

A POWER SYSTEM LINEAR DECOUPLE CONTINGENCY ANALYSIS ALGORITHM

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ABSTRACT

This paper introduces a simple, linear, fast, decouple and non-iterative contingency analysis algorithm derived from the approximate D.C. loadflow technique. The linear relations between active and reactive powers injected to system buses and phase angles and magnitudes of nodal voltages of the system are coupled together to determine the power system state variables after changes in system network configuration resulting from contingent outages and/or planned switching of lines. The proposed technique takes into account second order term of changes in system states and parameters resulting from such contingencies. The drop of these changes in references [1], [2], [3], yields to a substantial amount of error in their output results, specially for lightly loaded power systems [2]. The consideration of these terms highly improved final output results of the proposed technique as compared with any previous technique developed on the same basis.

INTRODUCTION

Automatic contingency analysis is an increasingly valuable analytical tool in many energy management system. It is predominantly used to predict steady state conditions following branch or generation outages. AC power flow methods have proved to be dispensable for any kind of steady state analysis in real time security monitoring owing to the prohibitive computer time and cost involved. Therefore, it is a common practice to sacrifice the accuracy for speed. Thus, considerable efforts [1-13] have been made to formulate techniques in linear form in order that a large number of system contingencies may be analysed swiftly on-or off-line.

Techniques [1,2,3] are dealing only with relation between bus injected active power and bus phase angles. They are simple, non-iterative and approximate DC load flow contingency analysis. They did not take into consideration the second-order terms of changes in system states and parameters resulting from system contingencies. Although the DC power flow methods [1], [2], [3] are simple and lend themselves to the use of superposition to evaluate the contingencies effects, their accuracy was not satisfactory. Therefore, the Z bus method [4] appeared to give better accuracy, that

is, the results are more close to those obtained using standard AC power flow analysis. A modification was done in reference [5] to the DC load flow method to consider the second order terms of system phase angles and parameters. This modification led to a significant improvement in its performance and accuracy level for both single and multiple contingencies. However, all these methods [1-5] suffer from he inability to provide voltage and vars information.

To handle this problem, methods [6-7] were proposed to determine separately the changes in nodal voltages and phase angles by a linear iterative process. Another technique [8] had been proposed, it implemented a sensitivity matrix (inverted Jacobian) about contingencies which could be formulated during the iterative process. All these methods had been applied inspite of the possibility of no convergence exist. Other approximate AC techniques based on opposite current injections and modification of either bus impedance or Jacobian matrices were proposed in references [9-11]. A non iterative technique was proposed [12], to calculate the bus angle from DC load flow. These angles were used to determine the nodal voltage changes from nodal current equations. This technique gave

unsatisfactory results due to the approximate nature of the angle calculation. A trial was made in reference [13] to determine effect of system network parameters on changes in system state variable. The nodal current changes are expressed in terms of changes in system nodal voltages by implementing the system nodal performance equation. It is iterative, not simple and its results were less accurate than the standard load flow techniques.

This paper introduces an extension of the modified algorithm [5] to determine power system state variables after contingencies. It is an approximate DC loadflow technique based on the relation between active and reactive power injected to system buses and phase angles and magnitudes of nodal voltages i.e a coupled, (p-δ) and (Q-V) model. It takes into consideration the second-order terms of changes in system states and parameters involved in active and reactive power relations. These changes are due to power system network configuration contingencies.

The proposed technique is introduction and discussed through numerical examples to depict its validity and accuracy. It gives better results with an acceptable level of accuracy for both single and multiple contingencies.

2. MATHEMATICAL BASIS

2.1 Nonlinear Loadflow Equation

The general equation of the complex injected power and current to the i^{th} bus of a power system having N buses, are;

$$\bar{S}_i^* = P_i - jQ_i = \bar{V}_i^* \cdot \bar{I}_i \quad (1)$$

and

$$\bar{I}_i = \sum_{j=1}^N \bar{Y}_{ij} \bar{V}_j, \quad i=1,2,\dots,N \quad (2)$$

where \bar{V}_i^* is the conjugate of the complex voltage vector V_i of bus i ,

$$\bar{V}_i = V_i |\delta_i$$

\bar{Y}_{ij} is the element ij of the system bus admittance

matrix.

$$= Y_{ij} |\Theta_{ij} = (G_{ij} + jB_{ij})$$

Substituting equation (2) into equation (1), the later becomes:

$$P_i - j Q_i = \bar{V}_i^* \sum_{j=1}^N \bar{Y}_{ij} \bar{V}_j \quad (3)$$

Equating real and imaginary parts of both sides of equation (3), thus:

$$P_i = \sum_{j=1}^N V_i Y_{ij} V_j \cos (\theta_{ij} + \delta_j - \delta_i) \quad (4)$$

$$Q_i = - \sum_{j=1}^N V_i Y_{ij} V_j \sin (\theta_{ij} + \delta_j - \delta_i) \quad (5)$$

Equation (4) and (5) are the basic equation for conventional exact AC loadflow techniques. These equations can be linearized as shown in the next subsection

2.2 p-δ Model[1]

The reactance, X, of high voltage overhead transmission lines is usually much more greater than their resistance, R, i.e

$$X/R \gg 1$$

Thus, the conductive part G_{ij} of the ij^{th} element of the bus admittance matrix can be neglected, i.e

$$Y_{ij} \approx jB_{ij} = B_{ij} | 90$$

Therefore, equation (4) can be rewritten as:

$$P_i = \sum_{j=1}^N V_i B_{ij} V_j \sin (\delta_i - \delta_j)$$

Also if $(\delta_i - \delta_j)$ is sufficiently small such that:

$$\sin (\delta_i - \delta_j) = (\delta_i - \delta_j)$$

then, the approximate linearized equation of the bus injected active power as a function of bus phase angles becomes: [1][5]

$$P_i = \sum_{j=1}^{i-1} K_{ij} \delta_j + K_{ii} \delta_i + \sum_{j=i+1}^N K_{ij} \delta_j \quad (6)$$

where:

$$K_{ii} = \sum_{j=1, i \neq j}^N V_i V_j B_{ij} \quad (7)$$

and

$$K_{ij} = -V_i V_j B_{ij} \quad (8)$$

The linearized equation (6) can be rewritten in matrix form as [1][2],[5]:

$$[P] = [K] [\delta] \quad (9)$$

where [K] is an (NxN) matrix, the diagonal and off diagonal elements of which are expressed by equations (7) and (8), respectively.

Equation (9) is the linear relation between active powers injections to system buses and phase angles for a given network configuration.

2.3 Q-V Model

In a similar way, with the same assumptions proposed for the (P-δ) model, the following (Q-V) linear model can be deduced by linearizing the non-linear reactive power equation (5):

$$Q_i = - \sum_{j=1}^N V_i B_{ij} V_j \cos(\delta_i - \delta_j)$$

Since, $(\delta_i - \delta_j)$ is sufficiently small, then,

$$\cos(\delta_i - \delta_j) = 1$$

And the linear form of equation (5) becomes:

$$Q_i = -V_i^2 B_{ii} - V_i \sum_{j=1, j \neq i}^N B_{ij} V_j V_j \quad (10)$$

for all $i = 1, 2, \dots, N$

Equation (10) can be expressed in matrix form as:

$$[Q] = [C] [V] \quad (11)$$

where [C] is an (NxN) matrix, the diagonal elements of which are:

$$C_{ii} = -V_i B_{ii} \quad (12)$$

and the off diagonal elements are:

$$C_{ij} = -V_i B_{ij} \quad (13)$$

Since bus voltage magnitudes, for both slack and control buses, are specified and known, the voltages for load buses are unknown. Also the control and slack buses reactive powers are unknowns. Therefore, equation (11) should be partitioned into two sets of equations, one associated with load buses, and the other associated with both slack and control buses. As a results of this partitioning equation (11) becomes:

$$\begin{bmatrix} Q_g \\ \dots \\ Q_L \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} C_g \\ \dots \\ C_L \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} V_g \\ \dots \\ V_L \end{bmatrix} \quad (14)$$

In this equation Q_g for slack and control buses and V_L for load buses are unknown, but V_g for slack and control buses and Q_L for load buses are known.

The lower part of equation (14) can be written as:

$$[Q_L] = [C_L] \begin{bmatrix} V_g \\ \dots \\ V_L \end{bmatrix} \quad (15)$$

The matrix $[C_L]$ can in turn be partitioned to two submatrices $[C_1]$ and $[C_2]$ so that equation (15) can be changed to:

$$[Q_L] = [C_1 \ C_2] \begin{bmatrix} V_g \\ V_L \end{bmatrix}$$

or

$$[Q_L] = [C_1] [V_g] + [C_2] [V_L] \quad (16)$$

matrices [K] and [C_L]. Similar to the single contingency case, the only elements that will be changes in both matrices are:

pp, pq, qp, qq, ii, ij, ji, and jj

3.2 Fast Decoupled Algorithm

A fast linear contingency analysis algorithm can be developed by expanding equations (17) and (18). Its objective is to determine the changes of the system state variables Δδ and ΔV_L resulting from the contingencies under consideration.

The expansion of equation (17) is:

$$[P] = [K^0][\delta^0] + [\Delta K][\delta^0] + ([K^0] + [\Delta K])\Delta[\delta] \quad (21)$$

Equations (21), after some rearrangements, can be written as:

$$[K^1][\Delta\delta] = [\Delta P] \quad (22)$$

where

$$[K^1] = ([K^0] + [\Delta K]) \quad (23)$$

and

$$[\Delta P] = [P] - [P^0] - [\Delta K][\delta^0]$$

The vector [Δδ] is the correction vector of the unknown phase angles of nodal voltages. It takes into account the change in network configuration due to contingencies and in assigned power injections.

The following expression can be developed in a similar way from equation (18) to find the correction vector [ΔV_L] for nodal voltages of load buses.

$$[C_2^1][\Delta V_L] = [\Delta Q_L] \quad (24)$$

where,

$$[C_2^1] = ([C_2^0] + [\Delta C_2])$$

and

$$[\Delta Q_L] = [Q_L] - ([C_L^0] + [\Delta C_L]) \begin{bmatrix} V_g \\ V_L^0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (25)$$

Equations (22) and (24) are the basic equations of the contingency analysis algorithm. They can be coupled together to determine both Δδ and ΔV_L simultaneously as follows:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \hat{K} & 0 \\ 0 & \hat{C} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \Delta\delta \\ \Delta V_L \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \Delta P \\ \Delta Q_L \end{bmatrix}$$

Therefore, the general equation after n sequential network configuration contingencies equivalent to simultaneous outage of n lines in a multiple contingency (of the nth order) is:

$$\begin{bmatrix} K^{/n} & 0 \\ 0 & C_2^{/n} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \Delta\delta^n \\ \Delta V_L^n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \Delta P^n \\ \Delta Q_L^n \end{bmatrix} \quad (26)$$

The coefficient matrices [K¹] and [C₂¹] can be evaluated from the matrices [K] and [C₂] after the simulation due to prior knowledge of the network configuration changes. These matrixes are symmetrical and have dominant diagonal elements. Their sparsity structure is identical to the system nodal admittance matrix. Therefore, the sparse matrix inversion technique [14], [15] can be implemented to obtain [Δδⁿ] and [ΔV_Lⁿ] where:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \Delta\delta^n \\ \Delta V_L^n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} K^{/n} & 0 \\ 0 & C_2^{/n} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \Delta P^n \\ \Delta Q_L^n \end{bmatrix} \quad (27)$$

Thus, the bus phase angles and load bus voltage magnitudes vectors after (n) contingencies are:

$$[\delta^n] = [\delta^{n-1}] + [\Delta\delta^n]$$

$$[V_L^n] = [V_L^{n-1}] + [\Delta V_L^n] \quad (28)$$

As the V_Lⁿ vector is calculated, the reactive power injection to control buses can be calculated from the upper part of equation (14) as:

$$[Q_g^n] = ([C_g^{n-1}] + [\Delta C_g^n]) [V^n] \quad (29)$$

where

$$[V^n] = \begin{bmatrix} V_g \\ V_L^n \end{bmatrix}$$

Therefore, a linear non-iterative algorithm is

introduced. Its output results will be the power system post contingency state variables which are the system bus voltage magnitudes and phase angles in addition to the reactive power modifications necessary to keep the voltages of control buses constant. The algorithm will be applied for both single and multiple contingencies to investigate its validity and accuracy level. The algorithm computational flow chart is shown in Figure (1).

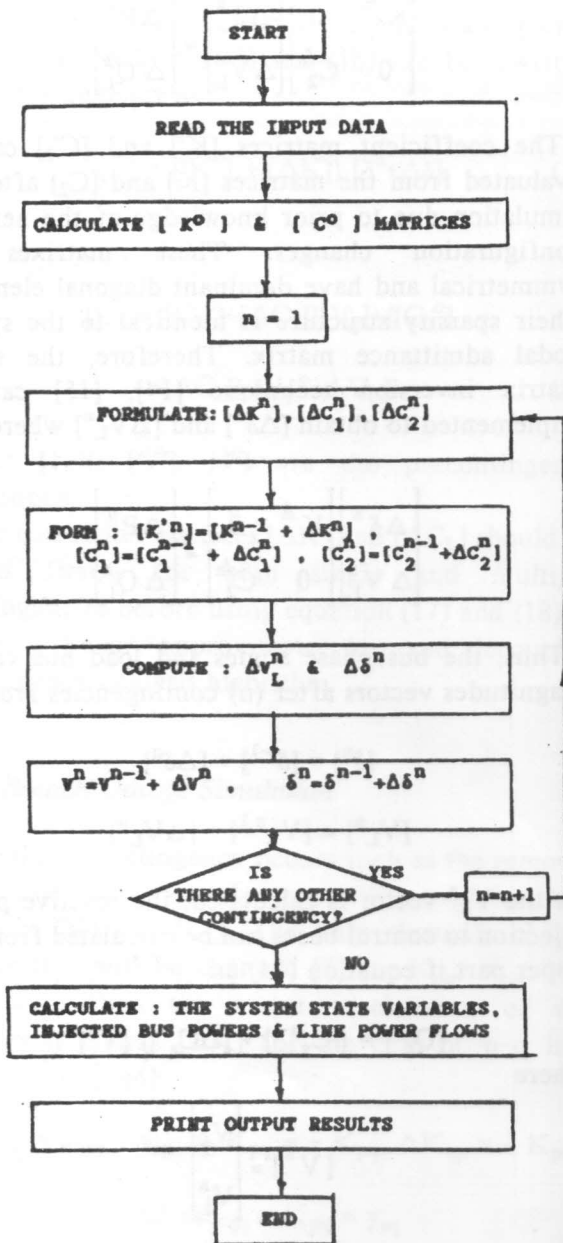


Figure 1. Proposed algorithm flow chart.

4. NUMERICAL EXAMPLES

For the purpose of illustration, the IEEE thirty bus system shown in Figure (2), is used as a test sample. The operating condition of the system is computed first, with all its network parameters in service by the conventional Newton Raphson load flow method. All buses are considered as (P-Q) buses except busbar (1) as a slack bus. The output results are considered as base data the contingency analysis. The proposed technique is applied for two cases of study. The first is single and the second is a simultaneous multiple contingencies. The output results of the decoupled algorithm are compared with those obtained by the separate runs for (P-δ) and (Q-V) models are applied individually using equations (22), (24), to determine the effect of decoupling. Both results are compared with conventional Newton-Raphson AC loadflow method with the selected lines out of service.

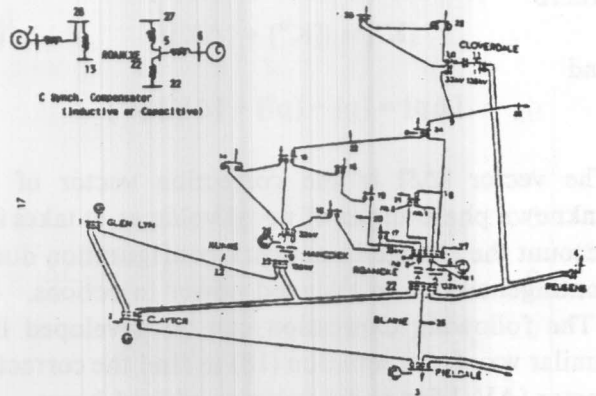


Figure 2. IEEE thirty bus system.

4.1 Single Contingency

It is assumed, a decision is taken to remove line (15-18), or a forced outage occurs to it. The proposed technique is implemented to determine system state variables due to such outage. The output results are given in Table (1), (2). They indicate that, inspite of the fact that the proposed technique is approximate and non-iterative, it is valid for single contingency, with accuracy level very close to AC load flow. The decoupled algorithm improves such level. It is clear that, the deviations for the nodal

Table 1. Computer results. (.Single contingency).

Bus code	non coupled algor		conventional L.F.		Proposed algor	
	V	δ	V	δ	V	δ
1	1.0600	0.00	1.0600	0.00	1.0600	0.00
2	1.0590	-5.95	1.0590	-5.66	1.0590	-5.66
3	1.0547	-14.26	1.0547	-14.35	1.0547	-14.34
4	1.0707	-12.79	1.0707	-12.58	1.0707	-12.55
5	1.0663	-14.47	1.0663	-14.80	1.0663	-14.64
6	1.0663	-14.47	1.0663	-14.80	1.0663	-14.64
7	1.0852	15.52	1.0852	-15.31	1.0860	-15.57
8	1.0707	-16.85	1.0707	-17.04	1.0671	-16.84
9	1.0759	-16.98	1.0759	-17.03	1.0821	-17.02
10	1.0775	-16.11	1.0775	-16.29	1.0713	-16.27
11	1.0644	-12.42	1.0644	-12.45	1.0533	12.43
12	1.0623	-8.53	1.0623	-8.36	1.0666	-8.37
13	1.0590	-10.06	1.0590	-10.05	1.0659	-10.07
14	1.0797	-16.77	1.0797	-16.26	1.0726	-16.64
15	1.0771	-16.99	1.0771	-16.34	1.0814	-16.79
16	1.0784	-16.13	1.0784	-16.02	1.0709	-16.27
17	1.0736	-15.81	1.0736	-16.67	1.0586	-16.51
18	1.0720	-17.16	1.0720	-18.96	1.0847	-17.45
19	1.0689	-17.50	1.0683	-18.72	1.0703	-17.62
20	1.0710	-17.30	1.0710	-18.21	1.0776	-17.31
21	1.0710	-16.85	1.0710	-17.09	1.0746	-16.88
22	1.0625	-11.76	1.0625	-11.77	1.0688	-11.76
23	1.0733	-17.29	1.0733	-17.03	1.0857	-17.29
24	1.0703	-17.66	1.0703	-17.43	1.0633	-17.43
25	1.0619	-13.48	1.0619	-13.50	1.0622	-13.48
26	1.0753	-17.85	1.0753	-17.98	1.0758	-17.97
27	1.0694	-16.10	1.0694	-16.40	1.0725	-16.15
28	1.0841	-15.56	1.0841	-15.31	1.0841	-15.58
29	1.0699	-17.85	1.0841	-17.70	1.0770	-17.58
30	1.0642	-18.76	1.0639	-18.60	1.0543	-18.57

Table 2. Computer results (power flows for single contingency).

Bus code from		Proposed algorithm		Conventional AC L.F	
		active	reactive	active	reactive
1	2	1.76684	-0.50616	1.78089	0.20828
1	12	0.84468	-0.17919	0.84287	0.13583
2	3	0.82397	-0.10874	0.81796	0.18907
2	13	0.44291	-0.16795	0.46153	-0.00257
2	22	0.60801	-0.22305	0.62920	0.04964
3	25	-0.14758	-0.00836	-0.15644	-0.09654
4	11	0.01572	-0.08787	0.00945	-0.05102
4	22	-0.33750	0.14635	-0.29054	-0.24895
5	6	0.00	-0.00000	0.00	0.00
5	22	-0.27571	-0.00584	-0.30595	0.10612
5	27	0.27438	0.05609	0.30595	-0.10612
7	28	-0.00	-0.06747	-0.00	0.00
8	21	-0.10651	-0.29060	-0.01926	-0.05803
8	24	0.05617	-0.01350	0.05441	0.03934
8	27	-0.8925	0.00516	-0.07364	0.01873
9	10	-0.03377	0.07407	-0.03219	0.01286
9	24	0.04524	0.03587	0.00329	-0.08057
9	26	0.04346	-0.01077	0.03547	-0.02229
10	11	-0.19116	0.05502	-0.16671	-0.04866
10	29	0.04724	-0.03904	0.06213	-0.01152
10	30	0.07168	-0.00640	0.07104	-0.01046
11	22	-0.27479	-0.30308	-0.27624	-0.07309
12	13	0.79970	-0.24322	0.78927	0.07019
13	22	0.73603	-0.27598	0.74056	0.15244
13	28	0.43851	-0.09887	0.41434	-0.08235
14	15	0.01651	-0.02905	0.00709	0.00191
14	28	-0.10456	-0.04133	-0.06909	0.01409
15	23	0.03161	-0.03806	0.07042	0.00535
15	28	0.19612	-0.00816	0.14535	0.02154
16	17	0.04534	0.04925	0.05019	-0.00550
16	28	-0.10783	-0.07623	-0.08519	0.02350
17	27	-0.13107	-0.12321	-0.04002	0.05203
18	19	0.06850	0.08700	0.03200	0.00901
19	20	-0.11821	-0.05645	-0.12709	0.04290
20	27	-0.08309	0.06480	-0.14970	0.04869
21	27	0.14929	0.10150	0.15199	-0.04357
22	25	0.40487	-0.03914	0.39033	-0.03024
22	27	0.15804	-0.00098	0.17498	-0.04818
23	24	0.04384	0.06843	0.03794	0.02038
29	30	0.05306	-0.02489	0.03716	-0.00437

Table 3. Computer results. (Multiple contingency)

Bus code	non coupled algor		conventional L.F.		Proposed algor	
	V	δ	V	δ	V	δ
1	1.0600	0.00	1.0600	0.00	1.0600	0.00
2	1.0590	-12.22	1.0590	-5.66	1.0590	-5.66
3	1.0547	-22.92	1.0547	-15.69	1.0547	-14.33
4	1.0707	-21.04	1.0707	-15.75	1.0707	-12.57
5	1.0663	-12.38	1.0663	-17.71	1.0663	-14.63
6	1.0663	-19.39	1.0663	-17.71	1.0663	-14.63
7	1.0837	7.32	1.0727	-18.25	1.0827	-15.57
8	1.0710	-20.46	1.0587	-19.88	1.0758	-16.85
9	1.0755	-11.50	1.0621	-20.10	1.0758	-17.02
10	1.0781	-21.83	1.0637	-19.38	1.0846	-16.27
11	1.0647	-7.16	1.0497	-15.53	1.0643	12.43
12	1.0604	6.76	1.0497	-10.15	1.0653	-8.37
13	1.0584	-10.09	1.0468	-12.23	1.0565	-10.06
14	1.0790	-25.44	1.0682	-19.37	1.0808	-16.64
15	1.0770	-10.48	1.0655	-19.58	1.0835	-16.80
16	1.0784	-10.69	1.0668	-19.08	1.0827	-16.26
17	1.0733	-28.20	1.0614	-19.49	1.0658	-16.51
18	1.0723	-14.66	1.0604	-20.34	1.0390	-17.46
19	1.0688	-11.17	1.0582	-20.56	1.0702	-17.61
20	1.0695	-21.72	1.0580	-20.28	1.0745	-17.31
21	1.0713	-24.61	1.0589	-19.92	1.0708	-16.88
22	1.0625	-14.55	1.0507	-14.91	1.0554	-11.75
23	1.0743	-17.51	1.0623	-20.18	1.0742	-17.22
24	1.0710	-13.02	1.0581	-20.44	1.0723	-17.42
25	1.0619	-12.04	1.0506	-15.92	1.0618	-13.48
26	1.0749	-24.21	1.0618	-21.07	1.0687	-17.96
27	1.0694	-7.89	1.0573	-19.18	1.0645	-16.15
28	1.0841	-17.13	1.0841	-18.25	1.0841	-15.58
29	1.0704	-24.69	1.0560	-20.83	1.0745	17.68
30	1.0644	-12.70	1.0497	-21.75	1.0667	18.58

Table 4. Computer results (power flows for single contingency).

Bus code from		Proposed algorithm		Conventional AC L.F	
		active p.u	reactive p.u	active p.u	reactive p.u
1	2	1.76605	-0.50569	1.62317	0.31481
1	12	0.84543	-0.17177	1.03746	0.26441
2	3	0.82356	-0.10871	0.99779	0.27286
2	13	0.45605	-0.11564	0.76131	0.08490
3	25	-0.15495	-0.00554	0.00626	-0.08576
4	22	-0.25137	-0.46459	-0.30000	-0.29997
5	6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
5	22	-0.27255	0.06296	-0.27666	0.11148
7	27	0.27279	0.02132	0.27666	-0.011148
8	28	0.0	-0.0	0.0	0.0
8	21	0.11045	0.17202	0.01138	-0.05129
8	24	0.05586	-0.01474	0.06735	0.02814
9	27	-0.04287	-0.10248	-0.07871	0.02312
9	10	-0.07610	-0.00518	-0.02901	0.09838
9	24	0.02341	-0.00200	-0.00650	-0.07614
10	26	-0.04383	0.00867	0.03551	-0.02224
10	11	-0.19552	0.06210	-0.16376	-0.04137
10	29	0.06521	-0.00717	0.06225	-0.01132
11	30	0.07429	0.00559	0.07188	-0.01021
12	22	-0.16361	-0.20690	-0.16377	-0.05488
13	13	0.86124	-0.04082	0.96683	0.12796
13	22	0.74532	-0.17306	1.14263	0.20414
14	28	0.43028	-0.09167	0.46379	-0.06837
14	15	0.01630	-0.01481	0.01780	-0.00173
15	28	-0.07331	-0.02334	-0.07980	0.01774
15	18	0.13516	-0.15472	0.06356	-0.01463
15	23	0.05394	-0.02339	0.06064	0.00910
16	28	-0.15241	-0.07709	-0.18848	0.02873
16	17	0.05700	-0.07062	0.04450	0.00231
17	28	0.05911	0.02250	-0.07950	0.01569
18	27	0.06777	-0.04266	-0.04567	0.05992
18	19	-0.08103	-0.12067	0.03109	-0.00660
18	20	-0.08404	0.21667	-0.06399	0.02728
20	27	-0.07273	-0.08518	-0.08617	0.03393
21	27	-0.12320	0.14910	-0.16364	0.06063
22	25	0.35064	0.19062	0.22363	-0.05044
22	27	0.15510	-0.01134	0.15823	-0.05235
23	24	0.01545	-0.00018	0.02825	0.02431
29	30	0.03874	0.00225	0.03720	0.00508

voltage magnitudes, between the proposed technique and AC load flow, has a maximum value of 2.3% while for the angles is about 0.5%. This accuracy level can be considered acceptable since the permissible errors for such approximate linearized techniques are about 4–8% (see discussions on references [3], [6], [10] and [12]).

4.2 Multiple Contingencies

The proposed technique is rerun, in this case, with lines (2–22) and (4–11) out of service simultaneously. The output results are given in Tables (3) and (4). They show that, the proposed technique is still valid with less accuracy level. The maximum deviation of voltage magnitudes is about 2.1%, but for the phase angles the deviation are high (=4%).

5. CONCLUSION

A simple, linear and fast contingency analysis algorithm is introduced in this paper. Its output results indicate its validity to determine the power system state variables, after contingent changes in its network parameters, specially those resulting from single contingencies. If multiple contingencies occur, it could be run sequentially to obtain output results close to the AC load flow techniques. Therefore it can be used, for such cases, instead of conventional AC techniques with an acceptable accuracy level and time saving. When AC load flow is to be used to study contingencies, the speed of solution and the number of cases to be studied are critical. If the contingency alarm comes too late for the operator, they are worthless [2], [17].

The proposed technique is based on linearizing the basic AC loadflow non-linear equations. It takes into consideration second order change terms of state variables and network parameters effects. The decoupling of both (P- δ) and (Q-V) models improves the proposed technique accuracy level. The technique results depicts that, it could be implemented for single contingency successfully. In multiple contingency analysis, the algorithm can deal with the system on the basis of sequential single failure events. The lines to be outaged can be taken one after the one in sequence until all credible outages has been studied [2], [17]. For each outage

tested the contingency analysis check all lines and nodal voltages in the network against respective limits. The proposed technique will be a good guide for system dispatcher and planner to have a quick view for the power system under emergency conditions. It could be used to check the most important lines in the network whose outages may cause the system monitoring to collapse.

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