

The Best Line Choice for Transmission System Expansion Planning on the Side of the Highest Reliability Level

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Abstract - This paper presents a new method for choosing the best line for transmission system expansion planning considering the highest reliability level of the transmission system. Conventional methodologies for transmission system expansion planning have been mainly focused on economics, which is the minimization of construction costs. However, quantitative evaluation of transmission system reliability is important because successful operation and planning of an electric power system under the deregulated electricity market depends on transmission system reliability management. Therefore, it is expected that the development of methodology for choosing the best lines considering the highest transmission system reliability level while taking into account uncertainties of transmission system equipment is useful for the future. The characteristics and effectiveness of the proposed methodology are illustrated by the case study using a MRBTS. *Copyright © 2003 IFAC*

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1. Introduction

Deregulation with open access to the transmission system has become a hot issue in electricity energy industries [1, 2]. Deregulation with open access has moved the industry from conventional monopolistic electricity markets to competitive markets. In a competitive market, the price of the delivered energy and the quality of electrical energy including voltage quality and reliability of service are the main factors for business success [3]. Transmission system operators and decision makers for planning have long since dealt with system reliability issues and the question of quantifying system reliability. However, a key factor in today's competitive environment is the orientation toward customer needs and willingness to pay for quality [4, 5]. Methodologies for transmission system expansion planning based on appropriate concepts of transmission system reliability evaluation, therefore still have to be developed for independent transmission system planners under the competitive electricity environment [6].

This paper presents a new method for determining the

most suitable line/plan for transmission system expansion planning under various given candidate lines/plans to achieve the highest reliability level of the transmission system. A methodology for assessing and evaluating nodal probabilistic reliability indices of a transmission system is proposed in order to choose the best line/plan. The proposed method for evaluating the transmission system reliability is based on the concept that the reliability level of a transmission system is equal to the difference in the reliability levels of the composite power system (HLII) and the generation system (HLI). The risk indices of the composite power system are larger than those of the generation system because the transmission system includes related uncertainties (forced outage rates) [7, 8].

The effective load duration curve of the composite power system (CMELDC) developed earlier by the authors is used in order to obtain the reliability indices of composite power systems at HLII. The reliability indices of the generation system at HLI can be evaluated using the conventional effective load duration curve (ELDC) [7].

The proposed algorithm can reveal information such as the sensitivity of the reliability level of transmission lines to transmission system planning as well as provide useful data for reasonable transmission system expansion planning and operation to the electricity market, to an ISO and to customers at the load points. It is expected that the proposed method can be used beneficially not only for the best lines/plan choice in achieving the highest level of reliability but also in determining an optimal reliability level of the transmission system under a deregulated

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electricity market in the future. The characteristics and effectiveness of this proposed methodology are illustrated by a case study of the MRBTS (Modified Roy Billinton Test System) [8-11].

2. Reliability Evaluation of Power Systems Hierarchical Levels

2.1 Hierarchical Level of Power Systems

The basic techniques for adequacy assessment can be categorized in terms of their application to segments of a complete power system. These segments are shown in Fig. 1 and can be defined as the functional zones of generation, transmission and distribution systems. The target of this study is not reliability evaluation of HLII but only of the transmission system. We can take inspiration from the hierarchical level diagram in which the reliability indices of a transmission system are equal to the difference in reliability levels between HLII and HLI only if the reliability indices of HLII and HLI are compatible.

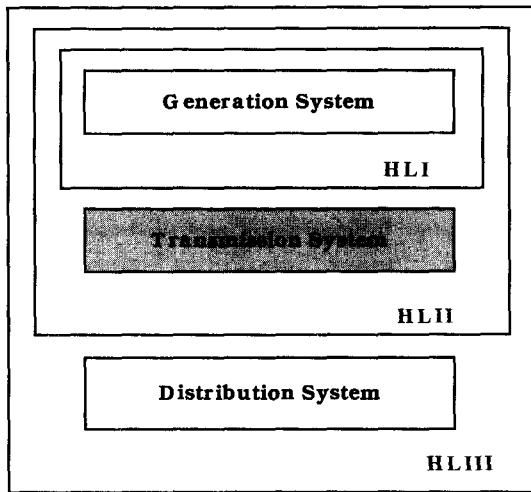


Fig. 1 Power system hierarchical level diagram.

2.2 Reliability Evaluation of HLI

Reliability indices of $LOLE_{HLI}$ (Loss of load expectation) and $EENS_{HLI}$ (Expected energy not served) of only generation systems using ELDC (Effective load duration curve) ${}_{HLI}\Phi(x)$ of HLI are calculated by Eq. (1) and Eq. (2), respectively.

$$LOLE_{HLI} = {}_{HLI}\Phi(x) \Big|_{x=IC} \quad [\text{days}] \quad (1)$$

$$EENS_{HLI} = \int_{IC}^{IC+L_p} {}_{HLI}\Phi(x) dx \quad [\text{MWh}] \quad (2)$$

Where, IC : total installed capacity of generators [MW]

$${}_{HLI}\Phi_i(x_e) = {}_{HLI}\Phi_{i-1}(x_e) \otimes_{HLI} f_{oi}(x_{oi}) = \int_{HLI}\Phi_{i-1}(x_e - x_{oi}) {}_{HLI}f_{oi}(x_{oi}) dx \quad (3)$$

Where, \otimes : operator meaning convolution integral

$${}_{HLI}\Phi_o(x_e - x_{oi}) = {}_{HLI}\Phi(x_L)$$

${}_{HLI}f_{oi}(x_{oi})$: the probability distribution function

of outage capacity of generator #i

L_p : peak load of system [MW]

2.3 Reliability Evaluation of HLII

Many reliability indices for HLII have been developed to date. The indices of HLII can be classified mainly into two kinds, for load point indices and bulk system indices according to the object of evaluation. Compatible indices for HLII and HLI have to be used in order to evaluate whether the reliability indices of a transmission system are equal to the difference in the reliability level between HLII and HLI. Therefore, $LOLE$, $EENS$, $EDNS$ (Expected demand not supplied) and ELC (Expected load curtailments) based on $LOLE$ and $LOEE$ (Loss of energy expectation) index concepts can be used in this study.

2.3.1 Reliability indices at load points

Reliability indices and CMELDC at load point #k are illustrated in Fig. 2. Where, L_{pk} and AP_k of the horizontal axis express peak load and arrival power at load point #k respectively. In this figure, the load point reliability indices, $LOLE_k$ and $EENS_k$ can be calculated using Eq. (4) and Eq. (5) with ${}_k\Phi_{NG}(x)$. T and L_{pk} are the study period and peak load at load point #k in Fig. 2.

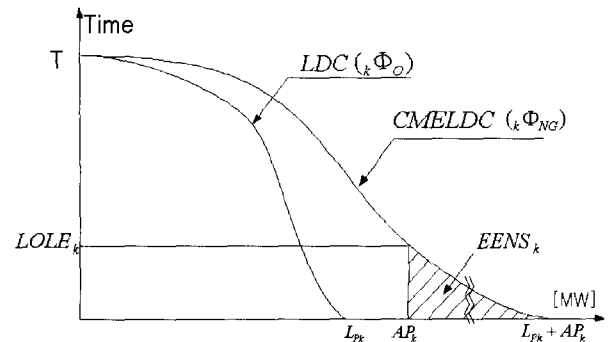


Fig. 2 Reliability indices and ELDC at load point #k.

$$LOLE_k = {}_k\Phi_{NG}(x) \Big|_{x=AP_k} \quad [\text{day}] \quad (4)$$

$$EENS_k = \int_{AP_k}^{AP_k+L_{pk}} {}_k\Phi_{NG}(x) dx \quad [\text{MWh}] \quad (5)$$

Where, AP_k : maximum arrival power at load point #k [MW]

$$\begin{aligned} {}_k\Phi_i(x_e) &= {}_k\Phi_o(x_e) \otimes_k f_{osi}(x_{oi}) \\ &= \int_k {}_k\Phi_o(x_e - x_{oi})_k f_{osi}(x_{oi}) dx_{oi} \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$

where, \otimes : the operator meaning convolution integral

${}_k\Phi_o$ = LDC at load point #k

${}_k f_{osi}$: outage capacity pdf of synthesis fictitious generator operated by generators from #1 to #i at load point #k

State Probability

Total contingency enumeration could require 2^{100} states to be considered for a system composed of 100 generators and transmission lines. This is obviously impractical. Fortunately, the probability of a relatively large number of generators and transmission lines failing at the same time is virtually zero. It is impractical to consider all states for an actual system. Eq. (7) is more useful for a practical system and can be used to calculate the state probability.

$${}_k q_j = \begin{cases} \sum_{j \in e_j} [P(B_j) P_{ij}] & n(\bar{e}_j) \leq 8 \\ 0 & n(\bar{e}_j) > 8 \end{cases} \quad (7)$$

where, \bar{e}_j : set of elements on outage of system state #j

$n(\bar{e}_j)$: number of elements on outage of set, \bar{e}_j

$P(B_j)$: probability of the outage capacity B_j

$P(B_{ij})$: loss of load time probability at state #j

Arrival Power Evaluation

Reliability indices of HLII can be obtained differently according to the objective function of optimal power flow in order to evaluate the probability distribution function of outage capacity of a fictitious generator at the load point. In this study, the objective function was established to minimize the maximum outage power rate at load points assuming that transmission line losses are ignored and only effective power is considered in the following Eqs.

(1) Objective function

$$\text{Minimize } \{ \max(L_{pk} - x_k) / L_{pk} \} \quad k \in B_L \quad (8)$$

where, L_{pk} : peak load power at load point #k

B_L : set of loads buses

\max : abbreviation of maximum

(2) Constraints

(a) constraint of incident circuit

$$\sum_{l=1}^{NB} a_{il} x_l \leq CG_i \quad i \in B_B \quad (9)$$

where, a_{ij} : node - incidence matrix

B_B : set of generator buses

NB : total number of branches

CG_i : generation capacity at bus #i [MW]
(= 0 for load buses)

(b) constraint of transmission line capacity

$$-CT_{lmax} \leq x_l \leq CT_{lmax} \quad (10)$$

where, CT_{lmax} : capacity of transmission line #l [MW]

x_l : control variable meaning effective power flow of branch #l

B_T : set of transmission lines

The CMELDC can be calculated by convoluting the original load duration curve with the probability distribution function of the powers not served at the load points using Eq. (11). Lambda in Eq. (11) is a parameter.

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{Minimize } \lambda \\ \text{Subject to} \\ \sum_{l=1}^{NB} a_{il} x_l \leq CG_i \quad i \in B_B \\ -CT_{lmax} \leq x_l \leq CT_{lmax} \quad l \in B_T \\ (L_{pk} - x_k) / L_{pk} \leq \lambda \quad k \in B_L \end{array} \right\} \quad (11)$$

where, B_T : set of transmission lines

We can obtain the AP_{kj} , arrival power at load point #k as like as in Eq. (12) for system state #j with optimal solution x_k^* of Eq. (11).

$$AP_k = x_k^* \quad k \in B_L \quad (12)$$

Therefore, the probability distribution function of outage capacity of a fictitious generator at the load point can be constructed and the reliability indices of HLII can be obtained as Eq. (4) and Eq. (5) using Eq. (6).

2.3.2 Reliability indices of bulk system

While the $EENS_{HLII}$ of the bulk system is equal to summation of $EENS_k$ at load points as in Eq. (13), $LOLE$ of the bulk system is entirely different from summation of $LOLE_k$ at load points. However, as the ELC_{HLII} of the bulk

system is equal to the summation of ELC_k at load points, $LOLE_{HLII}$ of the bulk system can be calculated and divided by ELC_{HLII} as in Eq. (15).

$$EENS_{HLII} = \sum_{k=1}^{NL} EENS_k \quad [\text{MWh}] \quad (13)$$

$$ELC_{HLII} = \sum_{k=1}^{NL} ELC_k \quad (14)$$

$$LOLE_{HLII} = EENS_{HLII} / ELC_{HLII} \quad [\text{pu}] \quad (15)$$

Where, NL : number of load points

R : set of states of not supplied powers

$$ELC_k = EENS_k / LOLE_k \quad [\text{MW/cur.yr}]$$

3. Reliability Evaluation of Transmission System

$LOLE$ and $EENS$ of only a transmission system using the reliability indices of HLI and HLII are calculated as Eq. (16) and Eq. (17), respectively.

$$LOLE_{TS} = LOLE_{HLII} - LOLE_{HLI} \quad [\text{days}] \quad (16)$$

$$EENS_{TS} = EENS_{HLII} - EENS_{HLI} \quad [\text{MWh}] \quad (17)$$

Also, EDNS (expected demand not supplied) and ELC (Expected load curtailment) of the transmission system can be calculated using Eq. (18) and Eq. (19), respectively.

$$EDNS_{TS} = EENS_{TS} / T \quad [\text{MW/yr}] \quad (18)$$

$$ELC_{TS} = EENS_{TS} / LOLE_{TS} \quad [\text{MW/cur.yr}] \quad (19)$$

Where, T is total period for study [year]

In order to evaluate the effectiveness from the view of an additional transmission line, RGTAI defined as in the following Eq. (20) is used in this study [8]. The RGTAI signifies Ratios of Generation-Transmission Adequacy Indices [8]. The greater this value, the higher the level of effectiveness because the reliability level (index) of the transmission system is higher (lower) relatively than that of generation system.

$$RGTAI = R_G / R_T \\ = R_{HLI} / (R_{HLII} - R_{HLI}) \quad (20)$$

4. Case Study

The program has been applied to the MRBTS in order to demonstrate the effectiveness of the proposed method. Capacities and forced outage rates of generators and transmission lines are represented in Fig. 3. Straight lines are the existing transmissions and dotted lines in Fig. 3 signify the candidate lines for new construction.

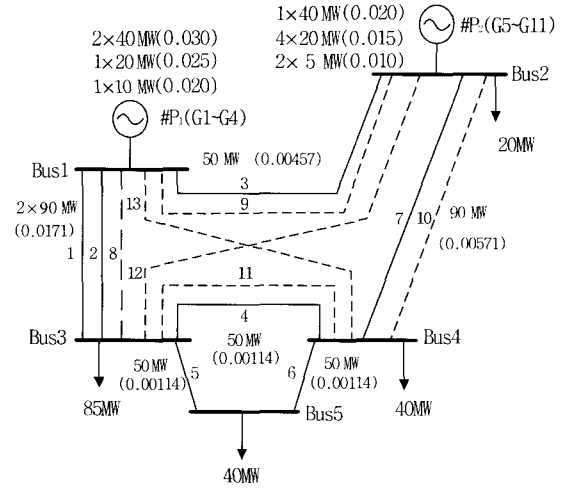


Fig. 3 MRBTS for case study.

The difference and reliability indices evaluated in HLI and HLII are shown in Table 1. The difference relates only to the reliability level of the transmission system. In this study, a one day load has been used for convenience and evaluated for study. In order to illustrate the effect of adding transmission facilities selected additions were analysed.

Table 1 Reliability Indices - Case 1 (base case)

	HLII	HLI	Transmission system	RGTAI
LOLE [hrs/day]	0.0459	0.0277	0.0181	1.5302
EENS [MWh/day]	1.1599	0.06659	0.4940	1.3480
ELC [MW/cur.day]	25.2828	24.0009	27.2444	0.8809

Table 2 Reliability Indices - Case 2(case of a cct added at T/L8 between buses #1 and #3)

	HLII	HLI	Transmission system	RGTAI
LOLE [hrs/day]	0.0454	0.0277	0.0176	1.5752
EENS [MWh/day]	1.1305	0.6659	0.4646	1.4331
ELC [MW/cur.day]	24.9248	24.0009	26.3800	0.9097

Table 3 Reliability Indices - Case 3(case of a cct added at T/L9 between buses #1 and #2)

	HLII	HLI	Transmission system	RGTAI
LOLE [hrs/day]	0.0287	0.0277	0.0010	29.1765
EENS [MWh/day]	0.7120	0.6659	0.0461	14.4376
ELC [MW/cur.day]	24.8128	24.0009	48.5026	0.4948

Table 4 Reliability Indices - Case 4(case of a cct added at T/L10 between buses #2 and #4)

	HLII	HLI	Transmission system	RGTAI
LOLE [hrs/day]	0.0279	0.0277	0.0001	187.2202
EENS [MWh/day]	0.6724	0.6659	0.0066	101.4113
ELC [MW/cur.day]	24.1088	24.0009	44.3091	0.5417

Table 5 Reliability Indices - Case 5(case of a cct added at T/L11 between buses #3 and #4)

	HLII	HLI	Transmission system	RGTAI
LOLE [hrs/day]	0.0457	0.0277	0.0180	1.5408
EENS [MWh/day]	1.1538	0.6659	0.4879	1.3647
ELC [MW/cur.day]	25.2200	24.0009	27.0984	0.8857

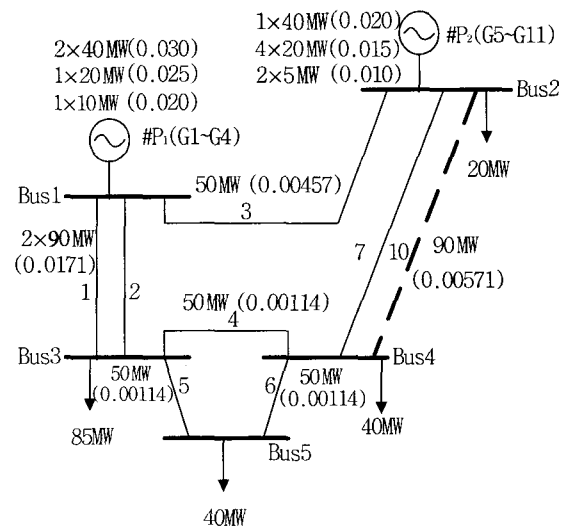
Table 6 Reliability Indices - Case 6(case of a cct added at T/L12 between buses #2 and #3)

	HLII	HLI	Transmission system	RGTAI
LOLE [hrs/day]	0.0280	0.0277	0.0003	101.6803
EENS [MWh/day]	0.6784	0.6659	0.0125	53.2740
ELC [MW/cur.day]	24.2133	24.0009	45.8088	0.5239

Table 7 Reliability Indices - Case 7(case of a cct added at T/L13 between buses #1 and #4)

	HLII	HLI	Transmission system	RGTAI
LOLE [hrs/day]	0.0453	0.0277	0.0175	1.5832
EENS [MWh/day]	1.1255	0.6659	0.4596	1.4488
ELC [MW/cur.day]	24.8630	24.0009	26.2279	0.9151

Table 1 is a standard base case (Case 1). The results presented from Table 2 to Table 7 summarize the effect of adding transmission lines between buses for the reliability indices of a transmission system. From the results, transmission lines between buses #2 and #4 can be chosen for the most reliable line because the RGTAI is the highest value. This likewise means that the reliability level of HLII is the highest. As it is, the order of RGTAI is identical to the order of LOLE for HLII. This results from the fact that adding new transmission lines does not effect the reliability index of HLI, which is based on the model considering a generation system only.

**Fig. 4** The best line considering the reliability level of MRBTS.

5. Conclusions

This paper presents a new methodology for choosing the best line for transmission system expansion planning considering the highest level of reliability. A methodology for assessing and evaluating nodal probabilistic reliability indices of a transmission system is proposed in order to choose the optimal line/plan. The proposed method for evaluating the transmission system reliability is based on the concept that the reliability level of a transmission system is equal to the difference in the reliability levels of the composite power system (HLII) and the generation system (HLI). The risk indices of the composite power system are larger than those of the generation system because the transmission system includes related uncertainties (forced outage rates). In order to obtain the reliability indices of a composite power system at HLII, the CMELDC previously developed by the authors is used in this study. Development of methodology considering reliability of the transmission system as well as reasonable

nodal reliability criteria and economics under the deregulated electricity market will remain for future works.

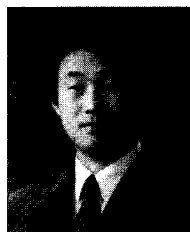
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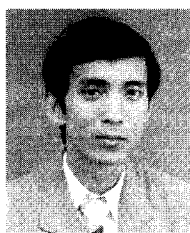
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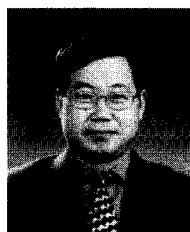
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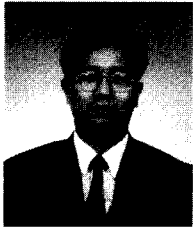


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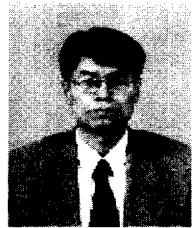
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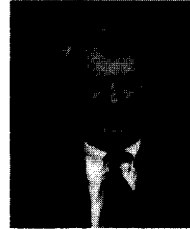
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