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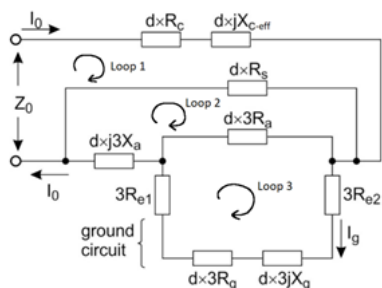
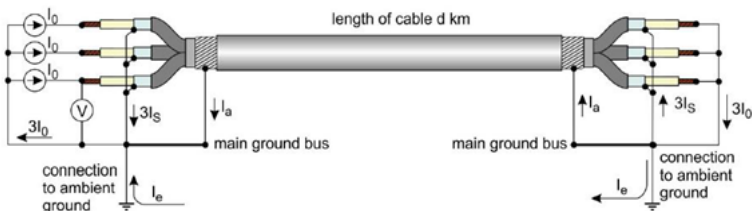
#### Motivation

- OWF developer(s) rely on accurate & reliable cable sequence impedance data to optimize the overall electrical system design & operation, where submarine cable(s) constitute a major part considering the long length(s).
- Contrary to its reliable application to underground cable(s), Cigre TB 531 analytical calc. for modern 3-c submarine cable(s) is not trivial to implement and contains some intrinsic shortcomings.
  - Parallel earth return through cable armour is missing in power-frequency  $Z_0$  calc.
  - Seabed earth return resistance has been forgotten in the conductor resistance for  $Z_0$  calc. (table 12)
  - Application to  $Z_1$  calc. at higher frequencies is not considered
- An improvement on existing TB 531 analytical calc. for submarine cable(s) is highly desirable from the industry.

Missing  $R_e$   
Discovered  
after submittal  
of the paper

#### Method/Approach

- Improved analytical calc. method for  $Z_1$  (power & higher frequencies) is developed from first principles
- Improved analytical calc. method for  $Z_0$  (power frequency) is developed from classic circuit theory



$R_c, R_s, R_o, R_g$  - per unit length a.c. electrical resistance of conductor, metallic screen/ sheath, armour, and remote ground return

$X_{c-eff}$  - effective conductor inductive reactance consisting of conductor internal inductance and conductor-sheath mutual inductive reactance

$X_o$  - sheath-armour mutual inductive reactance,

$X_g$  - armour-remote ground return mutual inductive reactance

$R_{e1}, R_{e2}$  - two sheath grounding resistances at either cable connection end (often neglectable for offshore cables)

#### Improved Analytical Calculation Method

$$Z_1 = R_1 + jX_1$$

$$R_1 = R_c [1 + \lambda'_1 + \lambda''_1 + \lambda_2]$$

$$R_c = LF_{core} \cdot R_{dc} [1 + F_a (y_s + F_{m-shield} \cdot y_p)]$$

$$X_1 = LF_{core} \cdot [\omega L_{c-int} + F_{m-enhance} (\omega L_{CS} + \omega L_{SS})]$$

$$Z_0 = R_0 + jX_0 = R_c + j \cdot X_{c-eff} + \frac{3R_s [j \cdot X_a + \frac{R_a(R_g + jX_g)}{R_a + R_g + jX_g}]}{R_s + 3j \cdot X_a + \frac{3R_a(R_g + jX_g)}{R_a + R_g + jX_g}}$$

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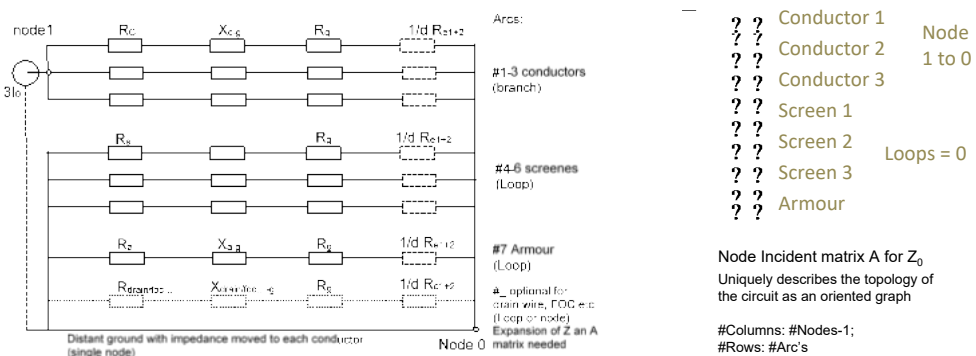
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#### Method Validation & Benchmarking

- 3-core submarine export cable (220 kV 1000mm<sup>2</sup> Cu conductor, SL type and SS armour) from Cigre WG B1.56 work CS8
- Benchmarking against CIM method and FEA method

Circuit topology for creating the incident matrix A for the CIM method



Complex Matrix method (applying systems structures/incident matrix)

Setting up the Z matrix = Geometry of the cable, resistances and other intermediate results from IEC 60 287 rating calculations

Parameter	Analytical results [Ω/km]	FEA results [Ω/km]	CIM results [Ω/km]	TB531 results <sup>(1-3)</sup> [Ω/km]	Variation [%]
$Z_0$	0.0397+0.1193j	0.0390+0.1184j	0.0397+0.1193j	0.0397+0.1193j	
$R_1$	0.0397	0.0390	0.0397	0.0397	-1.8 / 0 / 0
$X_1$	0.1193	0.1184	0.1193	0.1193	-0.8 / 0 / 0

<sup>(1)</sup> TB 531 modified with eddy currents and including effect of  $y_e$  and  $y_o$  on  $R_1$  and  $y_e$  on  $X_1$  ( $l_e$ ,  $r_e$ )

$Z_0$	0.1819+0.0934j	0.1831+0.0954j	0.1818+0.0945j	0.1639+0.1193j	+17%
$R_0$	0.1819	0.1831	0.1818 <sup>(2)</sup>	0.2129	0.1639
$X_0$	0.0934	0.0954	0.0945 <sup>(2)</sup>	0.1005	2.1 / 1.1 / 7.1

<sup>(2)</sup> known issue with implementation of lay factors on inductances, if  $l_e = l_{e,lim}$  is used -perfect alignment between Analytical and CIM results. If adding  $R_e$  to  $Z_0$  in TB531 table gives the expected higher resistance, compared to adding the extra metallic return path of the armour (check good correlation if armour resistance is set very high)

Missing  $R'_e$   
In Table 12  
-Not mentioned in the paper!

TB 531 Table 10 Single core cables

Single-core cables	POSITIVE-SEQUENCE	ZERO-SEQUENCE
SOLID BONDING	$Z_p = [R_e - Z_0] \frac{(Z_m - Z_0)^2}{Z_e - Z_0}$	$Z_0 = Z_e + 2Z_m - 12Z_e + 2Z_0 \frac{(Z_m + 2Z_e - 3Z_0)(Z_e - Z_0)}{Z_e + 2Z_e - 3Z_0}$

TB 531 Table 12 Submarine Armoured cables

POSITIVE-SEQUENCE	ZERO-SEQUENCE
$Z_0 = [R_e - Z_0] \frac{(Z_m - Z_0)^2}{Z_e - Z_0} + R_e + X_0$	$Z_0 = R'(e + Y_e) + jX_0 + 2Z_e - \frac{(Z_m + 2Z_e)^2}{Z_e + 2Z_e}$

$$Z_{0i} = R'_{0i} + R_{0i} - j \cdot X_{0i}$$

$R'_e$  still included in  $Z_0$ ,  $Z_m$  and  $Z_x$

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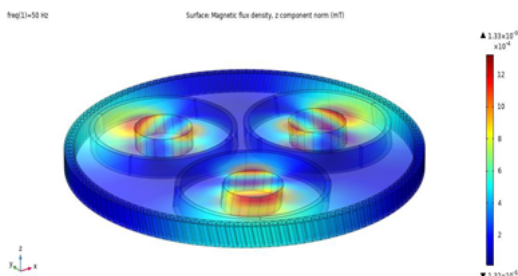
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FEA model Based on slightly modified standard model



### Higher Frequencies Application

- All existing IEC 60287-1-1 formulae involving frequency components may still be used at higher frequencies by simply updating parameter  $f$  and  $\omega$ .
- The sheath magnetic field shielding effect factor,  $F_m$ -shield, adopts a similar approach as per IEC 60287-1-1 section 2.4.2.5 and is expected to become stronger as operating frequency increases under Lenz's Law.

Comparison of $Z_1$ results of high frequencies and at high temperature				
Frequencies	Analytical results	FEA results	$R_1$ Variation	$X_1$ Variation
50 Hz	0.0397+0.1193j $\Omega$ /km	0.0390+0.1184j $\Omega$ /km	-1.8 %	-0.8 %
200 Hz	0.1621+0.3825j $\Omega$ /km	0.1390+0.3662j $\Omega$ /km	-14.3 %	-4.3 %
500 Hz	0.2785+0.7277j $\Omega$ /km	0.2409+0.7157j $\Omega$ /km	-13.5 %	-1.6 %
1000 Hz	0.3241+1.2906j $\Omega$ /km	0.3141+1.2794j $\Omega$ /km	-3.1 %	-0.9 %
2000 Hz	0.3624+2.4549j $\Omega$ /km	0.3916+2.3964j $\Omega$ /km	8.1 %	-2.4 %
5000 Hz	0.4344+5.9746j $\Omega$ /km	0.4838+5.7391j $\Omega$ /km	11.4 %	-3.9 %

According to the design experience from an offshore wind developer, a positive sequence impedance value uncertainty of less than 2 % at power frequency and up to up to 15% for harmonics is considered acceptable for system study, compared with a much bigger discrepancy than observed between Cigre TB531 analytical method and some commercial system study packages (e.g. PSCAD). However, the uncertainty on harmonics could be ground for further investigations.

### Conclusion & Future Work

- An improved analytical calc. method has been developed for submarine cable sequence impedance calc, with calc. results being benchmarked by both CIM method and FEA method.
- Suggested future works would include,
  - Results comparison & benchmarking against site sequence impedance measurement(s)
  - Method improvement & factor quantification considering magnetic armour(s)
  - Method improvement for parameter calc. at higher frequencies
- Collaborate with Cigre DK, UK and SE national committee to work on calc. standardization through future WG.