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Particle Swarm Optimization Algorithm with ANFIS for Economic Load Dispatch

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Abstract: Electrical power systems are designed and operated to meet the continuous variation of power demand. The main aim of modern electric power utilities is to provide high-quality reliable power supply to the consumers at the lowest possible cost while meeting the limits and constraints imposed on the generating units and environment. These constraints formulates the economic load dispatch (ELD) problem for finding the optimal combination of the output power of all the online generating units that minimizes the total fuel cost, while satisfying an equality constraint and a set of inequality constraints. This paper proposes application of PSO trained Anfis for solving economic load dispatch problem. Particle swarm optimization (PSO) is a population based stochastic optimization technique, inspired by social behavior of bird flocking or fish schooling. The proposed approach has been examined and tested with the numerical results of optimal scheduling of generation with three and six generating units. The results of the proposed PSO-ANFIS algorithm are compared with that of other techniques such as Lambda-Iteration Method and PSO Method and compared to both cases; the proposed algorithm outperforms the solution.

Keywords: ANFIS, OSG, ELD, PSO, Lambda iteration

I. INTRODUCTION

Optimal scheduling of generation is an important task in the power plants operation which aims to allocate power generations to match load demand at minimal possible cost while satisfying all the power units and system constraints [1]. The complexity of the problem is due to the nonlinear and non-smooth characteristics of the input-output curves of the generators, because of valve-point effect, ramp rate limits and prohibited operating zones. The mathematical programming based optimization methods such as lambda iteration, base point participation method, Gradient and Newton's methods can solve successfully the optimal scheduling problems [2]. But unfortunately, these methods are ineffective to handle the complex optimal scheduling problems with non-differentiable characteristics due to high complexity. Dynamic programming can solve such type of problem, but it suffers from curse of dimensionality. Hence for optimal solution this problem needs a fast, robust and accurate solution methodology. Now days heuristic search methods such as simulated annealing (SA)[3] genetic algorithm (GA) [4]-[5], evolutionary programming (EP) [6], particle swarm optimization (PSO) [7]-[10], Bacteria foraging optimization (BFO) [11], differential evolution (DE) [12] and chaotic ant swarm optimization [13] are employed to solve the optimal scheduling problems. All the approaches have achieved success to a certain extent. New optimization algorithms[18-24] can be used for DG placement and economic load dispatch problems.

This paper presents the application of proposed PSO-ANFIS algorithm to optimal scheduling generation problem. The paper is organized as follows. Section II describes mathematical modelling of optimal scheduling generation problem and in section III existing PSO system is described. The proposed PSO-ANFIS algorithm is described in section IV and the description of test systems, results and comparisons of proposed algorithm with other methods are presented in section V. Finally conclusion is given in section VI.

II. ECONOMIC LOAD DISPATCH PROBLEM

The optimal scheduling generation problem is defined as to minimize the total operating cost of a power system while meeting the total load plus transmission losses within the generator limits. Mathematically, the problem is defined as to minimize equation (1) subjected to the energy balance equation given by (2) and the inequality constraints given by equation (3).

$$F_1(P_i) = \sum_{i=1}^{NG} (a_i P_i^2 + b_i P_i + c_i) \quad (1)$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^{NG} P_i = P_D + P_L \quad (2)$$

$$P_{min} \leq P_i \leq P_{max} \quad (i=1, 2, 3 \dots NG) \quad (3)$$

Where a_i , b_i and c_i are cost coefficients

P_D is load demand

P_i is real power generation

P_L is transmission loss

NG is number of generators

One of the important, simple but approximate methods of expressing transmission loss as a function of generator powers is through B- coefficients. The general form of the loss formula using B- coefficients is

$$P_L = \sum_{i=1}^{NG} \sum_{j=1}^{NG} P_i B_{ij} P_j \text{ MW} \quad (4)$$

Where P_i, P_j are real power injections at the i th, j th buses B_{ij} are loss coefficients

The above loss formula (4) is known as George's formula. In normal optimal scheduling generation problem the input – output characteristics of a generator are approximated using quadratic functions, under the assumption that the incremental cost curves of the units are monotonically increasing piecewise-linear functions.

$$F_i(P_i) = \sum_{i=1}^{NG} (a_i P_i^2 + b_i P_i + c_i) \quad (5)$$

Where a_i, b_i, c_i are cost coefficients of i th unit.

Mathematically, optimal scheduling generation problem considering valve point loading is defined as minimizing operating cost given by equation (5) subjected to energy balance equation and inequality constraints given by equations (2) and (3) respectively.

III. PSO ALGORITHM

Particle Swarm Optimization is an approach to problems whose solutions can be represented as a point in an n-dimensional solution space. A number of particles are randomly set into motion through this space. At each iteration, they observe the "fitness" of themselves and their neighbours and "emulate" successful neighbors (those whose current position represents a better solution to the problem than theirs) by moving towards them. Various schemes for grouping particles into competing, semi-independent flocks can be used, or all the particles can belong to a single global flock. This extremely simple approach has been surprisingly effective across a variety of problem domains.

PSO was developed by James Kennedy and Russell Eberhart in 1995 after being inspired by the study of bird flocking behavior by biologist Frank Heppner. It is related to evolution-inspired problem solving techniques such as genetic algorithms.

As stated before, PSO simulates the behaviors of bird flocking. Let us consider a scenario where a group of birds are randomly searching food in an area. There is only one piece of food in the area being searched. All the birds do not know where the food is. So what's the best strategy to find the food? The effective one is to follow the bird which is nearest to the food.

PSO learned from this scenario is used to solve the optimization problems. In PSO, each single solution is a "bird" in the search space. We call it "a particle". All of particles have fitness values which are evaluated by the fitness function to be optimized, and have velocities which direct the flying of the particles. The particles fly through the problem space by following the current optimum particles.

PSO is initialized with a group of random particles (solutions) and then searches for optima by updating generations. In every iteration, each particle is updated by following two "best" values. The first one is the best solution (fitness) it has achieved so far. (The fitness value is also stored.) This value is called p best. Another "best" value that is tracked by the particle swarm optimizer is the best value, obtained so far by any particle in the population. This best value is a global best and called g best. When a particle takes part of the population as its topological neighbors, the best value is a local best and is called l best. After finding the two best values, the particle updates its velocity and positions with following equation (6) and (7).

$$v[] = v[] + c1 * \text{rand}() * (p \text{ best}[] - \text{present}[]) + c2 * \text{rand}() * (g \text{ best}[] - \text{present}[]) \quad (6)$$

$$\text{present} [] = \text{present}[] + v[] \quad (7)$$

$v []$ is the particle velocity, $\text{present}[]$ is the current particle (solution). $P \text{ best} []$ and $g \text{ best} []$ are defined as stated before. $\text{Rand} ()$ is a random number between (0,1). $c1, c2$ are learning factors. Usually $c1 = c2 = 2$

While maximum iterations or minimum error criteria is not attained Particles' velocities on each dimension are clamped to a maximum velocity V_{\max} . If the sum of accelerations would cause the velocity on that dimension to exceed V_{\max} , which is a parameter specified by the user then the velocity on that dimension is limited to V_{\max} . Flowchart of PSO algorithm is shown in figure 1.

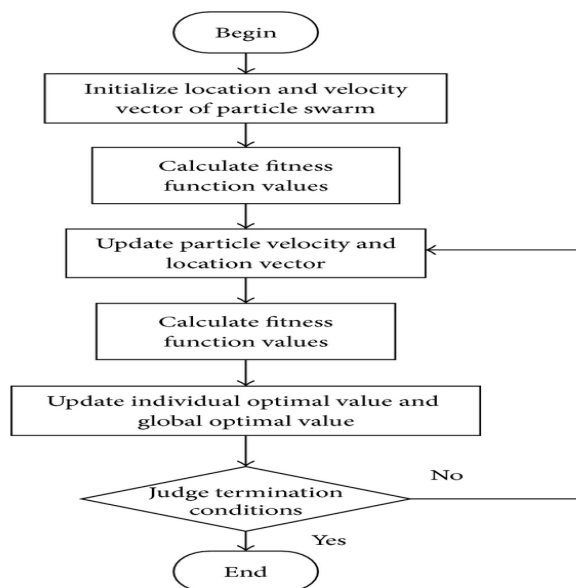


Fig: 1 Flowchart for PSO Algorithm

IV. ADAPTIVE NEURO FUZZY INFERENCE SYSTEM

An adaptive neuro fuzzy inference system (ANFIS) is a kind of artificial neural network that is based on Takagi–Sugeno fuzzy inference system. This technique was developed in the early 1990s. ANFIS integrates both neural networks and fuzzy logic principles and it has the potential to capture the benefits of both in a single framework. It's inference system corresponds to a set of fuzzy “If-Then” rules that have learning capability to approximate nonlinear functions. Hence, ANFIS is considered to be an universal estimator. ANFIS uses a hybrid learning algorithm to tune the parameters of a Sugeno-type fuzzy inference system (FIS). This algorithm uses a combination of the least-squares and back-propagation gradient descent methods to model a training data set. ANFIS also validates models using a checking data set to test for overfitting of the training data. [14].

ANFIS is a type of Neuro-fuzzy model. Neural networks and fuzzy systems both are stand-alone systems. With the increase in the complexity of the process being modeled, the difficulty in developing dependable fuzzy rules and membership functions increases. This has led to the development of another approach which is mostly known as ANFIS approach. It has the benefits of both neural networks and fuzzy logic. One of the advantages of fuzzy systems is that they describe fuzzy rules, which fit the description of real-world processes to a greater extent. Another advantage of fuzzy systems is their interpretability; it means that it is possible to explain why a particular value appeared at the output of a fuzzy system. In turn, some of the main disadvantages of fuzzy systems are that expert's knowledge or instructions are needed in order to define fuzzy rules, and that the process of tuning of the parameters of the fuzzy system often requires a relatively long time. [15].

A diametrically opposite situation can be observed in the field of neural networks. It is known that neural networks are trained, but it is extremely difficult to use a prior knowledge about the considered system and it is almost impossible to explain the behavior of the neural network system in a particular situation. In order to compensate the disadvantages of one system with the advantages of another system, several researchers tried to combine fuzzy systems with neural networks. A hybrid system named ANFIS has been proposed. Fuzzy inference in this system is realized with the aid of a training algorithm, which enables to tune the parameters of the fuzzy system.

V. RESULTS

The applicability and efficiency of PSO-ANFIS algorithm for practical applications has been tested on two test cases. The programs are developed using MATLAB 7.9. The Parameters for PSO algorithm considered here are: $n=20$, $c1=2.0$, $c2=2.0$, $W_{max}=0.9$, $W_{min}=0.4$. The proposed PSO algorithm stopping criteria is based on maximum-generation=500.

A. Test case 1:

The system consists of three thermal units [16]. The cost coefficients of all thermal generating units are listed in table (1). The economic load dispatch problem is solved to meet a load demand of 250 MW and 350 MW.

TABLE: 1 COST COEFFICIENTS FOR THREE GENERATING UNITS

| Unit | Fuel cost coefficients | | | P_(G min) | P_(G max) |
|------|------------------------|----------|----------|-----------|-----------|
| | a_i | b_i | c_i | (MW) | (MW) |
| G1 | 0.03546 | 38.30553 | 1243.531 | 50 | 250 |
| G2 | 0.02111 | 36.32782 | 1658.57 | 5 | 150 |
| G3 | 0.01799 | 38.27041 | 1356.659 | 15 | 100 |

TABLE: 2 TRAINING DATA FROM PSO ALGORITHM

| Load (MW) | P1 (MW) | P2 (MW) | P3 (MW) | Cost (Rs/h) |
|-----------|----------|----------|----------|-------------|
| 300 | 49.32179 | 130 | 125 | 16378.5891 |
| 350 | 70.30123 | 156.2673 | 129.2084 | 18564.484 |
| 400 | 82.07836 | 174.9938 | 150.496 | 20812.2936 |
| 450 | 93.93744 | 193.8135 | 171.8617 | 23112.3635 |
| 500 | 105.8799 | 212.728 | 193.3065 | 25465.4691 |
| 550 | 117.9073 | 231.7384 | 214.8312 | 27872.4051 |
| 600 | 130.021 | 250.8462 | 236.4368 | 30333.9858 |
| 650 | 142.2227 | 270.0528 | 258.1242 | 32851.0461 |
| 700 | 154.5139 | 289.3597 | 279.8944 | 35424.442 |
| 750 | 166.8963 | 308.7683 | 301.7484 | 38055.0518 |
| 800 | 191.1077 | 325 | 315 | 40750.8418 |

TABLE 3: COMPARISON OF RESULTS FOR TEST CASE 1

| Power Demand (MW) | Fuel Cost (Rs/hr) | | |
|-------------------|-------------------------|------------|------------------|
| | Lambda Iteration Method | PSO Method | PSO-ANFIS Method |
| 350 | 18564.48 | 18564.48 | 18567.37 |
| 400 | 20812.29 | 20812.29 | 20812.13 |
| 450 | 23112.36 | 23112.36 | 23111.54 |
| 500 | 25465.47 | 25465.47 | 25465.09 |
| 550 | 27872.40 | 27872.40 | 27872.71 |
| 600 | 30333.98 | 30333.99 | 30334.63 |
| 650 | 32851.04 | 32851.05 | 32851.44 |
| 700 | 35424.44 | 35424.44 | 35424.22 |

Table: 3 show the summarized result of all the existing algorithms along with proposed PSO-Anfis algorithm for test case 1. From Table: 3, it is clear that proposed algorithm gives optimum result in terms of minimum fuel cost compared to other existing algorithms shown.

B. Test case 2

The six unit test system chosen in this thesis is the IEEE 30 bus system [17] in which cost coefficients of the generating units, generating capacity of each are specified. The test system comprises of 6 generators, 41 transmission lines and 30 buses. The IEEE 30 bus system has a minimum generation capacity of 117 MW and a maximum generation capacity of 435 MW. The economic load dispatch problem is solved to meet a load demand of 250 MW and 350 MW.

TABLE 4: COST COEFFICIENTS FOR SIX GENERATING UNITS

| Unit | Fuel cost coefficients | | | $P_{G_{min}}$ (MW) | $P_{G_{max}}$ (MW) |
|------|------------------------|----------|-----------|--------------------|--------------------|
| | a_i | b_i | c_i | | |
| G1 | 0.1524 | 38.53 | 756.79886 | 10 | 125 |
| G2 | 0.10587 | 46.15916 | 451.32513 | 10 | 150 |
| G3 | 0.02803 | 40.39655 | 1049.9977 | 35 | 225 |
| G4 | 0.03546 | 38.30553 | 1243.5311 | 35 | 210 |
| G5 | 0.02111 | 36.32782 | 1658.5696 | 130 | 325 |
| G6 | 0.01799 | 38.27041 | 1356.6592 | 125 | 315 |

TABLE 5: TRAINING DATA FROM PSO ALGORITHM

| LOAD | P1 | P2 | P3 | P4 | P5 | P6 | COST |
|------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| 400 | 14.76745 | 10 | 35 | 63.20802 | 155.6134 | 125 | 22831.57 |
| 450 | 18.86115 | 10 | 35 | 80.57687 | 185.054 | 125 | 25045.4 |
| 500 | 18.62118 | 10 | 56.31067 | 77.3453 | 182.0797 | 161.3248 | 27254.49 |
| 550 | 22.74596 | 10 | 84.31418 | 35 | 212.056 | 192.5923 | 29624.37 |
| 600 | 22.72662 | 10 | 78.9887 | 93.57175 | 211.1886 | 191.802 | 31819.68 |
| 650 | 24.77192 | 10 | 89.11953 | 101.6324 | 225.6671 | 208.5631 | 34156.51 |
| 700 | 26.86407 | 10 | 99.28232 | 109.5938 | 240.2361 | 225.3786 | 36529.75 |
| 750 | 28.95601 | 10 | 109.4691 | 117.5769 | 254.8244 | 242.2554 | 38939.65 |
| 800 | 31.05444 | 10 | 119.6633 | 125.5675 | 269.4596 | 259.1906 | 41386.49 |
| 850 | 33.16138 | 10 | 129.8688 | 133.565 | 284.1432 | 276.1784 | 43870.54 |
| 900 | 35.27709 | 10 | 140.0881 | 141.571 | 298.875 | 293.2152 | 46392.07 |
| 950 | 37.40155 | 10 | 150.3213 | 149.5849 | 313.6556 | 310.3023 | 48951.37 |
| 1000 | 41.15337 | 10 | 168.7391 | 163.9197 | 325 | 315 | 51555.73 |
| 1050 | 46.58271 | 10 | 195.5023 | 184.6723 | 325 | 315 | 54243.37 |
| 1100 | 49.19618 | 24.15205 | 206.8554 | 210 | 325 | 315 | 56997.95 |
| 1150 | 63.9863 | 44.60215 | 225 | 210 | 325 | 315 | 59868.36 |
| 1200 | 86.39384 | 75.63354 | 225 | 210 | 325 | 315 | 63072.65 |
| 1250 | 108.8455 | 106.7536 | 225 | 210 | 325 | 315 | 66643.13 |
| 1300 | 124.9988 | 144.5736 | 225 | 210 | 325 | 315 | 70593.24 |

TABLE: 6 COMPARISON OF RESULTS FOR TEST CASE 2

| Power Demand (MW) | Fuel Cost (Rs/hr) | | |
|-------------------|-------------------------|-------------|------------------|
| | Lambda Iteration Method | PSO Method | PSO-ANFIS Method |
| 600 | 31839.89265 | 31819.68831 | 31818.99 |
| 650 | 34180.73802 | 34156.51368 | 34162.32 |
| 700 | 36558.42788 | 36529.84137 | 36522.11 |
| 750 | 38973.25018 | 38939.65071 | 38943.55 |
| 800 | 41425.50478 | 41386.48877 | 41390.75 |
| 850 | 43915.48051 | 43870.53654 | 43862.84 |
| 900 | 46443.4753 | 46392.07068 | 43862.84 |
| 950 | 49009.79797 | 48951.9641 | 48949.96 |

Table: 6 show the summarized result of all the existing algorithms along with proposed PSO-Anfis algorithm for test case 2. From Table: 6, it is clear that proposed algorithm gives optimum result in terms of minimum fuel cost compared to other algorithms shown.

VI.CONCLUSION

In this paper, a new PSO-ANFIS algorithm has been proposed. In order to prove the effectiveness of algorithm it is applied to economic load dispatch problem with three and six generating units. The results obtained by proposed method were compared to those obtained by conventional method and PSO. The comparison shows that PSO-ANFIS algorithm performs better than above mentioned methods. Therefore, this results shows that PSO-ANFIS optimization is a promising technique for solving complicated problems in power system.

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