Practical

ELECTRICAL NETWORK AUTOMATION & COMMUNICATION SYSTEMS



YOU WILL LEARN:

- The requirements for data communications in an electrical environment
- The suitability of different communication protocols for automation of power distribution and transmission networks
- New techniques in electrical protection, leading to increased reliability, performance and safety to personnel
- How to obtain extensive real-time information of your power network via SCADA, leading to informed decisions and productive use of manpower
- How to implement local and remote control of switchgear, including interlocking and intelligent load shedding
- How to effectively compare and critically analyse different products and systems available for protection, control and automation of electrical power networks

WHO SHOULD ATTEND:

- Electrical Engineers
- Control Engineers
- Project Engineers
- Design Engineers
- Consulting Engineers
- Power System Engineers
- Protection Engineers
- Technicians
- Maintenance Supervisors



THE WORKSHOP

Power System Automation is the cutting-edge technology in electrical engineering. It means having an intelligent, inter-active power distribution and transmission network including:

- increased performance and reliability of electrical protection
- advanced disturbance and event recording capabilities, aiding in detailed electrical fault analyses
- display of real-time substation information in a central control centre
- remote switching and advanced supervisory control over the power network
- increased integrity and safety of the electrical power network, including advanced interlocking functions
- advanced automation functions e.g. intelligent load-shedding

WORKSHOP OBJECTIVES

This practical 2-day workshop will enable you to:

- identify the suitability of different communication protocols for the electrical environment
- evaluate the communication requirements for your specific circumstances
- apply new protection techniques to increase reliability and performance while reducing costs
- implement advanced real-time monitoring and metering techniques of your electrical network by implementing local and remote control
- specify the requirements for SCADA regarding your electrical network and substations
- recognise and evaluate the practical and economic benefits automating your power network can bring to your workplace

PRACTICAL SESSIONS

Participants will be given the vital hands-on experience needed to confidently work with this cutting-edge technology. On the second day of the workshop, there will be a demonstration of a Substation Automation System at work and the opportunity to configure a multi-function relay, communication link and SCADA system.

THE PROGRAM

DAY ONE

INTRODUCTION

 Discussion of concepts involved in automating power distribution and transmission networks

HISTORICAL DEVELOPMENT

 Short overview of technical developments in related industries

ELECTRICAL PROTECTION

- Short overview of the fundamentals of electrical protection
- New techniques in protection using intelligent relays
- Designing more advanced and economical protection schemes

CONTROL, MONITORING AND METERING

- Local intelligence and Intelligent Electronic Devices (IEDs)
- Limitations of conventional RTU systems and PLCs
- Modern trends

DATA COMMUNICATIONS IN AN ELECTRICAL ENVIRONMENT

- · Basics of Data Communications
- Different communication protocols used for power networks
- Communication requirements for substations
- Suitability of different protocols for substation communications
- Standardisation of communication in substations: goals and status
- Radio and satellite communication
- Trends in technology

DAY TWO

SCADA FOR ELECTRICAL MONITORING AND CONTROL

- Requirements of SCADA for electrical networks
- Hardware and support requirements
- Software and configuration

COMPARISON OF POWER SYSTEM AUTOMATION SYSTEMS

- Types of power system automation systems
- Discussion of leading manufacturers' systems
- Advantages and disadvantages of various systems

PRACTICAL CONSIDERATIONS

- Benefits of power system automation systems
- · Capital expenditure and maintenance issues
- · Cost savings
- · Evaluating your requirements
- Choosing a system and supplier

PRACTICAL DEMONSTRATION

- Demonstration of a power system automation system at work
- · Configuration of IEDs



The workshop was excellent and valuable to my line of work.

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