Application of DC micro-circuit breakers in power grids

Cheaper non-isolated dc/dc converters offer dc voltage tapping and matching and power regulation but they are unable to prevent pole-shifting during pole-to-ground dc fault. To date hybrid dc circuit breakers target dc ...

A high-voltage DC circuit breaker is one of the key equipment that constructs the DC power grid. Therefore, reducing the peak value of the breaking current and shortening the fault removal time ...

AC/DC conversion technologies have improved greatly recently, in order to operate a practical HVDC grid, circuit breaker technology still doesn"t exist to satisfactorily isolate a single branch line of the grid, meaning that the whole grid would have to be shut down in the event of a malfunction.

This paper proposes a novel bidirectional DC solid-state circuit breaker to reinforce the bidirectional flow of energy which significantly boosts the overall efficiency of the power supply of DC ...

The direct current circuit breaker (DCCB) is extensively employed in DC microgrid applications to protect the network during faults. However, numerous DC converters are combined in parallel to form a DC microgrid, which creates a large network inductance.

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Due to the extremely fast rise of current when a DC fault occurs in the DC grid, DC circuit breakers must complete DC fault opening and clearing within a very short time, which places high demands on the reliability and quick action of the circuit breakers. ... Proceedings of the 17th European Conference on Power Electronics and Applications in ...

The DC circuit breakers which comprises of mechanical, solid-state and hybrid breakers are mostly applied in domestic and industrial applications that employ the use of direct current (DC ...

Due to its many prominent advantages such as flexible and independent active and reactive power control, capable of providing dynamic reactive power compensation, no distance limitation, no commutation failure issues, VSC-HVDC has many applications which cannot be achieved with the conventional line commutated converter (LCC)-based HVDC, ...

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DC circuit breakers (DCCBs) are the key equipment to rapidly interrupt the fault current in high-voltage DC power grids and ensure the safe operation of the system. However, most DCCBs do not take current-limiting measures and rely solely on current-limiting reactors in the system to limit the rate of current rise during the interruption process. The extensive use of ...

In recent years, with the rapid development of high-voltage flexible direct current (DC) transmission systems, more and more multi-port high-voltage DC systems have been successfully put into operation. Therefore, the number of connecting ports on the DC bus is gradually increasing, which necessitates higher requirements for clearing fault current. To ...

Until now, many studies have been conducted on DC circuit breakers. Representative DC circuit breakers can be classified into three types [8][9][10]: mechanical circuit breaker (MCB) [11,12 ...

First, the fault mechanism and fault current calculation associated with the DC converter are analysed in this study; subsequently, a multiport superconducting fault-current-limiting circuit breaker (SFCLCB) suitable for a ...

However, DC fault clearing is still a challenge hindering the wide application of MTDC grids. For a DC fault that occurs at DC line, the first solution is to use the traditional AC circuit breakers to cut off the entire DC system, but this will result in power interruption and reduced reliability .

The development of flexible AC transmission and multi-terminal DC grid is in an urgent demand for DC circuit breaker (DCCB) technology with faster switching speed, strong breaking capacity, higher reliability, and a better economy. In this paper, mechanical DCCBs, solid-state DCCBs, and hybrid DCCBs are discussed and summarized.

Abstract The direct-current circuit breaker (DCCB) is the most ideal choice for DC fault isolation in DC grids. Despite a late start, China"s research and development on the DCCB have made ...

The RESs are generally distributed in nature and could be integrated and managed with the DC microgrids in large-scale. Integration of RESs as distributed generators involves the utilization of AC/DC or DC/DC power converters [7], [8].The Ref. [9] considers load profiles and renewable energy sources to plan and optimize standalone DC microgrids for ...

dc-dc Converters: Isolated F2F dc-dc converters offer many desirable features for reliable operation of dc grids such as prevention of dc fault propagation and pole shifting in the healthy side during pole-to-pole (P2P) and ...

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reliable, fast and low-loss circuit breaker. In spite of the advantages of DC gird such as low loss and no reactive power, DC grid has major disadvantages concerning control and switch actions. A new hybrid breaker with forced commutation is proposed in this paper, which is able ...

1 Introduction. DC circuit breakers (CBs) have not traditionally been used at transmission levels since almost all the voltage-source converters high-voltage, direct current (VSC-HVDC) systems have been developed as ...

A modular bidirectional solid-state DC circuit breaker for LV and MVDC grid applications. IEEE J. Emerg. Sel. Top. Power Electron., 10 (6) (2022), pp. 7760-7771. ... Operation and transient performance of a four-terminal MMC based DC grid implementing high power mechanical DC circuit breaker. J. Eng., 2019 (18) (2019), pp. 5167-5171. Crossref ...

In this paper, a novel bidirectional dc solid-state circuit breaker is proposed to realize the bidirectional flow of energy, which ensures the higher operating efficiency of the dc ...

Detection of shorted DC faults and high-resistance faults on ring type low-voltage DC (LVDC) micro-grids imposes an elusive challenge. This research work proposes an efficient and reliable protection scheme for DC ...

They are often used in electrical grids, including substations and power plants because they can interrupt high currents without damage and have a long service life with minimal maintenance requirements. ... Applications of Circuit Breakers. Circuit breakers find applications in various settings: ... . DC power = I2R= (P1+P2+P3 +& hellip;PN)/N ...

The DC grid is an important direction which the future of the power grid is moving towards due to its advantages of flexible power allocation, high system efficiency, large power supply capacity, and good power quality, as well as flexible access to distributed power sources, energy storage devices and DC loads [1, 2]. The complexity and diversity of DC grid"s main ...

Mechanical DC circuit breakers in the breaking due to its inherent action time and the existence of arc, will lead to the entire segmentation process takes a long time, reaching tens of ...

DC circuit breaker (DCCB): Another protective devices are DC circuit breaker which are used in the DC micro-grid. DCCB can replace the fuses and improve the operating condition the systems. The arc extinguishing time is longer for DCCB due to the nature of the direct current systems, where voltage is continuous.

And a test platform for the self-designed prototype of hybrid DC circuit breaker was designed to simulate DC short-circuit fault under the micro-grid voltage level of 400 V and to conduct breaking ...

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The paper presents a discussion of the current status of dc micro-grid protection, including the use of electro-mechanical circuit breakers, solid state circuit breakers, protective system design ...

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