

Abstract

Frequency response of critical electrical system is an important measurement to visualize the characteristic of electrical system for condition monitoring purpose. An off-line frequency response analysis method is commonly adopted as a diagnostic technique for transformer's winding deformation and displacement detection. Defects of a transformer can be detected by comparing the impedance frequency response of each phase of the winding of the transformer-under-monitored with respect to the measured impedance frequency response of the same winding of the same transformer during the factory test. Due to off-line nature of frequency response analysis, it does not allow real-time condition monitoring of a transformer under its powered up operating condition. Several methods have been proposed for on-line frequency response analysis but the additional circuitries for injecting and receiving signals require some forms of electrical contacts to the high-voltage transformer, which can pose safety hazards to personnel who installs the instrument on-site. Also, additional circuitry to establish the electrical contact has an effect on the frequency response of the transformer, which can affect the diagnosis accuracy. In this thesis, an on-line frequency response extraction technique which is based on fully two-probe inductive coupling approach is introduced and explored. As opposed to capacitive coupling method, no direct electrical contact with the transformer to be monitored is needed and it eliminates the safety hazards concern. Also, the implementation is relatively easy and does not need to cut-off the power supply to the transformer. Proposed method is demonstrated experimentally for on-line condition monitoring of a transformer and an induction motor for early detection of winding defects.

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