Frequency regulation with vehicle-to-grid (V2G) option in multi-generation power network

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Birla Institute of Technology and Science, Pilani, Vidhya Vihar, Pilani, 333031, India E-mail: mathurhd@pilani.bits-pilani.ac.in; yogeshbhateshvar@gmail.com In a smart grid scenario, penetration of large scale renewable energy sources is increasing rapidly. Even at global level, serious discussions are being done to reduce carbon emission. In order to achieve this goal of cleaner and greener environment for newer generations, fossil fuel based vehicles are being replaced with electric vehicles. This concept of having more electric vehicles will not only control pollution level but also supply electrical power back to the grid when have surplus power stored. It is going to be a win-win situation for both consumers and the grid. The concept termed as Vehicle-to-Grid (V2G) is explored for frequency regulation aspect in a multi-generation power network in this paper. When established automatic generation control (AGC) in interconnected power system is not sufficient to manage balance between demand and supply, vehicle energy storage is considered a viable option for a shortterm active power support in order to bring frequency back to normal. In energy storage possibilities, super conducting magnetic energy storage, ultra-capacitor, etc. are primarily discussed. This paper focuses on an integrated model of vehicle-to-grid (V2G) and wind power as alternatives to supply instant power to regulate frequency when the system is subjected to sudden perturbation. APSO (adaptive particle swarm optimization) optimized fuzzy logic controller is used to intelligently suppress frequency and tie-line power oscillations. Results obtained are comprehensively presented and discussed in achieving power-frequency balance. MATLAB/Simulink is used for the simulation purpose.

Key words: automatic generation control, adaptive particle swarm optimization,vehicle-to-grid, short-term active power, wind power, fuzzy logic controller

INTRODUCTION

Recently, there has been substantial increase in penetration of renewable sources of energy into the electrical grid. The governments of most of the countries worldwide are encouraging the use of clean and green power in their countries by means of supporting various smart grid projects. This has given impetus to researchers across the globe to give a serious thought to implement a viable solution for reduction in greenhouse gases which are caused by emission of conventional thermal plants and existing vehicles. Policy makers are promoting the use of electric vehicles (EVs) with an option for user to sell electrical power to the grid and get benefitted in different means.

According to statistics available, EVs are in idle situation in 90% of the time every day and have sufficient energy to cater to ancillary service requirements, particularly frequency regulation in a large power system [1-3]. There have been advanced battery technologies and charging infrastructure which is leading to greater use of plugged-in hybrid electric vehicles (PHEVs) and EVs in near future. Therefore, V2G is seen as a potential source in frequency regulation [4–7]. Reference [8] has used EVs for secondary frequency modulation and results in decrease in area control error and tie-line deviations. In the US, China and India, there are expectations of a large number of EVs on the road as per their government plans [9–12]. Moreover, PHEVs are also being looked at as a controllable load for a future smart grid [13, 14]. PHEVs are basically charged in the night period as electricity price is cheap during that time [15]. An autonomous distributed V2G control of grid-connected PHEVs and EVs to the actual frequency measurements in Eastern 50 Hz system and Western 60 Hz system of Japan is proposed in [16]. Reference [17] proposes the V2G control based on the average battery State of Charge (SOC) deviation control applied to compensate the AGC capacity in the system. Reference [18] concentrates on the autonomous distributed V2G control considering the charging request and battery condition for suppressing the fluctuations of frequency and tie-line power flow in the two-area interconnected power system. The battery SOC is controlled by the SOC balance method. There has been various control strategies implemented in a multi-area power system by researchers from conventional control to intelligent control [19–23].

This paper is mainly focusing on understanding the impact of V2G and wind power generating system with inertial support mechanism (WPGS) in a two-area interconnected power system on the maintenance of power-frequency balance. EVs are considered in this paper a sufliciently large energy storage which will cater to the power grid when there is need of power in case of sudden rise in demand. Wind power has gained sufficient popularity amongst power generating companies. Apart from supplying electrical power to the grid, wind generators are also used to provide inertial support during large and sudden load perturbation. The modelling of V2G and WPGS is done in Section II of the paper. Controller design is another important aspect presented in the paper. Different intelligent techniques are used in literature for approaching this power system power-frequency balance issue. A fuzzy logic controller with genetic algorithm for optimization is used. The model and strategy are discussed in detail in Section III. Section IV presents the simulation results and discussion on different conditions of V2G and wind power connection in the power system. Conclusions are presented in Section V.

SYSTEM MODELLING

Mathematical modelling of two-area power system

The interconnected power system considered has two control areas each having thermal units. Areas are connected via tie-line for exchange of power. The system parameters are the same as used in [20] for thermal units. In automatic generation control (AGC), the difference between actual generation and scheduled generation is termed as area control error (ACE) for an interconnected power system:

$$ACE_{i} = \Delta P_{tie} + b_{i} \Delta f, \qquad (1)$$

where b_i is frequency bias constant, Δf is frequency deviation, and ΔP_{tie} is change in tie-line power.

So, the scheduled tie-line power flow between area-1 and area-2 is:

$$\Delta P_{\text{tie12, sch}} = \Delta P_{\text{L, A1} \rightarrow \text{A2}} - \Delta P_{\text{L, A2} \rightarrow \text{A1.}}$$
(2)

The scheduled tie-line power flow between area-i and area-j can be represented in (3):

$$\Delta P_{\text{tieij, sch}} = \Delta P_{\text{L, }Ai \rightarrow Aj} - \Delta P_{\text{L, }Aj \rightarrow Ai.}$$
(3)

Figure 1 presents the block diagram for a two-area power system with integrated V2G and WPGS, in which both controls have thermal based generation units.



Fig. 1. Block diagram for two-area power system with integrated vehicle-to-grid (V2G) and wind power generating system (WPGS)

Mathematical modelling of wind power

generating system

All areas in the developed restructured power system model are connected with a wind power generating unit separately. A Doubly-fed Induction Generator based WIND model [25] is used for the inertial support to have short-term active power supply, as shown in Fig. 1. A one-mass model for the mechanical drive of the turbine is considered. The mechanical power developed by the turbine is given as:

$$P_M = \frac{1}{2} \rho \pi R^2 C_p(\lambda, \beta) v^2, \qquad (4)$$

where *R* is the rotor radius, *v* is the wind speed, ρ is the air density, and *C*_{*p*} is the power coefficient of the turbine which depends on the pitch angle, β , and the tip-speed ratio, which is defined by:

$$\lambda = \frac{R \,\omega_e}{V} \quad , \tag{5}$$

where ω_e is the rotor speed. The power coefficient is a characteristic of the wind turbine, and for our case, it can be approximated by

$$C \downarrow p(\lambda, \beta) = \Sigma_{\perp} (i=0)^{\dagger} 4 \Sigma_{\perp} (j=0)^{\dagger} 4$$

$$C_p(\lambda, \beta) = \sum_{i=0}^4 \sum_{j=0}^4 \alpha_{i,j} \beta^i \lambda^j, \qquad (6)$$

where, $\alpha_{i,j}$ is coefficient and β^i is pitch angle. The rotor speed, as well as the pitch angle must be controlled to optimize the amount of power captured by the wind turbine. Thus, a reference speed, ω^{\Rightarrow} is generated based on the electric power, P_{e^3} for maximum power tracking and given by (7):

$$\omega^{2} = -0.67 P_{e}^{2} + 1.42 P_{e} + 0.51.$$
 (7)

Then, the generator speed is controlled by a Proportional-Integral (PI) controller that has as output the value P_{ω}^{\rightarrow} , given by:

$$P_{\omega}^{\rightarrow} = K_{p}(\omega \rightarrow -\omega_{e}) + K_{I} \int (\omega^{\rightarrow} -\omega_{e}) dt, \qquad (8)$$

where, K_p and K_l are proportional and integral gains. To support the frequency variation in the grid, the so-called inertial control must be added to the system. This controller adds to the power reference output signal given by:

$$P_{f}^{\rightarrow} = -K_{df} \frac{d\Delta f}{dt} - K_{pf} \Delta f, \qquad (9)$$

where K_{df} and K_{pf} are constants and must be chosen as weights to the frequency deviation derivative and frequency deviation, respectively. This signal can increment the system inertia, supporting the frequency variation indirectly.

Thus, the total active power reference for our turbine must be calculated as follows:

$$P_{f\omega}^{\flat} = P_{\omega}^{\flat} + P_{f}^{\flat}. \tag{10}$$

The penetration level is possible to change for study and variation is studied extensively in [20] but it is considered to be 30% for all simulation purposes in this paper.

Mathematical modelling of vehicle-to-grid (V2G) system for frequency regulation

The EVs participation in AGC from a broader perspective is used in developing a mathematical model of EVs. Secondary frequency regulation is primarily accomplished by control action with area control error as input to controller. EVs for vehicle-to-grid process need to be modelled by keeping in view of change in frequency and AGC control signal. Communication channels between AGC and EVs are simplified and designed as an aggregated EVs model for secondary frequency control. The State of Charge (SOC) of electric vehicles is noted at every instant to have the correct accumulated capacity of all available EVs for frequency regulation. Therefore, EVs are basically used as reserve capacity to cater at the time of sudden demand in power system, and this would be the case in peak hours during a load cycle. The inputs are controller output and change in frequency to the aggregated model of EVs for V2G as shown in Fig. 2.

The prime purpose of having EVs grouped together is that they represent a virtual large energy storage plant with a sufficient capacity to support AGC at the time of peak demand or sudden demand during the course of power supply at any other time.

PROPOSED CONTROL STRATEGY

In this paper, an optimized control strategy has been implemented. An optimized fuzzy logic controller, where scaling parameters are optimized using adaptive particle swarm optimization (APSO) has been used. The perturbations are represented by the demand raised from various electrical loads connected. In the recent times, a fuzzy logic controller (FLC) has gained popularity in control system applications in uncertain and nonlinear systems. In a complex and multi-variable power system, conventional control methods may not give satisfactory solutions. On the other hand, FLCs are more robust and more reliable in solving a wide range of control problems. Fuzzy logic is a systematic and easier way to implement control algorithm for uncertain and indefinite models in engineering. The FLC modelling consists of three steps as fuzzification, formation of fuzzy control rule base, and defuzzification [23]. The control actions of a FLC are described by some set of linguistic rules and these are obtained from experience or trial and error, but this way does not lead towards optimum results. In order to achieve optimized results, a FLC is done using a powerful optimization tool.

Seven membership functions (MFs) have been used to explore the best performance as shown in Fig. 4. The FLC is designed based on a multiple input and single output type structure. The first input is ACE_i and the other one is derivative of ACEi $\left(\frac{dACE_i}{dt}\right)$. In Fig. 3, K_e and K_{ce} are scaling factors for both input variables, respectively, and K_p and K_i are the proportional and integral gains, whereas U_i is a crisp value and u_i is a control signal for the system:

$$u_i = -K_p U_i - K_i \int U_i dt. \tag{11}$$

Initially for each variable, MF's distributions are kept the same. The MF specifies the degree to which a given input belongs to a set or a function



Fig. 2. Vehicle-to-grid (V2G) for AGC



Fig. 3. MISO fuzzy logic controller

that defines how each point in the input space is mapped to a degree of membership between 0 and 1. MF's distribution for ACE1 is within [-0.5], dACE1 is within [-0.1], and U1 is within [-0.5] for FLC controller for area-1, and for area-2 MF's distribution for ACE2 is within [-0.5], dACE2 is within [-0.1], and U2 is within [-0.1] for FLC controller for area-2.



Simulations are performed on a two-area model to analyse the impact of V2G and WPGS in different cases. The cases are compared with the basic condition of deviation in both areas without V2G and WPGS. Case 1 results are shown in Fig. 4a–c where frequency deviation in



Fig. 4a. Frequency of deviation of area-1 with only V2G





Fig. 4b. Frequency of deviation of area-1 with only WPGS

Fig. 4c. Frequency of deviation of area-1 with both V2G and WPGS



Fig. 5a. Frequency of deviation of area-2 with only V2G



Fig. 5c. Frequency of deviation of area-2 with both V2G and WPGS



Fig. 6b. Tie-line power deviation with only WPGS



Fig. 5b. Frequency of deviation of area-2 with only WPGS



Fig. 6a. Tie-line power deviation with only V2G



Fig. 6c. Tie-line power deviation with both V2G and WPGS

area-1 with V2G, with WPGS, and both are represented, respectively. Results obtained are using MATLAB/Simulink. Similar cases are simulated to observe deviation in area-2 and Tie-line power flow as presented in Fig. 5a-c and Fig. 6a-c, respectively.

From these Figures, it is observed that AGC with V2G and WPGS is an effective technique for oscillation suppression. Figure 7 shows SOC of



Fig. 7. SOC of aggregated battery

aggregated battery utilized for V2G. It shows that battery energy is utilized as PV2G for balancing the mismatch between demand and supply. In Fig. 8 and Fig. 9, PV2G and WPGS are shown



Fig. 8. Power supplied or consumed by V2G with respect to power demand



Fig. 9. Power supplied by WPGS with respect to power demand

with respect to continuously varying demand. The controller is optimized with the integral of absolute error (IAE) as an objective function. The values obtained for the objective function in all four cases are presented in Table. It is clearly evident that both together will have a significant impact on oscillation suppression of change in frequency in both areas and tie-line power. The WPGS alone may not be sufficient as it only supports the overall inertia of power system when sudden change in demand arises but V2G can act faster as compared to any other means as its time constant is less than existing mechanical components which are used to bring frequency back to normal.



Fig. 10. IAE for different cases for devation in frequency of arae-1 and area-2 and for deviation in tie-line power

	Without V2G and WPGS	With V2G only	With WPGS only	With WPGS and V2G
Δ <i>f</i> ₁	160.6958	99.4908	139.1545	93.4408
Δf ₂	131.5306	78.5517	107.1213	69.5696
ΔPtie ₁₂	51.7766	30.4421	60.8662	39.2219

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CONCLUSIONS

An integrated V2G and WPGUs model is presented in the paper for automatic generation control in a two-area interconnected power system. A newly developed V2G model represents an aggregated V2G where vehicles are assumed to be available for bulk power supply for a short term. This is justified and validated with simulation results presented. Power system engineers come across the situations of sudden rise in demand quite often. This solution is a win-win situation for both customers and power companies. Two different models of power system are used for a comprehensive analysis of the effect of wind power and V2G power. Wind power generating units are modelled with inertial support which is crucial at the time of sudden load requirement in the power system because thermal and hydro generators lose their kinetic energy to support additional demand which is undesirable. Despite the fact that an associated power management system will have to be quick in transferring information through secured and robust communication channels, V2G has capability of changing power scene in days to come.

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ELEKTROMOBILIO DARBO Į TINKLĄ ALTERNATYVA DAŽNIUI REGULIUOTI DAUGIAGENERATORINĖJE ELEKTROS SISTEMOJE

Santrauka

Išmaniųjų tinklų plėtros scenarijuose numatomas spartus ir platus atsinaujinančius išteklius naudojančios generacijos augimas. Indėlį į švaresnės ir žalesnės aplinkos kūrimą būsimoms kartoms gali įnešti ir organinius degalus naudojančių automobilių keitimas elektromobiliais. Be to, elektromobiliai gali grąžinti į tinklą sukauptos energijos perteklių. Tai abipusiškai naudinga ir pačiam tinklui, ir vartotojams. Straipsnyje tiriama, kaip tokią elektromobilio ir elektros tinklo sąsają (angl. V2G) galima būtų panaudoti elektros tinklo dažniui reguliuoti. Teigiama, kad elektromobilių kaip energijos kaupiklių panaudojimas trumpam aktyviosios galios balansui palaikyti siekiant atkurti normalų dažnį yra perspektyvi priemonė elektros energetikos sistemai, kurioje automatinio generacijos valdymo sistema nepajėgia suvaldyti galios poreikio ir pateikimo balanso. Aptariamos energijos kaupimo alternatyvų, pirmiausia superlaidaus magnetinio kaupimo ir ultrakondensatorių, galimybės. Nagrinėjamas jungtinis elektromobilių darbo į tinklą ir vėjo elektrinių generacijos modelis, kaip alternatyvi momentinės galios pateikimo į tinklą priemonė, situacijoms, kai sistema patiria staigius trikdžius. MATLAB/Simulink priemonėmis modeliuojamas išmanus dažnio nuokrypių ir galios svyravimų tarpsisteminėse jungtyse mažinimas neraiškiosios logikos valdikliu, naudojančiu dalelių spiečiaus optimizavimo metodą. Pateikiami išsamūs modeliavimo rezultatai ir aptariama jų reikšmė galiai bei dažniui reguliuoti.

Raktažodžiai: automatinis generacijos valdymas, adaptyvioji dalelių spiečiaus optimizacija, elektromobilio darbas į tinklą, trumpalaikė aktyvioji galia, vėjo generacija, neraiškiosios logikos valdiklis