

## 57-A

## Power Flow Calculations — Part I

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## 57.1. INTRODUCTION TO POWER FLOW CALCULATIONS

In 3 phase AC power system, active and reactive power flows from generators to loads via various Network Buses and Branches (Transmission Lines). The flow of active and reactive power is called *Power Flow* or *Load Flow*. The voltages of buses and their phase angles are affected by the power flow and vice versa. *Power flow studies deal with calculations of bus voltages, their phase angles, active and reactive power flow through various branches, generators and loads under steady state conditions.*

Active power  $P$  and reactive power  $Q$  is supplied by generators at generator buses. Active power is drawn by loads from load buses. Reactive power  $Q$  is supplied or drawn from the load buses by shunt compensation elements (shunt capacitors, shunt reactors, SVS).

The various loads draw active and reactive power from the load buses. The AC power system has tens/hundreds of Generating stations and hundreds/thousands of branches and load buses. Calculations of Power flow (Load flow) through various buses, bus voltages and phase angles, etc. are carried out by *iterative process* using Digital Computer.

The method of power flow calculations has been explained in this chapter with the help of simple networks having a few generator buses and a few load buses. The same method is applicable to a multibus system.

Refer a simple Network shown in Fig. 57.1. The base variables for each buses are:  $V_k, \angle \delta_k, P_k$  and  $Q_k$ , where  $k$  is bus number 1, 2, 3 ...N. Variables for each of the six branches are active power  $P$ , reactive power  $Q$  through the branch. Current  $I$  and power factor  $\cos \phi$ , etc in generator, load and branches can be calculated from the base variables.

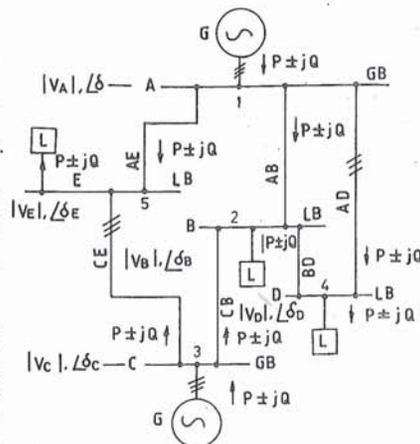


Fig. 57.1. Simplified representation of a 3-phase AC Network for Power Flow Study.

| Ref. Fig. 57.1.                   | Known (Specified) | Unknown* (To be calculated) |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------|
| Generator Buses : A, C            | V, P              | $\angle \delta, Q$          |
| Load Buses : B, D, E              | P, Q              | V, $\angle \delta$          |
| Branches : AE, CE, AB, CB, BD, AD |                   | Flow : P, Q                 |

\*The objective of Power flow (Load flow) studies is to determine these unknowns for each bus.

## Nature of Load Flow Problem

Electrical energy in form of 3 phase AC power flows from various *generating station buses* to various *connected load buses* via various *branches* of the transmission network. Each branch has certain admittance  $Y$  (reciprocal of impedance  $Z$ ).

The power flow in a branch of a two bus network is easy to calculate as it depends on sending end bus voltage, receiving end bus voltage, load angle  $\delta$  between voltage vectors  $V_s$  and  $V_r$ , and the branch admittance  $Y$  (reciprocal of impedance  $Z$ ). The analysis of a two bus system gives understanding about relationships between  $|V_s|$  and  $|V_r|$ ,  $\angle \delta, P$  and  $Q$ . Two bus system has only 2 equations which can be solved by calculator. But a total power system has thousands of buses and several thousand variables. Hence iterative procedure and digital computer are essential to solve the thousands of simultaneous equations.

Power System Network has certain configuration. The bus voltages, are influenced by the power flow ( $P \pm jQ$ ) through various branches, branch admittances and generator voltages. The flow of active and reactive power through various buses branches influences the bus voltage magnitude and their phase angles. Change in load ( $P \pm jQ$ ) at any bus affects all the other variables of other buses and branches.

The principal variables  $|V|$ ,  $\angle \delta, P$  and  $Q$  of all the buses and branches in the Network related with each other by circuit laws and can be evaluated only by solving *Simultaneously nodal current equations* for given conditions by the iteration process applied to load flow equations. In Fig. 57.1, if load on bus  $D$  changes, voltage  $V$ , phase angle  $\angle \delta, P$  and  $Q$  at all the four network buses and six branches will change simultaneously. The objective of Power Flow Study of Network in Fig. 57.1 will be to determine the unknown variables.

Power flow studies give a systematic mathematical approach to determine the various bus voltages, their phase angles, active and reactive power flow through various branches for given *steady state conditions of the Network* and given network configuration. The power flow through the branches is known only from the printout of the successful run of Load Flow Program. Table 57.1 gives a simple example. *Power flow study of a power system deals with calculations of steady state variables for buses and branches including Voltage  $|V|$ , Phase angle of  $V$ , Active Power  $P$ , Reactive Power  $Q$ , Apparent Power  $S$ , Current  $I$ , Power factor  $\cos \phi$ , etc power and associated variables for steady state conditions in Network.*

Table 57.1. Example of Computer Print-out\* Report of a Power Flow Study

Karnatak State Electricity Board, Bangalore  
Report on Power Flow Calculations for No. 2 Hubli Zonal Circle Bus Data

| Bus No.            | Bus Name | Bus Volts | Bus Angle | Generation |        | Load |        |
|--------------------|----------|-----------|-----------|------------|--------|------|--------|
|                    |          |           |           | P MW       | Q MVAR | P MW | Q MVAR |
| 1.                 | Belgaum  | 1.02      | 0         | 65         | 33     | 00   | 00     |
| 2.                 | Dharwar  | 0.955     | - 3.9     | 00         | 00     | 61   | 30     |
| 3.                 | Hubli    | 1.04      | 2.0       | 100        | 48     | 00   | 00     |
| 4.                 | Karwar   | 0.923     | - 8       | 00         | 00     | 40   | 10     |
| 5.                 | Chickodi | 0.993     | - 2.1     | 00         | 00     | 60   | 20     |
| Total Zonal Circle |          |           |           | 165        | 81     | 161  | 60     |

End of Power Flow Program Run  
No. of Iterations 25

\* Only for study project, not for planning and design.

### 57.2. NEED OF POWER FLOW STUDIES

Power flow studies are essential and very important for

- Designing a power system
- Planning of power system
- Expansion of power system
- Providing guidelines for optimum operation of power system
- Providing base data for various power system studies Refer Sec. 57.24 for further details.

### 57.3. OUTLINES OF THE PROCEDURE OF POWER FLOW STUDY

The Power Flow Calculations involve the following steps :

1. Single line diagram of the system is drawn.
2. The *Nodal Admittance Diagram* is drawn. The network is represented in form of its Admittance Model.
3. The *Bus Admittance Matrix* is constructed.

The steady state model of the network is presented in form of *Bus Admittance Matrix Equation* based on modal current equations and Kirchoff's current laws. The bus admittance matrix of a large network is *large and sparse*. The bus admittance matrix can be constructed as per simple building blocks procedure.

4. The *Network Buses are classified* and are given a number. The three classes are : Generator Buses, load buses and a slack bus (swing bus). Each bus is given a number  $k = 1, 2, \dots, N$ .

5. To begin with, the known and unknown variables are noted for each bus.

6. **Power Flow Equations** are written in terms of  $P, Q, V, \angle\delta$  for  $k$ th bus.  $k = 2, 3, \dots, N$ .

*Subscript  $k$  denotes the bus number.*

7. These equations are solved by any one of the suitable iteration procedure on a digital computer. The iteration procedure consists of assuming certain values for the unknown variables to begin with and solving the equations to obtain the yet another revised value of the unknown variables for each bus. Iterations are repeated till the *difference* between consecutive results of the same variables for each bus are within acceptable small value. At that stage the iterations are stopped and final values are noted.

*Superscript  $r$  denotes the iteration number.*

For given conditions of generation and load and power flow through various branches and voltages/phase angles of various buses are calculated by solving  $N$  number simultaneous nonlinear equations for  $N$  buses by *Iterative method and digital computer solution of load flow equations*.  $N$  number bus system, to begin with,  $2N$  variables are known and  $2N$  are to be determined.

|                          | Known<br>(Specified) | Unknown*<br>(To be calculated) |
|--------------------------|----------------------|--------------------------------|
| Generator Buses :        | $V, P$               | $\angle\delta, Q$              |
| Load Buses :             | $P, Q$               | $V, \angle\delta$              |
| Slack Bus (Swing Bus)* : | $V, \angle\delta$    | $P, Q$                         |

\* The objective of power flow (load flow) studies is to determine these unknowns for each bus under steady state condition.

† Slack bus (with bus) is any one selected generator bus for which  $P$  and  $Q$  are not specified to begin with. Voltage magnitude and phase angle are specified. This provides for accounting for transmission losses in the branches which will be known at the end of computer run.

8. Presently one of the following two methods are preferred for solving Power Flow Equations by iteration process :

- Gauss-Seidel Method
- Newton-Rhapson Method

The relative merits are covered in Sec. 57.21

8. Solution of Power Flow Equations by any of the above two methods gives values of unknown principal variables for each of the  $N$  network buses. The basic variables for each bus are : Voltage magnitude  $|V|$ , phase angle of voltage vector :  $\angle\delta$ ; active power  $P$  and reactive power  $Q$ .

— Out of these four principal variables for *each* bus two are known (given) and remaining two are calculated by load flow calculations.

For given conditions of generation and load, the power flow through various branches and voltages/phase angles of various buses are calculated by solving  $N$  number simultaneous nonlinear equations for  $N$  buses by *Iterative Method and Digital Computer Solution of Load Flow Equations*.

— From the solution to power flow study the value of the two unknown variables for each bus are obtained and thus all the four variables for each bus are then known at the end.

— The other derived variables for the buses and branches such as current  $I$ , power factor of  $I$ , MVA etc. can then be calculated for each branch from the four principal variables of each terminal bus by applying fundamental circuit equations.

### BRANCH ADMITTANCE EQUATIONS

#### 57.4. BRANCH ADMITTANCE AND SOURCE TRANSFORMATION

In normal circuit calculations impedance  $Z$  is used,  $I = V/Z$ . Power flow load calculations are generally made with admittance  $Y$  parameter.  $I = VY$ . [Admittance  $Y = 1/\text{Impedance } Z$ ]

Calculations with computer solution of power flow equations are easy with admittance parameters. [The impedance parameter calculations are used generally for short circuit calculations and are rarely used for load flow calculations.] In the following sections the Admittance form has been used for load flow calculations.

#### 57.5. ADMITTANCE FORM OF CALCULATIONS

Reciprocal of impedance  $Z$  is called admittance  $Y$ . We have impedance triangle and admittance triangle as shown in Fig. 57.2  $Y$  and  $Z$  are complex quantities.

$$Z = R + jX \text{ ohm} \quad Y = G + B \text{ mho} \quad \dots(57.1)$$

$$Z = \frac{1}{Y} \quad Y = \frac{1}{Z} \text{ ohm}$$

$$Y = \frac{1}{Z} \quad Y = \frac{I}{V} \text{ mho}$$

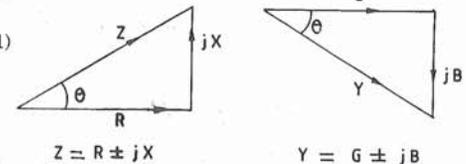


Fig. 57.2. Impedance triangle and Admittance triangle.

Voltage drop  $V_a$  in impedance  $Z_a$  (or admittance  $Y_a$ ) by current  $I_a$  is given by :

$$V_a = IZ_a \quad I = V_a/Z_a \quad I = V_a Y_a$$

**Example 57.1.** Branch Admittance and Branch Current in a two node one branch circuit shown in Fig. 57.3B, the branch impedance  $Z_a = 3 + j4$  ohm. Voltage drop in the branch (a) is  $V_a = 100 \angle 0^\circ$  V. Calculate (1) Branch current (2) Branch admittance.

**Solution.**

$$\text{Branch Current : } I_a = \frac{V_a}{Z_a} = \frac{100 \angle 0^\circ}{3 + j4} = \frac{100 \angle 0^\circ}{5 \angle 53^\circ} = 20 \angle -53^\circ$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Branch Admittance } Y_a &= \frac{1}{Z_a} = \frac{1}{3 + j4} = \frac{(3 - j4)}{(3 + j4)(3 - j4)} \\ &= \frac{3 - j4}{3^2 + 4^2} = \frac{3}{25} - j \frac{4}{25} = 0.12 - j0.16 \text{ mho} \end{aligned}$$

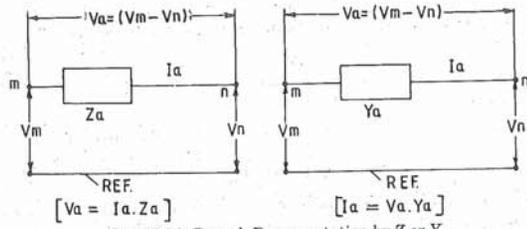


Fig. 57.3A. Branch Representation by Z or Y.

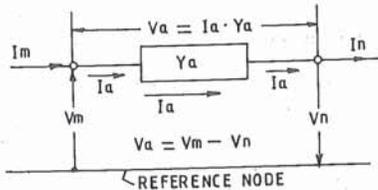


Fig. 57.3B. Branch admittance Y, Branch current I and node voltage Vm and Vn.

$$|Y_a| = \sqrt{0.12^2 + 0.14^2} = 0.2 \text{ mho}$$

$$[\angle \tan^{-1} (-0.16/0.12)] = \angle -53^\circ$$

Check :

$$I_a = V_a Y_a = 100 \angle 0^\circ \times 0.2 \angle -53^\circ = 20 \angle -53^\circ$$

**Example 57.2.**  $Z = 3 + j4$  calculate Y

$$Y = \frac{1}{3 + j4} = \frac{1(3 - j4)}{(3 + j4)(3 - j4)} = \frac{3 - j4}{3^2 + 4^2} = \frac{3 - j4}{25}$$

$$= 0.12 - j0.16 = \sqrt{0.12^2 + 0.16^2} = 0.2 \text{ mho}$$

**57.6. BRANCH ADMITTANCE**

Ref. Fig. 57.3A. Network branch can be represented either by a branch impedance  $Z_a$  or by a branch admittance  $Y_a$ .

In Fig. 57.3B the node voltages of the terminals of branch (a) with respect to the reference node are  $V_m$  and  $V_n$ .

The current in the branch (a) is given by :

|                             |                         |           |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------|-----------|
| Impedance form              | Admittance form         |           |
| $I_a = \frac{V_a}{Z_a}$     | $I_a = V_a Y_a$         |           |
| $= \frac{(V_m - V_n)}{Z_a}$ | $I_a = (V_m - V_n) Y_a$ | ...(57.2) |

**57.7. SOURCE TRANSFORMATION : CURRENT SOURCE —VOLTAGE SOURCE**

In impedance form of representation, an active voltage source (generator) can be represented by a circuit having emf  $E_a$  in series with internal impedance of surface  $Z_a$ . The terminal voltage  $V_a$  is given by

$$E_a = V_a - I_a Z_a \quad \dots(57.3)$$

Dividing both sides by  $Z_a$ ,

$$\frac{E_a}{Z_a} = \frac{V_a}{Z_a} - \frac{I_a Z_a}{Z_a} \quad \dots(57.4)$$

But we know,  $1/Z_a = Y_a$  and  $V_a/Z_a = V_a Y_a$ . Let  $E_a/Z_a = I_s$

$$\frac{E_a}{Z_a} = V_a Y_a - I_a \quad \dots(57.5)$$

We call  $E_a/Z_a = I_s$

$$\frac{E_a}{Z_a} = I_s = V_a Y_a - I_a \quad \dots(57.6)$$

Comparing Eqns. 57.3 and 57.5, we observe that the voltage source  $E_a$  in series with  $Z_a$  can be transformed into an equivalent current source  $I_s$  in parallel with admittance  $Y_a$  without changing load voltage or load current. This is called source transformation.

Fig. 57.4 illustrates the source transformation. The variables on the load side shall remain unchanged.

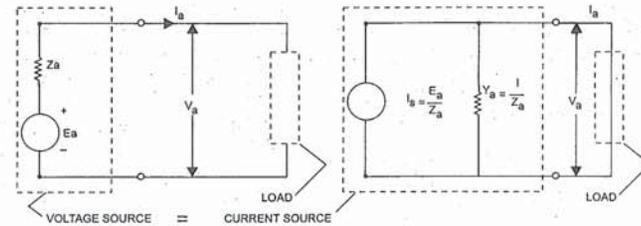


Fig. 57.4. Source transformation Current source ↔ Voltage source.

Voltage source in series with source impedance = Equivalent current source in parallel with source admittance. Load current and load voltage remaining unchanged.

**57.8. BUS NODAL CURRENT EQUATIONS FROM KIRCHOFF'S CURRENT LAW**

Kirchoff's current law states that : "The sum of currents entering the bus from the sources, is equal to the sum of currents leaving the bus."

By applying Kirchoff's current law, the N number Bus-Nodes, N Nodal Current Equations are written for a N-bus system. These N current equations are useful in load flow studies for formulating bus impedance matrix Y bus.

Refer a four bus network shown in Fig. 57.5. Bus number N are 1, 2, 3, 4. Branch admittances are  $Y_{12}, Y_{23}, Y_{34}, Y_{24}$ . Next step is to draw the Nodal Admittance Network (Fig. 57.6)

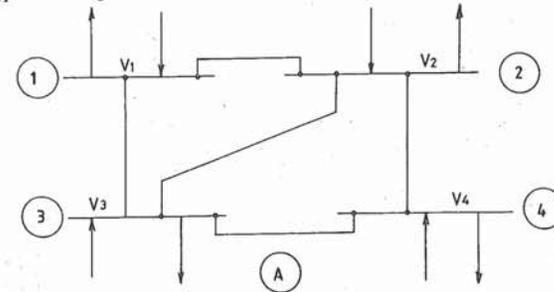


Fig. 57.5. Four bus network for nodal current equations.

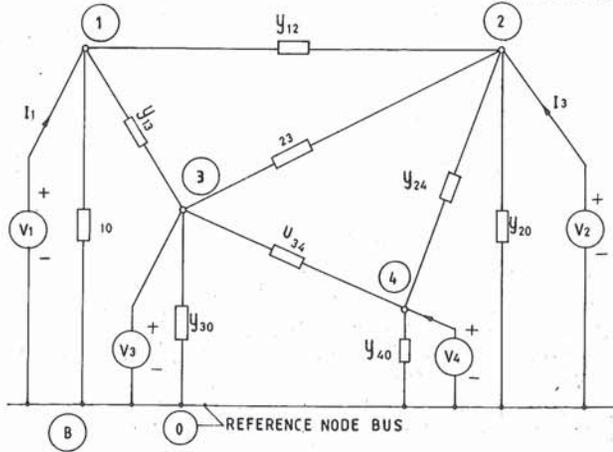


Fig. 57.6. Admittance network of the four bus network.

Next step is to write systematic Bus Current Equations and then write Bus Admittance Matrix. For bus 1, we get nodal current equation by equating current entering the bus equal to current leaving the bus are :

$$I_1 = V_1 y_{10} + (V_1 - V_2) y_{12} + (V_1 - V_3) y_{13} \quad \dots(57.7)$$

Likewise current equations are written for bus 2, 3, 4 and we get four simultaneous equations as follows :

$$I_1 = V_1 y_{10} + (V_1 - V_2) y_{12} + (V_1 - V_3) y_{13}$$

$$I_2 = V_2 y_{20} + (V_2 - V_1) y_{12} + (V_2 - V_3) y_{23} + (V_2 - V_4) y_{24}$$

$$I_3 = V_3 y_{30} + (V_3 - V_1) y_{13} + (V_3 - V_2) y_{23} + (V_3 - V_4) y_{34}$$

$$I_4 = V_4 y_{40} + (V_4 - V_2) y_{24} + (V_4 - V_3) y_{34}$$

Rearranging these equations and rewriting them in matrix form, we get :

$$\begin{bmatrix} I_1 \\ I_2 \\ I_3 \\ I_4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} y_{10} + y_{12} + y_{13} & -y_{12} & -y_{13} & 0 \\ -y_{12} & y_{20} + y_{12} + y_{23} + y_{24} & -y_{23} & -y_{24} \\ -y_{13} & -y_{23} & y_{30} + y_{13} + y_{23} + y_{34} & -y_{34} \\ 0 & -y_{24} & -y_{34} & y_{40} + y_{24} + y_{34} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} V_1 \\ V_2 \\ V_3 \\ V_4 \end{bmatrix} \quad \dots(57.8)$$

The admittance terms on RHS are redesignated as :

*Self Admittances*

$$Y_{11} = y_{10} + y_{12} + y_{13}$$

$$Y_{22} = y_{20} + y_{12} + y_{23} + y_{24}$$

$$Y_{33} = y_{30} + y_{13} + y_{23} + y_{34}$$

$$Y_{44} = y_{40} + y_{24} + y_{34}$$

General term :  $Y_{ii}$

*Mutual Admittances*

$$Y_{12} = Y_{21} = -y_{12}$$

$$Y_{13} = Y_{31} = -y_{13}$$

$$Y_{14} = Y_{41} = -y_{14} = 0$$

$$Y_{23} = Y_{32} = -y_{23}$$

$$Y_{24} = Y_{42} = -y_{24}$$

$$Y_{23} = Y_{43} = -y_{34}$$

General term :  $Y_{ik}$

Matrix equation 57.8 is written in terms of self bus admittance  $Y_{ii}$  and mutual bus admittances  $Y_{ik}$  as :

$$\begin{bmatrix} I_1 \\ I_2 \\ I_3 \\ I_4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} Y_{11} & Y_{12} & Y_{13} & Y_{14} \\ Y_{21} & Y_{22} & Y_{23} & Y_{24} \\ Y_{31} & Y_{32} & Y_{33} & Y_{34} \\ Y_{41} & Y_{42} & Y_{43} & Y_{44} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} V_1 \\ V_2 \\ V_3 \\ V_4 \end{bmatrix} \quad \dots(57.9)$$

The above equation is re-written as

$$[I] = [Y_{bus}] [V] \quad \dots(57.10)$$

where  $[I]$  is node current matrix,  $[V]$  is node voltage matrix and  $[Y_{bus}]$  is bus admittance matrix.

In general, for an  $N$ -Node network, the  $Y_{bus}$  Matrix =

$$Y_{bus} = \begin{bmatrix} Y_{11} & Y_{12} & \dots & Y_{1N} \\ Y_{21} & Y_{22} & \dots & Y_{2N} \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ Y_{N1} & Y_{N2} & \dots & Y_{NN} \end{bmatrix} \quad \dots(57.11)$$

$Y_{bus}$  matrix has self bus admittance terms  $Y_{ii}$  along diagonal and mutual bus admittances terms  $Y_{ik}$  as nondiagonal.

### 57.9. SELF AND MUTUAL ADMITTANCE OF THE BUSES

In equation 57.11 each of the admittances  $Y_{ii}$ , ( $i = 1, 2, 3, 4$ ) are called self admittance of the bus or driving-point admittance of the bus. It is the algebraic sum of all the admittances terminating in that bus e.g.

$$Y_{11} = y_{10} + y_{12} + y_{13} \quad \dots(57.12)$$

*Mutual admittance between two buses*

In equation 57.11 each of the admittance  $Y_{ik}$ , ( $i, k = 1, 2, 3, 4$ ) is called mutual admittances or transfer admittances between bus  $i$  and  $k$ . It is the negative of sum of all the admittances connected between those two buses. We note that ( $Y_{ik} = Y_{ki}$ ). For example, from Eqn. 57.

$$Y_{13} = Y_{31} = -y_{13} \quad \dots(57.13)$$

### 57.10. BUS ADMITTANCE MATRIX

General equation for  $N$ -bus network based on Kirchoff's current laws and admittance form is :

$$[I] = [Y_{bus}] * [V] \quad \dots(57.14)$$

where,  $[I]$  is the  $N$ -bus current matrix,  $[V]$  is the  $N$ -bus voltage matrix and,  $[Y_{bus}]$  is called bus admittance matrix and Eqn. 57.14 is written as

$$I = Y_{bus} V$$

$$Y_{bus} = \begin{bmatrix} Y_{11} & Y_{12} & \dots & Y_{1N} \\ Y_{21} & Y_{22} & \dots & Y_{2N} \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ Y_{N1} & Y_{N2} & \dots & Y_{NN} \end{bmatrix} \quad \dots(57.15)$$

where

is called the *bus admittance matrix*, and  $V$  and  $I$  are the  $N$ -element *node voltage matrix* and *node current matrix*, respectively.

$Y_{bus}$  matrix for  $N$ -bus network has  $N$  rows and  $N$  columns. Each of the  $Y$  terms in the rows and columns has two subscripts :

— The first subscript refers to the bus number on which the current is expressed.

- The second subscript refers to the bus number whose voltage has caused that current component.
- The terms on diagonal are self-admittances.
- All the non-diagonal terms are mutual admittances. It is seen that the current entering bus  $k$  is given by :

$$I_k = \sum_{n=1}^N y_{kn} V_n \quad \dots(57.16)$$

### Meaning of Self Admittance and Mutual Admittance Elements

#### Self Admittance of the Node

The terms  $Y_{ii}$  ( $i = 1, 2, 3, 4$ ) are *self admittances* of respective nodes and represent the *algebraic sum of all the admittances terminating at that node*. Each diagonal term in the  $Y_{bus}$  matrix is a self admittance term.

If we short all the other nodes except node  $i$  with the reference bus and inject current  $I$  in the particular node  $i$  bus and measure the voltage  $V$  across that node  $i$  and the reference bus the ratio  $I/V$  gives the self admittance of that node.

Thus, self admittance of nodes 2 is ( $i = 2$ )

$$Y_{22} = \frac{I_2}{V_2} \quad \left| \begin{array}{l} V_2 \text{ not } = 0 \\ V_1 = V_3 = V_4 = \dots V_N = 0 \end{array} \right. \quad \dots(57.17)$$

#### Mutual Admittance between two nodes

The mutual admittance terms (Transfer Admittance terms) are the terms  $Y_{ik}$  in  $Y_{bus}$  Matrix. All the non-diagonal terms in the  $Y_{bus}$  matrix are mutual admittance terms.  $Y_{ik}$  ( $i, k = 1, 2, 3, 4, \dots N$ )

Mutual admittance between two buses is the negative of the sum of all the admittances connected directly between those two buses.

Also,  $Y_{ik} = Y_{ki}$

For measuring the mutual admittance between the two nodes, all the other nodes except one of the two nodes ( $i, k$ ) are shorted with the reference bus. Current  $I$  is injected in the shorted node and the voltage  $V$  across the two nodes is measured. The ratio  $I/V$  gives the mutual admittance between the two nodes. Thus,

Mutual admittance between node 1 and 2 is :  $Y_{12} = Y_{21}$

$$Y_{21} = \frac{I_2}{V_1} \quad \left| \begin{array}{l} V_1 = \text{not } = 0 \quad (V_1 \text{ is not shorted}) \\ V_2 = V_3 = V_4 = \dots = V_N = 0 \end{array} \right. \quad \dots(57.18)$$

### INTERATION METHOD EXPLAINED

#### 57.11. INTERATION PROCESS

The method of solving simultaneous equations by starting with assumed values of unknown variables and obtaining successive better values of the same variable by repeated cycles of solution is called method of interation.

Starting from some *assumed values* of unknown variables and other given values of known variables, the algorithm equations are solved to obtain *new better values* of the same unknown variables.

These new better values of unknowns are again substituted in the same equations (Algorithms) to get yet another set of new revised values. The process of calculations of the new revised values of variables (e.g. Bus Voltages) by using earlier result is called "*an interation*". Interation process is continued till the difference in results between consecutive values is too small and below certain predetermined acceptable criterion.

Consider an example in which the unknown variable is bus voltage  $V$  and,  $\Delta V$  is the difference in values of  $V$  from two consecutive interations. If  $\Delta V$  reduces with every next interation, the process is said to be *Convergent*. When  $\Delta V$  reduces below accepted criterion, ( $c$ ), the interation process is stopped.

Let  $c = 0.0001V$ . Then in the following table, the convergence is reached at 5th interation e.g. in the example solved below :

| Interation | 1      | 2      | 3      | 4      | 5      |
|------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| V pu       | 0.9125 | 0.9135 | 0.9138 | 0.9137 | 0.9137 |
| $\Delta V$ |        | 0.001  | 0.0003 | 0.0001 | 0      |

Interation stopped at the end of 5 of the interation.

If  $\Delta V$  increases during successive interations, the interation is *divergent*. The interation process should be stopped and reasons for divergence should be reviewed. Start newly and check for convergence.

The repeated procedure of calculation by substituting the previously obtained value in the next set of calculations in the same set of equations is called Interation Process. The interation process is stopped when the difference  $\Delta V$  in values from two consecutive interations is smaller than the selected convergence criterion ( $c$ ).

when  $c < \Delta V$  Interation is stopped ... (57.19)

In load flow studies, from the solution of the Nodal equations, voltage  $V_k$ , phase angle and current are known for given steady state power system conditions. From these solution values  $P_k$ ,  $Q_k$  can be calculated for each bus ( $k = 1$  to  $N$ )

The interations are repeated till sufficiently accurate values are obtained and further interations are not giving next better values, i.e. coverage is reached.

Most widely used interative methods for Load Flow Calculations are (1) Gauss-Seidel method (2) Newton Raphson method.

The digital computers are used for obtaining the solution given equations and system conditions.

The equations to be solved are formulated such that they are amenable to interative solution on digital computer. The general equations used for interation are called the Algorithm.

### STEPS IN INTERATION PROCESS

#### 57.12. STEPS IN INTERATION

1. To begin with, for the First Interation, *estimated value* ( $V$ ) is assigned to the unknown bus voltage. ( $V$ ) ;  $r = 0$ .

2. Equations (Algorithm) are solved in *First Interation* by using the assumed values ( $V$ ) of unknown bus voltage say ( $V$ ) ;  $r = 0$ . In the calculation, the other known bus variables ( $P, Q$ ) are substituted. Equations are solved to obtain the new updated value of voltage called ( $V$ ) ;  $r = 1$ .

3. The new values of bus-voltages ( $V$ ) ;  $r = 1$  obtained from the first Interation ( $r = 1$ ) are used for the *Second Interation*

The equation is solved again in the second interation ( $r = 2$ ) and yet new values of bus voltage ( $V$ ) ;  $r = 2$  is obtained.

*Each set of calculations of the new values of the variable (e.g. bus voltages) by using earlier result is called "an-interation".*

The interation process is repeated ( $r = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 \dots$ ) until the change ( $\Delta V$ ) between consecutive resulting values of  $V$  at each bus are less than the specified convergence criterion ( $c$ ).

**Possibility of Convergence**

- Convergence may be achieved after several tens or hundreds of iterations.
- Convergence may not be achieved at all, if the solution does not exist or if the iteration process is Divergent.

**Example 57.3.** 2-bus System solved by Iteration process.

Refer Fig. 57.7 for a 2-bus system. Procedure is explained in following equations are obtained.

$$S_2 = V_1 I^* \quad V = S/I^* \quad \dots(57.19)$$

$$\begin{aligned} V_2 &= V_1 - ZI = V_1 - Z \frac{S_2^*}{I_2^*} \\ &= V_1 - Z \frac{S_2^*}{(V_2^{(k-1)})^*} \end{aligned} \quad \dots(57.20)$$

**Procedure**

1. Assume value of  $V_2$  for the start of first iteration and call it as  $(V_2); r = 0$ .
2. Substitute this (assumed) starting value of  $(V_2)$  in the right hand side of the Equation 57.21 and solve for  $(V_2)$ . Call this  $V_2$  obtained as a result of the first iteration as  $(V_2); r = 1$ .
3. Then substitute this resulting value  $(V_2); r = 1$  of first iteration again on right hand side of the Eqn. and obtain yet new value of  $(V_2) r = 2$ , of the second iteration  $r = 2$ .
4. Substitute  $(V_2); r = 2$  in the same Equation and obtain  $(V_2); r = 3$ .  $(V_2); r = 3$  is the result of third iteration ( $r = 3$ ), and so on.
5. Calculate the difference ( $\Delta V$ ) between values obtained from consecutive iterations;  $s [(V_2); r = p + 1 - (V_2); r = p]$  and compare with the accepted convergence criterion.
6. The iteration is continued till the convergence to desired precision is achieved. Let us call this iteration as  $r = X$ . At iteration  $r = X$ , the convergence criteria is reached and the iteration process is stopped.
7. The iterative process used is described by the General Equation called the Algorithm. e.g. Eqn. 57.20;

$$V_2^k = V_2 - \frac{Z S_2^*}{(V_2^{(k-1)})^*} \quad \dots(57.21)$$

8. Last Iteration is when the resulting  $V$  satisfies :

$$\Delta V = \left\{ [(V_2); r = p + 1] - [(V_2); r = p] \right\} < 0.00001 \text{ P.U.} \quad \begin{array}{l} k = 1, 2, \dots N, \text{ bus Number} \\ \text{Iteration number } p = 1, 2, \dots (p + 1) = X \end{array}$$

At iteration  $r = X$ , the convergence criteria is reached and the process is stopped, computer print out is obtained. From the basic variables of the buses, the remaining variables for the buses and the branches are then calculated. The above procedure is now applied in Example 57.4.

**Example 57.4.** Load Flow Calculations for 2-Bus System by Iteration Procedure. A simple 2-Bus System with a short transmission line between the sending end and the receiving end shown in Fig. 57.7 has the following given data, all values in P.U. :  $V_1 = 1 \angle 0^\circ$ ;  $Z = 0.05 + j0.02$ ;  $S = P + jQ = 1.06 | j0.6$ .

Determine  $V_2$  by iteration method. Convergence criterion  $c < \Delta V$  when Iteration is stopped. Given  $c = 0.00005 \text{ pu}$ .

**Solution.** We use the procedure explained earlier.

Algorithm (Eqn. for the Iteration Process) is

$$V_2^k = V_1 - \frac{Z S_2^*}{(V_2^{(k-1)})^*} \quad \dots(57.21)$$

1. Assume value of  $V_2$  for the start of first iteration (int = 1) and call it as  $(V_2); r = 0$ . Let  $V_2 = 1 \angle 0^\circ \text{ p.u.}$

Substituting assumed  $V_2 = (V_2); r = 0 = 1 \angle 0^\circ$  on RHS of the Algorithm :

$$\begin{aligned} V_2^k &= V_1 - \frac{Z S_2^*}{(V_2^{(k-1)})^*} \\ V_1 &= 1 \angle 0^\circ \\ V_2^k &= 1 \angle 0^\circ - \frac{(0.05 + j0.02)(1.0 + j0.6)}{1 \angle 0^\circ} \\ V_2 &= (1 - 0.05 + 0.012) - j(0.030 + j0.02) \\ V_2 &= 0.962 - j0.05 \quad \dots \text{result of iteration 1.} \end{aligned} \quad \dots(\text{given})$$

This new value is used in RHS for the next iteration to obtain yet updated  $V_2$ . Procedure is repeated

The following results are of successive iterations :

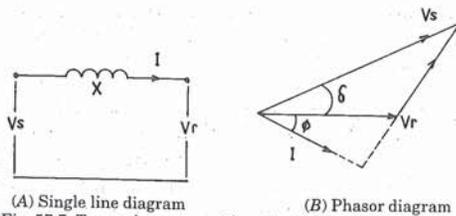
| Used Value of $V_2$ in Iteration | Iteration Number $r$ | Resulting value of $V_2$ |
|----------------------------------|----------------------|--------------------------|
| Assumed Value : $V_2 = 1 + j0$   | 1                    | $0.962 - j0.05$          |
| $0.962 - j0.05$                  | 2                    | $0.963 - j0.054$         |
| $0.963 - j0.054$                 | 3                    | $0.9635 - j0.054$        |
| $0.9635 - j0.054$                | 4                    | $0.9635 - j0.054$        |
| Iteration Stopped, $r = 4$       |                      |                          |

In the iteration Process of this example, the acceptable convergence  $\Delta V = (V_2)_4 - (V_2)_3 = 0$  has been achieved within 4 iterations.

| Iteration      | 1      | 2      | 3      | 4      |
|----------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| $V \text{ pu}$ | 0.9625 | 0.9635 | 0.9638 | 0.9638 |
| $\Delta V$     |        | 0.001  | 0.0003 | 0      |

**POWER FLOW IN TWO-NODE AC SYSTEMS****57.13. POWER FLOW IN A TWO BUS AC SYSTEM (SINGLE BRANCH)**

Power flow study of a simple two node AC system gives understanding of the fundamental relationship between variables,  $|V|$ ,  $\angle \delta$ ,  $P$ ,  $Q$ . The basic relationship are important as they apply to every branch in a multi-bus system. Let the sending end bus by subscript be (s) and receiving end bus by subscript be (r). Each node has four variables, namely  $P$ ,  $Q$ ,  $|V|$ ,  $\delta$  only two variables are known for each bus and the other two are unknown.



(A) Single line diagram (B) Phasor diagram  
 Fig. 57.7. Two node system with a short AC transmission line  
 (Flow  $P_{ac}$  is decided mainly by  $\sin \delta$ )  
 $|V_s|$  and  $|V_r|$  magnitudes are held within narrow specified limits.

The per phase, per unit quantities are :

$V_s$  = Sending-end voltage phasor     $V_r$  = Receiving-end voltage phasor

$V_s^*$  = Complex conjugate of  $V_s$      $V_r^*$  = Complex conjugate of  $V_r$

$|V|$  = Absolute value of phasor     $\delta$  = Phase angle of phasor V

$I$  = Sending-end current phasor     $I$  = Receiving-end current phase

$I^*$  = Complex conjugate of  $I$      $V^*$  = Complex conjugate of V

$P_s$  = Sending end Real Power     $Q_s$  = Sending end Reactive Power

$S_s$  = Sending end Complex Power     $S_r$  = Receiving end complex Power  
 $= P_s + jQ_s$      $= P_r + jQ_r$

$S_s$  = Complex conjugate of  $S_s$      $S_r$  = Complex conjugate of  $S_r$

$\delta$  = Power angle, angle between phasors  $V_s$  and  $V_r$

$X$  = Series Reactance of transmission line =  $2\pi fL$

$R$  = Resistance of transmission line

Complex Power  $S$ , in general is given by :

$$S = P + jQ = VI^* \quad \text{voltamperes, VA} \quad \dots(57.22)$$

where,  $I^*$  is complex conjugate of phasor  $I$ ; and  $V$  is phasor voltage.

For Sending-End, we have,

$$S_s = P_s + jQ_s = V_s I^* \quad \text{VA} \quad \dots(57.23)$$

Quantities are per phase, per unit basis. From Fig. 57, we get

$$I = \frac{1}{jX} (V_s - V_r) \quad \dots(57.24)$$

Therefore,

$$I^* = \frac{1}{-jX} (V_s^* - V_r^*) \quad \dots(57.25)$$

Substituting  $I^*$  from Eqn. 57.25 in Eqn. 57.23, we get

$$S_s = \frac{V_s}{-jX} (V_s^* - V_r^*) \quad \dots(57.26)$$

From phasor diagram of Fig. 57, we get

$$V_r = |V_r| \angle \delta^\circ, \quad \text{therefore, } V_r = |V_r| e^{j\delta}$$

and,

$$V_s = |V_s| \angle 0^\circ$$

$$\text{Thus, Eqn. 57 becomes } S_s = \frac{|V_s|^2 - |V_r| |V_s| e^{j\delta}}{-jX} \quad \dots(57.27)$$

$$S_s = \frac{|V_s| |V_r|}{X} \sin \delta + j \frac{1}{X} [ |V_s|^2 - |V_r| |V_r| \cos \delta ]$$

After simplifying,

$$P_s = \text{Real Part of } S_s = \frac{1}{X} [ |V_s| |V_r| \sin \delta ] \dots \text{Watts} \quad \dots(57.28)$$

$$Q_s = \text{Imaginary Part of } S_s = \frac{1}{X} [ |V_s|^2 - |V_r| |V_r| \cos \delta ] \dots \text{VAR} \quad \dots(57.29)$$

Similarly, for Receiving End, we get

$$S_r = P_r + jQ_r = V_r I^* \quad \dots(57.30)$$

and

$$P_r = \text{Real Part of } S_r$$

$$P_r = \frac{1}{X} [ |V_s| |V_r| \sin \delta ] \dots \text{W} \quad \dots(57.31)$$

The transfer of real power through the line is mainly due to load angle  $\delta$  between voltage vectors. Power transfer is not much dependent on magnitudes of voltages.

$$Q_r = \frac{1}{X} [ |V_s| |V_r| \cos \delta - |V_r|^2 ] \dots \text{VAR} \quad \dots(57.32)$$

Reactive power will flow from higher voltage to lower voltage. For  $\delta = 0$ , the average reactive power flow through the line is

$$Q_{av} = \frac{1}{2} [Q_s + Q_r] \text{ VAR} \quad \dots(57.33)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2X} [ |V_s|^2 - |V_r|^2 ] \dots \text{VAR} \quad \dots(57.34)$$

The transfer of reactive power through the line is from higher voltage to lower voltage and is strongly dependent on voltage magnitudes.

**Line Losses in AC Lines ( $P_{line}$ ) :**

If we consider line losses,

$$P_{line} = |I|^2 R \dots \text{watts} \quad \dots(57.35)$$

Coming back to Equation 57

$$I^* = \frac{P + jQ}{V} \quad I = \frac{P - jQ}{V^*} \quad \dots(57.36)$$

Thus,

$$|I|^2 = \frac{P^2 + Q^2}{|V|^2}$$

Therefore, Eqn. 57.35 becomes,

$$P_{line} = \frac{(P^2 + Q^2) R}{|V|^2} \dots \text{watts} \quad \dots(57.37)$$

The line losses are due to  $I^2 R$  losses caused by flow of both real power and reactive power. Hence it is important to minimise reactive power flow through the line. To minimise line losses, the reactive power flow should be minimised by providing compensation of  $Q$  at load end.

#### SOLVED EXAMPLES ON TWO BUS AC SYSTEM LOAD FLOW

**Example 57.5. Load Angle.** The sending end voltage  $|V_s|$  for a line is 1 pu. The receiving end voltage  $|V_r|$  is also 1 pu. Line reactance is  $j0.05$  pu. Real power flow through line is 10 pu. Calculate power angle  $\delta$  between  $V_s$  and  $V_r$  vectors.

**Solution.** We know,  $P = \frac{|V_s| |V_r|}{X} \sin \delta \quad \dots(57.38)$

$$\text{Hence } \sin \delta = \frac{P}{|V_s| |V_r| / (X)} = \frac{10}{1 \times 1 / (0.05)} = 0.5$$

$$\text{Power Angle } \delta = \sin^{-1} (0.5) = 30^\circ \quad \text{Ans.}$$

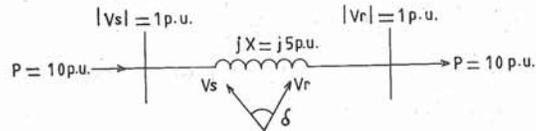


Fig. 57.8. Figure of example 57.6 and 57.7.

**Example 57.6.** Active and Reactive power Flow. The sending end voltage  $|V_s|$  and the receiving end voltage  $|V_r|$  for a line is 1 pu. The line reactance is  $j 0.05$  pu. Resistance is neglected. Real power flow through line is 10 pu. Calculate reactive power flow through the line state the complex power flow through the line.

**Solution.** We know,  $P = \frac{|V_s| |V_r|}{X} \sin \delta$

$$\text{Hence } \sin \delta = \frac{P}{\frac{|V_s| |V_r|}{X}} = \frac{10}{1 \times 1 / (0.05)} = 0.5$$

$$\text{Power Angle } \delta = \sin^{-1}(0.5) = 30^\circ$$

Reactive power flow at sending end through the line is given by

$$\begin{aligned} Q_s &= \frac{|V_s|^2}{x} - \frac{|V_s| |V_r|}{X} \cos \delta \\ &= \frac{1^2}{0.05} - \frac{1 \times 1}{0.05} \cos 30^\circ = +2.68 \text{ pu} \end{aligned}$$

Reactive power flow at receiving end through the line is given by

$$\begin{aligned} Q_r &= \frac{|V_s| |V_r|}{X} \cos \delta - \frac{|V_s|^2}{X} \\ &= \frac{1 \times 1}{0.05} \cos 30^\circ - \frac{1^2}{0.05} = -2.68 \text{ pu} \end{aligned}$$

Reactive power flow through the line

$$Q_s - Q_r = 2.68 - (-2.68) = 5.36 \text{ pu}$$

Complex power flow through line  $P + jQ = 10 + j 5.36$  pu. **Ans.**

**Example 56.7.** Load Angle and Power Flow in Two Bus AC System. The sending end voltage  $|V_s|$  and the receiving end voltage  $|V_r|$  of an AC transmission line is also 1 pu. Line reactance is  $j 0.05$  pu resistance of line is neglected. The power angle between  $V_s$  and  $V_r$  vectors is  $30^\circ$  elec. Calculate the p.u. active power flow through the transmission line.

**Solution.**

$$\text{We know, } P = \frac{|V_s| |V_r|}{X} \sin \delta = \frac{1 \times 1}{0.05} \sin 30^\circ = \frac{0.5}{0.05} = 10 \text{ pu.}$$

**Example 57.8.** The reactance of a short transmission line is  $j 0.06$  pu. The load current at receiving end is  $1 + j0.6$  pu and receiving end voltage is  $1 \angle 0^\circ$  pu. Calculate (1) sending end voltage and (2) Average reactive power flow in line.

**Solution.**

Sending end voltage = (Receiving end voltage) + (IZ drop)

$$V_s = V_r + IZ = 1 \angle 0^\circ + (1 + j0.6)(j0.6)$$

$$= 1 + j0 + j0.6 - 0.36 = 0.64 + j 0.6 = 0.96 \angle 3.56^\circ$$

$$Q_{av} = \frac{1}{2} [Q_s + Q_r] = \frac{1}{2X} [ |V_s|^2 - |V_r|^2 ]$$

$X = j 0.06$ , Sending and voltage  $|V_s|$  are calculated above = 0.96 pu Receiving end voltage (given) = 1 pu

$$Q_{av} = \frac{1}{2(0.06)} [0.96^2 - 1^2] = -0.65 \text{ pu}$$

**Example 57.9.** Complex power If  $V = 1 \angle 0^\circ$  pu and  $I = 1.188 \angle -28.6^\circ$  pu, calculate complex power  $S$ , real power  $P$  and reactive power  $Q$ .

**Solution.**  $S = VI^* = P + jQ$   $I = 1.188 \angle -28.6^\circ$  pu

$$I = 1.188 \angle +28.6^\circ \text{ pu}$$

$$S = VI^* = (1 \angle 0^\circ) (1.188 \angle +28.6^\circ) \text{ pu}$$

$$= 1.188 \angle +28.6^\circ \text{ pu}$$

$$= 1.188 (\cos 28.6 + j \sin 28.6)$$

$$S = 1.043 + j 0.569 = P + jQ$$

Equating real part from each side, Real Power  $P = 1.043$  pu Equating Imaginary part from each side, Reactive power  $Q = 0.569$  pu Complex power =  $P + jQ = 1.043 + j 0.569$ .

# 57-B

## Power Flow Calculations — Part II

Gauss Seidel Method and Newton Raphson Method for Multibus AC system—Power Flow through bipolar HVDC Link.

### 57.14. INTRODUCTION

The principles of AC network power flow calculations by iterative procedures have been covered in the earlier chapter. Various methods of power flow calculations differ from each other in respect of (1) Algorithm used (2) proceedings of the iterations.

Following methods are used in power flow studies

- Gauss Seidel methods (GSM)
- Gauss Seidel methods employing acceleration factors (successive over relaxation method).
- Newton Raphson Method (NRM)

The procedure of solving Power Flow Equations of Multibus System by these methods are covered in this chapter. The procedure of power flow calculations for bipolar 2 terminal HVDC have also been explained.

### 57.15. POWER FLOW IN A MULTI-BUS AC SYSTEM

Consider a Nodal Admittance Model of a N-bus Network. Each bus has a corresponding node a number  $k$  [ $k = 1, 2, \dots, N$ ]

- The node voltages with respect to reference node are  $|V_2|, |V_3|, \dots, V_N$ . The phase angles of the bus voltage are  $\delta_2, \delta_3, \dots, \delta_N$ .

The current entering the node  $k$  is  $I_k$ .

$k = 1$  is for reference bus. The subscript denotes the node number.

The  $N$  node network can have  $N$  number of Kirchoff's nodal equations in terms of node current, node voltages *Branch Admittances*. These  $N$  equations are simplified and written in terms of *Bus Admittance Matrix*. These  $N$  equations are solved by the *Iterative Procedures*. The iteration number is denoted by *superscript r* e.g.  $V_k^r$  denotes the voltage of bus  $k$  obtained from iteration  $r$ .  $V_k^{r+1}$  denotes the voltage of bus  $k$  obtained from iteration  $(r + 1)$ .

1. *Initial data* for a typical power flow study is

- (1) Given network configuration and branch admittances
- (2) Voltage levels of generator buses
- (3) Generation active power and reactive power levels
- (4) Active and reactive power to load buses

2. **Objective.** To determine the voltages and their phase angles for all the network buses and to calculate the unknown variables  $P$  and  $Q$  for each bus. From these calculated results the various

other quantities for buses and branches are to be calculated for steady state power flow and voltage conditions.

Initially, we draw a single line diagram of the given system and identify the generator buses and load buses.

Thus,

|                        | Known<br>(Specified)                  | Unknown*<br>(To be calculated) |
|------------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Generator buses        | $P,  V $                              | $\angle\delta, Q$              |
| Load buses             | $P, Q$                                | $ V , \angle\delta$            |
| Slack bus (Swing bus)* | $ V_1 , \angle\delta_1 = \text{Ref.}$ | $P_1, Q_1$                     |

\* The objective of power flow (Load flow) studies is to determine these unknowns for each bus under steady state condition.

+ Slack bus (Swing bus) is any one selected generator bus for reference voltage and reference phase angle,  $P$  and  $Q$  are not specified to begin with.

3. The *basic variables* associated with each of the  $N$  buses are

- Voltage magnitude  $|V_k|$ ,
- Phase angles of voltage phasors ( $\delta_k$ ),
- Real power  $P_k$ ,
- Reactive power  $Q_k$

A typical *Load flow study* (power flow study, load flow calculations) gives mainly values of the following variables for specified *normal steady state* operating conditions of generation and load :

- Phasor voltages of various network buses,  $V_k = |V_k| \angle\delta_k, k = 1$  to  $N$  for an  $N$  Bus system
- Phase-angles of bus voltage phasors ( $\angle\delta_k$ )
- Real power  $P_k$ , reactive power  $Q_k$ , at various network buses ( $k = 1$  to  $N$ ) and through branches of the electrical power system.

For each bus out of the above four variables two variables are known (given) and remaining two are unknown and are to be determined by load flow studies.

3. The *Derived Variables* are Branch current  $I$ , branch power, power factor  $\cos \phi$  of branch current, MVA etc. are calculated from the Principal Variables of terminal nodes obtained from the end results of the iteration.

4. **Classification and types of Buses.** [Fig. 8.(b)]

In load flow studies, the network buses are classified according to the known and unknown variables into following three categories :

- Generator buses ( $P, |V|$ ) or (Voltage controlled buses)
- Load buses ( $P, Q$ ) Buses
- Slack bus [ $|V|$ -Bus or Swing bus or reference bus]. It is a bus selected for reference voltage.\*

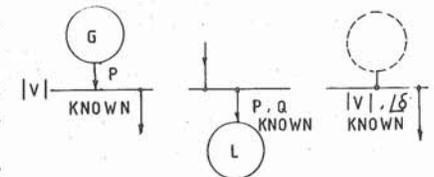


Fig. 57.8B. Types of Buses

Out of the 4 basic variables ( $P, Q, |V|, \delta$ ) for each bus, two are specified (known) variables and the other two are unknown variable (to be calculated from the power flow study). Accordingly, we have by convention real power entering the bus is positive ; real power leaving the bus is negative.

|                        | Known<br>(Specified)            | Unknown*<br>(To be calculated) |
|------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Generator buses :      | $P,  V $                        | $\angle\delta, Q$              |
| Load buses :           | $P, Q$                          | $ V , \angle\delta$            |
| Slack bus (Swing Bus)* | $ V_1 , \angle 0 = \text{Ref.}$ | $P_1, Q_1$                     |

\* The objective of power flow (load flow) studies is to determine these unknowns for each bus under steady state condition.

+ Slack bus (Swing bus) is any one selected generator bus for reference voltage and reference phase angle.  $P$  and  $Q$  are not specified to begin with. In the further text,  $k = 1$  is for slack bus.

Table 57 B.1. Classification of network buses for the power flow study

#### Generator Bus ( $P, |V|$ Bus), (Voltage controlled Bus)

Generator bus is the bus for which the generated real power  $P$  and magnitude of generated voltage  $|V|$  magnitude are known. For a generator bus real power  $P$  is injected into bus and therefore positive. The reactive power  $Q$  and the phase angle of bus voltage is to be determined by solving  $N$  simultaneous equations of power flow.

#### Load Buses ( $P-Q$ Buses)

Load bus ( $PQ$  bus) is the bus for which real power (Active power)  $P$  and reactive power  $Q$  are specified and known and bus voltage magnitude  $|V|$  and its phase angle  $\delta$  are to be found. For a load bus the outgoing real power  $P$  is taken as negative

#### Swing bus ( $|V|$ Bus) : (Reference Bus) or (Slack Bus).

It is one of the selected Generator bus at which  $|V|$  and  $\angle\delta$  are specified.  $P$  and  $Q$  are to be determined.

For convenience the swing bus is taken as reference with

$$V/\delta = 1 \angle 0^\circ, \text{ i.e. } |V| = 1 \text{ pu and } \delta = 0^\circ$$

For a swing bus :  $V = 1 + j0$  pu.

The transmission losses in total network remain unknown till the solution to load flow is obtained. For this reason one of the generator bus is assumed to supply for the transmission losses of real power.

### 57.16. PROCEDURE

- Draw single line diagram and the Admittance network. Identify the buses and branches by numbers. (Ref. Fig. 57.5 and Fig. 57.6)
- Write the power flow equations for the given network in suitable form.
- The procedures for writing power flow equations differ with the GS method and NR method.
- The equations are converted to the algorithm for iterative solution. The procedures for writing algorithm differ with the GS method and NR method.
- Solve the equations by iterative method by substituting known quantities of some variables and assumed quantities of variables under iteration.
- If iteration is converging, continue. If diverging, investigate the cause and take corrective action and then proceed further with iterations.
- Iterations are continued till the desired convergence is reached.
- Calculate derived quantities for various buses, branches.
- Analyse the results and use them.

### 57.17. EQUATIONS FOR POWER FLOW IN GAUSS METHOD AND GAUSS SEIDEL METHOD FOR MULTI-BUS SYSTEM

These equations co-relate the variables  $P, Q, V$  and  $I$  of various Network buses. Nodal Admittance form is preferred as it is more amenable for computer solution by interactive process.

Both the Gauss and Gauss Siedel use the same power equations but the algorithms for voltage are slightly different.

### 57.18. GAUSS METHOD

In Gauss Method, the same values of bus voltages are used in the entire iteration. The newly calculated value of bus voltage say  $v$  the next bus voltage in the next iteration.

In this book we have used subscript  $k$  for bus number and superscript  $r$  for iteration number,  $N$  is total number of buses. Thus,  $V_k^r$  would mean voltage of  $k$ th bus and  $r$ th iteration. (Various text books use different subscripts and superscripts for the bus numbers and iteration numbers. Applied logic should be understood for writing the Algorithm correctly.)

For the  $k$ th node (of  $N$  node network), nodal current is

$$I_k = \sum_{n=1}^{n=N} Y_{kn} V_n \quad \dots(57.39)$$

which can be written as,

$$V_k = Y_{kk} V_k + \sum_{\substack{n=1 \\ n \neq k}}^{n=N} Y_{kn} V_n \quad \dots(57.40)$$

$N =$  Total number of nodes  $I_k =$  Current in  $k$ 'th node

Solving for  $V_k$ , we get

$$V_k = \frac{I_k}{Y_{kk}} - \frac{1}{Y_{kk}} \sum_{\substack{n=1 \\ n \neq k}}^{n=N} Y_{kn} V_n \quad \dots(57.41)$$

$N =$  Total number of nodes

$Y_k =$  Bus admittance of  $k$ 'th node

But we have,  $V_k^* I_k = S_k = P_k - jQ_k \quad \dots(57.42)$

Hence,  $I_k = \frac{P_k - jQ_k}{V_k^*} \quad \dots(57.43)$

Equations 57.42 and 57.43 are applied to  $N$  nodes and a set of  $N$  nonlinear simultaneous equations are obtained as :

$$V_k = \frac{1}{Y_{kk}} \left[ \frac{P_k - jQ_k}{V_k^*} - \sum_{\substack{n=1 \\ n \neq k}}^{n=N} Y_{kn} V_n \right] \quad \dots(57.44)$$

for  $k = 1, 2, 3, 4 \dots N$

$k = 1$  is a swing bus with specified  $V$ . Hence in above eqn.

$V_1$  is taken as specified.

The set of  $N$  Equations 57.44 are called the Power Flow Equations.

**Example 57.10.** Write load flow equations for a 4-Node network shown in Fig. 57.9A.

**Solution.** In Gauss Siedel Method, the newly calculated value of bus voltage say  $V$  immediately replaces the previous value of the same bus. The newly calculated value is then used for calculating the next bus voltage in the same iteration.

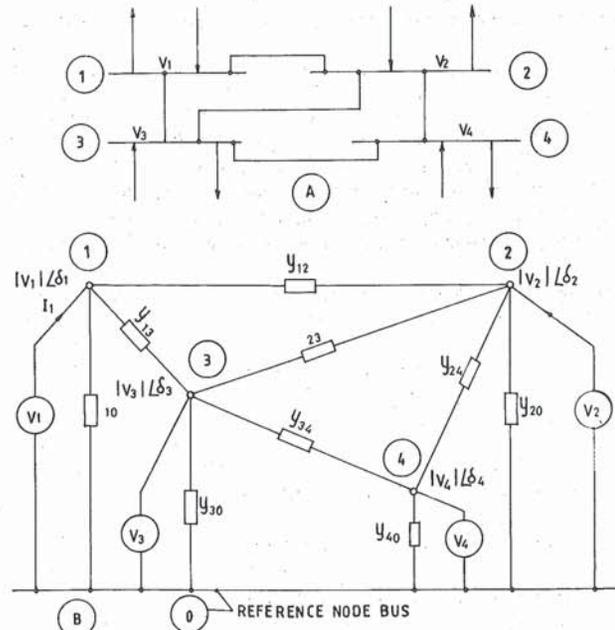


Fig. 57.9A. Single line diagram of a 4 Bus Network.  
Fig. 57.9B. A 4-Node admittance diagram for load flow study.

Algorithm from Equation 57.44 is

$$V_k = \frac{1}{Y_{kk}} \left[ \frac{P_k - jQ_k}{V_k^*} - \sum_{\substack{n=1 \\ n \neq k}}^{n=N} Y_{kn} V_n \right] \quad \dots(57.45)$$

for  $k = 2, 3, 4, \dots, N$   
 $k = 1$  is the swing bus with known  $V$ .

- $k$  = (subscript). Bus Number
- $N$  = Total number of buses
- $P_k$  = Real power flow from  $k$ 'th bus
- $r$  (Superscript) = Iteration number,  $r = 1, 2, 3, \dots, X$
- At  $r = X$ , the specified convergence is achieved and iteration is stopped.
- For bus  $k = 1$  : Reference bus  $V_1 = (1 + j0)$  Specified
- $N = 4$ . Simultaneous Non linear load flow equations got from algorithm 57.46 are :

$$\text{For bus } k = 2, V_2 = \frac{1}{Y_{22}} \left[ \frac{P_2 - jQ_2}{V_2^*} - (Y_{21} V_1 + Y_{23} V_3 + Y_{24} V_4) \right]$$

$$\text{For bus } k = 3, V_3 = \frac{1}{Y_{33}} \left[ \frac{P_3 - jQ_3}{V_3^*} - (Y_{31} V_1 + Y_{32} V_2 + Y_{34} V_4) \right]$$

$$\text{For bus } k = 4, V_4 = \frac{1}{Y_{44}} \left[ \frac{P_4 - jQ_4}{V_4^*} - (Y_{41} V_1 + Y_{42} V_2 + Y_{43} V_3) \right]$$

**57.19. SOLUTION OF POWER FLOW EQUATIONS BY GAUSS-SEIDEL METHOD**

The Algorithm of Gauss-siedel method is obtained by modifying the power flow equation 57.44 to get the algorithm :

$$V_k = \frac{1}{Y_{kk}} \left[ \frac{P_k - jQ_k}{V_k^*} - \sum_{\substack{n=1 \\ n \neq k}}^{n=N} Y_{kn} V_n \right] \quad \dots(57.45)$$

for  $k = 2, 3, 4, \dots, N$   
 $k = 1$  is for slack bus with known voltage.

Superscript  $r$  of  $V_k$  denotes the iteration number.  $V_3^{15}$  would mean voltage of bus 3 obtained from 15th iteration. Algorithm 57.45 is used in for Gauss Seidel method. Note that the  $V_k$  begins with  $k = 2$ , as the slack bus ( $k = 1$ ) has known voltage, so we begin the calculation with bus  $k = 2$ .

Proceedings of Iterations by Gauss Seidel Method. The quantities on right hand side (RHS) of the Algorithm 57.45 are either initially specified quantities or initially estimated quantities. We observe that the quantity  $V_k$  for the bus voltage is on RHS and on LHS of the equation.

Initially known quantities and assume quantities are substituted on the RHS of the equation for iteration 1. The solution of the iteration gives the new corrected value of the unknown quantity  $V$ . The newly calculated corrected quantity from the iteration will differ from the earlier estimated quantity used in the preceding iteration. i.e.

$$V_k^{(r+1)} \neq V_k^r$$

where subscript  $k$  denotes bus number and superscript ( $r$ ) denotes the iteration number.

The new corrected value of the corrected quantity  $V_k^{(r-1)}$  is then used on RHS of the next iteration to obtain yet new corrected value of  $V_k^r$ . Thus, we proceed to calculate step by step the following.

| Iteration $r$                                    | 1       | 2       | 3       | $r$         |
|--|---------|---------|---------|-------------|
| Quantity used on RHS for solving the Eqn.        | $V_k$   | $V_k^1$ | $V_k^2$ | $V_k^{r-1}$ |
| Quantity obtained from the solution of iteration | $V_k^1$ | $V_k^2$ | $V_k^3$ | $V_k^r$     |

The agreement between  $V_k^{r-1}$  and  $V_k^r$  would be reached after several iterations. When  $V_k^{r-1}$  is in agreement with  $V_k^r$ , the more accurate value of  $V_k$  is estimated.

Refer power flow equations for the 4 bus system shown in Fig. 57.9

Subscript  $k$  = bus number,  $k = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 \dots, N$

Superscript  $r$  = Iteration number,  $r = 1, 2, 3, \dots, X$

$k = 1$  is the swing bus with known  $V$

$N$  = Total number of buses

$N$  = Total number of simultaneous non linear equations.

$P_k$  = Real power flow from  $k$ 'th bus

$Q_k$  = Reactive power flow from  $k$ 'th bus

At  $r = X$ , the convergence is specified achieved and iteration is stopped.

1. For bus  $k = 1$  : Reference bus  $V_1 = (1 + j0)$  Specified

2. Computation starts with bus 2. ( $k = 2$ )

For 4-Bus system,  $N = 4$ , general equation is :

$$V_k = \frac{1}{Y_{kk}} \left[ \frac{P_k - jQ_k}{V_k^*} - \sum_{\substack{n=1 \\ n \neq k}}^N Y_{kn} V_n \right] \quad \dots(57.44)$$

For  $k = 2$ ,

$$V_2 = \frac{1}{Y_{22}} \left[ \frac{P_2 - jQ_2}{V_2^*} - \sum_{\substack{n=1 \\ n \neq 2}}^N Y_{2n} V_n \right] \quad \dots(57.44)$$

Expanding RHS for the 4 Bus Network

For bus  $k = 3$ ,

$$V_3 = \frac{1}{Y_{33}} \left[ \frac{P_3 - jQ_3}{V_3^*} - (Y_{31} V_1 + Y_{32} V_2 + Y_{34} V_4) \right] \quad \dots(57.45)$$

Likewise for  $k = 4$ ,

$$V_4 = \frac{1}{Y_{44}} \left[ \frac{P_4 - jQ_4}{V_4^*} - (Y_{41} V_1 + Y_{42} V_2 + Y_{43} V_3) \right]$$

The quantities on RHS are either initially specified quantities or initially estimated quantities. By substituting these quantities, the solution to Eqn. 57.44 may be obtained to get value of  $V_k$ .

Estimated value of  $V$  used on right hand side will differ from that calculated of from the iteration. i.e.  $V_k^{r-1} \neq V_k^r$ .

The agreement between  $V_k^{r-1}$  and  $V_k^r$  would be reached after several iterations. When  $V_k^{r-1}$  is in agreement with  $V_k^r$ , the more accurate value of  $V_k$  is estimated.

For  $k = 2$ , this correct value of voltage of bus 2 is used for calculating the corrected voltage of bus 3.

Equation similar to 57.45 may be written for each bus. The iteration  $r + 1$  is carried out by using estimated values and known values of quantities on RHS and corrected value of  $V$  obtained in the earlier iteration ( $r$ ). Thus,

Substituting  $V_k^r$

$$V_k^{(r+1)} = \frac{1}{Y_{kk}} \left[ \frac{P_k - jQ_k}{V_k^r} - (Y_{k1} V_1^r + Y_{k2} V_2^r + Y_{k3} V_3^r + \dots) \right]$$

The iteration process is repeated to get correct value of  $V_k^{(r+1)}$ .

The iteration process is repeated again and again to get specified convergence.

In this method called the *Gauss Seidel Method*, the calculated value of a  $k$ th bus voltage from  $r$ th iteration is used immediately for calculation of next bus voltage in the  $r$ th iteration itself.

**Example 57.11.** Load flow calculation of 2 bus system by Gauss Seidel iterative method.

Fig. 57.10 gives a 2-bus system with following given data :

Bus 1 :  $V_1 = 1.1 \angle 0^\circ$  pu, Load  $L = 1.1 + j 0.4$  pu

Bus 2 :  $V_2 =$  To be determined, Load  $L = 0.5 + j 0.3$  pu

Bus admittance :  $Y_{11} = Y_{12} = 1.6 \angle -80^\circ$  pu

$Y_{12} = Y_{21} = 1.2 \angle 100^\circ$  pu

Determine the voltage and phase angle at Bus 2 by Gauss-Seidel Method.

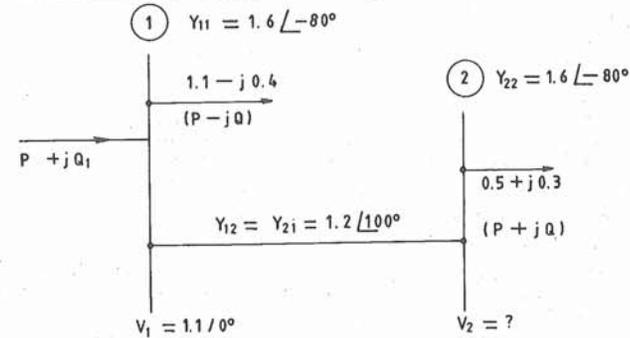


Fig. 57.10. Two bus systems of examples 57.

### Solution.

Power entering the bus is positive. Power leaving the bus is negative.

Complex Power  $S$  into the bus 1 is

$$S_1 = (P_1 + jQ_1) - (1.1 + j 0.4) \\ = (P_1 - 1.1) + j (Q_1 - 0.4) \text{ pu}$$

Complex power  $S_2$  into the Bus is  $S = -(0.5 - j0.3)$  p.u.

Algorithm for Gauss Seidel, from Eqn. 58.45 :

$$V_2^{(r+1)} = \frac{1}{Y_{22}} \left[ \frac{P_2 - jQ_2}{(V_2^r)^*} - Y_{21} V_1 \right] \quad \dots(1)$$

with the given data,

$$V_2^{r+1} = \frac{1}{1.6 \angle -80^\circ} \left[ \frac{(-0.5 + j0.3)}{(V_2^0)^*} - (1.9 \angle 100^\circ) (1.1 \angle 0^\circ) \right] \\ = 0.625 \angle 80^\circ \left[ \frac{0.583 \angle 149^\circ}{(V_2^0)^*} - 2.09 \angle 100^\circ \right] \quad \dots(2)$$

Iteration 1, To Begin. Assume  $V_2^0 = 1 \angle -10^\circ$  pu.

$$V_2^1 = 0.625 \angle 80^\circ \left[ \frac{0.583 \angle 149^\circ}{(1 \angle -10^\circ)^*} - 2.09 \angle 100^\circ \right] \\ = (0.625 \angle 80^\circ) [(0.583 \angle 139^\circ) - 2.09 \angle 100^\circ] \\ = 1.047 \angle -12.6^\circ \text{ pu.} \quad \dots(2)$$

**The Second Iteration.** Substitute  $V_2^1$  obtained from iteration 1 on RHS of Eqn. 1 to get yet new value of  $V_2$

$$V_2^2 = 0.625 \angle 80^\circ \left[ \frac{0.583 \angle 149^\circ}{(1.047 \angle -12.06^\circ)^*} - 2.09 \angle 100^\circ \right] \quad \dots(2)$$

$$V_2^2 = 1.047 \angle -8.6^\circ \text{ pu. Ans.} \quad \dots(3)$$

Difference  $\Delta V_2 = 1.047 - 1.047 = 0$ , hence further iteration is not required and the final result is given by (3) equation.

### 57.20. TREATMENT TO VOLTAGE CONTROLLED BUSES IN GAUSS-SEIDEL METHOD

We recall that the Generator Bus is Voltage controlled bus and for Generator Buses

$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{Known} & \text{To be determined} \\ P, V_k & \angle \delta, Q \end{array}$$

We have to treat the Generator buses differently for solving the unknowns. The Algorithm 57 is for solution of  $V_k$  which is not applicable to the generator bus with known voltage. We must arrive at a suitable Algorithm.

We write the equation for  $k$ th bus as

$$Q_k = -I_m \left[ V_k \sum_{n=1}^{n=N} Y_{kn} V_n \right] \quad \dots(57.48)$$

The algorithm for the same equation is :

$$Q_k^r = -I_m \left\{ V_k^{(r-1)} \left[ \sum_{n=1}^{k-1} Y_{kn} V_n + \sum_{n=k}^N Y_{kn} V_n \right] \right\} \quad \dots(57.49)$$

where,  $I_m$  is imaginary part of the expression in the bracket ; superscripts  $r$  indicate number of iteration, subscript indicates bus number.

$Q_k^r$  is calculated from Eqn. 57.49 for best previous value of the buses from Eqn. 57.49. This value of  $Q_k$  is used for obtaining the new value of  $V_k$  from Equation 57.45 for voltage  $V_k$ .

### 57.21. ACCELERATION FACTORS ( $\alpha$ ) FOR GAUSS SEIDEL METHOD OF INTERATION

With routine iteration by Gauss Seidel Method, the convergence criteria is achieved after very many iterations. This results in excessive computer time. If the correct values obtained from the preceding iteration are increased by using an Acceleration Factor before substituting in the next iteration, the iteration proceedings are accelerated and the convergence is achieved in lesser number of iterations.

The factor by which the best corrected voltage result obtained from the preceding iteration is multiplied before substituting the values in the next iteration are called the Acceleration Factor. For example a acceleration factor  $\alpha = 1.6$  may be used for real and imaginary components for calculated voltage. *Acceleration Factor is always less than 2.*

$$V_{2(acc)}^{(1)} - v_2^{(0)} + \alpha \left[ V_2^{(1)} - V_{2(acc)}^{(0)} \right] \quad \dots(57.50)$$

$\alpha$  is called the Acceleration factor. Algorithm for Equation 57.50 is : For example, for iteration  $r$ , for bus  $k$  :

$$V_{k(acc)}^r = V_{k(acc)}^{(r-1)} + \alpha \left[ V_k^r - V_{k(acc)}^{(r-1)} \right] \quad \dots(57.51)$$

where,  $V_k^r$  = Resulting best voltage of bus  $k$ , from iteration  $r$ , before applying Acceleration factor  $\alpha$

$V_{k(acc)}^r$  = Modified value of best voltage of bus  $k$ , from iteration  $r$ , after applying Acceleration factor  $\alpha$ , for using in iteration  $(r + 1)$ .

**Example 57.12.** Acceleration Factors in Gauss Seidel Method Assumed Value : assumed value of  $V$  for first iteration was  $V_2^0 = 1 + j0$ .

The best result of iteration 1 by Gauss Seidel Method for bus 2 was  $V_2^1 = 0.983664 - j 0.032316$ .

The Acceleration Factor to be used as 1.6.

Calculated the modified  $V_{2(acc)}^1$  to be used for next interation.

### Solution.

$$\text{From} \quad V_{2(acc)}^1 = V_2^0 + \alpha (V_2^1 - V_2^0) \quad \dots(57.52)$$

$$\text{Let} \quad \alpha = 1.6. \text{ Substituting } V_2^0 = 1 \text{ pu and } V_2^1 = 0.983564 - j 0.32356$$

$$V_{2(acc)}^1 = 1 + 1.6 [(0.983564 - j .03316) - 1] \text{ p.u.}$$

$$V_{2(acc)}^1 = 0.973703 - j 0.051706 \text{ p.u}$$

We use this Modified Accelerated New value for next iteration instead of the earlier  $V_2^1 = 0.983564 - j 0.032316$ .

### NEWTON-RHAPSON METHOD

### 57.22. INTRODUCTION AND COMPARISON BETWEEN GAUSS SEIDEL METHOD AND NEWTON RAPHSON METHOD

The comparison between these two most widely used methods is given in the following table.

**Table 57.B2. Comparison between Gauss Seidel and Newton Raphson Method**

| Gauss Seidel Method                               | Newton Raphson Method        |
|---|------------------------------|
| — Well Established, Simple                        | — Recent                     |
| — More number of Interations                      | — Less number of interations |
| — More Computer Time                              | — Less Computer Time         |
| — High Computation Cost                           | — Less Computation Cost      |
| — Convergence uncertain                           | — Convergence certain        |
| — Acceleration Factors used for rapid convergence |                              |

Gauss Seidel is a simple iterative method of solving  $N$  number power flow equations by iterative method. There is no need of partial derivatives. The Newton Raphson Method is based on *Taylor's Series* and partial derivatives.

The Newton Raphson Method is recent, requires less number of iterations to reach convergence, takes less computer time hence computation cost is low, and the convergence is certain. Today, System Study Groups of Utilities and Power System Planning Sectors prefer the Newton Raphson Method.

The Newton Raphson Method is based on *Taylor's Series* of function with two or more variables and their partial derivatives.

To begin with let us study the two equations with two variables  $x_1$  and  $x_2$ . Thereafter the procedure may be extended to power flow equations having several variables.

### 57.23. TAILORS SERIES FOR TWO EQUATIONS WITH TWO VARIABLES

Consider the two functions of variables are  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  related by equations by following two equations

$$f(x_1; x_2) = C_1 \quad \dots(57.53)$$

$$f(x_1; x_2) = C_2 \quad \dots(57.54)$$

where,  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  are constants.

Solutions to these equations give values of  $x_1$  and  $x_2$ . Let the *initial estimates* give values of  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  be  $x_1^0$  and  $x_2^0$ .

Let the initial estimated solution differ from the final correct solution by  $(\Delta x_1^0)$  and  $(\Delta x_2^0)$ .

i.e. correct solution—initial estimated solution =  $\Delta x$

$$f_1(x_1^0 + \Delta x_1^0; x_2^0 + \Delta x_2^0) = C_1 \quad \dots(57.55)$$

$$f_2(x_1^0 + \Delta x_1^0; x_2^0 + \Delta x_2^0) = C_2 \quad \dots(57.56)$$

The Left Hand Side of these two equations is expanded by *Taylor's Series*, to get :

$$f_1(x_1^{(0)}, x_2^{(0)} + \Delta x_1^{(0)} \left. \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_1} \right|_{x_1^{(0)}} + \Delta x_2^{(0)} \left. \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_2} \right|_{x_2^{(0)}} + \dots = C_1 \quad \dots(57.57)$$

$$f_2(x_1^{(0)}, x_2^{(0)} + \Delta x_1^{(0)} \left. \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_1} \right|_{x_1^{(0)}} + \Delta x_2^{(0)} \left. \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_2} \right|_{x_2^{(0)}} + \dots = C_2 \quad \dots(57.58)$$

Partial derivatives of second and higher order are neglected. The results are written in matrix form as :

$$\begin{bmatrix} C_1 - f_1(x_1^{(0)}, x_2^{(0)}) \\ C_2 - f_2(x_1^{(0)}, x_2^{(0)}) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_1} & \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_2} \\ \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_1} & \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \Delta x_1^{(0)} \\ \Delta x_2^{(0)} \end{bmatrix} \quad \dots(57.59)$$

The problem is to solve  $x_1^{(0)}$  and  $x_2^{(0)}$ . The terms  $\partial/\partial x_1$ ,  $\partial/\partial x_2$  indicate that the partial derivative is evaluated for the estimated values of  $x_1^{(0)}$  and  $x_2^{(0)}$ . Other partial derivative terms are also evaluated similarly. The Equation 57.59 is conveniently written as

$$\begin{bmatrix} \Delta C_1^{(0)} \\ \Delta C_2^{(0)} \end{bmatrix} = J^{(0)} \begin{bmatrix} \Delta x_1^{(0)} \\ \Delta x_2^{(0)} \end{bmatrix} \quad \dots(57.60)$$

In Eqn. 57.60,  $\Delta C_1^{(0)}$  and  $\Delta C_2^{(0)}$  are the differences as appearing on the LHS of Eqn. 57.59.

In Equation 57.60, the Square Matrix of the partial derivatives on RHS is called the Jacobian  $J_0$  (of the initial Estimates  $x_1^{(0)}$  and  $x_2^{(0)}$ ).

$$J_0 = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_1} & \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_2} \\ \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_1} & \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_2} \end{bmatrix}_{x_1^0, x_2^0} \quad \dots(57.61)$$

And the Equation 57.61 is written in short as :

$$\begin{bmatrix} \Delta C_1^{(0)} \\ \Delta C_2^{(0)} \end{bmatrix} = J_0 \begin{bmatrix} \Delta x_1^{(0)} \\ \Delta x_2^{(0)} \end{bmatrix} \quad \dots(57.62)$$

The solution of the matrix equation 57.62 gives  $x_1^{(0)}$  and  $x_2^{(0)}$ . The better estimates of the solution is given by

$$x_1^{(1)} = x_1^{(0)} + \Delta x_1^{(0)} \quad \dots(57.63)$$

$$x_2^{(1)} = x_2^{(0)} + \Delta x_2^{(0)} \quad \dots(57.64)$$

Repeating the process of iterations, with these values, we get yet better estimated values. The  $\Delta x_1$  and  $\Delta x_2$  becomes smaller and smaller with every iteration and finally the iteration process is stopped when  $\Delta x_1$  and  $\Delta x_2$  are lesser than the pre-selected convergence criterion  $c$ .

To apply the Newton-Raphson Method described above to a Load Flow Problem,  $P_k$  and  $Q_k$  are specified for all the buses except the swing bus.

$C_1$  corresponds to Specified  $P_k$  of Buses ... except for swing bus.

$C_2$  corresponds to Specified  $Q_k$  of Buses ... except for swing bus.

Calculated  $P$ 's of buses corresponds to  $f_1(x_1^0, x_2^0)$

Calculated  $Q$ 's of buses corresponds to  $f_2(x_1^0, x_2^0)$

$\Delta P$  and  $\Delta Q$  correspond to  $\Delta x$  and  $\Delta x$  and  $\Delta x$ . The details are described in the next section.

#### 57.24. NEWTON RAPHSON METHOD APPLIED TO LOAD FLOW PROBLEM

Consider an  $N$  Bus Power System for load flow problem, by NR Method.

Let the,

$k$ th bus have the phasor voltage  $V_k = |V_k| \angle \delta_k$

$N$  buses have phasor voltages  $V_n = |V_n| \angle \delta_n$

The bus admittance of  $k$ th bus is  $Y_{kn} = |Y_{kn}| \angle \theta_{kn}$

From Eqns. 57.39 and 57.43 ;

$$P_k - jQ_k = \sum_{n=1}^N |V_k V_n Y_{kn}| \angle \theta_{kn} + \delta_n - \delta_k \quad \dots(57.65)$$

$$P_k = \sum_{n=1}^N |V_k V_n Y_{kn}| \cos(\theta_{kn} + \delta_n - \delta_k) \quad \dots(57.66)$$

$$Q_k = \sum_{n=1}^N |V_k V_n Y_{kn}| \sin(\theta_{kn} + \delta_n - \delta_k) \quad \dots(57.67)$$

where,  $P_k$  = Real part of RHS in Eqn. 57.65

$$P_k = |V_k V_n Y_{kn}| \cos(\theta_{kn} + \delta_n - \delta_k) \quad \dots(57.66)$$

$Q_k$  = Imaginary part of RHS in Eqn. 57.65

$$Q_k = |V_k V_n Y_{kn}| \sin(\theta_{kn} + \delta_n - \delta_k) \quad \dots(57.67)$$

For the swing bus,  $|V|$  and  $\delta$  are specified and are omitted from the iterative solution.

We first estimate  $V$  and  $\delta$  for each bus except the swing bus. The specified  $P$  and  $Q$  correspond to  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  in Eqn. 57.57, 57.58 and 57.59.

The calculated  $P$ 's and  $Q$ 's represent  $f_1(x_1^0, x_2^0)$  and  $f_2(x_1^0, x_2^0)$ . Let subscript  $k_s$  be for  $k$ 'th bus and *specified value*. (of  $P$  or  $Q$ ) and subscript  $k_c$  be for  $k$ 'th bus and *calculated value* (of  $P$  or  $Q$ ).

Having  $P$  and  $Q$  specified for every bus (except a swing bus) corresponds to knowing  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  in (57.59). We first estimate  $V$  and  $\delta$  for each bus except the swing bus, for which they are known. We then substitute these estimated values, which correspond to the estimated values for  $x_1$  and  $x_2$ , in (57.66) and (57.67) to calculate  $P$ 's and  $Q$ 's that correspond to  $f_1(x_1^{(0)}, x_2^{(0)})$  and  $f_2(x_1^{(0)}, x_2^{(0)})$ .

Further we compute,

$$\Delta P_k^{(0)} = P_{k_s} - P_{k_c}^{(0)} \quad \dots(57.68)$$

$$\Delta Q_k^{(0)} = Q_{k_s} - Q_{k_c}^{(0)} \quad \dots(57.69)$$

Where subscripts  $s$  and  $c$  for attached to bus subscript  $k$  represent *specified* and *calculated*. These correspond to the LHS of Eqn. 57.60 [ $\Delta C_1 \Delta C_2$ ]

Matrix Equation for a 3-Bus System corresponding to Eqn. 57.59 and Eqn. 57.60, omitting Swing Bus 1 :

$$\begin{bmatrix} \Delta P_2^{(0)} \\ \Delta P_3^{(0)} \\ \Delta Q_2^{(0)} \\ \Delta Q_3^{(0)} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial P_2}{\partial \delta_2} & \frac{\partial P_2}{\partial \delta_3} & \frac{\partial P_2}{\partial |V_2|} & \frac{\partial P_2}{\partial |V_3|} \\ \frac{\partial P_3}{\partial \delta_2} & \frac{\partial P_3}{\partial \delta_3} & \frac{\partial P_3}{\partial |V_2|} & \frac{\partial P_3}{\partial |V_3|} \\ \frac{\partial Q_2}{\partial \delta_2} & \frac{\partial Q_2}{\partial \delta_3} & \frac{\partial Q_2}{\partial |V_2|} & \frac{\partial Q_2}{\partial |V_3|} \\ \frac{\partial Q_3}{\partial \delta_2} & \frac{\partial Q_3}{\partial \delta_3} & \frac{\partial Q_3}{\partial |V_2|} & \frac{\partial Q_3}{\partial |V_3|} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \Delta \delta_2^{(0)} \\ \Delta \delta_3^{(0)} \\ \Delta |V_2^{(0)}| \\ \Delta |V_3^{(0)}| \end{bmatrix} \quad \dots(59.70)$$

The Square Matrix of Partial Derivatives is the Jacobian. The elements of the Jacobian are determined by taking partial derivatives of  $P_k$  and  $Q_k$  and substituting there in the voltages assumed for the first iteration or the voltages calculated from the previous iteration.

The Equation 57.70 can be solved by inverting the Jacobian.

$$\begin{bmatrix} \Delta \delta_2^{(0)} \\ \Delta \delta_3^{(0)} \\ \Delta |V_2^{(0)}| \\ \Delta |V_3^{(0)}| \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial P_2}{\partial \delta_2} & \frac{\partial P_2}{\partial \delta_3} & \frac{\partial P_2}{\partial |V_2|} & \frac{\partial P_2}{\partial |V_3|} \\ \frac{\partial P_3}{\partial \delta_2} & \frac{\partial P_3}{\partial \delta_3} & \frac{\partial P_3}{\partial |V_2|} & \frac{\partial P_3}{\partial |V_3|} \\ \frac{\partial Q_2}{\partial \delta_2} & \frac{\partial Q_2}{\partial \delta_3} & \frac{\partial Q_2}{\partial |V_2|} & \frac{\partial Q_2}{\partial |V_3|} \\ \frac{\partial Q_3}{\partial \delta_2} & \frac{\partial Q_3}{\partial \delta_3} & \frac{\partial Q_3}{\partial |V_2|} & \frac{\partial Q_3}{\partial |V_3|} \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} \Delta P_2^{(0)} \\ \Delta P_3^{(0)} \\ \Delta Q_2^{(0)} \\ \Delta Q_3^{(0)} \end{bmatrix}$$

Equation (57.71) is solved to get values of  $\Delta \delta_k^{(0)}$  and  $\Delta |V_k^{(0)}|$ . The values determined for  $\Delta \delta_k^{(0)}$  and  $\Delta |V_k^{(0)}|$  are added to the previous estimates of  $V$  and  $\delta$  to obtain new estimates with which the next iteration is started. The iteration process is repeated until the values in either column matrix are as small as desired convergence.

The resulting values of  $\Delta \delta_k^{(0)}$  and  $\Delta |V_k^{(0)}|$  are added to the previously estimated values of  $V$  and  $\delta$  to obtain yet new estimated values of  $V$  and  $\delta$ . With which the next iteration is started. The process is repeated until the values in either column matrix are as small as the selected convergence criteria.

**Example 57.13. Newton Raphson Method.** A three bus system shown in Fig. 57.11 has following bus admittance matrix :

$$Y_{bus} = \begin{bmatrix} 24.23 / -75.95^\circ & 12.13 / 104.04^\circ & 12.13 / 104.04^\circ \\ 12.13 / 104.04^\circ & 24.23 / -75.95^\circ & 12.13 / 104.04^\circ \\ 12.13 / 104.04^\circ & 12.13 / 104.04^\circ & 24.23 / -75.95^\circ \end{bmatrix} \text{ p.u.}$$

The per unit bus voltage of Bus 1 and 2 are indicated in the Figure. Per unit power flows into/from the buses are indicated by arrows. Calculate Voltage of Bus 2 by the Newton Raphson Method.

**Solution.**

The unknown quantity is the voltage of Bus 2. Let the initial estimate of  $V$  be  $V = 1 + j0$  pu. Then from Eqn. 57.66, we get  $P_2^{(0)}$  as

$$P_2^{(0)} = |V_2^{(0)}| |V_1^{(0)}| |Y_{21}| \cos(\theta_{21} + \delta_1^{(0)} - \delta_2^{(0)}) + |V_2^{(0)}|^2 |Y_{22}| \cos \theta_{22} + |V_2^{(0)}| |V_3^{(0)}| |Y_{23}| \cos(\theta_{23} + \delta_3^{(0)} - \delta_2^{(0)})$$

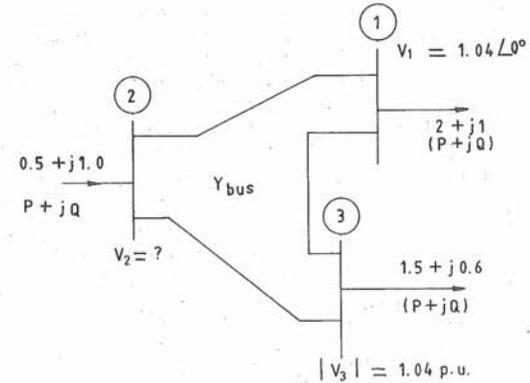


Fig. 57.11. Load flow of 3 bus network by NR method.

$$= (1) (1.04) (12.31) \cos 104.04^\circ + (1) (24.23) \cos (-75.95^\circ) + | (1) (1.04) (12.31) \cos 104.04^\circ = -0.34 \text{ pu.}$$

Likewise,  $P_3^{(0)} = |V_3^{(0)}| |V_1^{(0)}| |Y_{31}| \cos(\theta_{31} + \delta_1^{(0)} - \delta_3^{(0)}) + |V_3^{(0)}| |V_2^{(0)}| |Y_{32}| \times \cos(\theta_{32} + \delta_2^{(0)} - \delta_3^{(0)}) + |V_3^{(0)}|^2 |Y_{33}| \cos \theta_{33}$   
 $= (1.04) (1.04) (12.31) \cos 104.04^\circ + (1.04) (12.31) \cos 104.04^\circ + (1.04)^2 (24.23) \cos (-75.95^\circ) = 0.026 \text{ pu}$

Likewise from Eqn. (57.67) we get  $Q$  as,

$$Q_2^{(0)} = -|V_2^{(0)}| |V_1^{(0)}| |Y_{21}| \sin(\theta_{21} + \delta_1^{(0)} - \delta_2^{(0)}) - |V_2^{(0)}|^2 |Y_{22}| \sin \theta_{22} - |V_2^{(0)}| |V_3^{(0)}| \sin(\theta_{23} + \delta_3^{(0)} - \delta_2^{(0)})$$

$$= - (1) (1.04) (12.31) \sin 104.04^\circ - (1) (24.23) \sin (-75.95^\circ) - (1) (1.04) (12.31) \sin 104.04^\circ = -1.34 \text{ pu.}$$

From (57.68),  $\Delta P_2^{(0)} = 0.5 - (-0.34) = 0.82 \text{ pu}$

$\Delta P_3^{(0)} = -1.5 - 0.026 = -1.526 \text{ pu}$

Similarly, from (57.69)  $\Delta Q_2^{(0)} = 1 - (-1.33) = 2.33 \text{ pu}$

For the given three-bus system (with  $V_3$  known), (Eqn. 57.70) becomes

$$\begin{bmatrix} \Delta P_2^{(0)} \\ \Delta P_3^{(0)} \\ \Delta Q_2^{(0)} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial P_2}{\partial \delta_2} & \frac{\partial P_2}{\partial \delta_3} & \frac{\partial P_2}{\partial |V_2|} \\ \frac{\partial P_3}{\partial \delta_2} & \frac{\partial P_3}{\partial \delta_3} & \frac{\partial P_3}{\partial |V_2|} \\ \frac{\partial Q_2}{\partial \delta_2} & \frac{\partial Q_2}{\partial \delta_3} & \frac{\partial Q_2}{\partial |V_2|} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \Delta \delta_2^{(0)} \\ \Delta \delta_3^{(0)} \\ \Delta |V_2^{(0)}| \end{bmatrix} \quad \dots(A)$$

Differentiating  $P_k$  from Eqns. 57.66 and 57.67 and substituting numerical values in Eqn. A above gives.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0.83 \\ -1.526 \\ 2.33 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 24.27 & -12.23 & 5.64 \\ -12.23 & 24.95 & -3.05 \\ -6.11 & 3.05 & 22.54 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \Delta \delta_2^{(0)} \\ \Delta \delta_3^{(0)} \\ \Delta |V_2^{(0)}| \end{bmatrix} \quad \dots(B)$$

We recall the Matrix Inversion principles to three Matrices

$$A = BC \text{ then } B^{-1}A = C$$

By applying this principle Eqn. B re-written as,

$$\begin{bmatrix} \Delta \delta_2^{(0)} \\ \Delta \delta_3^{(0)} \\ \delta |V_2^{(0)}| \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 24.47 & -12.23 & 5.64 \\ -12.23 & 24.95 & -3.05 \\ -6.11 & 3.05 & 22.54 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} 0.83 \\ -1.526 \\ 2.33 \end{bmatrix} \quad \dots(C)$$

This gives (C) as

$$\begin{bmatrix} \Delta \delta_2^{(0)} \\ \Delta \delta_3^{(0)} \\ \Delta |V_2^{(0)}| \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.05179 & 0.02653 & -0.00937 \\ 0.02666 & 0.05309 & 0.00051 \\ 0.01043 & -0.00001 & 0.04176 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0.83 \\ -1.526 \\ 2.33 \end{bmatrix} \quad \dots(D)$$

Solving for  $\Delta |V_2^{(0)}|$ , the solution of Eqn. gives

$$\Delta |V_2^{(0)}| = (0.01043)(0.83) + (0.00001)(-1.526) + (0.04176)(2.33) = 0.106 \text{ pu}$$

Thus,  $|V_2^{(1)}| = 1 + 0.106 = 1.106 \text{ pu}$

This procedure is repeated until convergence is reached.

Finally, we get  $V_2 = 1.081 \angle -1.36^\circ \text{ pu}$ . **Ans.**

### 57.25. IMPORTANCE AND OBJECTIVES OF POWER FLOW STUDIES

The Power Flow Studies. (Load Flow Studies) are the essential and most important part of power system studies. Power system engineers need data about the bus voltage, active and reactive power flowing through the branches under steady state. Such data is obtained from load flow study. Load flow studies are extremely important and essential for Power System Planning, Designing, Expansion design and for providing guidelines to Control Room Operating Engineers in following activities.

- Load flow studies are the basis for power system planning, designing and expansion and providing operating instructions to control room operators. (Ref. Ch. 53)
- Evaluation the operating performance of a power system under normal-steady state.
- Providing operating instructions to generating station and substation control rooms for loading, reactive power compensation, relay settings, tap-setting, and switching sequence. Selecting the optimum settings of Over Current Relays.
- Analysing the effect of rearranging the circuits on the load flows, bus voltages.
- Preparing software for on line operation, control and monitoring of the power system.
- Analysing the effect of temporary loss of generating station or transmission path on the load flow.
- Determining the effect of compensation of reactive power on bus voltages.
- Calculation of line losses for various load flow conditions.
- Planning expansion of Network. Introducing HVDC line, interconnection, EHV AC line.
- Obtaining initial input data for various other power system studies such as : Economic Load Despatch, Reactive power and voltage control, State Estimation, Fault Calculations, Generation Planning, Transmission Planning, etc.

### POWER FLOW THROUGH TWO TERMINAL HVDC LINK

#### 57.26. POWER FLOW THROUGH A BIPOLAR TWO TERMINAL HVDC LINK

The power flow calculation for an HVDC Link is quite different from that for an AC Link. Refer Fig. 57.12.

Let,  $U_d$  = DC voltage, pole to ground at the mid point of line pole, kV, DC

$U_{d1}$  = DC voltage, pole to ground at Rectifier—End of line pole, kV, DC

$U_{d2}$  = DC voltage, pole to ground at Inverter—End of line pole, kV, DC

Then,  $U_d = (U_{d1} + U_{d2})/2$  ... kV DC, pole to ground corresponding pole to pole voltage is  $(2 U_d)$  ...kV DC

Same current  $I_d$  flows through the pole 1 and Pole 2 line conductors.

$I_d$  = Current in DC line pole, kA

Then average DC power  $P_d$  flowing through one line pole is

$$P_d = U_d \times I_d = \frac{U_{d1} + U_{d2}}{2} \times I_d \dots \text{MW/pole} \quad \dots(57.74)$$

$$\text{Bipolar power} = 2 \times P_d \dots \text{MW} \quad \dots(57.75)$$

**Rectifier (Sending) End power** :  $P_{dr} = U_{d1} \times I_d$  ...MW pole

where  $U_{d1}$  is rectifier end DC voltage, pole to ground, kV DC, pole to Ground

**Inverter (Receiving) End Power** :  $P_{di} = U_{d2} \times I_d$

where  $U_{d2}$  is rectifier end DC voltage, pole to ground, kV

$U_{d1} - U_{d2}$  = Voltage drop in one DC line pole

$P_{dr} - P_{di} = P_{loss}$  = line loss in one DC line pole.

$$P_{loss} = (I_d)^2 R$$

Bipolar line loss =  $2 \times P_{loss} = 2 (I_d)^2 R$

where  $R$  = line pole resistance of one line conductor.

$U_{d1} - U_{d2}$  = Voltage drop in DC line pole =  $I_d \cdot R$ ...kV DC.

where,  $I_d$  is in kA and  $R$  in ohm.

**Note.** In power calculations  $U_{dc}$  in kV and  $I_{dc}$  in kA gives  $P_{dc}$  in MW.

**Example 57.14. Power Flow through Bipolar 2-Terminal HVDC Line**

Ref. Fig. 57.12. A 840 km long bipolar 2 Terminal Rihand Delhi HVDC link has following operating conditions ;

- Sending end DC pole voltage (Rihand),  $U_{d1} = 520 \text{ kV DC}$ , Pole to earth.
- Receiving end DC Pole Voltage (Delhi),  $U_{d2} = 490 \text{ kV DC}$ , Pole to earth
- Current in the line pole conductor,  $I_d = 1 \dots \text{kA DC}$

Both the line poles are transferring equal power at equal voltage conditions. Calculate the following :

1. Power Flow per pole from Rihand to Delhi
2. Bipolar power flow

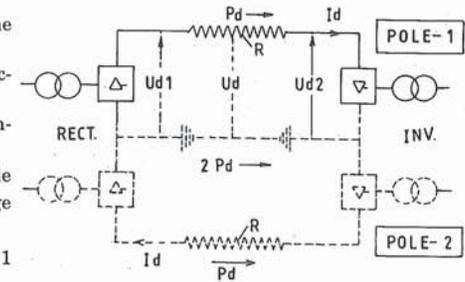


Fig. 57.12. Power flow through a bipolar 2-terminal HVDC link [Flow  $P_{dc}$  is dictated mainly by  $(U_{d1} - U_{d2})/R$ ].

3. Line Loss per pole in bipolar line      4. Bipolar line loss  
5. Reactive power flow through the DC line.

**Solution.**

DC line pole voltage at middle of line length :

$$U_d = \frac{U_{d1} + U_{d2}}{2} = \frac{510 + 490}{2} = 500 \dots \text{ kV DC pole to ground}$$

$$I_d = \text{Current in a HVDC pole} = \text{given as } 1 \text{ kA}$$

The power flow *per pole*, through line pole at mid point of line

$$P_d = U_d \times I_d \dots \text{ MW} \quad \dots(1)$$

$$= 500 \times 1 = 500 \dots \text{ MW per pole}$$

where,  $P_d$  = Power flow per pole through the HVDC link, MW

$$U_d = \text{Average of pole to ground sending—end voltage } U_{d1} \text{ and receiving end voltage } U_{d2}, \text{ kV}$$

$$\text{Bipolar power flow} = 2 \times P_d = 2 \times 500 = 1000 \text{ MW} \quad \dots(2)$$

$R$  = DC resistance of HVDC line pole between sending end and receiving end, ohm

$$\text{Given : } I_d = 1 \text{ kA} = \frac{U_{d1} - U_{d2}}{R} = \frac{510 - 490}{R} = \frac{20}{R} = 1 \dots \text{ kA}$$

$$R = 20/1 = 20 \text{ ohm}$$

$$\text{Line loss per pole } P_{\text{loss}} = (I_d)^2 R \dots \text{ MW per pole} \quad \dots(5)$$

$$= 1 \times 1 \times 20 = 20 \text{ MW per pole}$$

$$\text{Total Bipolar line loss} = 2 \times (I_d)^2 R \dots \text{ MW for 2 poles} \quad \dots(6)$$

$$= 40 \text{ MW for 2 poles}$$

Sending-end power per pole :

$$P_{dr} = U_{d1} \times I_d = 510 \text{ kV} \times 1 \text{ kA} = 510 \text{ MW/pole}$$

Receiving-end power per pole :

$$P_{di} = U_{d2} \times I_d = 490 \text{ kV} \times 1 \text{ kA} = 490 \text{ MW/pole}$$

$$\text{Line loss per pole} = P_{dr} - P_{di} = 510 - 490 = 20 \text{ MW (Check)}$$

Steady state reactive power flow through HVDC line = 0

Since,  $I_d$  and  $V_d$  are with same phase angle along the line length.

**Example 57.15. Load flow through Bipolar 2-Terminal HVDC Line.**

A bipolar 2-terminal HVDC link delivers 1000 MW DC at  $\pm 500$  kV at receiving end. The line losses in 2 poles are 60 MW.

Calculate following :

1. Sending end power
2. Power in the middle of line
3. Line resistance per pole
4. Sending end DC voltage
5. Receiving end DC voltage
6. DC voltage in the middle of line.

**Solution.**

Rectifier (sending) end bipole power

$$= \text{Inverter (Receiving) end bipole Power} + \text{bipole line loss}$$

$$2 P_{dr} = 2 P_{di} + 2 P_L$$

$$= 1000 + 60 = 1060 \text{ MW}$$

$$\text{Power in the middle of bipole line} = [P_{dr} + P_{di}]/2$$

$$= [1060 + 1000]/2 = 1030 \text{ MW}$$

$$\text{Rectifier end DC voltage} = \text{Rectifier DC power/DC current}$$

DC line current is same at rectifier end to inverter-end. Inverter end DC current is

$$I_d = P_d / U_d = 1000/1000 = 1000 \text{ A} = I_{dr}$$

Rectifier sending end bipolar DC voltage

$$= P_d / I_d = 1060/1000 = 1060 \text{ kV DC}$$

Rectifier sending end bipole DC voltage = 1060 kV DC pole to pole

Rectifier sending end DC pole to ground voltage

$$= \pm 530 \text{ kV DC pole to pole}$$

DC voltage in middle of line pole to ground

$$= [530 + 500]/2 = 515 \text{ kV DC}$$

Line resistance per pole

$$= (U_{dr} - U_{di}) / I_d = (530 - 500) / 1 = 30/1 = 30 \text{ ohm}$$

**Note.** In power calculations  $U_{dc}$  in kV and  $I_{dc}$  in kA gives  $P_{dc}$  in MW.

**57.27. IMPORTANT CONCLUSIONS ABOUT POWER FLOW THROUGH AC AND HVDC LINKS**

1. Operation and Control principles of AC Link and HVDC Link are quite different. In AC line power transfer is due to power angle  $\delta$  between  $V_s$  and  $V_r$  phasors. The increase in load brings about increase in  $\delta$  automatically. However no precise and fast control of power is possible through a particular AC line in an AC network.

In an HVDC Link the power flow is

$$P_d = U_d \times I_d = \frac{U_{d1} + U_{d2}}{2} \times I_d \dots \text{ MW} \quad \dots(57.74)$$

$$P_d = U_d \times \frac{U_{d1} - U_{d2}}{R} \dots \text{ MW} \quad \dots(57.75)$$

In these Eqns.  $U_d$  in kV,  $I_d$  in kA and  $P_d$  in MW.

Since  $R$  is small, a small variation in  $(U_{d1} - U_{d2})$  gives a significant change in DC power flow. DC power flow can be controlled precisely and rapidly by controlling  $(U_{d1} - U_{d2})$ , by tap changers of converter transformers (slow control 10 seconds) and by control of phase angles of converter valves firing simultaneously from both the ends of the HVDC Link Rapid control (tens of milliseconds). Power flow can be set at precise level. Power flow through a particular DC link can be changed at a rate of 30 MW/min over a wide range (e.g. 200 MW to 1500 MW).

2. Transfer of Real Power  $P_s$  (watts) through a branch of an AC network dependent mainly on power angle  $\delta$ , between  $V_s$  and  $V_r$  phasors. The angle  $\theta$  is therefore called *Power angle or Load angle*. This angle increases with flow of  $P$  through the branch. In an AC line, power flow through a branch *does not* depend much on the magnitude difference  $|V_s| - |V_r|$ .

Power Flow in HVDC line however *depends* mainly on the magnitude difference  $|U_{d1}| - |U_{d2}|$ , and there is no question of load angle  $\delta$  in case of HVDC lines.

3. Maximum power transfer (steady state stability limit) of an AC line occurs when power angle  $\delta = 90^\circ$ . Neglecting line losses,

$$\text{for } \delta = 90^\circ \dots, \quad P_{\text{max}} = \frac{|V_s| |V_r|}{x} \angle \dots \text{ W} \quad \dots(57.9)$$

Beyond  $P_{\text{max}}$  the transmission link stability is lost. HVDC transmission link has no such limit based on power angle. Maximum HVDC power is usually dictated by thermal limit of thyristor-converter and converter transformers.

4. In AC lines, the reactive power  $Q$  flows in the direction from higher voltage to lower voltage. In HVDC line there is no continuous flow of reactive power.

5. HVDC line losses are less than 5% of power transfer; HVDC line has no  $I_R$  line losses due to reactive power flow. Hence line losses are less than equivalent AC line carrying same power.

Whereas losses in AC line are about 15 to 20% high transmission losses in AC line are due to additional reactive power flow.

### 57.28. POWER FLOW THROUGH AC LINE AND PARALLEL HVDC LINE

Refer Fig. 57.12B illustrating the power flow through HVDC line and parallel AC line.

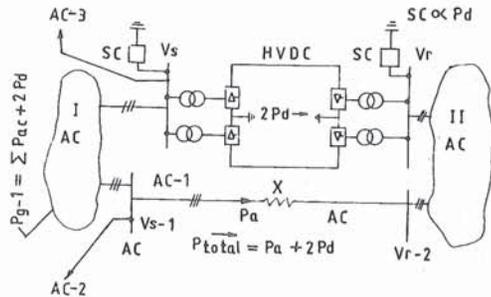


Fig. 57.12. B Power flow through HVDC line and parallel ac line.

Total power transfer from AC-1 to AC-2 is the sum of  $P_a$  and  $2P_d$ .

$$P_{\text{total}} = P_a + 2P_d$$

where,  $P_a$  = power flow through AC line =  $\frac{|V_{s1}| \cdot |V_{r2}|}{X} \sin \delta$ ,

$P_a$  cannot be easily and rapidly changed.

$\delta$  = Phase angle between  $V_{s-1}$  and  $V_{r-2}$  vectors

$2P_d$  = Power through Bipolar HVDC line =  $2U_d \times I_d$

$U_d$  = pole to ground voltage and  $i_d$  = DC pole current

$2P_d$  can be easily and rapidly changed.

Power flow  $2P_d$  from AC network 1 to AC Network 2 via bipolar DC line can be precisely controlled by means of HVDC Link.

Power flow  $P_a$  from AC Network 1 to AC Network 2 via AC line cannot be changed easily and rapidly as increased generation in Network 1 would result in increased power flow through various AC lines such as AC 1, AC 2, AC 3. The increase in power flow is shared by various outgoing lines in accordance with the loads at receiving ends and resulting phase power angles  $\delta_1, \delta_2, \delta_3$  of the AC lines.

**Voltage control.** As the power  $2P_d$  through DC line is increased, the Leading shunt compensation (SC) at receiving end should be increased to regulate  $V_r$ . Amount of shunt compensation required is about 60% of  $2P_d$ .

**Total power generator.** When AC Network 1 is sending power to other parts of the Network, the general equation is:

$$P_{g-1} = \sum P_{ac} + 2P_{dc} \quad \dots(57.76)$$

where,  $P_{g-1}$  = The total power generated in Network 1

$\sum P_{ac}$  = Total power transmitted through various AC lines

$2P_{dc}$  = Total power transmitted through bipolar HVDC line

$$P_g = P_{g-1} - 2P_{dc} = P_{ac1} + P_{ac2} + P_{ac3}$$

where,  $P_{ac1}, P_{ac2}$  are the power flow through various AC lines.

The increase or decrease in  $2P_{dc}$  can be independently achieved by HVDC control. This is a unique advantage of HVDC Link over AC link. Neglecting the losses, the total power generated is equal to total power transmitted,  $P_g$  remaining the same, the increase in  $P_{dc}$  results in corresponding decrease in  $\sum P_{ac}$ . The power flows through various AC lines ( $P_{ac1}, P_{ac2}$  etc) are determined by means of power flow calculations for the total network.

**Example 57.16. Parallel AC line and HVDC line.** A super thermal power plant is generating 6000 MW power. Out of the total generation, the Bipolar HVDC line transmits 2000 MW to a remote load centre and the remaining power is transmitted through four AC lines. The power flow through the three AC lines is 1000 MW each. Calculate the power flow through the fourth AC line.

**Solution.**

$$P_{g-1} = \sum P_{ac} + 2P_{dc}$$

where,  $P_{g-1}$  is total generation,  $\sum P_{ac}$  is total power flow through all the AC lines and  $2P_{dc}$  is bipolar HVDC power flow.

$$P_{g-1} = 6000 = \sum P_{ac} + 2000 \text{ MW}$$

Therefore,

$$\sum P_{ac} = 6000 - 2000 = 4000 \text{ MW}$$

$$\sum P_{ac} = P_{ac-1} + P_{ac2} + P_{ac-3} + P_{ac4}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum P_{ac} &= 4000 \text{ MW} = P_{ac1} + P_{ac2} + P_{ac3} + P_{ac4} \\ &= 1000 + 1000 + 1000 + P_{ac4} \end{aligned}$$

$$P_{ac4} = 1000 \text{ MW} \quad \text{Ans.}$$

**Example 57.17. Parallel AC line and HVDC line.** A super thermal power plant is generating 6000 MW power. Out of the total generation, the Bipolar HVDC line transmits 4000 MW to a remote load centre and the remaining power is transmitted through four AC lines equally. What would be the power flow through each of the four AC lines, assuming they share the load equally.

**Solution.**

$$\sum P_{ac} = P_{g-1} - 2P_{dc}$$

where  $P_{g-1}$  is total generation,  $\sum P_{ac}$  is total power flow through all the AC lines and  $2P_{dc}$  is bipolar HVDC power flow.

$$P_{ac} = 6000 - 4000 = 2000 \text{ MW}$$

Power flow through each AC line =  $2000/4 = 500 \text{ MW}$ .

### SUMMARY

The calculation of steady state  $P$  and  $Q$  flow through various branches of the Network and the resulting bus voltages and their phase angles is called *Power Flow Study* or *Load Flow Study*.

The *Principal variables* associated with each of the  $N$  buses are:

- Voltage magnitude  $|V_k|$ ,
- Phase angles of voltage phasors ( $\delta_k$ ),
- Real power  $P_k$ ,
- Reactive power  $Q_k$

(subscript  $k$  for the bus number,  $k = 1, 2, 3, \dots, N$  for an  $N$  bus system. The *Derived Variables* for branches are current  $I$ , Power Factor  $\cos \phi$ , MVA etc., these are calculated from the Principal Variables obtained from the end results of the iteration).

For each bus generally two of the above four principal variables are specified and other two are to be determined from Load flow calculations. The two unknown variables for each of the  $N$  buses are calculated by solving  $N$  simultaneous non-linear load flow equations co-relating  $P_k, Q_k, V_k$  for  $k = 1$  to  $N$  bus number.

- Gauss seidel iterative method (GS Method)
- Successive over relaxation method. (GS method employing acceleration factors)
- Newton-Raphson iterative method. (NR method)

The power flow calculations of an  $N$ -Bus system involves solution to  $N$  number of simultaneous nonlinear power flow equations, with generally two unknowns for each of  $N$  Busses. The solution should satisfy network power flow equations. Modern load flow studies are performed by solving the network power flow equations by *Iterative Procedure and use of Digital Computer/Personal Computer*.

Starting from the *assumed values* of unknown variables and given values of other variables, the load flow equations are solved to obtain new better values of the same unknown variables.

These new better values of unknowns are again substituted in the same equations (Algorithms) to get yet another set of new revised values. The process of calculations of the new revised values of variables (e.g. Bus Voltages) by using earlier result is called "an iteration".

The iterations are repeated till sufficiently accurate values are obtained and further iterations are not giving next better values, i.e. convergence is reached. The equations used for iterative solution are called *Algorithm*. The Gauss Seidel Method and Newton Raphson Method are used for iterative solution of load flow problems.

Power flow calculations are essential for system design, system expansion, relay coordination, power system analysis and operation guidelines, and for input data for Stability Studies.

Power flow through HVDC link can be controlled precisely, rapidly and to required level through particular HVDC Link. *The increase or decrease in  $2P_{dc}$  can be independently achieved by HVDC control*. This is a unique advantage of HVDC Link over AC link. Neglecting the losses, the total power generated is equal to total power transmitted,  $P_g$  remaining the same, the increase in  $P_{dc}$  results in corresponding decrease in  $\Sigma P_{ac}$ .

### QUESTIONS

1. Explain the meaning of bus admittance matrix  $Y$  bus, with the help of a 3 bus network.
2. Distinguish between Load Bus, Generator Bus and Slack Bus in a Power Flow Study. State the known variables and unknown variables for each of the type of bus.
3. Write a general equation for voltage  $V_k$  of  $k$ th node of a  $N$  node power system, in terms of  $P_k, Q_k, Y_{kk}, V_k$  and  $Y_{kn}$  and  $V_n$ . Write the 3 equations for voltages of  $V_2, V_3$  and  $V_4$  a 4 Bus Network considering  $V_1$  as Slack bus voltage.
4. In a 2 bus system, bus 1 is supplied by generator  $G_1$  and bus 2 by generator  $G_2$ . The real power supplied by  $G_1$  is 5.0 pu and by  $G_2$  is 5.0 p.u.,  $|V_1| = 1.0$  pu.;  $|V_2|$  is 1.1 pu.  
Each bus has complex local load, equal to  $S_1 = S_2 = 3 + j4$  pu. The two buses are connected by branch 1-2 having series reactance of 0.08 p.u. Calculate the total complex load on each bus.

Ans.  $8 + j5.7$  pu.

5. Explain the Gauss Seidel iteration method for power flow solution.

6. Explain the information obtained from a typical power flow study and the significance of power flow studies.
7. Give comparison between Gauss seidel method and newton Raphson method of power flow studies.
8. Explain the significance of following equations for a branch in an AC network with respect to control of power flow through a branch of an AC network. How can the power through the branch be increased?

$$P_s = \frac{1}{2} |V_s| |V_r| \sin \delta$$

9. Derive expression for power flow through a pole of a 2 terminal bipolar HVDC system having sending end DC voltage  $U_{d1}$  per pole, receiving end DC voltage  $U_{d2}$  per pole, line resistance  $r$  per pole and current in pole conductor  $I_d$ . Derive expression for  $P_d$  at sending end,  $P_d$  at receiving end and power loss in line pole.

A bipolar 2 terminal HVDC line pole has resistance of 10 ohms, DC current in line pole is 1000 A, receiving end DC voltage is 400 kV DC pole to ground. Calculate: Line loss per pole, sending end DC power per pole, Sending end DC voltage per pole and bipolar DC power at middle of the HVDC line length.

10. A generating station generates 5000 MW. The power is transmitted through one bipolar HVDC line and three AC lines. The HVDC line transmits total 3000 MW. The two AC lines transmit totally 1500 MW. Calculate the power transmitted through the third AC line.

Explain why HVDC line is preferred to AC line for better power flow control.