# SEL-387L Line Current Differential Relay

# Zero Settings Relay



Install the relay, select the communication addresses, and the SEL-387L is ready to protect transmission lines and cables of any voltage.



# **Major Features and Benefits**

- Zero Settings. Proven differential protection requires no settings for complete phase and ground fault protection.
- **Fast.** Subcycle operation for severe faults with security for CT saturation.
- ► Sensitive. Negative- and zero-sequence differential elements detect high-resistance ground faults while remaining secure for external faults.
- **Secure.** Alpha plane restraint principle provides security for CT saturation and channel asymmetry.
- ► **Complete.** Select models with direct fiber interface or IEEE C37.94 synchronous optical interface. Channel monitoring provides measurement of communication quality and prevents misoperation due to channel failure.

### **Functional Overview**



- Proven Phase, Negative-, and Zero-Sequence Differential Protection
- One Fiber-Optic
   Communications Channel
- Complete Communications Channel Monitoring and Reporting
- Preconfigured Contact I/O
- Comprehensive Metering
- $ACSELERATOR^{\mathbb{R}}$  SEL-5030 Software
- Event Reports With Oscillography
- Sequential Events Recorder
- DNP3 Level 2 Slave Protocol\*
  - \* optional

Figure 1 Functional Diagram

# **Application Examples**

### Simple Two-Terminal Line Protection

Connect the current transformers and the preprogrammed TRIP contacts, select the channel transmit and receive address, and the SEL-387L is ready to protect virtually any two-terminal transmission line. In this configuration, the relay detects internal high resistance ground faults as great as 133 ohms secondary (5 A relay, nominal voltage 66.4 V secondary) and trips for most bolted faults in less than one cycle.



Figure 2 Simple Two-Terminal Differential Protection

### Advanced Two-Terminal Line Protection

Connect the SEL-387L to the SEL-311L Relay for more challenging applications and to accommodate unequal current transformer ratios as shown in *Figure 3*. This connection is also useful for applications with an industrial owned substation at one end of a line. All settings are made at the SEL-311L. The SEL-387L acts as a remote data acquisition terminal for the SEL-311L,

which protects the line and sends a high-speed transfer trip signal to the SEL-387L with less than one-half-cycle tripping delay. Make required settings adjustments in the SEL-311L. The overall protection scheme inherits the SEL-311L settings.



Figure 3 SEL-387L/SEL-311L Provide More Application Flexibility

The SEL-387L and the SEL-311L work together to simplify and secure industrial feeder and cogeneration intertie protection. You set and control the SEL-311L, and it performs all line protection, so you know protection is not compromised by settings errors in the remote SEL-387L (patent pending).

### Multiplexed Communications Channel

Use the SEL-387L for secure differential protection with multiplexed communications. With no settings, the relay accommodates channel asymmetry and communication delays without compromising security or dependability.







Figure 5 Use the SEL-3094 Protocol Converter to Connect the SEL-387L to Multiplexers Using EIA-422 or G.703 Input Channel Cards

### **Three-Terminal Line Protection**

Protect three-terminal lines using two SEL-387L relays and one SEL-311L (*Figure 6*). No settings are needed for SEL-387L relays. They detect a transmitted bit from the SEL-311L and switch to a "follower" mode with the SEL-311L as the "leader." The SEL-311L performs all the measurements and sends a transfer trip signal to the two SEL-387L relays.



Figure 6 Use Two SEL-387L Relay and One SEL-311L Relays for Three-Terminal Line Protection

While the SEL-387L is simple to use, it is also flexible. Preprogrammed TRIP and CLOSE inputs allow safe, simple local breaker control through latching TRIP and CLOSE outputs. Further simplify the dc system connections by eliminating trip and close seal-in relays. The high-speed TRIP and CLOSE contacts used in the SEL-387L safely interrupt trip and close current up to 10 A.

Two secure, high-speed transfer contacts and several serial communications protocols allow remote control operations, or remote contact status indication. Assert input T1 or T2 in the local SEL-387L and output R1 or R2 closes less than 10 ms later in the remote relay. The transfer contacts are secure enough for direct tripping and closing operations per IEC-60834-1. *Figure 7* shows the contact I/O available on the SEL-387L rear panel.



Figure 7 SEL-387L Contact I/O

### **Protection Features**

The SEL-387L employs sensitive and secure unbalance elements, 87L2 and 87LG, to detect high-resistance ground faults that produce more than 10 percent  $I_{NOM}$  difference current. *Figure 8* shows the ground fault resistance coverage as a function of load current for a 5 A nominal relay. To ensure that the unbalance elements do not operate on charging current unbalance during external ground faults on longer lines and cables, select equal CT ratios at both line terminals so line charging current is less than 10 percent of  $I_{NOM}$ .



Fast, secure phase elements, 87LA, 87LB, and 87LC, detect bolted phase faults that produce more than  $1.2 \cdot I_{\text{NOM}}$  of difference current. *Figure 9* shows the operate time, including high-speed outputs, for a 5 A nominal relay.



Figure 9 Current Differential Element Trip Times

### **Line Current Differential Communications**

The SEL-387L is available with the following fiber-optic current differential communications interfaces:

- ► IEEE C37.94 compliant multimode fiber-optic interface
- ► 1300 nm multimode or single-mode interface
- ► 1550 nm single-mode fiber-optic interface

The IEEE C37.94 compliant multimode fiber-optic interface is included at no extra charge. This interface connects directly between the relay and any compliant multiplexer with no wires and no confusing timing or clock edge settings.



Figure 10 IEEE C37.94

Use fiber optics between the relay and multiplexer to prevent communication errors, equipment damage, and hazardous conditions due to ground potential rise, as shown in *Figure 10*.

Use the SEL-3094 to convert the relay fiber interface into a standard electrical interface to connect to multiplexers that do not support the IEEE C37.94 standard.

Choose the 1300 nm multimode or single-mode interface for direct fiber applications up to 80 km. The 1550 nm single-mode fiber-optic interface supports direct fiber connections up to 120 km.

The relay continuously monitors communications for correct data transmission and channel delay. Channel quality reports, shown in *Figure 11*, include short- and long-term unavailability, and round trip channel delay. Use this information to accurately assess protection and communications system reliability and make appropriate changes for maximum system reliability.

->>COMMXL <enter> SEL-387L Date: 2003/05/26 EXAMPLE: BUS B, BREAKER 3 FID-SEL-387L-R100-V0-Z00100 Summary for 87L Channel X</enter>	
Channel Status Alarms	
ROKX = 1 DBADX = 0 For 2003/05/24 13:37:01.631	
	COMMUNICATION STATISTICS
∦ of Error records 29 Data Error 20	Longest failure 4.685 sec.
Dropout 9	Lost Packets, prev. 24 hours 407
Dropout 9 Test Mode Entered 0	One Way Delay (Ping-Pong) 0.4 msec.
Error Reco	
	Date Time Duration Cause
1 2003/05/26 09:23:54.041	2003/05/26 09:23:54.042 0.001 Data Error
2 2003/05/26 09:23:53.888	2003/05/26 09:23:54.040 0.152 Dropout Error
3 2003/05/26 09:23:53.885	2003/05/26 09:23:53.888 0.003 Data Error
4 2003/05/26 09:23:53.882	2003/05/26 09:23:53.885 0.003 Dropout Error
27 2003/05/24 13:37:04.688	
	2003/05/24 13:37:04.688 4.685 Dropout Error
29 2003/05/24 13:37:00.000	2003/05/24 13:37:00.003 0.003 Data Error
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#### Figure 11 COMM Command Report

The communications monitor reports performance of the 87L channel. Review this report to optimize communications.

## Automation

### **Control and Integration Features**

The SEL-387L is fully compatible with the entire family of SEL communications processors. Use the SEL-2032, SEL-2030, and SEL-2020 Communications Processors to automatically retrieve, store, and parse reports from the SEL-387L. The communications processor also time synchronizes all of the connected relays and allows password protected engineering access to the relays from a dedicated or dial-up connection, or over the enterprise LAN via the SEL-2701 Ethernet Processor. All of these functions are supported simultaneously over a single connection to each relay (see *Figure 12*).

### Serial Communications



Figure 12 Example Communication System

SEL-387L integration capabilities include:

- ► Three EIA-232 serial ports and one isolated EIA-485 serial port.
- Full access to event history, relay status, and meter information from the serial ports.
- ► DNP3 Level 2 protocol with point mapping (optional).
- Open communications protocols including Simple ASCII, Compressed ASCII, Extended Fast Meter, Fast Operate, and Fast SER.

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# Monitoring, Metering, and Event Reporting

The relay provides accurate and extensive metering including:

- ► Local, remote, and difference currents: I<sub>A, B, C</sub>, I<sub>1</sub>, 3I<sub>2</sub>, 3I<sub>0</sub>
- ► Power system frequency
- ► DC battery voltage

Use the current differential meter to verify line charging current. Compare local and remote currents to detect CT connection errors at any terminal.

Forty event reports store 10 seconds of oscillographic data. Each event report contains 15 cycles (4-cycle prefault, 11-cycle postfault) of local, remote, and difference currents for all three phases, battery voltage, and system frequency at 16 samples per cycle, as well as every logic point in the relay (the entire Relay Word). A Sequential Events Recorder stores 512 of the most recent time-tagged transitions of over 30 key logic points. All 40 event records and 512 sequential events records are retained even if power is removed from the relay.



Figure 13 SEL-387L Oscillography via ACSELERATOR QuickSet

Oscillographic event records and sequential events records help you understand and reconstruct complex system disturbances. All of these advanced features are supported by ACSELERATOR QuickSet<sup>®</sup> SEL-5030 Software (see *Figure 13*). The features and the software are included with the SEL-387L at no additional cost.

### **Front-Panel User Interface**

*Figure 15* shows a close-up view of the user interface portion of the SEL-387L front panel. It includes a two-line, 16-character LCD, 16 LED status and target indicators, and eight pushbuttons for local access. *Table 1* explains the front-panel LEDs.

The LCD shows event, metering, and relay self-test status information. The LCD is controlled by the pushbuttons and automatic messages the relay generates. The default display scrolls through key system parameters including local and remote A-, B-, and C-phase currents, breaker status, and 87 communications channel status. The relay displays two lines of text every five seconds as shown in *Figure 14*.

IA = 3.01 IB = 2.98 IC = 2.99 LOCAL	
IA = 3.02 IB = 3.01 IC = 2.99 REMOTE	
BREAKER CLOSED 87L BLOCKED	

Figure 14 SEL-387L Default Front-Panel Display

Table 1 Description of Target LEDs

Target LED	Function
EN	Relay powered properly and self-tests okay
TRIP	Indication that a trip occurred
52 OPEN LOC REM	Local breaker open Remote breaker open
T1, T2	Transfer contact inputs T1 or T2 are energized
ADDR ERR	Current differential receive address error
TEST	Current differential test mode enabled
FAULT TYPE <b>A, B, C</b> G	Phase(s) involved in fault Ground involved in fault
R1, R2	Transfer contact outputs R1 or R2 are energized
87DIS	Current differential protection disabled
87CH FAIL	Current differential channel problem



Figure 15 Status and Trip Target LEDs, Front-Panel Display, and Pushbuttons



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Figure 16 SEL-387L Inputs, Outputs, and Communications Ports

# **Mechanical Diagrams**







#### Panel-Mount Front Panel



Panel-Mount Vertical Front Panel Figure 17 SEL-387L Front-Panel Diagrams 9



Figure 18 SEL-387L Rear-Panel Diagram

# **Relay Dimensions**



#### Figure 19 SEL-387L Dimensions for Rack- and Panel-Mount Models

(Horizontal mounting shown; dimensions also apply to vertical mounting.)

# **Specifications**

#### Compliance

Designed and manufactured under an ISO 9001 certified quality management system UL Listed to U.S. and Canadian safety standards (File E212775; NRGU, NRGU7) CE Mark RCM Mark Class 1 Laser Product

#### General

#### AC Current Inputs

5 A nominal:		15 A continuous; linear to 100 A symmetrical
		500 A for 1 second
		1250 A for 1 cycle
Burden:		0.27 VA @ 5 A
		2.51 VA @ 15 A
1 A nominal:		3 A continuous; linear to 20 A symmetrical
		100 A for 1 second
		250 A for 1 cycle
Burden:		0.13 VA @ 1 A
		1.31 VA @ 3 A
Power Supply		
Rated:		125/250 Vdc or Vac
Range:		85–350 Vdc or 85–264 Vac
Rated:		48/125 Vdc or 125 Vac
Range:		38-140 Vdc or 85-140 Vac
Rated:		24/48 Vdc
Range:		18-60 Vdc polarity dependent
Burden:		<25 W
Output Contacts		
Standard		
Make:		30 A
Carry:		6 A continuous @ 70°C; 4 A continuous @ 85°C
1 s Rating:		50 A
MOV Protected	1:	270 Vac, 360 Vdc, 40 J
Pickup Time:		<5 ms
Breaking Capac	city (10,0	00 operations):
48 V 125 V 250 V	0.5 A 0.3 A 0.2 A	L/R = 40 ms L/R = 40 ms L/R = 40 ms
Cyclic Capacity	y (2.5 cyc	eles/second):
48 V 125 V 250 V	0.5 A 0.3 A 0.2 A	L/R = 40  ms L/R = 40  ms L/R = 40  ms
High-Speed High		
Make:	Current	30 A
Carry:		6 A continuous @ 70°C; 4 A continuous @ 85°C
1 s Rating:		50 A
MOV Protected	1:	330 Vdc, 130 J
		,

Pickup Time:		<10 µs	
Dropout Time:		<8 ms, typical	
Breaking Capacit	tv (10.0		
	0 A	L/R = 40  ms	
	0 A	L/R = 40  ms	
Cyclic Capacity			bllowed by 2 minutes idle
for thermal diss 48 V 1	10 A	L/R = 40  ms	
125 V 1	10 A 10 A 10 A	L/R = 40  ms L/R = 40  ms L/R = 20  ms	
Note: Make per IEI IEC 60255-23:19		90-1989; Breakin	g and Cyclic Capacity per
Optoisolated Input F	Ratings		
250 Vdc:		Pickup 200-300	Vdc; Dropout 150 Vdc
220 Vdc:		Pickup 176-264	Vdc; Dropout 132 Vdc
125 Vdc:		Pickup 105-150	Vdc; Dropout 75 Vdc
110 Vdc:		Pickup 88–132 V	dc; Dropout 66 Vdc
48 Vdc:		Pickup 38.4–60 V	dc; Dropout 28.8 Vdc
24 Vdc:		Pickup 15–30 Vd	с
	mA of c	urrent; 110 Vdc ir	plated inputs draw aputs draw approximately nominal input voltages.
Frequency and Rota	tion		
System Frequency:	:	50 or 60 Hz	
Phase Rotation:		ABC (interchange on both relays for	e two phases or ACB rotation)
Frequency Tracking Range:		40.1–65 Hz	
Serial Communication	ons Por	ts	
Port 1:		EIA-485	
Baud rate:		9600 without D 300–19200 wi	
Port 2–3:		EIA-232	
Baud rate:		19200 without I 300–38400 wi	
Port 4 (Front Port):	:	EIA-232	
Baud rate:		9600 without D 300–38400 wi	
Differential Communications Ports			
Fiber Optics—ST o	connecto	or	
1550 nm single n 1300 nm multir			
Tx Power:		-18 dBm	
Rx Min. Sensit	ivity:	-58 dBm	
System Gain:		40 dB	
850 nm multimode, C37.94 (for connection to a digital multiplexer or for direct connection to an SEL-311L, but not for direct connection to another SEL-387L)			
		50 µm	62.5 µm
Tx Power:		-23 dBm	-19 dBm
Rx Min. Sensit	ivity:	-32 dBm	-32 dBm

13 dB

9 dB

System Gain:

Electrical:

Use the SEL-3094 for EIA-422 or CCITT G.703 synchronous interfaces to multiplexers.

#### Metering Accuracy

Currents I<sub>A</sub>, I<sub>B</sub>, I<sub>C</sub>

Local	
5 A nominal:	±0.05 A secondary
1 A nominal:	±0.01 A secondary
Remote:	±3%
Total:	±3%
Currents 3I2, 3I0, I1	
Local and Remote	
5 A nominal:	$\pm 0.05$ A secondary and $\pm 5\%$
1 A nominal:	$\pm 0.01$ A secondary and $\pm 5\%$
Total:	±3%

#### Substation Battery Voltage Monitor

Range:	20-300 Vdc
Accuracy:	±2%, ±2 Vdc

#### **Time-Code Input**

Relay accepts demodulated IRIG-B time-code input at Port 1 or 2.

Relay time is synchronized to within  $\pm 5$  ms of time source input.

Current differential protection does not require external time source.

#### **Terminal Connections**

Rear Screw-Terminal Tightening Torque:

Minimum: 9-in-lb (1.1 Nm)

Maximum: 12-in-lb (1.3 Nm)

Terminals or stranded copper wire. Ring terminals are recommended. Minimum temperature rating of 105°C.

#### **Operating Temperature Range**

-40° to +85°C (-40° to +185°F)

Note: LCD contrast impaired for temperatures below -20°C.

#### **Relay Weight**

7.24 kg (16 lbs)

#### **Type Tests**

Electromagnetic Compatibility Immunity

Electrostatic Discharge:	IEC 60255-22-2:1996, IEC 61000-4-2, IEEE C37.90.3 Severity Level 4 (8000 V contact, 15,000 V air)
Fast Transient Disturbance:	IEC 60255-22-4:1992; IEC 61000-4-4:1995, 4 kV @ 2.5 kHz (4000 V on power supply, 2000 V on inputs and outputs)

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 Radiated Radio
 IEC 60255-22-3:1989, 10 V/m;

 Frequency:
 IEEE C37.90.2, 35 V/m;

 IEC 61000-4-3, 10 V/m
 IEC 61000-4-3, 10 V/m

IEEE C37.90.1-1989.

IEEE C37.90.1-2002,

IEC 60255-22-1:1988,

IEC 60068-2-1:1990, Test Ad; 16 hr. @ -40°C

IEC 60068-2-2:1974, Test Bd; 16 hr. @ +85°C

IEC 60068-2-30:1980,

IEC 60529:1989, IP30

IEC 60255-21-1:1988

IEC 60255-21-2:1988 Bump Test, Class 1

Vibration Endurance, Class 1 Vibration Response, Class 2

Shock Withstand, Class 1 Shock Response, Class 2

IEC 60255-21-3:1993, Class 2

3000 V oscillatory, 5000 V transient

Severity Level 3 (2500 V common

Test Db; 55°C, 6 cycles, 95% humidity

and 1000 V differential mode)

2500 V oscillatory, 4000 V fast transient

Surge Withstand:

1 MHz Burst Disturbance:

Environmental

Cold:

Dry Heat:

Damp Heat, Cyclic:

Object Penetration: Sinusoidal Vibration:

Shock and Bump: Seismic:

Safety

Dielectric Strength:

and output contacts; 3100 Vdc for 1 minute on power supply. Impulse: IEC 60255-5:1977, 0.5 J, 5000 V Laser Safety: IEC 60825-1:1993; 21 CFR 1040.10

IEC 60825-1:1993; 21 CFR 1040.10; ANSI Z136.1-1993; ANSI Z136.2-1988, eye-safe Class 1 laser product

IEC 60255-5:1977; IEEE C37.90-1989

2500 Vac (rms) for 1 minute on analog inputs, optoisolated inputs,

#### Relay Element Accuracies Line Current Differential (87L) Elements

Phase, Negative-	
Sequence, and Zero-	
Sequence Accuracy:	$\pm 3\%$ $\pm 0.01~\mathrm{I_{NOM}}$
Restraint Characteristic	±5% of 6
Accuracy:	±3° of 195°

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