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Abstract

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Modern power systems are prudently designed and operated to their brim as allowed by policies and procedures. Many of these utilities have advanced transmission systems built over half a century. With considerable aging transmission asset, their up keep and renewal is very expensive. Probabilistic planning, though computationally cumbersome, is an approach that objectively compares economic risk from aging assets versus cost of upgrades. With a demand for such a generic tool amongst utilities, this thesis presents a probabilistic approach for transmission system expansion planning. The proposed method estimates potential economic losses from aging transmission system assets considering N-1 contingencies where N-1 contingencies represent operation of the transmission system after one element is removed due to fault. Thereafter, the thesis proposes a formulation that computes the best transmission system reinforcement plan to eliminate economic losses from all possible N-1 contingencies.

Finally, tests on a sample 7-bus system and IEEE 118-bus system where potential economic losses from N-1 contingencies is compared with transmission system optimal expansion plan are presented. Test results reveal that in certain cases, there is economic merit to upgrade the system and benefit with from a robust transmission system. A 304-bus North American system was also tested and is reported.

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Nomenclature

EENS	Expected Energy Not Supplied
ELNS	Expected Load Not Supplied
OPF	Optimal Power Flow
PD _i	Real load at bus i
QDi	Reactive load at bus i
PG _i	Real generation at bus i
QGi	Reactive generation at bus i
PS _i	Real load shed at bus i
QS _i	Reactive load shed at bus i
Pi	Calculated real power at bus i
Qi	Calculated reactive power at bus i
NL	Number of load buses
NC	Number of lines or transformers
$V_i \angle \delta_i$	Voltage phasor of bus i
Υ∠θ	Bus Admittance Matrix

S _{ik}	Apparent power flow from bus I to bus k
SU _{ik}	Upgrade in MVA capacity of line bus i to bus k
UDS _{ik}	Upgrade difficulty of line bus i to bus k
Ν	Number of contingencies
c	Contingency number

Chapter 1 - Introduction

1.1 Introduction

Transmission systems transmit electric energy over long distances and usually have a mesh topology. Generators supply energy that is transmitted via transmission systems to reach distribution systems for supplying to customers. Transmission systems comprise of transmission lines and transformers, and total to N elements. In classical power systems, transmission systems are N-1 reliable whereby should any one of the N transmission elements suffer a fault, remaining N-1 elements should be sufficient to transmit energy from generators to all connected customers. High degree of reliability means that the system has redundancy. Higher the reliability, higher is the redundancy leading to an expensive transmission system. Power system planners grapple with the challenge of prudent design such that the transmission system is reliable meeting required standard whilst costing the least.

To design, assess or reinforce electric power systems various evaluation approaches need to be formulated to compare the different design options and choose the best one. These formulations must be developed based on the performance criteria and the aspect of the system that needs to be analyzed, such as N-1 criterion. Other than formulating approaches for assessment of systems, development of routines and procedures which provide suggestions on system reinforcements to improve the performance of the system in the assessed area is also needed. This is due to the complexity of electric systems where manual determination of optimum system reinforcements is not possible. Based on these needs, power system assessment approaches and procedures to determine optimal system reinforcements were formulated.

1.2 Power Systems

The construction and operation of electrical power systems is a complicated and evolving task that continues to change. What started as a single generator supplying a small load has today evolved into large interconnected power systems comprising different countries as well as continents. As the systems evolved through past decades system designers and operators have improved their performance and reliability through extensive studies as well as the experience and knowledge gained from operation of these systems. The analysis of power systems takes on a wide range of areas ranging from small scale performance evaluation of individual system components such as circuit breakers or relays to large scale analysis of the entire systems response to a significant contingency. The focus of this thesis is on the relatively larger scale evaluation of systems. An overview of several power system performance criteria followed by some recent assessment approaches are given below.

1.3 System Performance Criteria

The relative performance of electric systems can be assessed in a wide range of areas. Listed below are possible criteria when assessing electric system's performance.

1.3.1 Reliability in Supplying Demand

One of the main aspects of system performance is its capacity in supplying the power demand. While in theory systems are designed to constantly supply the demand, in actual system operation electric supply may be cut off from all or a portion of consumers by the operator due to varying reasons such as reduced system generation capacity, forced transmission system component outage, unexpected rise in electricity demand, voltage limit violations, transmission line overflows, etc. Different indices and approaches can be developed to assess this aspect of the system such as the Loss of Load Probability index, which gives the probability of demand exceeding generation capacity for a given interval [1].

1.3.2 Reliability of Generating Units

Depending on the size and configuration of an electric system, a number of generating units are placed in optimum locations. The system operator optimally utilizes these available sources to supply system demand. Assessment of a system may involve performance evaluation of these generating units in aspects such as reliability of generation, cost of generation, ramping rate, etc. The area of generating unit reliability has become more complicated with the move to smart grids which contain renewable sources such as wind and solar energy. Unlike the traditional generators, the exact output and reliability of these sources is more complicated. System designers will need to take new approaches in modeling and analysis of generating units in the future grid.

1.3.3 Operating Reserve Capacity

Other than the scheduled generation in system operation, backup generation capacity is also present. This capacity falls into the spinning reserve and non-spinning reserve category. The former is the capacity of online generating units to vary their output according to unpredictable relatively small variations in load, while the latter is constitutes other offline generating units which may be utilized if required. The non-spinning reserve amount usually depends on output of largest generating unit or the peak load of the system. With the integration of renewable such as wind powered generation, the spinning reserve capacity of systems has been affected due to the lower spinning capacity of these units [2].

1.3.4 Reliability of Transmission Components

Sufficient generating capacity requires a reliable transmission network to supply the consumers. The outage of one component of the transmission network may be sufficient to disrupt system operation. Other than assessment of a systems generating unit capability, the analysis of transmission elements used to deliver the generated power is another major area in system performance evaluation. For example, a system may be assessed by determining the critical transmission components of the system based on their impact on regular operation. The impact of outage of these components may be analyzed in terms of their affect on system stability, voltage levels, supplying system loads, etc. By determining the critical components and their impact, system designers can re-enforce these elements and improve reliability.

1.3.5 Amount of Power Loss Due to Transfer of Electricity from Generator to Load

The transfer of electric power from generating sources through transmission and distribution sectors to the final consumer results in loss of energy due to causes such as heated transmission cables. While the transfer of real power causes system losses, the real power losses are also attributed to the transmission of reactive power. The losses depend on the route the generated power from source units takes to arrive at the load which is determined by the operator based on system configuration, connection flow limits, available generating units, voltage limits, etc. Designers consider this aspect of system operation when evaluating system reliability. For example, different system configurations may be able to supply consumer loads sufficiently, but at varying loss levels. Hence, when various system configurations are available for implementation, assessing their corresponding energy loss may provide the optimum approach.

1.3.6 System Voltage Fluctuations

The proper operation of loads is dependent on the voltage levels of system buses. Voltage violations may occur due to reasons such as improper scheduling of generating bus voltages which determine the load bus voltages or excessive increase in demand which may result in brownouts. Voltage violations may harm system components. For example, high voltages may damage appliances while low voltages can harm electric motors. Containing the voltages throughout the system within acceptable limits is an integral part of its operation. The system

operator does so through proper scheduling of generating units resulting in an acceptable load flow solution and utilization of shunt elements, transformer tap ratios, etc. when voltage violations occur in the system [1].

1.3.7 Quality of Delivered Power

The loads in electric systems are designed to operate using an ideal voltage signal. In AC electric systems, the ideal voltage would have a sinusoidal form with deviations only in angle and magnitudes throughout the system where required. This is not the case due to various factors including the nonlinear nature of system components such as the transmission lines and transformers which cause deviations in voltage and current signals even if ideal signals are generated at generating stations. The main cause of unwanted harmonics in system signals which has been increasing in recent decades are nonlinear loads in the system. The reason for this is the increasing use of power electronic components in system loads. System designers control system harmonics through measures such as filter installations as well as imposing limits on harmonic generating loads in the system [3].

1.4 Survey of System Evaluation Approaches

Before discussing the proposed system evaluation and improvement approaches, a survey of assessment approaches are given below followed by an explanation of probabilistic system planning.

The indicating factors in the performance of an electric system were discussed in the first chapter. System designers must consider these to varying degrees when designing or improving existing systems. The importance of mentioned system parameters depends on the system under study determined by for example imposed government regulations or economic incentives of private companies. Varying approaches may be implemented to provide an estimation of the performance of the system in these fields. Some recent approaches are explained below to give an idea of system assessment methods.

1.4.1 System Contingency Evaluation

Assessment of contingencies in a power system and their varying impact on regular operation is crucial in system operation. Contingencies may have no significant impact on system operation or on the other hand may impact voltage stability, generation capacity, etc. Reference [4] provides a contingency ranking method. The developed routine provides an assessment of the economic impact of contingencies on the power system. The variation of the Locational Marginal Price (LMP) of each system bus in the post-contingency configuration is calculated and used to derive an estimation of the economic impact of contingencies. The Locational Marginal Price is the amount consumers must pay for energy in various regions of the system. This parameter depends on the costs of energy, losses incurred due to transfer of energy as well as congestion and is given in (1) taken from [4].

$$LMP_i = LMP_{energy} + LMP_{loss} + LMP_{congestion}$$
(1)

An optimal power flow formulation is used to derive the LMP in pre and post contingency conditions. Once the LMPs are obtained, a Contingency Sensitivity Index (CSI) is calculated for each contingency, as shown in (2) taken from [4].

$$CSI(N_b, k) = \sum_{i=1}^{N_b} w_i |LMP_{Si}^k - LMP_{Si}^0|$$
(2)

In (2), N_b is the number of buses, k is the contingency number, w_i is the scale which represents the importance of each bus I and the two LMP numbers are the pre and post contingency costs for each bus. In this manner, by calculating the CSI index for all contingencies, their relative impact on system operation can be compared. The routine used to find this index is shown in Fig. 1 taken from [4].



Fig. 1. Contingency Sensitivity Index calculation routine [4].

1.4.2 Voltage Stability Evaluation

As stated previously, the power system requires voltage stability for its operation. A possible approach in providing insight into the voltage stability of an existing or future system is assessment of the stability of individual buses provided estimates of system parameters such as expected load levels. Such an approach is explained in [5]. An index called Power Transfer Stability Index (PTSI) is developed for each bus of the system. The index is obtained by modeling each bus as a Thevenin circuit where the slack bus is connected to a load bus as shown in Fig. 2 taken from [5].



Fig. 2. Two bus Thevenin equivalent system [5].

The loss of voltage stability at each bus can be said to be dependent on the drawn power S_L of each load. The drawn power can be written as in (3) taken from [5].

$$\bar{S}_L = \bar{Z}_L |\bar{I}|^2 = \bar{Z}_L \left| \frac{\bar{E}_{Thev}}{\bar{Z}_{Thev} + \bar{Z}_L} \right|^2 \tag{3}$$

The magnitude of this apparent power given in [5] can be expressed as shown in (4).

$$S_{L} = \frac{E_{Thev}^{2} Z_{L}}{|Z_{Thev} < \beta + Z_{L} < \alpha|^{2}} = \frac{E_{Thev}^{2} Z_{L}}{Z_{Thev}^{2} + Z_{L}^{2} + 2Z_{Thev} Z_{L} \cos(\beta - \alpha)}$$
(4)

The maximum value of S_L can be obtained by calculation of the derivative of S_L with respect to Z_L and equating this expression to zero. This would result in $S_{L max}$ shown in (5) taken from [5].

$$S_{L\,max} = \frac{E_{Thev}^2}{2Z_{Thev}(1 + 2\cos(\beta - \alpha))}$$
(5)

Using the expressions for S_L and $S_{L max}$, an index can be obtained to show the proximity of each bus to voltage collapse conditions given the operating conditions of the system. This index is the ratio of S_L to $S_{L max}$, shown in (6) taken from [5].

$$PTSI = \frac{S_L}{S_L \max} = \frac{2S_L Z_{Thev} (1 + 2\cos(\beta - \alpha))}{E_{Thev}^2}$$
(6)

Using (6), the range of PTSI will be from 0 to 1, with higher values indicating closer proximity to voltage collapse conditions. Given the operating conditions of a specific system, the PTSI index can be calculated for all the load buses to obtain an insight into the voltage stability of the system.

1.5 Probabilistic Analysis Approach

As stated, electric power transmission systems are designed and expanded to satisfy reliability criteria set by the regulatory agencies. Typically, transmission systems are designed to withstand N-1 and select N-2 contingencies. In this case, the transmission system would survive outage of a line or a transformer outage and continue to supply customers.

Several deterministic transmission system expansion planning methods have been presented in the literature. The drawback of deterministic approaches is that the probabilistic nature of power system contingencies is not considered and results in a transmission system expansion plan that is very expensive. As a simple example, there may be an N-1 contingency with a relatively low occurrence as opposed to an N-3 scenario with a relatively higher occurrence probability and significant impact on the system operation for a system under study.

That said, it is computationally very cumbersome to undertake probabilistic transmission system expansion planning. To articulate, consider a transmission system with 500 elements. In that case, number of N-1 cases would be 500 and number of N-2 cases would equal 125,000. The number of N-3 scenarios would amount to approximately 21 million.

With the continued advancement in available computation tools, speed of computers and memory capacities, it is becoming possible to undertake probabilistic transmission system expansion planning. Another impediment in using probabilistic transmission system expansion planning methods can be attributed to lack of required system data. These may include probabilistic data such as failure frequency and failure duration representing the behavior of system components such as transmission lines, transformers, generating units, shunt elements, circuit breakers, system switches, etc. Lack of data has become less of an obstacle with the increased monitoring of transmission systems with the advent of smart grids as well as the advancements in modeling of system components.

The goal of probabilistic transmission system expansion planning is to utilize probabilistic aspects of the system performance and develop an optimal expansion plan such that probability of loss of load considering N-1 and select N-2 contingencies is eliminated at the least cost. Such approaches have been assessed in recent years by using probabilistic aspects of the transmission system such as line/generator outage rates, generating units ramp costs and the wide possible range of system states (the state depending on load levels, generation capacity, etc.) to obtain reliability indices and the optimum system design in terms of construction costs, outage costs, dispatch costs, etc. The flowchart in Fig. 3 shows the use of probabilistic assessment in system planning [6].



Fig. 3. Probabilistic assessment in system planning [6].

1.6 Objective

The main aim of this thesis is to propose approaches in power system evaluation and improvement. This is done while incorporating a new aspect in system planning, namely probabilistic system analysis which was explained previously. After studying various criteria used to evaluate electric systems, the economic aspect of the system performance was chosen as the assessment criteria. The economic performance of the system under study is evaluated by estimating the cost of the expected energy not supplied for a projected year. Using this reliability index, the performance of a system and variations of that system can be computed and compared. Due to the complexity of large electric systems, manual determination of the optimum system reinforcement is not possible. Therefore a new routine is proposed which determines the optimum system reinforcement to improve system reliability. Since increasing the MVA rating limits of system connections is a common approach for system reinforcement, the routines were developed to provide suggestions on which transformer/branch connections to upgrade to improve system reliability. These formulations are then implemented using MATLAB and tested on sample and actual power systems.

Chapter 2 - EENS Cost Probabilistic Reliability Index

Transmission systems are designed to supply connected loads and should safely operate with N-1 contingencies and certain select N-2 as per the prevailing policies. In power systems, an N-1 contingency refers to the system state after the outage and removal of components such as a transmission line or a transformer. Higher order contingencies, such as the N-2 contingency, refer to simultaneous outage of more than one component. During N-1 and other contingencies, the system may encounter loss of load. If the failure duration and number of failures of all the contingencies over a specific period are known, the total expected energy not supplied for the system under study can be obtained for that period. This is done by first obtaining the amount of load shed for each contingency. Once this is known, the total energy not supplied for that contingency is obtained by multiplication of the shed load by the estimated duration of the contingency over the period under study. This estimated duration is multiplication of failure duration by number of failures for that period.

The estimate of loss of load presented here is the Expected Energy Not Supplied (EENS) cost for a system under study for a projected year.

2.1 Routine Used to Find EENS Cost Index

The process for determining the EENS cost index is shown in Fig. 4. To obtain this index, the power system load flow data including bus generation/load levels and ranges, bus voltage limits, connection flow limits and impedance values are needed. Also, the expected system

contingencies and their frequency and mean duration for a projected year are used. The probabilistic aspects involved in arriving at this index include:

- The estimation of system loads.
- N-1 contingencies, frequency and duration for the year.

• The optimal power flow used to find the minimum required load shedding after contingencies.

• The cost assigned to EENS values, which depends on various factors including industrial, commercial or residential components of system loads.



Fig. 4. Process of finding EENS cost index.

2.2 Optimal Power Flow Used to Find EENS Cost Index

When an N-1 contingency occurs in a power system such as failure of transmission line or transformer connections, the transmission system is expected to continue operation while shedding the minimum load where inevitable. This contingency state operation may be constrained by voltage, generation and flow limits. The optimal power flow used to obtain the minimum required load shedding after a contingency is shown in this section.

Decision and Dependent Variables

The decision variables include Power Generation (PG and QG) and the Load Shed (PS and QS). The dependent variables used for the OPF are the bus voltage magnitudes $|V_i|$ and angles δ_i for all i buses, the calculated power at each bus (P and Q) and MVA flow on transmission lines (S_{ik}). Load (PD and QD) and system admittance matrix Y(c) are constants. For each contingency 'c', the system admittance matrix is created as Y(c).

Constraints

The equality constraints arising from power balance equations are given in (7) and (8).

$$PG_i + PS_i - PD_i = P_i$$
(7.1)

$$P_{i} = \sum_{k=1}^{N} |Y_{ik} \cdot V_{i} \cdot V_{k}| \cdot \cos(\delta_{i} - \delta_{k} - \theta_{ik})$$
(7.2)

$$QG_i + QS_i - QD_i = Q_i$$
(8.1)

$$Q_{i} = \sum_{k=1}^{N} |Y_{ik} \cdot V_{i} \cdot V_{k}| \cdot \sin(\delta_{i} - \delta_{k} - \theta_{ik})$$
(8.2)

Line flow is computed below (9):

$$S_{ik} = V_i \cdot [(V_i - V_k) \cdot (y_{ik})]^*$$
(9)

The formulation limits voltage magnitudes, real and reactive power generation and power flow in transmission elements. These constraints are shown in (10) to (15).

$$\left|\underline{V}\right| < \left|\mathbf{V}_{i}\right| < \left|\overline{\mathbf{V}}\right| \tag{10}$$

$$\underline{PG} < \overline{PG} < \overline{PG} \tag{11}$$

$$\underline{QG} < QG < \overline{\mathrm{QG}} \tag{12}$$

$$\underline{PS} < PS < \overline{PS} \tag{13}$$

$$\underline{QS} < QS < \overline{QS} \tag{14}$$

$$|S_{ik}| = |V_i \cdot [(V_i - V_k) \cdot (y_{ik})]^*| < \overline{S_{ik}}$$
(15)

Objective Function

The objective function to be minimized is the total reduction of loads for all buses relative to their original value. The objective function is shown in (16), where NL is the number of load buses.

Minimize: LoadShed(c) =
$$\sum_{i=1}^{NL} [PS_i] + \sum_{i=1}^{NL} [QS_i]$$
(16)

Using (16) and (7) to (15), the minimum value of EENS for an N-1 contingency state c is determined.

2.3 ELNS Index

Along with the EENS cost index, the ELNS index is also computed. ELNS stands for expected load not supplied. This index is similar to the 'EENS Cost'. The only difference is that the frequency and mean duration of the contingencies are not used to find the ELNS that includes values for real and reactive load. The ELNS is given as an output of the tool to show the relative reliability of different system configurations in terms of load shedding for selected contingencies, in case there is uncertainty regarding the contingency frequency and duration and the cost of energy not supplied values which are used to find the 'EENS Cost' index.

2.4 EENS Determination for Example Case

A simple 4 bus system is used to test the tool performance. This small system is used because the minimum required load shedding in system contingency cases for the system are known and the result of the tool can be compared to these known values. The 4 bus system is shown in Fig. 5.



Fig. 5. 4 bus test system.

In this network, N-1 contingencies of losing line between buses 1-2 or buses 3-4 do not result in load shedding as there is sufficient generating capacity and transmission capacity to supply the loads. When line between buses is 1-4 is lost as an N-1 contingency, the load at bus 4 is only supplied through line 3-4 with a 200 MVA limit. Since the load is 500 MW, the minimum amount of load shed should be 300 MW. The same amount should be shed at bus 3 when line between buses 2-3 is lost. The results of solving (7)-(16) determining EENS various N-1 contingencies are shown in Table 1. As it is apparent, the formulation worked as expected whereby no load was shed in the first and fourth contingencies and 300 MW was shed in N-1 contingencies cases 2 and 3 where lines between buses 1-4 and 2-3 were lost respectively.

After analyzing the contingencies of the original system, reinforcements are made to the system to check if the formulation of (7) to (16) works considering these reinforcements. To prevent load shedding when lines between buses 1-4 or 2-3 are lost, one line each with 400 MVA rating were added between bus 1 and 3 and between bus 2 and 4. The reinforced transmission system is shown in Fig. 6.

In the event of N-1 contingency such that line 2-3 is lost, addition of line 1-3 will result in two lines considering line 4-3 with a combined rating of 600 MVA that is sufficient to feed load of 500 MW at bus 3 and avoid load shedding. The same goes for line between buses 2-4. Hence, in this reinforced transmission system, no load shedding should result in any of the 4 contingency cases. The results of the formulation (7)-(16) for N-1 contingencies on the modified system are shown in Table 2 and no load was shed in any of the contingency cases.

TABLE 1

		Real Load	Reactive		Number of	
Contingency	Connection			Failure Duration for		EENS
		Shed	Load Shed		Failures per	
Case	Removed			Each Contingency (hr)		(c)
		(MW)	(Mvar)		Year	
1	1-2	0	0	12	2.2	0
2	1-4	300.712	0	12	1.1	3969
3	2-3	300.001	0	12	1.1	3960
4	3-4	0	0	12	2.2	0
Total EENS						7929

MINIMUM LOAD SHEDDING OPF RESULTS ON 4 BUS SYSTEM



Fig. 6. Modified 4 bus system.

TABLE 2

		Real Load	Reactive	Failure Duration for	Number of	
Contingency	Connection					EENS
G		Shed	Load Shed	Each Contingency	Failures per	
Case	Removed		(Muor)	(hr)	Voor	(c)
		$(\mathbf{W} \mathbf{W})$	(Ivival)	(111)	Teal	
1	1-2	0	0	12	2.2	0
2	1-4	0	0	12	1.1	0
3	2-3	0	0	12	1.1	0
		_				
4	3-4	0	0	12	2.2	0
Total EENS						0

MINIMUM LOAD SHEDDING OPF RESULTS ON MODIFIED 4 BUS SYSTEM
Chapter 3 – Probabilistic Routines to Determine Optimal System Upgrade Suggestions

3.1 Background

Due to the complexity of a transmission system network, manual determination of system reinforcements to minimize EENS and comparing its cost of upgrade is a challenging and complex task. Accordingly, probabilistic routines are proposed and developed which suggests system reinforcements. The routines provide upgrade suggestion for system connections:

- Routine 1: Upgrade lines and / or transformer
- Routine 2: Upgrade only lines
- Routine 3: Upgrade only transformers

The routines as indicated either work on both lines and transformers or only one of them. The output of these routines provides suggestions on which system connection MVA ratings to increase to improve the reliability of the system.

3.2 Routine Procedure

In many contingency cases for a transmission system, load shedding is required due to the limited capacity of branch and transformers in terms of the amount of electric power that can flow through these connections. The output of this routine provides suggestions on which system connection MVA ratings to increase to improve the reliability of the system. There are various possible contingencies in a system for which load shedding may be required. For each of these contingencies, increasing the limits of a particular set of connections may alleviate load shedding. The routine is developed so that connections for which their upgrade would improve the resilience of the system to relatively higher number of contingency scenarios are provided as suggestions. This is done by running an optimal power formulation on each contingency which determines what connections to upgrade to prevent load shedding in that case. Once this has been performed on all the cases, the total MVA limit increase of each connection is obtained by adding its MVA increase for all the contingency cases and the top suggestions are obtained from the connections with the highest total MVA increases. This is explained using a sample system below.

Sample System

To show how the routine provides upgrade suggestions, the system shown in Fig. 7 is used. The load levels, generation capacity and connection flow limits of the system are shown in the figure. The connection impedances as well as the frequency and mean duration of their outage for a projected year are shown in Table 3.

DATA FOR THE 7 BUS SYSTEM

			Failure Duration for	Number of			Half Line
Line or	From	То				/ \	
Tuonoformoon	Due	Dua	Each Contingency	Failures per	R (pu)	X (pu)	Charging
Transformer	Dus	Бus	(hr)	Vear			$(\mathbf{n}\mathbf{u})$
			(III)	i cui			(pu)
Transformer	1	2	0.2	424	0.0009	0.0002	0
Transformer	1	3	0.2	424	0.0001	0.0006	0
Tuonoformoon	1	4	0.2	424	0.0000	0.0002	0
Transformer	1	4	0.2	424	0.0009	0.0002	0
Transformer	3	6	0.2	255	0.0002	0.0005	0
Line	2	5	1	16	0.0001	0.0005	0.0007
		_			0.0004	0.000 7	-
Line	4	7	1	16	0.0001	0.0005	0.0007
Lina	5	6	0.5	16	0.0002	0.0003	0.0001
Line	5	0	0.5	10	0.0002	0.0005	0.0001
Line	6	7	0.5	16	0.0002	0.0003	0.0001



Fig. 7. 7 bus test system.

One of the contingencies of this 7 bus system is outage of connection 6-7. When this outage occurs, due to the limit of 200MVA at connections 3-6 and 5-6 and a load of 600MW at bus 6, a load shedding of at least 200MW is required at bus 6. One method of modifying the system to prevent load shedding in such a contingency is to increase the MVA rating of connection 5-6 from 200MVA to 400MVA, since connection 2-5 has a rating of 1000MVA and an extra 400MVA can be supplied from bus 5 to 6 after supplying the 600MW load at bus 5. Another approach is upgrading connections 1-3 and 3-6 to 1000MVA and 400MVA respectively. Although both of these modifications would prevent load shedding when connection 6-7 is removed, one requires a total MVA rating increase of 200MVA while the other requires an MVA increase of 400MVA. Increasing the rating of connections 1-2, 1-4, 2-5 and 4-7 would not prevent load shedding. Various system modifications and their corresponding total MVA upgrade and the required load shedding in the 6-7 connection outage contingency is shown in Table 4.

SYSTEM MODIFICATION OPTIONS

System Modification	Required Real Load Shedding When Connection 6-7 is Removed (MW)	Total MVA Rating Upgrade
Increase 5-6 rating by 200MVA	0	200
Increase 1-3 and 3-6 rating by 200MVA	0	400
Increase all ratings by 200MVA	0	1600
Increase 1-2 and 1-4 rating by 200MVA	200	400

As it is apparent from Table 4, the best system modification to prevent load shedding when connection 6-7 is removed is to upgrade connection 5-6 by 200MVA. That is because this modification would prevent load shedding and would require the lowest amount of MVA rating increase. An optimal power formulation is developed to find the minimum required MVA increase for the system connections to prevent load shedding in a contingency case. This formulation is explained in the next section. To provide the top upgrade suggestions for the system under study, the OPF is used for all system contingencies. The result of this is shown in Table 5 for the sample system.

		A	mount	t of M	VA lir	nit up	grade	for ea	ch
Connection	Frequency of								
Removed	Contingency				conne	ection			
		2-5	4-7	5-6	6-7	1-2	1-3	1-4	3-6
2-5	0.2	0	200	400	300	0	400	0	400
4-7	0.2	200	0	400	300	0	400	0	400
5-6	0.2	0	0	0	100	0	0	0	0
6-7	0.2	0	0	200	0	0	0	0	0
1-2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1-3	1	200	200	400	300	0	0	0	400
1-4	0.5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3-6	0.5	0	0	50	50	0	0	0	0
Sum of Upgrade Values of all									
Contingencies * Frequency of		240	240	625	465	0	160	0	560
Contingency									

RESULTS USED TO PROVIDE UPGRADE SUGGESTIONS

For each contingency, the OPF obtains the minimum connection MVA upgrade to prevent load shedding, which may include upgrading more than one connection. Once the connection upgrades for all system contingencies are obtained, the connections most often upgraded will be the top suggestions for system modifications. The last column of Table 5 shows the sum of MVA limit increase of each connection for all contingencies. For the 7 bus system under study, the top suggestions are 5-6 and 3-6. It should also be noted that the MVA increase numbers of each row are multiplied by the frequency of the corresponding contingency. This is done because upgrading some connections may alleviate load shedding for relatively unlikely contingencies. Multiplication by the frequency of the contingency will ensure the top suggestions are the ones which ensure ideal operation of the system for contingencies with higher probability of occurring. The next section gives the formulation of the OPF used for the upgrade suggestion routine.

3.3 Optimal Power Flow Used in Branch/Transformer Upgrade Suggestion Routine

Decision and Dependent Variables

Since there is no load shedding in this OPF formulation, there is no load shedding decision variables (PS and QS). The decision variables for the formulation include the power generation (PG and QG) and a new variable SU_{ik} . The SU_{ik} variable is additional MVA flow limit for the system connections where the U stands for upgrade. That is, the formulation attempts to find a power flow solution without load shedding and using the generation limits and additional

connection flow limits as decision variables.

The dependent variables used for the OPF are the bus voltage magnitudes $|V_i|$ and angles δ_i for all i buses, the calculated power at each bus (P and Q) and MVA flow on transmission lines (S_{ik}). The Load (PD and QD) and system admittance matrix Y(c) are constants.

Constraints

Equality constraints from bus-wise power balance equations are given in (17), (18) and (19). The SU_{ik} variable is used in the non-equality constraint equations.

$$PG_i - PD_i = P_i \tag{17.1}$$

$$P_{i} = \sum_{k=1}^{N} |Y_{ik} \cdot V_{i} \cdot V_{k}| \cdot \cos(\delta_{i} - \delta_{k} - \theta_{ik})$$
(17.2)

$$QG_i - QD_i = Q_i \tag{18.1}$$

$$Q_{i} = \sum_{k=1}^{N} |Y_{ik} \cdot V_{i} \cdot V_{k}| \cdot \sin(\delta_{i} - \delta_{k} - \theta_{ik})$$
(18.2)

$$S_{ik} = V_i \cdot [(V_i - V_k) \cdot (y_{ik})]^*$$
 (19)

The non-equality constraints for the formulation include the bus voltage magnitudes and the generated real and reactive power at each bus. Also, the additional flow limit SU_{ik} must be greater than zero. The calculated connection flow for each connection must be less than the original system limit $\overline{S_{ik}}$ plus the additional upgrade SU_{ik} . These constraints are given in (20) to

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(24).

$$\left|\underline{V}\right| < \left|\mathbf{V}_{\mathrm{i}}\right| < \left|\overline{\mathbf{V}}\right| \tag{20}$$

$$\underline{PG} < PG < \overline{PG} \tag{21}$$

$$QG < QG < \overline{\rm QG} \tag{22}$$

$$SU_{ik} > 0 \tag{23}$$

$$|S_{ik}| = |V_i \cdot [(V_i - V_k) \cdot (y_{ik})]^*| < \overline{S_{ik}} + SU_{ik}$$
(24)

Objective Function

The objective function is the sum of all the SU_{ik} variables multiplied by the upgrade difficulty scale constant. This is given in (25), where NC denotes number of lines and / or transformers and c is the contingency being analyzed.

Minimize: Additional Flow Capacity (c) =
$$\sum_{ik=1}^{NC} [SU_{ik} * UDS_{ik}]$$
 (25)

The UDS_{ik} parameter is used due to the varying difficulty to upgrade lines and/or transformers. This may be due to factors such as cost, environmental concerns, right way issues, etc. By using this parameter, the optimization algorithm will try to find a solution where connections with less upgrade difficulty are upgraded to eliminate load shedding.

Chapter 4 - Results on Sample System

The reliability tool was tested on a 7-bus and the IEEE 118 bus system. The calculated reliability index for the original system as well as for system modifications is shown for comparisons. An actual North American system was also used to test the proposed method and is reported.

4.1 Data Used for Upgrade Cost Estimates

To estimate the costs of system upgrades, a 2012 report submitted by the Black & Veatch Corporation to the Western Electricity Coordinating Council titled 'Capital Costs for Transmission and Substation' was used [7]. Using information such as voltage ratings, transmission line lengths, etc the cost of upgrading a transformer or transmission line could be obtained from the report. The report contained estimated costs for transmission lines and substation components for a selected range of voltage class. The voltage classes are shown in Table 6.

TRANSMISSION LINE VOLTAGE CLASSES	SUBSTATION TYPES
230 kV Single Circuit	230 kV
230 kV Double Circuit	345 kV
345 kV Single Circuit	500 kV (ac)
345 kV Double Circuit	500 kV (dc)
500 kV Single Circuit	
500 kV Double Circuit	
500 kV HVDC Bi-pole	

TRANSMISSION AND SUBSTATION FACILITIES INCLUDED IN THE STUDY

Wherever a component was chosen for upgrade where the voltage class was not included in table a, the closest voltage class was chosen. The report used a "bottom-up" approach for providing estimate costs. That is, by detailing the component and land cost and then adjusting them to take into consideration potential cost variations such as location and terrain.

The data used to obtain transmission line installation costs are shown in Table 7. The table contains the base cost per mile for the transmission line as well as multipliers depending on various factors such as conductor type, structure, length, etc. Also, similar data are given for substation and substation component installation costs in Table 8.

TRANSMISSION CAPITAL COST SUMMERY

EQUIPMENT	230 KV SINGLE CIRCUIT	230 KV DOUBLE CIRCUIT	345 KV SINGLE CIRCUIT	345 KV DOUBLE CIRCUIT	500 KV SINGLE CIRCUIT	500 KV DOUBLE CIRCUIT	500 KV HVDC BI- POLE		
Base Cost	\$927,000	\$1,484,000	\$1,298,000	\$2,077,000	\$1,854,000	\$2,967,000	\$1,484,000		
			Multip	liers					
	Conductor								
ACSR	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00		
ACSS	1.08	1.08	1.08	1.08	1.08	1.08	1.08		
HTLS	3.60	3.60	3.60	3.60	3.60	3.60	3.60		
			Struct	ure					
Lattice	0.90	0.90	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00		
Tubular Steel	1.00	1.00	1.30	1.30	1.50	1.50	1.50		
			Leng	th					
> 10 miles	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00		
3-10 miles	1.20	1.20	1.20	1.20	1.20	1.20	1.20		
< 3 miles	1.50	1.50	1.50	1.50	1.50	1.50	1.50		
			Age	•					
New	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00		
Re-conductor	0.35	0.45	0.45	0.55	0.55	0.65	0.55		
			Terra	un					
Desert	1.05	1.05	1.05	1.05	1.05	1.05	1.05		
Scrub / Flat	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00		
Farmland	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00		
Forested	2.25	2.25	2.25	2.25	2.25	2.25	2.25		
Rolling Hill (2-8% slope)	1.40	1.40	1.40	1.40	1.40	1.40	1.40		
Mountain (>8% slope)	1.75	1.75	1.75	1.75	1.75	1.75	1.75		
Wetland	1.20	1.20	1.20	1.20	1.20	1.20	1.20		
Suburban	1.27	1.27	1.27	1.27	1.27	1.27	1.27		
Urban	1.59	1.59	1.59	1.59	1.59	1.59	1.59		

SUBSTATION CAPITAL COST SUMMERY

EQUIPMENT	230 KV SUBSTATION	345 KV SUBSTATION	500 KV SUBSTATION
Base Cost (New Substation)	\$1,648,000	\$2,060,000	\$2,472,000
Cost Per Line/XFMR Position	\$1,442,000	\$2,163,000	\$2,884,000
Ring Bus Multiplier	1	1	1
Breaker and a Half Multiplier	1.5	1.5	1.5
500 kV HVDC Converter Station	-	-	\$445,000,000
Shunt Reactor (\$/MVAR)	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$20,000
Series Capacitor (\$/MVAR)	\$30,000	\$10,000	\$10,000
SVC Cost (\$/MVAR)	\$85,000	\$85,000	\$85,000
Transformer Cost (\$/MVA)			
115/230 kV XFMR	\$7,000	-	-
115/345 kV XFMR	-	\$10,000	-
115/500 kV XFMR	-	-	\$10,000
138/230 kV XFMR	\$7,000	-	-
138/345 kV XFMR	-	\$10,000	-
138/500 kV XFMR	-	-	\$10,000
230/345 kV XFMR		\$10,000	-
230/500 kV XFMR	\$11,000	-	\$11,000
345/500 kV XFMR	-	\$13,000	\$13,000

4.2 7-Bus Case

The 7 bus system data were given in Table 3 and Fig. 8. The data of failure frequency and duration is taken from [8] and [9]. The EENS values for the original and variations of the system were obtained to check the performance of the implemented tool in MATLAB, where for example decreases in load levels should result in decreased EENS. This is shown in Table 9.

System Load			Total EENS	Change in EENS
	Real EENS	Reactive EENS		
and			Cost	Cost
	(MW*hr)	(Mvar*hr)		
Transmission Capacity			(million \$)	(million \$)
	00040		262.0	
Original Load	90940	0	363.8	-
L and (50/)	82002	0	229	25.9
Load (-5%)	82002	0	328	55.8
Load (+5%)	101318	0	405.3	-41.5
Load (± 5.70)	101510	0	405.5	-+1.5
Transmission Capacity				
	86385	0	345.6	18.2
(+5%)		-		
· · ·				
Transmission Capacity				
	96775	0	387.1	-23.2
(-5%)				

'EENS COST' RESULTS FOR ORIGINAL AND VARIATIONS OF SYSTEM UNDER STUDY

The top suggestions from the routines were used to modify the system and to compare the yearly cost of these reinforced systems with the original one. To compare the systems, the cost of system reinforcement had to be determined using the system modification cost tables. To determine the upgrade costs, the base voltage of the buses and the length of branches must also be known. The values selected for these parameters in the 7 bus system are shown in Tables 10 and 11. Using the routine suggestions, the system was reinforced first using the top suggestion and then using the top two suggestions. These suggestions and the amount they were upgraded by are shown in Tables 12 and 13.

Using the available information, the cost of each upgrade may be determined. For example, the top suggestion for upgrade using routine 1 is increase of connection 5-6 rating by 400MVA. This is a branch connection and its cost can be determined using Table 7. To obtain the cost, the base voltage, circuit type, conductor type, structure, length, age and type of terrain must be selected. Choosing a base voltage of 500kV, a single circuit, ACSR conductor, lattice structure, length of 7 miles, new conductor and flat terrain the cost of upgrading this unit is shown in (26).

Cost of Upgrade
$$\cong$$
 \$1.9m * 1 * 1 * 7 * 1.2 * 1 = \$15.96m \cong \$16m (26)

For the cost of transformer upgrades, Table 8 must be used. The information needed in this case is the rated voltage of transformer sides and the amount of MVA increase. To find the total cost, the base cost of upgrade must first be determined. This base cost is the cost of adding a substation and the cost per added line/XFMR position. They are determined by the rated voltage of the transformer. For example, the top suggestion for upgrade from routine 3 is the 1-3 transformer connection. This connection has a voltage rating of 500kV and using this value the base cost for adding another transformer to increase the MVA rating of the connection is shown in (27).

Base cost = Substation Cost + Cost of One Line
$$\cong$$
 \$2.5 m + \$2.9 m = \$5.4 m (27)

Once the base cost is determined, the additional cost depends on the amount of additional MVA rating. In this case the additional MVA is 200MVA and the cost per MVA for a 345/500 kV transformer is \$13000 from the table. Hence, the cost for amount of additional MVA for upgrading this connection is given in (28).

Cost for additional MVA = 200MVA
$$*\frac{\$13000}{MVA} = \$2.6 \text{ m}$$
 (28)

The total cost is then given by (29).

$$Total \cos t = $5.4m + $2.6m = $8m$$
(29)

The cost for all system modifications were determined using this approach. The results for yearly cost of the original system and re-enforced systems are shown in Tables 14 and 15.

7 BUS BASE VOLTAGES

Bus	Voltage (kV)
1	230
2	500
3	345
4	500
5	500
6	500
7	500

TABLE 11

7 BUS BRANCH CONNECTION LENGTHS

Branch	Length (miles)
2-5	8
4-7	4
5-6	7
6-7	5

TABLE 12

TOP SUGGESTION FOR UPGRADE FROM EACH ROUTINE

Routine	Element upgraded	MVA rating increase
1	5-6	400
2	5-6	200
3	1-3	200

TABLE 13

TOP TWO SUGGESTION FOR UPGRADE FROM EACH ROUTINE

Routine	Element	MVA rating	Element	MVA rating
	upgraded # 1	increase	upgraded # 2	increase
1	5-6	400	3-6	400
2	5-6	200	6-7	100
3	3-6	200	1-3	200

	ELNS			Cost of		
System	Index	ELNS Index	EENS Cost	System	Total Cost	Benefit from
System	Real Load	Load (Myar)	(million \$)	Modification	(million \$)	Upgrade
	(MW)			(million \$)		
Original	2000	0	262.4	0	262.4	
System	2600	0	303.4	0	303.4	-
Upgrade Using	1005	0	256.0	16	272.2	01.0
Routine 1	1905	0	256.2	16	272.2	91.2
Upgrade						
Using	1905	0	256.2	16	272.2	91.2
Routine 2						
Upgrade						
Using	2600	0	363.4	8	379.4	-8
Routine 3						

RELIABILITY INDEX VALUES OF RE-ENFORCED 7 BUS SYSTEM USING TOP ROUTINE SUGGESTIONS

RELIABILITY INDEX VALUES OF RE-ENFORCED 7 BUS SYSTEM USING TOP TWO ROUTINE

SUGGESTIONS

	ELNS			Cost of		
System	Index	ELNS Index	EENS Cost	System	Total Cost	Benefit from
System	Real Load	Reactive	(million \$)	Modification	(million \$)	Upgrade
	(MW)	Load (Mvar)		(million \$)		
Original	2600	0	363 1	0	363 /	
System	2000	0	505.4	0	505.4	-
Upgrade Using	1005	0	256.2	26.6	282.8	80.6
Routine 1	1905	0	230.2	20.0	202.0	80.0
Upgrade						
Using	1610	0	212.8	27.4	240.2	123.2
Routine 2						
Upgrade						
Using	1900	0	328.2	14.3	342.5	20.9
Routine 3						

By using the formulation (7) to (16), the EENS value for the system was determined to equal: 363.8 million, as reported in Table 9. The reliability tool analysis considered the base load and effect of changing load by $\pm 5\%$ and transmission capacity by $\pm 5\%$. The results are as expected in all cases.

By using formulation in (17)-(25), the transmission system was reinforced. This optimal reinforcement was completed using Routines 1, 2 and 3. Their results were tabulated in Table 10. The results clearly demonstrate that using the proposed formulation of (17) - (25), the best upgrades that are both viable and cost effective are chosen.

4.3 IEEE 118-Bus System

The data for the 118-bus system was taken from [10] and is provided in the appendix. Considering various voltage levels, the failure duration and frequency values were taken from [8] and [9]. These data are too voluminous to for presentation here.

To calculate the indices, the system contingencies and their frequency and duration values for a projected year are considered. The indices for the original system as well as variations such as a reduced load system are shown in Table 16. Once again, variations are shown to illustrate the performance of the formulation proposed in (7)-(16). The results in Table 16 demonstrate that reduction of load or increasing capacity of the transmission system results in reduction of EENS.

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System Load	Dool EENS	Ponctivo FENS	Total EENS	Change in EENS
and	Real EEINS	Reactive EEINS	Cost	Cost
Transmission Capacity	(MW*hr)	(Mvar*hr)	(million \$)	(million \$)
Original Load	38,600	1,000	158.4	-
Load (-5%)	36,400	8,50	146.2	12.2
Load (+5%)	40,250	1,200	165.8	-7.4
Transmission Capacity (+5%)	35,350	8,00	144.6	13.8
Transmission Capacity (-5%)	40,500	1,050	166.2	-7.8

TOP THREE SUGGESTION FOR UPGRADE FROM EACH ROUTINE

Routine	Element upgraded # 1	MVA rating increase	Element upgraded # 2	MVA rating increase	Element upgraded # 3	MVA rating increase
1	30-38	250	70-74	200	80-99	200
2	85-89	150	30-38	250	70-74	200
3	65-66	300	30-17	200	38-37	250

TABLE 18

RELIABILITY INDEX VALUES OF SYSTEMS

	ELNS			Cost of		
System	Index	ELNS Index	EENS Cost	System	Total Cost	Benefit from
System	Real Load		(million \$)	Modification	(million \$)	Upgrade
	(MW)	Load (Mvar)		(million \$)		
Original	20.00	100	150.4		150.4	
System	3860	100	158.4	-	158.4	-
Upgrade Using	2500	20	146.9	6	152.9	5.0
Routine 1	3390	80	140.8	0	152.8	5.6
Upgrade						
Using	3590	80	146.8	6	152.8	5.6
Routine 2						
Upgrade						
Using	3770	90	154.4	9	163.4	- 5
Routine 3						

The three routines developed to provide upgrade suggestions for lines and/or transformer were used on the 118 bus system Table 18 shows the results. These routines are referred to as routines 1, 2 and 3 respectively. The top three suggestions from each routine shown in Table 17 were used to upgrade the system in each case and the reliability results are shown in this section. These upgrade solutions were compared with original system state.

As evident from Table 18, when the system is reinforced using the suggestions from routine 1 that considers both lines and transformers for upgrades, there is significant reduction in the EENS cost equaling \$11.6 million. The EENS costs reduce from \$158.4 million to \$146.8 million. For the calculated upgrade costs of \$6 million, it is evident that the upgrade costs are lesser than reduction in EENS costs of \$11.6 million. Hence upgrades are feasible and would provide a net profit of \$5.6 million.

In contrast, considering using routine 3, the transformers only option, it is evident that EENS cost reduction is nominal from \$158.4 million to \$154.4 million amounting to \$4 million whereas upgrade costs are \$9 million. Hence optimal solution using routine 3, the transformer upgrade option costs a loss of \$5 million. Hence, this upgrade option is not viable.

Very clearly, the proposed method efficiently finds the best upgrades such that the projected upgrade costs result in a reduction in EENS cost over and above the upgrade costs and hence provide optimal and viable upgrade option.

4.4 A North American System Data

To check practicality of the proposed method, a North American system was considered for transmission system expansion planning. The system has 304 buses, 194 transmission lines and 163 transformers with a total forecasted load of 5754 MW. The EENS cost was determined to equal \$182 million per year using formulation (7)-(16). Considering various voltage levels, the failure duration and frequency values were taken from [8] and [9].

Thereafter using the proposed expansion planning tool (17)-(25), routine 1 proposed an expansion plan worth \$60 million and reduced EENS costs per year by \$26 million, which may make up for the cost over several years. Comparing these costs and seeing the benefit of these expansion plans, several of them are underway.

Chapter 5 - Conclusion

5.1 Summary of Work Done in the Thesis

This thesis presents a probabilistic approach to transmission system assessment and expansion planning. The approaches have been implemented as a reliability tool using MATLAB and the results on sample systems are presented.

It has two portions. An optimal power flow based formulation is developed for first portion that determines the cost of Expected Energy Not Supplied. This formulation considers failure duration and frequency data, N-1 contingencies and select N-2 contingencies.

The second portion of the proposed tool presents a formulation that optimally plans for transmission system expansion. It considers three possibilities of both line and transformer upgrades (routine 1), only transmission line upgrades (routine 2) and only transformer upgrades (routine 3). These propose cost of expansion that is compared with reduction of EENS costs. When the expansion costs are found to be lesser than reduction in EENS costs, there is net benefit from expansion plans and is proposed for adoption.

The proposed tool is tested on a sample 7-bus system, a 118-bus IEEE systems and a North American system. The tests reveal the benefit of the proposed method. The tests show that when the system has large values of EENS costs, expansion plans with technical and economic

feasibility is possible.

5.2 Contribution

The aim of the study was to assess electric systems and find the optimum reinforcement approach to improve their reliability. In terms of assessment, load supply capability was the criteria chosen for analysis. The main contribution of the study was in the area of system reinforcement. When reinforcing operating power systems, designers must choose an aspect of the system to improve. System designers may be tasked with reinforcing the system to improve aspects such as voltage stability, power quality, energy transfer capacity, etc. Once the aspect is selected, a reinforcement approach must be chosen. This approach may involve addition of generating capacity, addition of shunt elements, increasing connection MVA ratings, etc. Load supply capability and increase of connection MVA ratings were chosen as the assessment criteria and reinforcement approach respectively, due to their common use in actual systems. Due to the complex nature of power systems and the various possible states and contingencies, system operators cannot take a straightforward deterministic approach when choosing which system connections to upgrade. For example, upgrading the MVA rating of a specific transmission line may prevent high amounts of load shedding in several contingencies, but these contingencies may have little to no probability of occurrence which would result in unnecessary investment. This thesis presented and implemented a new approach providing power system operators with the optimum system connections for upgrade to improve the load supply reliability of the system considering its probabilistic nature.

Appendix

IEEE 118 Bus System Data

TABLE A1

118 System Bus Data

Bus		
Number	Code	Voltage
1	2	0.955
2	1	1
3	1	1
4	2	0.998
5	1	1
6	2	0.99
7	1	1
8	2	1.015
9	1	1
10	2	1.05
11	1	1
12	2	0.99
13	1	1
14	1	1
15	1	0.97
16	1	1
17	1	1
18	1	0.973
19	1	0.962
20	1	1
21	1	1
22	1	1
23	1	1
24	2	0.992
25	2	1.05
26	2	1.015
27	1	0.968
28	1	1
29	1	1
30	1	1
31	1	0.967

Bus	Code	Voltage
Number	Couc	voltage
32	1	0.963
33	1	1
34	1	0.984
35	1	1
36	1	0.98
37	1	1
38	1	1
39	1	1
40	1	0.97
41	1	1
42	1	0.985
43	1	1
44	1	1
45	1	1
46	1	1.005
47	1	1
48	1	1
49	1	1.025
50	1	1
51	1	1
52	1	1
53	1	1
54	1	0.955
55	1	0.952
56	1	0.954
57	1	1
58	1	1
59	1	0.985
60	1	1
61	2	0.995
62	1	0.998
63	1	1
64	1	1
65	2	1.005
66	1	1.05
67	1	1
68	1	1
69	3	1.035
70	1	0.984

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103 1 1.01 104 1 0.071	103	1	0.071
105 1 0.971	104	1	0.971
106 1 1	105	1	1
100 I I 107 I 0.052	100	1	1
107 I 0.932 108 I I	107	1	1
100 1 1	100	1	1

Bus Number	Code	Voltage
110	1	0.973
111	2	0.98
112	1	0.975
113	2	0.993
114	1	1
115	1	1
116	2	1.005
117	1	1
118	1	1

TABLE A2

118 System Load Data

Bus	PL (MW)	OL (Myar)
Number	12(111))	
1	51	27
2	20	9
3	39	10
4	30	12
6	52	22
7	19	2
11	70	23
12	47	10
13	34	16
14	14	1
15	90	30
16	25	10
17	11	3
18	60	34
19	45	25
20	18	3
21	14	8
22	10	5
23	7	3
27	62	13
28	17	7
29	24	4
31	43	27

Bus Number	PL (MW)	QL (Mvar)
32	59	23
33	23	9
34	59	26
35	33	9
36	31	17
39	27	11
40	20	23
41	37	10
42	37	23
43	18	7
44	16	8
45	53	22
46	28	10
47	34	0
48	20	11
49	87	30
50	17	4
51	17	8
52	18	5
53	23	11
54	113	32
55	63	22
56	84	18
57	12	3
58	12	3
59	277	113
60	78	3
62	77	14
66	39	18
67	28	7
70	66	20
74	68	27
75	47	11
76	68	36
77	61	28
78	71	26
79	39	32
80	130	26
82	54	27

Bus Number	PL (MW)	QL (Mvar)
83	20	10
84	11	7
85	24	15
86	21	10
88	48	10
90	78	42
92	65	10
93	12	7
94	30	16
95	42	31
96	38	15
97	15	9
98	34	8
100	37	18
101	22	15
102	5	3
103	23	16
104	38	25
105	31	26
106	43	16
107	28	12
108	2	1
109	8	3
110	39	30
112	25	13
114	8	3
115	22	7
117	20	8
118	33	15

TABLE A3

118 System Generation Data

Bus	PG	QG	max	QG	min
Number	(MW)	(Mvar)		(Mvar)	
1	0	15		-5	
4	-9	300		-300	
6	0	50		-13	
Bus	PG	QG 1	max	QG	min
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Number	(MW)	(Mvar)		(Mvar)	
8	-28	300		-300	
10	450	200		-147	
12	85	120		-35	
15	0	30		-10	
18	0	50		-16	
19	0	24		-8	
24	-13	300		-300	
25	220	140		-47	
26	314	1000		-1000	
27	-9	300		-300	
31	7	300		-300	
32	0	42		-14	
34	0	24		-8	
36	0	24		-8	
40	-46	300		-300	
42	-59	300		-300	
46	19	100		-100	
49	204	210		-85	
54	48	300		-300	
55	0	23		-8	
56	0	15		-8	
59	155	180		-60	
61	160	300		-100	
62	0	20		-20	
65	391	200		-67	
66	392	200		-67	
70	0	32		-10	
72	-12	100		-100	
73	-6	100		-100	
74	0	9		-6	
76	0	23		-8	
77	0	70		-20	
80	477	280		-165	
85	0	23		-8	
87	4	1000		-100	
89	607	300		-210	
90	-85	300		-300	
91	-10	100		-100	
92	0	9		-3	

Bus	PG	QG max	QG min
Number	(MW)	(Mvar)	(Mvar)
99	-42	100	-100
100	252	155	-50
103	40	40	-15
104	0	23	-8
105	0	23	-8
107	-22	200	-200
110	0	23	-8
111	36	1000	-100
112	-43	1000	-100
113	-6	200	-100
116	-184	1000	-1000

TABLE A4

118 System Branch Data

From	Bus	То	Bus	Line	R	Line X	Charging
Number		Number		(pu)		(pu)	(pu)
1		2		0.030	3	0.0999	0.0254
1		3		0.012	9	0.0424	0.01082
4		5		0.001	76	0.00798	0.0021
3		5		0.024	1	0.108	0.0284
5		6		0.011	9	0.054	0.01426
6		7		0.004	59	0.0208	0.0055
8		9		0.002	44	0.0305	1.162
9		10		0.002	58	0.0322	1.23
4		11		0.020	9	0.0688	0.01748
5		11		0.020	3	0.0682	0.01738
11		12		0.005	95	0.0196	0.00502
2		12		0.018	7	0.0616	0.01572
3		12		0.048	4	0.16	0.0406
7		12		0.008	62	0.034	0.00874
11		13		0.022	25	0.0731	0.01876
12		14		0.021	5	0.0707	0.01816
13		15		0.074	4	0.2444	0.06268
14		15		0.059	5	0.195	0.0502
12		16		0.021	2	0.0834	0.0214
15		17		0.013	2	0.0437	0.0444
16		17		0.045	4	0.1801	0.0466

From Bus	To Bus	Line R	Line X	Charging
Number	Number	(pu)	(pu)	(pu)
17	18	0.0123	0.0505	0.01298
18	19	0.01119	0.0493	0.01142
19	20	0.0252	0.117	0.0298
15	19	0.012	0.0394	0.0101
20	21	0.0183	0.0849	0.0216
21	22	0.0209	0.097	0.0246
22	23	0.0342	0.159	0.0404
23	24	0.0135	0.0492	0.0498
23	25	0.0156	0.08	0.0864
25	27	0.0318	0.163	0.1764
27	28	0.01913	0.0855	0.0216
28	29	0.0237	0.0943	0.0238
8	30	0.00431	0.0504	0.514
26	30	0.00799	0.086	0.908
17	31	0.0474	0.1563	0.0399
29	31	0.0108	0.0331	0.0083
23	32	0.0317	0.1153	0.1173
31	32	0.0298	0.0985	0.0251
27	32	0.0229	0.0755	0.01926
15	33	0.038	0.1244	0.03194
19	34	0.0752	0.247	0.0632
35	36	0.00224	0.0102	0.00268
35	37	0.011	0.0497	0.01318
33	37	0.0415	0.142	0.0366
34	36	0.00871	0.0268	0.00568
34	37	0.00256	0.0094	0.00984
37	39	0.0321	0.106	0.027
37	40	0.0593	0.168	0.042
30	38	0.00464	0.054	0.422
39	40	0.0184	0.0605	0.01552
40	41	0.0145	0.0487	0.01222
40	42	0.0555	0.183	0.0466
41	42	0.041	0.135	0.0344
43	44	0.0608	0.2454	0.06068
34	43	0.0413	0.1681	0.04226
44	45	0.0224	0.0901	0.0224
45	46	0.04	0.1356	0.0332
46	47	0.038	0.127	0.0316
46	48	0.0601	0.189	0.0472

From	Bus	То	Bus	Line	R	Line	Х	Charging
Number		Number		(pu)		(pu)		(pu)
47		49		0.019	1	0.062	5	0.01604
42		49		0.071	5	0.323		0.086
42		49		0.071	5	0.323		0.086
45		49		0.068	4	0.186		0.0444
48		49		0.017	9	0.050	5	0.01258
49		50		0.026	7	0.075	2	0.01874
49		51		0.048	6	0.137		0.0342
51		52		0.020	3	0.058	8	0.01396
52		53		0.040	5	0.163	5	0.04058
53		54		0.026	3	0.122	,	0.031
49		54		0.073		0.289)	0.0738
49		54		0.086	9	0.291		0.073
54		55		0.016	9	0.070	7	0.0202
54		56		0.002	75	0.009	55	0.00732
55		56		0.004	88	0.015	1	0.00374
56		57		0.034	3	0.096	6	0.0242
50		57		0.047	4	0.134		0.0332
56		58		0.034	3	0.096	6	0.0242
51		58		0.025	5	0.071	9	0.01788
54		59		0.050	3	0.229	3	0.0598
56		59		0.082	5	0.251		0.0569
56		59		0.080	3	0.239		0.0536
55		59		0.047	39	0.215	8	0.05646
59		60		0.031	7	0.145		0.0376
59		61		0.032	8	0.15		0.0388
60		61		0.002	64	0.013	5	0.01456
60		62		0.012	3	0.056	1	0.01468
61		62		0.008	24	0.037	6	0.0098
63		64		0.001	72	0.02		0.216
38		65		0.009	01	0.098	6	1.046
64		65		0.002	.69	0.030	2	0.38
49		66		0.018		0.091	9	0.0248
49		66		0.018		0.091	9	0.0248
62		66		0.048	2	0.218		0.0578
62		67		0.025	8	0.117	,	0.031
66		67		0.022	4	0.101	5	0.02682
65		68		0.001	38	0.016		0.638
47		69		0.084	4	0.277	8	0.07092
49		69		0.098	5	0.324		0.0828

From I	Bus	To	Bus	Line R	Line X	Charging
Number		Number		(pu)	(pu)	(pu)
69		70		0.03	0.127	0.122
24		70		0.00221	0.4115	0.10198
70		71		0.00882	0.0355	0.00878
24		72		0.0488	0.196	0.0488
71		72		0.0446	0.18	0.04444
71		73		0.00866	0.0454	0.01178
70		74		0.0401	0.1323	0.03368
70		75		0.0428	0.141	0.036
69		75		0.0405	0.122	0.124
74		75		0.0123	0.0406	0.01034
76		77		0.0444	0.148	0.0368
69		77		0.0309	0.101	0.1038
75		77		0.0601	0.1999	0.04978
77		78		0.00376	0.0124	0.01264
78		79		0.00546	0.0244	0.00648
77		80		0.017	0.0485	0.0472
77		80		0.0294	0.105	0.0228
79		80		0.0156	0.0704	0.0187
68		81		0.00175	0.0202	0.808
77		82		0.0298	0.0853	0.08174
82		83		0.0112	0.03665	0.03796
83		84		0.0625	0.132	0.0258
83		85		0.043	0.148	0.0348
84		85		0.0302	0.0641	0.01234
85		86		0.035	0.123	0.0276
86		87		0.02828	0.2074	0.0445
85		88		0.02	0.102	0.0276
85		89		0.0239	0.173	0.047
88		89		0.0139	0.0712	0.01934
89		90		0.0518	0.188	0.0528
89		90		0.0238	0.0997	0.106
90		91		0.0254	0.0836	0.0214
89		92		0.0099	0.0505	0.0548
89		92		0.0393	0.1581	0.0414
91		92		0.0387	0.1272	0.03268
92		93		0.0258	0.0848	0.0218
92		94		0.0481	0.158	0.0406
93		94		0.0223	0.0732	0.01876
94		95		0.0132	0.0434	0.0111

From Bus	To Bus	Line R	Line X	Charging
Number	Number	(pu)	(pu)	(pu)
80	96	0.0356	0.182	0.0494
82	96	0.0162	0.053	0.0544
94	96	0.0269	0.0869	0.023
80	97	0.0183	0.0934	0.0254
80	98	0.0238	0.108	0.0286
80	99	0.0454	0.206	0.0546
92	100	0.0648	0.295	0.0472
94	100	0.0178	0.058	0.0604
95	96	0.0171	0.0547	0.01474
96	97	0.0173	0.0885	0.024
98	100	0.0397	0.179	0.0476
99	100	0.018	0.0813	0.0216
100	101	0.0277	0.1262	0.0328
92	102	0.0123	0.0559	0.01464
101	102	0.0246	0.112	0.0294
100	103	0.016	0.0525	0.0536
100	104	0.0451	0.204	0.0541
103	104	0.0466	0.1584	0.0407
103	105	0.0535	0.1625	0.0408
100	106	0.0605	0.229	0.062
104	105	0.00994	0.0378	0.00986
105	106	0.014	0.0547	0.01434
105	107	0.053	0.183	0.0472
105	108	0.0261	0.0703	0.01844
106	107	0.053	0.183	0.0472
108	109	0.0105	0.0288	0.0076
103	110	0.03906	0.1813	0.0461
109	110	0.0278	0.0762	0.0202
110	111	0.022	0.0755	0.02
110	112	0.0247	0.064	0.062
17	113	0.00913	0.0301	0.00768
32	113	0.0615	0.203	0.0518
32	114	0.0135	0.0612	0.01628
27	115	0.0164	0.0741	0.01972
114	115	0.0023	0.0104	0.00276
68	116	0.00034	0.00405	0.164
12	117	0.0329	0.14	0.0358
75	118	0.0145	0.0481	0.01198
76	118	0.0164	0.0544	0.01356

TABLE A5

118 System Transformer Data

From	Bus	To Number	Bus	R (pu)	X (pu)	Тар
Number		Number			-	-
8		5		0	0.0267	0.985
26		25		0	0.0382	0.96
30		17		0	0.0388	0.96
38		37		0	0.0375	0.935
63		59		0	0.0386	0.96
64		61		0	0.0268	0.985
65		66		0	0.037	0.935
68		69		0	0.037	0.935
81		80		0	0.037	0.935

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