of CTs
---------------------------------	----------	---------	-------	--------

Failure mode	Cause	Number
Insulation failure	Unspecified	24
Single phase faulted	Unspecified	58
Unknown	Unspecified	6
Pre-energisation	Unspecified	2
Star point fault	Unspecified	1
Tank rapture	Unspecified	1

Table 3 shows information extracted from the Manual reports. The dominant failure mode is single phase fault which could be due to insulation failure. Single

phase faults and insulation failure were the most dominant failures from the database, hence the investigation of insulation failure mode in the proceeding chapters of this dissertation.

#### 2.4 Conclusion

Valuable information was collected and prepared into a database where information about current transformer failures in Eskom transmission networks to year 2000 can be obtained. Various analysis of the information forming the database has been presented. From the analysis the most affected design was identified. The database showed single phase fault failure as the dominant failure mode which could be related to insulation failure, hence strengthening why insulation failure was investigated during model development. A modified structure of the investigation report format could assist in identifying the causes of the failures and a modified investigation report can be viewed in Appendix A2. Continual update of the database prepared in this work, is encouraged.

## CHAPTER THREE

#### **Model Development**

### **3.1 Introduction**

Finding an engineering solution to a problem which is not well understood can be a difficult task. As described in the previous chapters, the nature of CT failures experienced by Eskom in their transmission substations has been impossible to determine the phenomena and processes leading to the violent nature of the failures. In this study it was decided to develop a current transformer model where possible causes of CTs failures can be simulated to acquire a better understanding of the failures experienced.

#### 3.2 Background to the development of the model

Fig. 4 is a cut-away view of a typical current transformer showing the primary windings terminal which are normally connected directly to the HV line [8,9]. The insulator (normally porcelain material) isolates the inner part of the CT from moisture. As can be seen from Fig.4, there is no physical link between the primary current carrying conductor and secondary current carrying conductor. The link is through electromagnetic coupling through the core.

Insulation failure mode is what would be investigated in this work. The insulator was modelled as a parallel combination of resistance and capacitance which is regarded to be the practical representation [9] as shown in Fig.4.







Fig.5 Equivalent circuit of a practical insulator



Fig. 7: Phasor diagram of practical insulator

For an ideal insulator the angle between current and voltage is exactly 90 degrees (Fig 6). However, in a practical insulator, the angle is smaller than 90 degrees due to resistive current component (Fig 7). There are combinations of scenarios which

may lead to insulation deterioration or failure within the current transformer but this thesis will consider the following scenarios for the development of the CT model.

- Inter-turn failure within the primary winding
- Inter-turn failure within secondary winding
- Insulation failure between primary and secondary winding
- Insulation failure between secondary winding and the core
- Insulation failure between primary winding and the core
- Insulation failure between primary winding and the ground
- Insulation failure between secondary winding and the ground

It is, however, important to emphasis that all the scenarios mentioned above would not occur at the same time. A combination of these factors may, however ,deteriorate or fail concurrently or in a cascade form. For all the above mentioned scenarios, the CT model was initially developed ignoring the presence of a current controlled voltage breakdown due to the insulation deterioration or failure. Later on, this assumption was removed. Apart from being a model development necessity, this allowed for a better understanding of the roles played by the various parameters or state variables.

#### 3.3 Model Development and Associated Equations

#### 3.3.1 Models with Breakdown Voltage ignored

The following section will concentrate on model development and the associated equations when breakdown voltage is assumed to be absent.

#### 3.3.1.1 Insulation breakdown within primary winding only

Inter-turn insulation breakdown may be represented as shown in Fig.8



Fig.8: Inter-turn breakdown between primary winding

The primary function of the current transformer is to transform current magnitude, hence we decided to use current source as the main source for the model. The model consists of the primary windings labelled as  $Z_p$ . The primary windings consist of resistance and inductance. The primary windings have been divided into n turns to show that a failure or deterioration within primary windings can happen anywhere. The scenario presented in Fig.8 occurs when there is an insulation deterioration or failure within primary windings only. The insulation is represented as parallel combination of resistance and capacitance as shown in Fig.8. For a perfect insulator, an open circuit is presented by the insulator representation to the current flow of  $I_{ins}$ . When the insulator starts to deteriorate until failure, a short circuit is presented by the insulator represented by the insulator represented by parallel combination resistance ( $R_m$ ) and inductance ( $L_m$ ). The secondary windings of the CT model in Fig.8 are represented by resistance ( $R_s$ ) and

inductance ( $L_s$ ). The burden that is normally presented in the secondary of the CT is represented by series resistance ( $R_{burden}$ ) and inductance ( $L_{burden}$ ).

#### 3.3.1.1.1 Steady State Equations

The steady state equations governing the model in Fig.8 are as follows;

$$I_{ins} = \frac{(1-n)Z_p}{(1-n)Z_p + Z_{ins}} I_{source}$$
(1)

Where I<sub>ins</sub> is the insulation current

 $I_{source}$  is the source current and  $Z_p$  is the primary winding impedance given by

$$Z_p = R_p + jX_p \tag{2}$$

 $R_p$  is the primary winding resistance

 $X_p$  is the primary winding reactance

The insulation impedance may be expressed by

$$Z_{ins} = \frac{R_{ins}C_{ins}}{R_{ins} + C_{ins}}$$
(3)

 $R_{ins}$  is the insulation resistance

 $C_{ins}$  is the insulation capacitance

$$I_{\text{sec}} \simeq \frac{Z_m}{Z_m + Z_{sb}} I_{source}$$
(4)

Isec is the secondary current

$$Z_{sb} = R_s + R_{burden} + j(X_s + X_{burden})$$
<sup>(5)</sup>

 $Z_{sb}$  is the combination of secondary winding impedance and the burden impedance

$$I_{mag} = \frac{Z_{sb}}{Z_m + Z_{sb}} I_{source}$$
(6)

 $I_{mag}$  is the magnetising current

 $Z_m$  is the magnetising impedance, which is

$$Z_m = \frac{(R_m)(j * X_m)}{R_m + j * X_m}$$

 $R_m$  is the magnetising winding resistance  $X_m$  is the magnetising winding reactance  $R_s$  is the secondary winding resistance  $X_s$  is the secondary winding reactance  $R_{burden}$  is the burden winding resistance  $X_{burden}$  is the burden winding reactance

### 3.3.1.1.2 Transient State Equations

With the aid of mesh current analysis, starting from the left hand side of the circuit, the transient equations governing the model in Fig.8 may be formulated as follows. The loop equations were used to develop the following equations and the transient equations to follow in this dissertation. The loop currents are indicated as per Fig.9 and same principle was applied for the following transient equations in the dissertation.

(7)



Fig.9: Inter-turn breakdown between primary winding

$$i_1 R_{ins} + \frac{1}{C_{ins}} \int_{0}^{t} (i_1 - i_2) dt = 0$$
(8)

$$\frac{1}{C_{ins}} \int_{0}^{t} (i_2 - i_1) dt + (i_2 - i_1)(1 - n)R_p + (1 - n)L_p \frac{d}{dt} (i_2 - i_1) = 0$$
(9)

$$(i_3 - i_2)(1 - n)R_p + i_3(nR_p + R_m) + ((1 - n)L_p \frac{d}{dt}(i_3 - i_2) + nL_p \frac{di_3}{dt} = 0 \quad (10)$$

$$(L_{s} + L_{burden} + L_{m})\frac{di_{4}}{dt} + i_{4}(R_{s} + R_{burden}) = 0$$
(11)

The state variables of the model can be calculated as follows;

$$I_{ins} = 2i_1 - i_2$$
 (12)

$$I_{mag} = i_3 - i_4 \tag{13}$$

$$I_{\text{sec}} = i_4 \tag{14}$$



### 3.3.1.2 Insulation Breakdown between the Primary Winding and Ground

Fig. 10: Insulation failure between Primary Winding and Ground

Under the condition of insulation breakdown between primary winding and ground, the model of the CT will be as shown in Fig.10, where the definition of parameters are the same as in section 3.1.1.

### 3.3.1.2.1 Steady state equations

The steady state equations governing the model in Fig.10 are as follows

$$I_{ins} = I_{source} \frac{Z_{eq}}{Z_{ins} + Z_{eq}}$$
(15)

where  $Z_{eq}$  is the equivalent impedance of secondary, burden, magnetising and primary windings given as

$$Z_{eq} = nZ_p + \frac{Z_{sb}Z_m}{Z_{sb} + Z_m}$$
(16)

$$I_{mog} = I_{p2} \frac{Z_{sb}}{Z_{sb} + Z_m}$$
(17)

 $I_{p2}$  is the current flow through  $nZ_p$  which can be obtained using current divider rule

$$I_{sec} = I_{p2} \frac{Z_m}{Z_{sb} + Z_m}$$
(18)

#### 3.3.1.2.2 Transient State Equations

Using the same analysis as in section 3.1.1.2, the transient equations governing the model in Fig 10 are as follows;

$$(1-n)(I_{source} - i_1)R_p + (1-n)L_p \frac{d}{dt}(I_{source} - i_1) + i_1R_{ins} = 0$$
(19)

$$i_{3}(nR_{p}+R_{m})+nL_{p}\frac{di_{3}}{dt}+\frac{1}{C_{ins}}\int_{0}^{t}i_{2}dt=0$$
(20)

$$(L_{burden} + L_s + L_m) \frac{di_3}{dt} + i_3 (R_s + R_{burden}) = 0$$
(21)

#### 3.3.1.3 Insulation breakdown within secondary winding

Inter-turn insulation breakdown in the secondary winding may be represented as shown in Fig. 11;


Fig. 11: Inter-turn failure within Secondary Windings

The parameters description in Fig.11 is the same as the previous scenarios except that the secondary windings have been divided into n terms. N terms division of the secondary winding demonstrate different locations where insulation deterioration or failure can occur.

## 3.3.1.3.1 Steady State Equations

The steady state equations governing the model in Fig.11 are as follows;

$$I_{\text{sec}} = \frac{Z_m}{Z_m + (1 - n)Z_s + Z_{equivalent}} I_{source}$$
(22)

$$I_{mag} = \frac{(1-n)Z_s + Z_{equivalent}}{Z_m + (1-n)Z_s + Z_{equivalent}} I_{source}$$
(23)

Where  $Z_{equivalent}$  is the equivalent impedance of  $Z_{ins}$ ,  $Z_s$  and  $Z_{burden}$  given as follows;

. . . . . .

$$Z_{equivalent} = \frac{Z_{ins}nZ_s}{nZ_s + Z_{ins}} + Z_{burden}$$
(24)

$$I_{ins} = \frac{nZ_s}{Z_{ins} + nZ_s} I_{sec}$$
(25)

# 3.3.1.3.2 Transient State Equations

Using the same analysis as in section 3.1.1.2, the transient equations governing the model in Fig.11 are as follows.

$$(I_{source} - i_{1})(R_{p} + R_{m}) + L_{p}\frac{d}{dt}(I_{source} - i_{1}) = 0$$
(26)
$$(I_{n} + (1 - n)I_{n} + I_{n}) + \frac{di_{2}}{dt} + nI_{n}\frac{d}{dt}(i_{n} - i_{n}) + i_{n}((1 - n)R_{n} + R_{n}) + nR_{n}(i_{n} - i_{n})$$

$$(L_m + (1-n)L_s + L_{burden})\frac{dt_2}{dt} + nL_s\frac{d}{dt}(i_2 - i_3) + i_2((1-n)R_s + R_{burden}) + nR_s(i_2 - i_3) = 0$$
(27)

$$ni_{3}R_{s} + nL_{s}\frac{di_{3}}{dt} + \frac{1}{C_{ins}}\int_{0}^{t}(i_{3} - i_{4})dt = 0 \quad (28)$$

$$i_4 R_{ins} + \frac{1}{C_{ins}} \int_0^t (i_4 - i_3) dt = 0$$
<sup>(29)</sup>

# 3.3.1.4. Insulation breakdown within secondary winding and ground

Model representing insulation breakdown within secondary winding and ground is as shown in Fig.12:



Fig.12: Insulation breakdown between Secondary and Ground

# 3.3.1.4.1 Steady State Equations

The equations governing the model in Fig.12 may be represented as follows;

$$I_{ins} = \frac{I_{sec}(nZ_s + Z_{burden})}{nZ_s + Z_{burden} + Z_{ins}}$$
(30)

Where 
$$I_{\text{sec}} = \frac{I_{source} Z_m}{Z_m + (1-n)Z_s + Z_{equivalent}}$$
 (31)

$$Z_{equivalent} = \frac{(nZ_s + Z_{burden})Z_{ins}}{(NZ_s + Z_{burden}) + Z_{ins}}$$
(32)

$$I_{mag} = \frac{I_{source}\left((1-n)Z_s + Z_{equivalent}\right)}{Z_m + (1-n)Z_s + Z_{equivalent}}$$
(33)

With the aid of mesh current analysis and applying the same methodology as above section, the transient equations for Fig.12 are as follows

$$(I_{source} - i_1)(R_p + R_m) + L_p \frac{d}{dt}(I_{source} - i_1) = 0$$
(34)

$$(L_m + (1-n)L_s)\frac{di_2}{dt} + (1-n)i_2R_s + \frac{1}{C_{ins}}\int_0^t (i_2 - i_3)dt = 0$$
(35)

$$(R_{ins} + nR_s + R_{burden})i_3 + (L_s + L_{burden})\frac{di_3}{dt} = 0$$
(36)

# 3.3.1.5 Insulation Failure between Primary and Secondary Windings

Model representing insulation breakdown between secondary and primary windings is as shown in Fig.13.



Fig.13: Insulation breakdown between Secondary and Primary Windings

# 3.3.1.5.1 Steady State Equations

Suppose mesh currents were defined as in section 3.2.1.1.2, then using mesh current analysis method in Fig.13, the following results were achieved;

$$i_1 = I_{source} \tag{37}$$

$$i_{2} = \frac{Z_{m}i_{1} + (1 - m)Z_{s}i_{3}}{Z_{m} + (1 - m)Z_{s} + mZ_{s} + Z_{burden}}$$
(38)

$$i_{3} = \frac{(nZ_{m}Z_{p} + (1-n)(1-m)Z_{p}Z_{s} + m(1-n)Z_{p}Z_{s})i_{1} - (1-m)(n)Z_{p}Z_{s}}{(nZ_{p} + Z_{ins} + (1-m)Z_{s})Z_{m}}$$
(39)

which leads to the following expressions

$$I_{ins} = i_2 \tag{40}$$

$$I_{mag} = i_1 + i_3 \tag{41}$$

$$I_{\text{sec}} = i_3 \tag{42}$$

# 3.3.1.5.2 Transient State Equations

The same definitions of mesh currents in section 3.3.1.5.1 were used to obtain the following equations for Fig.13.

$$((1-n)R_p(I_{source} - i_1) + i_1R_m + (i_1 - i_2)nR_p + (1-n)L_p\frac{d}{dt}(I_{source} - i_1) + nL_p\frac{d}{dt}(i_1 - i_2) = 0$$
(43)

$$nR_{p}(i_{2}-i_{1}) + (1-m)R_{s}(i_{2}-i_{3}) + nL_{p}\frac{d}{dt}(i_{2}-i_{1}) + (1-m)L_{s}\frac{d}{dt}(i_{2}-i_{3}) + \frac{1}{C_{ins}}\int_{0}^{t}i_{2}dt = 0$$
(44)

$$(1-m)R_s(i_3-i_2) + (mR_s + R_{burden})i_3 + (1-m)L_s(\frac{d}{dt}(i_3-i_2) + (mL_s + L_{burden})\frac{di_3}{dt} = 0$$
(45)

## 3.3.1.6 Insulation breakdown between Primary Winding and the Core

Model representing insulation breakdown between primary windings and the core is as shown in Fig.14. The magnetising winding has been divided into m terms for the same reason as section 3.1.3.



Fig.14: Insulation breakdown Primary Windings and Core

# 3.3.1.6.1 Steady State Equations

Using the mesh current analysis method, with the definition of mesh currents as in section 3.1.5.1, the mesh current values for Fig.14 are as follows;

$$i_1 = I_{source} \tag{46}$$

$$i_{2} = \frac{Z_{ins}i_{1} + (1 - m)Z_{m}i_{3}}{nZ_{p} + Z_{ins} + (1 - m)Z_{m}}$$
(47)

$$i_{3} = \frac{nZ_{ins}Z_{m}i_{1} + (1-n)(1-m)Z_{p}Z_{m} + (1-m)Z_{ins}Z_{m} + (1-m)nZ_{m}}{((1-m)Z_{m} + mZ_{m} + Z_{s} + Z_{burden})Z_{ins} + (1-m)(m)Z_{m}^{2}}$$
(48)

This leads to the following expressions

$$I_{ins} = i_1 + i_2 \tag{49}$$

$$I_{mag1} = i_2 + i_3 \tag{50}$$

$$I_{mag2} = i_1 + i_3$$
 (51)

$$I_{\rm sec} = i_3 \tag{52}$$

## 3.3.1.6.2 Transients State Equations

.

The same definitions of mesh currents in section 3.1.6.1 for Fig.14 were used to obtain the following equations.

$$((1-n)R_p(I_{source} - i_1) + mR_m i_1 + (1-n)L_p \frac{d}{dt}(I_{source} - i_1) + \frac{1}{C_{ins}} \int_0^t (i_1 - i_2)dt = 0$$
(53)

$$(nR_p + (1-m)R_m + R_{ins})i_2 + (nL_p)\frac{di_2}{dt} = 0$$
(54)

$$((1-m)L_m + mL_m + L_s + L_{burden})\frac{di_3}{dt} + (R_s + R_{burden})i_3 = 0$$
(55)

## 3.3.1.7 Insulation failure between Secondary Winding and the Core

Model representing insulation breakdown between secondary winding and the core is as shown in Fig.15.



Fig.15: Insulation failure between secondary winding and the core

# 3.3.1.7.1 Steady State Equations

Using the mesh current analysis method, the mesh current values for Fig.15 are as follows

$$i_1 = I_{source} \tag{56}$$

$$i_{2} = \frac{Z_{ins}i_{3} + (1-n)Z_{m}i_{1}}{(1-n)Z_{s} + (1-m)Z_{m} + Z_{ins}}$$
(57)

$$i_{3} = \frac{(m(1-m)Z_{m}^{2} + Z_{ins}Z_{p} + (1-m)Z_{m}Z_{ins} + mZ_{m}Z_{ins})i_{1}}{(nZ_{s} + Z_{burden} + mZ_{m} + Z_{ins})(1-m)Z_{m} + mZ_{ins}Z_{m}}$$
(58)

This leads to the following expressions

$$I_{mag1} = i_1 + i_2 \tag{59}$$

$$I_{mag2} = i_1 + i_3 \tag{60}$$

$$I_{ins} = i_2 + i_3 \tag{61}$$

$$I_{\text{sec}} = i_3 \tag{62}$$

# 3.3.1.7.2 Transients State Equations

The same definitions of mesh currents in section 3.1.7.1 for Fig.15 were used to obtain the following equations;

$$((1-m)R_m + mR_m)i_1 + R_p(I_{source} - i_1) + ((1-m)L_m + mL_m)\frac{di_1}{dt} + L_m\frac{d}{dt}(I_{source} - i_1) = 0$$
(63)

$$(1-n)R_s i_2 + ((1-m)L_m + (1-n)Z_s)\frac{di_2}{dt} + \frac{1}{C_{ins}} \int_0^t (i_2 - i_3)dt = 0$$
(64)

$$(R_{ins} + nR_s + R_{burden})i_3 + (mL_m + nL_s + L_{burden})\frac{di_3}{dt} = 0$$
(65)

## 3.3.1.8 Insulation failure between the Core and the Ground

Model representing insulation breakdown between the core and the ground is as shown in Fig.16:



Fig.16 Insulation failure between the core and the ground

# 3.3.1.8.1 State Steady Equations

The equations governing the model in Fig.16 are as follows

$$I_{ins} = \frac{nI_{mag}Z_m}{nZ_m + Z_{ins}}$$
(66)

$$I_{mag} = \frac{I_{source} Z_{sb}}{Z_{equivalent} + Z_{sb}}$$
(67)

where 
$$Z_{equivalent} = (1-n)Z_m + \frac{nZ_{ins}Z_m}{nZ_m + Z_{ins}}$$
 (68)

$$I_{sec} = \frac{I_{source} Z_{equivalent}}{Z_{sb} + Z_{equivalent}}$$
(69)

# 3.3.1.8.2 Transient State Equations

.

With the aid of mesh current analysis, the transient equations for Fig.16 are as follows;

$$((1-n)R_m + nR_m)i_1 + (I_{source} - i_1)R_p + L_p \frac{d}{dt}(I_{source} - i_1) = 0$$
(70)

$$nL_{m}i_{2} + \frac{1}{C_{ins}}\int_{0}^{t} (i_{2} - i_{3})dt = 0$$
(71)

$$(R_{ins} + R_{burden} + R_s)i_3 + ((1-n)L_m + L_s + L_{burdem})\frac{di_3}{dt} = 0$$
(72)

# 3.3.2 Model with Breakdown Voltage

3.3.2.1 Insulation Failure between Primary Winding and Ground with Breakdown Voltage present

 $0\gamma$ 

Ś



Fig.17: Insulation failure between Primary winding and Ground with Breakdown Voltage

Fig.17 represents insulation failure between the primary winding and ground with current controlled voltage source. Current controlled voltage source was chosen as breakdown voltage representation because the breakdown voltage is dependant on the insulation current flow. When the insulation is perfect, no breakdown voltage is expected to be generated. When the insulation is starting to deteriorate, a current flow through the insulator is expected, which would generate some voltage as per breakdown voltage expression in equation 84. When insulation is presenting a short circuit on Fig.16 (ie when I<sub>ins</sub> is of high magnitude), breakdown voltage is expected to be at most severe. Only one scenario with breakdown voltage was investigated for this work. An opposite sign of  $V_{break}$  to the I<sub>ins</sub> flow was chosen for this work because it was expected to oppose the current flow.

### 3.2.1.1 Steady State Equations

Since there were 2 sources present in Fig.17, a superposition principle was applied. A contribution of two sources was considered for obtaining the equations 80 to 94. A subscript one shows contribution when the current source was open circuited  $(I_{ins})$ . A subscript two shows contribution when the voltage source was short circuited  $(I_{ins2})$ .

· · · ·

$$I_{ins} = i_{ins1} + i_{ins2}$$
(73)

Where 
$$i_{insl} = \frac{Z_e I_{np}}{Z_{ins} + Z_e}$$
 (74)

$$Z_{e} = nZ_{p} + \frac{Z_{sb}Z_{m}}{Z_{sb} + Z_{m}}$$
(75)

$$i_{ins2} = \frac{-V_{break}}{Z_{ins} + Z_e}$$
(76)

$$V_{break} = V_{primary} \frac{I_{ins}}{I_{ins\,\max}}$$
(77)

 $I_{mog} = i_{m1} + i_{m2} \tag{78}$ 

$$i_{m1} = \frac{Z_{sb} I_{np1}}{Z_{sb} + Z_m}$$
(79)

# Where $I_{np1}$ is the current through $nZ_{\rm p}$

.

$$i_{m2} = \frac{Z_{sb}I_{np2}}{Z_{sb} + Z_m}$$
(80)

$$I_{\text{sec}} = i_{\text{sec}1} + i_{\text{sec}2} \tag{81}$$

$$i_{sec1} = \frac{Z_m I_{np1}}{Z_{sb} + Z_m}$$
(82)

$$i_{sec2} = \frac{Z_m I_{np2}}{Z_{sb} + Z_m}$$
(83)

## **3.2.1.2 Transients State Equations**

With the aid of mesh current analysis, the following transient equations can be obtained using mesh current description as shown in Fig.17;

$$R_{ins}i_{1} + (1-n)R_{p}(I_{source} - i_{1}) + (1-n)L_{p}\frac{d}{dt}(I_{source} - i_{1}) = -V_{break}$$
(84)

$$(nR_{p} + R_{ins})i_{2} + nL_{p}\frac{di_{3}}{dt} + \frac{1}{C_{ins}}\int_{0}^{t}i_{2}dt = V_{break}$$
(85)

$$(R_{s} + R_{burden})i_{3} + (L_{m} + L_{s} + L_{burden})\frac{di_{3}}{dt} = 0$$
(86)

## **3.4 Conclusion**

A current transformer model with every possible different scenario which could lead to CT failure has been presented. Model development has been presented with assumption that breakdown voltage was absent, and then with breakdown voltage being present in the model. For the entire scenario presented in this work, state variables ( $I_{ins}$ ,  $I_{mag}$  and  $I_{sec}$ ) have been identified and investigated. The corresponding equations (steady and transient state) associated with all scenario models have been demonstrated in this chapter. The next step was to implement these models which will be discussed in details in the following chapter.

## **CHAPTER FOUR**

es 7 - 1

# MODEL IMPLEMENTATION AND ANALYSIS OF RESULTS

## 4.1 Introduction

In Chapter 3 a CT model is presented for analyzing how the condition of the insulation is affected when CT is in good condition, deteriorating and failing. Steady state and transient state equations has been formulated. The steady state equations were implemented in the *Matlab*<sup>©</sup> software programming package. The transient state equations developed in the previous chapter were not implemented like the Steady state equations. The software used (Simplorer<sup>©</sup>) for Transient implementation uses circuits parameters (resistor, inductance, capacitor current and voltage source) for modeling. Because of this system capability, Transient implementation was done by building circuit as per CT developed model.

It is normal research procedure to develop a method to determine model parameters and then prove these theoretical parameters with practical implementation. Once the parameters of the model have been verified practically, the next step would be to test model functionality in the laboratory set up. With this in mind, an attempt was made to obtain practical current transformer from Eskom for practical determination of model parameters and testing of the model.

## 4.2 Determination of the Model Parameters

To determine the model parameters, a 132 kV CT was obtained from Eskom. The specification of the CT can be obtained in Appendix B page B1. The tests that were performed were short circuit, open circuit and ratio test. The ratio test was performed to verify name plate values not to determine model parameters. Short circuit and open circuit were used to determine the model parameters. The circuit diagram used for performing open tests is as follows:



Fig.18: Open circuit test circuit diagram

CT secondary is never left open when there is current injection in the primary because the of the voltage rises that occurs on the secondary [10,11]. With this in mind, the open circuit test was done by injecting current on the secondary windings as can been seen on Fig.18. The power supply was obtained from the variable voltage source. The CT tested had multi ratio windings on the secondary which has been den0ted by  $S_n$  in the circuit diagram. The primary winding is denoted by P1 and P2 on the circuit diagram. The test voltage was varied from 0 to 750 V because of the available voltmeters that were limited to 750 V scale. The results were obtained by metering shown in Fig.18 and can be viewed in Appendix B page B3.



Fig.19: Short circuit test circuit diagram

For the short circuit test, the injection was performed on the primary windings. The power supply source was also provided through variable voltage source. The voltage was varied until some current was generated on the primary windings. The maximum primary current was limited to maximum 10 A because of the ammeters available that were limited 10 A scale .The readings obtained during practical implementation can be viewed in Appendix B page B3. The laboratory set up for determination of model parameters was as shown in Fig.19





Fig.20: Laboratory set up

The following are the model parameters that were used during model implementation. They were obtained from the laboratory experiments and methods used for calculating them can be obtained in Appendix B page B3. The open and short circuit values were obtain during laboratory and in turn these values were used to determine the following parameters.

 $R_{secondary} = 54.8 \ \Omega$ 

 $R_{burden} = 10\Omega$  $X_{secondary} = 0.548 \ \Omega$ 

 $X_{magnetising} = 23548 \Omega$ 

 $R_{magnetising} = 235.48 \Omega.$ 

 $X_{burden} = 0.01 \ \Omega$ 

 $X_{primary} = 0.00274 \ \Omega$ 

 $R_{primary} = 0.274 \Omega$ 

## 4.3 Steady State Implementation

Ideally, a good insulator would be capacitive. In a perfect insulator, there would be no current flowing through the insulator because the value of insulation resistance would be infinity and there will be voltage across the capacitor. When the insulator starts to deteriorate, the value of resistance will be less than the infinity value and there will be varying voltage across the capacitor then some current will start to flow. When the value of resistance is approaching zero, maximum current is expected to flow in the insulator and breakdown of insulation will follow.

Since parallel representation of insulation was being investigated, it was going to be impossible to identify the influence of the individual insulation parameter if they were varied simultaneously. For all steady state implementation, one of insulation parameters is varied while the other For steady state implementation, the steady state equations developed in the previous chapter were implemented in Matlab<sup> $\circ$ </sup> software. The following approach was adopted for model implementation in the steady state.

- Equations of the model were derived as per previous Chapter 3.
- Derived equations were solved by programming in Matlab to produce results which will be discussed in the following section and a sample of Matlab programs can be viewed in Appendix C.
- For the generation of the results one of the components of the insulator parameter (R<sub>ins</sub> or C<sub>ins</sub>) was kept constant while the other was varied. The process was then reserved where the insulator parameter that was kept constant was then varied. The range at which insulation resistance (R<sub>ins</sub>) was varied is from 0 to 10<sup>19</sup> ohms and the insulation capacitance (C<sub>ins</sub>) is 10<sup>6</sup> to 10<sup>-12</sup> Farads. Data has been obtained pertaining to the following cases:

- R<sub>ins</sub> is varied while C<sub>ins</sub> is constant.
- Cins is varied while Rins is constant.
- Both Cins and Rins are varied.

the data enabled us to determine the condition of perfect insulation, deteriorating insulation and failed insulation.

- Introduction of inter-turn ratio n in the model helps in the insulation failure location identification within the winding. n was therefore varied from 0 to 1.
- In order to evaluate the influence of insulation breakdown on source voltage (ie source voltage overshoot), a separate model with current controlled voltage was introduced in Chapter 3. Same procedure as explained above was used for implementation..

#### 4.4 Transients State Implementation

The model representation circuit diagram presented in the previous chapter were built in the Simplorer<sup>©</sup> software. Simplorer<sup>©</sup> is a simulation software for multidomain designs in automotive, aerospace, power electronics, and electric drive systems and more information about the product can be obtained at this site (www.simplorer.com). When the circuit was built, different transient conditions were investigated. A sample of circuits used for transient implementation can be viewed in Appendix E. The software used for transient analysis is capable of performing transient analysis without using developed equations. The approach adopted for the model implementation in the transient state is :

- Use of Sinusoidal wave form as an input signal for all transient analysis.
- Use of values of Rins and Cins obtained in Steady State analysis.

# 4.5 Steady State Results and Discussions

## 4.5.1 Results and Discussions with Breakdown Voltage ignored

## 4.5.1.1 Insulation Breakdown within Primary Windings only

Fig.21 and Fig.22 shows the variation of insulation current with the insulation resistance and capacitance. For Fig. 21 the insulation resistance ( $R_{ins}$ ) was varied, insulation capacitance ( $C_{ins}$ ) was kept constant and the inter-turn ration ratio (n) was varied from 0 to 0.9. In Fig. 22 the process was reversed. From Fig.21, the resistance values of  $10^{20}$  to  $10^4$  ohms represent the perfect insulator and this corresponds with the current transformer when it is transforming the current into the acceptable level for the protection system to make a determination whether the system is normal or not. The values of resistance from  $10^3$  to  $10^1$  ohms show the region where the insulation is deteriorating and the value of  $10^0$  shows the state where there is complete insulation failure. If during CT insulation failure there is a fault in the power system this will result in CT not being able to provide input to the protection system which can lead to extensive damage to the protected plant and corresponding CT.

From Fig.22, the capacitance values of  $10^{-14}$  to  $10^{0}$  Farads represent perfect insulator and this correspond with when the current transformer is transforming the current for protection system to make a determination whether the system is normal or not., while  $10^{1}$  to  $10^{3}$  represent deteriorating insulator and  $10^{4}$  to  $10^{7}$  represent a insulation which has deteriorated until complete failure. If during CT insulation failure there is a fault in the power system this will result in CT not being able to provide input to the protection system which can lead to extensive damage to the protected plant and corresponding CT. Other state variables ( $I_{magnetising}$  and  $I_{secondary}$ ) are not shown for this scenario because the results obtained are similar to those discussed in Fig. 21 and 22 and can be viewed in Appendix C page C1. In Fig.23, both  $C_{insulation}$  and  $R_{insulation}$  are varied at the same time while the inter-turn ratio is kept constant and the same results were observed. In Fig. 24 & 25 the results are the same as in Fig. 21 and Fig. 22 while  $C_{insulation}$ ,  $R_{insulation}$  and inter-turn ratio (n) was varied. For the 3d plots, the 3 states presented by 2 d with family of curves were also revealed in the 3d plots in Fig.23, 24 and 25



Fig.21: Iins vs Rinsulation



Fig.23: I<sub>ins</sub> vs R<sub>insulation</sub> & C<sub>insulation</sub>



Fig.24: Iins vs n and Cinsulation



Fig.25: I<sub>ins</sub> vs n and R<sub>insulation</sub>

## 4.5.1.2 Insulation Breakdown within Primary Windings and Ground

The following results will demonstrate the changes in state variables when there is insulation degradation between the primary windings and ground.





Fig.26 represents the insulation current ( $I_{ins}$ ), when only the resistance component of the insulation was varied. From the figure three different insulation conditions can be easily identified. These conditions are when the insulation is perfect, deteriorating and complete failure. Same argument as in section 4.5.1.1 can be used about outcome of the protection system when these conditions of insulation are occurring. Other state variables ( $I_{magnetising}$  and  $I_{secondary}$ ) are not shown for this scenario because they have shown same results as Fig.26 but can be viewed in Appendix C. Same results were obtained when  $I_{ins}$ ,  $I_{magnetising}$  and  $I_{secondary}$  are plotted against insulation capacitance ( $C_{insulation}$ ). The results in Fig 27 was when there is inter-turn ratio was kept constant.



Fig.27: Iins vs Rinsulation and Cinsulation



Fig.28:  $I_{mag} \ vs \ R_{insulation}$  and  $C_{insulation}$ 



Fig 29: Isec vs Rinsulation and Cinsulation

observed. when insulation parameters are varied independently but same result can be completeness as shown in Fig.27 to Fig.29. Although these results are not clear as study was also done when insulation parameters were varied concurrently for independent to clearly identify the influence of the individual parameters but the Although it was decided in this work to vary the insulation parameters (Rins and Cins)

# 4.5.1.3 Insulation Breakdown within Secondary Windings

insulation degradation within secondary windings only. The following results will demonstrate the changes in state variables when there is



Fig.30:  $I_{ins}$  vs  $R_{insulation}$ 



Fig.31: Isec vs Rinsulation



Fig.32:  $I_{mag}$  vs  $R_{insulation}$ 



Fig.33: I<sub>ins</sub> vs C<sub>insulation</sub>



Fig.34: I<sub>imag</sub> vs C<sub>insulation</sub>



Fig.35: Isec vs Cinsulation

From Fig.30 to Fig.35, all the three states of insulation can be clearly observed. The same values of insulation capacitance and resistance as in above sections are also observable.



Fig.36: Iins vs Rinsulation & Cinsulation



Fig.37:  $I_{imag}$  vs  $R_{insulation}$  &  $C_{insulation}$ 



Fig 38: Isec vs Rinsulation & Cinsulation





Fig.30 to Fig.35 plots were done in a 2 dimensional plot to show how insulation changes from perfect insulator to failing insulation. 3d plots in all scenarios were done to look at all possibility that might have been omitted in 2d plots. Fig.36 to Fig.39 has re-iterated what has been shown in 2d plots.

# 4.5.1.4 Insulation Failure between Primary and Secondary Windings

The following results will demonstrate the changes in state variables when there is insulation degradation between primary and secondary windings.







Fig.41: Iinsulation vs n&Cinsulation

in the previous section.

0.3 0.2 0.1

## 4.5.1.5 Insulation Failure between Secondary windings and Ground

The following results will demonstrate the changes in state variables when there is insulation degradation between the secondary windings and ground.



1020 10 1010 1010 **Rinsulation in Ohms** 

Fig.43: I<sub>mag</sub> vs R<sub>insulation</sub>


Fig.44: Isec vs Rinsulation



Fig.45: Iins vs Cinsulation



The graph presented in this section has just re-iterated what has been observed in the previous figures. The graphs clearly shows when the insulation is perfect, deteriorating and when it is failing completely. The 3 dimensional plots for the scenario under discussion can be viewed in the Appendix C.

#### 4.5.1.6 Insulation failure between the core and ground

The results to follow will demonstrate the changes in state variables when there is insulation degradation between the core and ground.



Fig.47: Iins vs Rinsulation



Fig 48: I<sub>mag</sub> vs R<sub>insulation</sub>

10<sup>10</sup>

10<sup>6</sup>



10<sup>-6</sup> 10<sup>0</sup> Cinsulation in F

 $Fig.50{:}I_{ins} \ vs \ C_{insulation}$ 



Fig.51:Imag vs Cinsulation



Fig.52: Isec vs Cinsulation

Page 65



Fig.53: Iins vs n&Rinsulation



Fig.54: Iins vs n&Cinsulation

The families of curves graph have confirmed the regions where the insulation is perfect, deteriorating and complete. The 3d plots have also shown the same values of resistance and capacitance.

#### 4.5.2 Results and Discussions when the Breakdown Voltage is present

# 4.5.2.1 Insulation failure between primary windings and ground with current controlled voltage source

The following results will demonstrate the changes in state variables when there is insulation degradation between the primary winding and ground. The current controlled voltage source was included to determine the influence of breakdown voltage. Real, Imaginary and Absolute values of the state variables were plotted on the same set of axis to determine the influence of the breakdown voltage.



Fig.55: Iins vs Cinsulation



Fig.56: Iins vs Rinsulation



Fig.57: V<sub>breakdown</sub> vs R<sub>insulation</sub>

With the breakdown voltage incorporated in the analysis the steady state results are as in Fig 55 to Fig 57. These reflect the same state change from good insulation to deteriorating and failed as observed in the previous results. Zero to very low voltage breakdown voltage leads to insignificant contribution to current flowing through the insulation. However, large voltage breakdown results in the large value of current contribution to the insulation current. In proportion this contribution of the breakdown voltage is quite significant that it causes proportionally large current to flow in the rest part of the device, thus resulting, on one hand, in the outright burn out of the device. On the other hand, large currents in the presence of magnetic fields produce large forces responsible for the violent nature of the failure of the device.

#### 4.6 Transient Results and Discussions

The following results were obtained during transient analysis. All the scenarios presented in Chapter 3 have been considered for the transient analysis. The model circuit diagrams presented in the previous chapter was implemented for transient analysis. With the aid of Simplorer<sup>©</sup> simulation software the results of the transient analysis are as shown in Fig. 58 to Fig 62. A sinusoidal wave form was used as the input for the implemented scenarios with 1000 millimeters as the amplitude on the Y-axis and 40 milli-second on the X-axis. Fig. 59 has micro meters in the Y-axis. A scope to monitor the changes in the state variables was strategically placed within the circuit to see the influence on the state variables during transient state.



#### 4.6.1 Insulation Failure between Primary Windings only



Fig.58 is the perfect sinusoidal wave form which was used as the input for all transient implementation. From the literature review if the output of state variables waveform came out as the Fig.58 then there was no transient influence on the model developed [11,12].



Fig.59: I<sub>capacitor</sub>



#### 4.6.2 Insulation Failure between Primary Windings and Core

Fig.60: I<sub>capacitor</sub>

#### 4.6.3 Insulation Failure between Secondary Windings and Core



Fig.61: Icapacitor



#### 4.6.4 Insulation Failure between Secondary Windings and Ground

Fig.59 to Fig.62 are some of the result from Transient State implementation. These are waveforms of current quantities at various points of the device during the insulation deterioration. Of particular interest is the influence of insulation deterioration on the source, insulation, and the secondary current waveforms. Apart from expected glitches in the insulation current through the insulation capacitances there generally no significant influences on the current waveforms of the device. This implies that there is no significant production of harmonics due to failing insulation.

#### 4.7 Conclusion

Parameters used in the developed models have been demonstrated in this chapter. Methodologies used in the transient and steady analysis of the models have been demonstrated. The insulation parameters (resistance and capacitance) have been varied to show the effects on the state variables of the model. Various analysis of the models have been done when the insulation breakdown voltage component was absent in the model, and then secondly when breakdown voltage was present. The Steady State analysis has shown how the insulation changes can lead to complete failure of the current transformer. The Transient State analysis did not have any influence on the process leading to the breakdown of insulation.

#### **CHAPTER FIVE**

#### CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS

#### **5.1 Current Transformer Failures Database**

From the literature survey [6], the number of failed CTs within Eskom transmission's substations was quantified, which warranted the South African utility to eliminate risks associated with their plant. Available historical data from Eskom was extracted from manual reports, Orion, Permac and Phoenix databases which are recognized Eskom Transmission sources of information. Collected data from the above mentioned sources of information and discussion with field staff made formation of the database possible which can be viewed in the Appendix A1 section.

The failure rate of current transformer within transmission substation according to voltage levels as shown in Table 2 showed that 400, 275 and 132 kV CTs were the most affected equipment. The classification of failures according to the manufacturers showed that Asea and Balteau manufacturers were the most affected type of CTs. The database analysis showed it is possible that more CT failures were experienced in the months when storm conditions were prevailing because of the South Africa weather pattern. Top core design of the CT was identified as highest contributor to the failures experienced by Eskom in the period from 1982 to 2000.

It was also discovered that single phase fault was the dominant failure mode among the failures investigated which could lead to insulation failure. This finding created the need for the development of the model for the failure modes to be investigated in Chapter 3. All the information used to deduce the above conclusion was consolidated into the database which can be viewed in Appendix A1. The information in the database can be stored by Eskom personnel such that anyone looking for this information can easily access it. This work is also proposing a new format of investigation report to be used by the investigation staff to document their post-mortem findings which can be viewed in Appendix A2. The new format of the investigation report can be compared to the old format which can be viewed in Appendix A3.

#### 5.2 Model Development and Equations

From the database, a single phase fault was identified as the dominant failure mode. With this result in mind and discussion with field staff from Current Transformer support group, insulation failure was the failure mode investigated in this work. After literature survey, parallel representation of insulation was chosen instead of series representation and used in investigating the insulation as the failure mode. The theoretical understanding of the ideal insulation versus practical insulation has been presented in a graphical form.

A CT model with insulation being investigated has been developed. The CT model proposed in this work was base on power transformer model which has been widely developed and proven [11]. In this work all the possible scenario which may lead into insulation failure within CT were investigated. Seven different scenarios which may lead to insulation deterioration or failure within CT are identified and discussed.

For all seven scenarios which may lead to insulation failure, an associated steady state and transient state equations were developed in this work. Since CT function is to transform current, a current source was used as the main source in the CT model. Initially steady state and transient state equations were developed with current source as the only source. For completeness and better understanding a breakdown current control voltage source was introduced at the points of deteriorating or failed insulation. The associated steady state and transient state equations with current source and breakdown voltage were also developed in this work. Method for determining this breakdown voltage with changing condition of insulation was derived.

#### 5.3 Model Implementation and Results Analysis

The current transformer model investigating insulation failure mode was developed in Chapter 3. Before implementing the model, laboratory experiments were performed in this work to obtain the model parameters. The tests that were performed were short circuit test, ratio test and open circuit test. The assumptions made to determine model parameters were obtained during the consultation with Eskom Current Transformer Support Group. The steady state equations developed were implemented in Matlab<sup>©</sup>. The transient mathematical representation of the models were not implemented in Matlab<sup>©</sup> but circuit diagram of the CT models developed were implemented in Simplorer<sup>©</sup>. With the aid of the model the CT was subjected to varying operating conditions of interest, and these were analysed to establish the respective state variables behaviors. When the insulation breaks down, a rise in source voltage overshoot is expected due to nature of the processes and this has been accommodated in the developed model. Although the model parameters were determined before the analysis, however the values of insulation resistance and capacitance were varied arbitrary from 0 to  $10^{19}$  ohms and  $10^6$  to 10<sup>°</sup> <sup>12</sup> Farads respectively during the simulations. This was done deliberately for thorough investigation of insulation variations for all possible values. The analysis procedure that was used for both transient and steady state are presented. The analysis of the models showed the following;

1) The values of insulation resistance from  $10^{0}$  to  $10^{3}$  ohms showed the region where the insulation changed from being perfect, deteriorating insulation and then complete failure of the insulation.

- 2) The values of insulation capacitance from  $10^{-5}$  to  $10^{-2}$  showed the variation of the insulation from perfect, deteriorating and complete failure
- 3) Both the regions mentioned in 1 and 2 corresponded to tan delta definition or the values in which the affected CT must be closely monitored.
- During the transient analysis, no oscillations were observed as expected but merely glitches on the capacitance current.
- 5) For all the analysis done, the changes in the state variables are observable and this can assist in developing tools to monitor the changes in insulation.

#### **5.4 Recommendations**

The model developed gives the insight of the processes and phenomena leading to CT failure with insulation failure being failure mode investigated. The dissertation has presented analysis on how the insulation parameters variation can affect the state variables of the developed models. However, as is often the case in research, the work done on this dissertation have addressed some issues and uncovered further questions. Therefore, the author suggests that scope exists for further work in this area as outline below.

- 1) The initiative of the current transformer failures database need a continual update after this work and could lead to uncovering of issues like type of bad manufacturer and design which contribute to the failure rate and some intervention can be initiated with affected manufacturer. A revised format of the post-mortem investigation report can assist in identifying the causes of the failures and can been seen in Appendix A2. The old format of the investigation report has been attached in Appendix A3 for comparison.
- 2) The analysis of the model state variables was investigated under simulation conditions, a practical investigation of the model state variables under laboratory condition would be a good follow up work on this topic. Further

work on the rate at which insulation deterioration occurs can be a good contribution to the work presented in this dissertation.

- 3) When the voltage source overshoot was introduced, only one scenario was investigated in this work, a follow up work must investigate all other scenarios not covered in this dissertation.
- 4) Since the changes in state variables can be monitored and are observable, a possibility exists for the development of a condition monitoring instrumentation to detect these, and serve as means for detecting deterioration or tendency to failure earlier before it actually happens.

#### REFERENCES

ł

[1] Van Bolhuis, Gulski E, Smith JJ, "Monitoring and Diagnostic of Transformer Solid Insulation" IEEE Transactions on Power Delivery, Vol 17, No 2, March 2002.

[2] Bengtsson C, "Status and Trends in Transformer Monitoring" IEEE Transactions on Power Delivery, Vol 11, No 3, July 1996.

[3] Matthiesen P, Ellis KP, "Field Experience with an On-line Gas Monitoring Device for Oil filled Instrument transformers", IEEE Transactions on Power Delivery Vol 9, No 3, July 1994, pages 1476-1478.

[4] De Klerk PJ, "Transformer Condition Monitoring, Eskom, Technology Service International Report TRR/E/95/EL107", 1995.

[5]. Cormack R, Naidoo P, Cowan P, "Eskom(RSA) experience in condition monitoring in current transformer and transformer bushings using on-line tan delta measurements", HVCT symposium, Portland, Oregon, 22-24 September 1999.

[6]. Evert R, Hoch DA, Cormack R, "Condition monitoring for high voltage current transformer in Eskom", HVCT symposium, Portland, Oregon, 22-24 September 1999.

[7] Mahlasela VS, Jimoh AA, "Condition Monitoring of HV Current Transformers in Eskom Substation", Proceedings of the 13<sup>th</sup> South African University Power System Conference,2003

[8]. Holtzhausen JP, Vosloo W, University of Stellenbosch High Voltage Engineering Notes.

[9] Alstom T&D Protection & Control LTD, "Protective Relays Application Guide" 1987

[10] AE Fitzgerald, C Kingsley Jr, SD Umans, "Electric Machinery" Metric Editions, 1992

[11] J.A Edminister, "Theory and Problems of Electric Circuits" 2<sup>nd</sup> edition, McGraw-Hill, 1985

## **APPENDIX A1**

**Current Transformer Failures Database** 

									manufactured.		
Station	voltage	manufacturer	type	serial no	design	d	m	У	date	service	failure
Persus	400kV	Asea	IMBD 420		hair pin	18	8	1984	1976	8 years	porcelain shattered
Camden	400kV	Asea	IMBA 420		hair pin	17	01	1985	unknown		tank rupture
Persus	400kV	Asea	IMBE 420	10242	hair pin	2	6	1985	unknown		phase exploded
Atlas	400kV	Asea	IMBA 420	10242	hair pin	29	09	1985	unknown		white phase exploded
							1				phase exploded
Carmel	132kV	Asea	IMBE 145	12565	hairpin	18	11	1985	unknown	<b></b>	fire
Hendrina	400kV	Messwandler-bau	JT 400		unknown	14	03	1986	unknown		white phase exploded
Apoilo	275kV	Alsthom Savouisiene	TH 300R	K70521-027	unknown	4	9	1986	unknown		Blue phase faulted
Mersey	275kV	Asea	IMBA		hair pin				unknown		star point faulted
Tutuka	400k∨	Toshiba	Amr-pm400	82910258	unknown	21	06	1986	unknown		red phase faulted
Everest	132kV	Asea	IMBA		hair pin	22	06	1986	unknown		red phase faulted
Aggeneis	220kV	Haefely	losk 245		unknown	20	08	1986	unknown		red phase faulted

.

										Blue phase
Witkop	275kV	Balteau	QDR 245	· · · · · ·	top core	21	08	1986	unknown	faulted
		Alsthom								white phase
Apollo	<u>27</u> 5kV	Savouisiene	···· •• •		unknown	6	10	1986	unknown	faulted
										white phase
Gariep	275kV	Delle	Tpe 15/2/sp	105/3	unknown	26	01	1987	unknown	faulted
A		Alsthom						4007		red phase
Apollo	<u>275kV</u>	Savouisiene	TE 300R-14A	K70521-027	unknown	3	2	1987	unknown	taulted
Evenet	07504	Otomore allow	1075-m-0	<b>D400400</b>				4007		white phase
Everest	<u>2/5KV</u>	Stomwandler	1275spe2	B192486	unknown	11	2	1987	Unknown	Tauted
Diute	27514/	Delteeu	CAV DAE	24500		<b>_</b>	2	1097	un lun ou un	red phase
Fluto	2/5KV	Daiteau	5AX 245	34529	unknown	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	1901	UNKNOWN	
Bareus	275101	More Rev	14075		unknown	24	00	1097	unknown	foulted
Persus	270KV	INIESS-DAU	JNZ/3		UNKIOWI	21	00	1907	UNKIOWI	Blue obase
Carmel	27541	Balteau	efd 123	04/01/2007	ton core	16	00	1087	upkpown	biue pilase faulted
Carmer	27084	Daileau	310 120	04/01/2007		10	0.0	1307		red phase
Persus	275kV	Mess-Bau	JK275		unknown	3	10	1987	unknown	faulted
						-				white phase
Permbroke	220kV	Asea	IMBA245-A4	1541	hair pin	13	10	1987	unknown	faulted
		······	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·							Blue phase
Alpha	400kV	Haefely	Siemens	841-279	unknown	30	11	1987	unknown	faulted
		······································		44199-67-						red phase
Bernina	275kV	Balteau	Sax245	02	top core	22	01	1988	unknown	faulted
Ferrum	275kV	Delle	Tpe 15/2/sp	T31347	unknown	3	2	1988	unknown	internal fault
			-							white phase
Kendal	400kV	Asea	IMBE 420	12641	hair pin	3	4	1988	unknown	exploded
Ararat	275kV	Asea	IMBE 300	11497	hair pin	14	04	1988	unknown	internal fault
Hydra	400kV	Haefely	IOSK 420	84139	unknown	12	7	1988	unknown	exploded
Ferrum	275kV	Delle	TPE 15/29		unknown	21	09	1988	unknown	internal fault
		· · ·								white phase
Matimba	400kV	Asea	IMBE 420	11037	unknown	21	10	1988	unknown	faulted
										white phase
Muldersviei	132kV	Conelectric	132CO	WK0774/2	unknown	3	11	1988	unknown	faulted
				77-53379-						white phase
Glochner	275kV	Balteau	QDR 245	11	top core	3	11	1988	unknown	faulted

. . . .

.

2

										white phase
										exploded +
										red phase
Glochner	275kV	Baiteau	QDR 246		top core	3	12	<u>1988</u>	unknown	damaged
										white phase
							-			exploded +
										blue phase
Glochner	275kV	Balteau	QDR 247		top core	3	13	1988	unknown	damaged
										Blue phase
Bacchus	400kV	Haefely	10SK420	840165	unknown	8	11	1988	unknown	faulted
	400114	•				1	1 10	1000		white phase
Komati	132kV	Asea	IMBA 145	·	hair pin	13	12	1988	unknown	faulted
I de la companya de la compa	100131				]		1 40	4000	1	biue phase
Kriel	400KV		AIS 400	77-539488	unknown	22	12	1988	unknown	faulted
										white phase
Kanaani	400101	<b>A a a a</b>			h a ta min	0.4		1000		buiged tank/
Komani	132KV	Asea	IMBD 145		nair pin	24	02	1989	unknown	fauit
Dental	100101	Delteren		7000	1			1000	tun a	blue phase
Benoni	400KV	Baiteau		7999	top core	14	04	1989	unknown	tauited
Creatulai	400107	Delfagu	0574 400	44500004		17	0.5	1000		Dive phase
Grootviei	400KV	Baiteau	SEZA 400	410030804	top core		05	1999	UNKNOWN	lauled / life
				]						biue phase
Acombook	275101	Siemene			unknown	17	11	1000	unknown	
Acommoek	21060			VVIF2155				1909		blue phase
Arnot	275141	Siomone		60/22220	unknown	6		1000	unknown	ovploded
Aniot	21560	Siemens		09/22239	unknown	9	4	1990	unknown	red phase
Alpha	40041	Hasfely			unknown	1	1 11	1090	unknown	faulted
	400KV				hainaia			1909		laulieu
Lepini	27560	Asea			nairpin	2	<u>°</u>	1990	unknown	
						[				overneating-
Morothan	122121	Alethers/Delle)	TDE 43044		untenoven	4	1	1004	unknown	outor
	132KV				unknown			1991	unknown	service
	132KV	Asea	IMBA 145		nair-pin	01	<u> </u>	1991	unknown	exploded
										exploded
<b></b>	400134	<b>A</b>			h			4004		and caught
Foskor	132KV	Asea	IMBA 145		hair-pin	1	1	1991	unknown	j fire

	<u> </u>	unknown	1991	1	1	top core		SFD 123	Baiteau	132kV	Wildebees
a											
_	ļ	unknown	1991	01	13	hair-pin	_	IMBA 145	Asea	132kV	Ruigtevlei
1 1							·			]	
		unknown	1991		12	top core			Balteau	400kV	Grootvlei
1											
			ļ							-	
	17	1000	1002		E	heir nin	90/44906		A	40044	Handsina
	+	1963	1992	-	5	naur pin	09/14090	IMDD 420	Asea	400KV	- rienarina
1					ļ						
											ļ
		unknown	1991	2	12	top core			Balteau	400kV	Grootylei
	+					.00.00.0					
a				}							
6		unknown	1991	4	6	hair pin		IMBA 145	Asea	132kV	Marathon
b	,					•				-	
		unknown	1991	05	28	top core		SFD 123	Balteau	132kV	Hydra
w											
	14	1977	1991	6	11	top core	77/53379/04	QDR245	Balteau	275kV	Bloedrivier
b											
		unknown	1991	12	6	unknown	841-281	IOSK420	Haefely	400kV	Alpha
þ											
										1	
			1001	_			044.000		1 la afalis	100121	Data
		unknown	1991		•	unknown	641-283	1056421		40060	peta
u u		unknown	1991	8	4	top core		sfd 123	Balteau	132kV	Hydra
b											
		unknown	1991	80	17	top core	54679/10	SAX 245	Balteau	275kV	Impala
1			1								
		unknown	1991	10	11	unknown	74-469520		Mess-Bau	400kV	Kriel

								i			white phase
Glochner	275kV	Balteau	SAX 245		top core	3	11	1991	unknown		faulted
Inchandu	132kV	Asea	IMBA 145		hair pin	11	12	1991	unknown	_	tornado
						1					blue phase
Buffalo	132kV	Balteau	SGD 123	236/32/4	top core	24	03	1991	unknown		faulted
											blue phase
											exploded
		• • • • •				_		1			and caught
Normadie	132kV	Conelectric	132 CO	wk0524-11	hair pin	7	4	1992	unknown		tire
											Red phase
						i i					exploded
	120107	Acces	184DA 145		bairnin		6	1002	unknown		and caught
Trans Alloy		Asea	IMDA 145		nairpin	4	0	1992	unknown		blue phase
											faulted and
											exploded
					1	]					due to
			IMBA 145								insulation
Olympus	<b>132</b> k∨	Asea	A4	3415	hair pin	20	07	1992	1975	25	failure
	· · · · ·	· · · ·			<b>-</b>						red phase
ļ				ļ	ļ						exploded
				1							and caught
Hendrina	400kV	Asea	IMBD 420	89/14896	hair pin	5	8	1992	1989	3	fire
		• • • •									blue phase
Normadie	132kV	Conelectric	132 CO	j wk0524-11	hair pin	7	8_	1992	unknown		faulted
Aliwal								1000			
North	132kV	Balteau		0551/2267	top core	16	03	1993	unknown		
				00 50005		İ					tanure m
Moreov	10000	Poltogu	TDY 420	02-02000-	ton core	17	07	1007	1092	11	of bair pin
wiersey	400KV	Daileau	107.420	12		11	07	1997	1302		
Ulco	132kV	Mess-Bau			unknown	17	08	1993	unknown		faulted
			····				·~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~	1.000			red phase
Impala	275kV	Balteau	SAX 245	54679/11	top core	21	09	1993	1972	21	faulted

	Lyndenburg	132kV	Balteau	SCD 132		top core	29	09	1993	unknown		blue phase faulted and exploded
0	Gariep	275kV	Delle	TPE 15/2/2	1H 300	unknown	1	11	1993	unknown		red phase exploded and caught fire
	Vaalkraal	132kV	Balteau	SCD 132		top core	24	01	1994	unknown		blue phase faulted
	Kudu	132kV	Balteau	SCD 132		top core	30	03	1994	unknown		red phase faulted exploded and caught fire
	Welkom	132kV	Balteau	288/23/7		top core	20	04	1994	unknown	5. W	red phase faulted and healthy
	Incandu	132kV	Asea	IMBA 145	2060	hair-pin	5	8	1994	1972	22	red phase exploded and caught fire
	Incadu	400kV	Asea	IMBA 145 A4	2060	hair pin	5	8	1994	1972	28	red phase exploded and shattered porcelain
XIII III	Incordu	400107		TDY 400	81/52622-	hairain	10	01	1005	1081	10	blue phase
	Grootvlei	400kV	Asea Balteau	SEZA 400	415606803	top core	29	11	1995	unknown	13	blue phase exploded
	Muldersvlei	400kV	Asea	IMBD 420	88/14529	hair pin	15	12	1995	1988	12	red phase faulted and exploded due hv insuation failure

											exploded on
Athene	132kV	BBT	IMBE 145		hair pin	22	06	1995	19 <u>95</u>	0	energising
											red phase
											exploded
											and caught
Grootvlei	400kV	Balteau	SEZA 400	415616802	top core	6	7	1996	1969	31	fire
											HV
											insulation
:											b/n core and
											earthed
							_				screen on
Camden	400kV	Asea	IMBD 420	82/9771	hair-pin	1	2	1996	1982	14	sec fail
											overstressed
Spitskop	132kV	Balteau/ GEC SA	SFD 123	12/01/5423	top core	24	05	1996	1981	15	hv insulation
											hv insulation
Marathon	275kV	Balteau	SAX 245	30793/02	top core	28	02	1997	1970	27	failure
											white phase
											exploded
Impala	275kV	Balteau	SAX 245		top core	5	5	1997	unknown		(head)
											hv insulation
											failure above
Hydra	400kv	Balteau	TDX 420	83/53015	top core	28	06	1997	1989	8	P1 terminal
											insulation
Makala	88kV	Balteau	SCD 82	5868	top core	9	9	1997	1976	24	failure
		_									insulation
Arnot	400kV	Siemens	AKOF 275	69/22231	top core	11	9	1997	1969	31	failure
											insulation
Buffalo	132kV	Balteau	SGD 123	236/38/1	top core	6	1	1998	1984	14	failure
											during
											repositioning
											unit was
											accidentaly
1	100144		IMBA 145	07/40702	hair ri-	•	40	1000	4007	1	tripped and
Impala	132KV	ABB	CU6	97/19/03	nairpin	6	<u>10</u>	1998	1997		
			IMBE 300								degradation
Matla	275kV	Asea	A6	5800	hair pin	28	07	1998	1978	20	of primary

											ins. In the hair pin bend
Watershed	<b>88</b> k∨	Balteau GEC SA	SCD 82		hair pin	22	05	1998	1982	16	insulation breakdown and crack spreading
Ferrum	275kV	Asea	IMBE 300 A6	4418	hair pin	14	03	1999	1977	22	breakdownof ins. In the porcelain area
											degradation of insulation in the porcelain
Grassridge	132kV	Balteau GEC SA	SGD 123	288/23/50	top core	18	02	1999	1989	10	area
Kruispunt	132kV	Asea	IMBA 120 A4		hair pin	22	03	2000	1964	36	runaway
Watershed	132kV	Conelectric	132CO	wk 4136/1	unknown	4	1	2000	1996	4	primary insulation failure

### **APPENDIX A2**

#### Modified Investigation Report

### Title of the Report

#### Author/s of the report

- 1. Introduction
- 2. Details of the CT
- 3. Site/Visual inspection
- 4. Strip Down Results
- 5. Conclusion

.

- 6. Contributory Causes
- 7. Root Cause of failure
- 8. Recommendations

# APPENDIX B

Ċ,

1 Specification of model parameters.

The specification of CT used for practical determination of the model parameters was as follows

P2945 4107 ELECTRIC SOUTH AFRICA LTD. PROTECTIVE CURRENT TRANSFORMER 50 Hz. Serial no. Standard B.S. 3938 1965 IMBA 145 AL Type 1 L 132/700 ¥¥ Year of manufacture 1972 S. T. C. 25-2 kA/3 sec Weight 600 40 Ratio Res at 75°C Terminals VA Class ALF Rated primary current 1500 amps 200/1 1-57 ohm 151=152 451-452 15 T 15 Turns ratio 1200/1 Terminals Class 400/1 153-154 453-454 251-252 351-352 X 183-155 453-455 Secondary resistance at 75°C 2. 050 ? ohm 800/1 152-153 452-453 May Man 151-153 451-453 Secondary e.m.i. SSOV 152-154 452-454 550V 151 - 154 451 - 454 Max exciting current 150071 151-1155 451-455 SOMA SOMA at secondary e.m.f. PI 9 22 151 152 153 154 155 251 252 351 352 451 452 453 454 455 This transformer is suitable for use at 1006 metre obuwe sea level. THE SPACE ABOVE THE OIL LEVEL IS Was inclination 50° GEA Mar ducing transport of Walls helling YERTE MELHOR S LEWL LTD.

#### 2. Apparatus

2 Ammeter (0-1A) Yokogawa Manufacturer

1 Ammeter (0-10A) Yokogawa Manufacturer

1 Voltmeter (0-750V) Yokogawa Manufacturer

Variac(0-1000V)

#### 3. Calculation of parameters

The following table demonstrates result open during short circuit test

I <sub>primary</sub> (A)	V <sub>primary</sub> (V)	$I_{secondary}(A)$
3.6	0.985	0.018
6.7	1.83	0.031
8	2.27	0.037

The above results were obtained when 200/1 ratio was used. There were other results obtained during short circuit when different secondary cores were used but same effect was observed.

The following table demonstrates result open during short circuit test

$V_{\text{secondary}}(V)$	$I_{\text{secondary}}(A)$	$V_{primary}(V)$
730	0.031	1.218

The above results were obtained when 600/1 ratio was used although some tests were performed on the other secondary cores.

The following assumptions were used after consultation with Eskom Design Department

Xsecondary is about 100 times less than Rsecondary

X<sub>magnetising</sub> is about 100 times greater than R<sub>magnetising</sub>

X<sub>primary</sub> is about 100 times less than R<sub>primary</sub>

X<sub>burden</sub> is about 100 times less than R<sub>burden</sub>

The following values were obtained with short circuit result

$$\begin{split} R_{\text{primary}} &= 0.985/3.6 = 0.274 \ \Omega \\ X_{\text{primary}} &= 0.00274 \ \Omega \\ R_{\text{secondary}} &= n^* R_{\text{primary}} = 54.8 \ \Omega \\ X_{\text{secondary}} &= 0.548 \ \Omega \end{split}$$

From the open circuit test results the following parameters were calculated as follows

 $X_{magnetising} = 730/0.031 = 23548.39 \Omega$  $R_{magnetising} = 235.48 \Omega$ 

 $V_{breakdown} = V_{rated} * (I_{insulation}/I_{insulationmax})$ Where  $V_{rated}$  is the primary voltage of the current transformer  $I_{insulationmax}$  is the maximum insulation current

# **APPENDIX C**

#### Sample of Matlab programs

1. Programs when one component of insulator was varied

Rm = 235.48;Xm = 23 458; Rp = 0.274;Cins = 0.000006; Xp = 0.00274;Rs = 54.8;Xs = 0.548;Rb = 10;Xb = 0.01;w = 314;n=0; count=0; Ip=1+j\*0;pi= 3.14; M = 0;for i = 1:19 $Rins(i) = 10^{M};$ M = M + 1;Xins = 1/(j\*w\*Cins);Zins(i) = Rins(i) \* Xins/(Rins(i) + Xins);Zp = Rp + j\*Xp;Zs = Rs + j \* Xs;Zm = Rm \* j\*Xm / (Rm+j\*Xm);Zburden = Rb + j\*Xb; Zsb = Zs + Zburden;Zsbm = Zm\*Zsb/(Zm+Zsb);Zeffective = Zsb + n\*Zp; Zpeffective(i) = n\*Zp\*Zins(i)/(n\*Zp+Zins(i));Ztotal(i) = Zeffective + Zpeffective(i); Vp(i) = Ztotal(i)\*Ip;Is= Ip\*Zm/(Zm+Zsb);Im = Ip\*Zsb/(Zm+Zsb);Iins(i) = Ip\*n\*Zp/(n\*Zp+Zins(i));Iburden = Is:

#### End

Rm = 235.48; Xm = 23 458; Rp = 0.274;Rins = 1000;Xp = 0.00274;Rs = 54.8;Xs = 0.548: Rb = 10;Xb = 0.01;w=314;n=0; count=0; Ip=1+j\*0;pi = 3.14;M = -12;for i = 1:19  $Cins(i) = 10^{M};$ M = M + 1: Xins(i) = 1/(i\*w\*Cins(i));Zins(i) = Rins\*Xins(i)/(Rins + Xins(i)); Zp = Rp + j\*Xp;Zs = Rs + j\*Xs;Zm = Rm \* j\*Xm / (Rm+j\*Xm);Zburden = Rb + j\*Xb; Zsb = Zs + Zburden;Zsbm = Zm\*Zsb/(Zm+Zsb);Zeffective = Zsb + n\*Zp; Zpeffective(i) = n\*Zp\*Zins(i)/(n\*Zp+Zins(i));Ztotal(i) = Zeffective + Zpeffective(i); Vp = Ztotal(i)\*Ip; Is= Ip\*Zm/(Zm+Zsb); Im = Ip\*Zsb/(Zm+Zsb); $Iins(i) \approx Is*n*Zp/(n*Zp+Zins(i));$ Iburden = Is;

C3

End

2. Program when both components of insulator were varied

Rm = 235.48;Xm = 23458;Rp = 0.274;Xp = 0.00274;Rs = 54.8;Xs = 0.548;Rb = 10;Xb = 0.01;w= 314; n≔0; count=0; Ip=1+j\*0; pi=3.14; $M \approx 0;$ for i = 1:19  $Rins(i) = 10^{M};$ M = M + 1;h = -12;for k = 1:19 $Cins(k) = 10^{h};$ h = h+1;Xins(k) = 1/(j\*w\*Cins(k));Zins(i,k) = Rins(i)\*Xins(k)/(Rins(i) + Xins(k)); Zp = Rp + j\*Xp;Zs = Rs + j \* Xs;Zm = Rm \* j\*Xm / (Rm+j\*Xm);Zburden = Rb + j\*Xb; Zsb = Zs + Zburden;Zsbm = Zm\*Zsb/(Zm+Zsb);Zeffective = Zsb + 0.5\*Zp; Zpeffective(i,k) = 0.5\*Zp\*Zins(i,k)/(0.5\*Zp+Zins(i,k));Ztotal(i,k) = Zeffective + Zpeffective(i,k); Vp(i,k) = Ztotal(i,k)\*Ip; Is= Ip\*Zm/(Zm+Zsb); Im = Ip\*Zsb/(Zm+Zsb);Iins(i,k) = Is\*0.5\*Zp/(0.5\*Zp+Zins(i,k));Iburden = Is;

end end C4
# APPENDIX D

į

## **Steady State Analysis**

1.Insulation Failure between Primary winding and Ground











## 2. Insulation Failure between the Secondary Winding



Cinsulation in F



## 3. Insulation Failure between Secondary and Primary Windings



## 4. Insulation Failure between Secondary Winding and Ground











D11



5. Insulation Failure between the Core and Ground









#### **Transient State Results**

1.Insulation Failure between Primary Winding and Ground





## 2. Insulation Failure between Primary and Secondary Windings

3. Insulation Failure between Secondary Winding





## 4. Insulation Failure between the Core and Ground

## **APPENDIX E**

#### **APPENDIX E1**

Sample of circuits used for transient implementation in Simplorer

1. Insulation failure within Primary Windings only



2. Insulation failure between Primary Windings and Ground

