

Surge Arrestor Example

A surge with the characteristics shown below travels down an overhead line towards a cable that has an unloaded transformer connected to it. The circuit has the following characteristics:

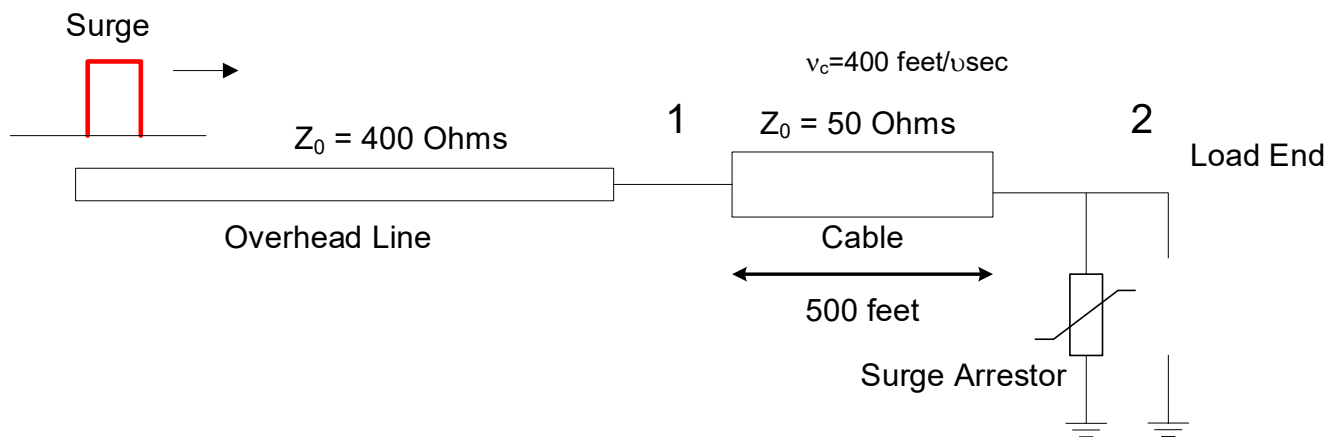
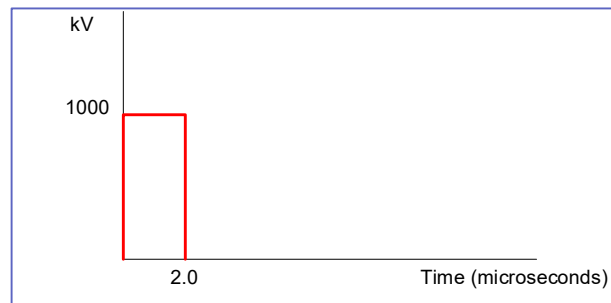
Overhead Line	$Z_0 = 400 \text{ Ohms}$	velocity=980 feet/microsecond
Cable	$Z_0 = 50 \text{ Ohms}$	velocity=400 feet/microsecond
Load	$Z = \infty \text{ Ohms (Open Circuit)}$	

- Plot the voltage at the load end of the circuit, Point 2, as a function of time for a time period of 3.5 microseconds after the disturbance hits the junction between the overhead and underground cable. Assume that reflections from the far left side of the circuit can be neglected.
- A metal oxide arrestor is inserted at Point 2 in order to protect the transformer from transient overvoltages. The MCOV's characteristics are given by:

$$I = 500 \times \left(V / 20,000 \right)^{30}$$

Determine the peak voltage at the load end after the MCOV has been placed into the circuit. Use either a graphical technique or a nonlinear solution technique to get the numerical results.

Surge Arrestor Diagrams

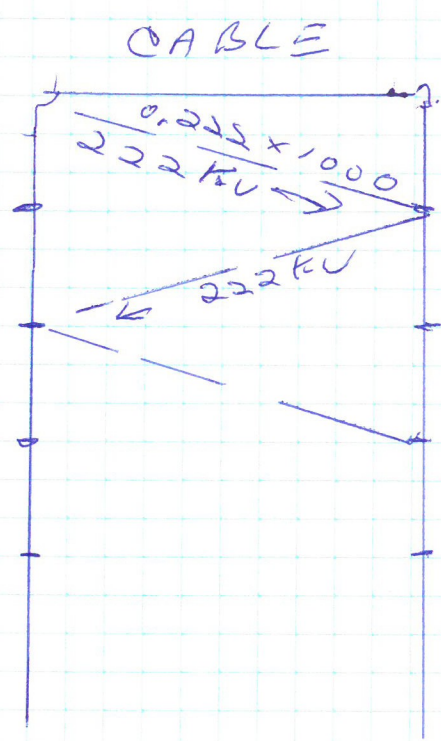


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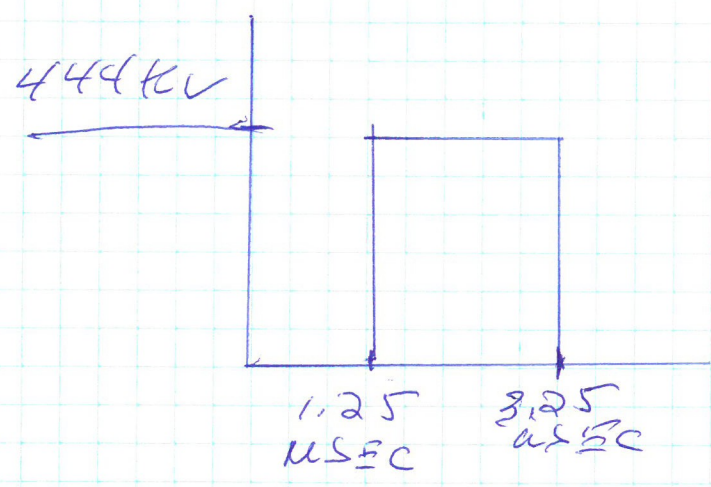
(a) $\tau_{\text{CABLE}} = \frac{l}{v} = \frac{500 \text{ FOOT}}{400 \text{ FT}/\mu\text{SEC}} = 1.25 \mu\text{SEC}$

1000KV
INCOMING \rightarrow

$$\Gamma = \frac{2(50)}{400 + 50} = 0.222$$

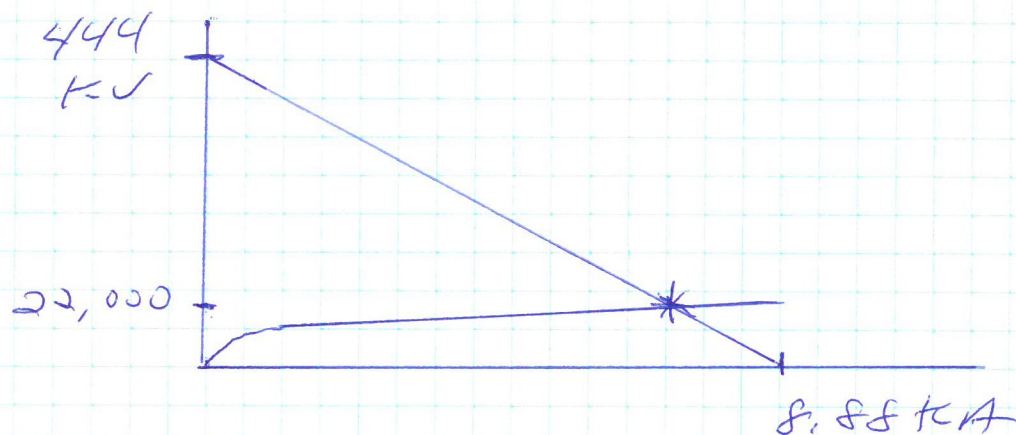
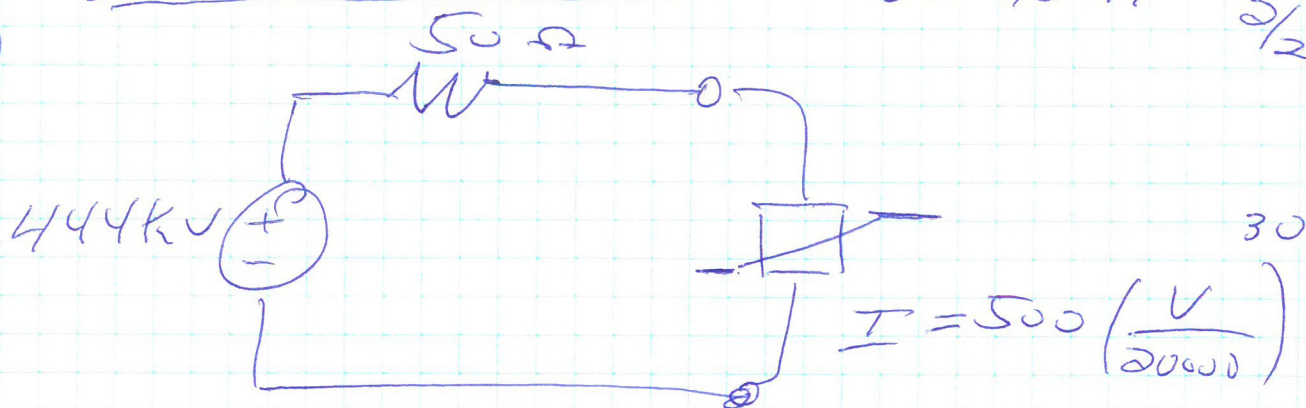


$$\Gamma_a = \frac{00 - 50}{00 + 50} = -1$$



NO
SURGE
ARRESTOR

(b.)



INTERSECTION AT 22,000 V w/
SURGE ARRESTOR

NUMERICAL TECHNIQUE

$$500 \left(\frac{V}{20000} \right)^{30} = \frac{444,000 - V}{50}$$

$$f(V) = 500 \left(\frac{V}{20,000} \right)^{30} - \left(\frac{444,000 - V}{50} \right) = 0$$

NEWTON-RAPHSON TECHNIQUE

$$V_{n+1} = V_n - \frac{f(V_n)}{f'(V_n)}$$

Newton-Raphson Numerical Solution

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                                surgevoltage
# Solve for intersection of circuit load line and surge arrester current curves

# Intial estimate for voltage
voltage =21000.0
converge = False
iteration = 1
while converge == False:
    fx=500.0*(voltage/20000.0)**30 - ((444000.0-voltage)/50.0)
    dfx=(15000.0/20000.0)*(voltage/20000.0)**29
    voltage = voltage - fx/dfx
    if abs(fx) < 1.0:
        converge = True
    print 'Iteration=',iteration,'Estimated Voltage=',voltage
    iteration = iteration + 1
print 'Converged Voltage=', voltage
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Program Output:

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Iteration= 1 Estimated Voltage= 23040.4345019
Iteration= 2 Estimated Voltage= 22457.7090487
Iteration= 3 Estimated Voltage= 22099.1340775
Iteration= 4 Estimated Voltage= 21985.0352918
Iteration= 5 Estimated Voltage= 21975.7675488
Iteration= 6 Estimated Voltage= 21975.7265139
Converged Voltage= 21975.7265139
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