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Quick Start

The quickest way to get up and running in using PowerStar is to open the sample circuit files provided with the installation. These are normally located in the *Circuits* folder under your documents folder.

- Familiarize yourself with the function of the toolbar buttons by slowly mousing over them, noting the tool tips and watching the status bar messages. Do the same with the symbols on the symbols toolbar.
- Open a sample circuit. Mouse over the symbols and note the tool tips and status bar messages.
- If the circuit is not active, click on the calculate button . The meter bar should appear. Mouse over the circuit diagram symbols and watch the data tips. Select a symbol and read the meter bar panels and status bar.
- Try moving individual lines and symbols by left clicking on them and dragging them to different screen positions. Try copying them by holding down the [Ctrl] key and dragging the symbols or lines to another position.
- Add a new symbol by selecting a symbol from the symbols toolbar and clicking on an empty area on the screen.
- Add a new line by mousing over a snap grid position until the cursor turns to crosshair. Left click and drag the cursor to the desired end point.
- Double click on a circuit diagram symbol to bring up the device properties pages. Modify the device data, calculate the circuit and observe the effect on the electrical data.

If you encounter any difficulties doing any of the above, please refer to the appropriate section of this help file.

Using PowerStar


The use of PowerStar consists of three basic steps:

1. Drawing the circuit diagram.
2. Entering data for all devices in the diagram.
3. Calculating the circuit.

Drawing the Circuit Diagram.

The circuit can be any actual circuit consisting of standard electrical devices and equipment such as cables, loads, generators, motors, etc. The circuit is represented by drawing symbols and connecting lines on the screen circuit display area. The result is a single line diagram.

To draw a symbol, click on a symbol button on the [symbols bar](#). Move the mouse cursor to the desired position on the screen and click to draw the symbol.

Connecting lines are started by positioning the mouse cursor on a grid point where it turns into a crosshair cursor. Click and hold the left mouse button and move to the desired endpoint. Note that lines may only be drawn between snap grid points. Snap grids may be displayed by clicking on the Snap Grid Button .

Connecting lines may only be drawn as vertical or horizontal lines. When crossing over other lines, the line being drawn automatically crosses over (no connection) the other line. To cross-connect, terminate the line on the connection point.


Entering Data.

Data for all the symbols must be entered before circuit analysis may be performed. To enter data for a device, double click on the symbol. This will activate a Data Entry Form. Most of the data entry fields in this form are required, although some, such as the Label and Description fields are not.

A helpful feature of PowerStar is the Device Database. By clicking on the [DATABASE] button in the Data Entry Form, a Database List Box is activated. By clicking on menu drop down lists and selecting from the main list, the data entry fields on the Data Entry Form are automatically filled in. Of course, some fields such as cable lengths must still be filled in manually.

Another helpful feature is the [AUTOFILL] button. Clicking on this button will automatically fill in the data entry fields with values used in the last form edited.

Calculation.

Calculation is started by selecting CIRCUIT|CALCULATE from the menu or clicking on the Calculate Button  on the Circuit Toolbar. This will start the analysis and error checking process.

When the calculation is completed, the meter bar is displayed. Mouse-over any symbol to show voltages, current kva, kw and power factor on the meter toolbar.

Keyboard Shortcuts

Following are tables of keyboard shortcuts. Many of the shortcuts can speed up PowerStar operations like zooming the circuit display.

Edit Operations

<i>Menu</i>	<i>Keyboard</i>	<i>Action</i>
Copy	Ctrl+C	Copy object to clipboard
Cut	Ctrl+X	Delete object and save to clipboard
Paste	Ctrl+V	Paste object from clipboard
Undo	Alt+BkSp	Reverse the last operation

Common Operations

<i>Menu</i>	<i>Keyboard</i>	<i>Action</i>
Circuit Report	Ctrl+R	View circuit report
Circuit Calculate	F8	Calculate circuit.
Device Data	Enter	Show device data
View Grid	Ctrl+G	Toggle Grid display
Help	F1	Display help
Close Window	Alt+F4	Close current window

Zoom Operations

<i>View Command</i>	<i>Keyboard</i>	<i>Action</i>
Zoom In	[+]	Increase magnification
Zoom Out	[-]	Decrease magnification

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Mouse Techniques

In addition to the standard functions of the mouse in Windows, there are several additional functions of the mouse in PowerStar.

Device Information - Mouse over a symbol to display a tool tip with device information such as label, name, device class, connection. Clicking on a symbol will display device information on the Status Bar. A double click on the symbol activates a Device Information Box that displays more detailed information on the device.

Entering or Editing Device Data - If the circuit is inactive (has not been calculated or has just been edited), a double click on the symbol activates a Data Entry Form for filling in or editing device ratings.

Drawing Symbols - Click on a symbol button on the symbols toolbar to select the symbol. Move the cursor to the desired position on the screen. Note that the cursor changes to indicate the final symbol position. Left click to add the symbol to the circuit.

Drawing Connecting Lines - Clicking on a snap grid position and dragging the mouse cursor across the screen produces a rubber banding line. Releasing the mouse button draws a connecting line.

Selecting symbols and lines - Clicking on a symbol will select that symbol indicated by a light grey rectangle enclosing the symbol. Clicking on a line will select that line indicated by small black rectangular grab handles on both ends. Holding the shift key lets you select multiple symbols, lines and graphics objects.

Marking a Block - A selection box may be started by clicking anywhere away from snap grid positions. Dragging the mouse across produces a rubber banding selection box. Releasing the mouse button will select all the symbols, connecting lines and graphics objects previously enclosed by the selection box..

Moving symbols and lines - Clicking on any selected symbol, line or graphics object and dragging the mouse cursor across the screen before releasing the mouse button will move all the selected symbols, lines and graphics objects to the new position. Note that symbols may not be moved to a position that is already occupied by another symbol or line.

Duplicating symbols and lines - Pressing the [CONTROL] key while clicking on any selected symbol, line or graphics object and dragging the mouse cursor across the screen before releasing the mouse button will copy all the selected symbols, lines and graphics objects to the new position. Note that symbols may not be copied to a position that is already occupied by another symbol or line.

File menu commands

The File menu offers the following commands:

New	Creates a new document.
Open	Opens an existing document.
Close	Closes an opened document.
Save	Saves an opened document using the same file name.
Save As	Saves an opened document to a specified file name.
Print	Prints a document.
Print Preview	Displays the document on the screen as it would appear printed.
Print Setup	Selects a printer and printer connection.
Send...	Sends the active document through electronic mail.
Exit	Exits PowerStar.

Edit menu commands

The Edit menu offers the following commands:

Undo	Reverse previous editing operation.
Cut	Deletes data from the document and moves it to the clipboard.
Copy	Copies data from the document to the clipboard.
Paste	Pastes data from the clipboard into the document.
Delete	Pastes from the clipboard a link to data in another application.
Select All	Selects all connecting lines, symbols and graphics.
Default Settings	Opens settings box for PowerStar default settings.

View menu commands

The View menu offers the following commands:

Symbols Bar	Shows or hides the toolbar.
Status Bar	Shows or hides the status bar.
Grid	Shows or hides the screen grid.
Zoom In	Increase screen magnification.
Zoom Out	Decrease screen magnification.
Toolbars	Shows or hides devices, graphics and meter toolbars

Circuit menu commands

The Circuit menu offers the following commands:

Report	Generates a text report for this circuit.
Symbol Set	Select a symbol set file.
Properties	Opens a circuit properties dialog box.
Calculate	Calculates the electrical circuit.

Device menu commands

The Device menu offers the following commands:

Disconnect	Connects/Disconnects the selected device.
Direction	Rotate clockwise, counterclockwise or invert symbol.
Properties	Opens device properties settings box.

Graphics menu commands

The Graphics menu offers the following commands:

Select	Use selection tool.
Line	Draw line tool.
Rectangle	Draw rectangle tool.
Round Rectangle	Draw rounded rectangle tool.
Ellipse	Draw ellipse tool.
Pie	Draw elliptical pie tool.
Arc	Draw elliptical arc tool.
Chord	Draw elliptical chord tool.
Polygon	Draw polygon tool.
Polyline	Draw polyline tool.
Text	Draw text tool.
Arrange	Group/un-group selections. Move selected graphics layer forward/backward.

Help menu commands

The Help menu offers the following commands, which provide you assistance with this application:

Help Contents	Opens the help viewer on the contents table.
Help Index	Offers you an index to topics on which you can get help.
Buy Now	Opens the default internet browser to the PowerStar products page.
Enter License Key	Opens an entry form for the activation key.
About	Displays the version number of this application.

Window menu commands

The Window menu offers the following commands, which enable you to arrange multiple views of multiple documents in the application window:


New Window	Creates a new window that views the same document.
Cascade	Arranges windows in an overlapped fashion.
Tile	Arranges windows in non-overlapped tiles.
Arrange Icons	Arranges icons of closed windows.


Toolbars


Use this command for instructions about using Help.

Main Toolbar




 New File - create a new circuit file.


 Open File - open an existing circuit file.


 File Save - save the current circuit file.

 Edit Cut - cut the selected object and save to Windows clipboard.

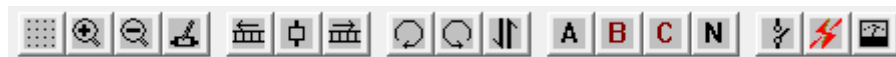
 Edit Copy - copy the selected object and save to Windows clipboard.


 Edit Paste - copy the saved object in Windows clipboard to the current circuit.


 File Print - print the current circuit diagram.


 Help About - display PowerStar copyright and version information.


Circuit Toolbar





 Snap grids - show/hide snap grid points.

 Zoom In - increase screen magnification.


 Zoom out - decrease screen magnification.


 Graphics - show/hide graphics toolbar.

 Next symbols - display next group of symbols on the toolbar.


 Symbols - show/hide symbols toolbar.


 Previous symbols - display previous group of symbols.

 Rotate clockwise - rotate selected symbol clockwise.

 Rotate counter-clockwise - rotate selected symbol counter-clockwise.

 Invert - invert selected symbol head-tail.

 Line connection - connect/disconnect individual lines and neutral.


 Disconnect - disconnect the selected device from the circuit.

 Calculate - show/hide electrical data/load flow for the circuit.


 Meter bar - show/hide meter bar.

Graphics Toolbar



 Selection tool


 Line

 Rectangle


 Rounded rectangle

 Ellipse

 Elliptical Arc

 Elliptical Pie

 Elliptic chord

 Filled polygon

 Polyline


 Text

 Move selection forward

 Move selection backward

 Move selection to front

 Move selection to back

 Group selection

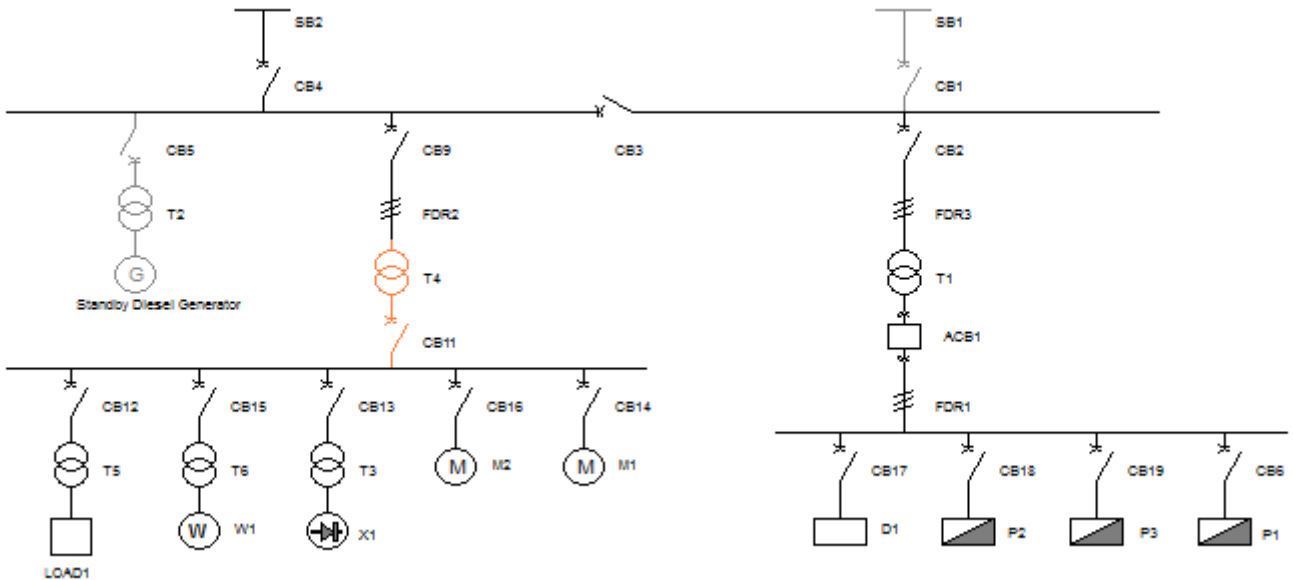
 Un-group selection

Circuits

Circuit as used in PowerStar is a single line diagram representing a physical circuit. The represented circuit may be a combination of balanced or unbalanced three phase or single phase devices. There must be one source (either a generator or a source bus), and one or more passive device (say, a load or a cable).

All branches should preferably be terminated through a load, although PowerStar will still correctly analyze the circuit as long as some of the branches are correctly terminated.

All devices in the circuit must be interconnected into one circuit, either through other devices or through connecting lines. Two or more independent (not interconnected) circuits are not allowed.



Example of a circuit

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Devices

Device as used in PowerStar means any electrical equipment, circuit element or component. The device is represented in the circuit as a symbol. The device may be balanced or unbalanced, linear, passive or active and must not be coupled either capacitively or inductively with other devices in the circuit. The symbol may be single-ended (3 terminals for three phase) or double ended(6 terminals) excluding the neutral.

All devices have three optional properties, name, label and description . The label and name may optionally be shown on the screen and on the circuit printout.

Devices are classified as follows:

- CONNECTION DEVICE
- IMPEDANCE
- CABLE
- TRANSFORMER
- GENERATOR
- SYNCHRONOUS MOTOR
- INDUCTION MOTOR
- LOAD
- SOURCE BUS
- POWER CAPACITOR
- POWER REACTOR
- DISTRIBUTION BOARD
- PANELBOARD
- MOTOR CONTROL CENTER
- PROTECTIVE DEVICE
- NULL DEVCE




Symbols

A symbol drawn on the screen is a graphical representation of a Device. A symbol has the following properties.


Device Class - indicates the classification of the device represented.

Connection - Whether the symbol is connected to the circuit on its head or head-tail. The connection is basically determined by the device class, for example, head-tail for cables and transformers and head only for motors, generators and loads.

Label - A symbol has a label that is shown below and to the right of the symbol on the circuit display. This is also shown on the Status Line. When first inserted in the circuit, the label is only a pre-set prefix (such as "T" for a transformer). When you start the calculation process, PowerStar automatically numbers the symbols if the device auto-number option flag is checked. The numbering sequence is left to right, top to bottom. For example, the top leftmost transformer label will now be "T1". The device label can be positioned by clicking on the label and dragging it to the desired position .

Position and Orientation - The symbol head is positioned on a snap grid point. It can be rotated around this point using the rotate buttons   or inverted using the invert button .

Grids and Lines

Grids - All connecting lines and device symbols are drawn between snap grids. The position of these grids may be shown or hidden by toggling the Snap Grid Button .

Lines - Connecting lines are drawn by dragging the mouse cursor across the screen while pressing the mouse left button. The line must be started by pressing the left mouse button on a snap grid position.

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Abbreviations

I - Current, amps

I_{pri} - Current, Primary Winding

I_{sec} - Current, Secondary Winding

I₁ - Current at device head

I₂ - Current at device tail

I_a, I_b, I_c - Line current

I_{rated} - Rated Current

I_{st}/I_{fl} - Starting to Full Load Current Ratio

kA - Current, amps X 1000

kAsc - Short Circuit Current X 1000 amps

kW - kilowatt

kVA - kilo-voltamps

kVAr - kilo-voltamps reactive

MVAsc - Short Circuit MVA

R - resistance, ohms

R/km - unit resistance

V₁ - voltage at device head

V₂ - voltage at device tail

V_d - voltage drop, volts

V_{pri} - voltage, primary winding

V_{sec} - voltage, secondary winding

V_{an}, V_{bn}, V_{cn} - Line to neutral voltage

V_{ab}, V_{bc}, V_{ca} - Line to line voltage

% Load - loading in percent

% R - Percent resistance referred to device base impedance

% Tap - percent tap referred to nominal secondary voltage.

% VR - Voltage regulation in percent

% X - percent reactance referred to device base impedance

% X_s - percent synchronous reactance referred to device base impedance

X - Reactance, ohms

X/km - unit reactance, ohms per kilometre




X/kft - unit reactance, ohms per kilofeet

P.F. - power factor

Sets - number of conductor sets in parallel

Using the symbols toolbar



Use the symbols button  to show or hide the symbols toolbar. The next symbols group button  and previous symbol group button  selects the symbol group to display on the symbols toolbar.

Mouse over any of the symbols on the toolbar to display the device class or type on the status bar.




Select a symbol by clicking on a symbol button, then move the mouse to the desired grid location on the screen. Note that the cursor shape changes to indicate the symbol orientation depending on the position of the cursor relative to the snap grid point. Left click the mouse button to add the symbol to the circuit diagram.

Manipulating the symbols


To move a symbol on the screen simply click on the symbol and drag it to the new position while holding the left mouse button. Release the button to position the symbol on the closest snap grid point.

To move a group of symbols, connecting lines and graphics objects, select the group. Left click and hold the mouse button on the upper left corner of the desired area. Drag the cursor across until the rubber-banding square encloses the symbols to be selected. Release the mouse button to select all the symbols, connecting lines and graphics inside the selection area. Alternatively, select a group of symbols by holding the [SHIFT] key while clicking on the symbols to be selected in turn.

Next, left click on any selected object and drag the mouse cursor across the screen until the symbols are positioned over the desired area. Release the mouse button.

Each symbol can be individually rotated around its head point using the clockwise button  or the counter-clockwise button . It can also be inverted head to tail using the invert button .

Drawing connecting lines

To draw connecting lines, position the mouse cursor over a snap grid point. The mouse cursor will turn to crosshair when positioned properly over a snap grid point. To show the grid points, click on the snap grid button  on the [Circuit Toolbar](#).

Press and hold the left mouse button and drag the cursor across the screen. A rubber banding line will show where the line will be drawn. Release the mouse button when the desired direction and length of the line are shown.

When adding new connecting lines, the lines will automatically cross over intersected lines without connecting to those lines.

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Copying and pasting symbols and blocks of symbols

To duplicate a device, press and hold the [Ctrl] key, left click the center of the symbol and drag the cursor to the desired position before releasing the mouse button.

To duplicate a block of symbols, the symbols must first be selected. To do this, click and hold the mouse button on the upper left corner of the desired area. Drag the cursor to the opposite corner until the desired block size is shown. Releasing the mouse button will select all the symbols, connecting lines and graphics inside the selection area. Multiple symbols may also be selected by holding the [SHIFT] button while clicking on each symbol to be selected in turn.

Next, press and hold the [Ctrl] key, left click on any selected object and drag the mouse cursor across the screen until the symbols are positioned over the desired area. Release the mouse button.

Note that when copying or duplicating symbols or blocks of symbols, the device attributes, including the device data are copied over to the new symbols.

To copy the selected symbols, lines and graphics objects to Windows clipboard, click on the Copy Button on the main toolbar. or choose Edit|Copy from the menu bar.

Symbols previously saved to Windows clipboard may be pasted in any vacant area on the screen. To start paste operation, click on the Paste Button. The cursor changes to a paste cursor. Position the cursor over the insertion point (top left corner of the block to be pasted) and click the mouse left button.

Note that the symbol or symbols to be pasted must not overwrite any existing connecting line or symbol. Otherwise, the paste operation will fail.

Positioning Symbol Labels

To position a symbol label, click on the label and drag the cursor to the desired position before releasing the mouse button. Note that the label text may not be modified by double clicking. To edit the symbol label, open the symbol properties, select the General tab to edit the text and Options tab to include label, name or data to the label.

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Graphics Elements

Graphics elements do not affect the circuit calculation but are useful for complementing the presentation of the circuit diagram.


Graphics elements can be used to:

- annotate the circuit diagram
- graphically modify individual symbols
- add captions
- create nameplates
- show borders
- delineate circuit sections

The following graphical elements are provided:





- line
- rectangle
- rounded rectangle
- ellipse
- elliptical arc
- elliptical pie
- elliptical chord
- polygon
- polyline
- text

Graphics Operations



Before creating or manipulating any graphics, click on the  toolbar button to hide the snap grids, unless you want the graphics to be sized and located on the snap grid points.

To create a graphics object, select the desired shape from the toolbar buttons, left click on the top left corner and drag the cursor to the bottom right to the approximate size. For polygons and polylines, double click the last vertex to complete the polyline/polygon.

Graphics objects, like symbols and connecting lines can be moved, deleted, duplicated and used with Windows clipboard operations. They can also be sized. To select a graphics object, click on the inside if it is solidly filled or on the outline if not. Selecting a graphics object creates grab handles for that object, which can be clicked and dragged to resize it.

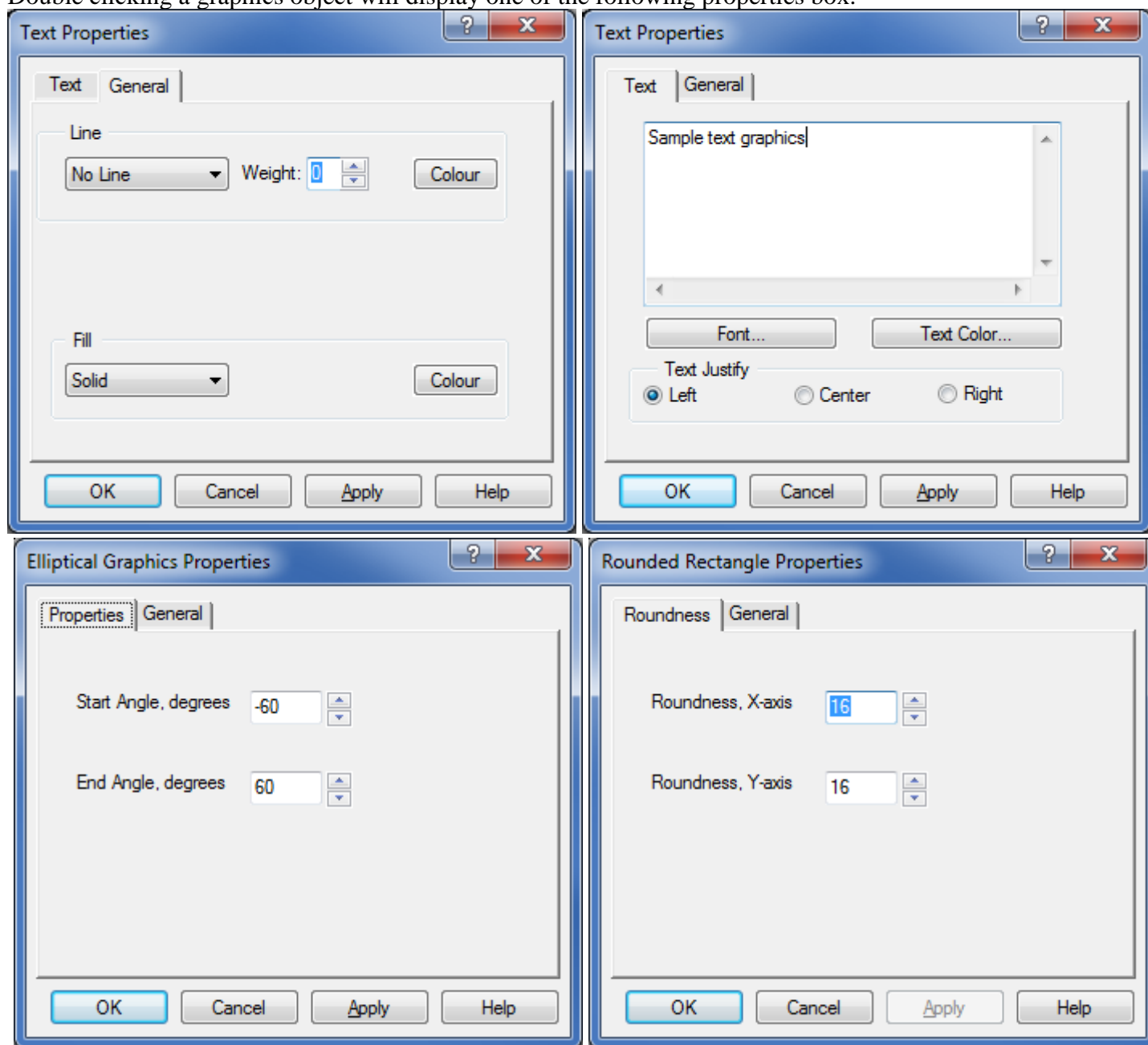
All graphics objects will be layered such that the newer objects will display on top of older objects. A selected object can be moved towards the front or back by using the following toolbar buttons,    .

To select several objects, press and hold the [Shift] key and left click on individual objects. To select objects within an area, left click on the top left of the area and drag the rubber banding selection rectangle to the bottom right.

Several graphics object can be grouped together as single object. To do this, select the objects as above, then click the  toolbar button. To ungroup the objects, click the  button.

Graphics Properties

Double clicking a graphics object will display one of the following properties box.



The outline can be invisible, solid, dotted, dashed or dot-dash. The fill can be invisible, solid, or hatched. The outline and fill can have the same or different colors. Click the colour button to display the [colour selection dialog box](#).

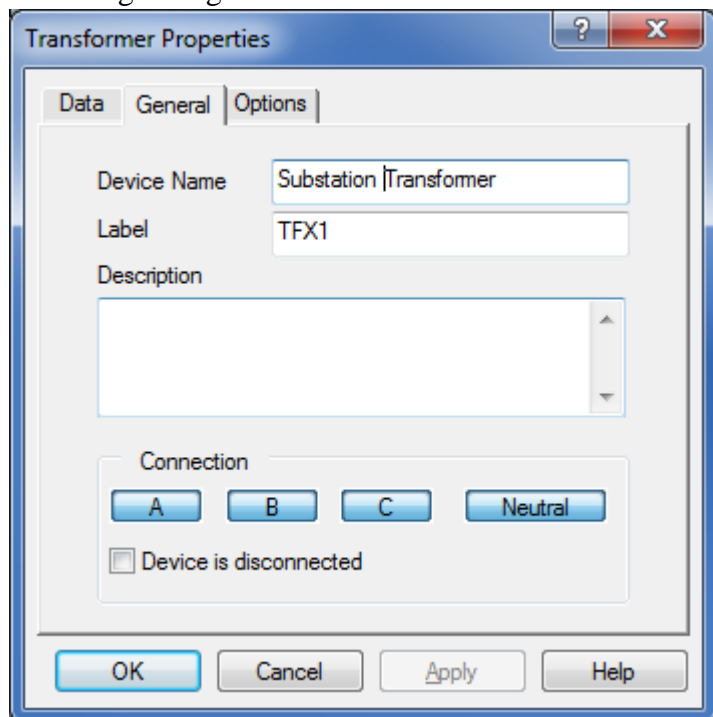
For text graphics, click on the [Font] button to display the [font selection](#) box.

For elliptical graphics, zero degrees is +x axis (3:00 o'clock), positive is counter-clockwise. The graphics starts at the start angle and moves counter-clockwise towards the end angle.

For rounded corner rectangles, the X and Y axis roundness refers to the relevant radii of the ellipse quadrant used to form the rounded corners of the rectangle.

Device General Info

Double click on a symbol or select Device Properties from the menu. Select the general tab to display the following dialog box.



Device Name - Optional. Can be displayed next to symbol.

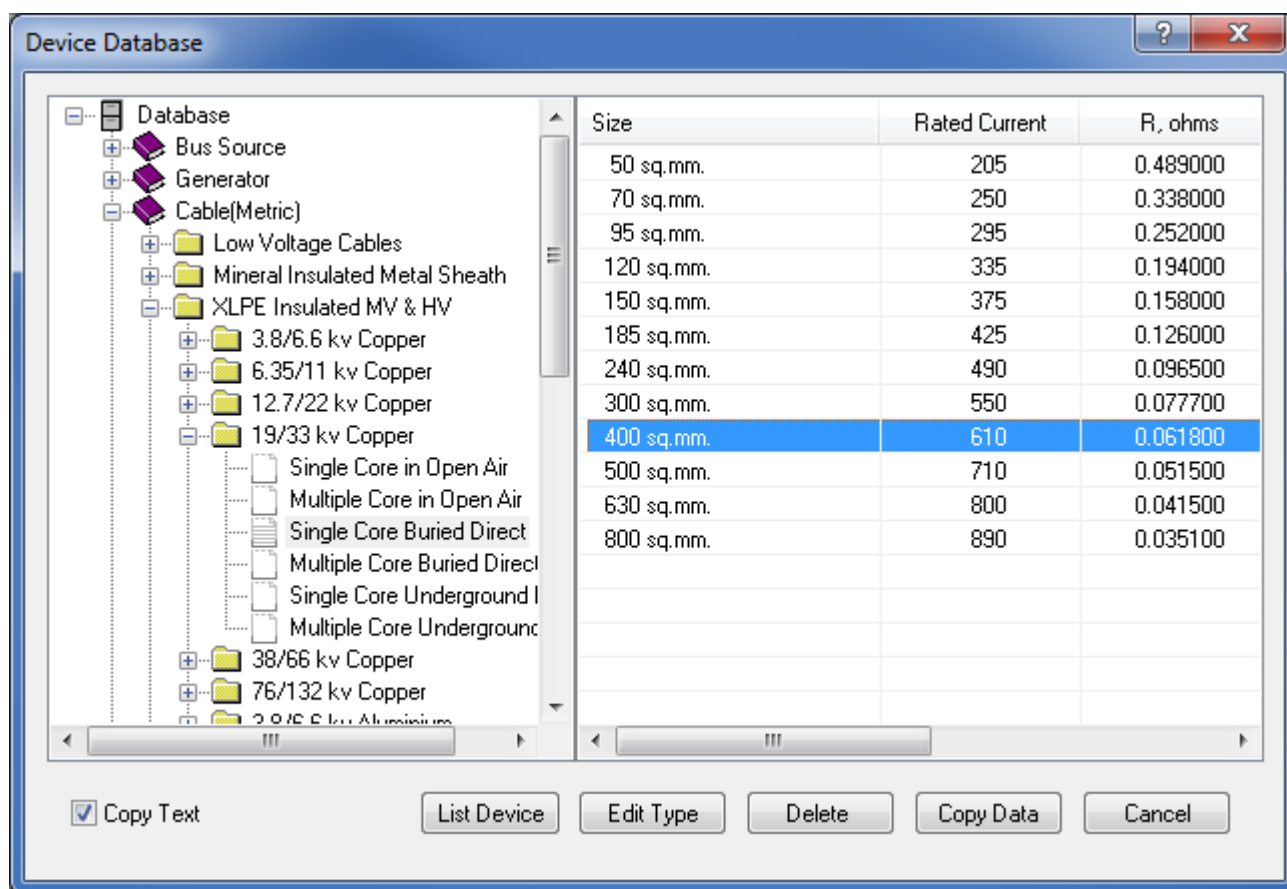
Label - Optional. Can be displayed next to symbol.

Description - Optional. Included in circuit report.

Connection [ABC-Neutral] - Phase connection of device, must be compatible with upstream connection. Double line to neutral not allowed.

Device is disconnected - When checked, this device is not included in circuit calculation (open circuited). Downstream connection also disconnected.

Device Database



The device database can be used to fill in the device data entry form with typical values. Click [Copy Data] button to fill the form with values from the database.

Copy Text - Check this to copy the data record type into the device description field.

List Device- Create a new device record using the device data values. Record type will be "New Data Record".

Edit Type- Edit the data record Type/Size field.

Delete - Delete the selected data record. This action can not be undone.

Copy Data- Use the record values to fill in the device data.

Bus Device Data

The image shows a software dialog box titled "Source Bus Properties". It has a standard Windows-style title bar with a question mark and a close button. The dialog is divided into two tabs: "Bus" and "General", with "General" currently selected. Inside the "General" tab, there are three input fields with corresponding labels: "Voltage in volts." with the value "33000", "Short circuit kVA." with the value "250000", and "R/X ratio" with the value "0.01". Below these fields are two buttons: "Auto Fill" and "Database". At the bottom of the dialog, there are four buttons: "OK", "Cancel", "Apply", and "Help".

Voltage in kV - the no load voltage of this bus source.

Short circuit MVA - the estimated or calculated short circuit capacity of this bus.

R/X ratio - the internal resistance to reactance ratio.

Auto Fill - automatically fill this form using previous values.

Database - opens the device database of sample bus sources.

Cable Device Data

The image shows a software dialog box titled "3-Core Properties". It has three tabs: "Data", "General", and "Options", with "Data" currently selected. The dialog contains several input fields and buttons. Under the heading "Cable Impedance", there are two text boxes: "R, ohms/1000 meters" with the value "0.161" and "X, ohms/1000 meter" with the value "0.101". Below these are "Length in metres." (100), "Rated current in amps." (370), and "Sets in parallel" (1, shown in a spinner box). At the bottom of the main area are three buttons: "Auto Fill" (highlighted with a dashed border), "Metric", and "Database". The bottom of the dialog features four standard buttons: "OK", "Cancel", "Apply", and "Help".

R, ohms/1000 meters - the cable resistance per 1000 meters for each phase. Note that this value is temperature dependent.

X, ohms/1000 meters - the cable reactance per 1000 meters for each phase. The neutral impedance is assumed to be zero.

Length in meters - the cable length.

Rated current in amps - the rated ampacity of the cable. Note that this dependent on temperature and installation configuration.

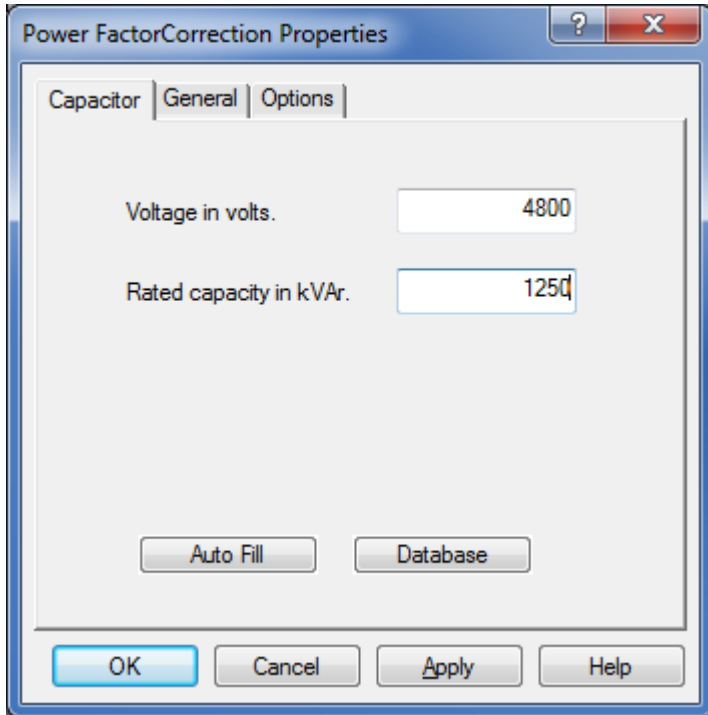
Sets in parallel - number of cable sets in parallel. Cable sizes and installation configuration must be identical.

Auto Fill - automatically fill this form using previous values.

Metric/Imperial - switch between metric and imperial versions of device database.

Database - opens the device database of sample cable types.

Capacitor Device Data



The image shows a software dialog box titled "Power FactorCorrection Properties". It has a standard Windows-style title bar with a question mark icon and a close button (X). The dialog is divided into three tabs: "Capacitor", "General", and "Options", with "Capacitor" currently selected. Inside the dialog, there are two input fields: "Voltage in volts." with the value "4800" and "Rated capacity in kVAr." with the value "1250". Below these fields are two buttons: "Auto Fill" and "Database". At the bottom of the dialog are four buttons: "OK", "Cancel", "Apply", and "Help".

Voltage in volts - Operating voltage of the capacitor bank/assembly.

Rated capacity in kVAr - rated kilovar capacity of the capacitor bank/assembly.

Auto Fill - automatically fill this form using previous values.

Database - opens the device database of sample capacitors.

Distribution Board Device Data

The image shows a software dialog box titled "Distribution Board Properties". It has a blue title bar with a question mark and a close button. Below the title bar, there are two tabs: "Distribution Board" and "General". The "General" tab is selected. The main area contains four input fields: "Voltage in volts" with the value 415, "Load kVA" with the value 216, "Load P.F." with the value 0.8, and "DB Loads" with a dropdown menu showing 18. Below these fields are three buttons: "Load Details", "Auto Fill", and "Override". At the bottom of the dialog are four buttons: "OK", "Cancel", "Apply", and "Help".

Voltage in volts - Operating voltage of the distribution board.

Power in kVA - The total load kVA of this board.

Load P.F. - The net load power factor of this board.

Panelboard Branch Circuits - the number of branch circuits for this distribution board.

Override - Click to manually enter the total load kVA and power factor.

Auto Fill - automatically fill this form using previous values.

Details - opens the data entry form for the individual branch circuits.

Generator Device Data

Generator Properties

Generator | General | Options

Voltage in volts.

Rated Capacity in kVA.

Voltage Regulation %

Auto Fill Database

OK Cancel Apply Help

Voltage in volts - No-load voltage of the generator.

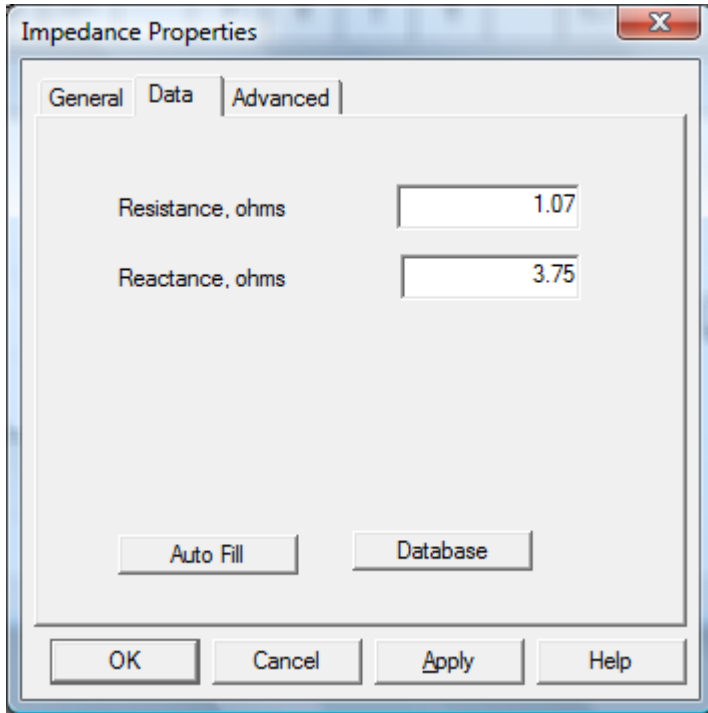
Rated capacity in MVA - rated capacity of the generator.

Voltage Regulation % - the difference between no load and full load voltage divided by full load voltage in percent.

Auto Fill - automatically fill this form using previous values.

Database - opens the device database of sample capacitors.

Impedance Device Data



The image shows a software dialog box titled "Impedance Properties" with a close button (X) in the top right corner. The dialog has three tabs: "General", "Data", and "Advanced", with "Data" currently selected. Inside the "Data" tab, there are two input fields: "Resistance, ohms" with the value "1.07" and "Reactance, ohms" with the value "3.75". Below these fields are two buttons: "Auto Fill" and "Database". At the bottom of the dialog are four buttons: "OK", "Cancel", "Apply", and "Help".

Resistance, ohms - the actual device resistance in ohms.

Reactance, ohms - the actual device reactance in ohms.

Auto Fill - automatically fill this form using previous values.

Database - opens the device database of sample impedances.

Induction/Synchronous Motor Device Data

The screenshot shows a software dialog box titled "Induction Motor Properties". It has three tabs: "Motor", "General", and "Options". The "General" tab is selected. The dialog contains the following fields and controls:

- Voltage in volts:** Input field with value 3300.
- Motor power in kW:** Input field with value 373.
- Motor P.F.:** Input field with value 0.85.
- Efficiency %:** Input field with value 88.
- Start-Full Load Ratio:** Input field with value 5.
- Running/Starting:** Two buttons. "Running" is highlighted in blue, and "Starting" is greyed out.
- Auto Fill/Database:** Two buttons. "Auto Fill" is highlighted with a dashed border, and "Database" is greyed out.
- Bottom Buttons:** "OK", "Cancel", "Apply", and "Help".

Voltage in volts - Operating voltage of the motor.

Specify load - Select the convenient form for entering the load data.

Power in kW - Specify the rated power output of this motor.

Motor P.F. - Enter the actual motor operating power factor.

Efficiency, per Unit - the mechanical efficiency of the motor. About 80% at 3.75kW(5HP) and 90% at 37.5(50HP).

Start-Full Load Ratio - the ratio of starting current to the full loads current. Between 1.5-15, typically 6.5.

Running/Starting - Select to determine motor current.

Auto Fill - automatically fill this form using previous values.

Database - opens the device database of sample motors.

Load Device Data

The screenshot shows a 'Load Properties' dialog box with the following fields and controls:

- Tab: Load
- Field: Voltage in volts (480)
- Section: Specify Load
 - Buttons: kVA (selected), Current, Impedance
- Field: Load kVA (1800)
- Field: Load Power Factor (0.8)
- Buttons: Auto Fill, Database
- Bottom Buttons: OK, Cancel, Apply, Help

Voltage in volts - Operating voltage of the load.

Specify load - Select the convenient form for entering the load data.

Power in kVA - Specify the operating kVA of this load.

Load Current - Specify the operating current of this load.

Load P.F. - Enter the load operating power factor.

Load Resistance - the actual load resistance in ohms.

Load Reactance - the actual load reactance in ohms.

Auto Fill - automatically fill this form using previous values.

Database - opens the device database of sample loads.

Motor Control Center

The screenshot shows a Windows-style dialog box titled "Motor Control Center Properties". It has three tabs: "Data", "General", and "Options". The "Data" tab is selected. Inside the dialog, there are four input fields: "Voltage in volts" with the value 480, "Load kVA" with the value 21.6, "Load P.F." with the value 0.85, and "Motor Control Units" with a dropdown menu showing the value 6. Below these fields are three buttons: "Load Details", "Auto Fill", and "Override". At the bottom of the dialog are four buttons: "OK", "Cancel", "Apply", and "Help".

Voltage in volts - Operating voltage of the MCC.

Power in kVA - The total load kVA of this MCC.

Load P.F. - The net load power factor of this MCC.

Motor Control Units - the number of motor control units for this MCC.

Override - Set to manually enter the total load kVA and power factor.

Auto Fill - automatically fill this form using previous values.

Details - opens the data entry form for the individual motor control units.

Panelboard

Panelboard Properties

Data | General | Options

Voltage in volts.

Load kVA

Load P.F.

Panelboard Branch Circuits

Load Details

Auto Fill Override

OK Cancel Apply Help

Voltage in volts - Operating voltage of the panelboard.

Power in kVA - The total load kVA of this panelboard.

Load P.F. - The net load power factor of this panelboard.

Panelboard Branch Circuits - the number of branch circuits for this panelboard.

Override - Set to manually enter the total load kVA and power factor.

Auto Fill - automatically fill this form using previous values.

Details - opens the data entry form for the individual branch circuits.

Protective Device Data

The screenshot shows a software dialog box titled "Air Circuit Breaker Properties". It has three tabs: "Protective Device", "General", and "Options". The "Protective Device" tab is selected. The dialog contains the following fields and controls:

- Type: Air Circuit Breaker (dropdown menu)
- Voltage in volts.: 33000 (text input)
- Trip Current, amps: 600 (text input)
- Interrupting Rating, kA: 3 (text input)
- Momentary Rating, kA: 10 (text input)
- Frame Size, amps: 1200 (text input)
- Buttons: Auto Fill, Database
- Bottom buttons: OK, Cancel, Apply, Help

Note that all data are optional and not used during calculation. The trip current will indicate if exceeded in the calculation.

Type - Select fuse, air circuit breaker or oil circuit breaker.

Voltage in kV - rated voltage of the device.

Trip Current, amps - the current setting of the trip element of the device.

Interrupting Rating, kA - the maximum current the device can safely break.

Momentary Rating, kA - the maximum current the device can safely withstand.

Auto Fill - automatically fill this form using previous values.

Database - opens the device database of sample protective devices.

Transformer Device Data

Transformer Properties

Data | General | Options

Pri/Sec: Delta-Wye

Rated Capacity in kVA: 1500

Primary voltage, volts: 22000

Secondary Tap %: 2.5

Secondary voltage, volts: 480

Percent R: 1.5

Percent X: 6.6

Auto Fill Database

OK Cancel Apply Help

Pri/Sec - Select primary and secondary winding type.

Rated Capacity in kVA - Enter transformer capacity in kVA.

Primary voltage, volts - Operating voltage, primary.

Primary Tap % - Percentage tap on the primary winding.

Secondary voltage, volts - Operating voltage, secondary.

Percent R - Percent of base impedance, resistance.

Percent X - Percent of base impedance, reactance.

Auto Fill - automatically fill this form using previous values.

Database - opens the device database of sample transformers.

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