A Novel Generalized Analytical Framework to Diagnose True Radial and Axial Displacements in an Actual Transformer Winding

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Typical failures : Nascent stage



If the damage in the nascent stage is allowed to grow, it may develop into a catastrophic failure in future.

Thus, early detection of mechanical damage condition is paramount.



Objectives

- 1. Damage-condition be identified at its infancy
- 2. Its location and severity should be assessable
- 3. Accomplish the above task non-invasively, i.e., using ONLY quantities that are measurable from the terminals

Answer: FRA

- 1. Provides prerequisite sensitivity to detect such conditions
- 2. A mismatch in FRA implies a damage-situation
- 3. But, currently is limited to detection only
- 4. Unique interpretation of FRA is not yet possible





FRA : Working principle





The core-and-winding-assembly of power transformers can be seen as a complex electrical network of capacitances, inductances and resistors. A mechanical damage in the winding leads to inductance & capacitance changes. This causes a new set of natural frequencies.



Analytical correlation linking natural frequency and winding parameters



$$\frac{1}{\boldsymbol{\omega}_{sc_i}^2} = \sum_{i=1}^N L_{ii}C_{si} + \sum_{i=1}^N \mathbf{M}_{0i}C_{g_i}$$





Radial Displacement Localization









Result: RD location

$$\Delta \Psi_{scnf} = \widehat{\Psi}_{scnf} - \Psi_{scnf}$$

= 6.5302 - 5.6080 = 0.9223
$$\Delta C_g = \widehat{C}_G - C_G = 0.047 \ nF$$
$$M_{0f} = \Delta \Psi_{scnf} / \Delta C_g = 19.6227 \ mH$$

x (disk-pair number)





RD: Assessment of Severity











Proportionality of $\Delta \Psi_{scnf}$ w.r.t. Severity

Disk	extent		$\Delta \Psi_{scnf}$				
pair	(mm)	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th	
4	3	69.1	354	536	718	886	0.0687
4	4	68.8	348	531	718	888	0.1236
4	5	68.5	345	529	718	886	0.1751
7	3	68.6	354	548	714	889	0.1428
7	4	67.6	346	547	710	888	0.3137
7	5	67.2	345	548	707	888	0.3812
10	3	68	362	541	715	889	0.2315
10	4	66.7	361	536	714	889	0.4499
10	5	65.7	361	535	713	888	0.6251
10	6	63.7	359	533	712	886	1.0025



Axial Displacement





The monotonic variation of

 $\Delta \Psi_{scnf}$ is the key to localize the change. This property is used for locating and assessing the severity of an RD

An AD involves a large number of inductance changes as well as capacitance changes. So, handling AD is more involved. But, monotonicity of $\Delta \Psi_{scnf}$ can be used to advantage for the task of localization



AD: varying degree







Performance of the algorithm independent of the location or the extent of AD

Table 4.5: CASE-B: RESULTS FOR AD WITH VARYING EXTENT OF DISPLACEMENT

Disk	Extent of	SCNFs (kHz)					ΔC_g	ΔL_{eq}	Location	Estimated
pair	AD (cm)	1^{st}	2^{nd}	$3^{\rm rd}$	4^{th}	5^{th}	(nF)	(mH)		extent (cm)
4-5	0.6	42.3	283	482	694	862	0.047	-0.55	$5.7 \Rightarrow D5-D6$	0.3089t = 0.52
	1.4	42.4	278	473	700	845	0.075	-1.03	$5.9 \Rightarrow D5-D6$	0.599t = 1.01
	2.0	42.4	275	470	695	842	0.087	-1.68	$5.8 \Rightarrow D5\text{-}D6$	1.026t = 1.74
9-10	0.6	42.0	287	477	684	870	0.038	-0.59	$8.5 \Rightarrow D8-D9$	0.3323t = 0.56
	1.4	41.5	289	461	681	870	0.058	-1.13	$9.1 \Rightarrow D9-D10$	0.7313t = 1.24
	2.0	41.1	288	455	678	870	0.092	-1.78	$8.5 \Rightarrow D8-D9$	1.0954t = 1.85



Conclusions

- Analytical framework established for FRA diagnosis
- New relationships derived to correlate winding parameters to natural frequencies
- RD and AD in an actual winding can be located, its severities can also be assessed
- Future scope: Existing formulation has to be extended for diagnosis of other types of damages



Thank you for your kind attention

Questions?

