

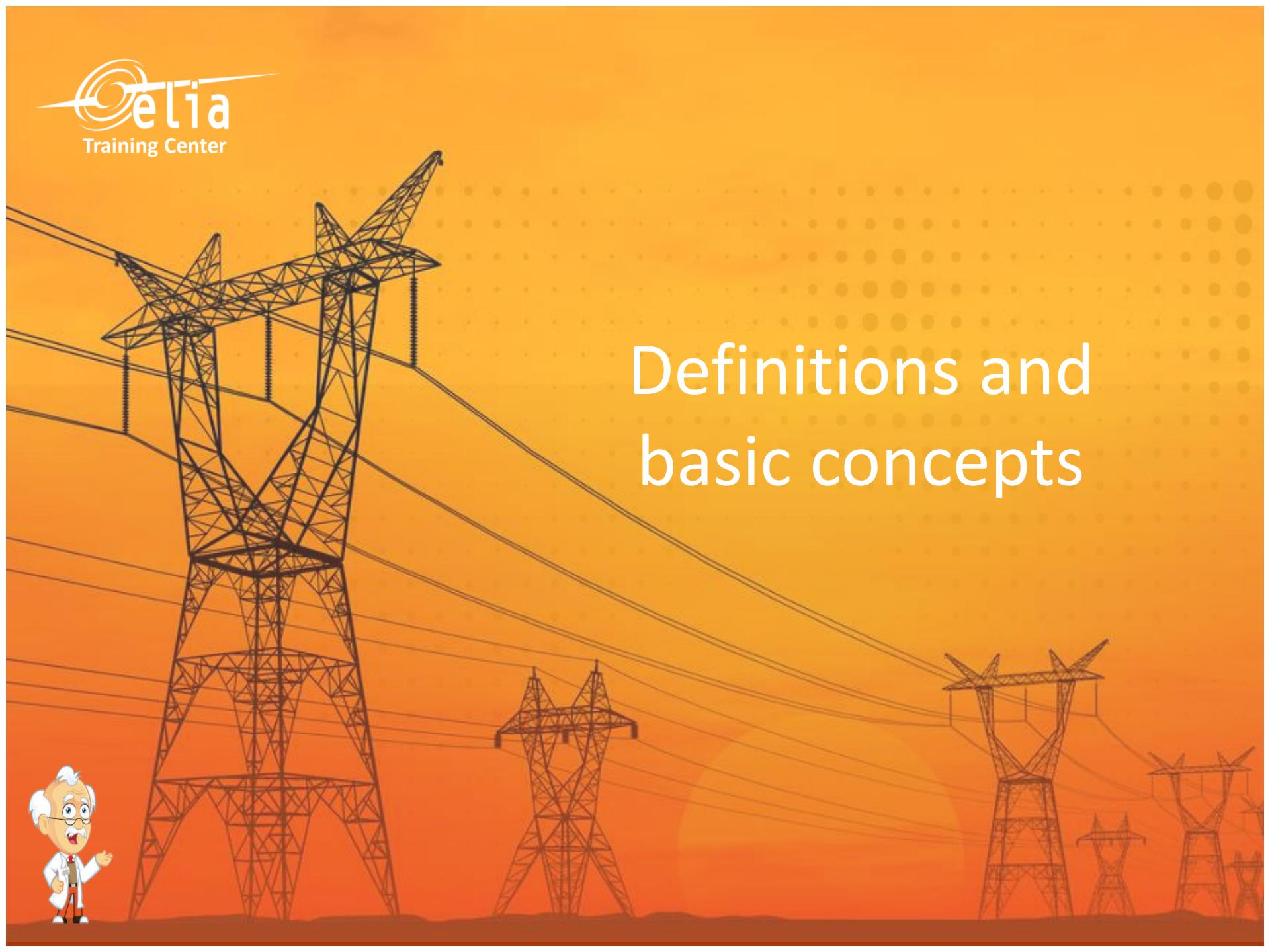


# A short introduction to Protection and Automation Philosophy

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- Definitions and basic concepts
- Differential and distance protection functions – a short introduction
- Protection system of 150 / 220 / 380 kV interconnections
- Protection system of busbars
- Protection system of transformers between busbars
- Bay arrangements
- Transformer 150 / 70 teed on 150 kV interconnection line



# Definitions and basic concepts





In the context of this lecture, a fault is:

“a low-resistance connection between two points in an electric circuit through which the current tends to flow rather than along the Intended path”

Faults are characterized by:

- Their nature**

Typical examples: 1-phase / 2-phase / 3-phase, phase-to-phase / phase-to-ground, metallic / with arc resistance, transient / permanent

- Their cause**

Typical examples: lightning strokes, equipment failure, human errors ...

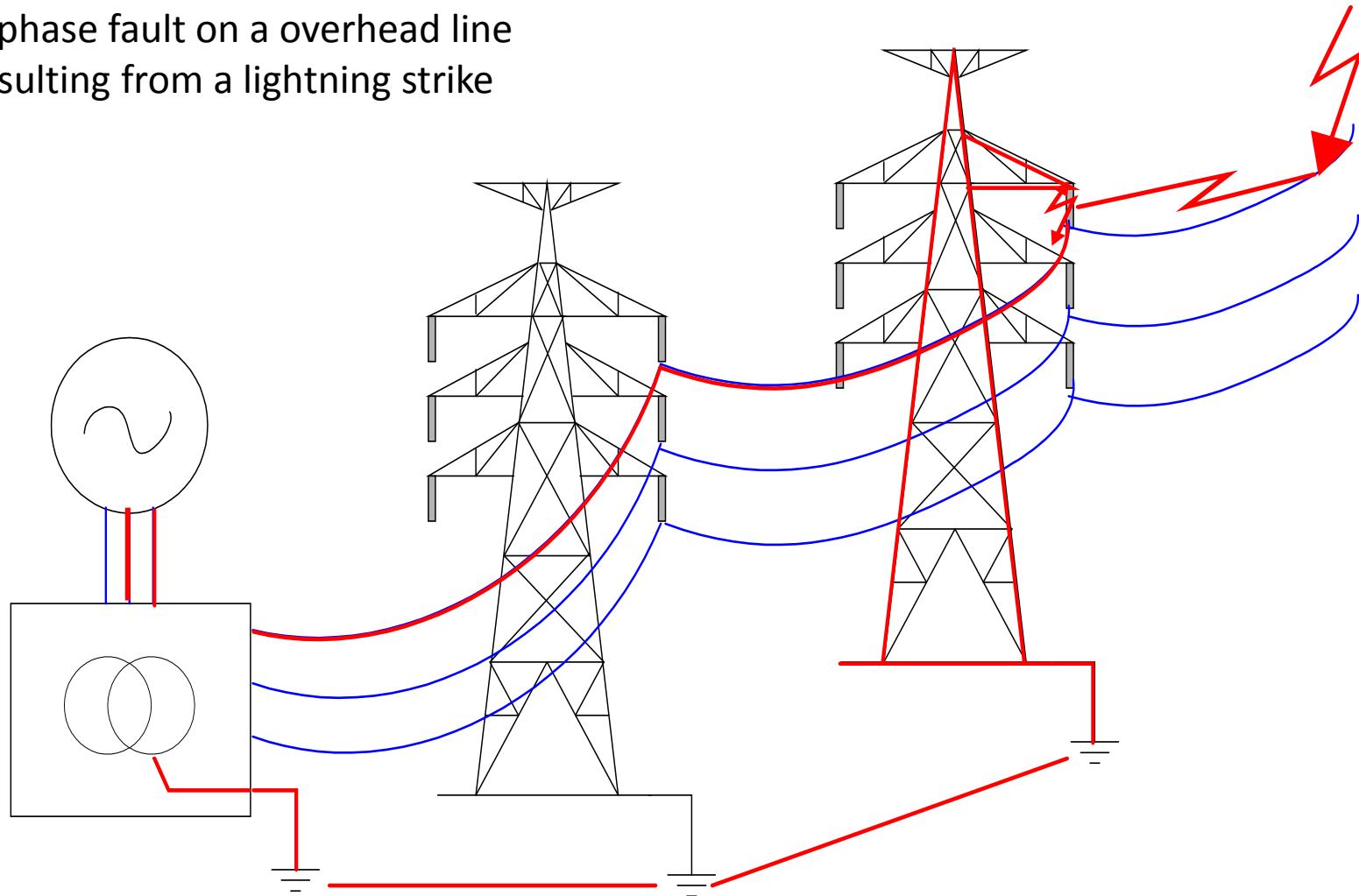
- Their consequences**

Direct consequences are low voltage(s) and / or high current(s)



# Typical example

1-phase fault on a overhead line  
resulting from a lightning strike





# Surge arrester

Goal: stop the propagation of the overvoltage wave travelling on the transmission line

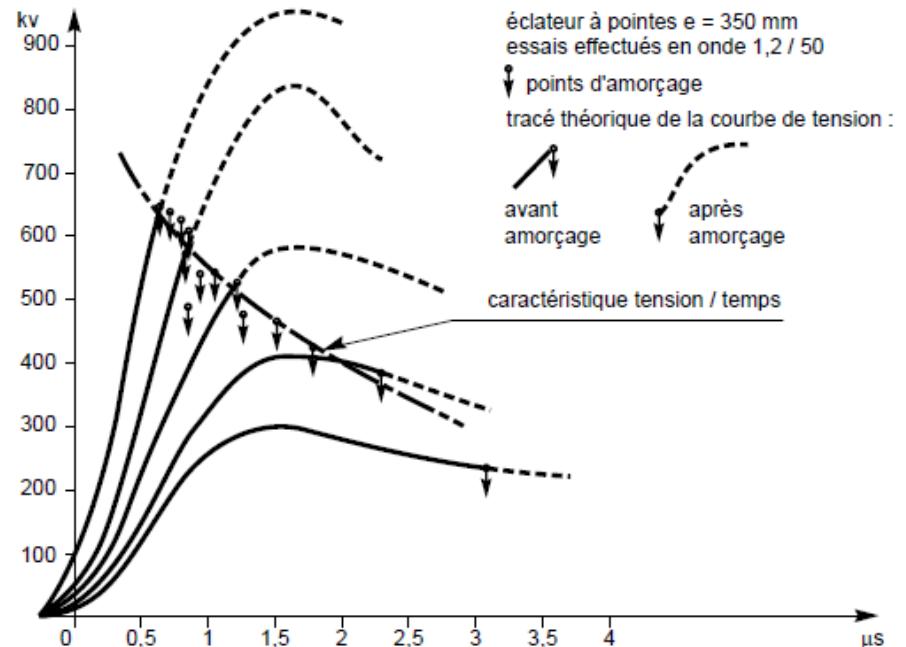
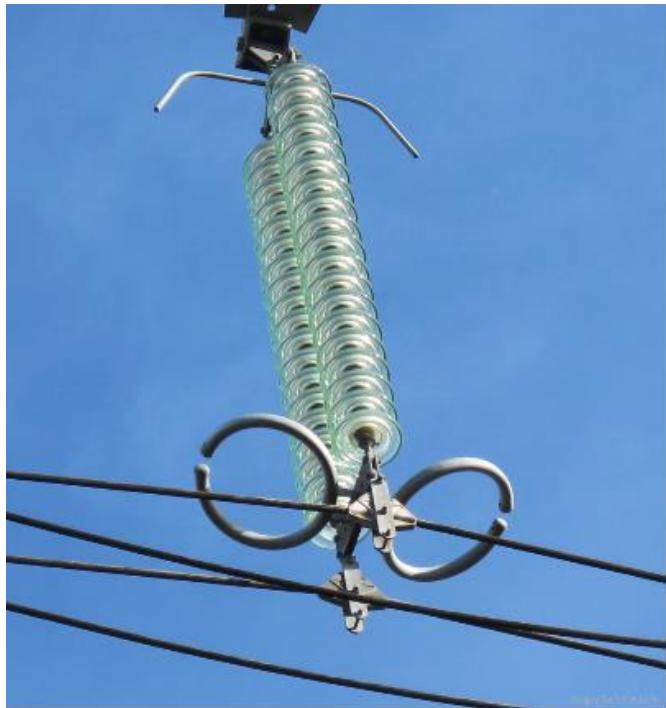
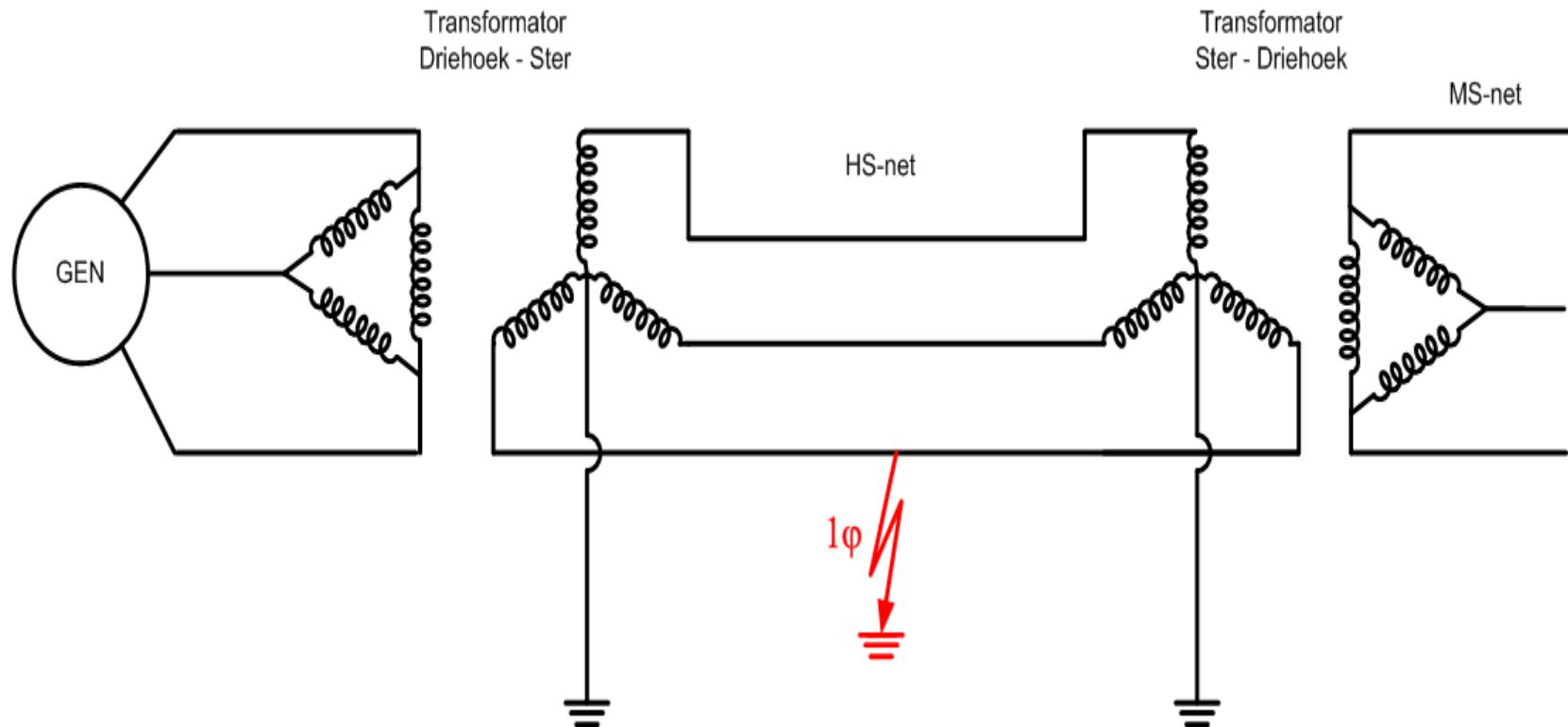


fig. 22 : comportement d'un éclateur à pointes, en choc de foudre normalisé, en fonction de la valeur de crête.



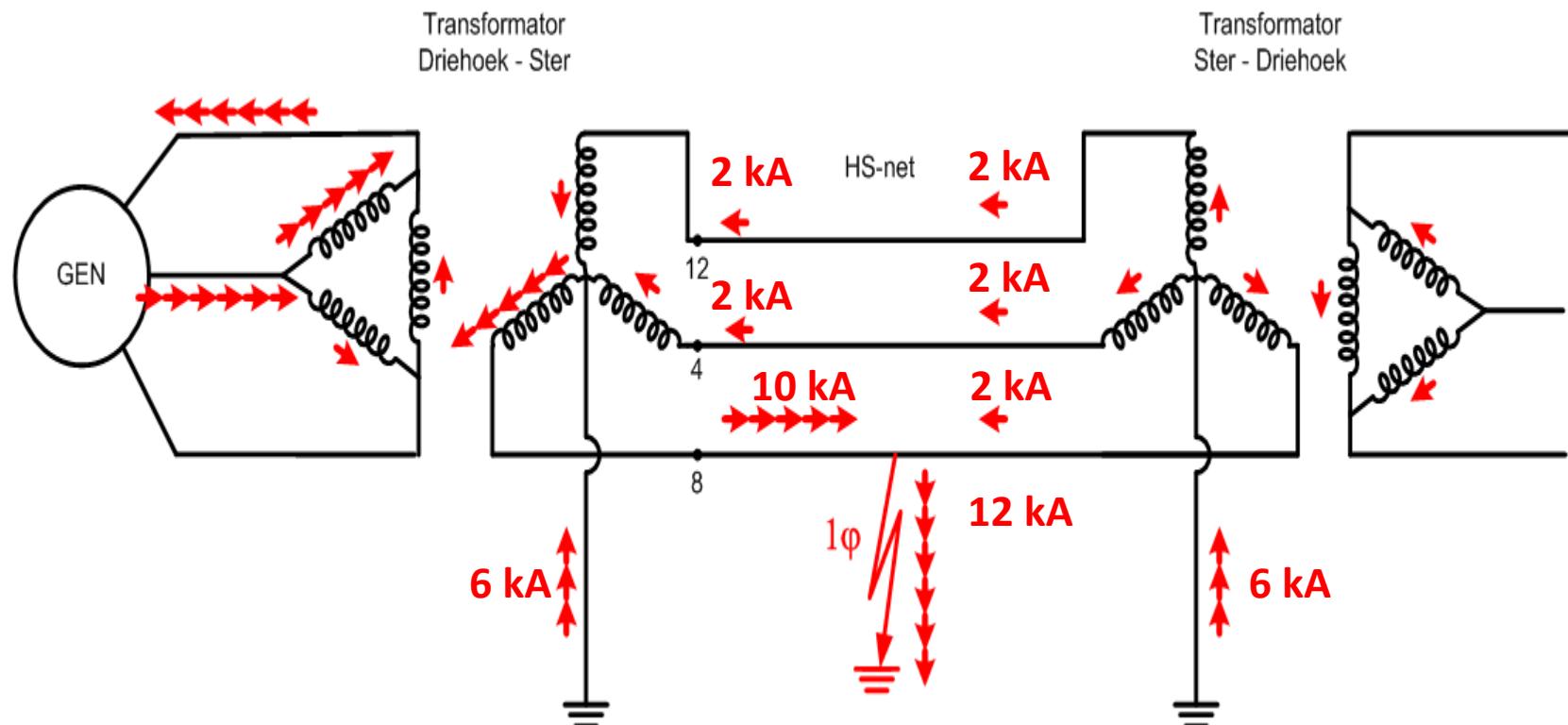
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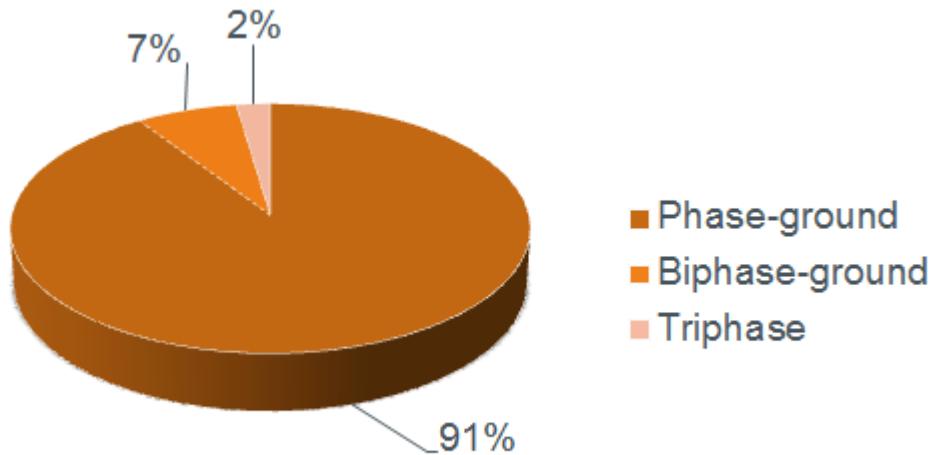
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# What is a fault?

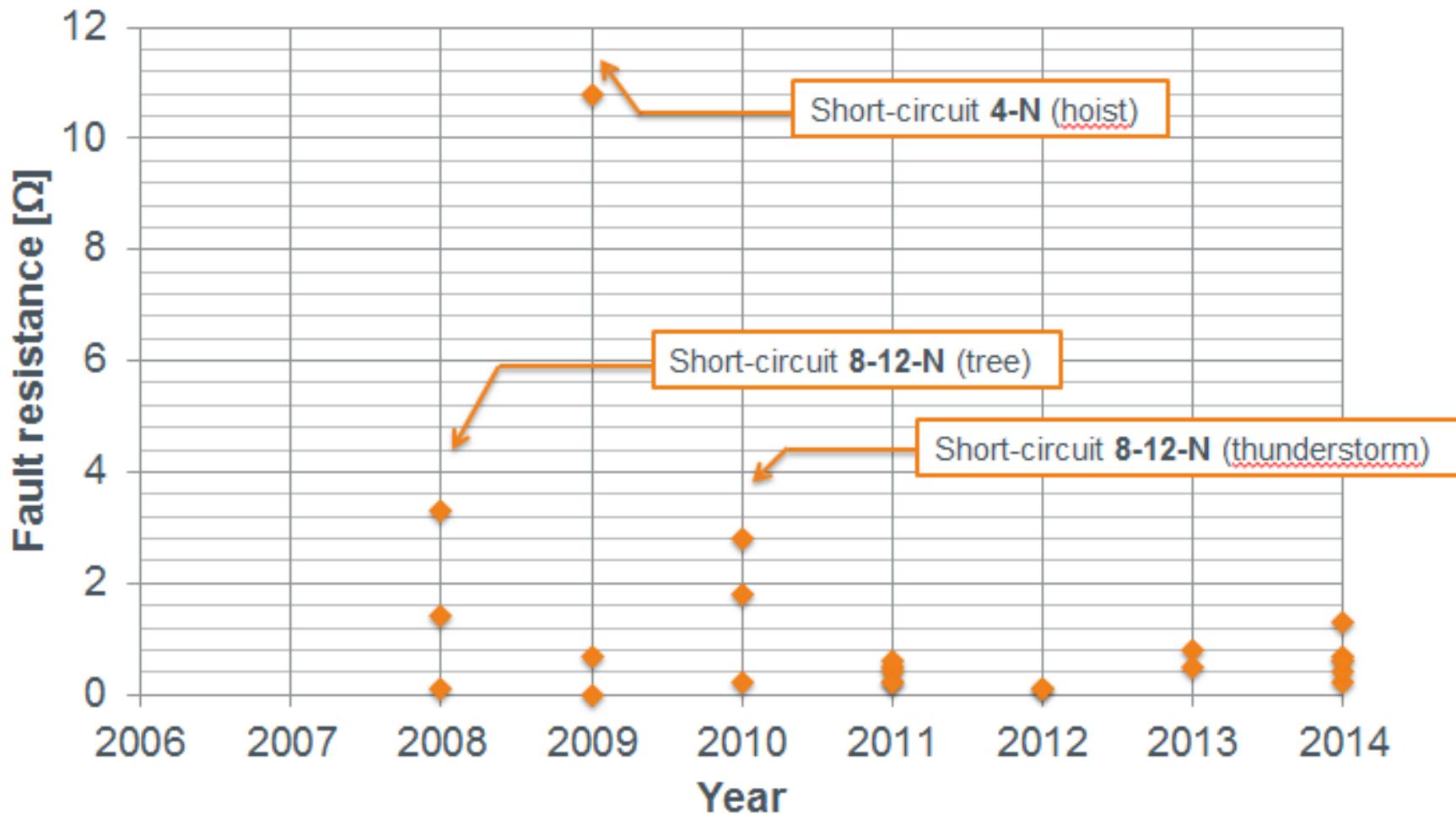
Type of faults registered on the 380 kV between 2006 and 2014





# What is a fault?

Faults resistance values registered on the 380 kV between 2008 and 2014





Faults can also have important impacts:

- **Safety**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YPsALFWtuqY>

- **Thermal effects on equipment**, with risk of damage / destructions

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=D8EQPx-ptKk>

- **Mechanical efforts on equipment**, with risk of damage / destructions

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- **System instability**

- Customers installations / processes (**power quality / voltage dips**)

**Once a fault happens, it must be eliminated as fast as possible**



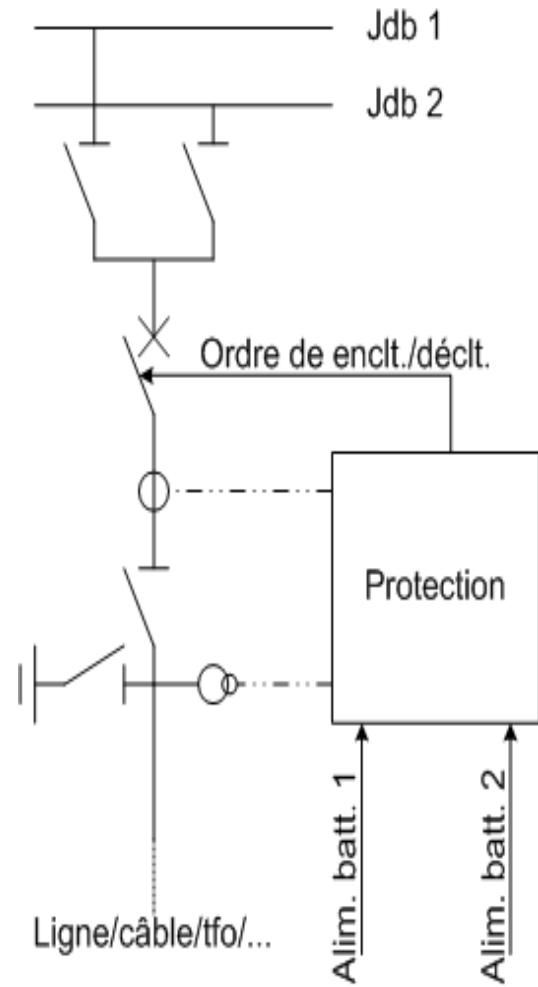
# What is a protection system?

A protection system is the set of equipment and functions aimed at detecting a fault and tripping the network component where this fault is located.

Main components of a protection system:

- **Measurement transformers:** Current Transformers (CTs) and Voltage Transformers (VTs)
- **Protection function(s):** makes the decision to trip the circuit breaker from CTs and VTs measurements
- **Circuit breaker:** trips the network component and interrupts the shortcircuit current

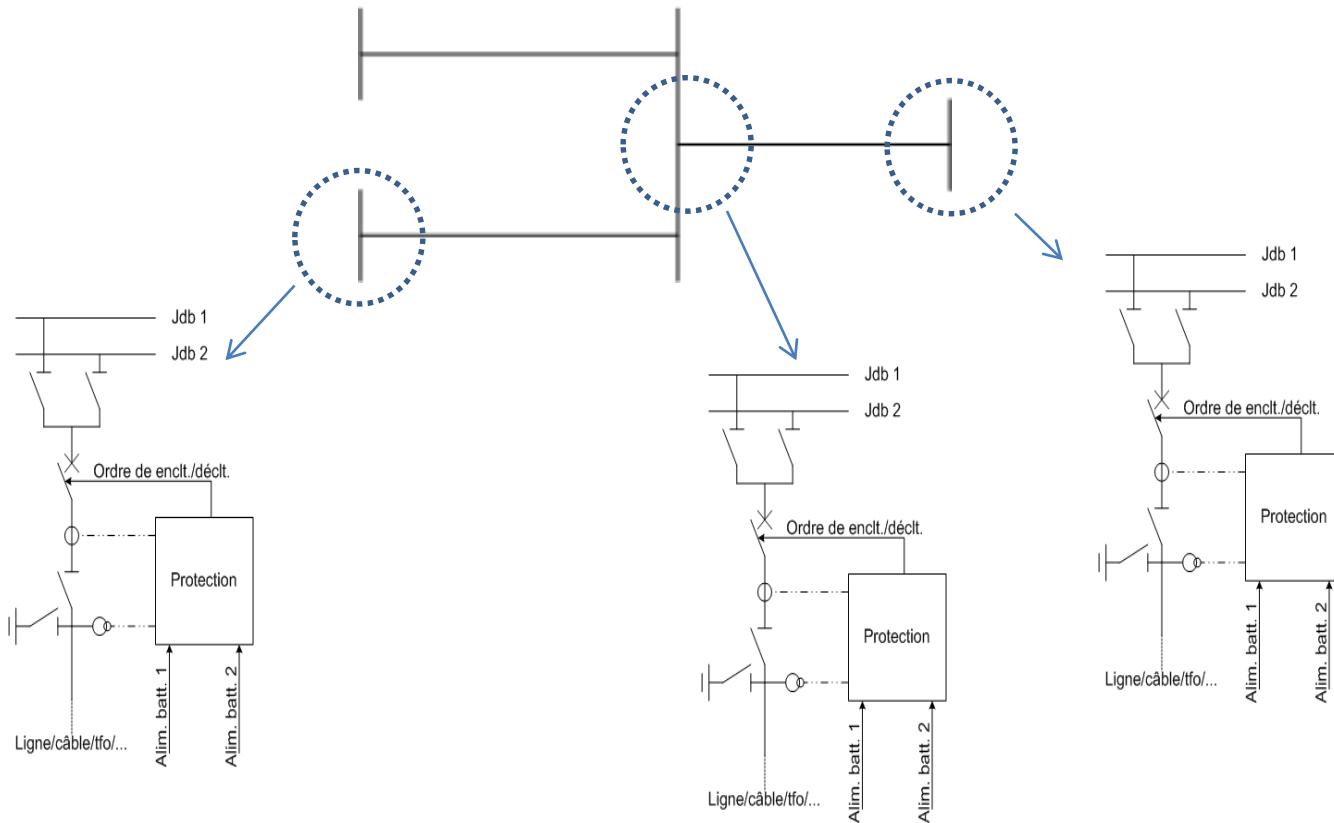
This lecture is limited to equipment protections (system protections are not considered)



# What is a protection system?



A protection system does not only relate to one bay, but to a set of bays through appropriate coordination of the corresponding protection functions





Measurement transformers are devices designed to provide in their secondary coil a signal proportional to the voltage or current in its primary side

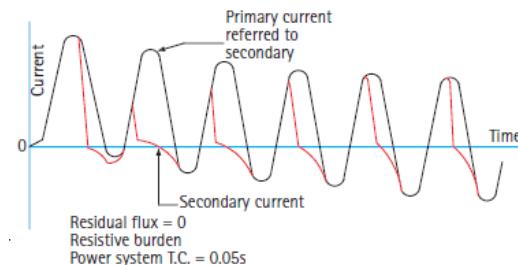
## Voltage transformer

Can introduce measurement errors but cannot saturate (low voltage during faults)

## Current transformer

Can introduce measurement errors and saturate (large current measured during fault)

Saturation must be avoided during the time required by the protection to make the decision to trip, through appropriate design of the CT (max  $I_{cc}$ , burden on secondary side, precision class)





Circuit breakers are devices designed to energize / trip network components, with the possibility to interrupt shortcircuit currents.

Main characteristics of a circuit breaker:

- Nominal voltage
- Shortcircuit current
- Medium used for arc extinction: SF6, vacuum, air blast, CO2 ...
- Max  $I^2t$  allowed
- Speed of operation



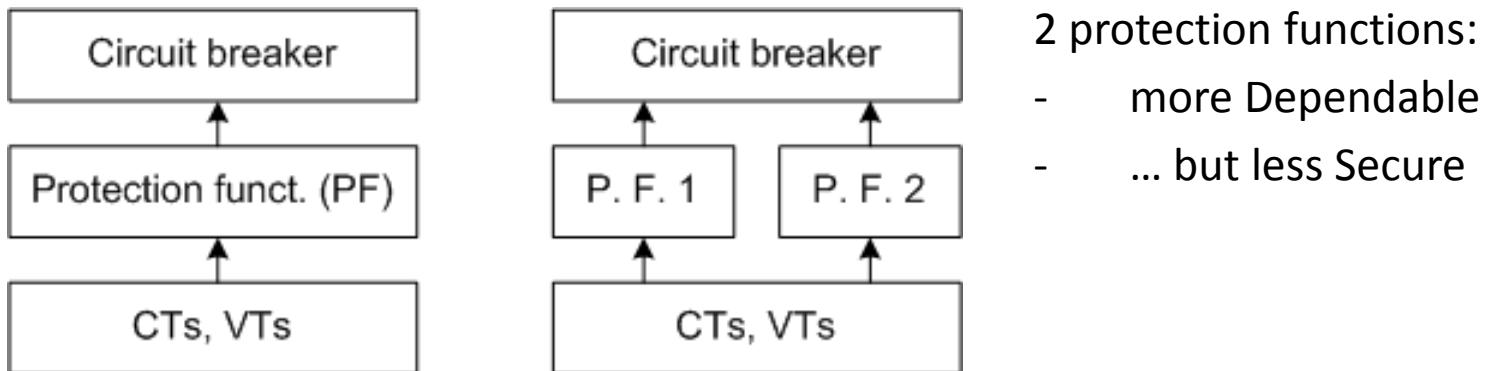


# Characteristics of protections

Protection systems can be characterized with the following attributes:

- **Dependability:** « A dependable protection is one that always operates for conditions for which it is designed to operate » [3]
- **Security:** « A secure protection is one that will not operate for conditions for which it is not intended to operate » [3]

Dependability enhancement leads to Security worsening, and Security enhancement leads to Dependability worsening

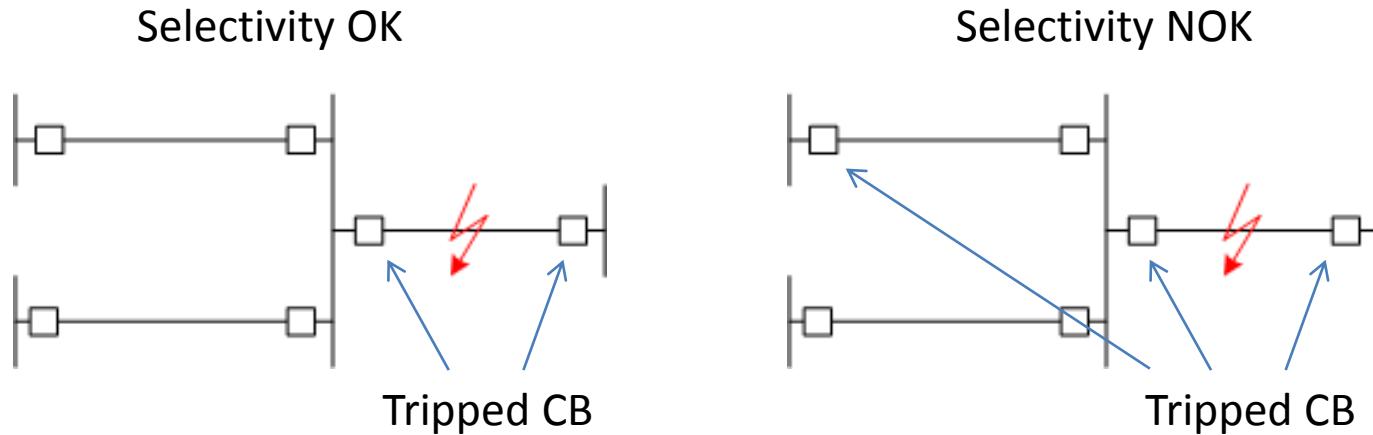


[3] "The Electrical Engineering Handbook", IEEE press, pp 1270



# Characteristics of protections

- **Reliability:** the protection system is both dependable and secure, according to the level of dependability and security for which it has been designed
- **Selectivity of a protection system:** the circuit breakers that must be tripped to eliminate the fault are the only ones to be tripped



- **Speed:** relates to the time needed by the protection system to eliminate the fault

# Main type of protection functions



Most usual protection functions used in TSO application:

- Distance protection function (see next slides)
- Differential protection function (see next slides)
- Under/overcurrent protection function
- Under/overvoltage protection function

Nowadays, protection functions are implemented through numerical relays.  
Several protection functions can be used in the same physical device.



Fig. 7/41  
SIPROTEC 4  
7SD52/53 differential protection relay





# Protection system design

Designing a protection system consists in deciding which protection functions and devices must be implemented at the various substations / bays in order to fulfill the requirements stated in the grid code (see below), while ensuring a good level of selectivity and reliability.

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36	120	2250	-	-	1200	1200	1200	-	***	600
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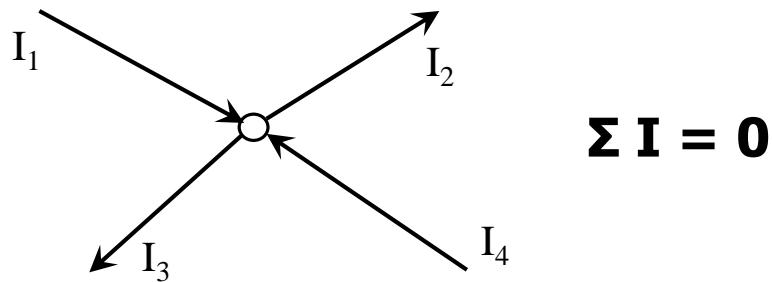
# Differential and distance protection functions





# Differential protection

First Kirchoff law: at any node in an electrical circuit, the sum of currents flowing into that node is equal to the sum of currents flowing out of that node



If the sum of all currents is not 0, there is a fault at the node

Application to overhead lines (shunt capacitors neglected):



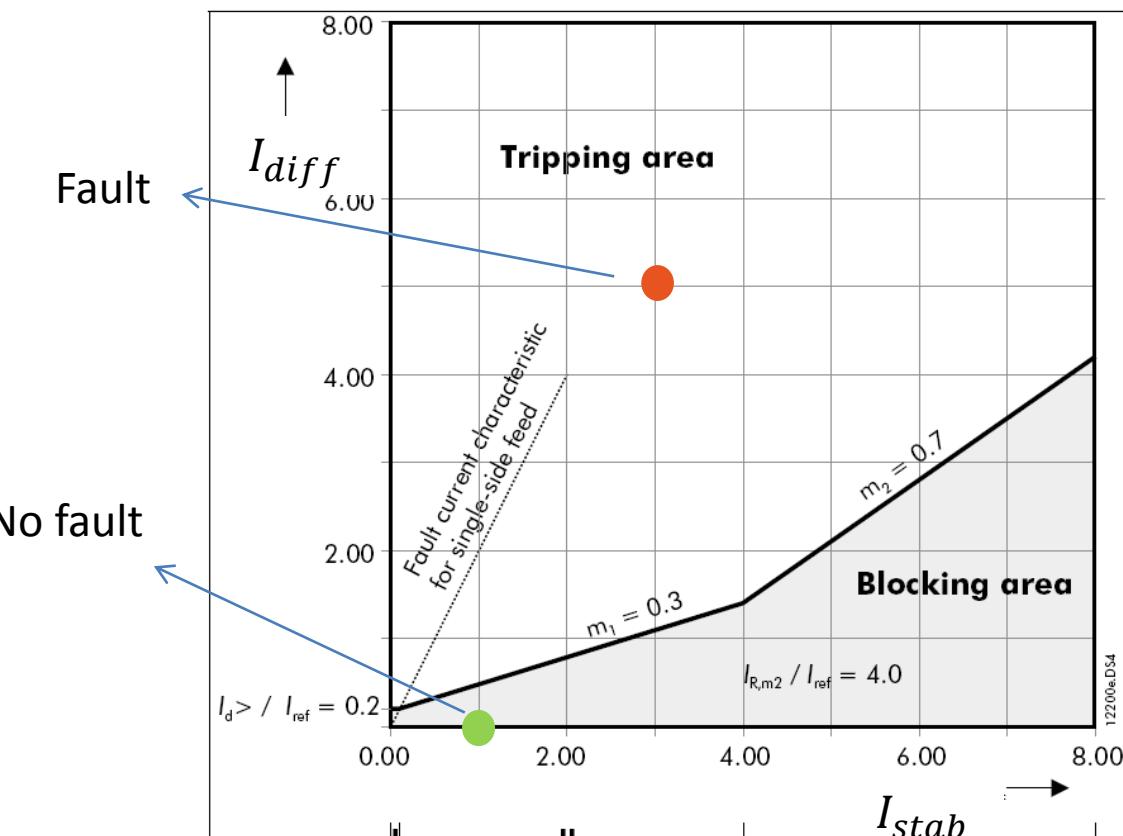
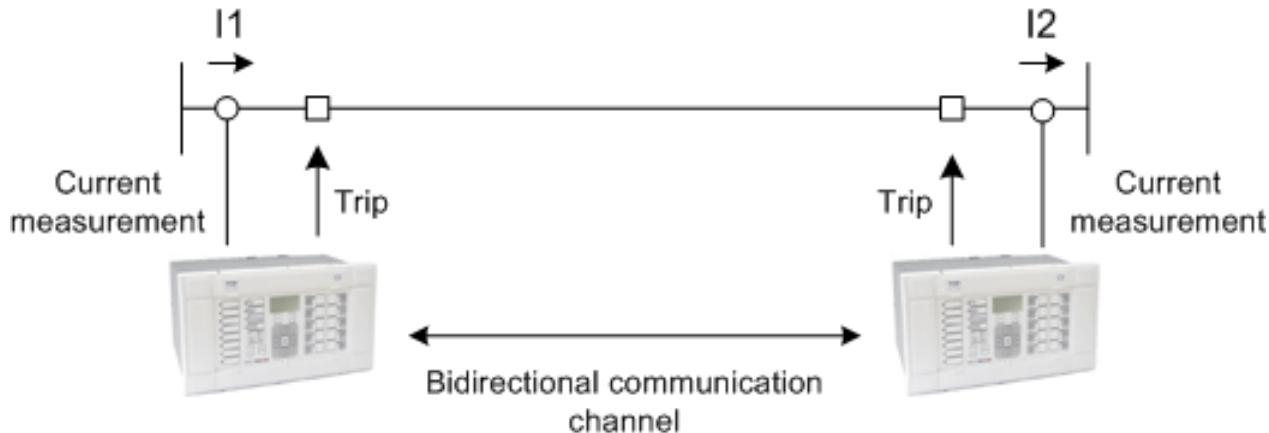
No fault:  $I_1 + I_2 = 0$



Fault:  $I_1 + I_2 \neq 0$



# Differential protection



$$I_{diff} = |\bar{I}_1 + \bar{I}_2|$$

$$I_{stab} = 0.5|\bar{I}_1 - \bar{I}_2|$$

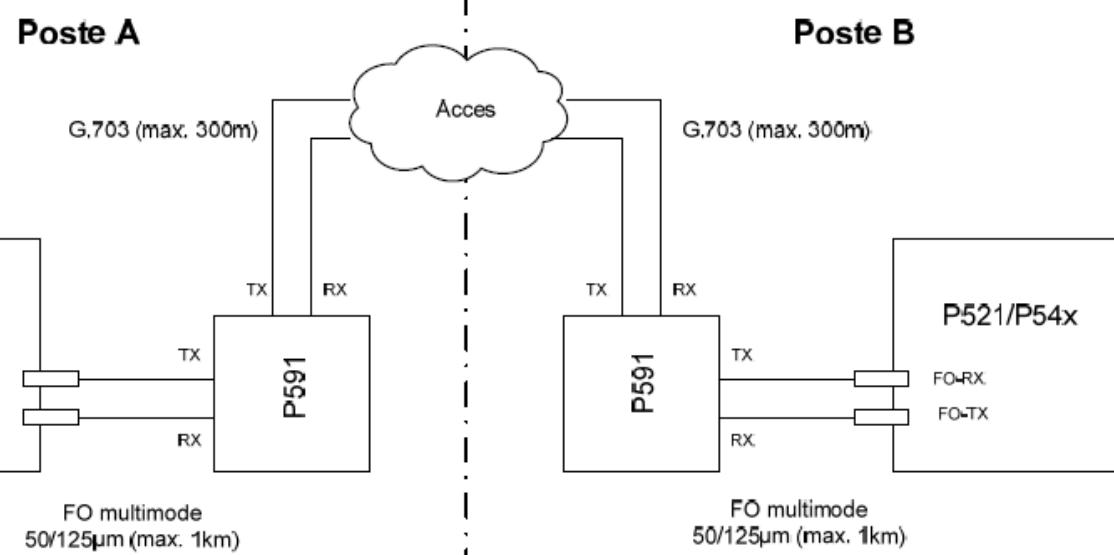
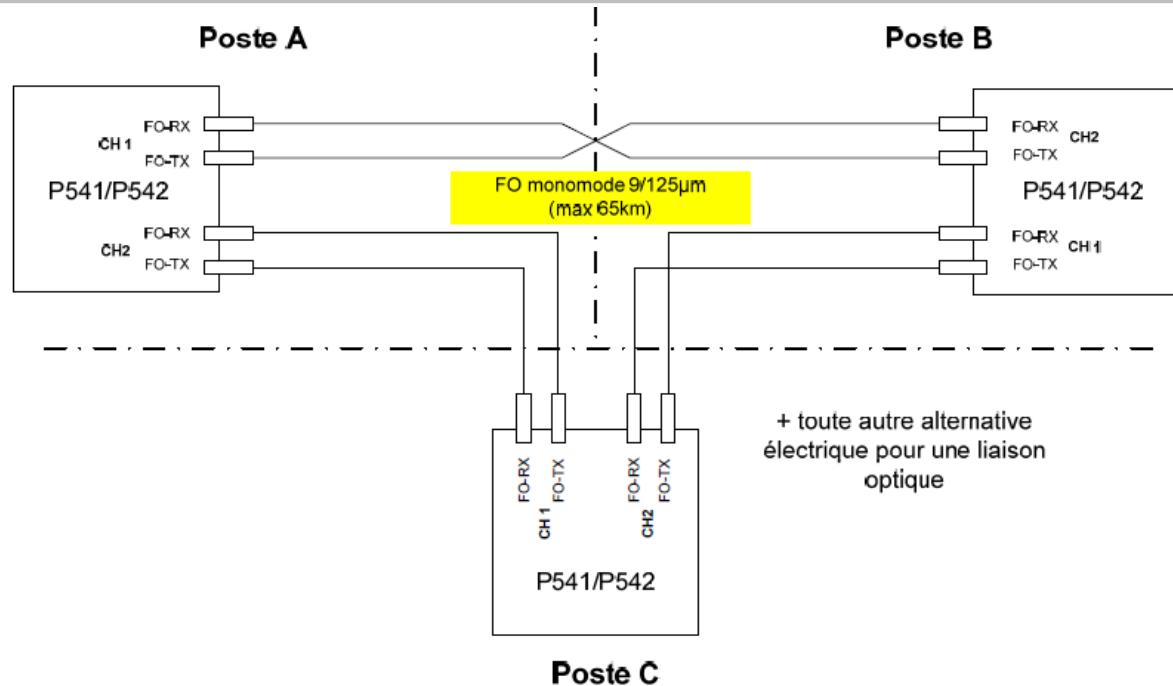
Why stabilizing current and 2-slopes characteristic?

- Shunt capacitors
- On-load tap changers
- CTs errors
- CTs saturation

# Telecommunication typical implementation



3-end line differential protection with direct communication through dedicated optical fiber



2-end line differential protection with communication through TDM (« Access ») network



## Differential principle applied to lines, cables, transfos and busbars

### Main characteristics:

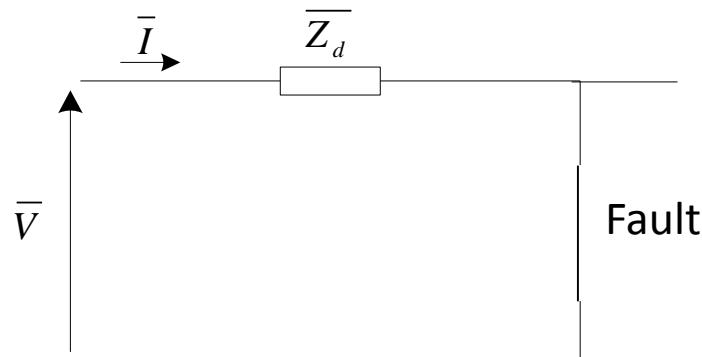
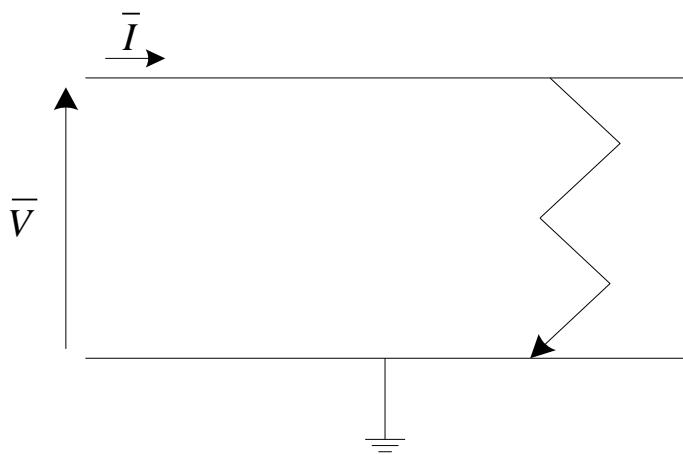
- Naturally selective
- Dependability and security barely dependant from network environment (short-circuits power at different ends, direct and zero-sequence impedances ...)
- Requires CTs compatibility at all ends
- Requires permanent communication between the different ends (with symmetrical paths)
- Differential protections must be replaced at all ends at the same time (no interoperability between different manufacturers / generations of devices)



# Distance protection



3-ph fault without  
arc resistance



$$\frac{\bar{V}}{\bar{I}} = \bar{Z}_d$$

with  $Z_d$  proportional to  
the distance between the  
busbar and the place of  
the fault

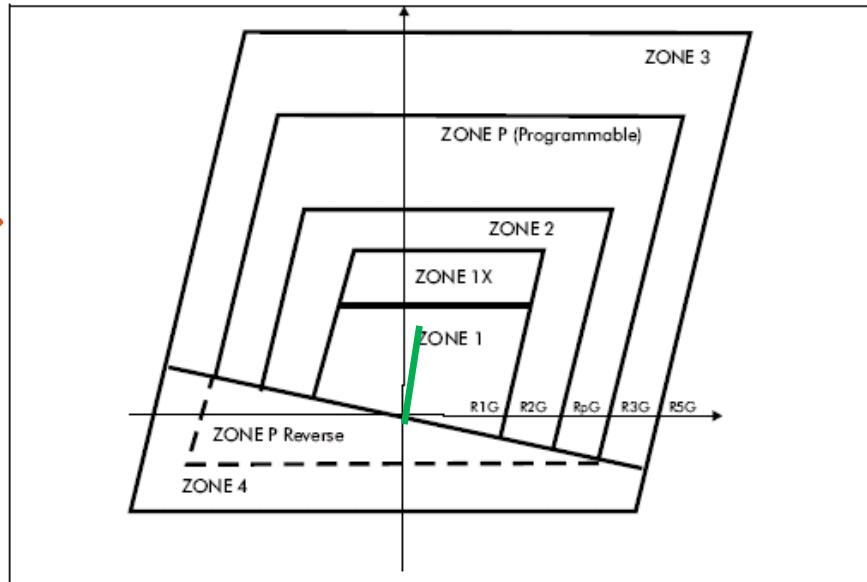
Conclusion: measurement of local  
voltages and currents allows to  
estimate the distance to the fault



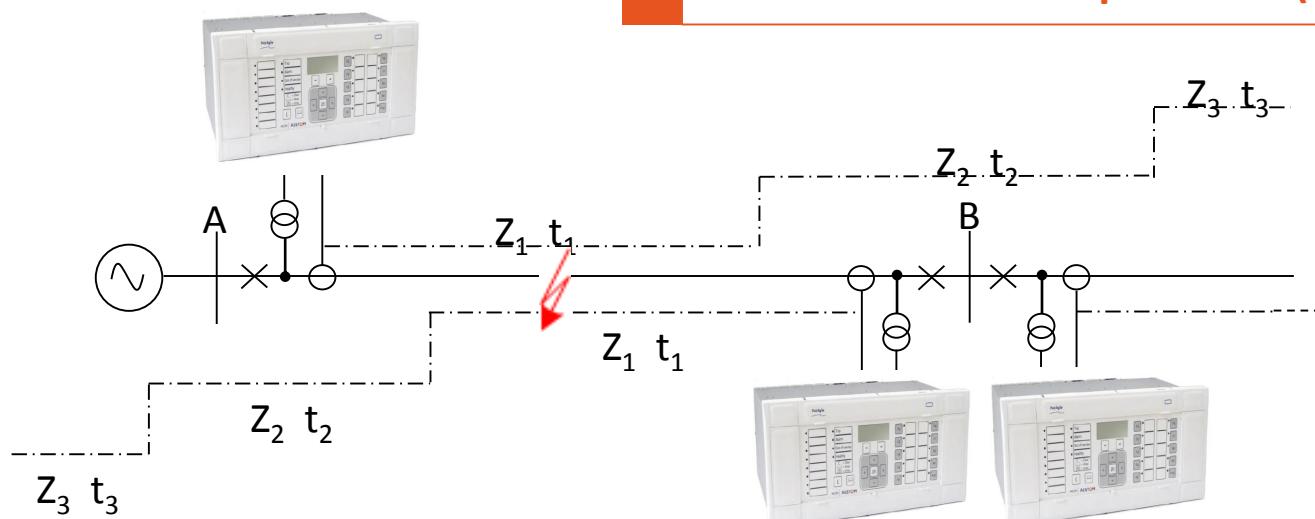
# Distance protection

2 Locate  $Z_d$  in the Z, R plane

1 From V and I, calculate  $Z_d$



3 Fault in zone 1  $\Rightarrow$  trip after  $t_1$  (0 ms)

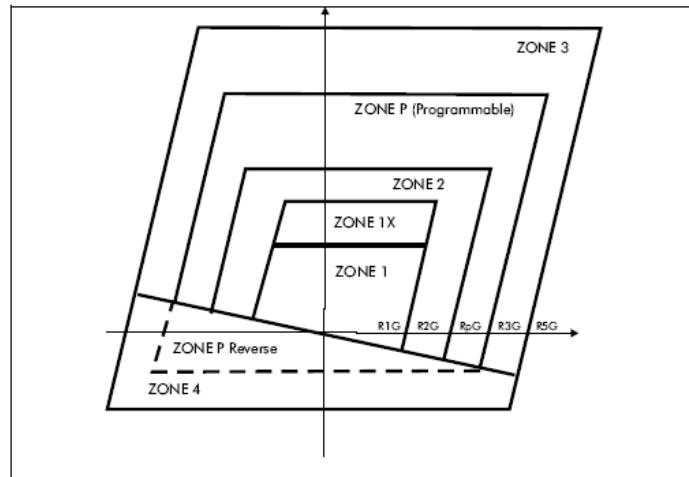




# Distance protection

Each zone is characterized by:

- Resistance and reactance limits
- Direction (forward / reverse)
- Time delay



Zone 1: identification of a fault on the line, reactance limit usually set to 80% of the direct impedance of the line. Instantaneous tripping (decision after 30 ms)

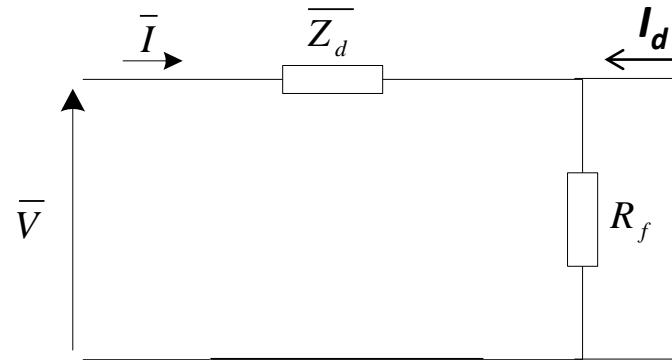
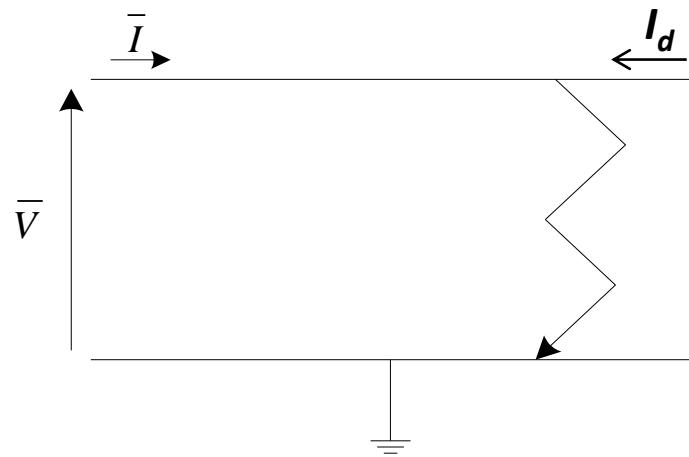
Zone 2: backup for next forward busbar (busbar fault or circuit breaker failure in the corresponding bays). Reactance limit usually set to 120% of the direct impedance of the line. Typical Tripping time: 500 ms.

Zone 3: backup for next forward lines. Reactance limit usually set to cover the longest line. Typical tripping time: 900 ms.



# Distance protection

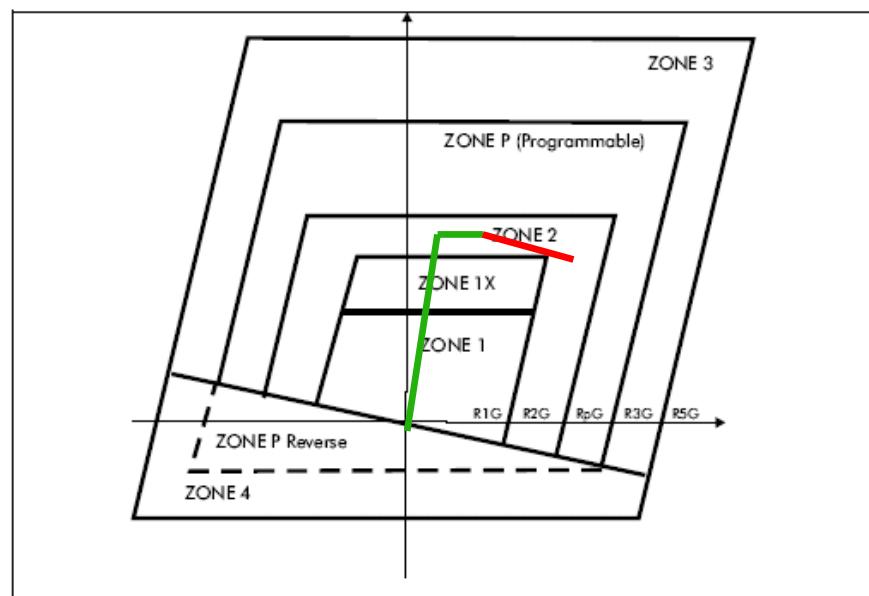
Impact of fault resistance for 3-phase faults



$$\frac{\bar{V}}{\bar{I}} = \bar{Z}_d + R_f + R_f \left( \frac{\bar{I}_d}{\bar{I}} \right)$$

Impedance to  
measure

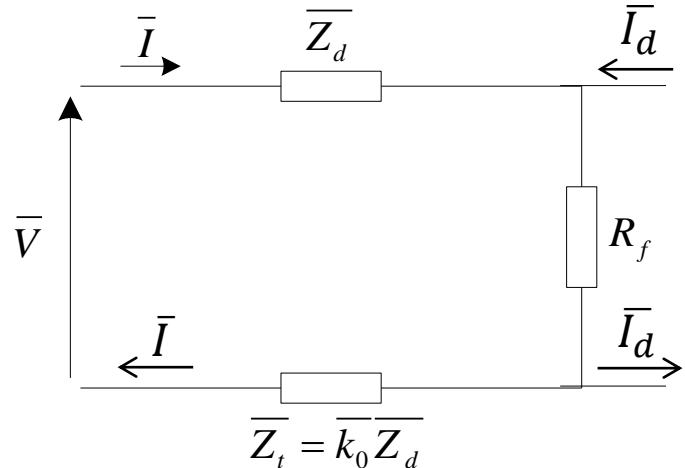
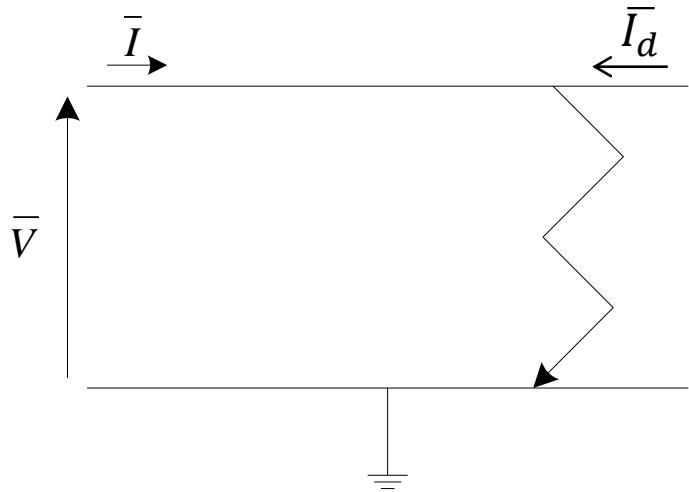
Error





# Distance protection

Impact of fault resistance for 1-phase faults

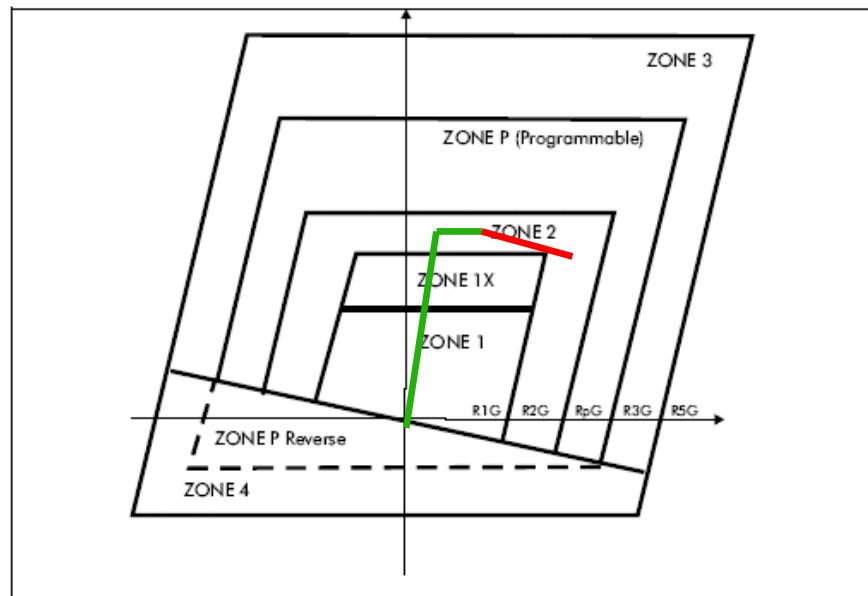


Impedance to measure

$$\frac{\bar{V}}{\bar{I}(1+k_0)} = \bar{Z}_d + \frac{R_f}{1+k_0} + \frac{R_f}{1+k_0} \frac{\bar{I}_d}{\bar{I}}$$

Error

The value of K0 must be provided to the relay in order to compensate its effect



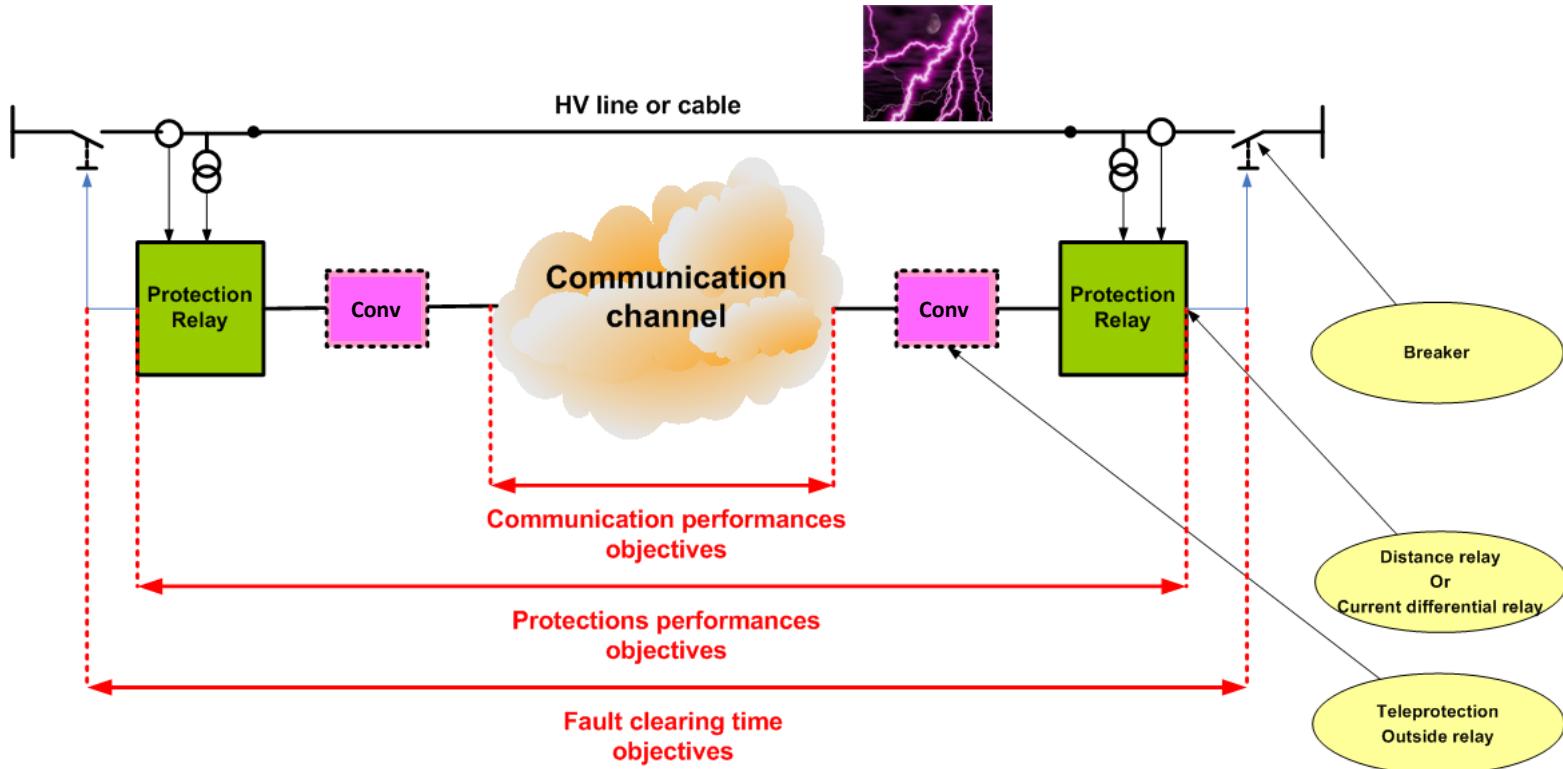


## Distance principle applied to lines, cables, transformers

### Main characteristics:

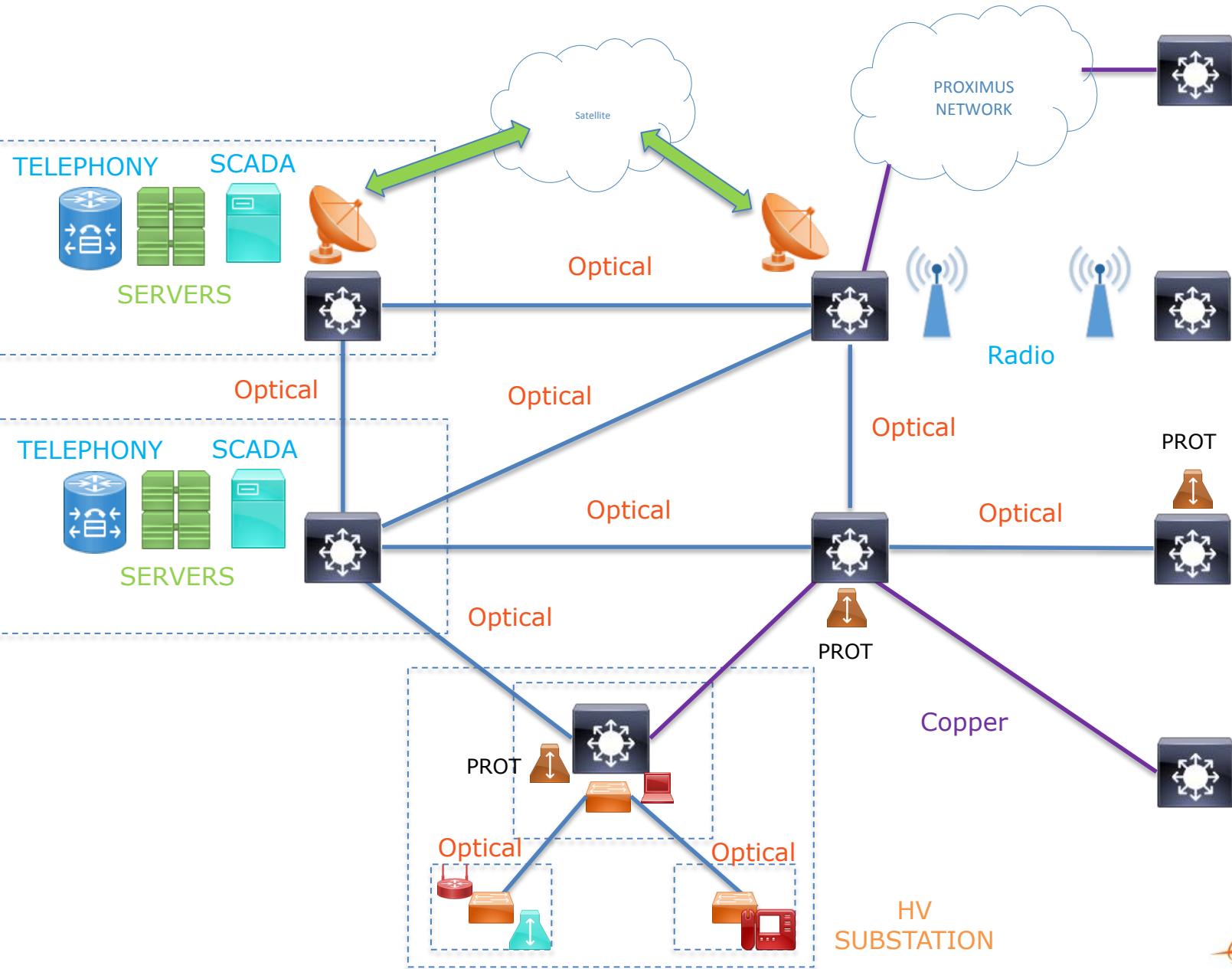
- Selectivity achieved through distance protection settings coordination in various bays
- Dependability and security strongly dependent from network environment (short-circuits power at different ends, k<sub>0</sub> factor, fault resistance ...)
- Does not require CTs compatibility at all ends
- Requires communication between different ends (only if POTT logic applied, see next slides)
- Distance protections must not be identical at all ends

# Telecommunication infrastructure requirements



- Fault clearing time objective at 380 kV: 100 ms (CB time included)
- Performance target for communication channel:  
$$100 - 40 \text{ (CB time)} - 40 \text{ (prot. decision)} - 15 \text{ (converter)} = \underline{\underline{5 \text{ ms}}}$$
- Other constraints: asymmetry on communication paths < 0,3 ms (current differential protection)

# Telecommunication infrastructure overview





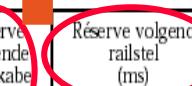
# Protection system of 150 / 220 / 380 kV interconnections





# Protection system design

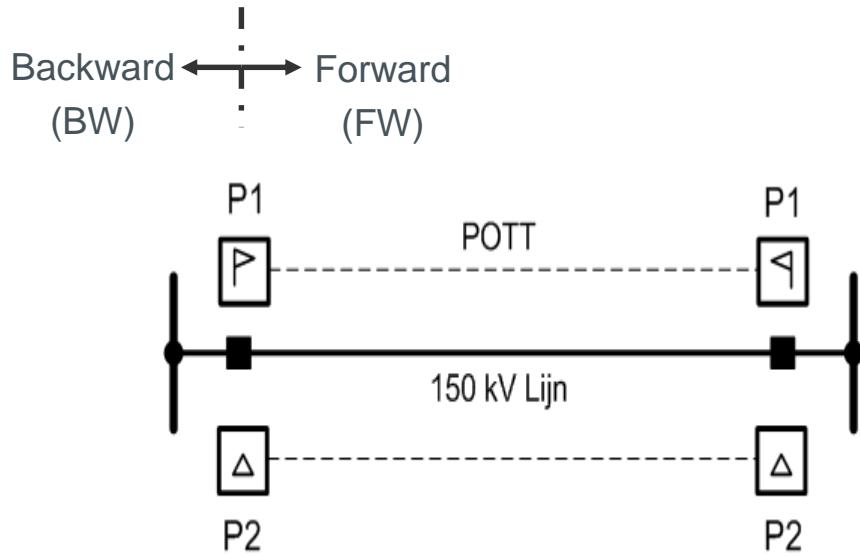
One of the protections must be a distance protection

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Two independant protections  $\Rightarrow$  priority to dependability

Consistent with N-1 criterium



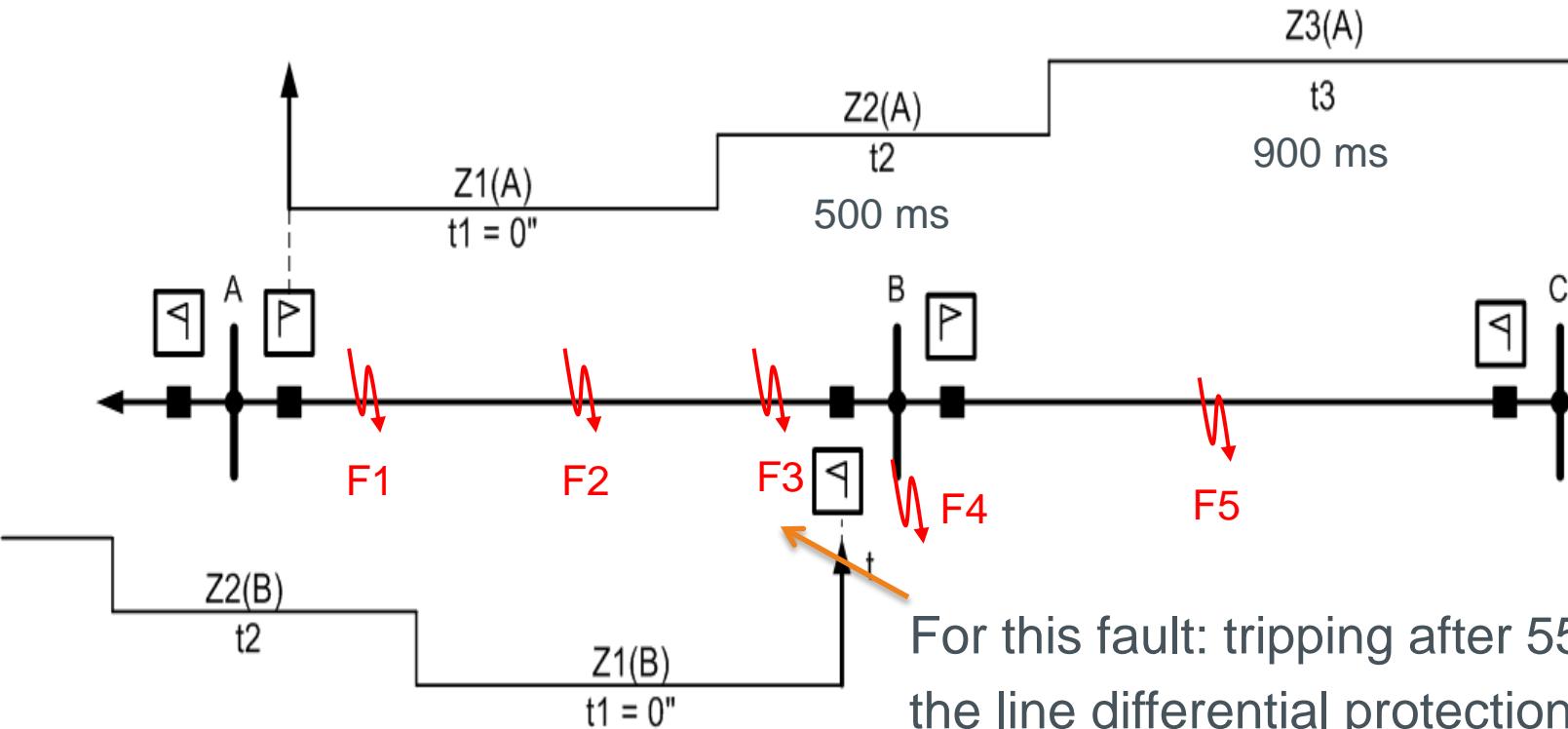
- P1 protection = distance protection with POTT teleprotection logic (see next slides)
- P2 protection = line differential protection

### Communication channels:

- Distance protection: one for POTT logic
- Line differential protection: one for transmission of currents measurements



Distance protection  $\Rightarrow$  zones definition

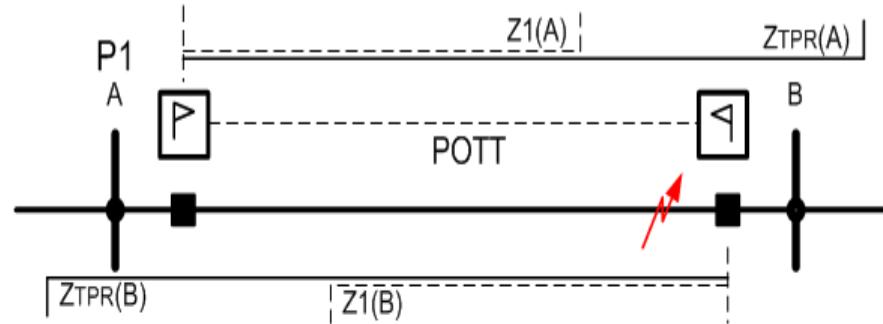


For this fault: tripping after 550 ms if the line differential protection is not in operation  $\Rightarrow$  not consistent with grid code requirement

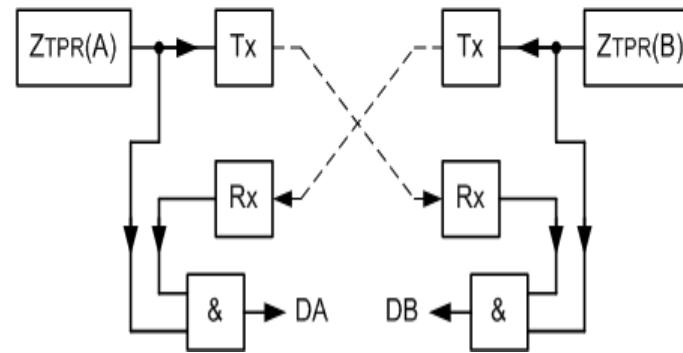


# POTT logic

POTT = Protective Overreach Transfer Trip



**t = 0 ms**



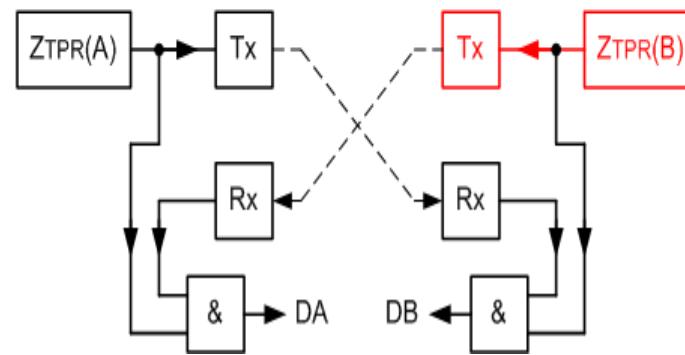
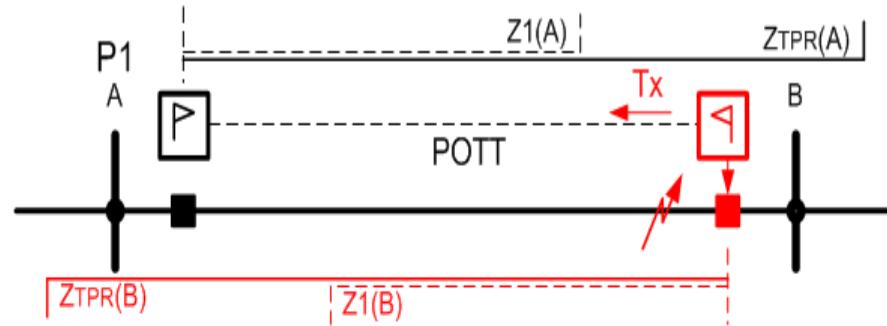


# POTT logic

Distance protection on B side detects the fault in TPR zone

Sending of the corresponding TPR signal to A side

**t = 30 ms**



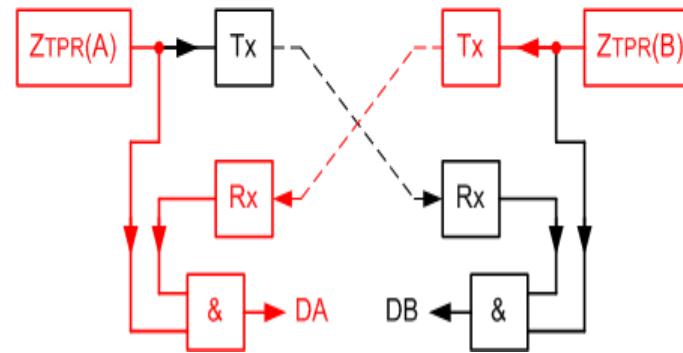
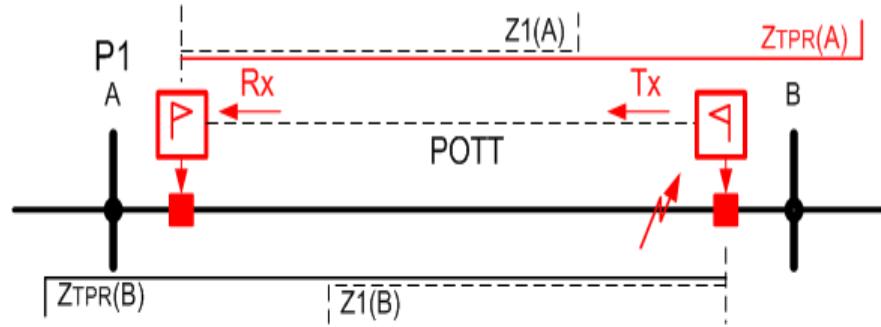


# POTT logic

The TPR signal arrives to A side, where the distance protection has also detected the fault in TPR zone from  $t = 30$  ms

⇒ tripping decision without waiting until  $t_2$

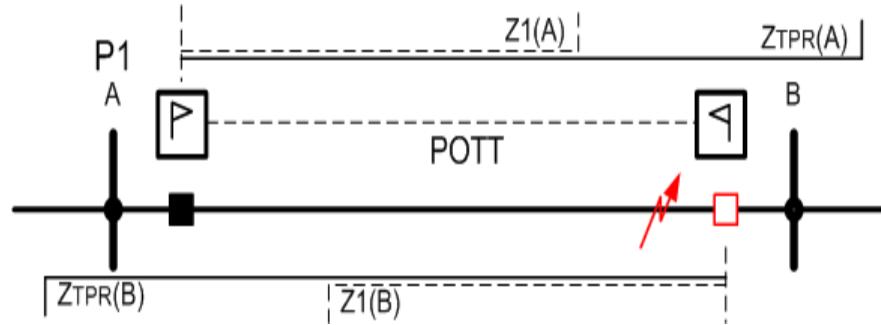
**$t = 50$  ms**





# POTT logic

Circuit breaker trips on  
B side

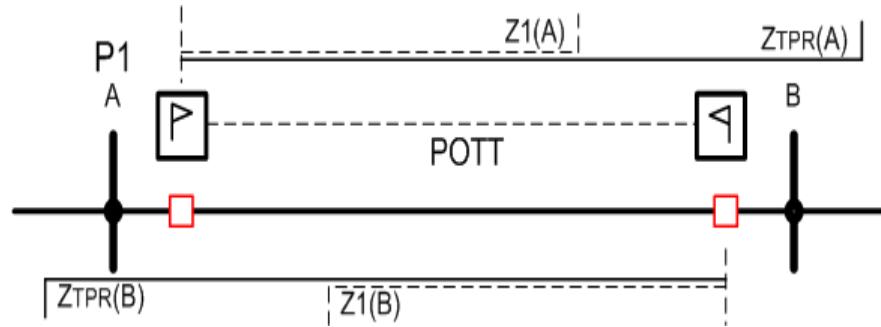


$t = 80 \text{ ms}$



# POTT logic

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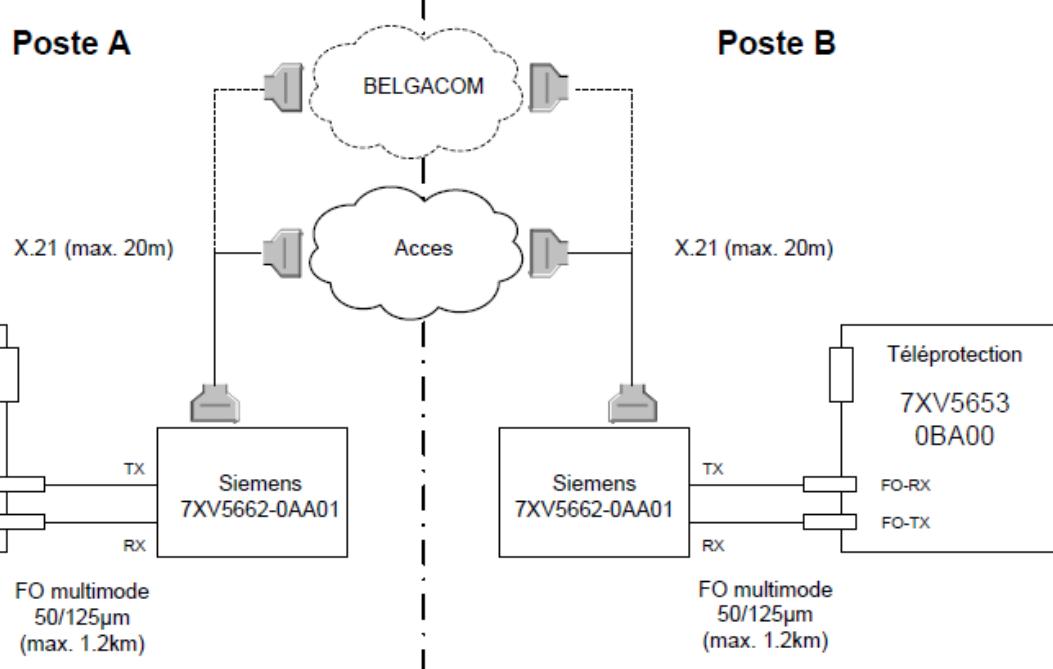
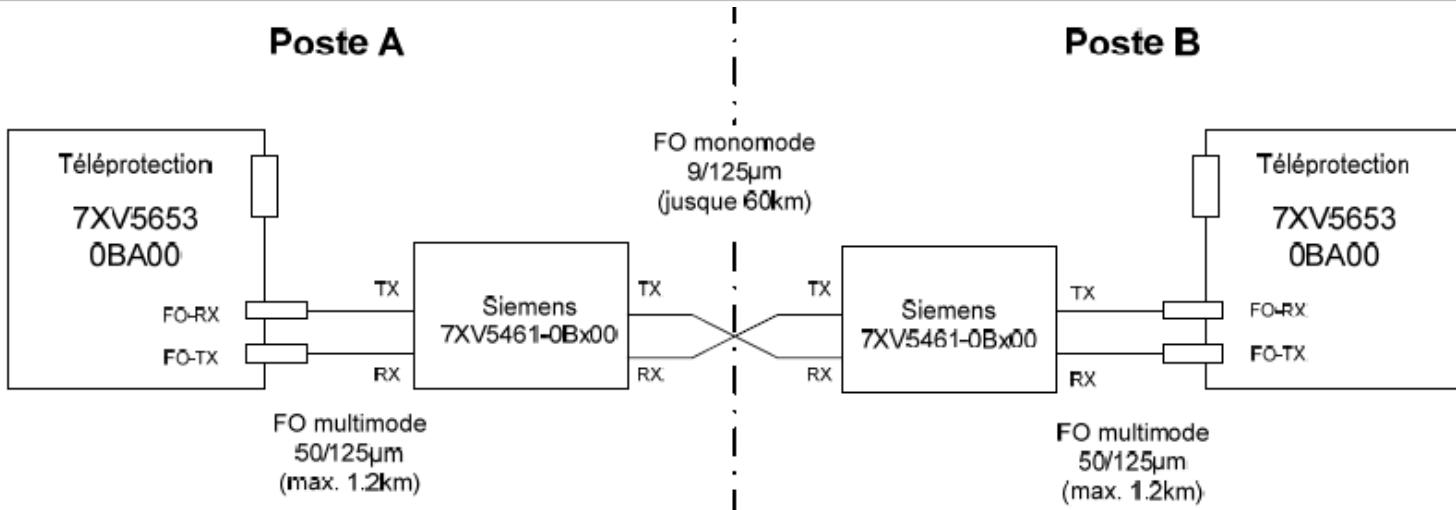


**t = 100 ms**

# Telecommunication typical implementation



2-end line teleprotection with direct communication through dedicated optical fiber



2-end teleprotection with communication through TDM  
("Access") /  
Proximus network



The autoreclose function is an automatism aimed at reclosing the line as fast as possible (short delay) once the fault has been eliminated, in order to maximize its availability

## Justification:

- Most of the faults on overhead lines are not permanent (typical example: lightning strikes), they disappear after arc extinction
- This function is particularly useful during thunderstorms (several trippings in short periods of time)

## Principles:

- Only one tentative is allowed. If the fault is still present, definitive 3-ph tripping of the line.
- From 150 kV to 380 kV:
  - 1-phase fault: 1-phase tripping, followed by a 1-phase autoreclose attempt
  - 2- and 3-phase faults: 3-phase tripping followed by a 3-phase autoreclose attempt
- No autoreclose function on cables, transformers and busbars (most of the time: permanent fault)



# Autoreclose function

	30 – 36 kV	70 – 110 kV	150 – 220 kV	380 kV
1-phase fault	None	None	1 s	1 s
3-phase fault	None	Half-fast (1 – 1,5s) of slow (10 s) Through “send – couple” logic	Half-fast (1 – 1,5s) of slow (10 s) Through “send – couple” logic	Half-fast (1 – 1,5s) of slow (10 s) Through “send – couple” logic.

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150	120	120	-	-	1000	600	600	1	***	100
70	120**	2250	-	-	1000	600	600	-	***	600
36	120	2250	-	-	1200	1200	1200	-	***	600
30	120	2250	-	-	1200	1200	1200	-	***	600
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12	1100	3100	-	-	-	1800	1800	-	***	1800
10	1100	3100	-	-	-	1800	1800	-	***	1800

\* Transformator : spanningsniveau = nominale maximumspanning van de transformator

\*\* Voor de lijnen geldt deze waarde voor het uiteinde het dichtst bij de fout; voor het andere uiteinde wordt een afschakeltijd van 500 ms toegelezen

\*\*\* Te bepalen door de netbeheerder in functie van de regelingsparameters van de beveiligingen van nabije installaties

\*\*\*\* Ook toepasbaar voor fout tussen stroomtransformator en vermogensschakelaar

Opmerking: Alle opgegeven tijden zijn de maximaal toegelaten waarden.



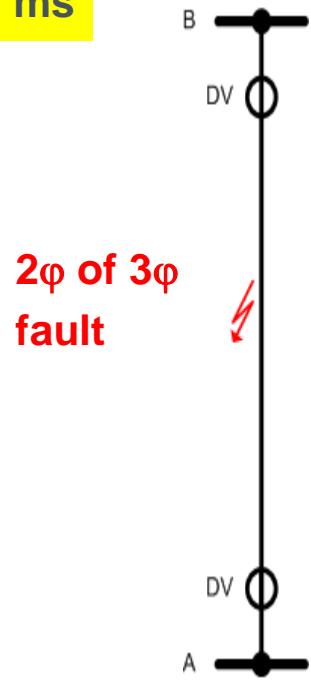
# Send – couple logic

- Only used with manual closing and 3–phase autoreclose function, in order to prevent false parallels
- Implemented through synchrocheck function
- Before transmitting the closing order to the circuit breaker, the synchrocheck checks that one of the following conditions is fulfilled:
  - Send condition: voltage on busbar side, no voltage on line side
  - Couple condition: voltage on both sides of the circuit breakers, with the following condition simultaneously met:
    - $\Delta U < 10\%$
    - $\Delta\phi < 20^\circ$
    - $\Delta f < 20\text{mHz}$



# Illustration on 3φ autreclose

**t = 0 ms**

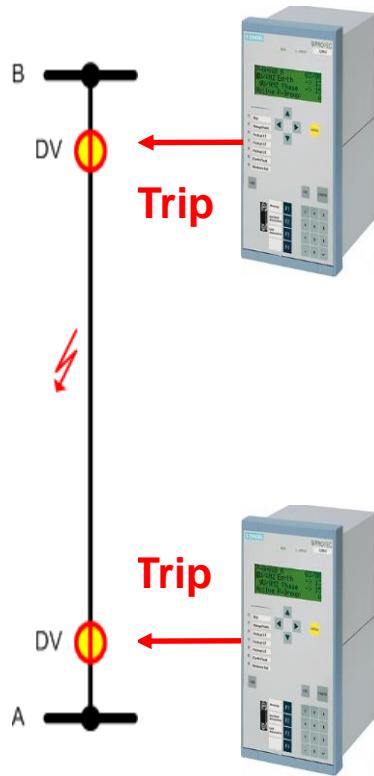


**2φ or 3φ  
fault**

# Illustration on 3φ autreclose



$t \approx 30 \text{ ms}$   
Trip  
protection



2φ of 3φ  
fault



# Illustration on 3φ autreclose

**t = 80 ms**

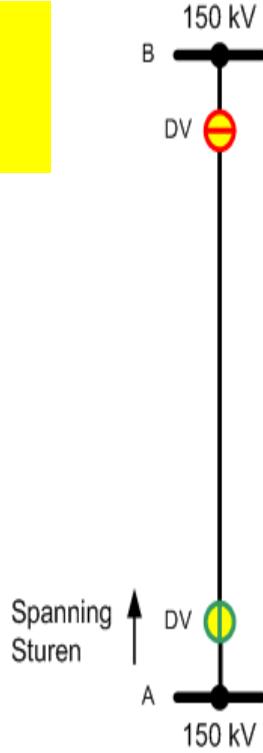
**Fault  
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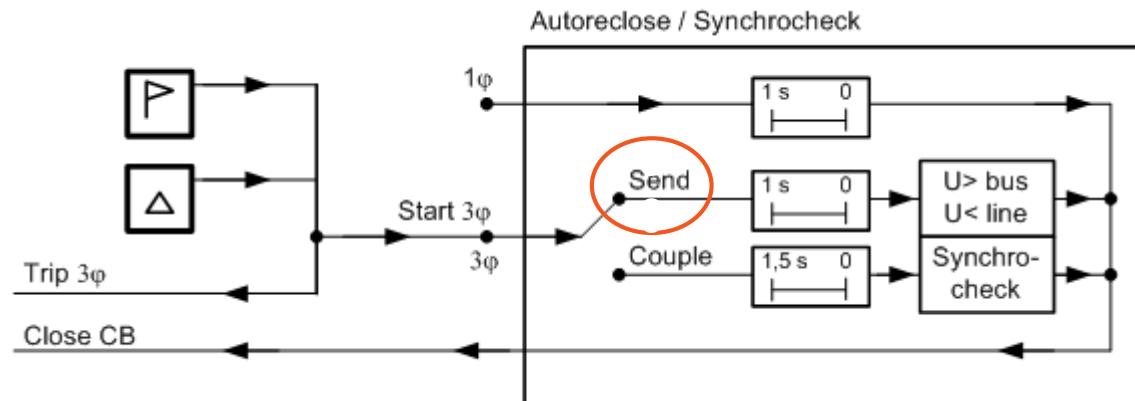


# Illustration on 3φ autoreclose

**t = 1 s**  
**Send**



Each end of the line must be assigned to “send” or “couple”

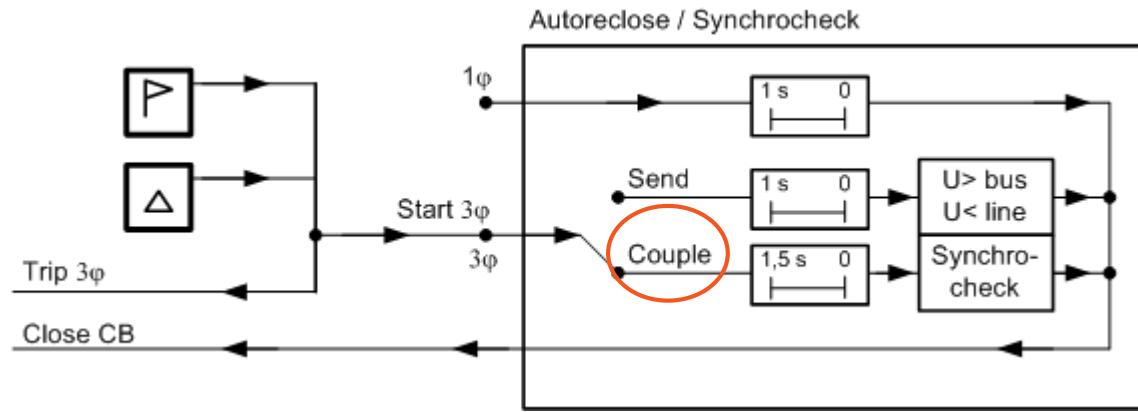




# Illustration on 3φ autoreclose

**t = 1,5 s**

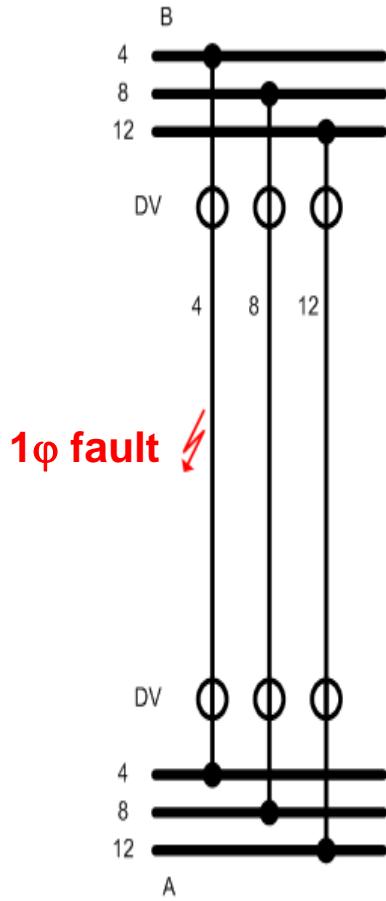
**Couple**





# Illustration on $1\varphi$ autreclose

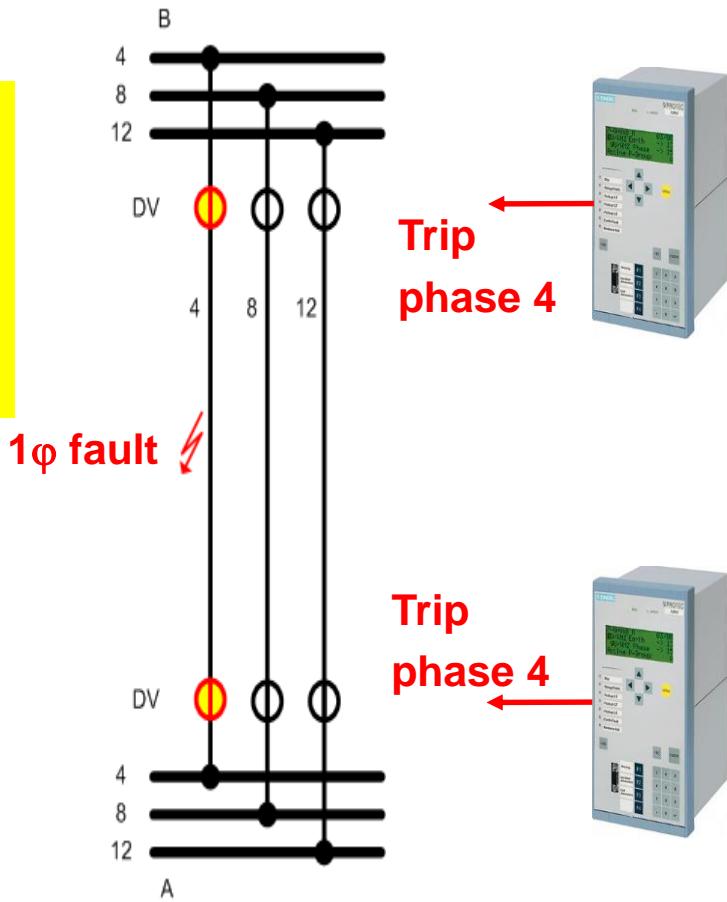
**t = 0 ms**





# Illustration on 1φ autoreclose

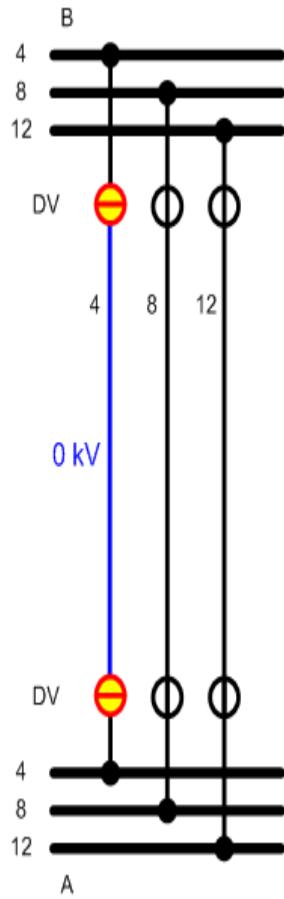
$t \approx 30 \text{ ms}$   
Trip  
protections  
Phase 4



# Illustration on $1\varphi$ autreclose



**$t = 80 \text{ ms}$**   
**Fault  
eliminated**

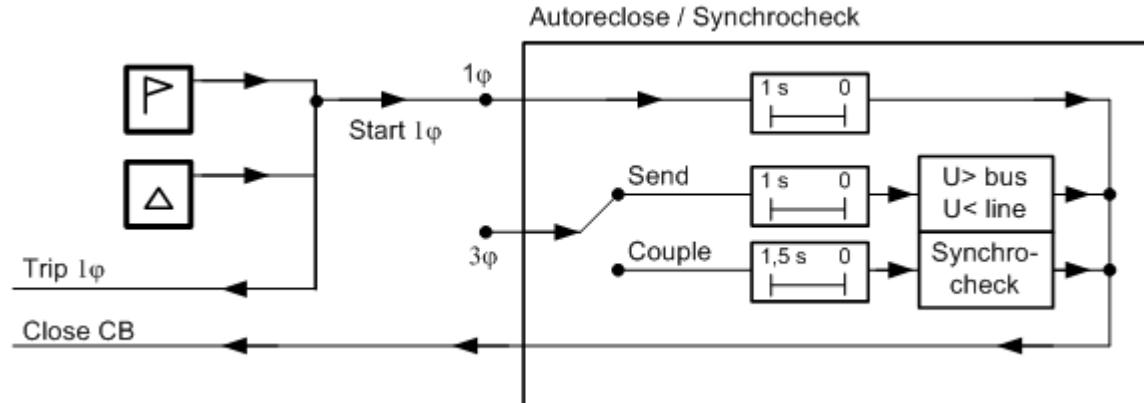
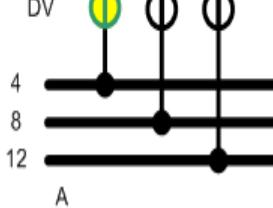
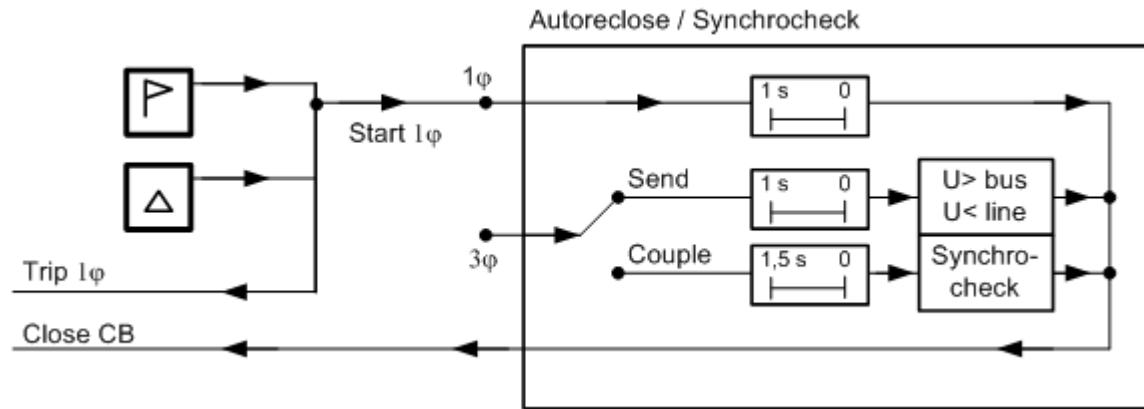
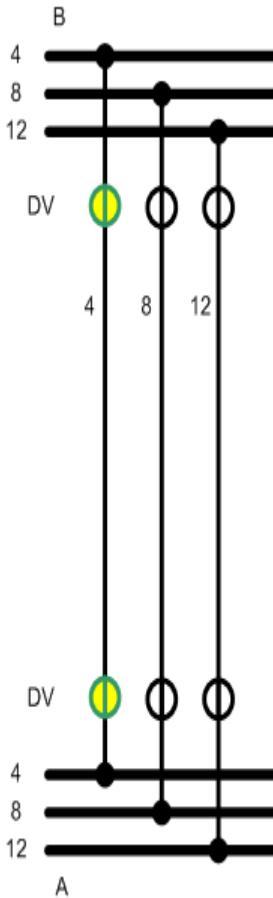




# Illustration on 1φ autoreclose

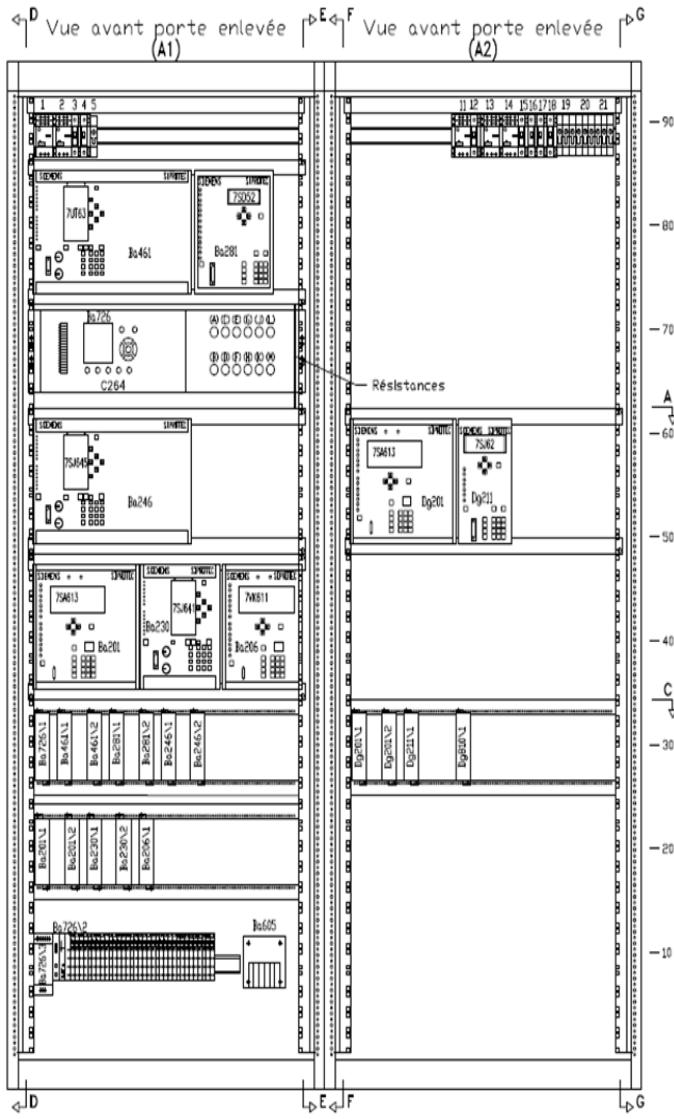
$t = 1 \text{ s}$

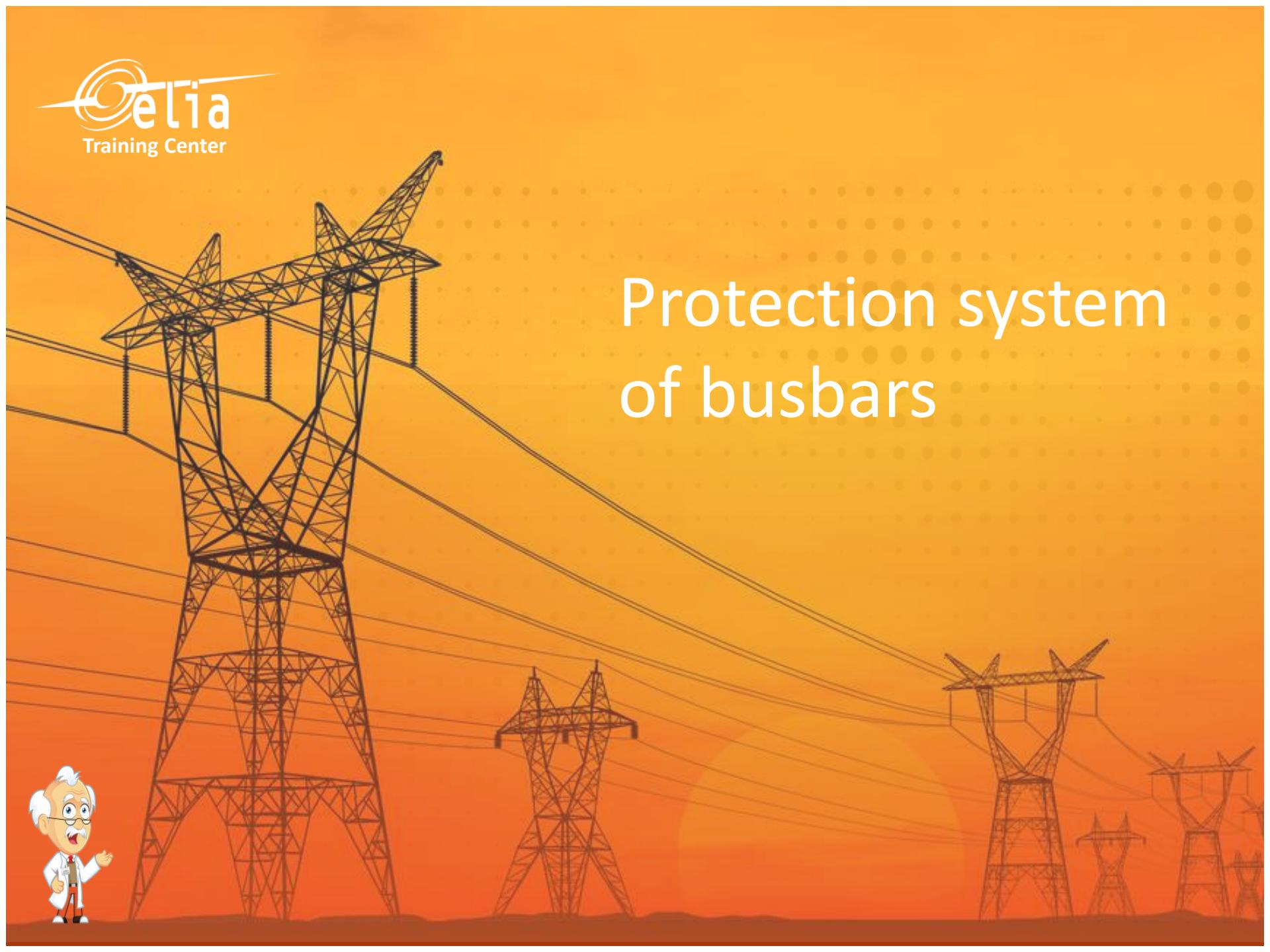
Autoreclose at both sides





# Implementation





# Protection system of busbars





One main protection is sufficient to cover busbar faults  
Backup protections provided by distance protections

- 150 kV – 380 kV: all substations equipped with busbar and CB failure protections
- 30 kV – 110 kV: 2-busbar substations equipped with busbar and CB failure protections

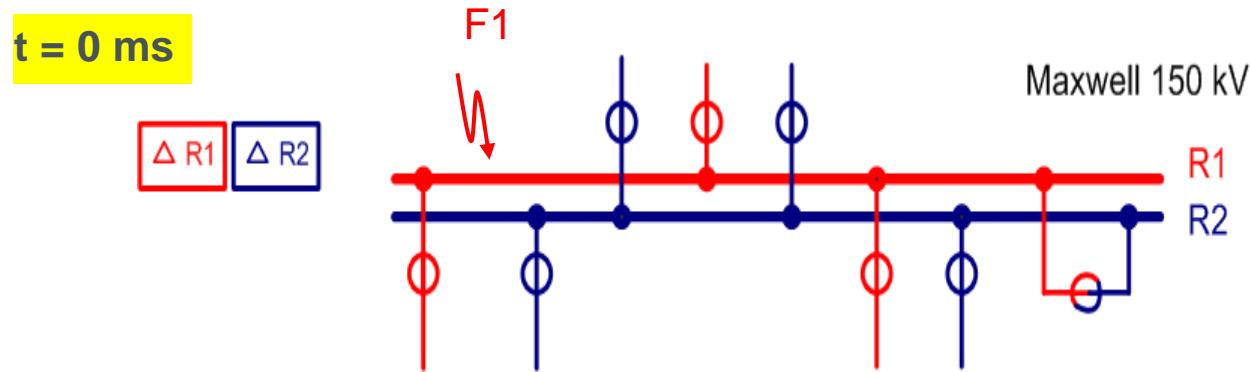
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10	1100	3100	-	-	-	1800	1800	-	***	1800	-

The CB failure protection is implemented in the busbar protection



# Busbar protection principle

- Main protection = differential protection
- Each busbar is equipped with its own differential function, in order to trip only one busbar in case of fault
- Each differential function must know at each time which bay is connected to which busbar
- Example: fault F1 on R1

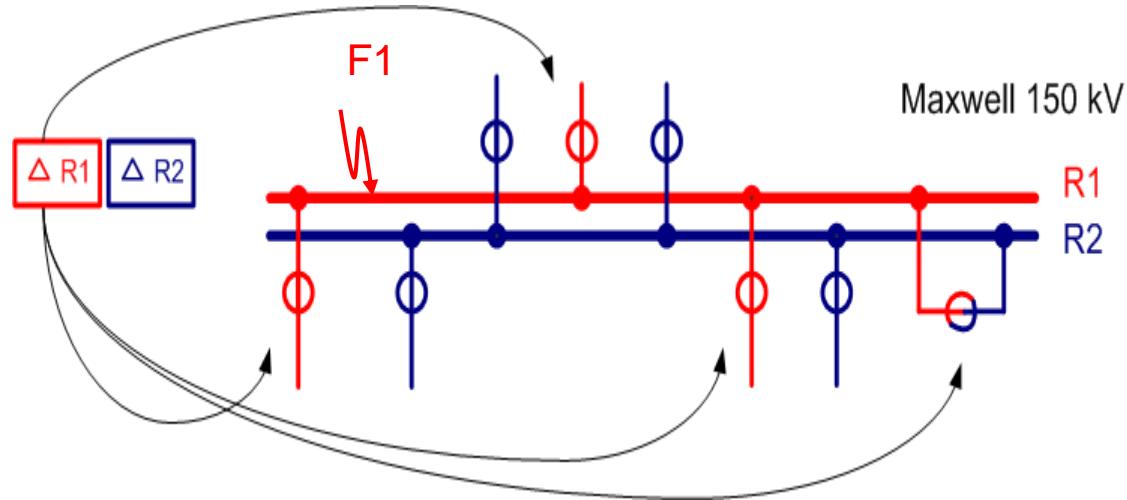




# Busbar protection principle

$t \approx 10$  to  $20$  ms

3-phase trip of  
R1 differential  
protection

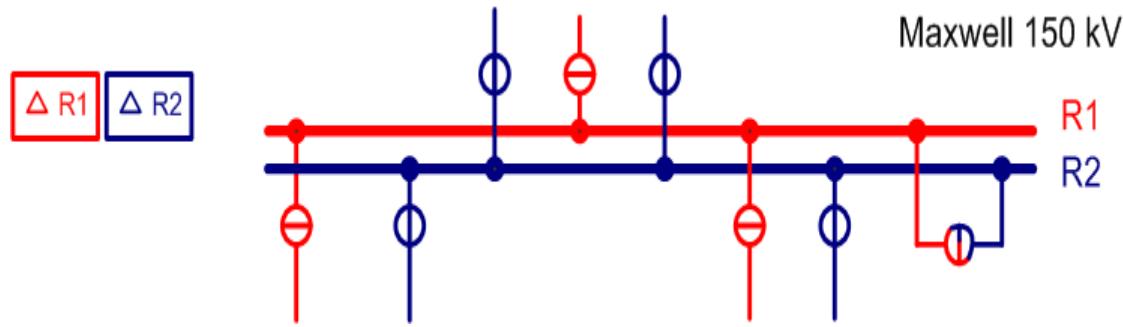




# Busbar protection principle

$t \approx 60$  to  $70\text{ms}$

Fault  
eliminated

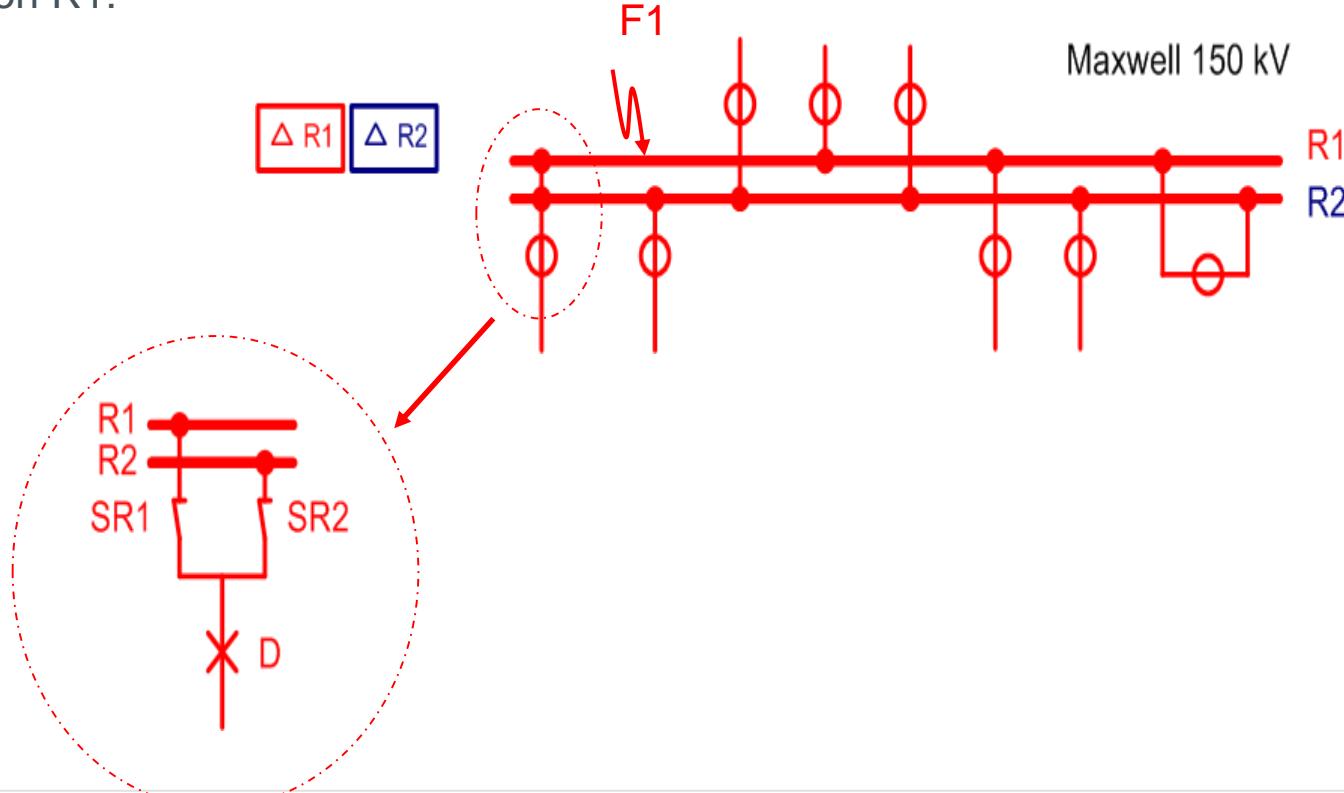


# Busbar protection principle



- During the transfer of one bay from one busbar to the other (both disconnectors closed), there is only one differential function that protects both busbars
- In case of a busbar fault at that moment: both busbars are tripped

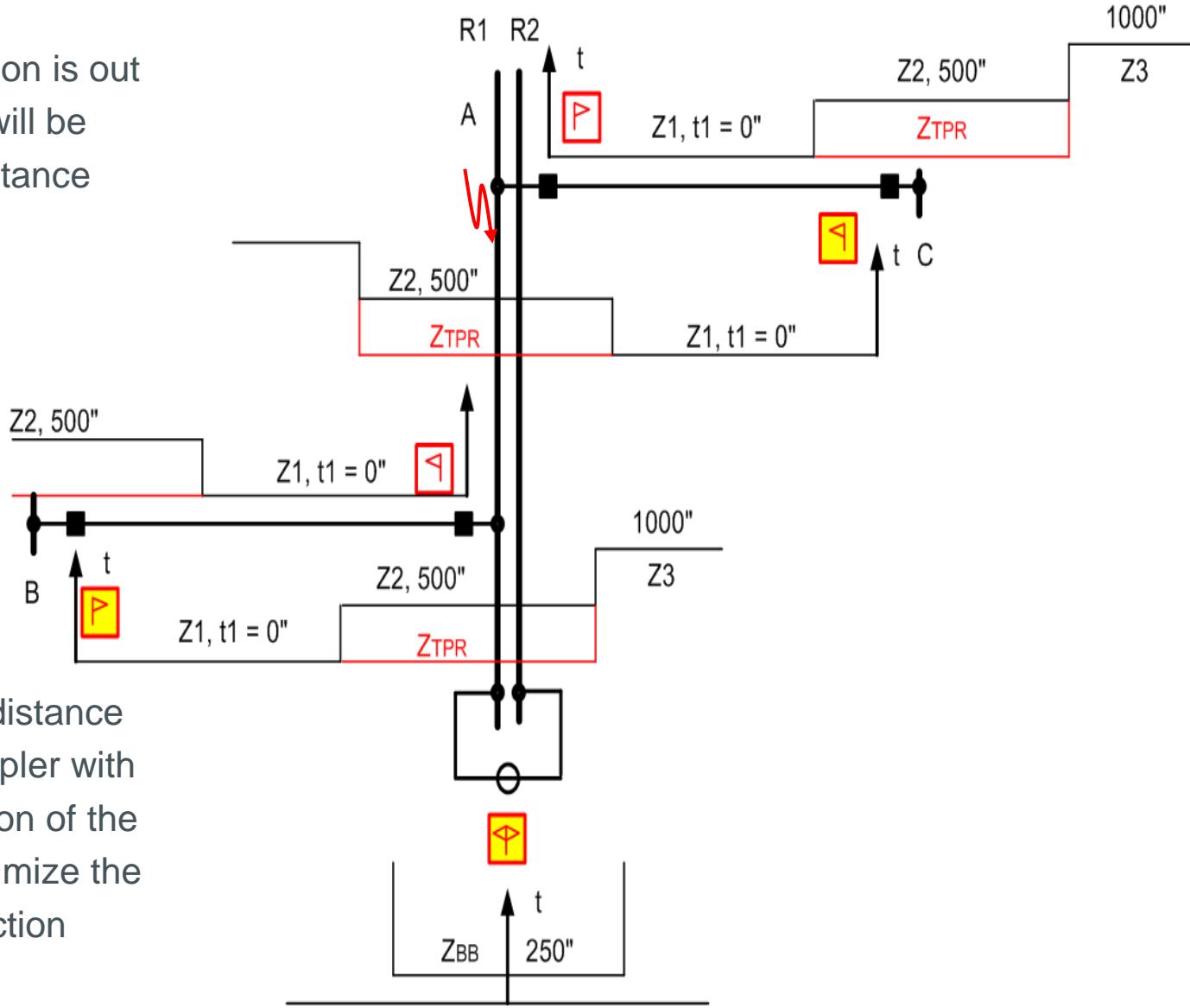
Fault F1 on R1:





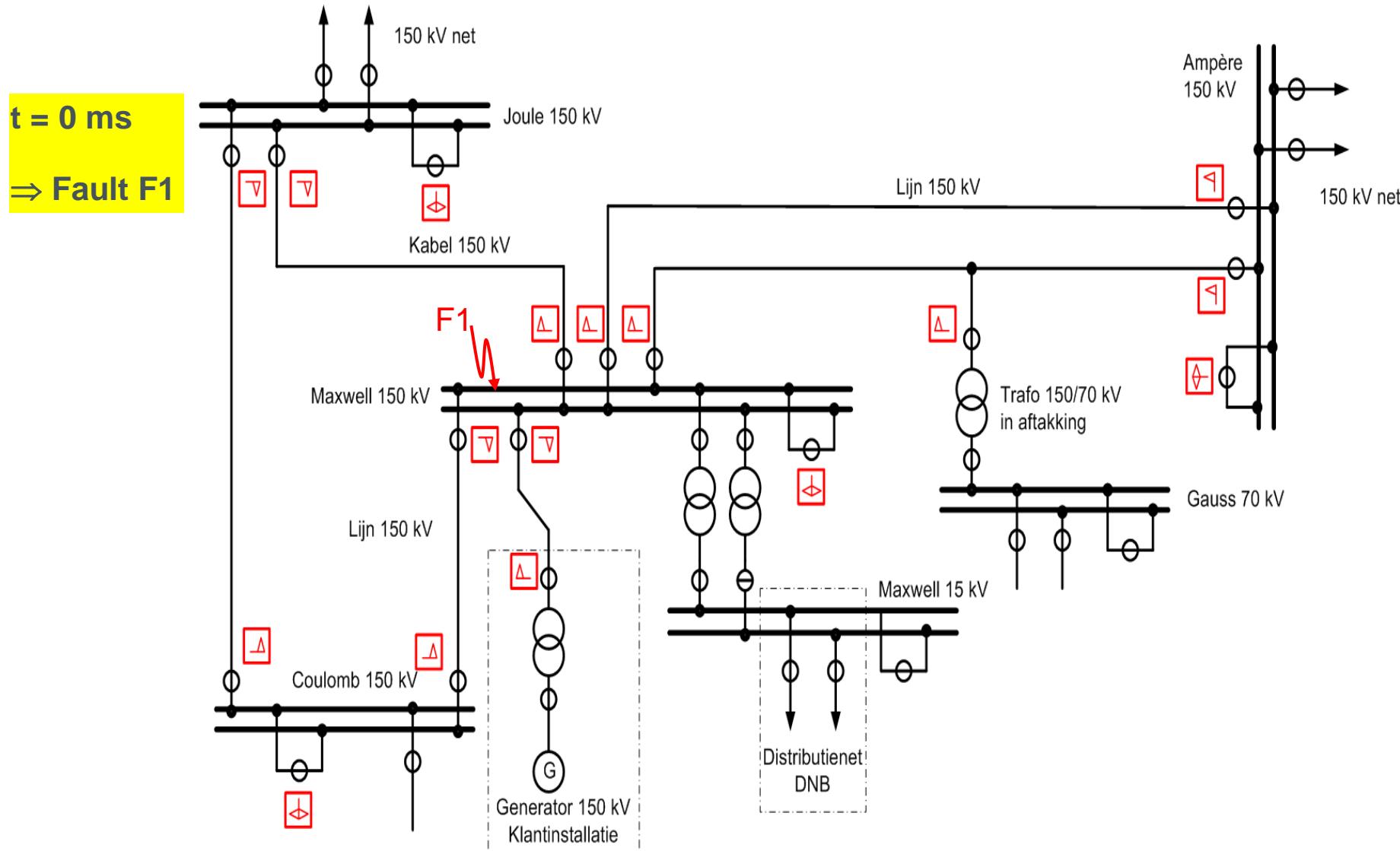
# Busbar protection principle

If the busbar protection is out of service, the fault will be eliminated by the distance protections



Coordination of the distance protection of the coupler with the distance protection of the lines is critical to optimize the security of the protection system

# Busbar protection principle - illustration

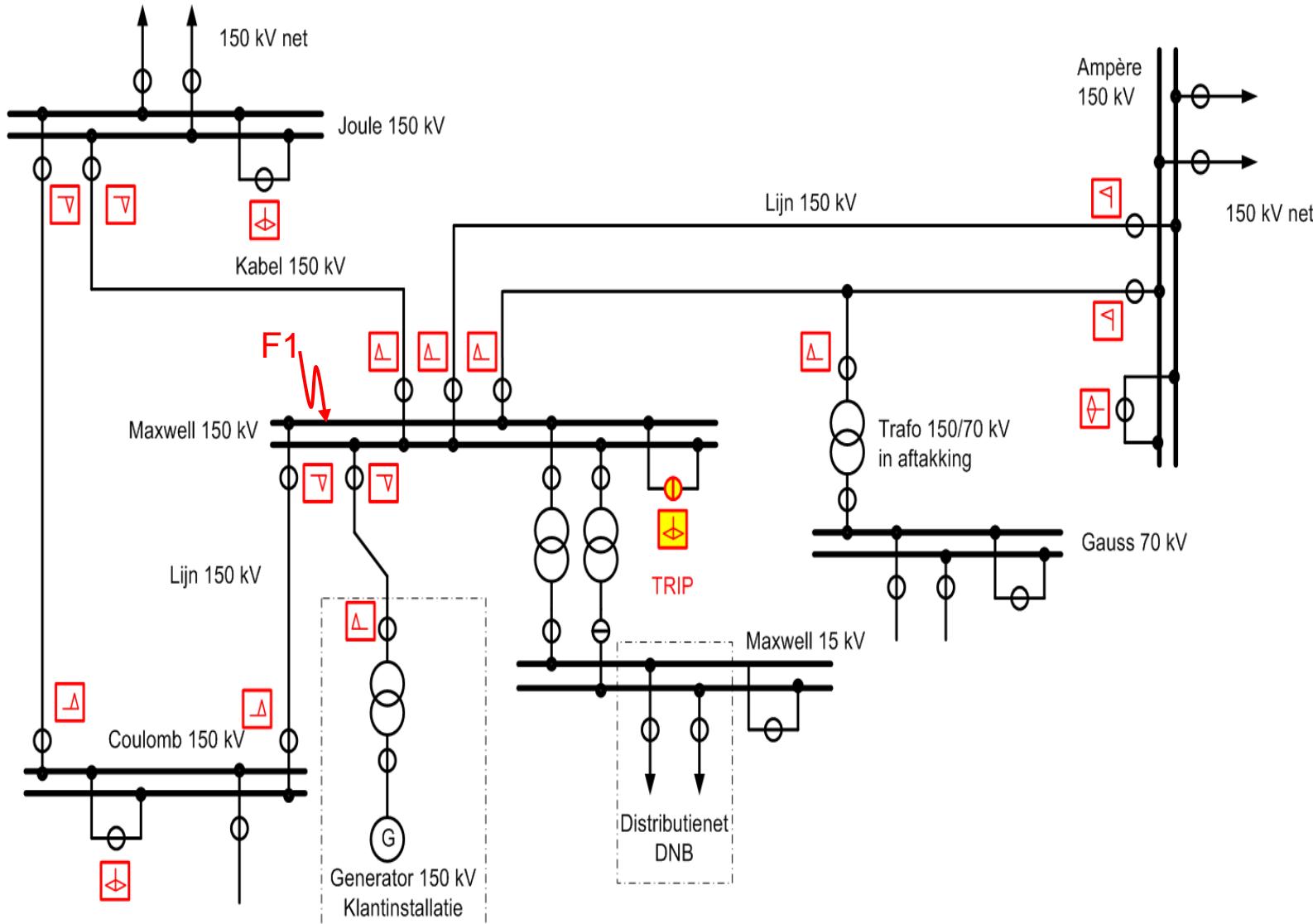


# Busbar protection principle - illustration



**t = 250 ms**

**Tripping of  
the  
coupler**

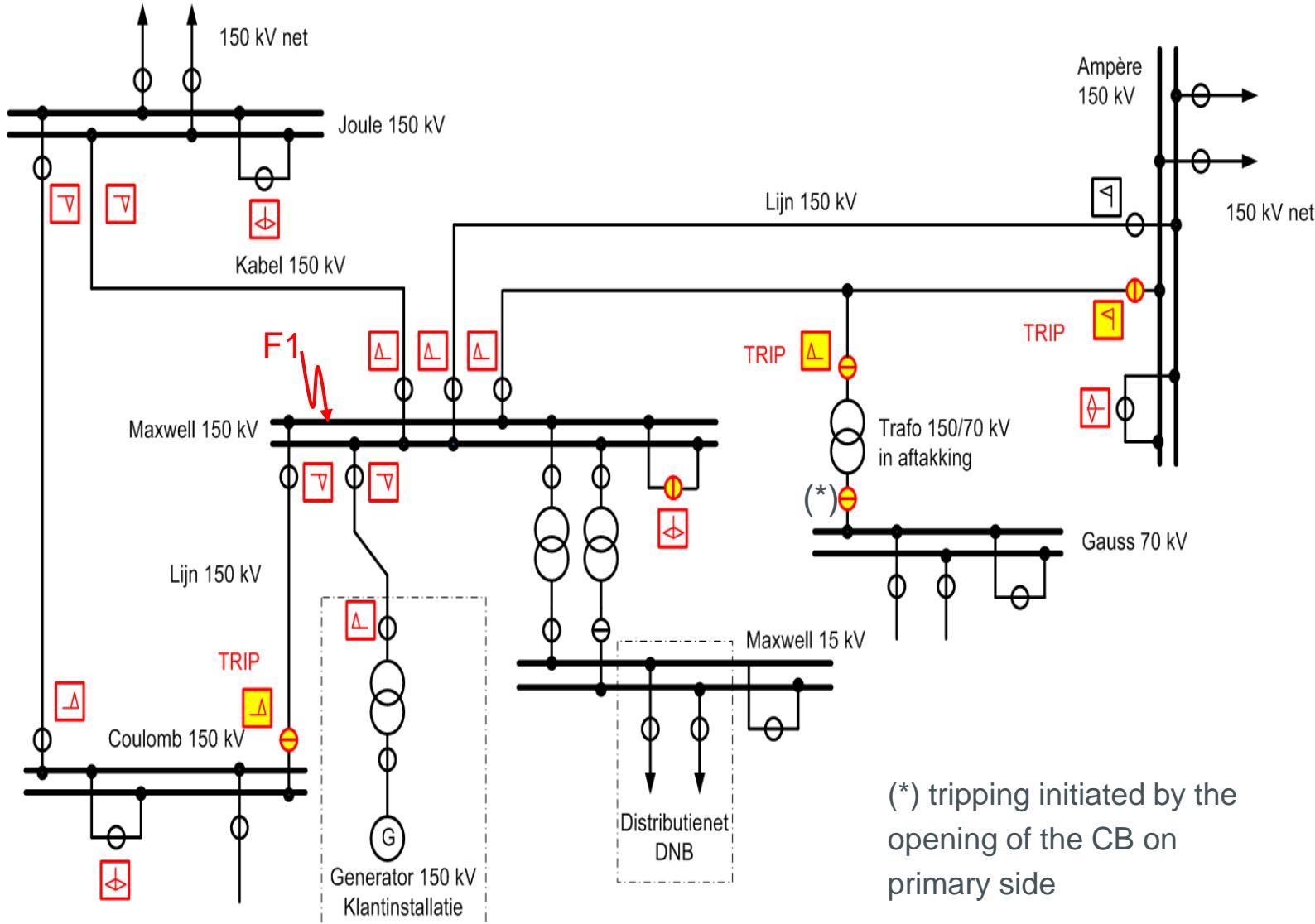




# Busbar protection principle - illustration

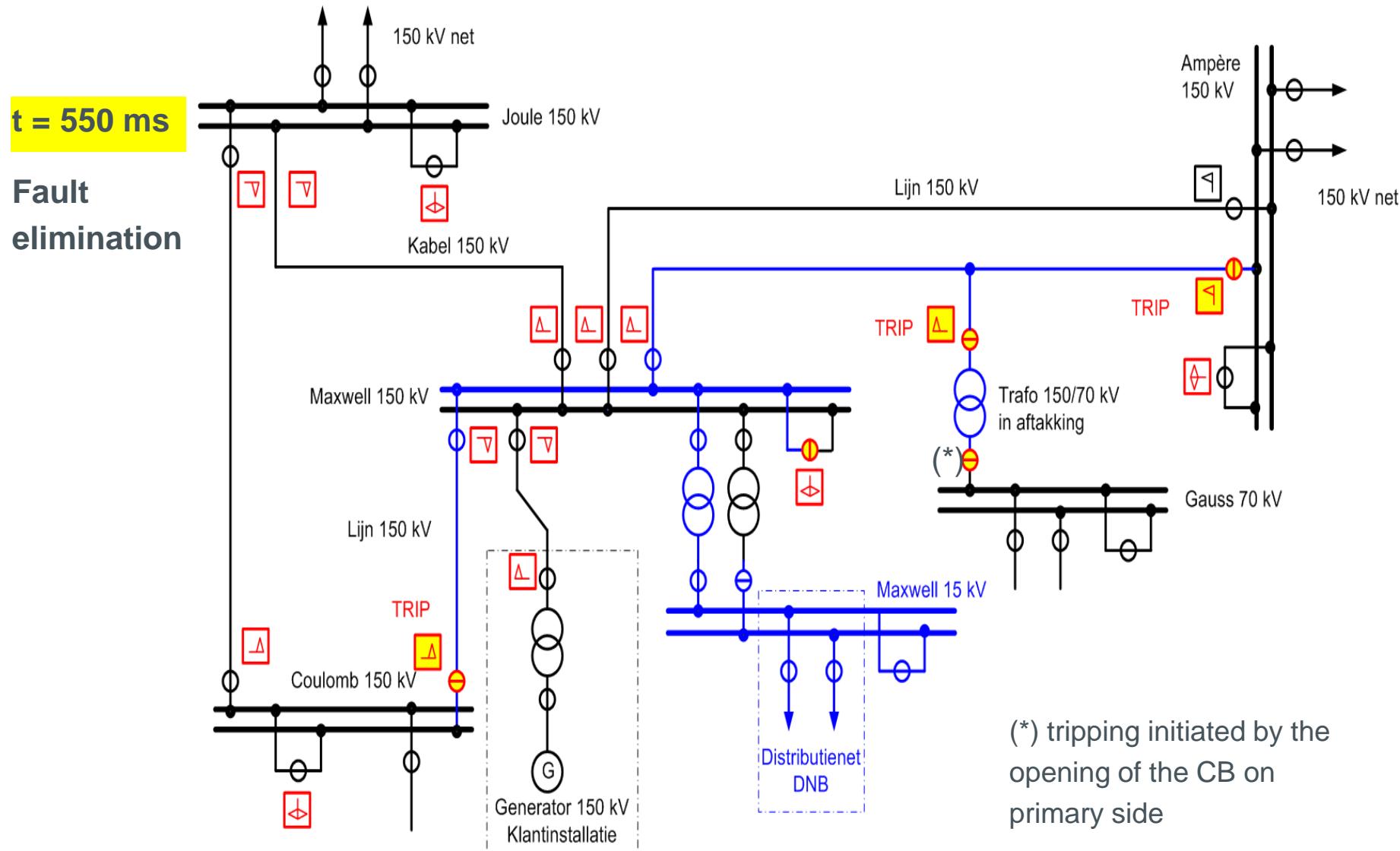
**t = 500 ms**

Tripping  
through  
zone 2 of  
distance  
protections



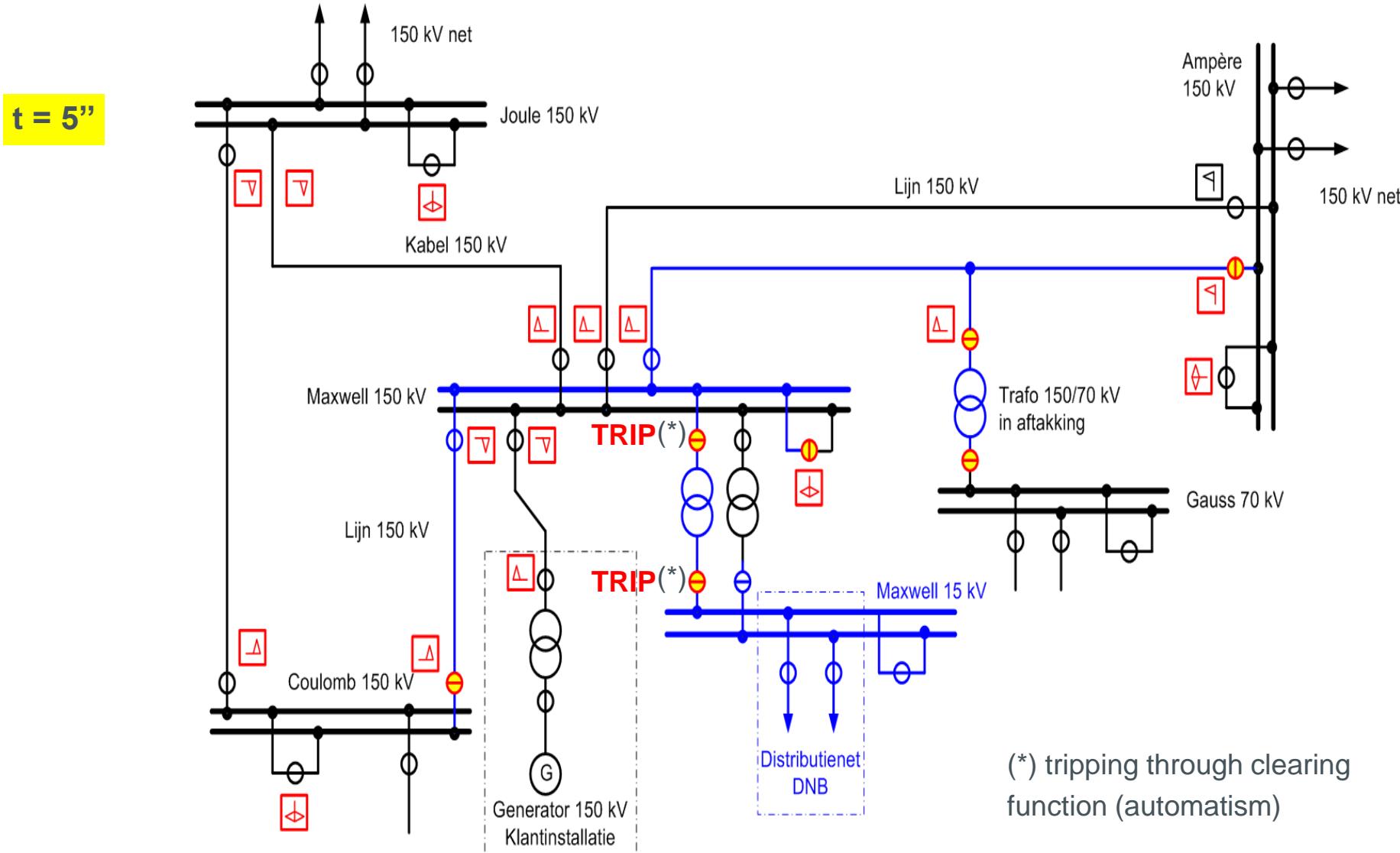


# Busbar protection principle - illustration





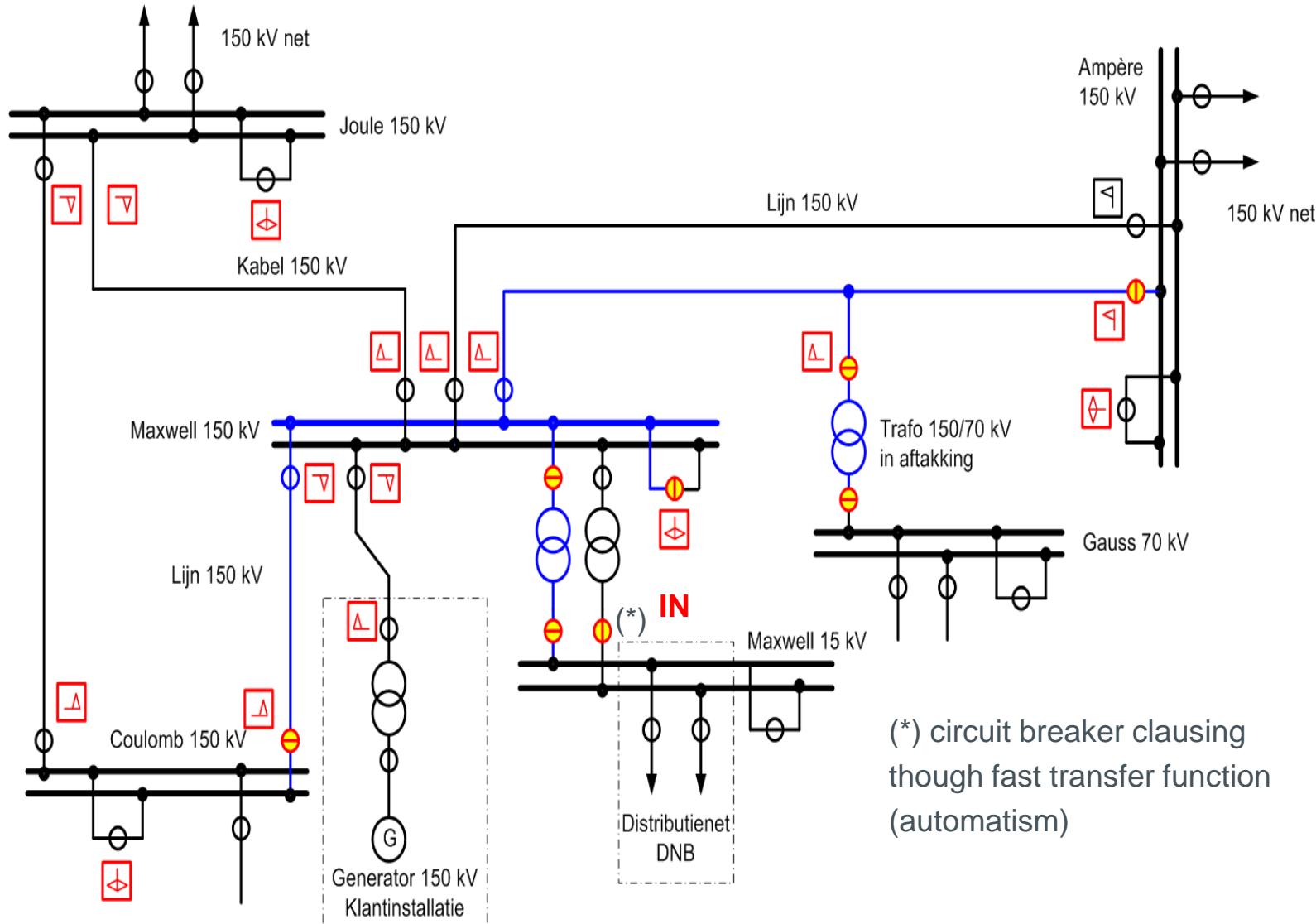
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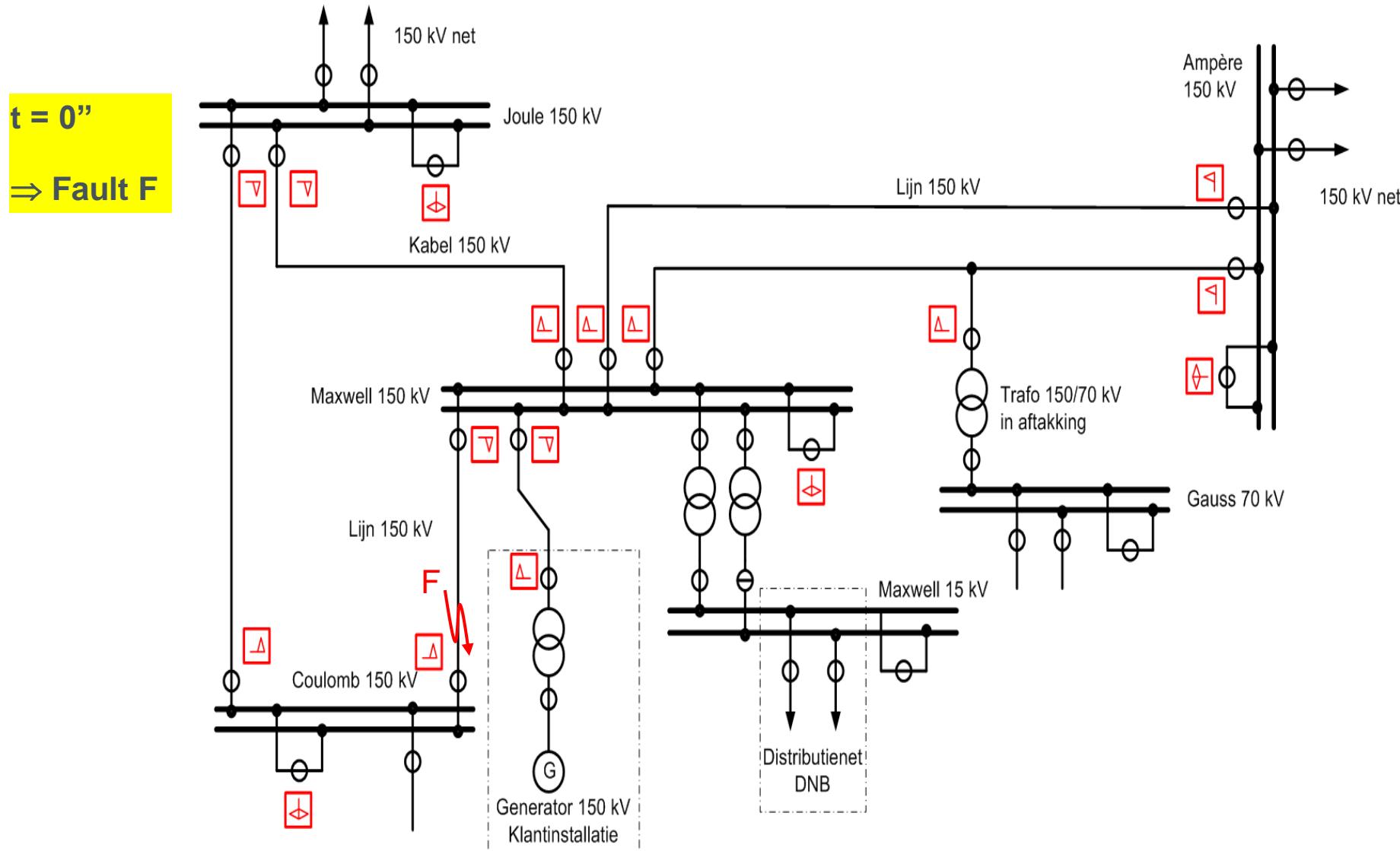
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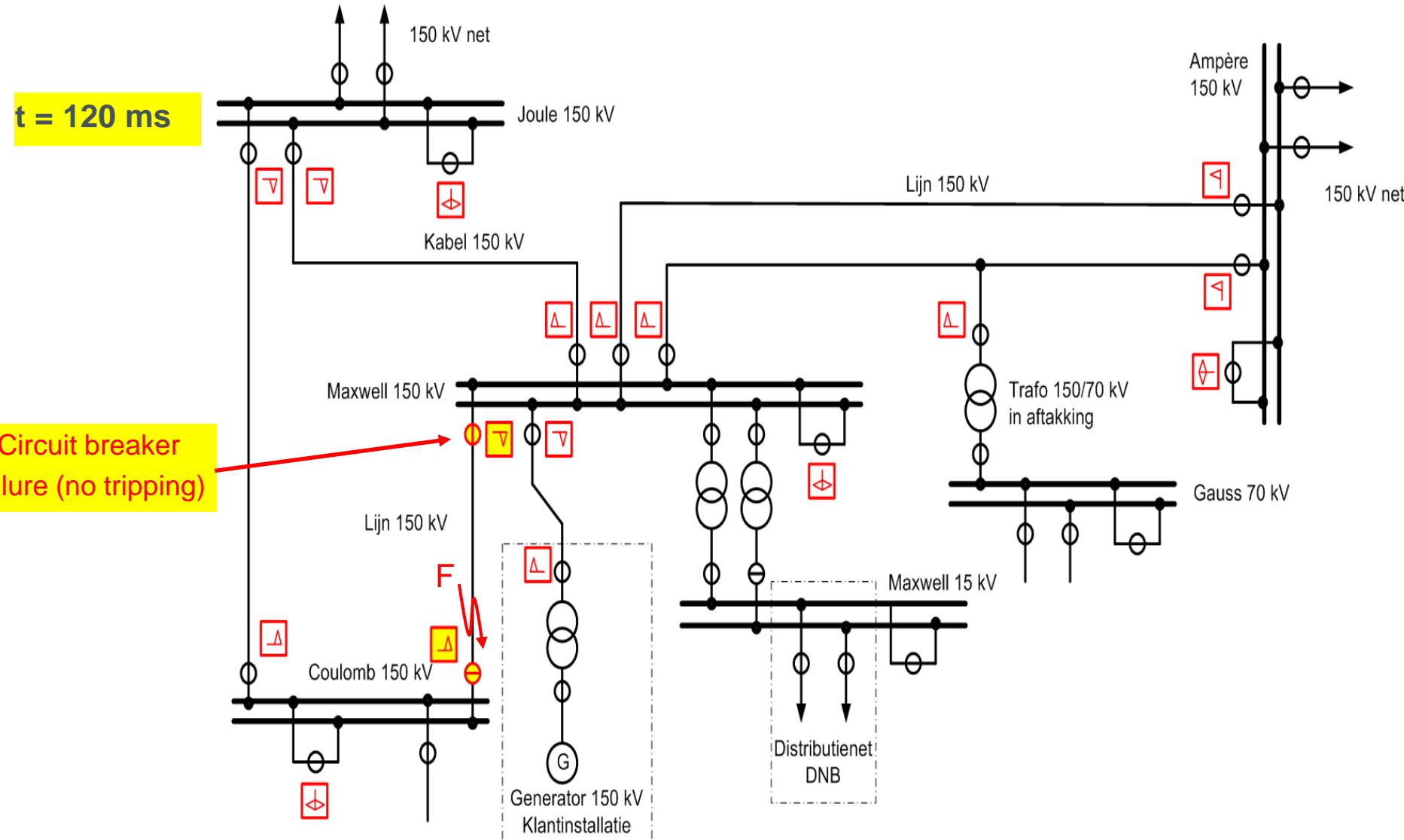
**t = 5,7"**



# Circuit breaker failure without CB failure protection



# Circuit breaker failure without CB failure protection

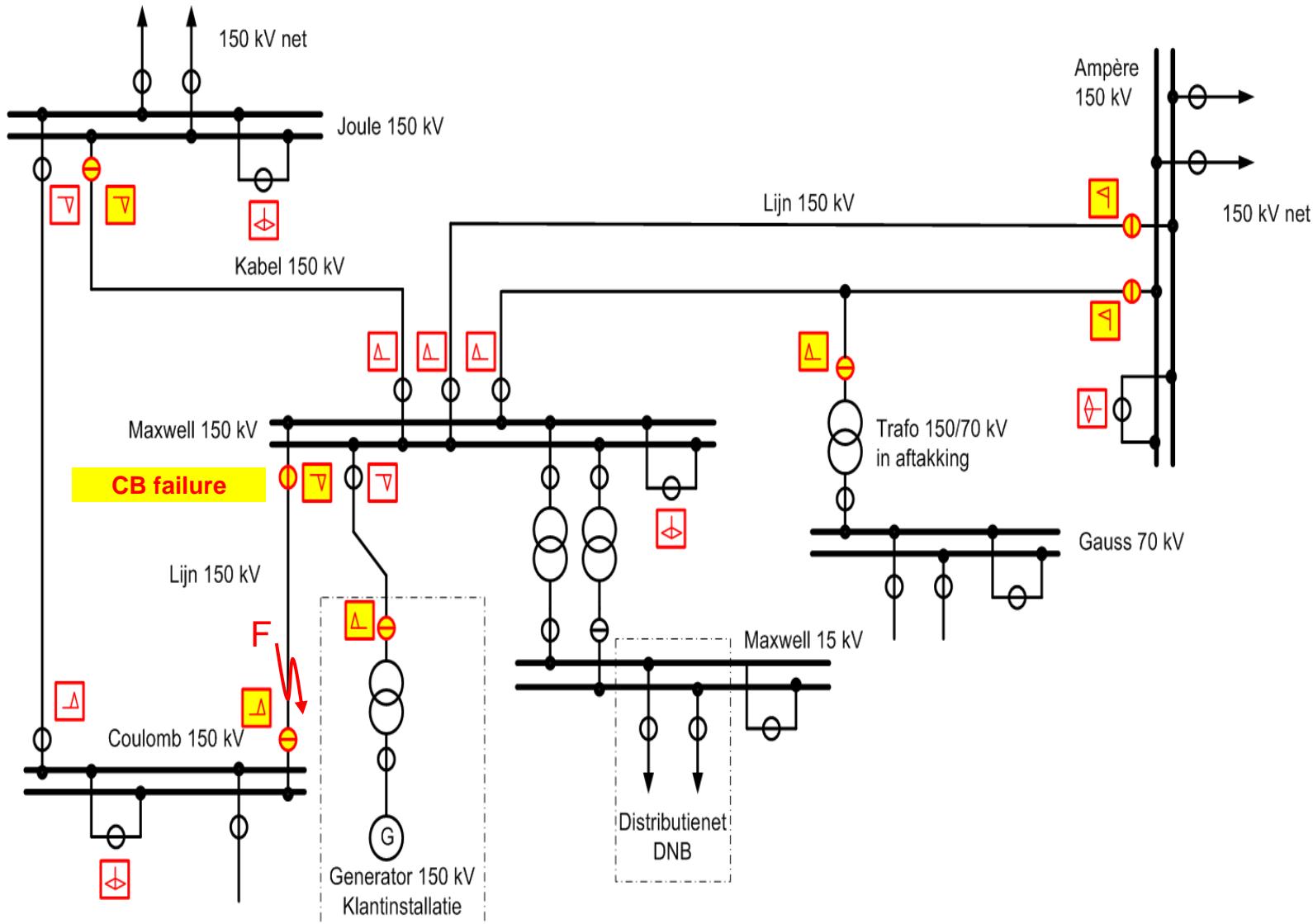


# Circuit breaker failure without CB failure protection

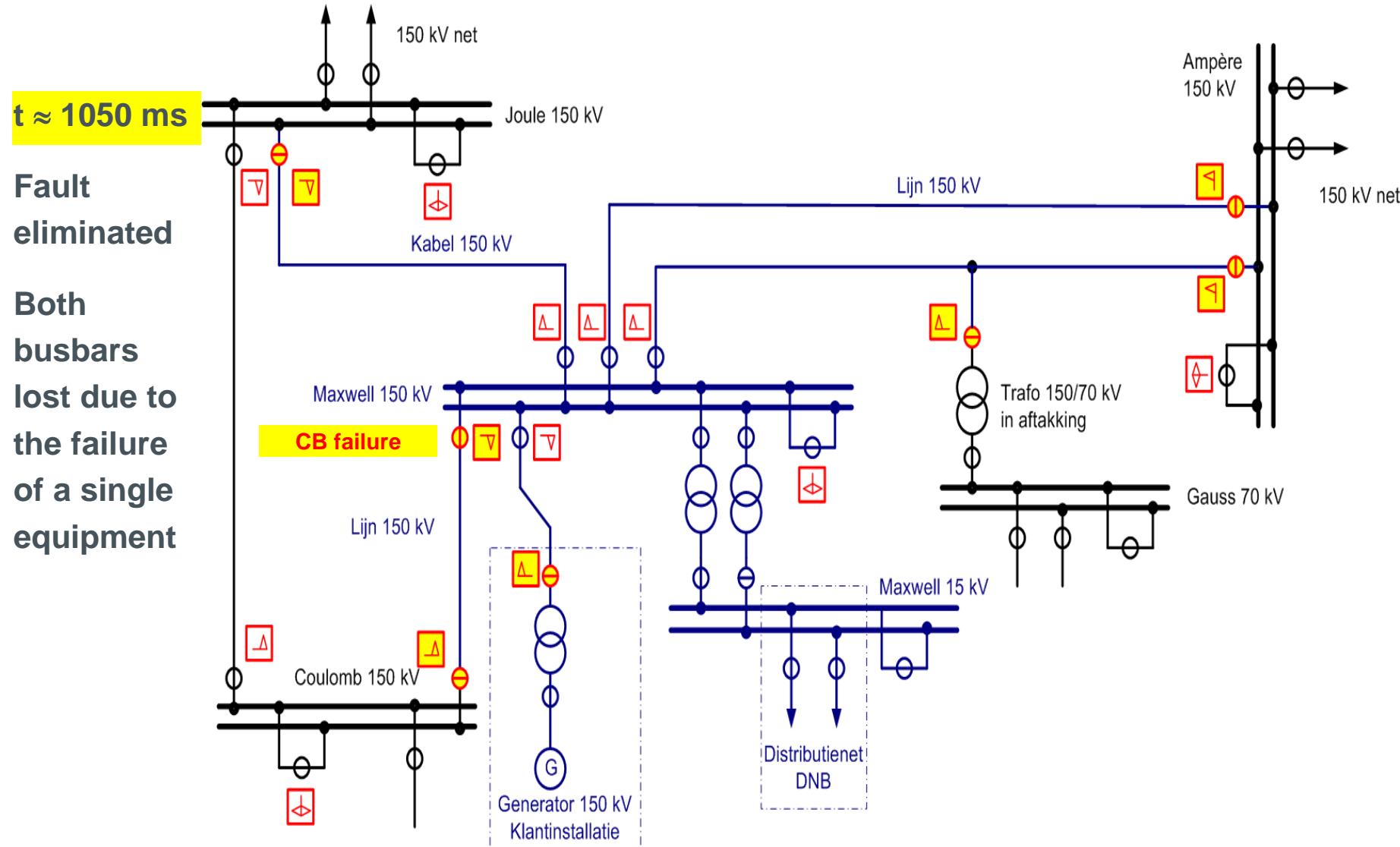


$t \approx 1000 \text{ ms}$

Tripping  
through  
zone 2 or  
zone 3 of  
distance  
protections



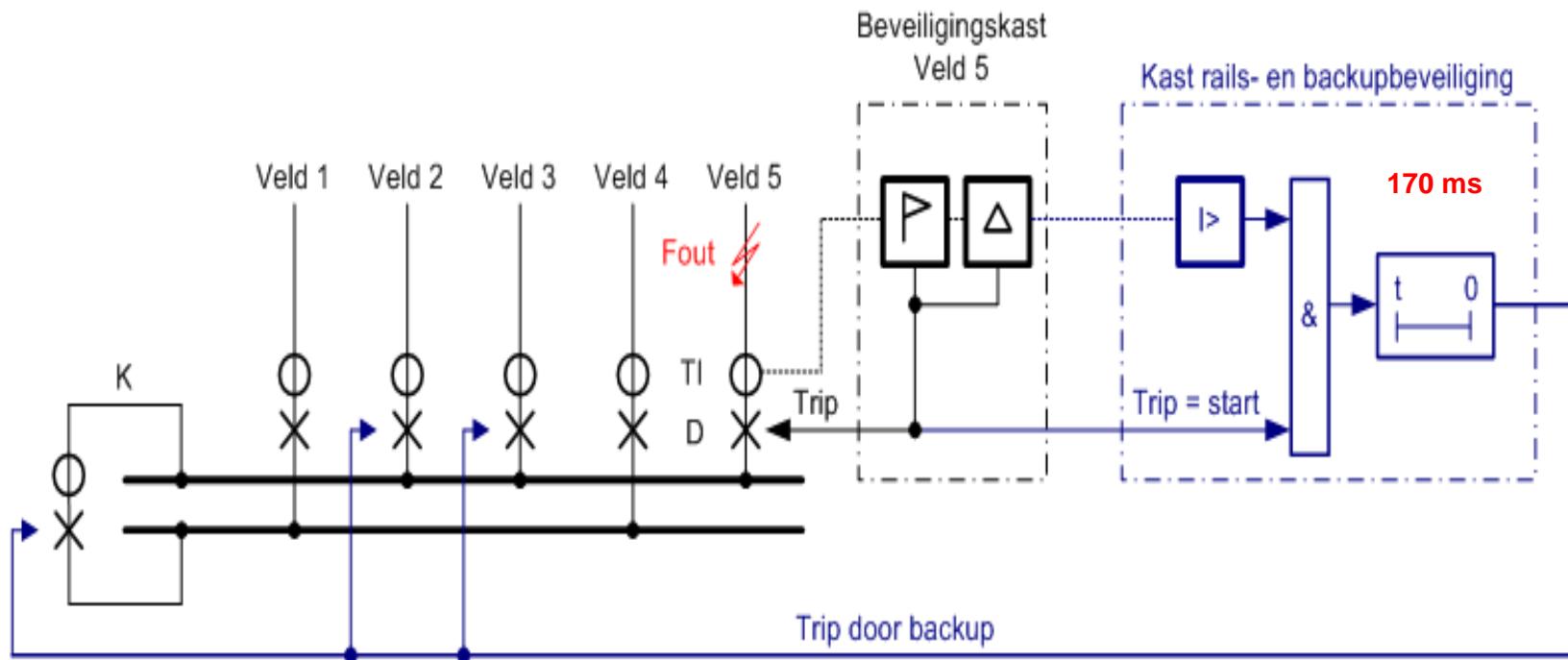
# Circuit breaker failure without CB failure protection



# CB failure protection principle



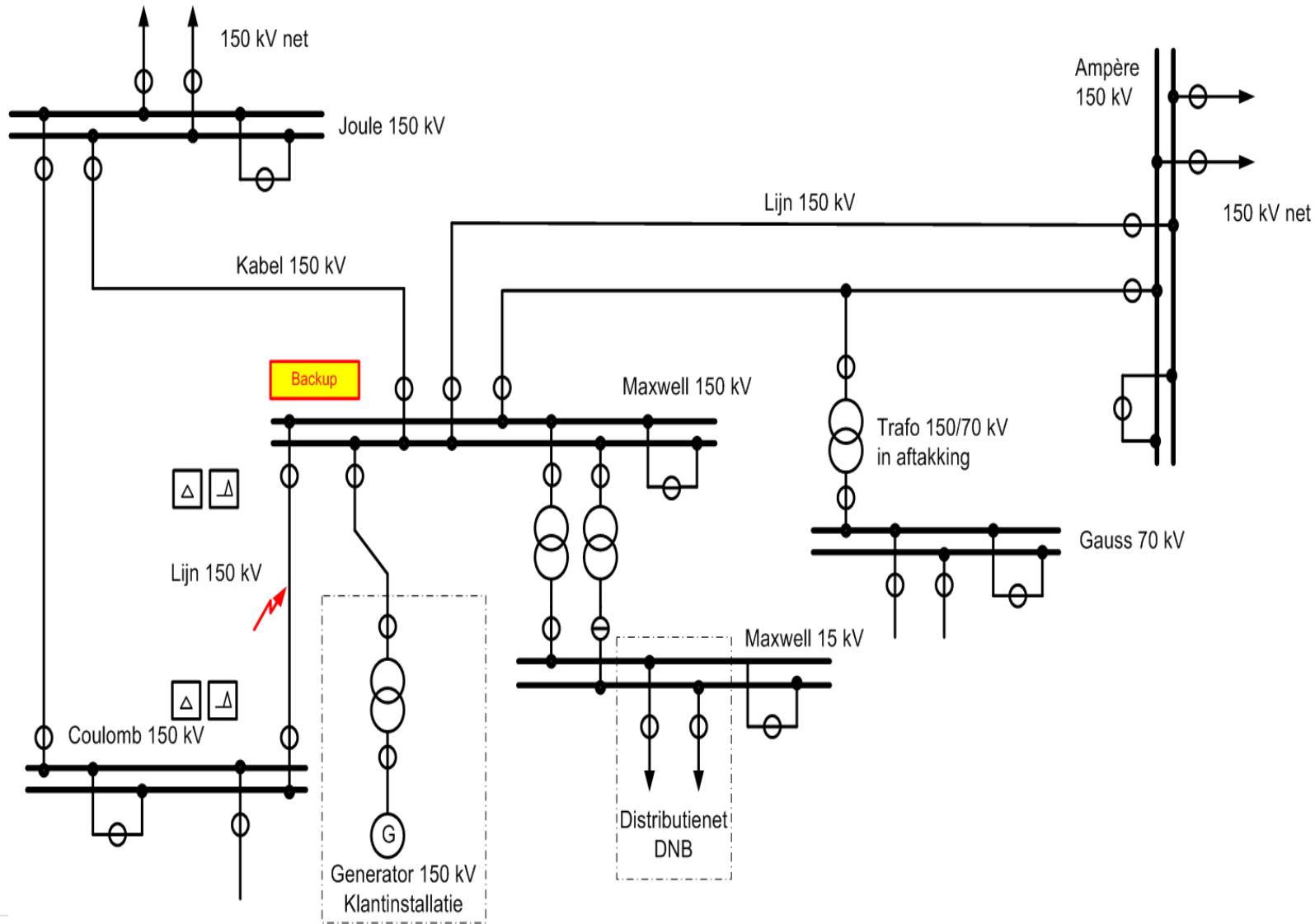
- The tripping signal issued by bay protections is sent to the circuit breaker and to the CB failure protection at the same time
- If current is still flowing through the CB 170 ms after the fault occurrence, the other bays connected to the same busbar are tripped
- Consequence: the CB failure protection is implemented in the busbar protection



# CB failure protection principle



**t = 0 ms**  
**Fault**

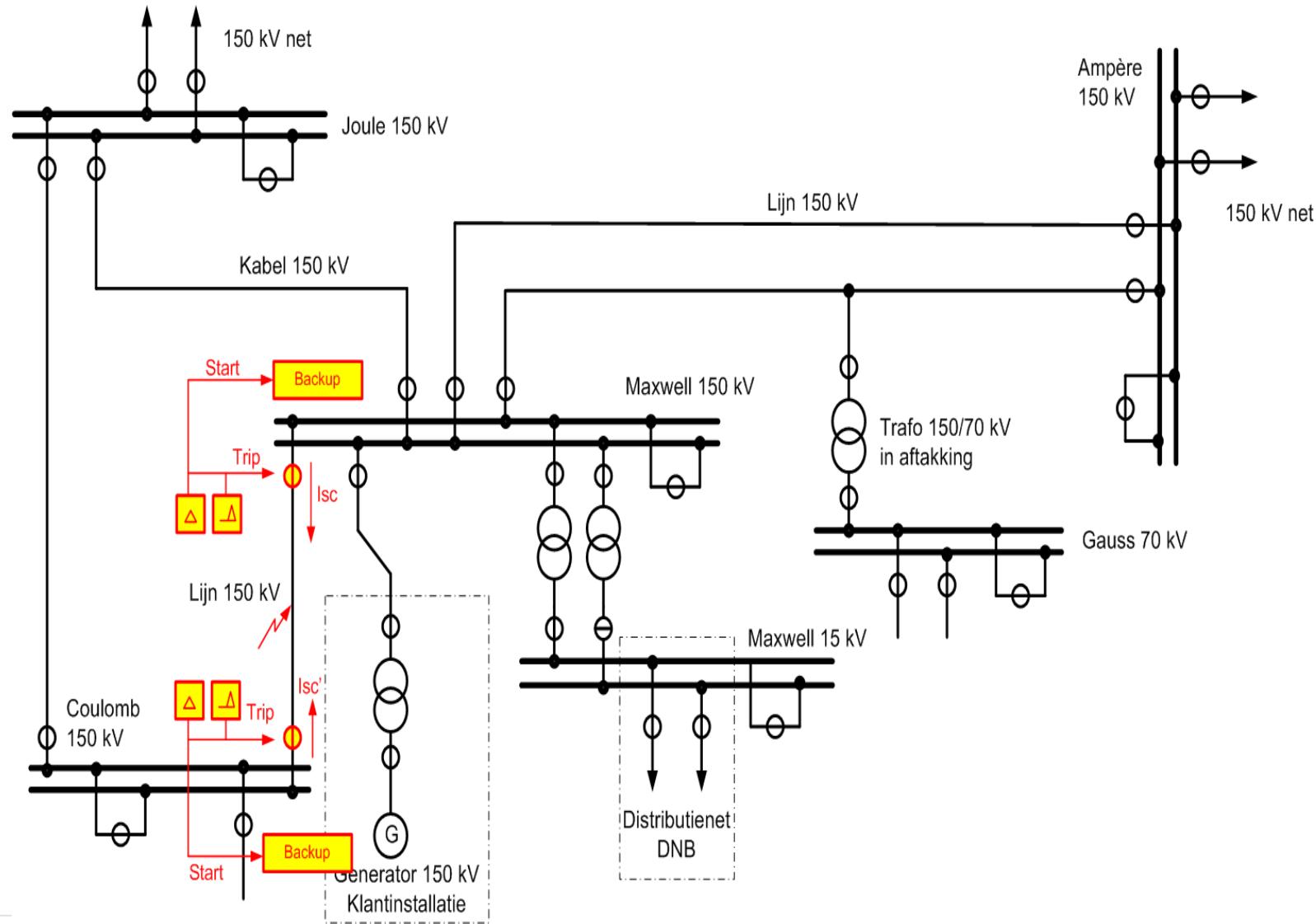


# CB failure protection principle



**t = 30 ms**

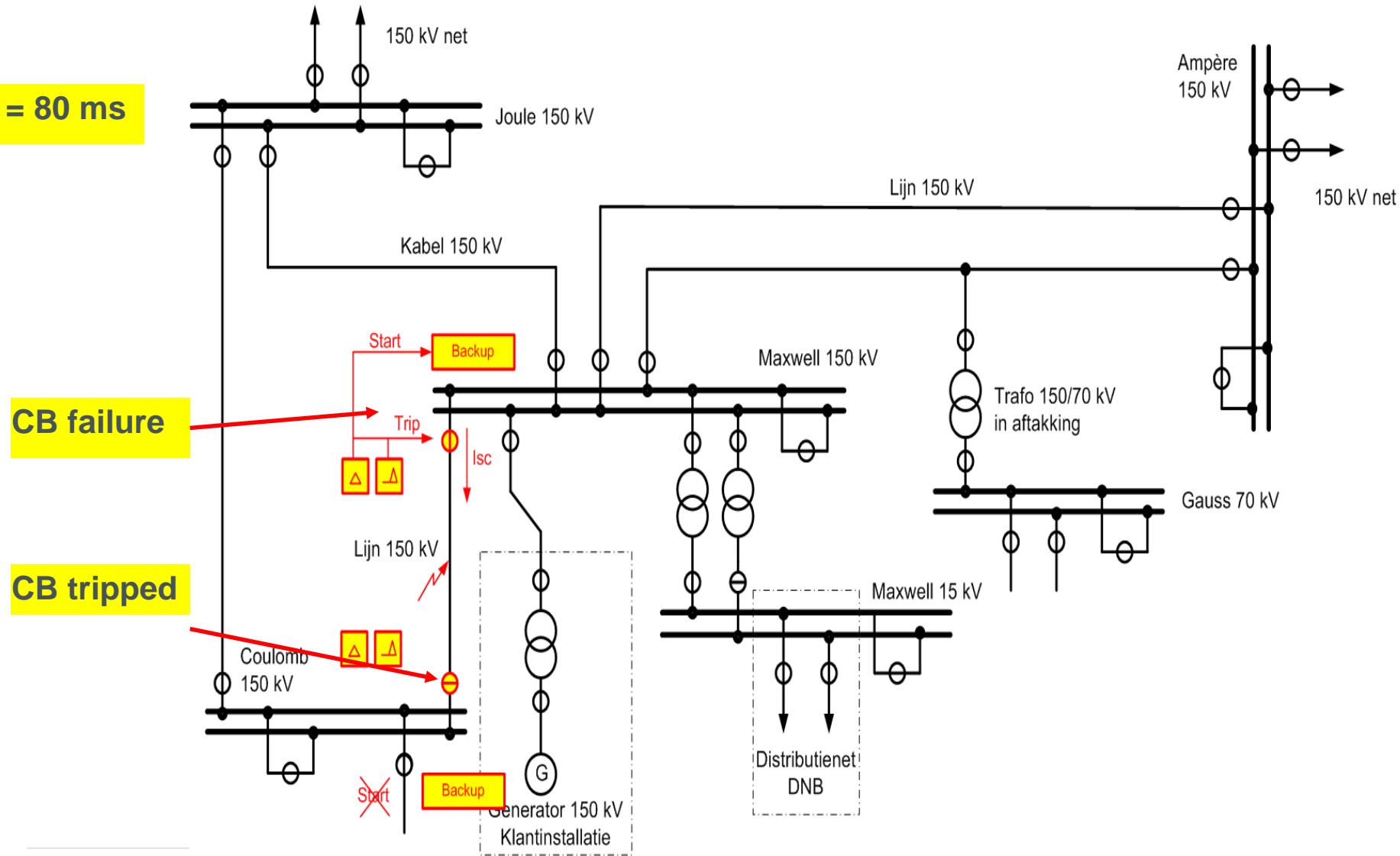
**Trip issued  
by bay  
protections**





# CB failure protection principle

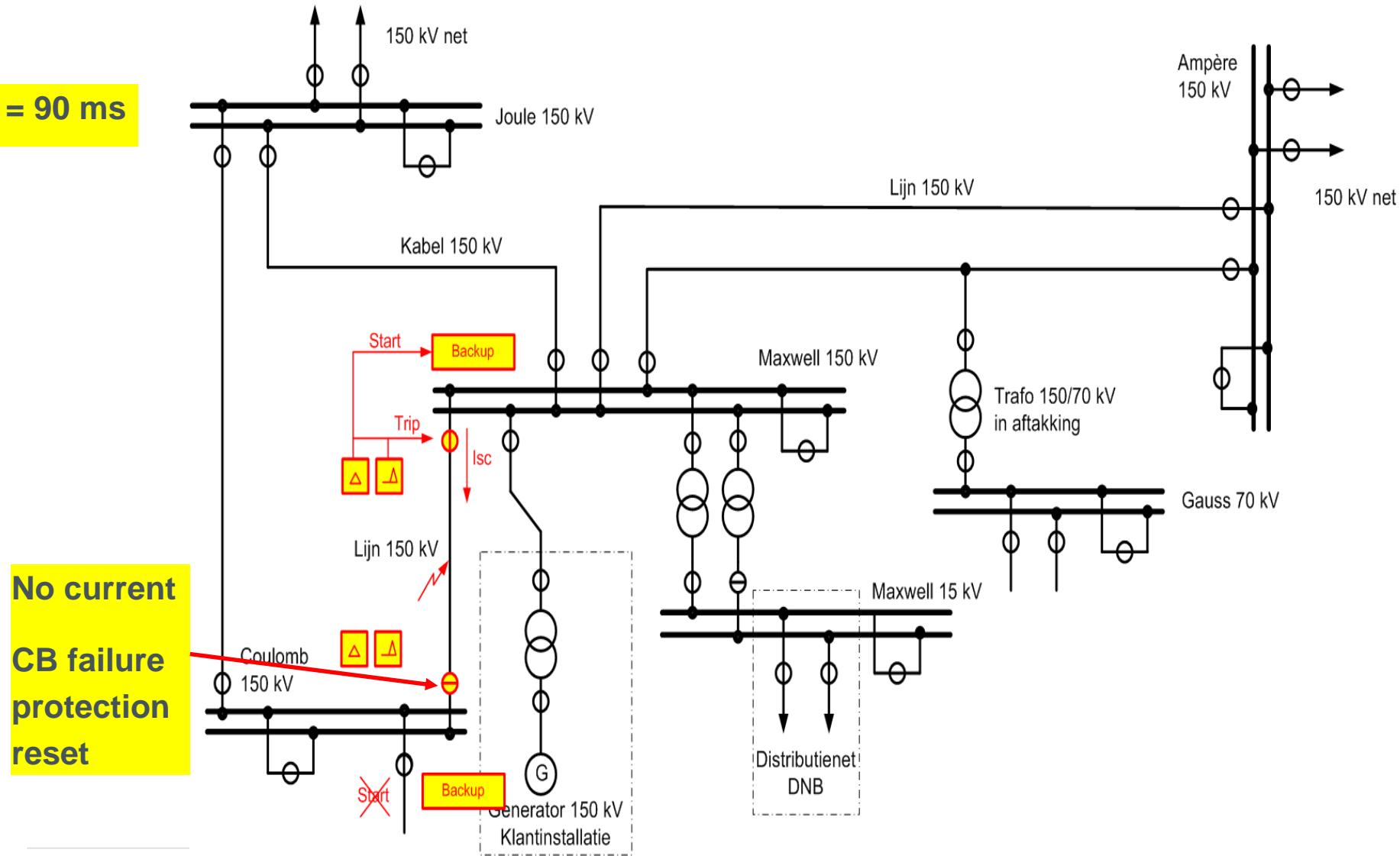
**t = 80 ms**



# CB failure protection principle



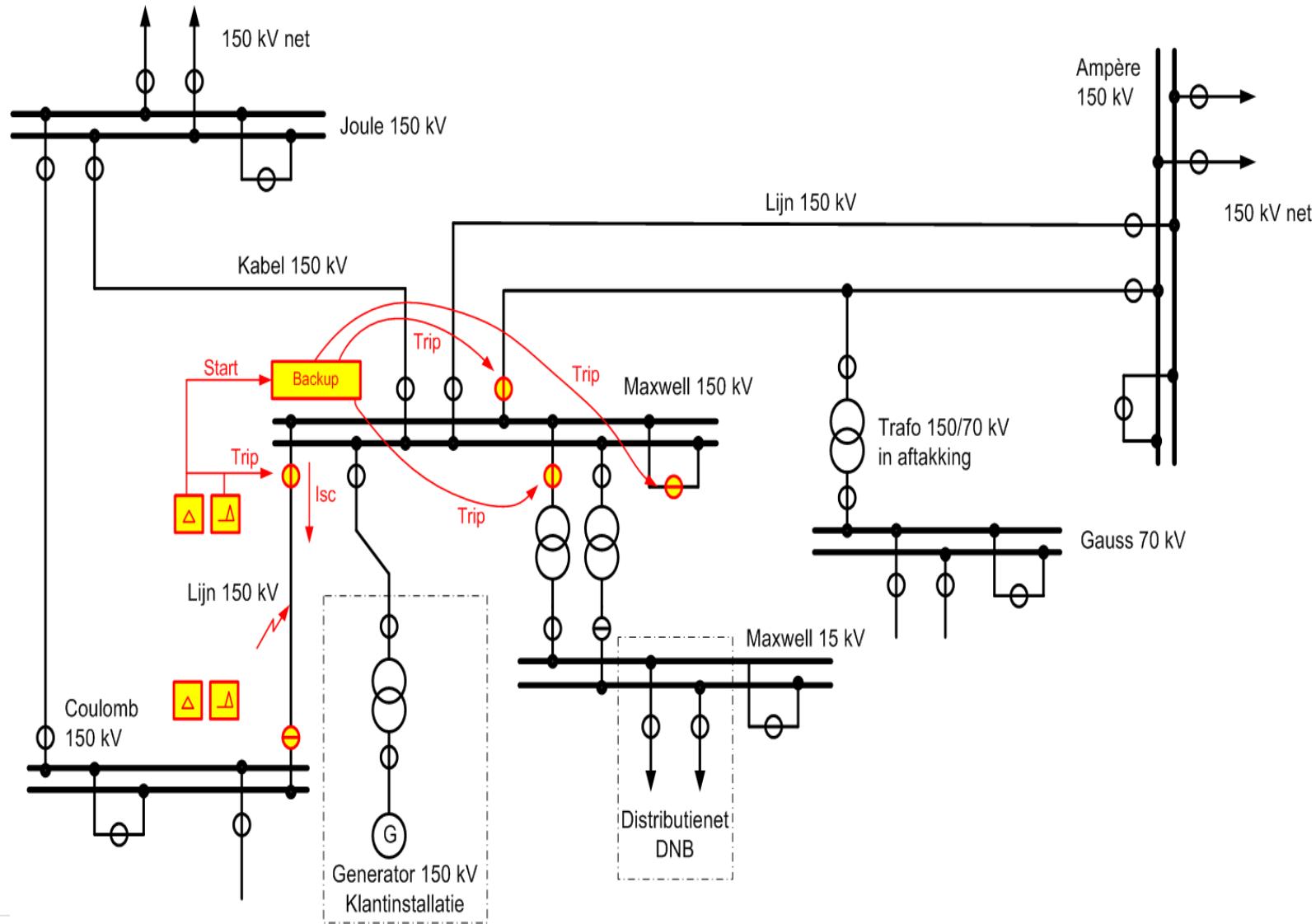
**t = 90 ms**



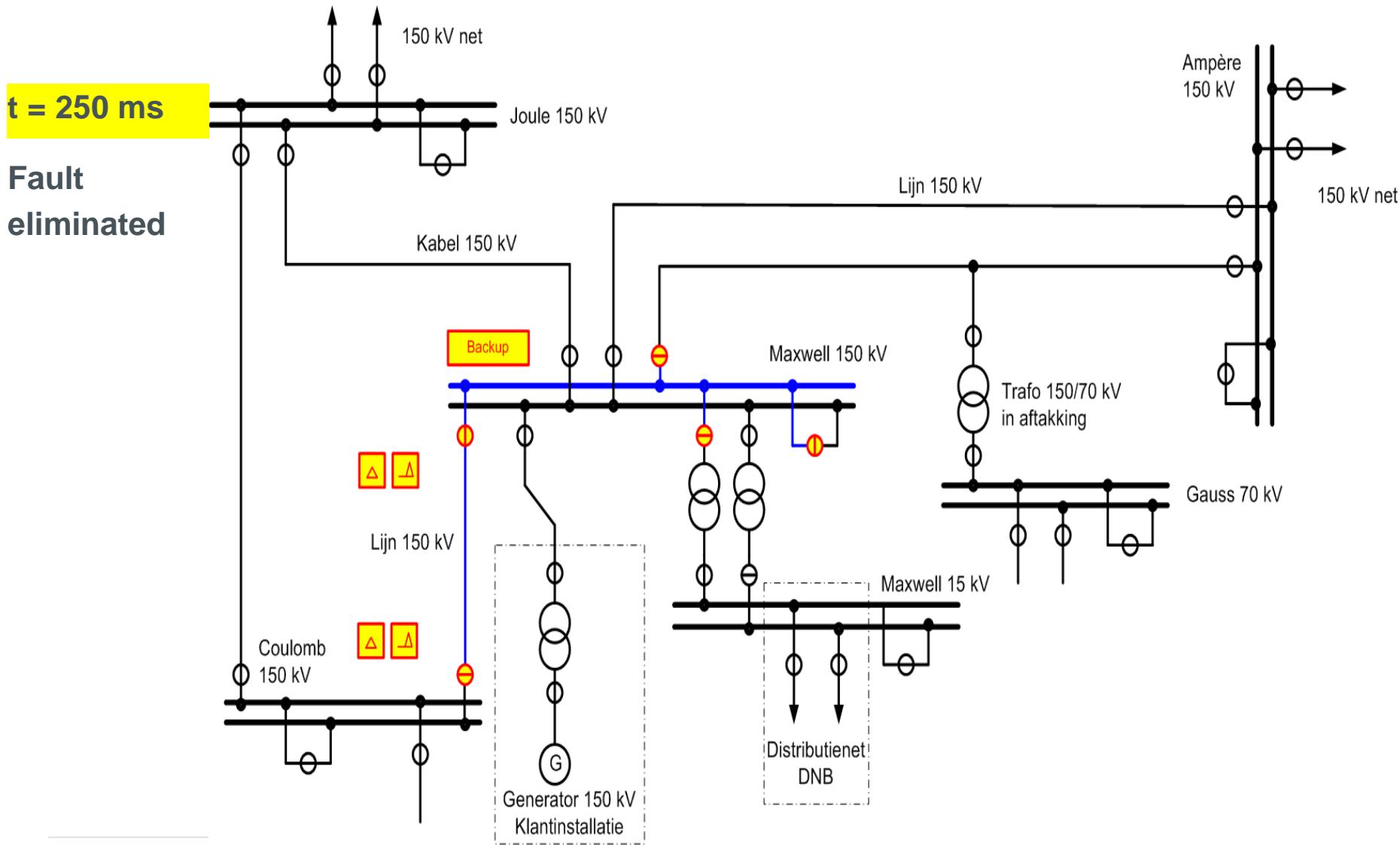
# CB failure protection principle



**t = 200 ms**  
**(170 ms  
after start  
back-up):  
trip to  
other bays**



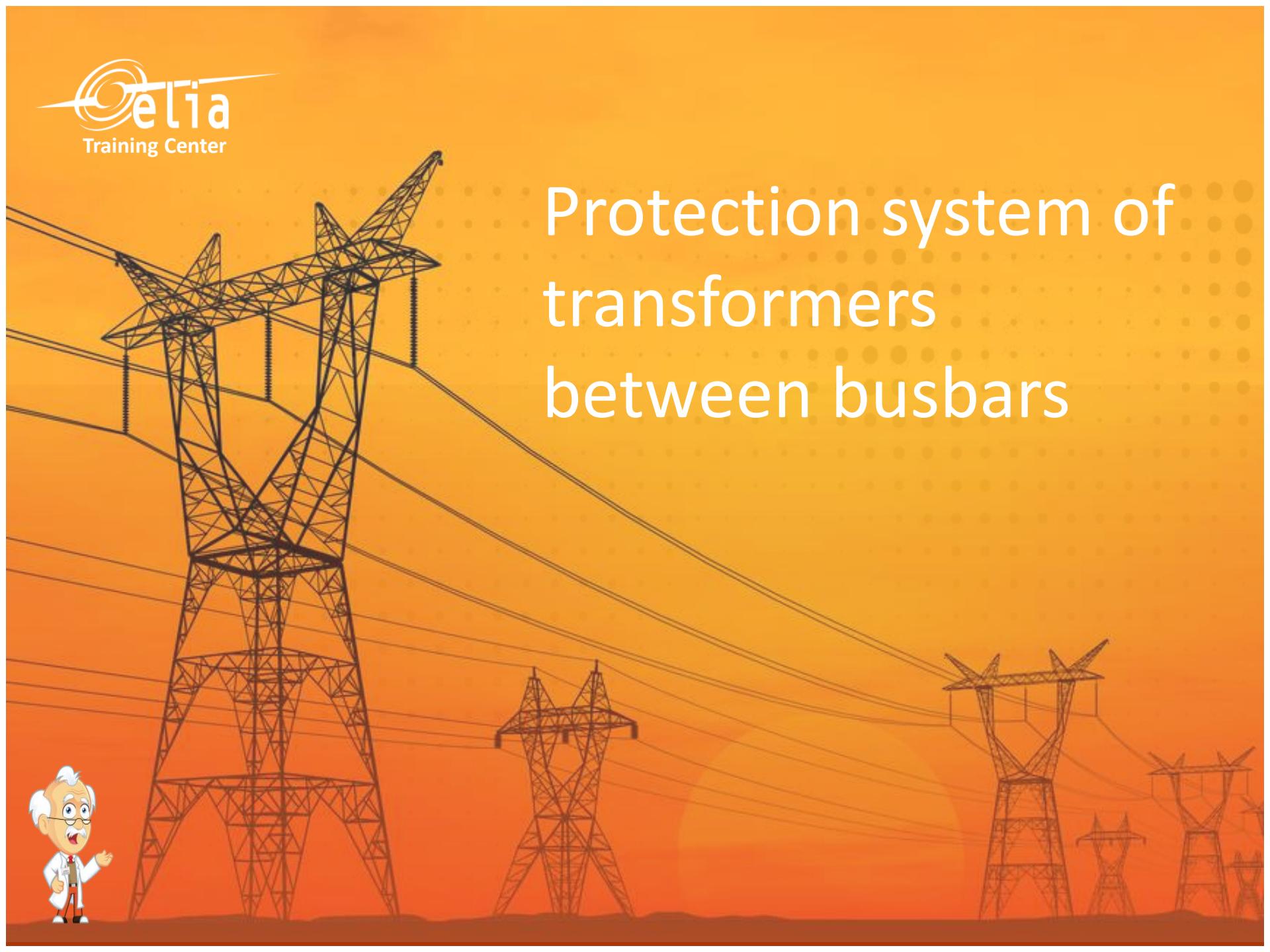
# CB failure protection principle





# Implementation





# Protection system of transformers between busbars





# Protection system design

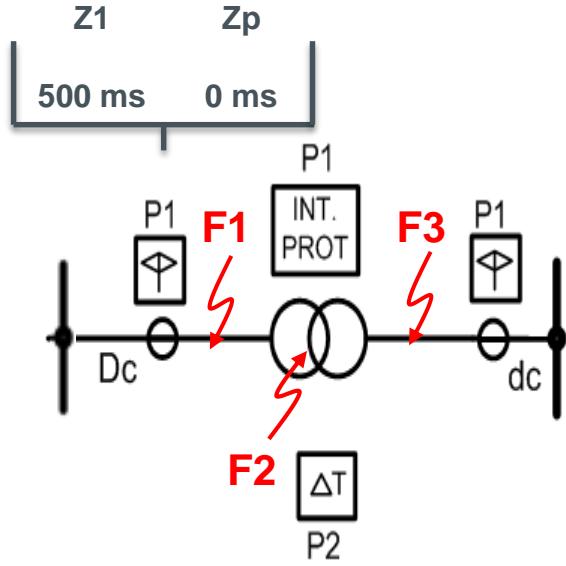
One of the protections must be a distance protection

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Two independant protections for each part of the protection zone ⇒ priority to dependability

Consistent with N-1 criterium

# Transformer protection principle



## P1

- **Distance protections on primary side of the transformer:** one zone to detect F1 fault, one zone to detect busbar fault on primary side
- **Internal protection of the transformer (Buchholz):** only able to detect internal faults through oil move detection (F2)
- **Distance protections on secondary side of the transformer:** one zone to detect F3 fault, one zone to detect busbar fault on secondary side

## P2

**Differentia protection** (able to detect F1, F2 and F3 faults)

# Bay arrangements



# Double busbar one breaker substation arrangement



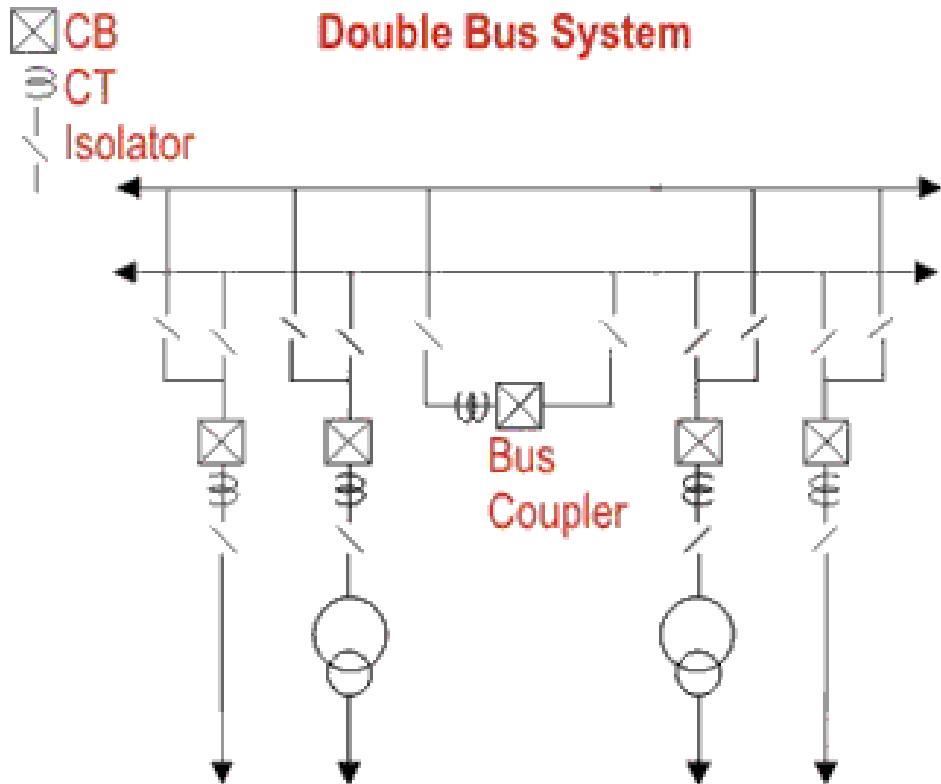
One circuit breaker for each bay

Main advantages:

- Any bay can be connected to any busbar without loss of supply
- Cost

Main drawbacks

- Loss of supply in case of busbar fault
- Loss of supply during circuit breaker maintenance
- Disconnector operation needed to supply any bay from the other busbar



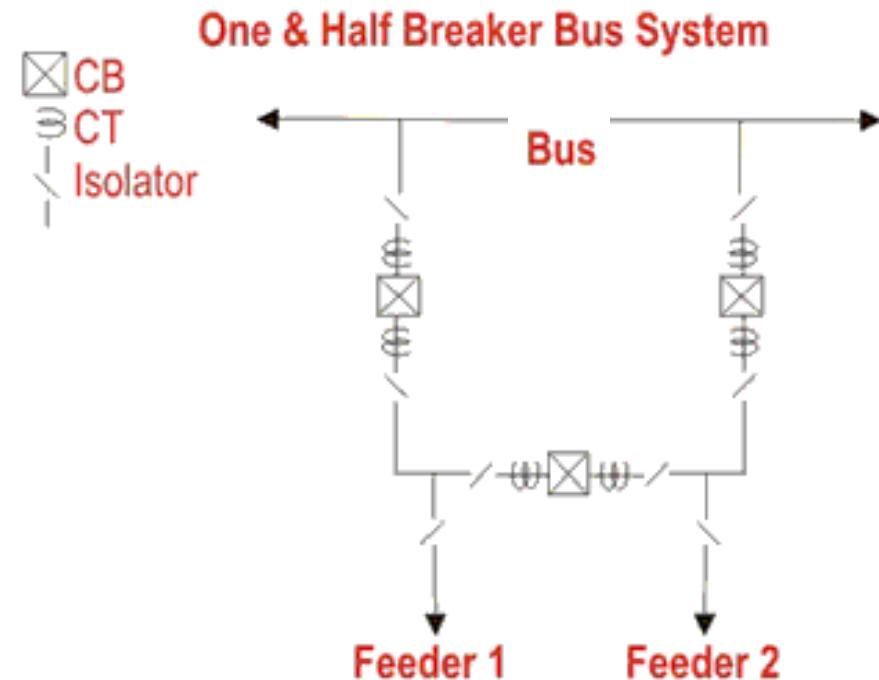
# One and Half substation arrangement



3 circuit breakers used to feed 2 bays  $\Rightarrow$  1,5 circuit breaker for each bay

Main advantages:

- No loss of supply in case of busbar fault
- No loss of supply during circuit breaker maintenance
- No disconnector operation needed to supply any bay from the other busbar



Main drawbacks :

- Cost (more circuit breakers)
- Complexity of protections and relaying

# Ring bus substation arrangement



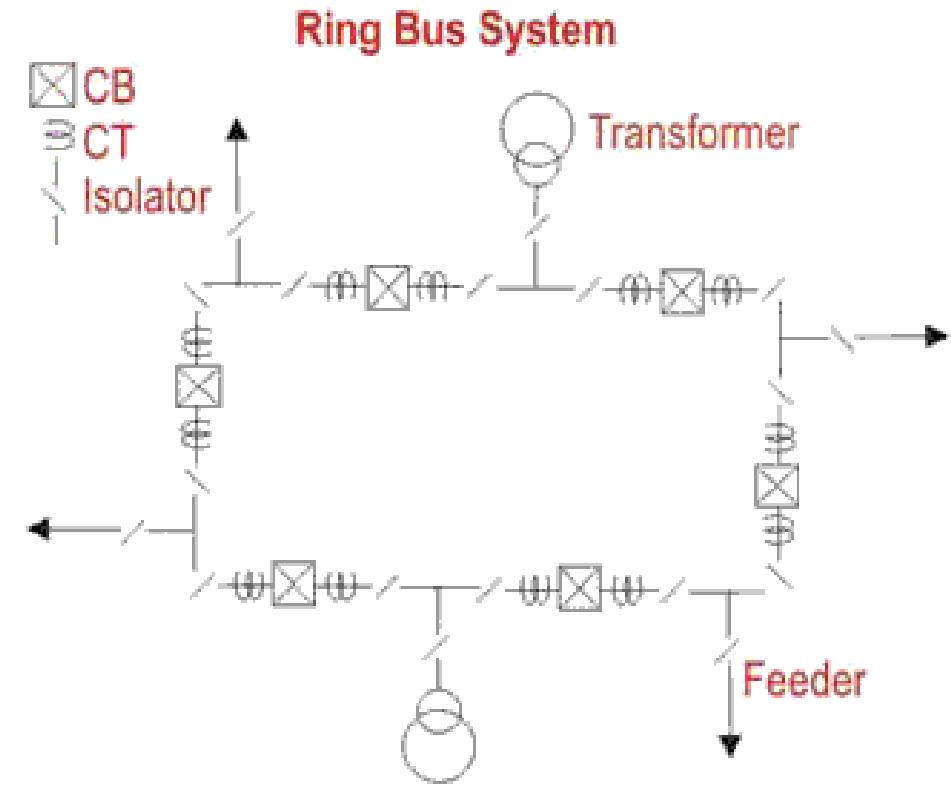
No « classical » busbar, ring topology

Main advantages:

- No loss of supply during circuit breaker maintenance

Main drawbacks :

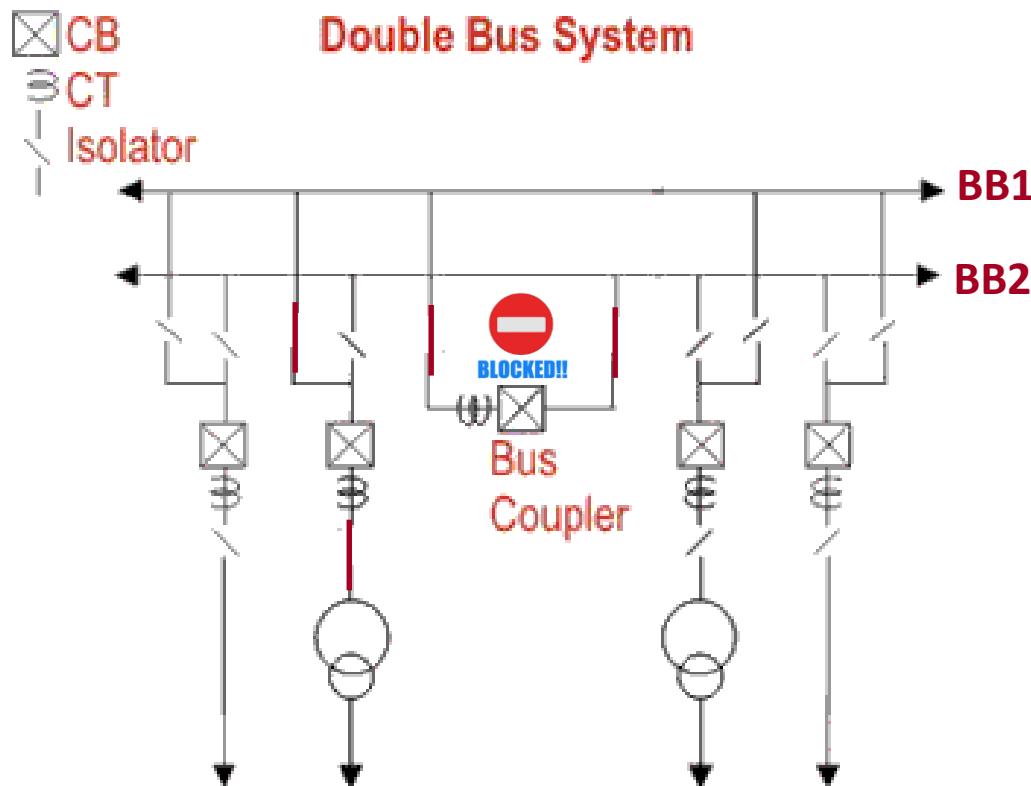
- Difficult to extend with a new bay
- Very bad reliability if one circuit breaker is out of operation



# Sequence to switch one bay from busbar 1 to busbar 2



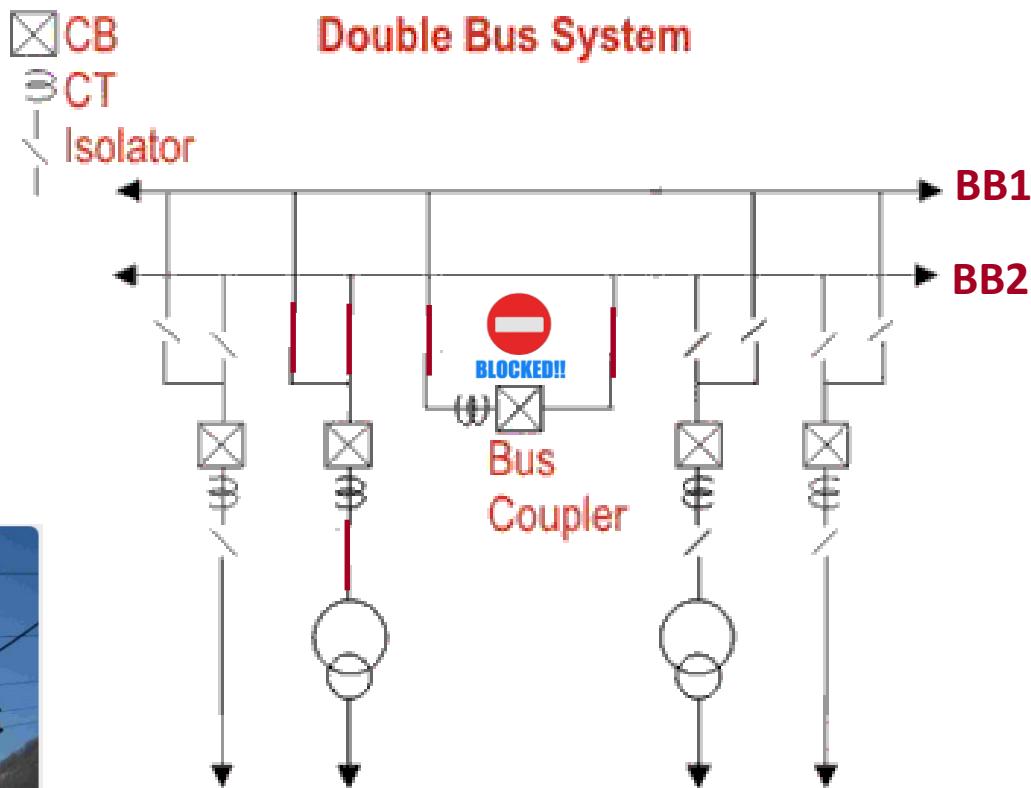
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2. Close disconnector to busbar 2
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4. Release CB of the bus coupler



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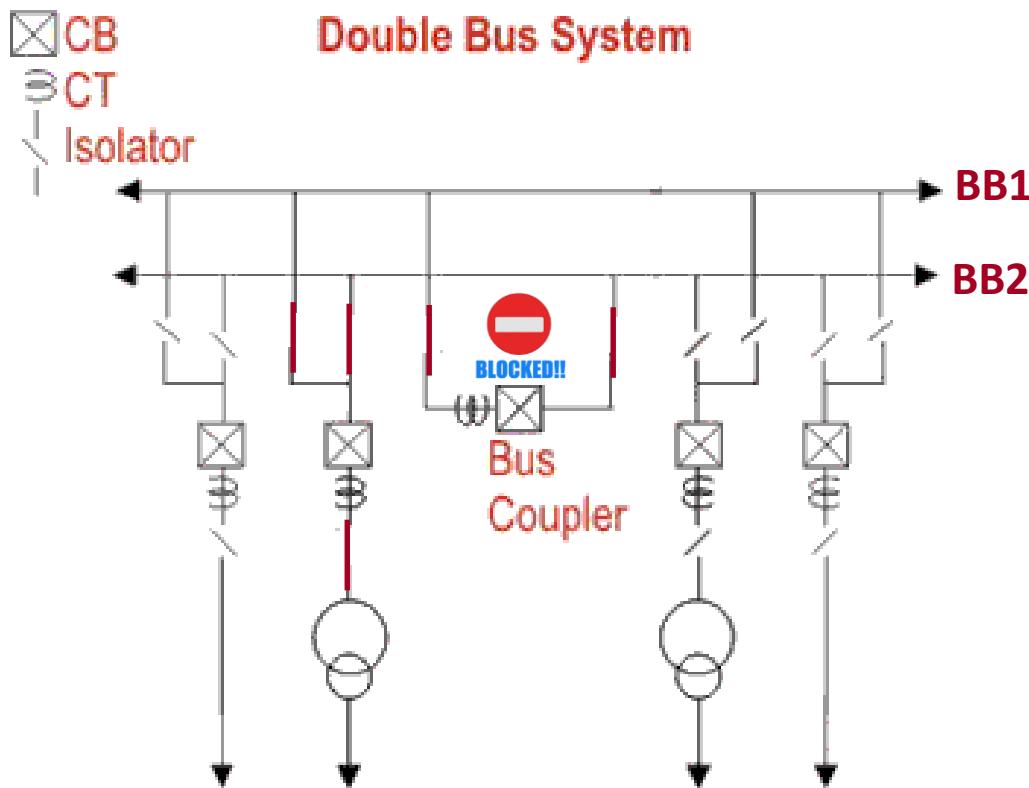
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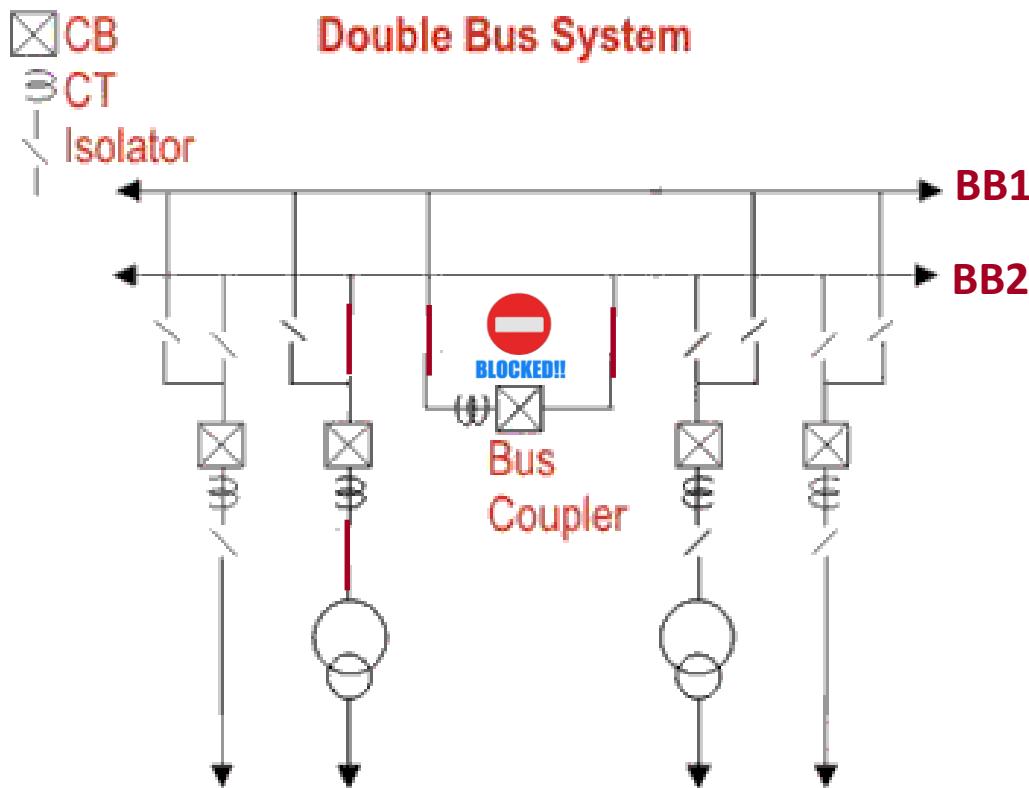
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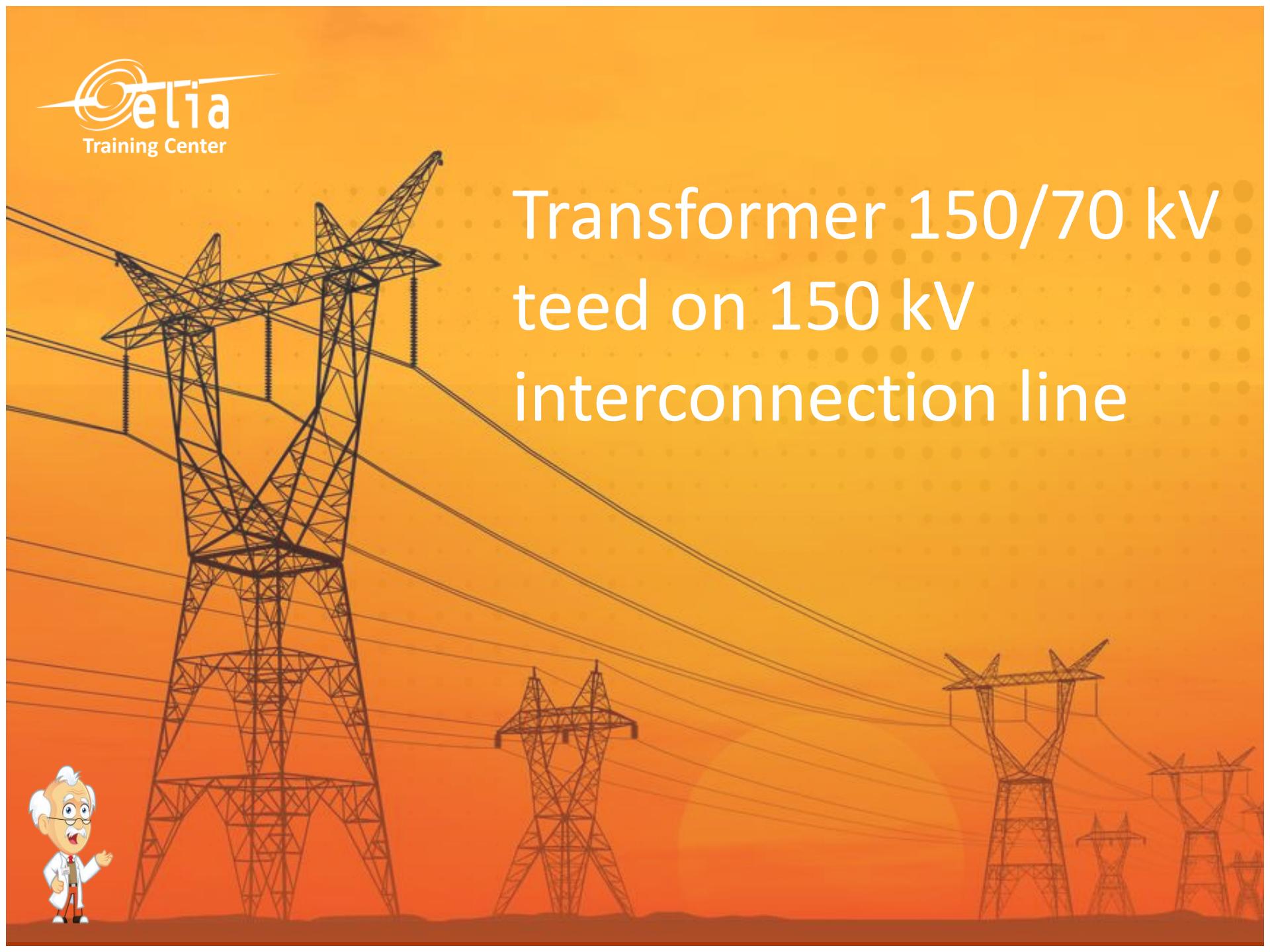


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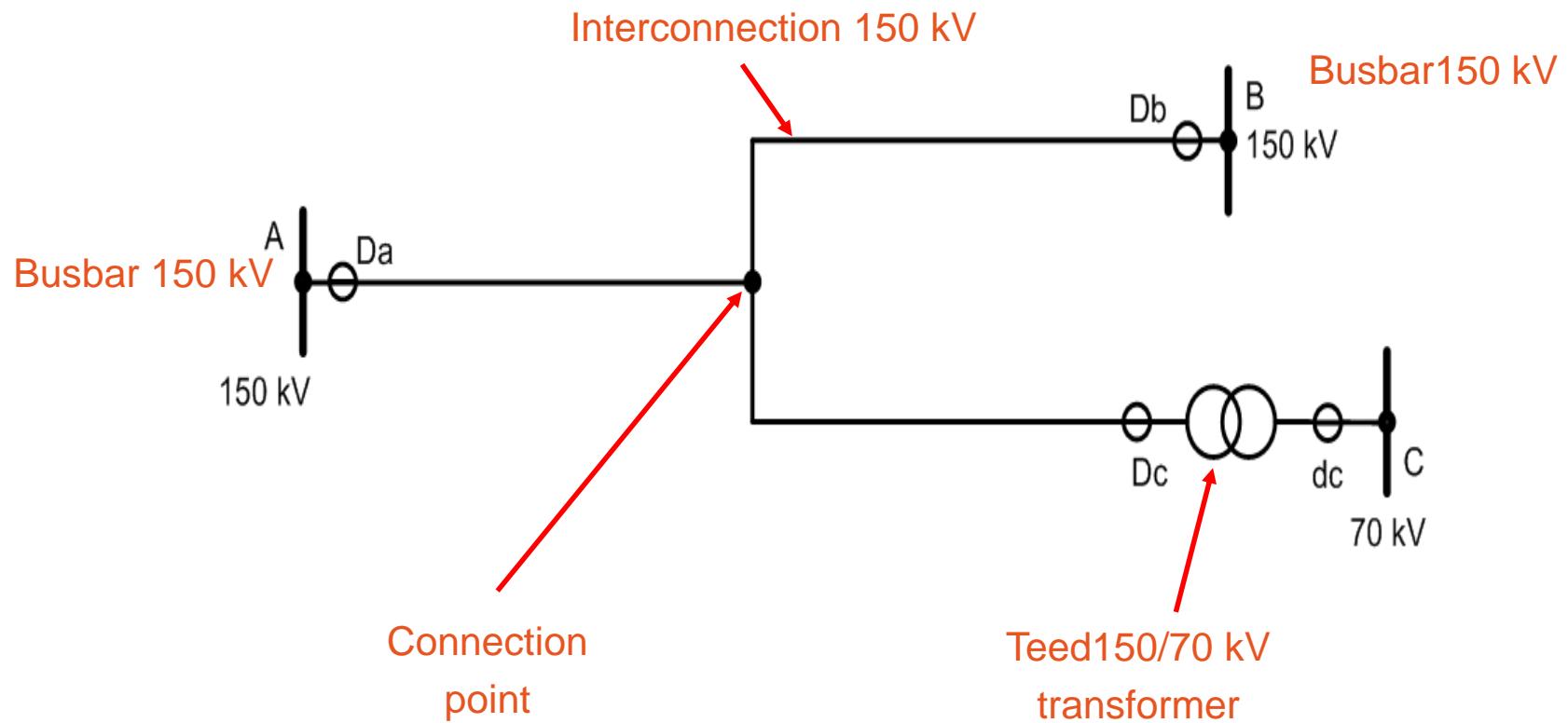




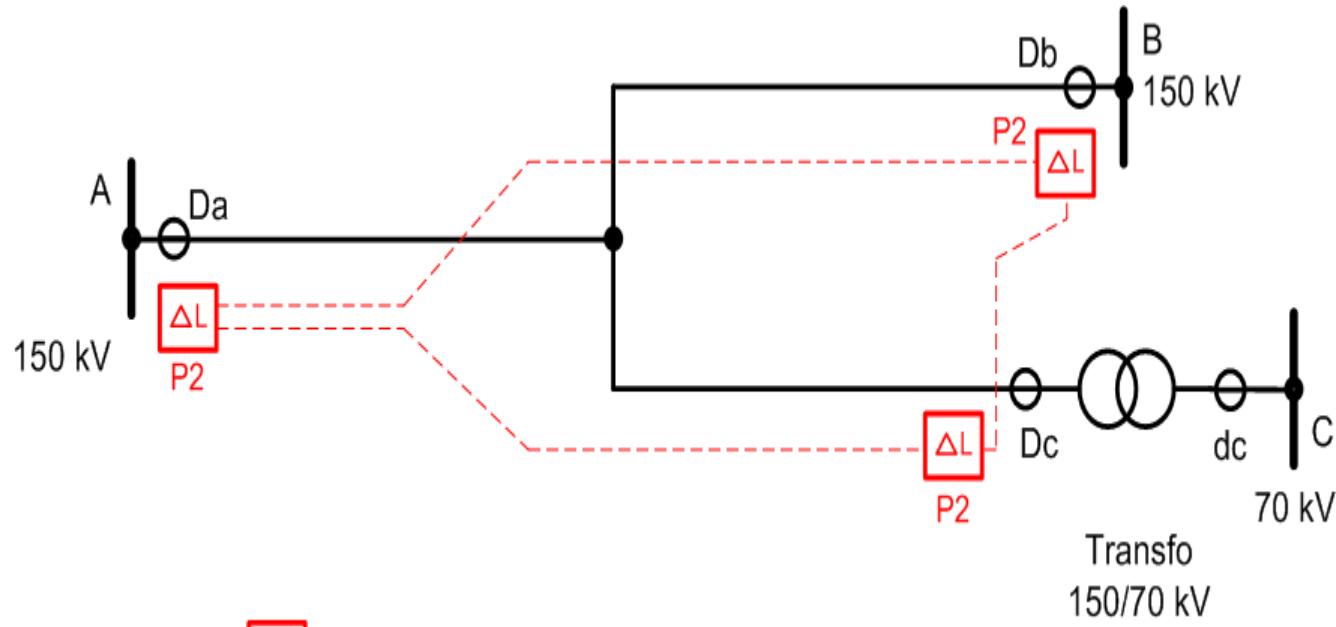
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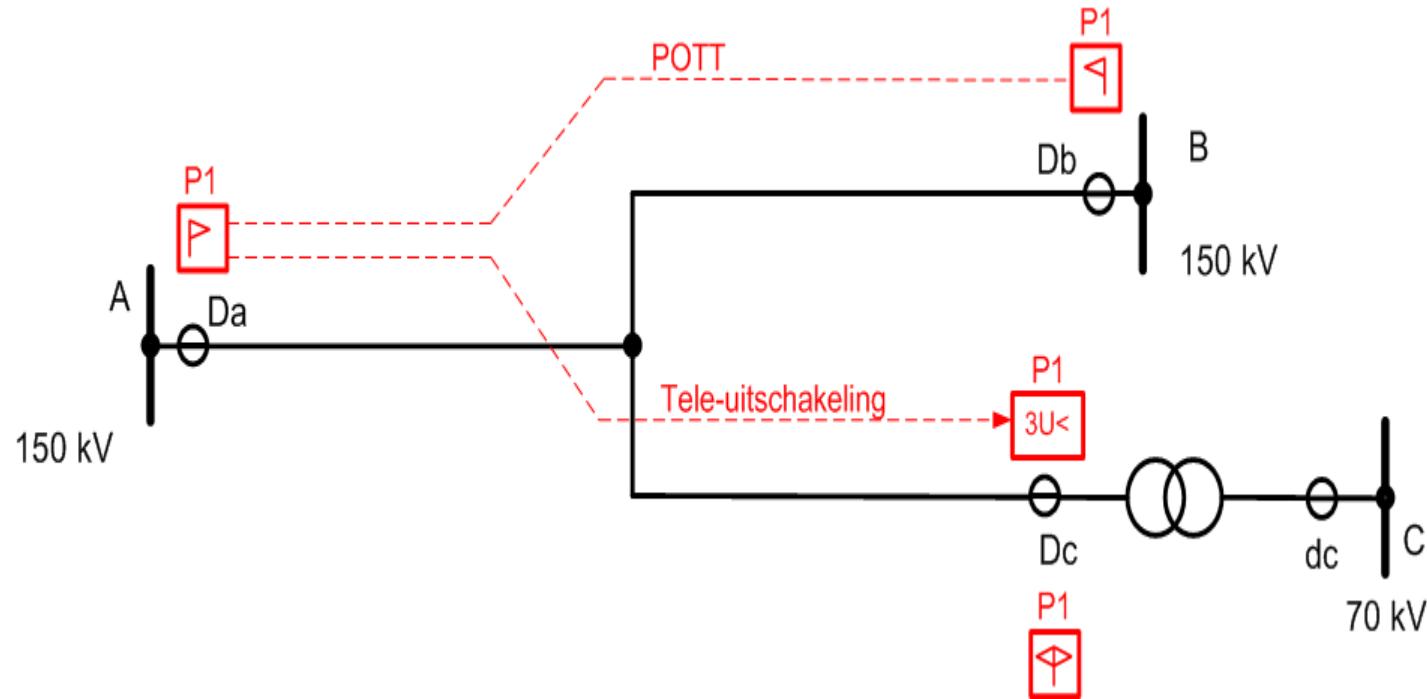
# Transformer 150/70 kV teed on 150 kV interconnection line



P2 protection =  $\boxed{\Delta L}$

- 3-ends line differential protection
- Communication channel between each protection
- Instantaneous tripping of any fault on the interconnection line

# Transformer 150/70 kV teed on 150 kV interconnection line



P1 = protection

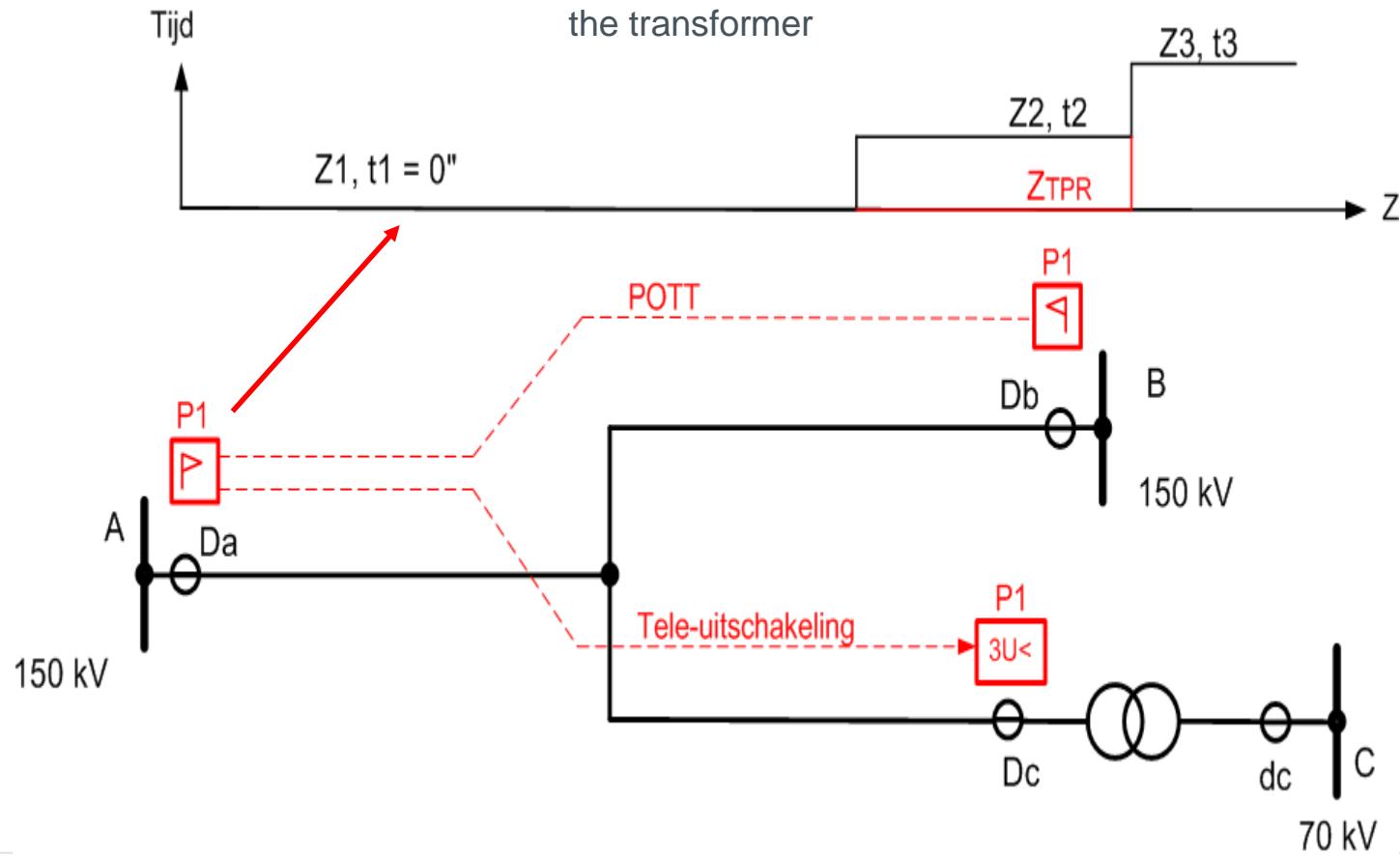
- 2 distance protections with POTT logic between A and B ends, and remote tripping of the transformer (validation through local criterium)
- Communication channel between A and B ends (POTT), and between A and C ends

# Transformer 150/70 kV teed on 150 kV interconnection line

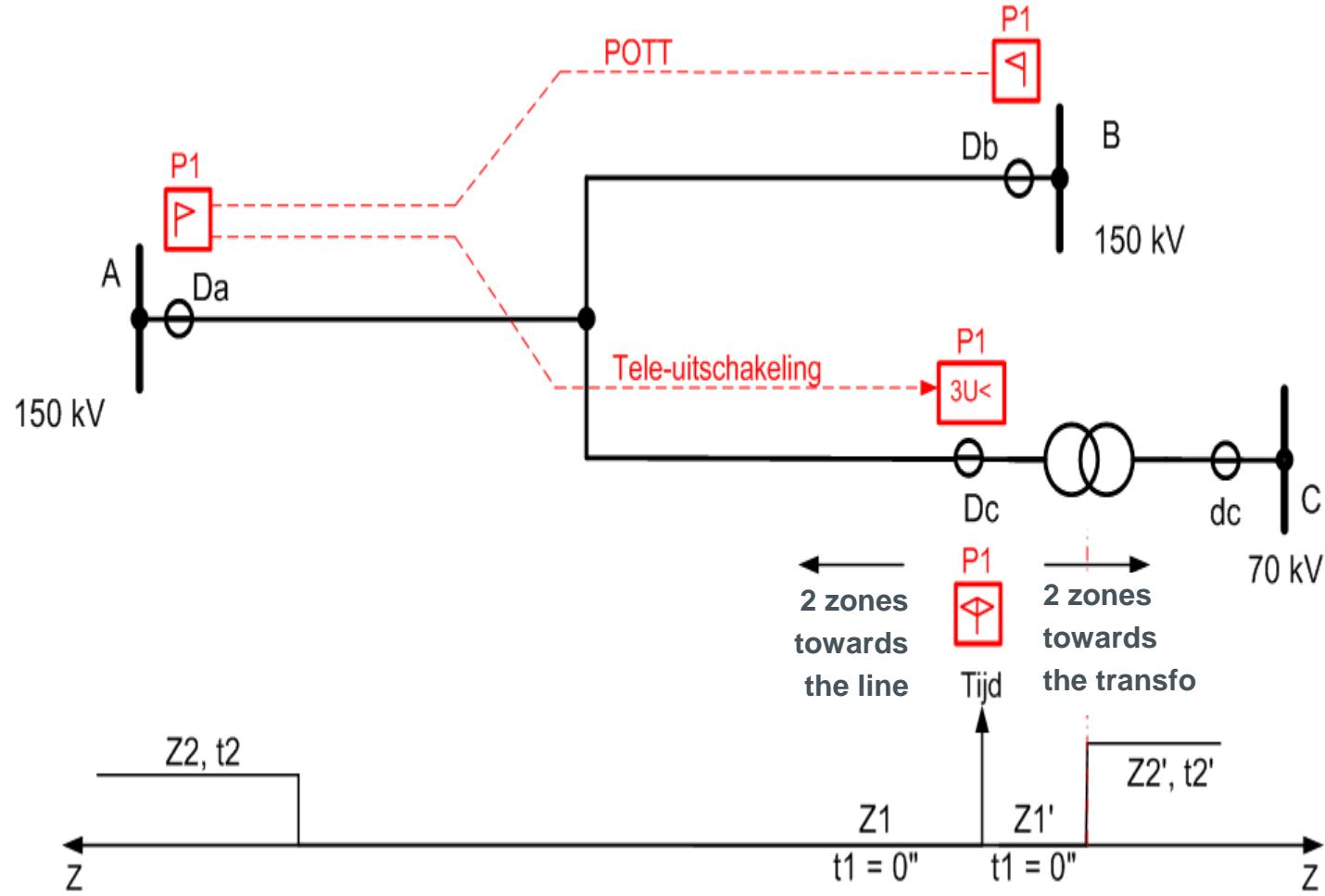


3 zones:

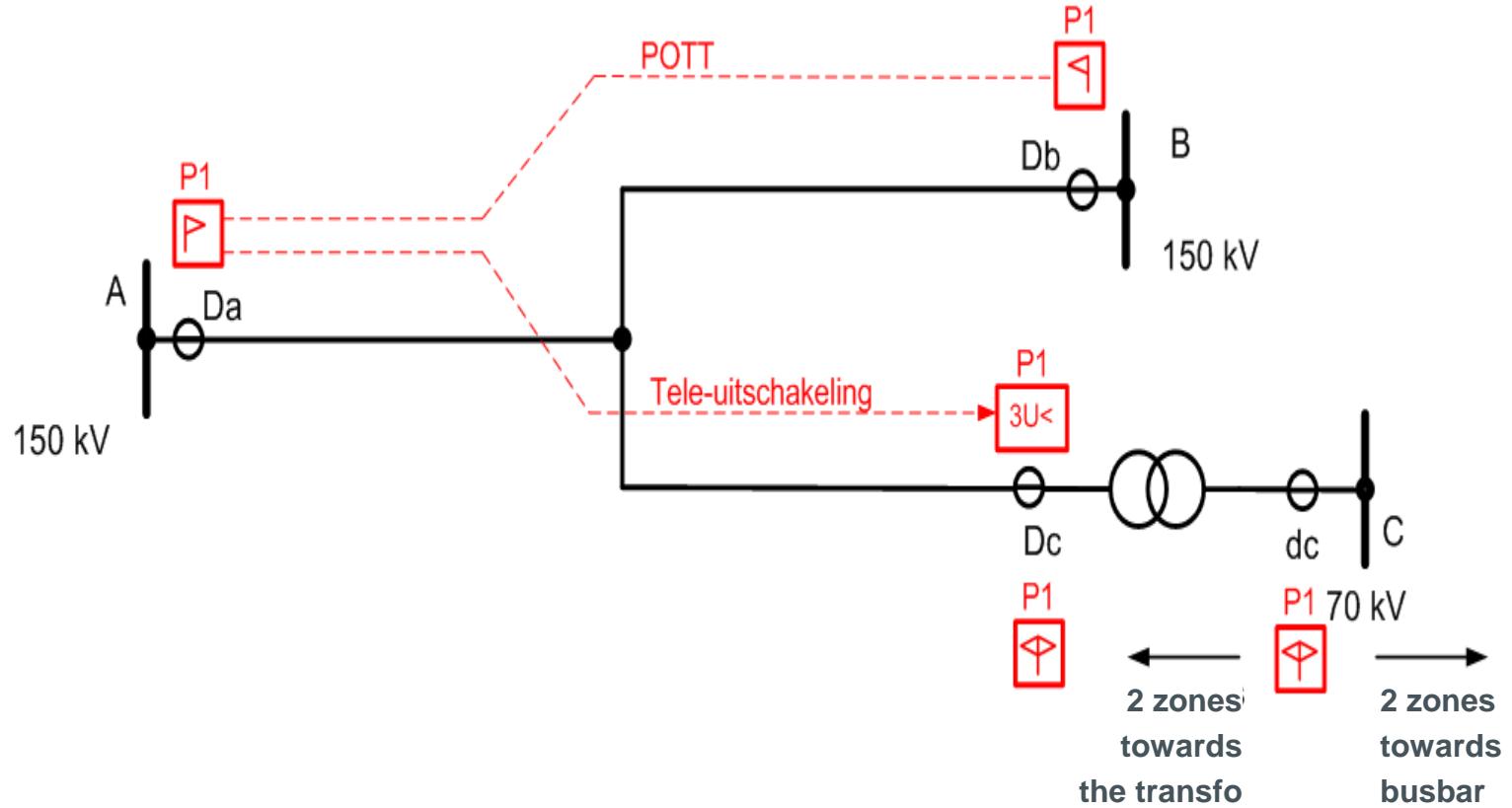
- Z1: covers 80% of the line
- Z2: covers the next busbar (backup for busbar faults)
- Ztpr must cover the complete line, including a part of the transformer



# Transformer 150/70 kV teed on 150 kV interconnection line



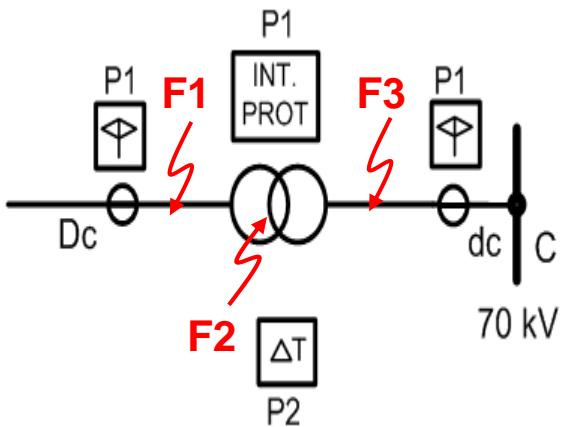
# Transformer 150/70 kV teed on 150 kV interconnection line





## P1

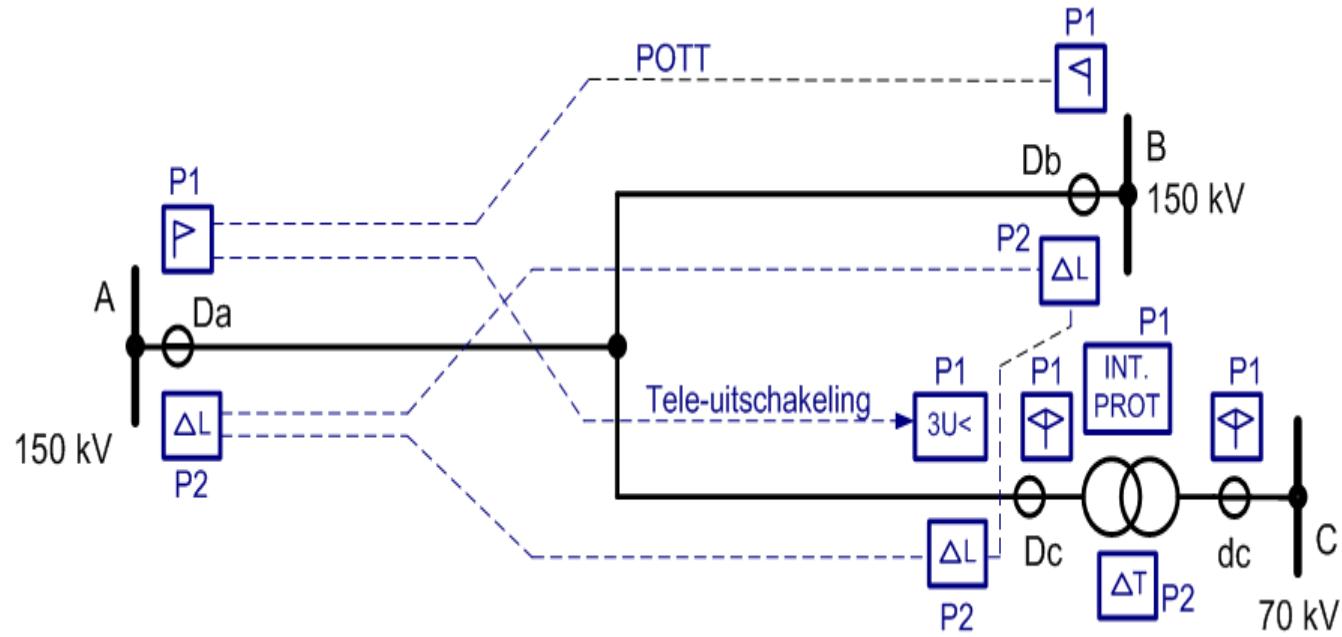
- **Distance protections on primary side of the transformer:** one zone to detect F1 fault
- **Internal protection of the transformer (Buchholz):** only able to detect internal faults through oil move detection (F2)
- **Distance protections on secondary side of the transformer:** one zone to detect F3 fault



## P2

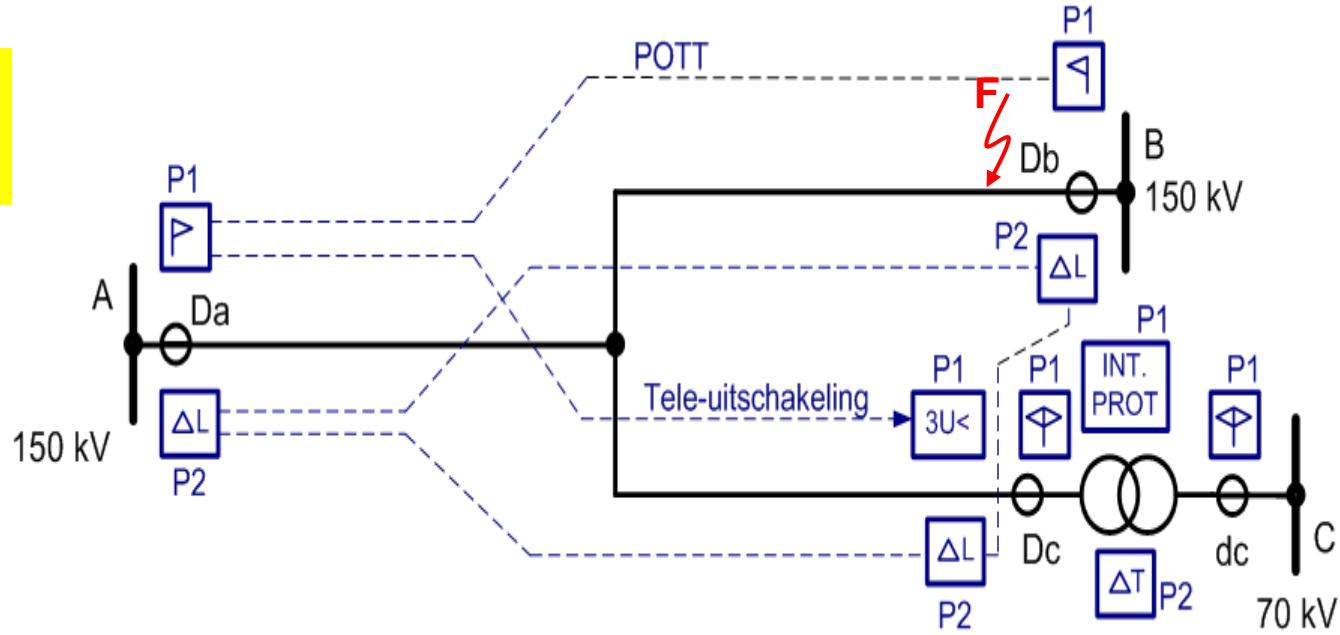
**Differentia protection** (able to detect F1, F2 and F3 faults)

# Transformer 150/70 kV teed on 150 kV interconnection line





1)  $t = 0 \text{ ms}$   
 ⇒ Fault F

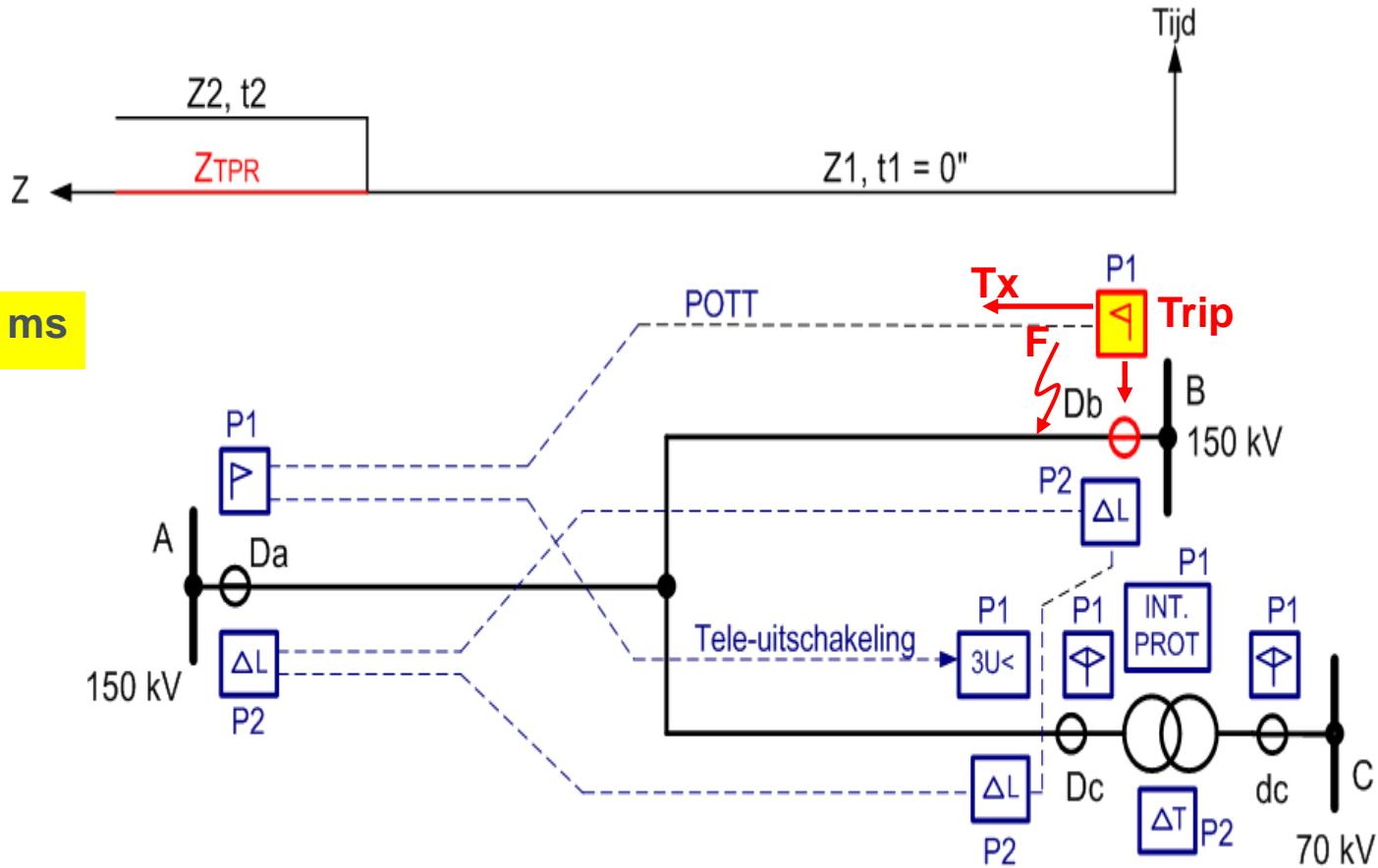


3-phase fault F beyond 85% of the line.

Line differential protection out of service

How will the fault be eliminated?

# Transformer 150/70 kV teed on 150 kV interconnection line

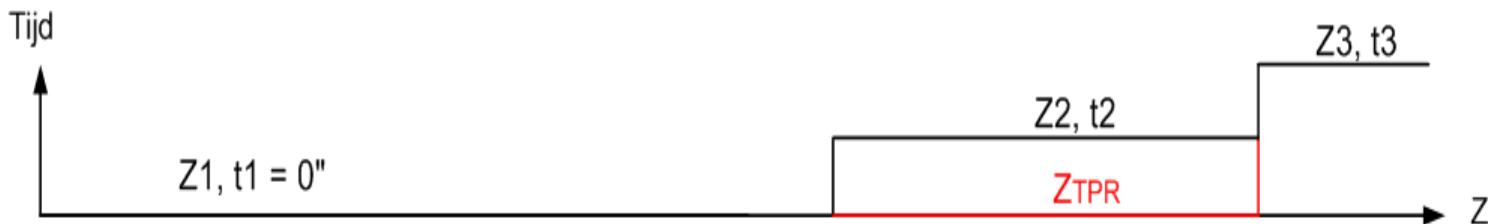


The fault is seen in zone 1 by distance protection  $P1$  at  $B$  end

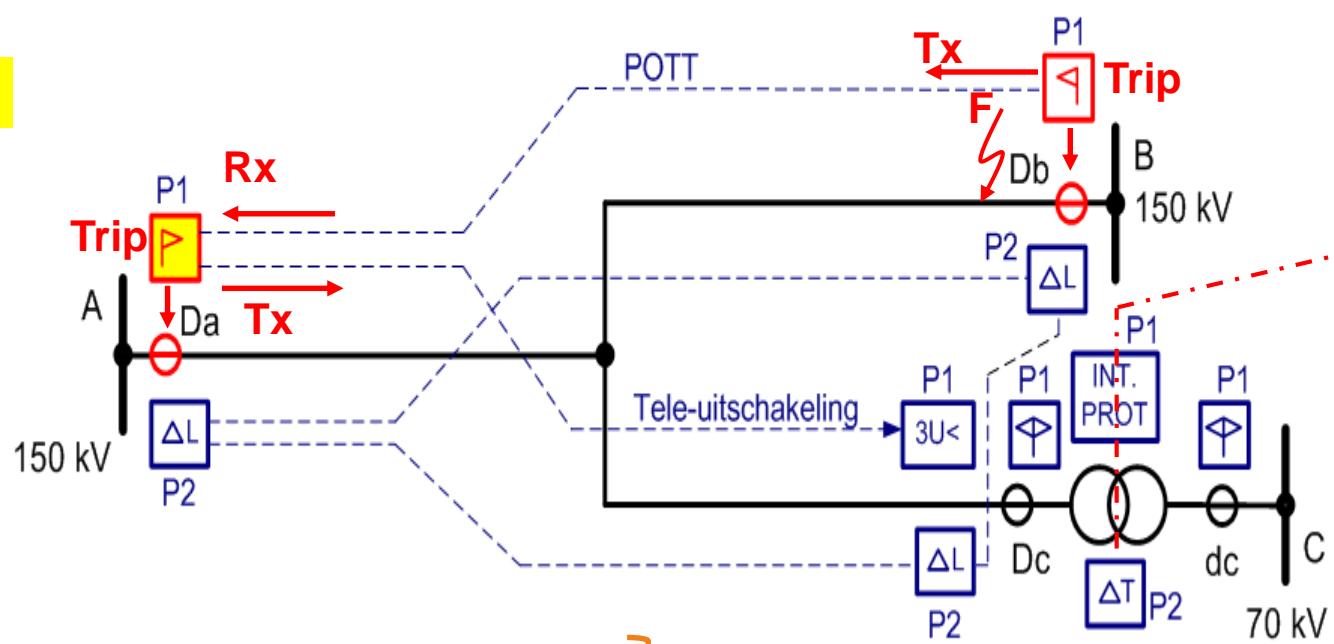
- Tripping order to  $Db$  circuit breaker
- “ $Tx$ ” transmission to end  $A$  (POTT)

Transfo  
150/70 kV

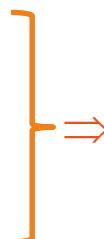
# Transformer 150/70 kV teed on 150 kV interconnection line



3)  $t = 40 \text{ ms}$



The fault is seen in zone  $Z_{ptr}$  by the distance protection at end A & reception "Rx" from end B (POTT)

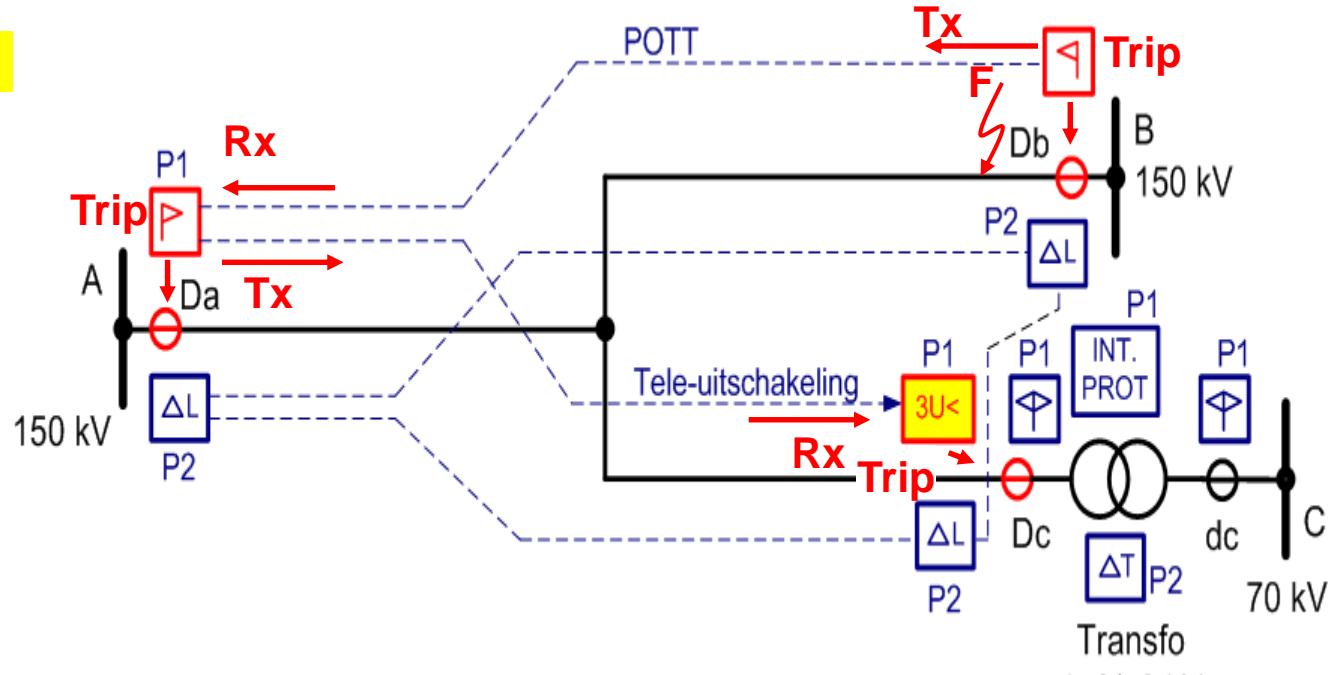


- Tripping order to Da circuit breaker
- Transmission "Tx" to end C

# Transformer 150/70 kV teed on 150 kV interconnection line



4)  $t = 50 \text{ ms}$



Receptionl "Rx" from A side

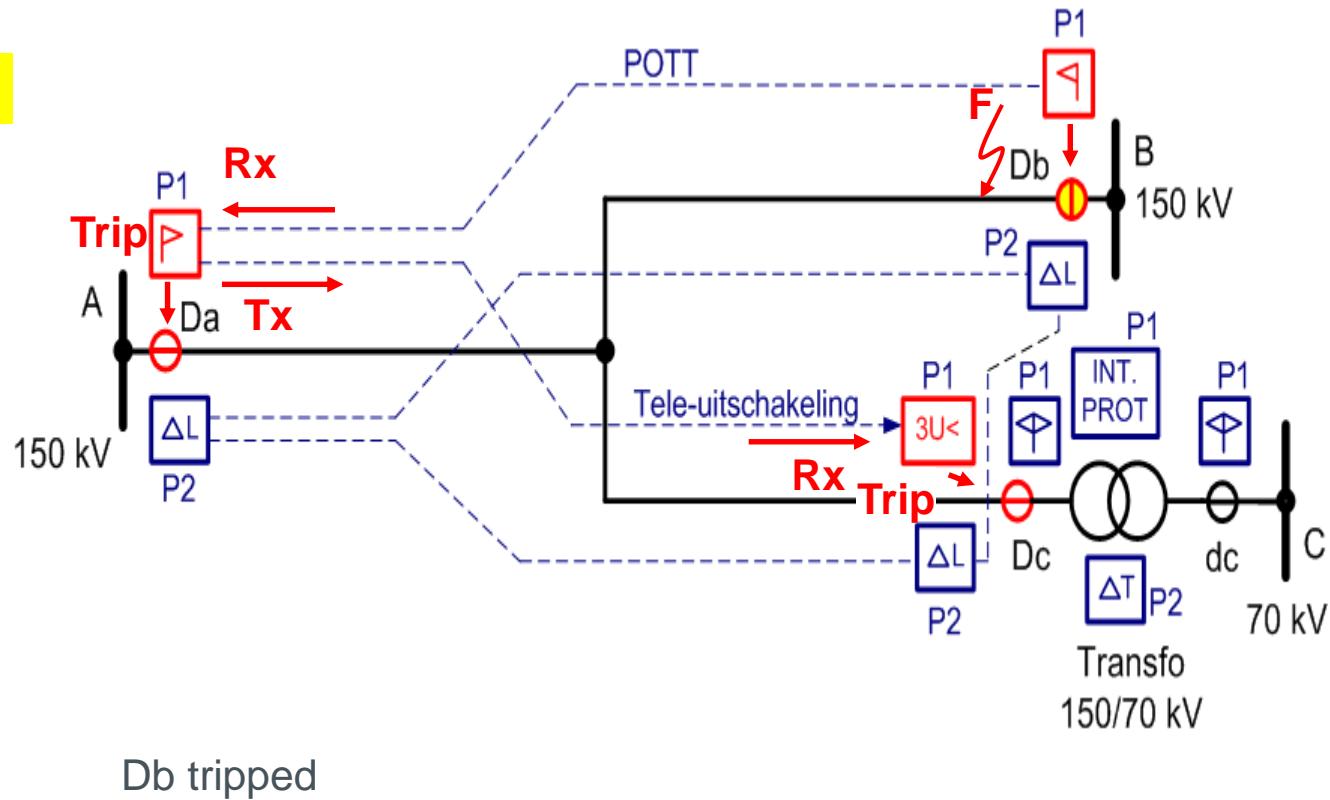
& validation through local criterium  $3U<\text{ph}/n$

}  $\Rightarrow$  Tripping order to Dc circuit breaker

# Transformer 150/70 kV teed on 150 kV interconnection line



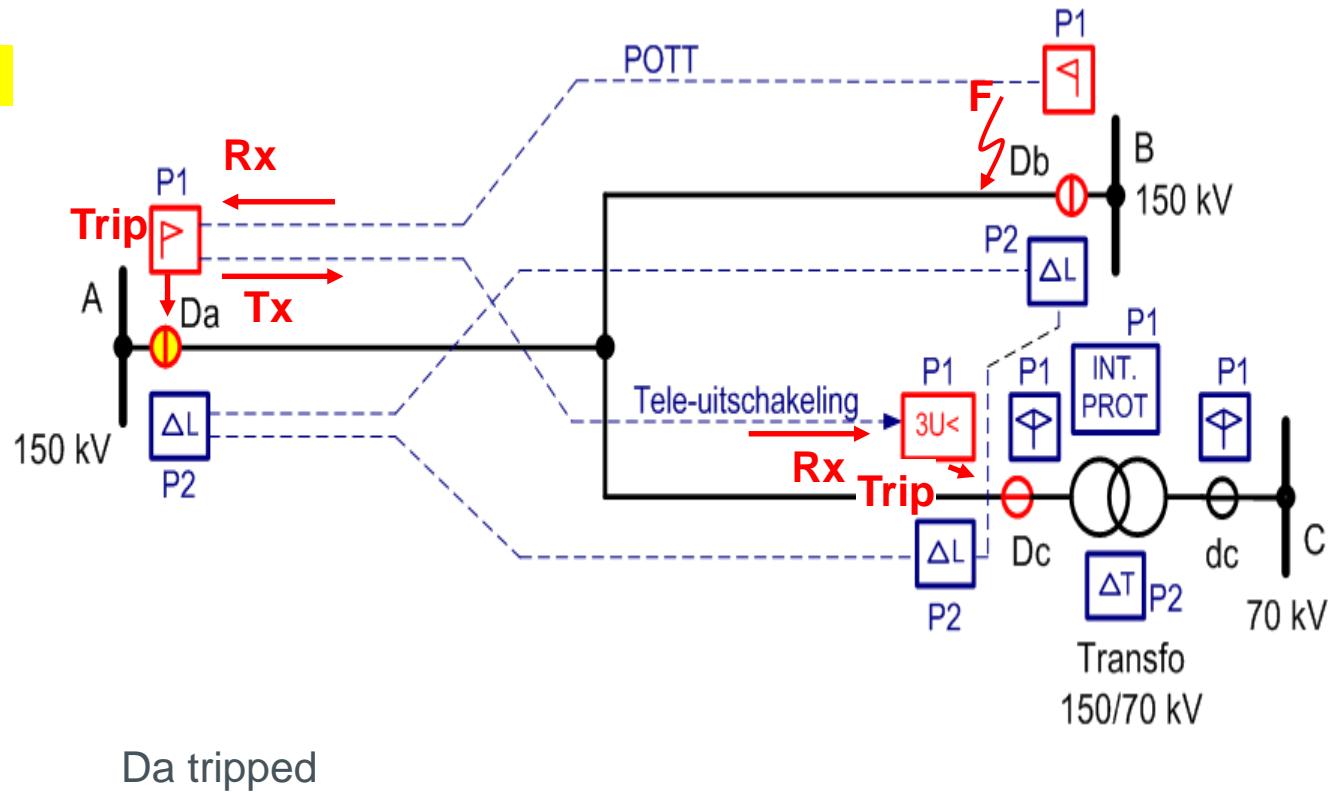
5)  $t = 80 \text{ ms}$



# Transformer 150/70 kV teed on 150 kV interconnection line



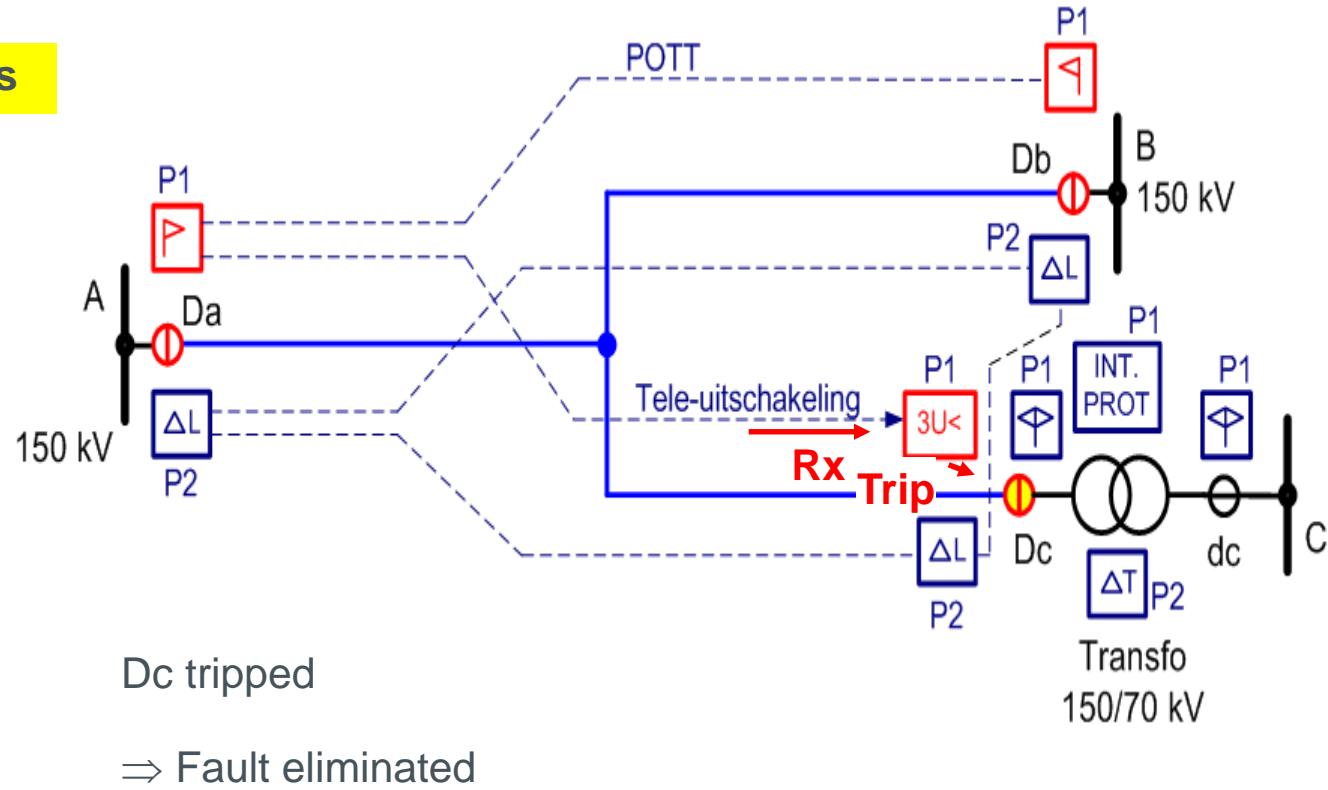
7)  $t = 90 \text{ ms}$



# Transformer 150/70 kV teed on 150 kV interconnection line



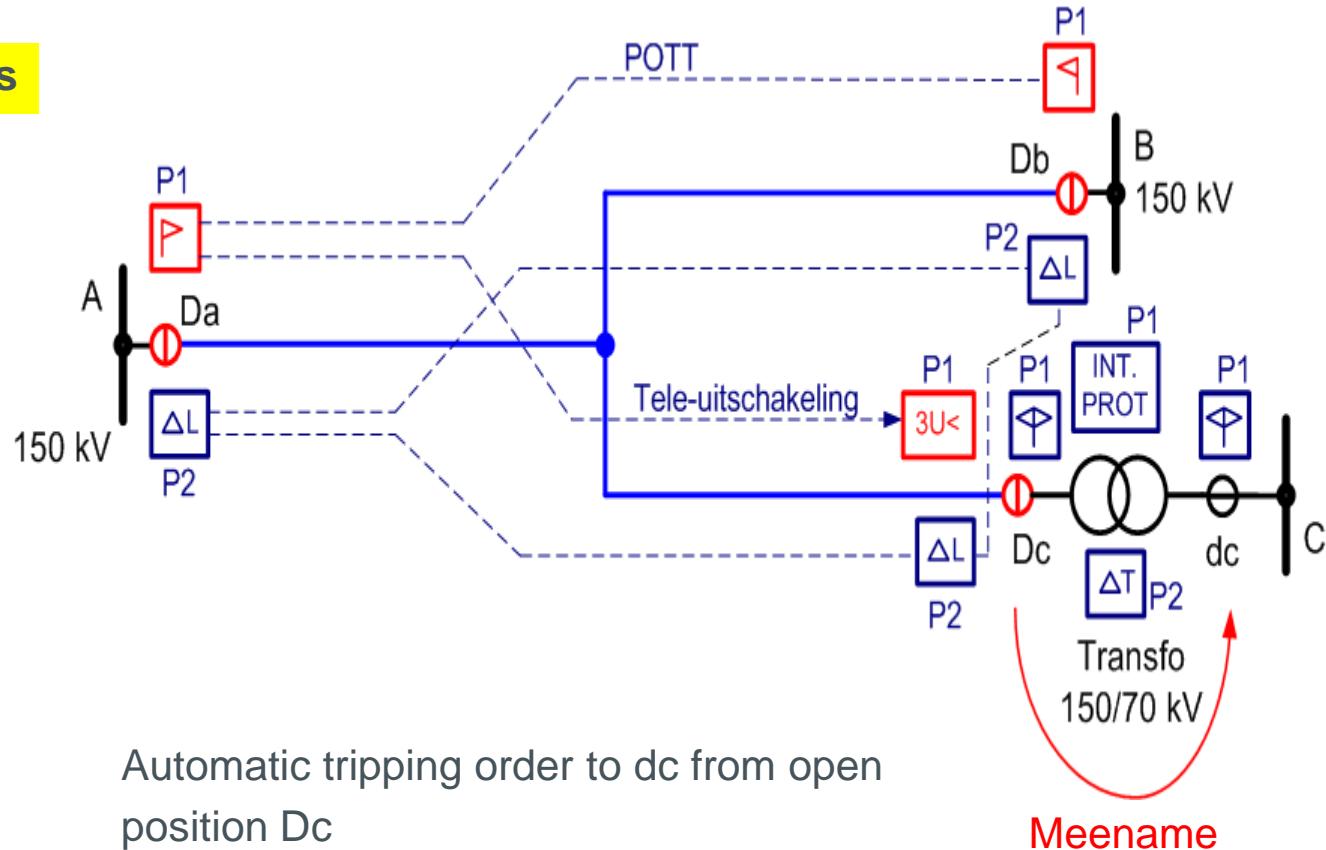
8)  $t = 100 \text{ ms}$



# Transformer 150/70 kV teed on 150 kV interconnection line



9)  $t = 100 \text{ ms}$

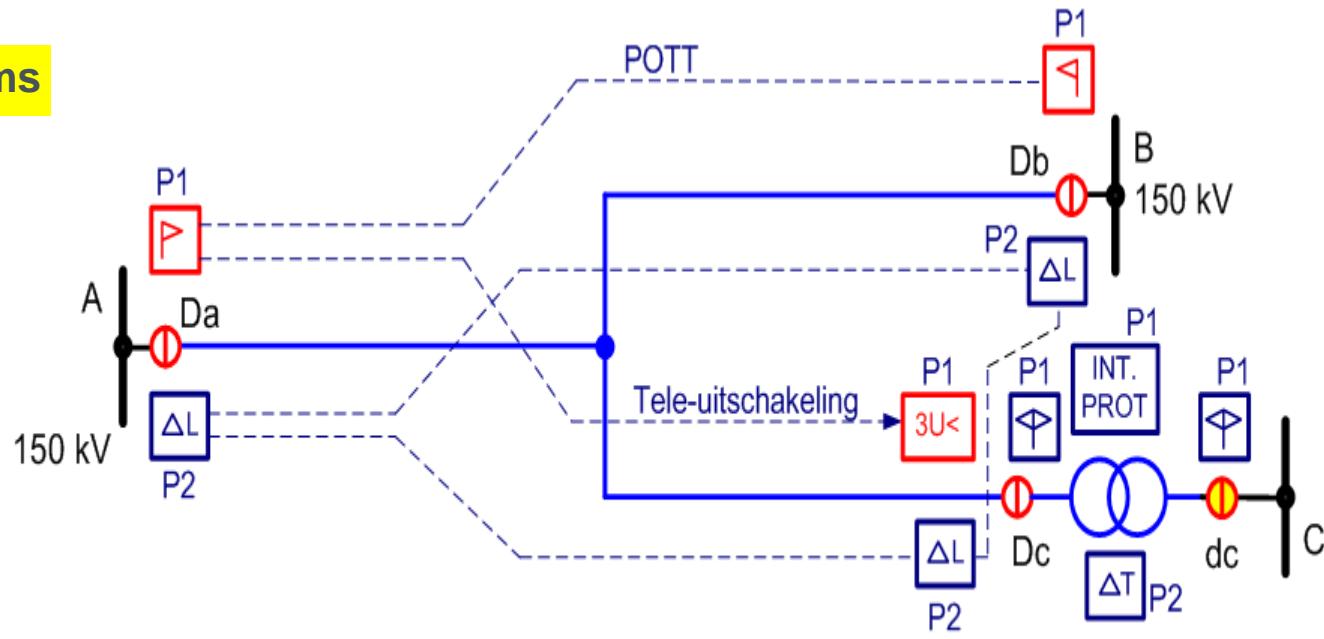


Automatic tripping order to dc from open position Dc

# Transformer 150/70 kV teed on 150 kV interconnection line



10)  $t = 150 \text{ ms}$

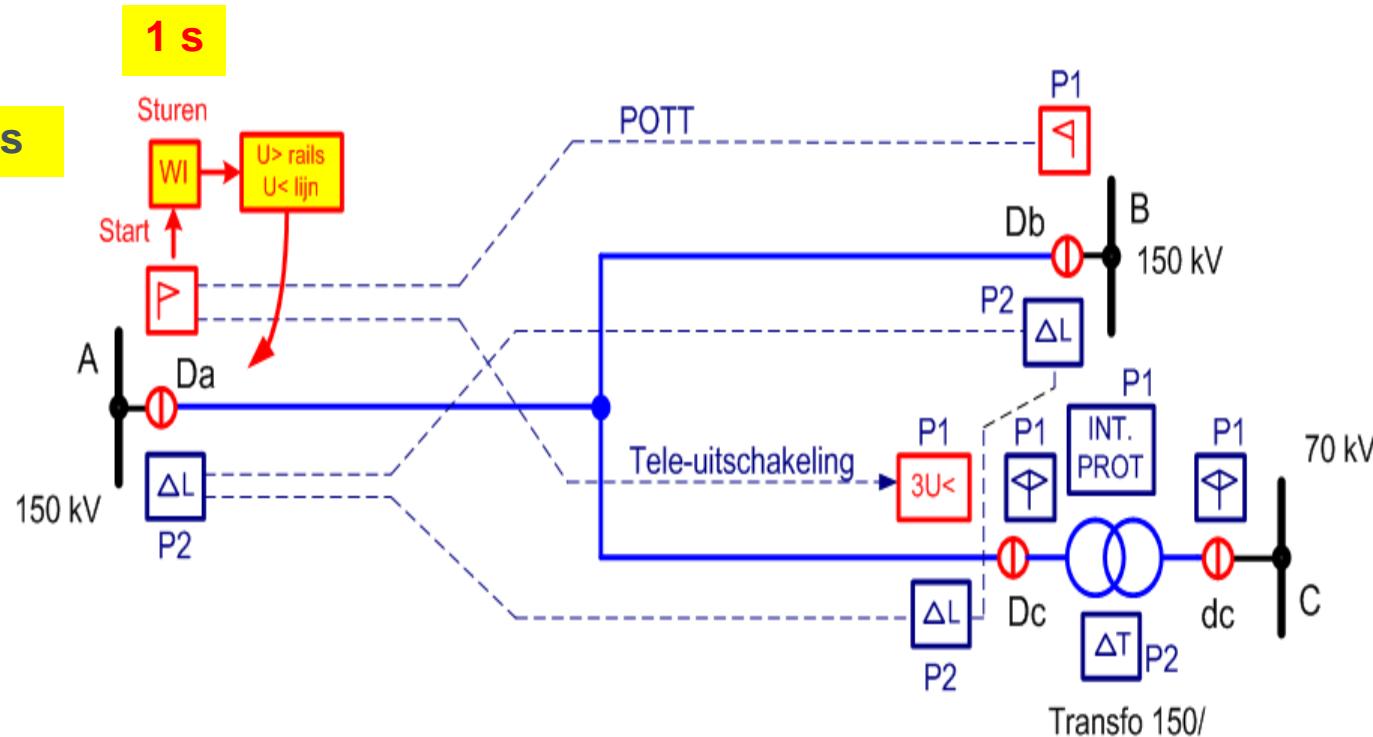


Tripped dc

Transfo 150/70 kV out of service



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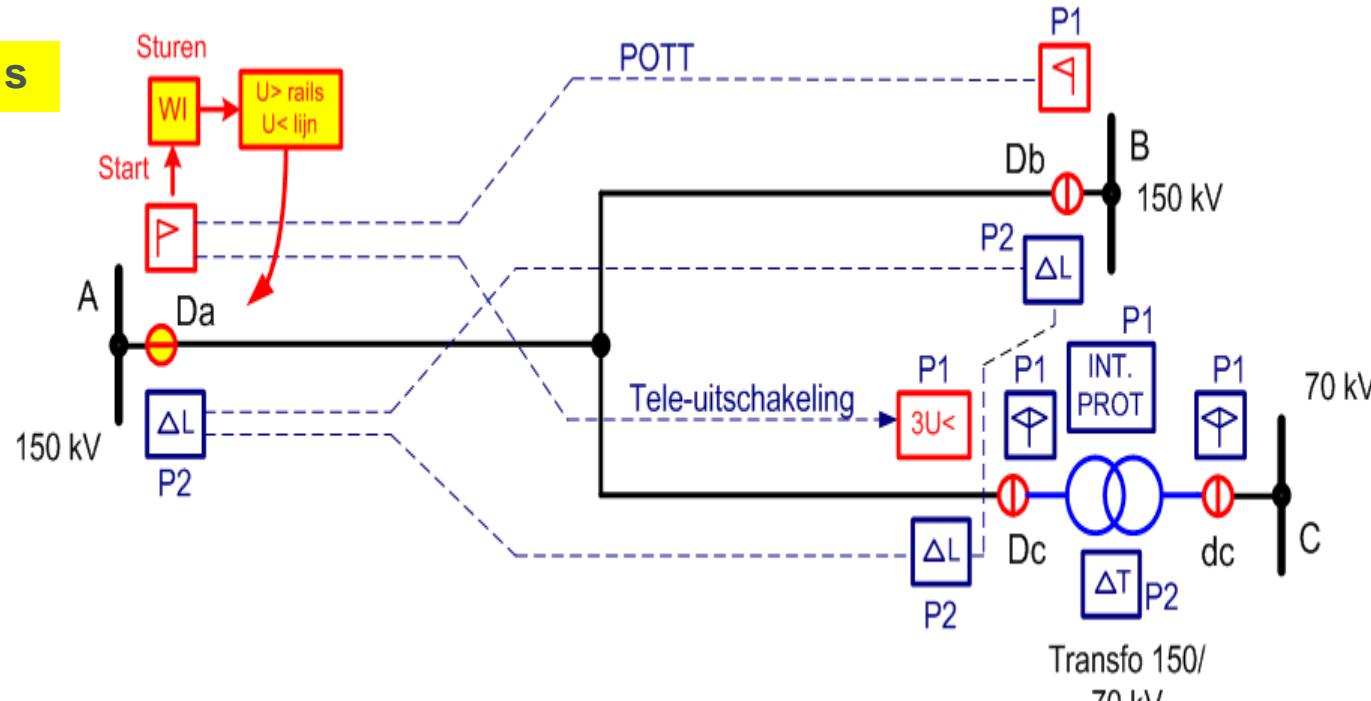


Closing order sent to circuit breaker on A side through “Send” function?



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12)  $t = \sim 1,2 \text{ s}$



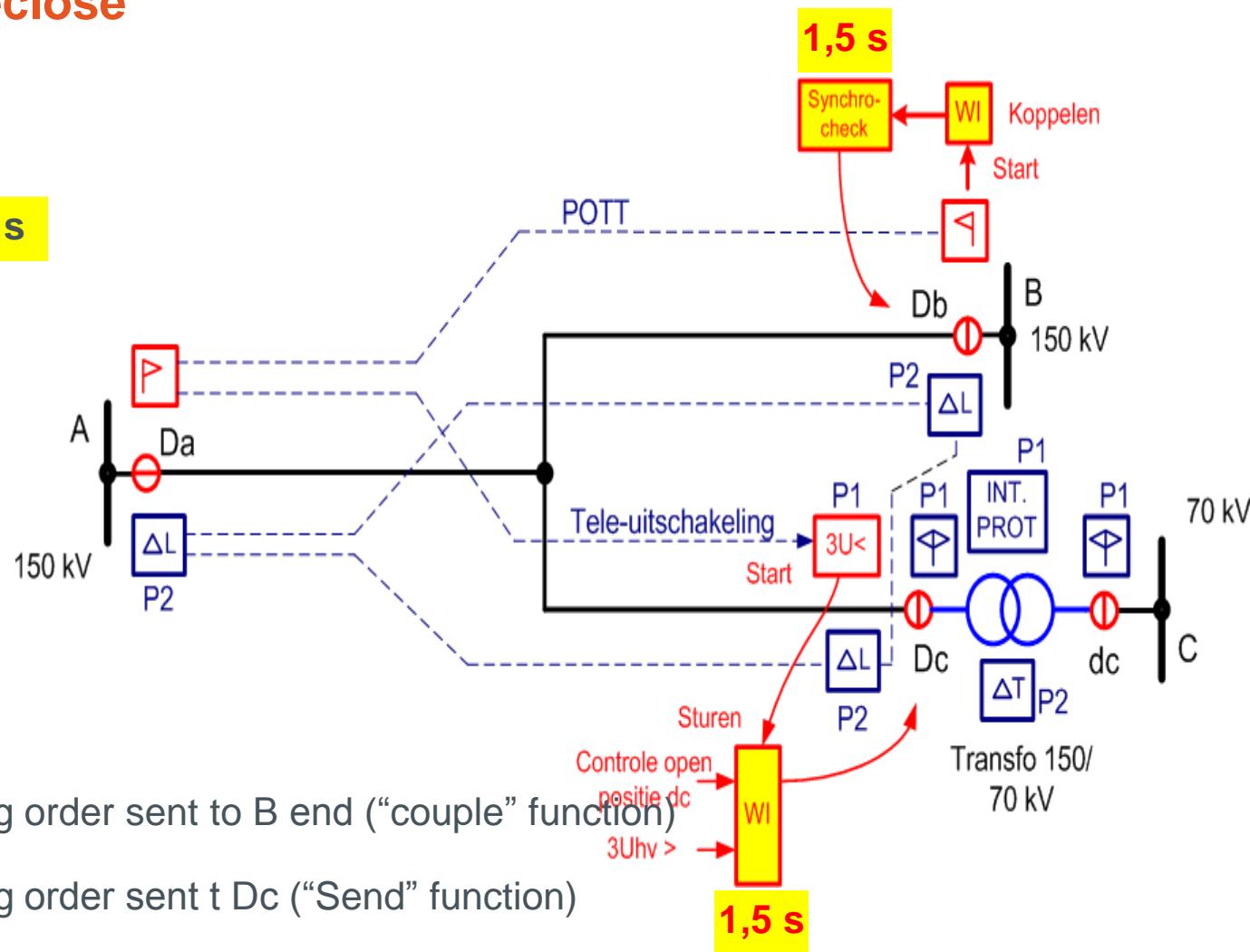
Closed Da circuit breaker

Line under voltage



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13)  $t = \sim 1,6 \text{ s}$



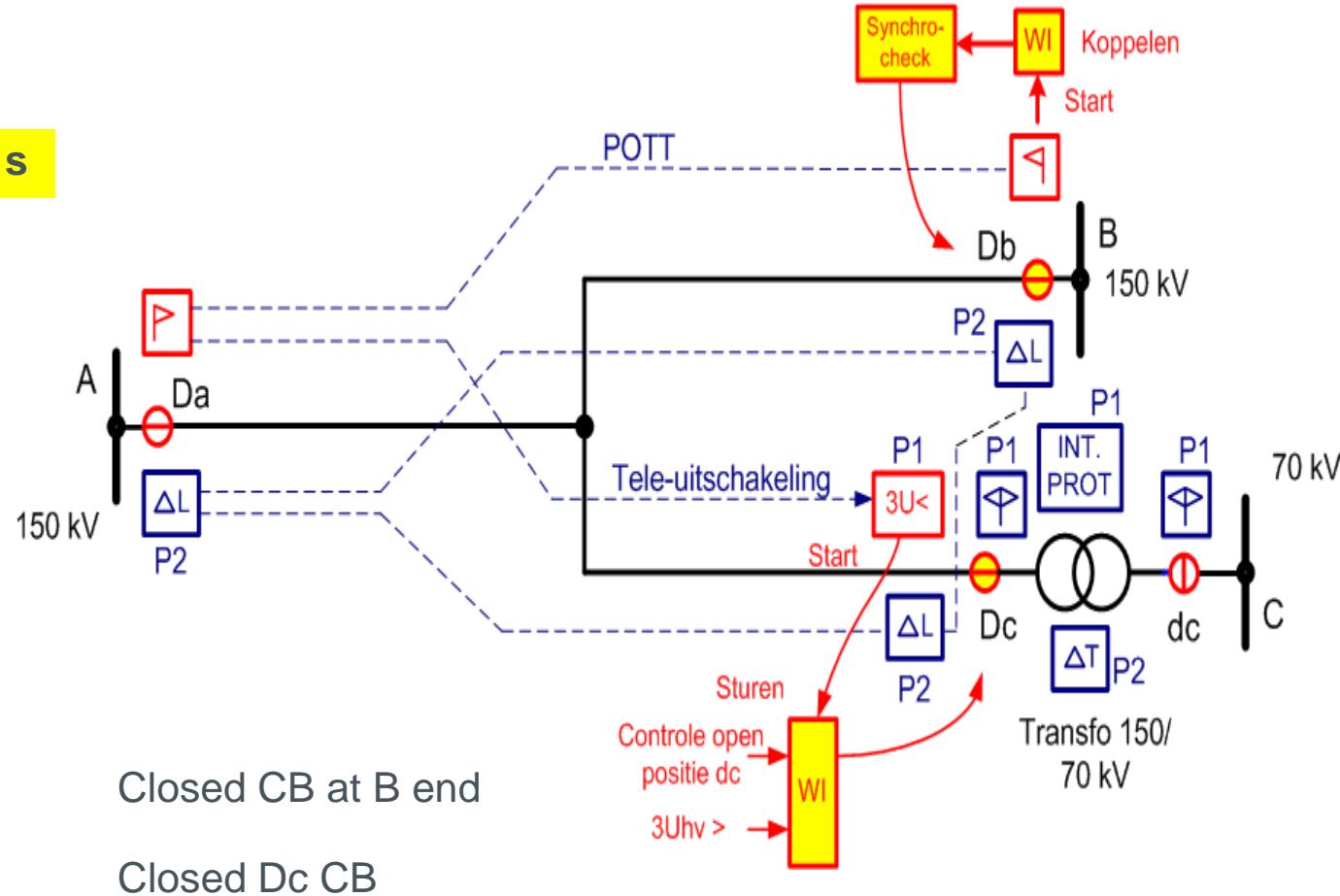
Closing order sent to B end ("couple" function)

Closing order sent to Dc ("Send" function)



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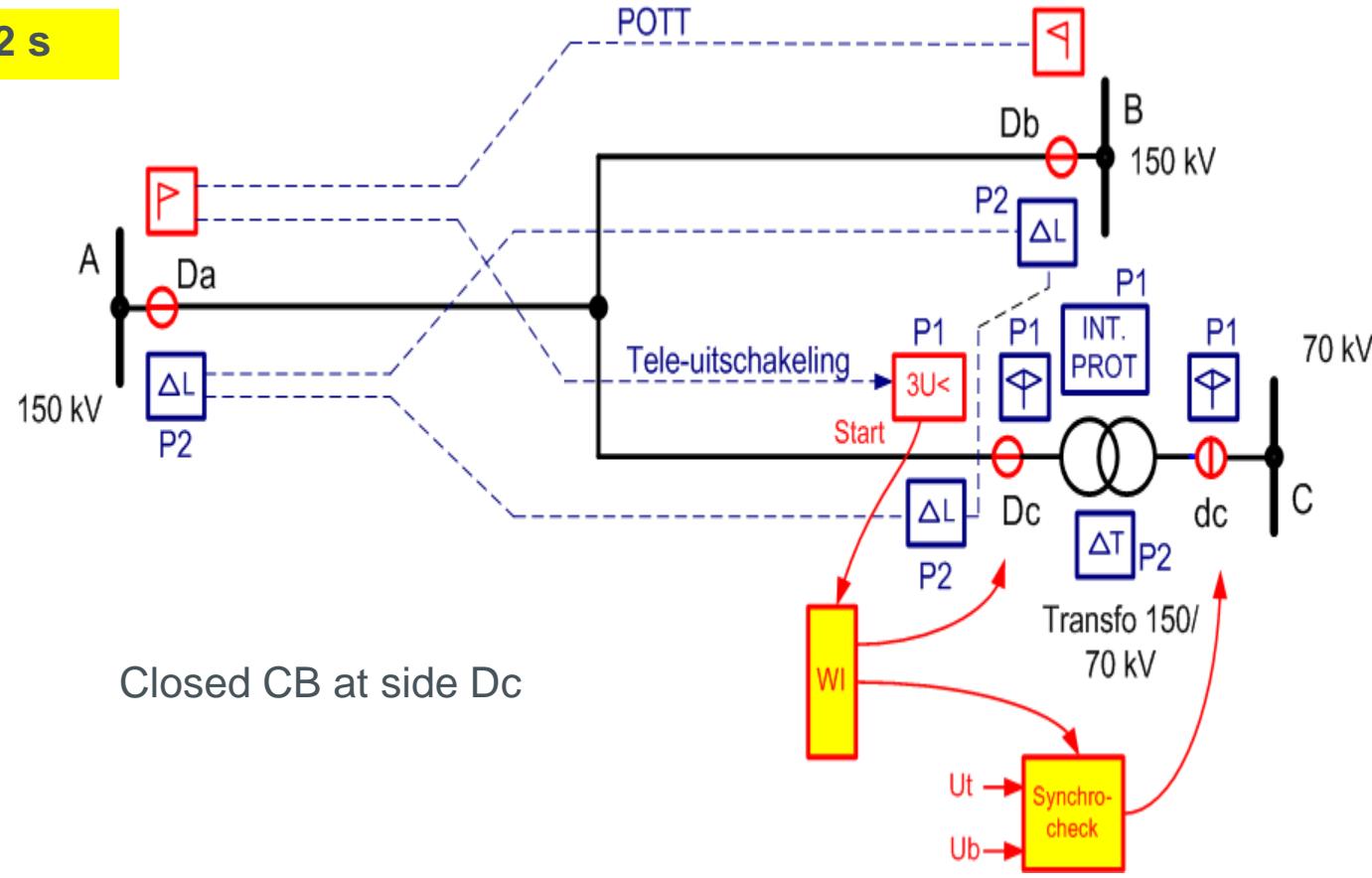
14)  $t = \sim 1,7 \text{ s}$





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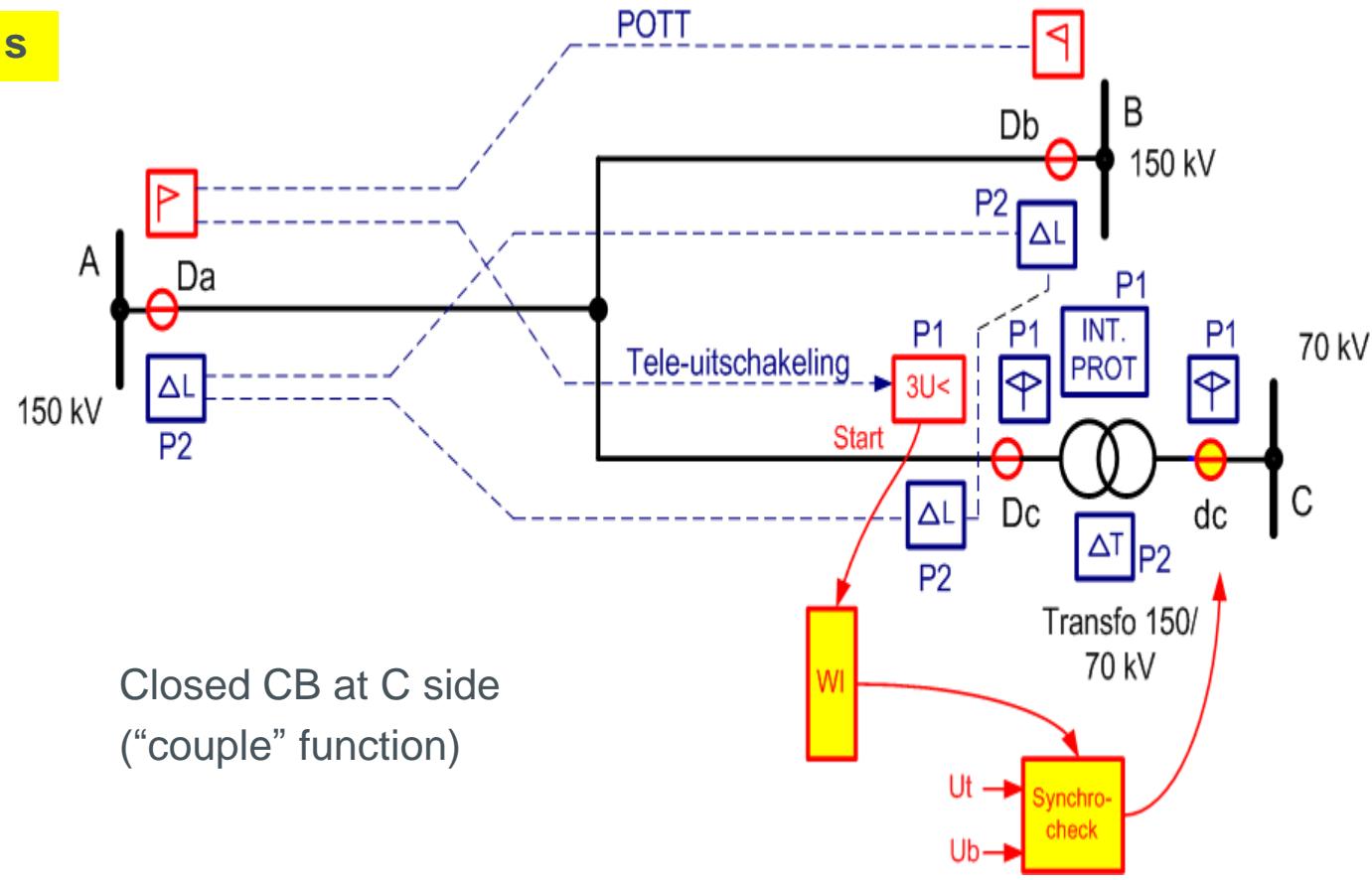
14)  $t = \sim 1,72$  s



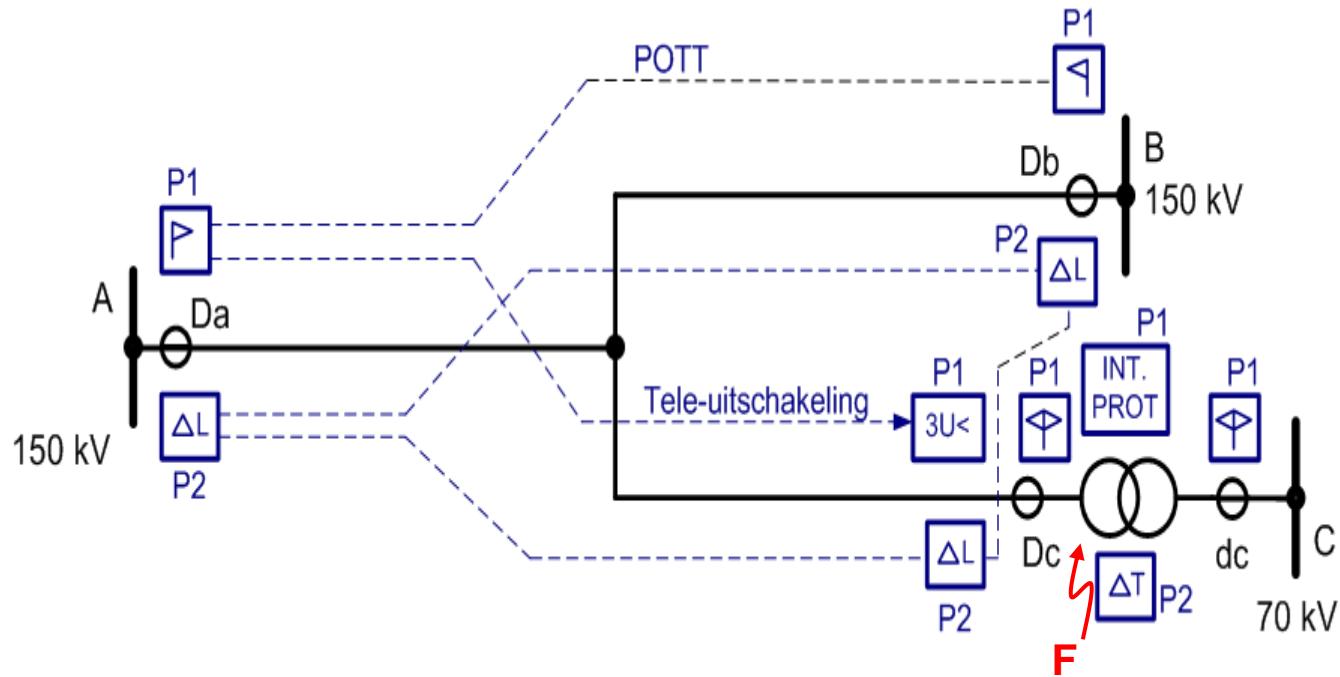


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15)  $t = \sim 1,8 \text{ s}$



# Transformer 150/70 kV teed on 150 kV interconnection line



3-phase fault between the Dc CB and the transformer.

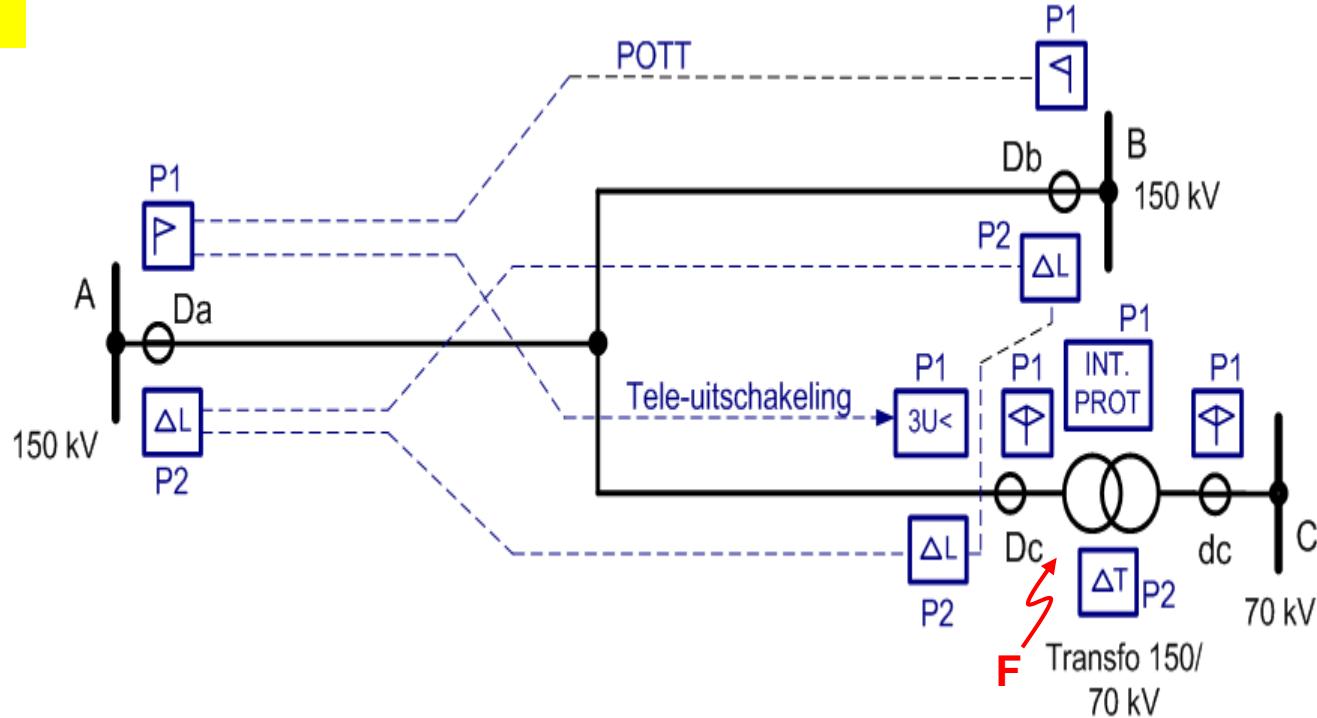
How will the fault be eliminated?

# Transformer 150/70 kV teed on 150 kV interconnection line



1)  $t = 0 \text{ ms}$

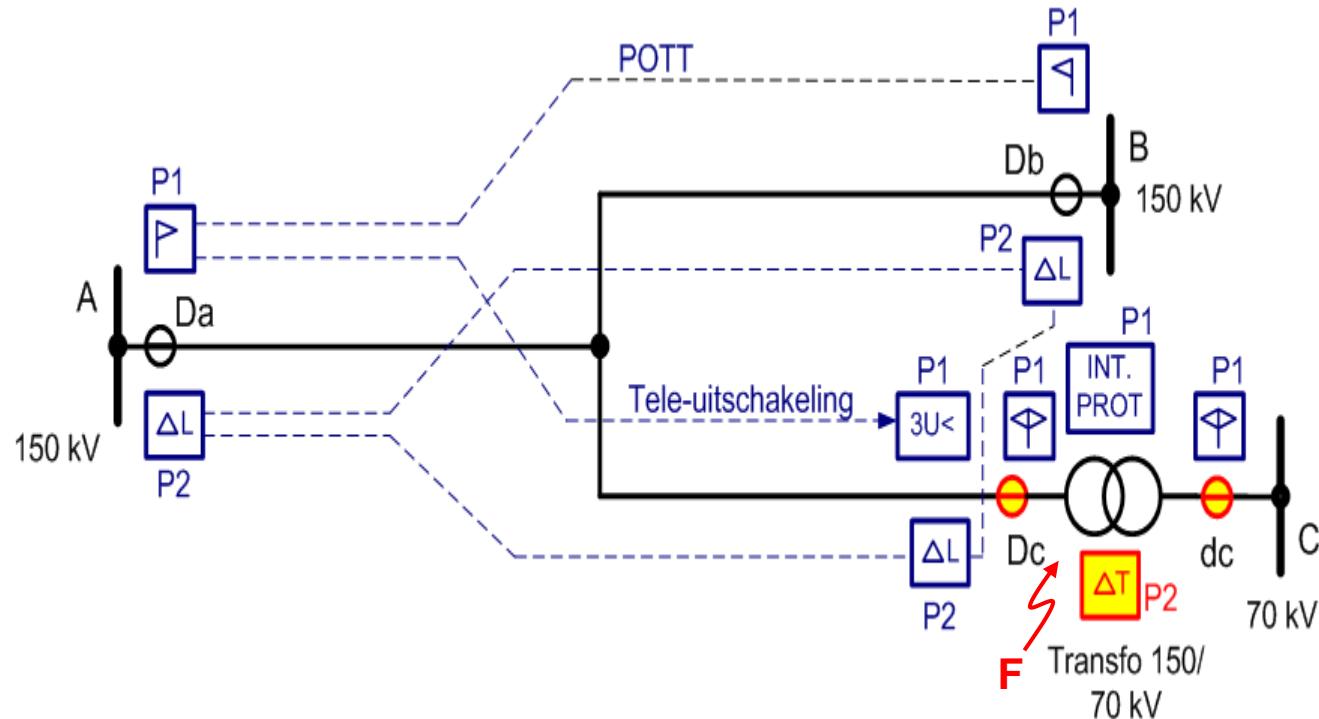
3-phase  
fault F



# Transformer 150/70 kV teed on 150 kV interconnection line



2)  $t = 25 \text{ ms}$



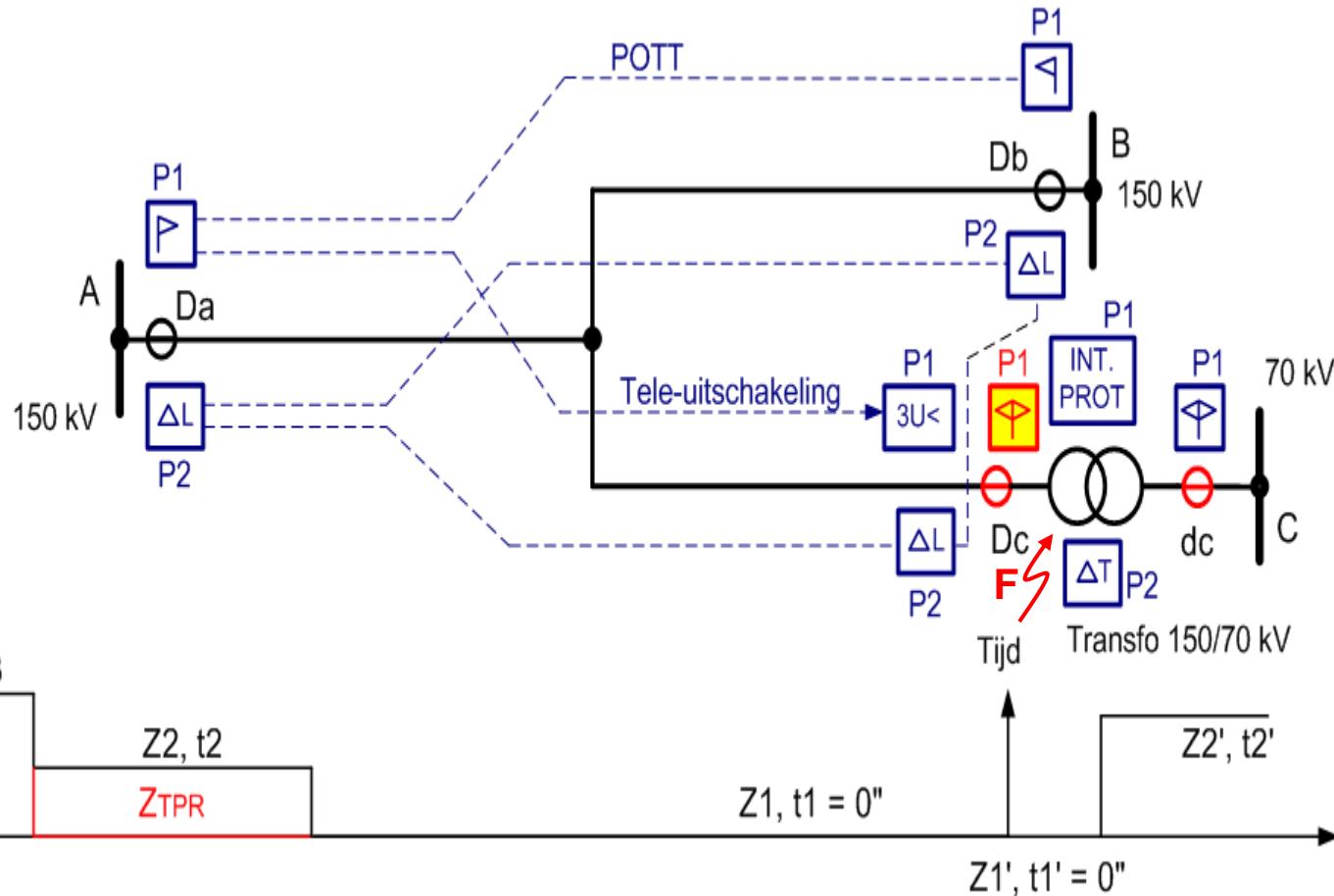
C end: tripping order sent to  $D_c$  and  $d_c$  by transformer differential protection

# Transformer 150/70 kV teed on 150 kV interconnection line

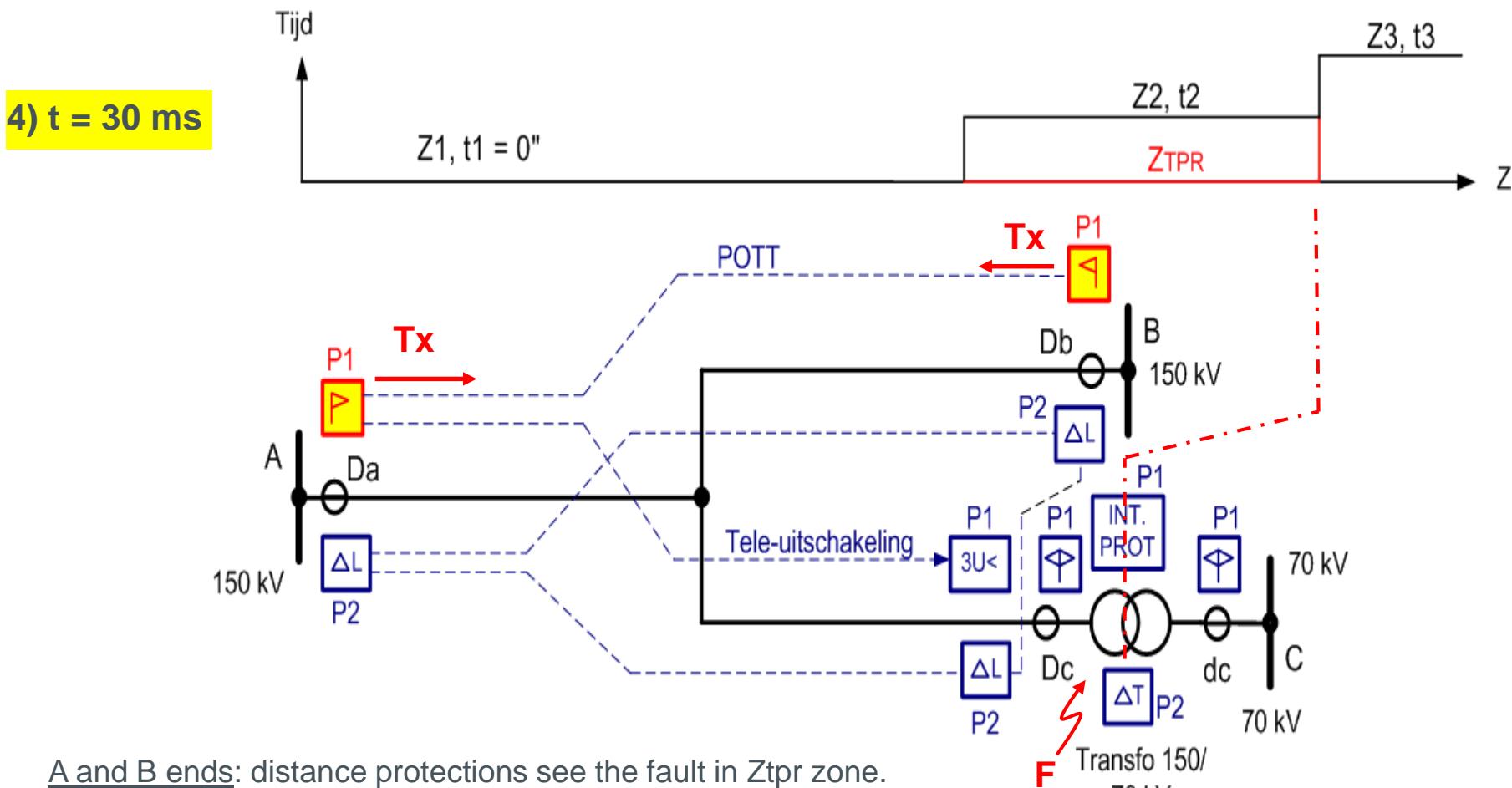


3)  $t = 30 \text{ ms}$

C end: distance protection at 150 kV side of the transformer sees the fault in the first zone towards transformer and send tripping orders to DC



# Transformer 150/70 kV teed on 150 kV interconnection line



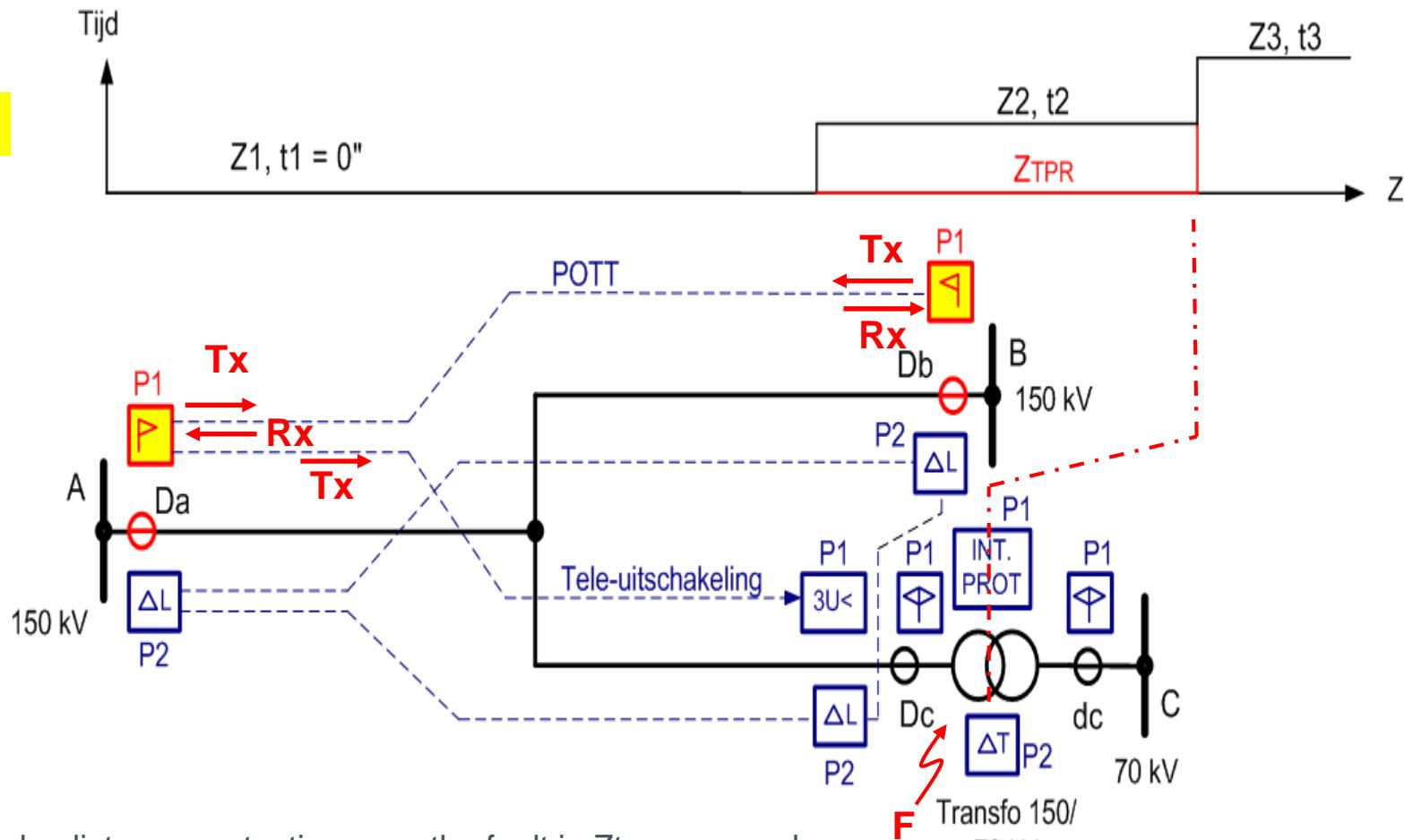
A and B ends: distance protections see the fault in  $Z_{TPR}$  zone.

Afstandsbeveiliging ziet de fout in  $Z_{TPR}$  en stuurt een POTT signaal  
to the other end

# Transformer 150/70 kV teed on 150 kV interconnection line



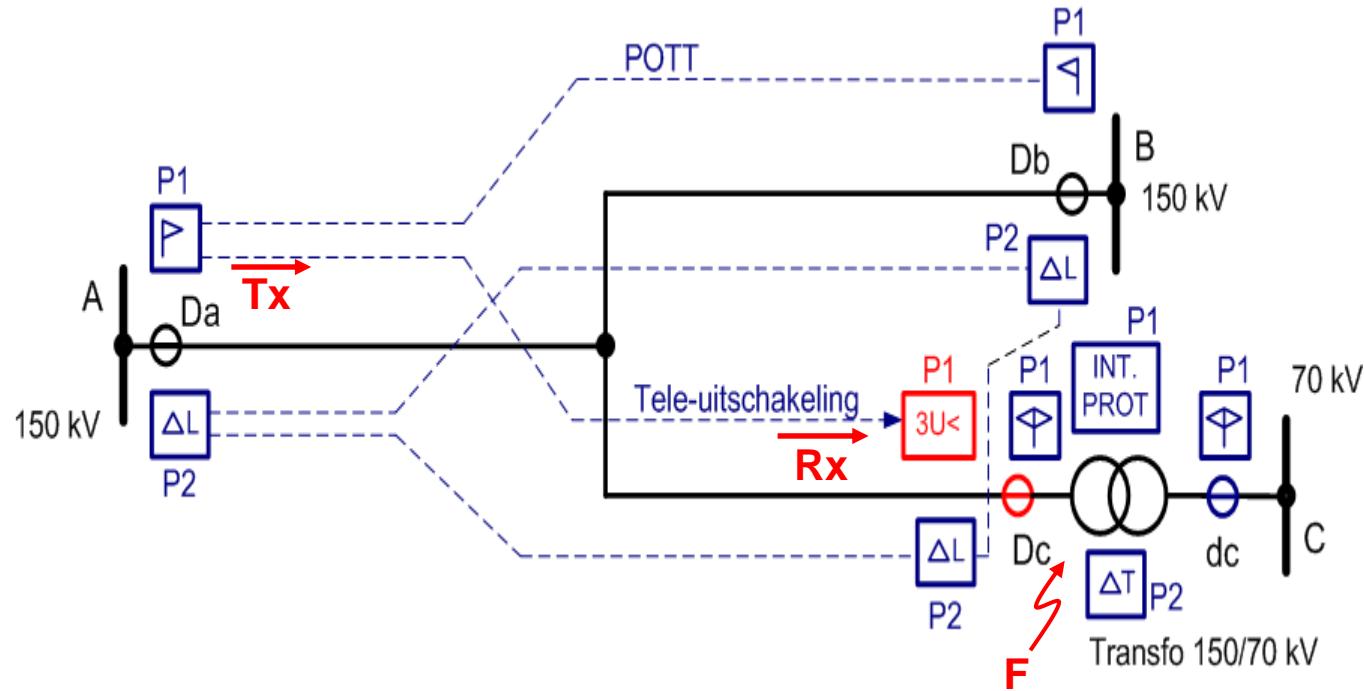
5)  $t = 40 \text{ ms}$



A and B ends: distance protections see the fault in  $Z_{TPR}$  zone and receive POTT signals.  $\Rightarrow$  tripping order sent to  $D_a$  and  $D_b$ , transmission of tripping signal towards C end



6)  $t = 60 \text{ ms}$



Reception "Rx" from A side

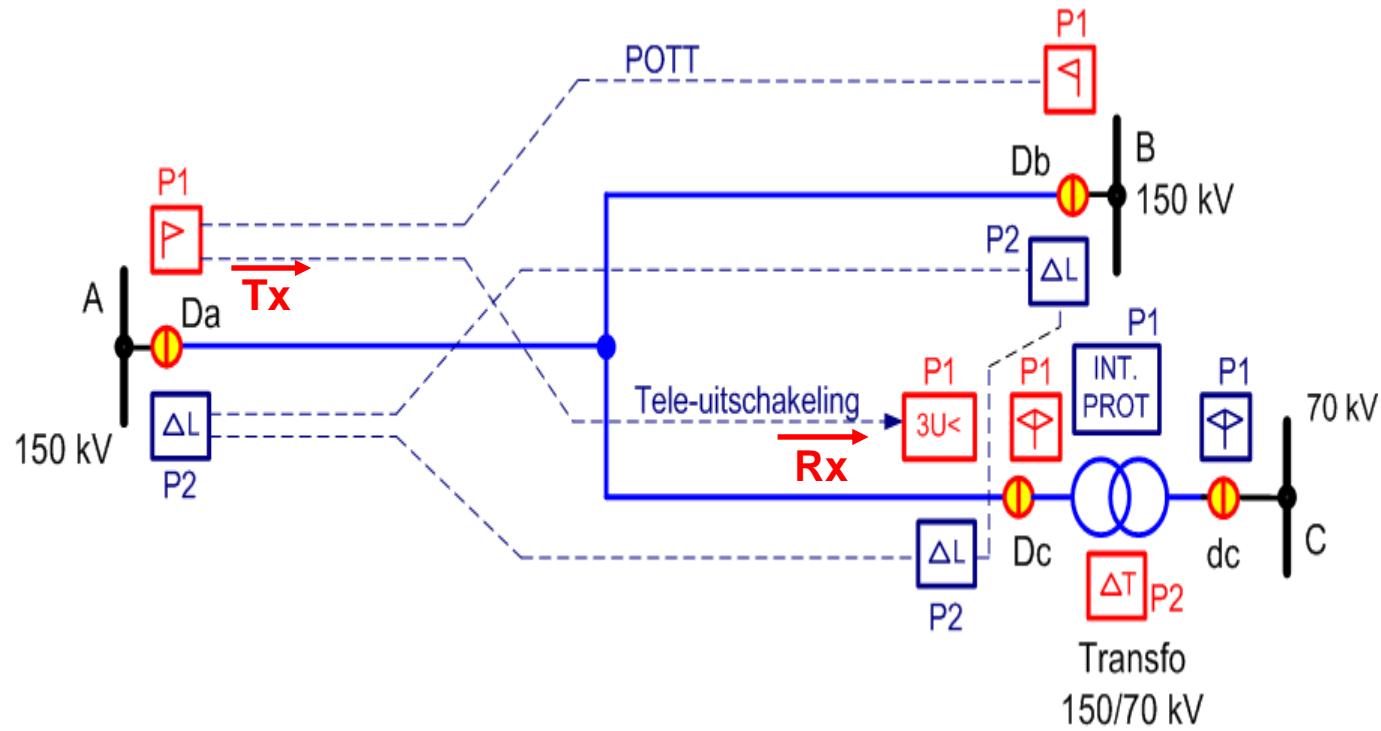
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}  $\Rightarrow$  Tripping order to Dc circuit breaker

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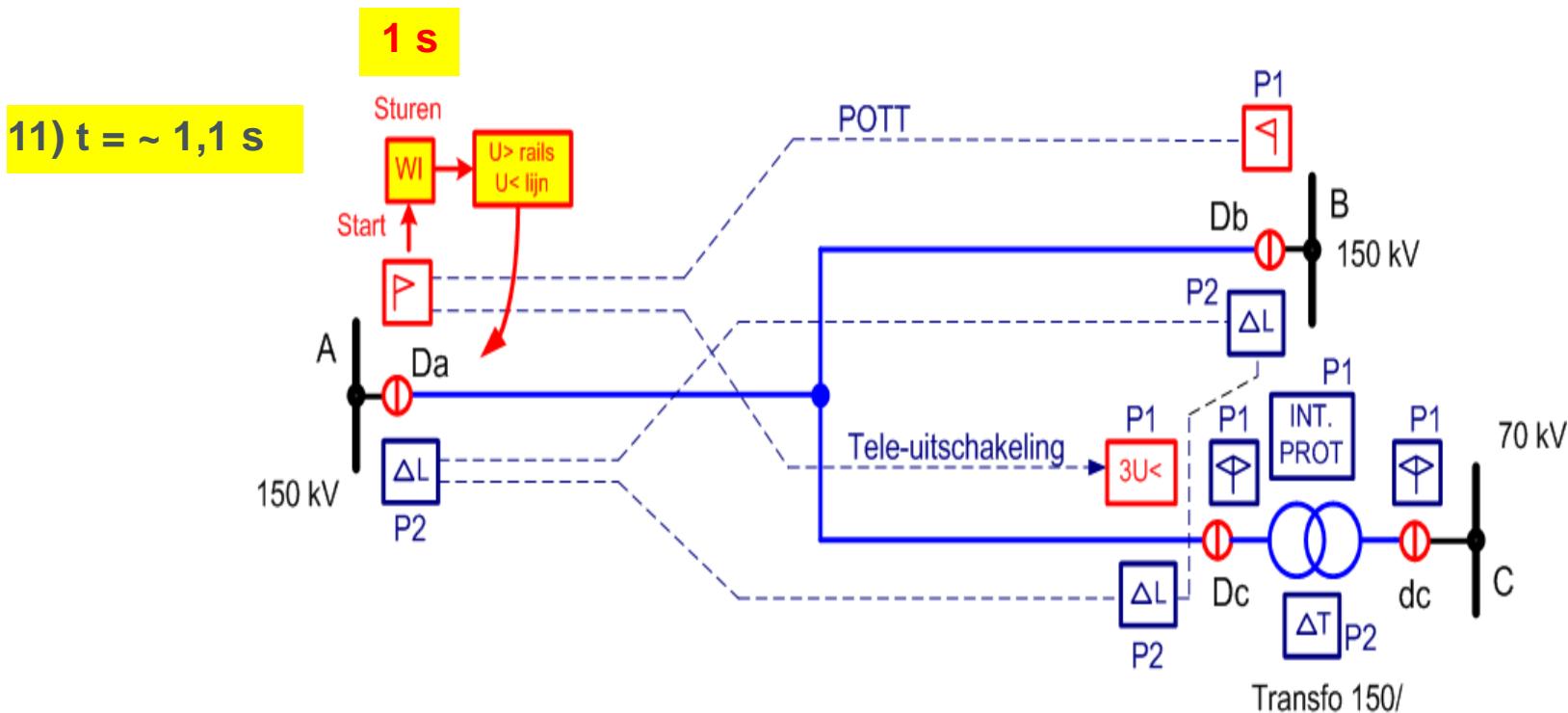


7)  $t = 80 \text{ ms} \dots 90 \text{ ms}$



Tripping Da, Db, Dc and dc  $\Rightarrow$  Fault eliminated

# Transformer 150/70 kV teed on 150 kV interconnection line

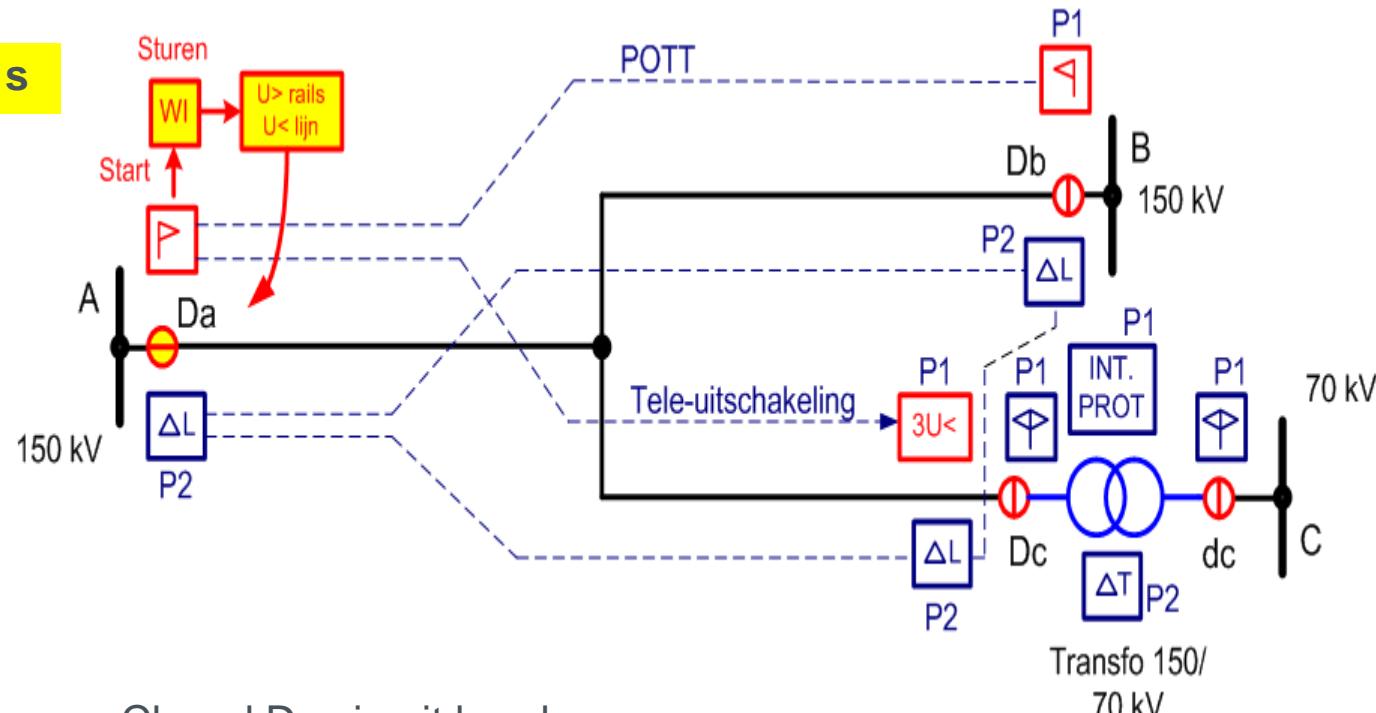


Closing order sent to circuit breaker on A side through “Send” function?

# Transformer 150/70 kV teed on 150 kV interconnection line



12)  $t = \sim 1,2 \text{ s}$



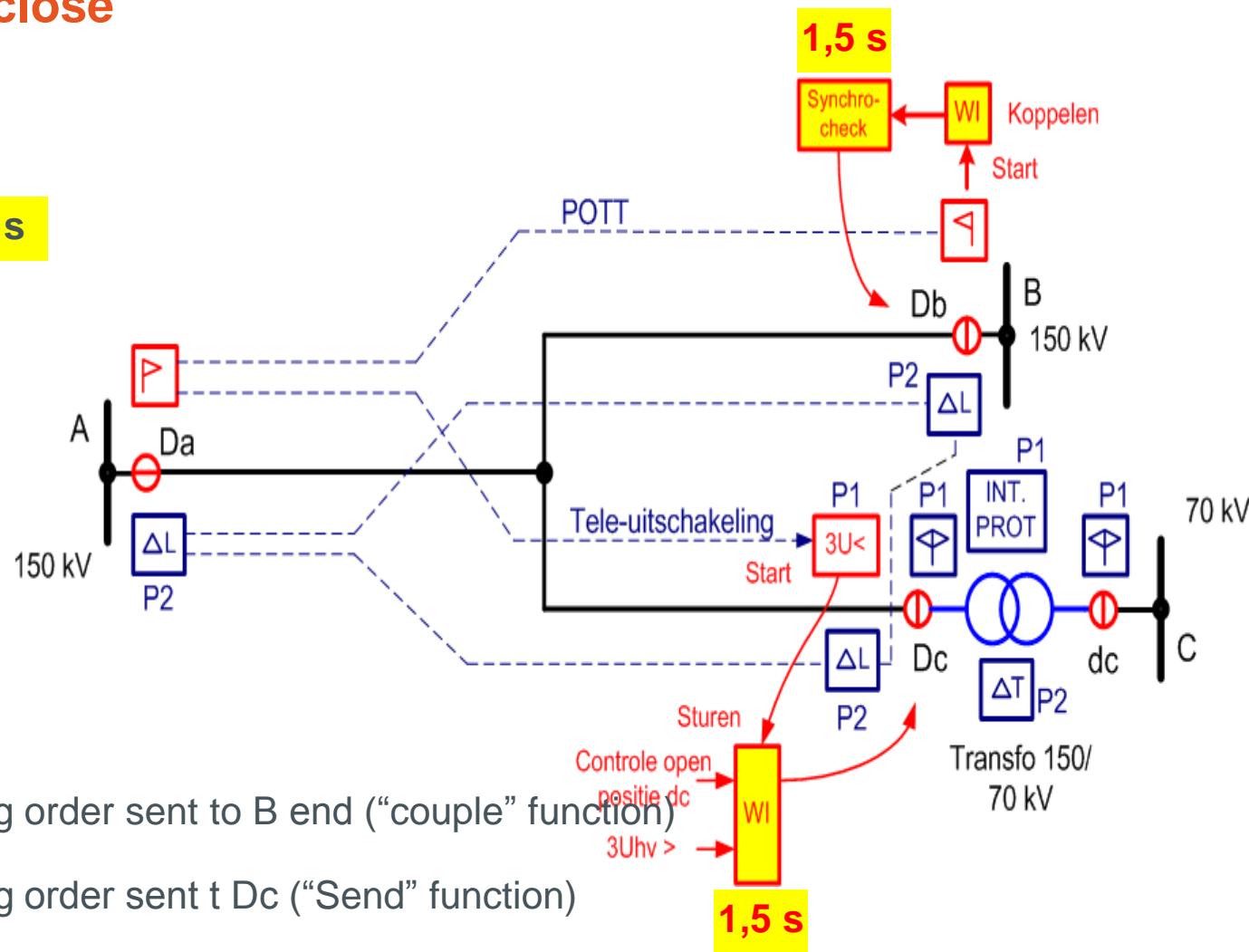
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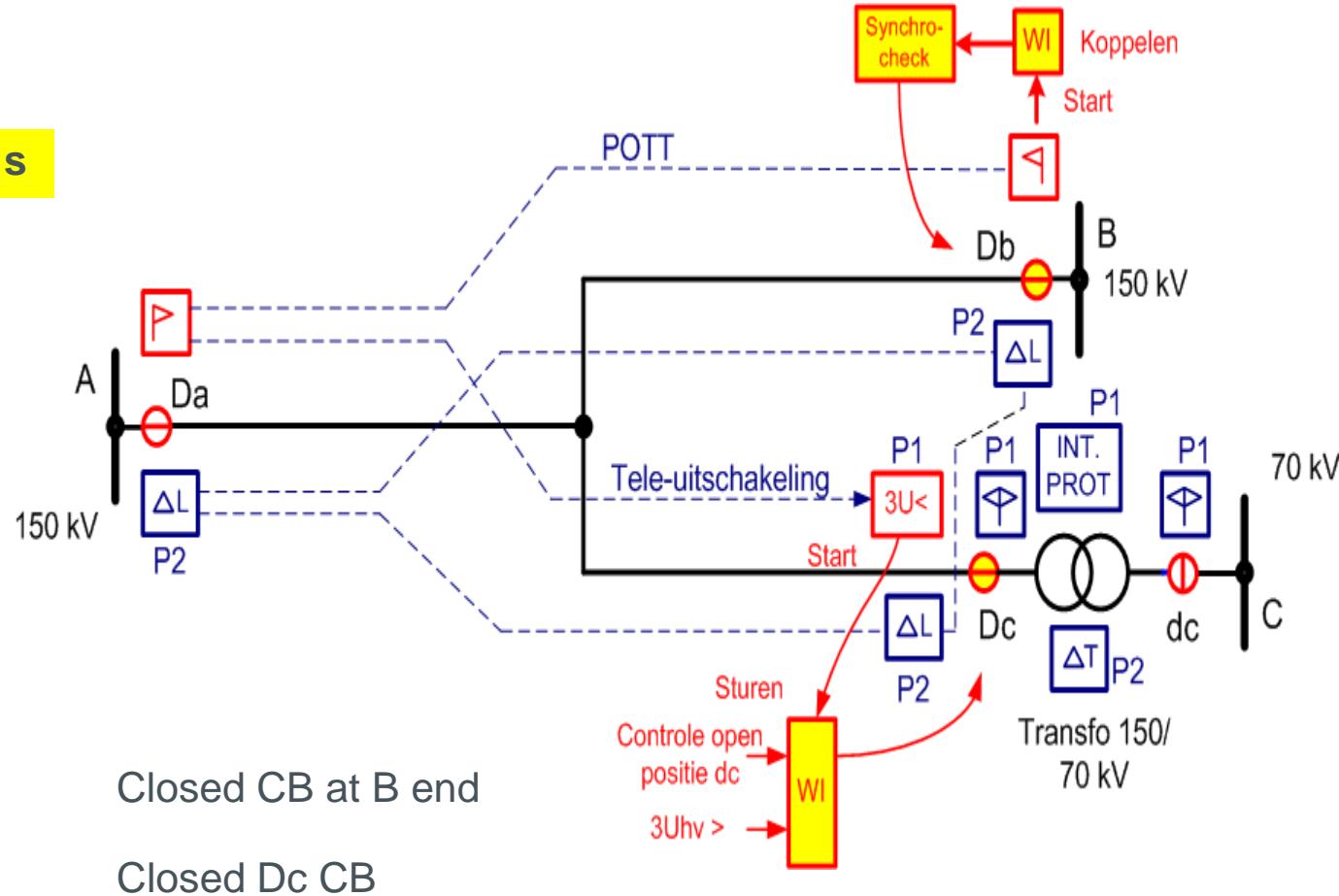
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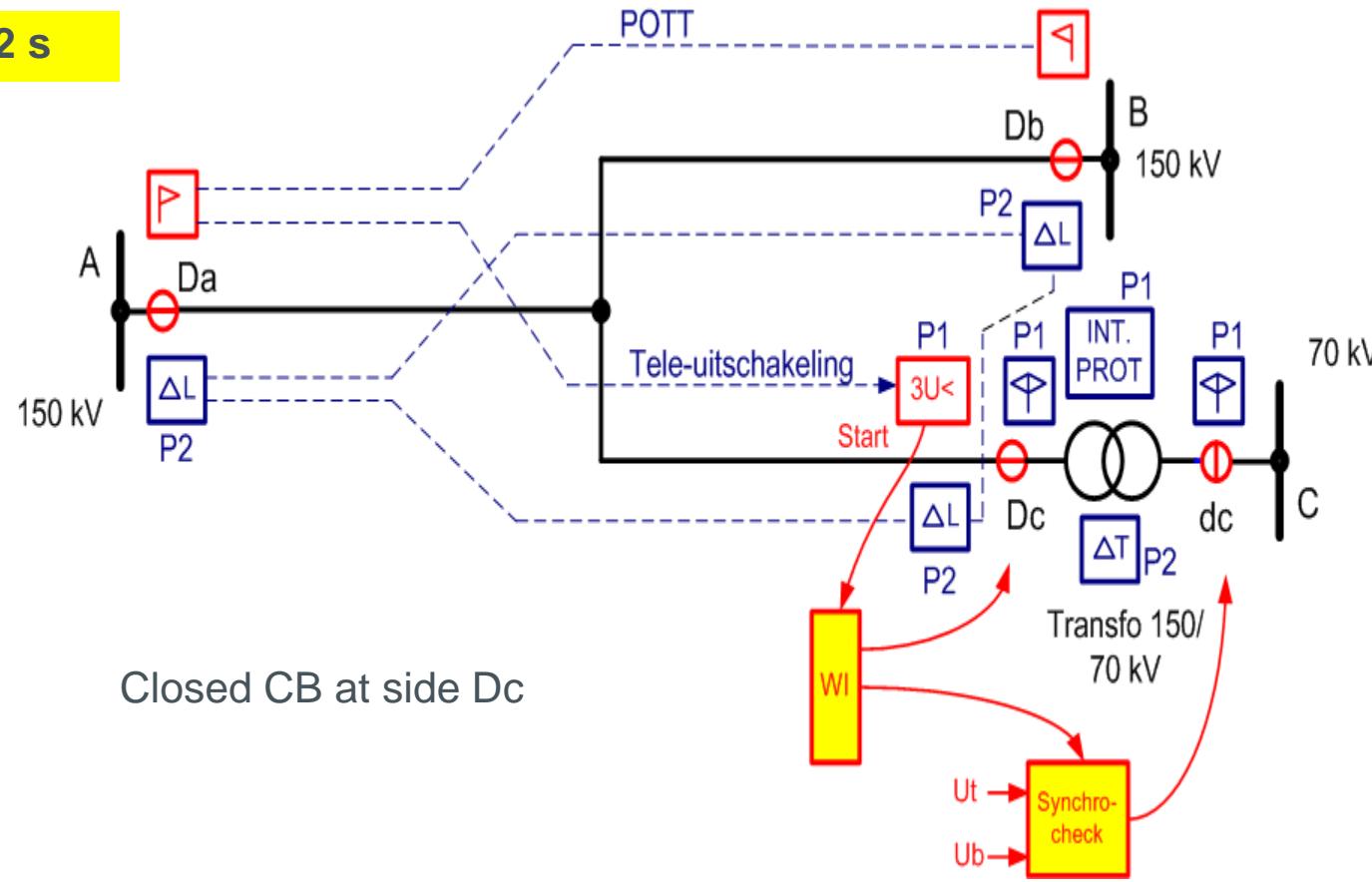
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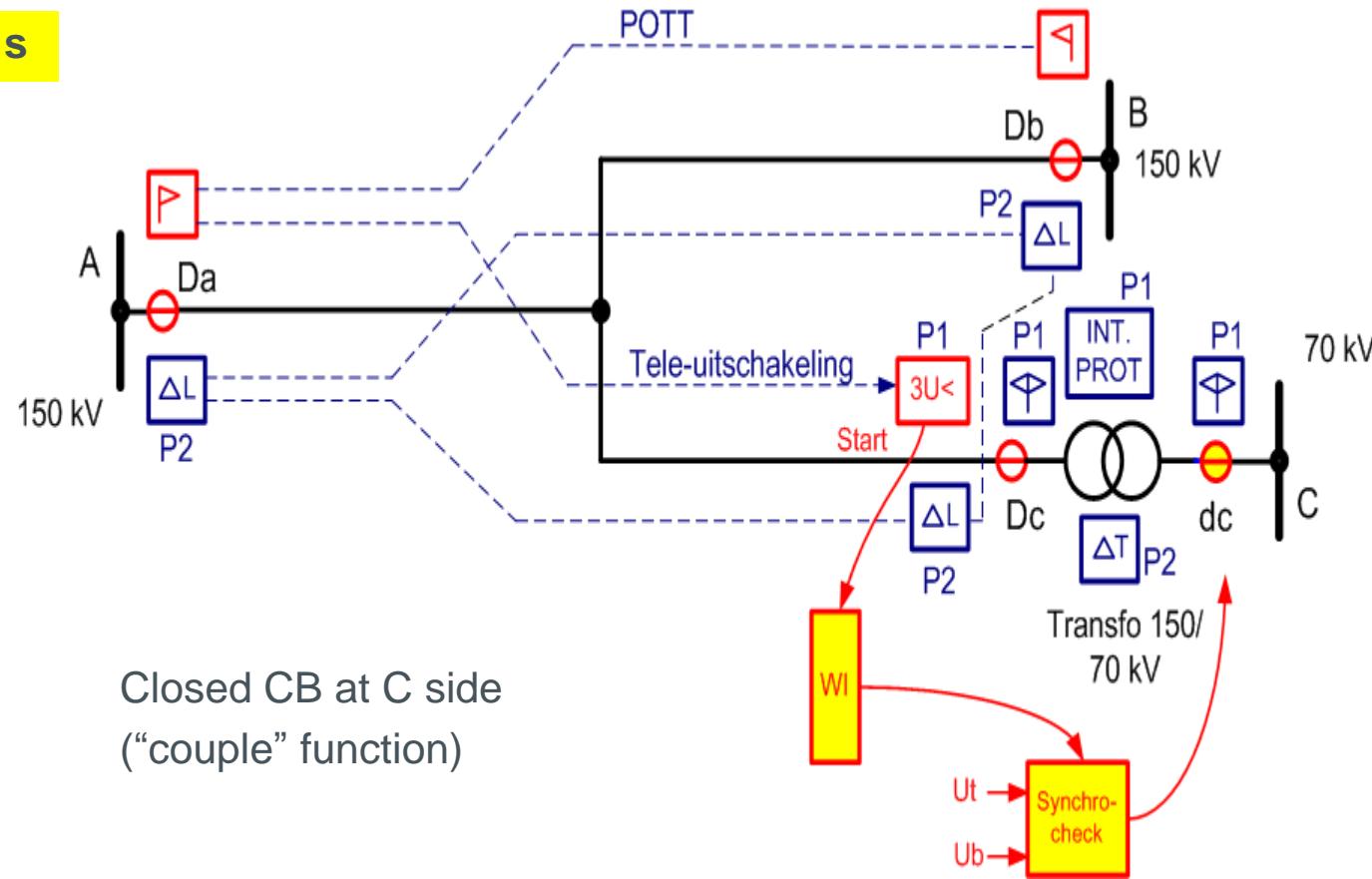
14)  $t = \sim 1,72$  s





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# Many thanks for your attention!



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