

Economic Load Dispatch

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It deals with allocation of the loads amongst the various units in the service, in such a way that total cost of the generation is minimum. Economic scheduling is an optimization problem.

Objective function: $\text{Min}(\sum C_i(P_i))$ subjected to the satisfaction of equality/inequality constraints.

□ KVA loading on Generator = $\sqrt{P_p^2 + Q_p^2}$

where, P_p = Generator active power

Q_p = Generator reactive power

Generator Constraints

- KVA loading on a generator should not exceed a prespecified value C_p because of the temperature rise condition.

$$P_p^2 + Q_p^2 \leq C_p^2$$

- Maximum active power generator of a source is limited by thermal consideration and minimum power generation is limited by the flame instability of a boiler.

$$P_{p,\min} \leq P_p \leq P_{p,\max}$$

$$Q_{p,\min} \leq Q_p \leq Q_{p,\max}$$

where, $P_{p,\min}, P_{p,\max}$ = Minimum and maximum active power generation of a source.

$Q_{p,\min}, Q_{p,\max}$ = Minimum and maximum reactive power generation of a source.

Incremental Fuel Rate

The ratio of small change in input to the corresponding small change in output is called **incremental fuel rate**.

$$\text{Incremental fuel rate} = \frac{d(\text{input})}{d(\text{output})} = \frac{dF}{dP}$$

where, F = Fuel input (Btu/hr)

P = Power output (W)

□ Incremental efficiency = $\frac{dP}{dF}$

Economic Dispatch

1. Optimum Load Dispatch by Neglecting Losses

Economic dispatch problem is defined as

$$\text{Min } F_T = \sum_{k=1}^n F_k$$

Subject to

$$P_D = \sum_{k=1}^n P_k$$

where, F_T = Total fuel input to the system
 F_k = Fuel input to K^{th} unit
 P_D = Total load demand
 P_k = Generation of K^{th} unit

□ Auxiliary function

$$F = F_T + \lambda \left(P_D - \sum_{k=1}^n P_k \right)$$

Condition for optimum operation

$$\frac{dF_1}{dP_1} = \frac{dF_2}{dP_2} = \dots = \frac{dF_n}{dP_n} = \lambda$$

where, λ = Lagrangian multiplier

$\frac{dF_n}{dP_n}$ = incremental production cost of plant n

$$\frac{dF_n}{dP_n} = F_{nn} P_n + f_n$$

where, F_{nn} = Slope of incremental production cost curve
 f_n = Intercept of incremental production cost curve.

2. Optimum Load Dispatch Including Transmission Losses.

Optimal load dispatch problem is defined as

$$\text{Min } F_T = \sum_{k=1}^n F_k$$

Subject to

$$P_D + P_L - \sum_{k=1}^n P_k = 0$$

where,

P_L = Total loss

□ Auxiliary function

$$F = F_T + \lambda(P_D + P_L - \sum P_n)$$

□ Co-ordination equations

Condition for optimal load dispatch

$$\frac{dF_n}{dP_n} + \lambda \frac{\partial P_L}{\partial P_n} = \lambda$$

where, $\frac{\partial P_L}{\partial P_n}$ = Incremental transmission loss at plant n

λ = Incremental cost of received power

Loss Formulae:

□ Total Losses

$$P_L = \sum_m \sum_n P_m B_{mn} P_n$$

where, P_m, P_n = Source loadings

B_{mn} = Transmission loss coefficients

□ Incremental Transmission Losses

$$\frac{\partial P_L}{\partial P_n} = 2 \sum_m B_{mn} P_m$$

□ Incremental Production Cost

$$\frac{dF_n}{dP_n} = F_{mn} P_n + f_n$$

$$P_n = \frac{1 - \frac{f_n}{\lambda} - 2 \sum_{m \neq n} B_{mn} P_m}{\frac{F_{mn}}{\lambda} + 2B_{nn}}$$

□ Penalty Factor

$$L_n = \frac{1}{1 - \frac{\partial P_L}{\partial P_n}}$$

where, L_n = Penalty factor of plant n