

Optimization of Phasor Measurement Unit Using Hybrid Search Algorithm For IEEE-57 Bus System

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Abstract

For administering purpose in future, control and protection of power system, Phasor Measurement Units (PMU) are considered as a very good tool, especially with the direction towards smart grid. The adequate supervision of the system requires all the nodal voltages and also the phase and magnitude of the current through all incident edges. In order to observe the entire power system, the PMU's needs to be placed at some of the nodes of the Power system. But the obstruction is optimised employment of PMU's, which covers the best location and minimum number of PMU placement. This paper presents the Generalised Global search algorithm (GGSA) for the optimal location of PMUs. This algorithm will provide the Planning Engineers to plan and placed the PMUs at the best nodes from where the entire power station can be monitored using and devoid of zero-injection effect in the system. For analysis standard IEEE 57-Bus system is investigated using GGSA and the practically relevant results with least PMUs essential and maximum System Observability Redundancy Index (SORI) are obtained.

Key words- Phasor measurement units (PMU), Global Search Algorithm (GSA), System Observability Redundancy Index (SORI). Electric power monitoring, energy management systems (EMS).

1. Introduction

Electrical power system consists of transmission, distribution, setup of electrical devices for providing good quality of electrical power to load i.e. a region, homes and industries etc. Being one of the maximum composite system it continuously observe numerous turmoil or faults during operating stages. These faults thereby affect frequency of the system, lines voltages or flow of power. As power system performance are probabilistic in nature therefore it requires an optimal control system to control and maintain the system, such that it should stay in steady conditions during or after faults and there will be a continuous and non-variable power supply to the end-user [14]. The power system has one of the key problem that the real power consumed along with the losses has to be equal to the generated active power. There will be increase in frequency and voltage if the power generated is more than the demanded and in other way if the power generated is less than the demand then the voltage and frequency will be reduced. The alternators and the related equipment's can get damaged due to the fluctuations of the frequency and voltage levels.

Transmission system operator task is to maintain the frequency constant, thereby it is required to monitor these systems continuously so that the live status of the systems can be evaluated regularly, which will be helpful in minimizing the consequence of faults and problems and the system could be able to operate under stable condition. Also due to the increase in power system network growth the system has become progressively more complex and stressed. That's why continuous observing and controlling of power system is must. The current energy management system needs to be accurately monitored continuously because of increase in power demand which leads the power system to operate on their critical limits.

So, for protection of electrical system and to prevent it from faults, continuous monitoring of it is very crucial i.e. the continuous evaluation of all electrical parameters at each bus is required [4]. The recent

development in global positioning satellite (GPS) made the production of PMU commercial. Phasor Measurement Units are power system measuring devices proficient of measuring the phasors of coordinated parameters. PMUs has come up as crucial measuring device for future smart grid [3]. PMUs have become the noticeable interest in transmission lines.

The PMU is one of the device which is utilized to determine the voltage and current waveform that is harmonised with a signal which is taken constantly from GPS. The PMUs are having inbuilt GPS receiver, synchronous data will be received continuously at a base station from every PMU continuously. These data will be utilised in finding the position of unhealthy circuits or transmission lines if there is any unbalanced condition between different PMUs.

In this paper, the PMUs necessary in different scenarios has been broadly evaluated. Few researchers utilised the Integer Linear Programming (ILP) framework to describe the zero injection constraints. In addition, the System Observability Redundancy Index (SORI) was also familiarised to expand the bus coverage in the minimal solution [13]. Some heuristic algorithms are also tested to decrease the PMU set for making the network fully observable.

This paper describes the improved method for PMU placement using Global search algorithm. Global search algorithm has applied to find the buses having most coverage until the network is fully observable [15].

2. Basic Structure of PMU

In the continuously changing situation of composite network the presence of distribution generators demands for cumulative accuracy of measurement is growing, quick broadcasting rate and sophisticated communication abilities [8]. PMU analysed different parameters of the waveform and provide output which is utilized for determination of the unidentified components for continuous observation and control. PMU as shown in Figure: 1, comprises of three basic units

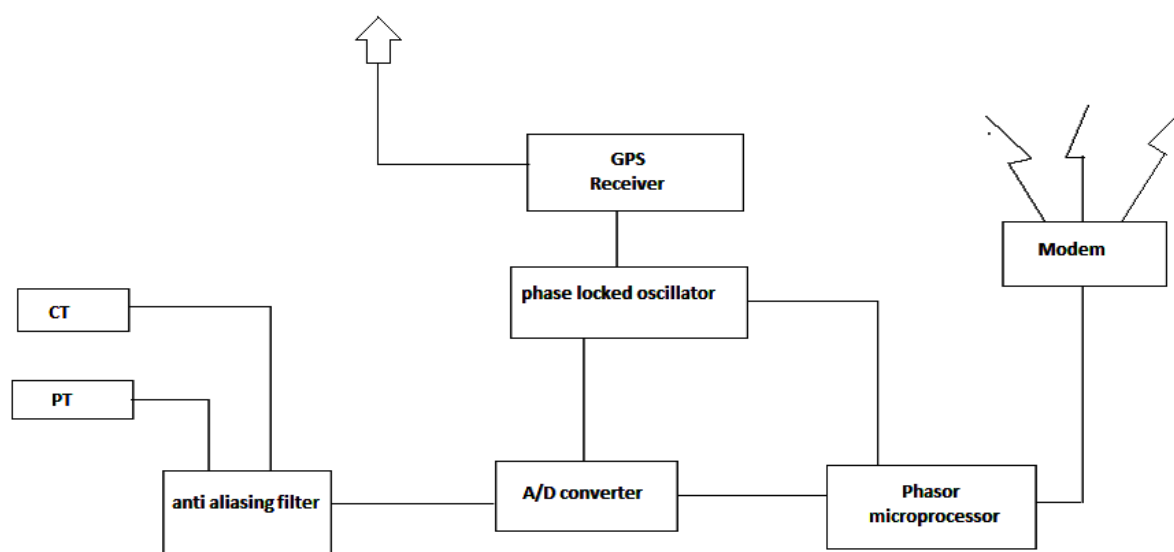


Figure: 1 PMU Structure

The main components of Clock Synchronization Unit are GPS receivers and phase-locked oscillators which provide signal to measurement unit after sampling. The accurate clock generates the one pulse per second which is received and detected by GPS receiver. In combination these provide high accuracy and high-speed sampling that is synchronized to 1 microsecond accuracy. In general PLL is an electronic circuitry consisting of adaptable frequency oscillator and a phase detector [6]. The comparison of the phase of standard signals with the measured signal phase is done by phase detector that will help in taking actions. If the phase difference is identified then there is a system change and if the phase signals are mapped then no action will be taken.

3. Model Diagram of PMU

The PMU modelling is prepared in MATLAB Simulink toolbox [7,9]. Actually PLL is electronic circuit that consists of a phase detector and variable frequency oscillator. The phase of test signal is compared to the measured signal using phase detector if there is change in system. That signal is utilised for arithmetical computing, it also allows plotting of functions and data, interfacing with programs using languages such as C, C++.

The major components of PMU model which are shown in Figure: 2 are described below: -

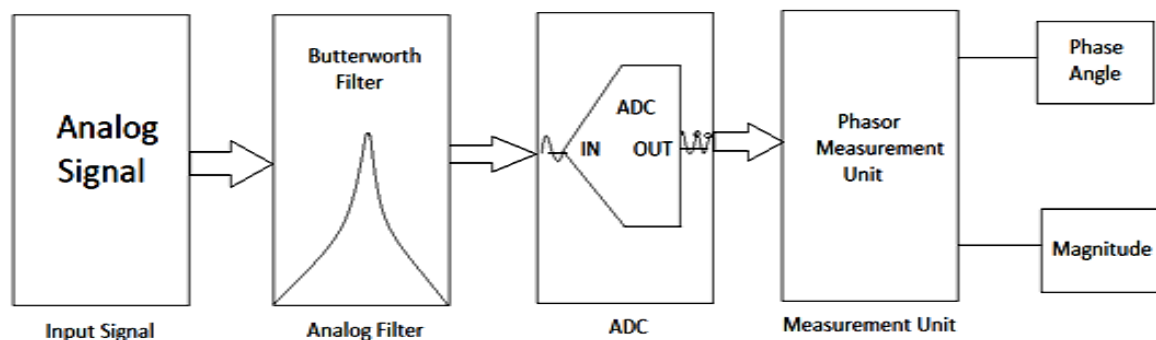


Figure: 2 PMU Model

4. Phasor Measurement Unit Components

To find out the current and voltage signals from the field, current transformer and potential transformers are utilised. After gathering the electrical signals, the signals are given to the anti-aliasing filters. Which pick up the specific bandwidth of signal to wholly place the sampling theorem above the assured band. To transform analog to digital signal ADC is utilised, basically in A/D converter test group of the signal obtained from CT and PT is accomplished. And sampling is carried out according to the sampling theorem.

As PMUs devices are controlled by time with signal obtained from GPS therefore all of them contain GPS receivers which collect signal from satellite. There are over all of 32 satellites and every GPS receiver is associated from four satellites every time as earth revolves on its axis then first GPS satellite gets disengaged from the GPS receiver and the fifth GPS satellite is get connected at the same instant. All 32 satellites have covered five continents of earth. Every PMU is associated with four GPS satellites at single instant and repeatedly they harmonised with all PMUs coupled in varied areas. Phase lock oscillators are presented to cover the frequency range of 110GHz using high performance FET oscillators. Further signal filtering is done by phasor microprocessor to getting the desired output from the provided signal. Essential material is directed via wireless to the PDCs after processing signals from every block of PMU [10,12].

4.1 Measuring Element

Measuring element is there to measure voltage signal's phase angle and its magnitude. Different phasor estimation techniques are utilised for this measurement like zero crossing, DFT (Recursive and Non-recursive) and sliding DFT. For improving the accuracy and reliability different techniques are utilised. The Efficiency of power system can be increased if the data obtained from PMU is correct which can be further utilised for creating the controlling and monitoring of power system better.

4.2 Phasor Data Concentrator (PDC)

From different PMU's the time synchronized phasor data is received by PDC that can be utilised to produce actual output data. One PDC may provide and receive the phasor data with different PDC at

other position using several PDCs numerous level of application can be realised inside a single synchrophasor data system [5]. A PDC is plan to router running time series output along with actual data. The positive sequence of voltage and current of each buses that are monitored using the PMUs that are placed at the substations. For diagnostic purpose these data goes in storage device which can be reachable to the remote locations. The function of PDC is that they collect data using different PMUs and discard the incorrect data. The received records is then aligned in time stamped and record is created.

4.3 Techniques for State Estimation of Phasor

Phasor are helpful in explaining the performance of the system even though the system isn't in steady state. There are several mechanism that are utilised for state estimation [5] like Zero Crossing, DFT, Sliding DFT, Least Error Squares, Kalman Filters, Demodulation, Phasor measurement angle changing. From these techniques Zero crossing, DFT and Sliding DFT phasor estimation techniques are generally used.

State estimation in PMUs is done for eradicating the inaccuracies and determine the position of the system which can be practical as possible as in PMU many transducers are having specific error bounds which leads to incorrect estimation of the system position and that can directly to incorrect generation of control signal and lead to incorrect opening of system [1]. Therefore to end the generated complications or monitoring and control of the system effectively these errors needs to be removed and regulate the actual position of the electric system.

Many state estimation techniques can be utilized for the process, generally 2 or 3 techniques are used that are, weighted least squares criterion, minimum variance criterion, maximum likelihood criterion.

4.4 Installation problems in PMU

In PMU installation there are different challenges. PMU's are needed to be installed at particular location using optimisation process due to its cost, and to perform this there are different optimisation techniques. The major problem with PMUs which leads to the selection of location of installation of PMUs is cost problem. To install one PMU the cost of installation is high therefore to reduce that cost the quantity of PMUs in the system is minimized. It is tedious to predict after installation that obtained wave is unique or it is inaccurate which makes the computation large enough.

4.5 PMU Calibration

In order to reduce errors in sensors of station the calibration of PMU is must for harmonisation accuracy and forelimination of in-built error in the PMU's developed at different stages. This test signal will generate the GPS related synchronized signal. The PMUs is required to be tested before installation in the field for their correct working. The errors in any PMU set is eliminated by calibrating the device. In the course of testing of PMU's certain difficulties can be encountered like Harmonic distortion, which are required to be analysed for the harmonics of the system for the range of 50th harmonic, however in practical process this is tedious to generate for testing. A few problems are realised during the testing of out of band problems. Few problems are analysed during communication and evaluation of communication in network control and for that a lot data is required to evaluate the communication network reliability.

5. Proposed PMU Placement Method

The position of the least quantity of PMUs can be obtained using Global Search algorithm after checking all the combination. Large number of combinations are produced in this process

that indicates to the ingestion of much time for computation and takes a lot of memory space in computer, particularly in the complex network. Electric network are the most complex network and there are infinite number of buses can be present over there, which leads to more computational time to find the optimal location of PMUs [11]. As a solution a combination of new steps are provided to find and reduce the number of combinations with a better way. For finding the least quantity of PMUs require a theory is utilised i.e. domination set theory and the binary search algorithm. Mentioned methods escape the unnecessary grouping created by Global Search Algorithm. Also the operation with zero injection effect i.e. simply at non zero-injection buses phasor measurement devices mounting reduces the significant number of PMUs in the system [2]. Conversely the total number of PMU for the electrical system will come down through reducing the quantity of zero-injection buses, which increases the calculation. A 'brute-force attack' which is an exhaustive Search also a part of the GSA which is used to find all the potential combinations. After evaluating each single grouping, the optimum PMU location will be calculated if the grouping is capable to find the whole network by means of the minimum quantity of PMUs necessary.

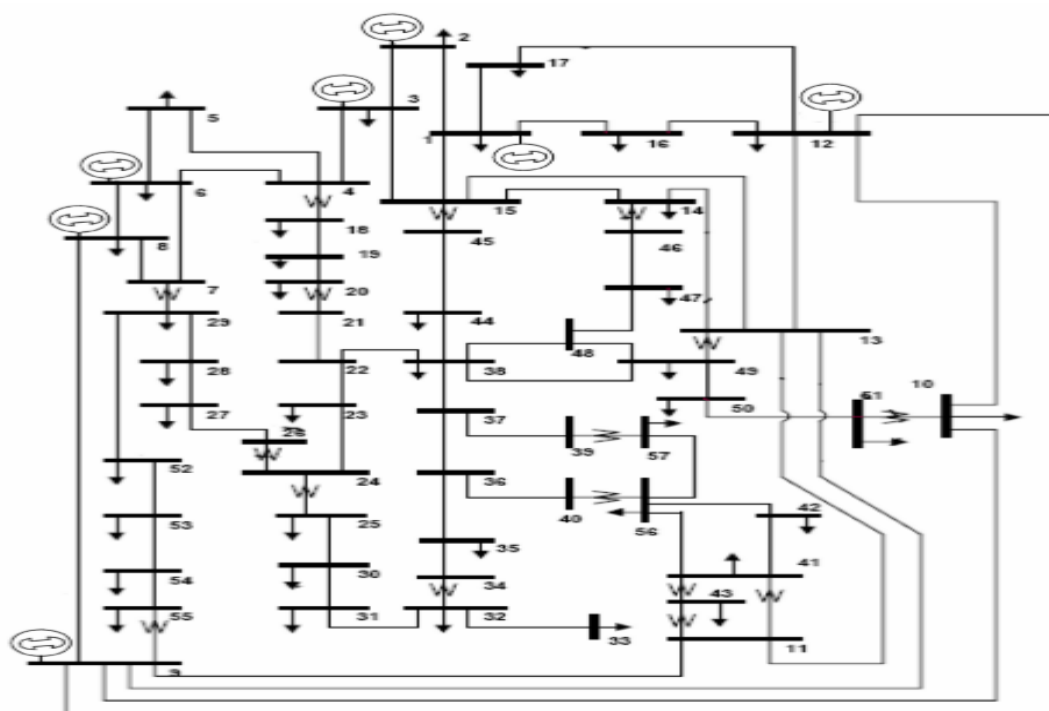


Figure: 3 IEEE 57-Bus system

To decrease the number of combination like we use the different methods like placing PMU on adjacent bus of single connected bus.

Data for IEEE 57 bus system shown above in Figure: 3 are given below.

Bus with single connection is bus number 33

Bus which is linked to 33 bus system is 32,

The results obtained from the optimization of 57 bus system are given below without using the zero injection method.

Sol = 1 3 9 10 12 16 18 19 20 28 31 32 38 42 49 53 56 57

Global search algorithm uses total of buses to create the complete system noticeable.

First this technique makes the combinations of PMUs and makes the system observable after that one PMU is decreased to check whether our system is observable or not but with 18 PMUs system becomes observable.

The results considering zero injection buses the quantity of PMUs essential are 11.

And the buses on which PMUs are installed are

Zsol = 1 3 13 15 25 26 32 38 42 52 56

As from results without zero injection total number of PMUs required are 18 to observe the complete 57 bus network but if we use the zero injection method the quantity of PMUs decrease considerably and total number of PMUs required are 11 only.

6. Results

The investigation has been done for placement of PMU in electrical network optimally. An improved optimization method for PMU placement is presented depending on greedy search and breadth-first search algorithm. Results on IEEE standard 57-bus test systems were presented using the MATLAB simulation, in order to present the usefulness of hierarchical algorithm.

Global search algorithms results are provided below with and without zero injection busses

- Without Zero Injection Busses

Total number of PMUs require are 18

And the busses at which PMU is placed

Sol = 1 3 9 10 12 16 18 19 20 28 31 32 38 42 49 53 56 57

- With Zero Injection Buses

Total number of PMUs required are 11

And the busses which are installed with PMUs are given as

Zsol= 1 3 13 15 25 26 32 38 42 52 56

From the above results it can be seen that using zero injection the results of PMUs optimization precise and network can be observed with less number of PMUs.

As from results without zero injection actual quantity of PMUs required are 18 to monitor the complete 57 bus network but if we use the zero injection method the quantity of PMUs decrease considerably and total number of PMUs required are 11 only.

7. Conclusion

The proposed method is better for the optimization and in this method there are lot more scopes to improvise the work. Because of cumulative growth of power system networks the controlling and protection necessities becomes complicated. In few years, the synchronized phase angle measurement theory has confirmed that it take along inherent benefit for the protection of the network. Also, considering PMU, these uses will increase in totality, the monitoring of power system their control and protection. From this paper it has been targeted to guarantee that quantity of PMUs essential for administering electrical system is negligible. For making the location observable, installation using few PMUs can be relocated in total difficulties related to optimization. But the time for identifying the optimal location of PMUs is extra which can be further considered in future developments.

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