

Optimal Spinning Reserve for Power System with Wind Integrated^{*}

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ABSTRACT

This paper presents an evolutionary stochastic production simulation to solve the optimal spinning reserve configuration problem in power system with wind integrated. Equivalent load curve is generated with considering the wind power forecasting deviation and generation scheduling of hydropower plant in different water periods. The equivalent load duration curve (ELDC), redrawn from equivalent load curve is the core of stochastic production simulation which focuses on random outage of generator and load fluctuation. The optimal spinning reserve model is established around the reliability index Expected Energy Not Served (ENNS). The optimal scheduling of spinning reserve is reached while the cost of purchasing spinning reserve is equal to the outage loss. At last, results of the optimal spinning reserve model tested in Hainan power grid help reduce the costs of spinning reserve configuration.

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1. Introduction

With the rapid development of the domestic wind power in recent years, the installed capacity of China's wind power had reached 62.364 GW, accounting for 1/4 of the world's installed capacity, and China had occupied the most wind power status of the world [1]. Due to the randomness and intermittency of wind power, random outage of generator and load fluctuation, grid must be installed with certain operating reserve capacity.

Power system must configure some additional spinning reserve to compensate the fluctuation of wind power. The system reserve can be divided into primary reserve (instantaneous reserve), secondary reserve (spinning reserve) and third reserve (long-term reserve) in [2-4]. [5-6] analyze the impacts of large-scale wind farm integrated on power system peaking regulation by simulating the annual timing load curve and wind power output. [7-8] present a definition and computation approach for costs analysis of spinning reserve and benefit assessment. But its study objects contain only conventional units. Considering load forecasting error and wind power output deviation, [9] establishes a model for determining reserve capacity requirement.

This paper establishes the model for determining the optimal spinning reserve by analyzing the deviation of wind power prediction and the operation of hydropower in different water periods, and using the stochastic production simulation technology considering random outage of generator and load fluctuation. Finally, give an example to verify the feasibility of this method.

2. Wind Power Forecasting

There is a direct relationship between output power and wind speed of wind turbines, so power prediction problem can be transformed into the wind speed prediction problem. First of all, smooth the historical observation data of wind speed to establish the time series ARMA (p, q) model [10], and get the wind speed forecasting model after model identification, setting order and parameter estimation. The general relationship between wind power and wind speed is like this:

$$P_{w} = \begin{cases} 0, & v < v_{cut-in} orv \ge v_{cut-out} \\ \frac{v^{3}}{v_{n}^{3} - v_{cut-in}^{3}} P_{n} - \frac{v_{cut-in}^{3}}{v_{n}^{3} - v_{cut-in}^{3}} P_{n}, v_{cut-in} \le v \le v_{n} \\ P_{n}, & v_{n} \le v < v_{cut-out} \end{cases}$$
(1)

The prediction deviation is inevitable. Wind power forecast deviation is approximately in line with the normal distribution. Through the statistical history prediction deviation data of wind power, calculate the mean μ and variance δ^2 of deviation data, which can establish

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the probability density function of wind power prediction deviation. Draw wind power output belt considering prediction deviation as shown below (**Figure 1**).

Select the two edge curves as wind power output curves, and calculate system spinning reserve under these two extreme scenarios. The larger of the results is optimal spinning reserve.

3. Optimal Spinning Reserve Model

In the context of market-oriented reforms, the development of reserve decisions need to take into account both reliability and economy, that meet the reliability requirements of operation, and as much as possible to follow the principle of comprehensive economic benefit at the same time. Benefit is reduction of Expected Energy Not Served (ENNS) after the configuration of spinning reserve; Cost is measured by the opportunity cost of giving up generating or reserve quotation. The difference can be defined as the comprehensive economic benefit of spinning reserve [11].

Take the maximum comprehensive economic benefits of purchasing spinning reserve as the objective function, and establish the optimal reserve model.

The objective function:

$$\max A(N_B) = C * \Delta \mathbf{E}_{ENNS} - \sum_{i=i_H+1}^n \gamma_i * \mathbf{R}_i$$
(2)

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In the equation, *C* is outage cost which Power Grid Corporation provides; ΔE_{ENNS} is the changed amount of Expected Energy Not Served (ENNS) after the configuration of spinning reserve; n is the total number of units; γ_i is reserve quotation of unit *i*; R_i is reserve capacity of unit *i*; *A* is the comprehensive economic benefits after purchasing spinning reserve.

Mainly consider the following constraints:

1) Grid must configure certain spinning reserve.



(3)

Figure 1. Wind power output belt.

In the inequality, C_i is rated capacity of unit *i*.

2) Reserve capacity of each unit cannot exceed the maximum it can provide.

$$0 \le R_i \le R_{\max,i} \tag{4}$$

In the inequality, $R_{\max,i}$ is the maximum reserve capacity which unit i can provide.

3) The speed of providing reserve must meet the ramping rate.

$$0 \le R_i \le 10 * R_{amp,i} \tag{5}$$

In the inequality, $R_{amp,i}$ is the ramping rating of unit i; the time category of spinning reserve working is 10 minutes.

4. The Operation of Hydropower in Different Water Periods

Hydropower energy compared with conventional thermal power, has obvious advantages, low cost, and is also a kind of clean energy source. Most hydropower equipment is simple, and easy to operate. Hydropower unit start-stop quickly, and can track the load flexibly. In the generating scheduling of power system, according to the changes of regional hydropower, its scheduling scheme is more flexible.

In flood period, in order to make full use of water resources, prioritize the full hydropower units and assume base load. Hydropower units output can be considered as a straight line, in the bottom of the load curve as shown in the **Figure 2** below.

In drought period, due to the limited water resources, it is necessary to give full play to the ability of tracking load flexibly, and arrange hydropower unit in the peak load period, play the role of "peaking". According to the hydropower plant runoff and the reservoir storage, calculate the generated energy each hydropower plant can produce in the scheduling period.





Figure 2. Hydropower units assume baseload.

In the equation, n_i is generating efficiency of hydropower plant i; k is coefficient of output; h_i is the reservoir height; v_i % is the percentage of water storage capacity; $v_{i,b}$ is the initial water reservoir; $v_{i,j}$ is water flow of reservoir i in the period j; $v_{i,d}$ is the amount of water in the reservoir at the end of the scheduling.

Sort the load of each study period in descending order, and the maximum load is P_m satisfying the following formula:

$$\sum_{i=1}^{k} \left(P_i - P_m \right) = \sum P_H \tag{7}$$

k is the peaking point as shown in the following **Figure 3**.

5. Stochastic Production Simulation

Choose the biggest wind power output as an example. Due to the balance of system active power, we know this:

$$\sum_{i=i_H+i_W+1}^n P_i = P_L - \sum_{i=i_H+1}^{i_W+i_H} P_i^W - \sum_{i=1}^{i_H} P_i^H$$
(8)

Put the wind power output and hydropower output to the right side of the equal sign, and superimposed with the actual load as the equivalent load.

 P_i^H is the output of hydropower unit i; i_H is the number of hydropower units; i_W is the number of wind turbines; P_L is the load in study period; P_i^W is the output of wind turbine i.

Random outage of generator and load fluctuation may also case the active power imbalance in addition to the randomness and intermittency of wind power. Stochastic production simulation can deduce Expected Energy Not Served (ENNS) on the basis of considering all the above uncertain factors. The details are as follows:

1) Redrawn the equivalent load curve above into the original load duration curve $f_0(x)$. And point $(x_0, f_0(x_0))$ means the duration when the equivalent load equals or greater than x_0 .

2) Assume the unit *i* fails. The forced outage rate of unit *i* is q_i . Amend the original load duration curve by considering random outages of unit *i*.

$$f_i(x) = p_i f_{i-1}(x) + q_i f_{i-1}(x - P_{i,N})$$
(9)

 p_i is the normal operation probability of unit *i*.

We can get the equivalent load duration curve (ELDC) $f_n(x)$ after considering random outages of all the thermal power units, as shown in **Figure 4**.

3) In **Figure 4**, due to the definition of Expected Energy Not Served (ENNS) and the meaning of the equivalent load duration curve (ELDC), we can get this:

$$E_{ENNS} = \int_{P_N}^{P_N + X} f_n(x) dx \tag{10}$$

X is the maximum load in the study period. P_N is the

rated capacity of all the units.

6. Numerical Example

Take the Hainan power grid for example object. The system consists of eight coal units, 12 units of gas turbines, three hydropower plants and four wind farms, specific parameters as shown in the following table. Without loss of generality, select the upper edge curve of wind power output belt, with the hydropower units working in the dry season and the power grid operating in large mode. The outage cost C = 4 yuan / kWh.

Select July 12, 2012 as a typical day in the research period. The power generation load of the typical day is shown in following **Figure 5**.





Figure 4. The equivalent load duration curve (ELDC).

Power Generation Load



Figure 5. The power generation load of the typical day.

By calculation, the generated energy of three hydropower plants in the research period is shown in the following **Table 1**.

Hydropower units in the dry season are mainly responsible for peaking. Peaking position is shown below (**Figure 6**). The maximum load after peaking is 2394MW.

Redrawn the equivalent load curve peaked above into the equivalent load duration curve (ELDC) $f_n(x)$ as shown in the following **Figure 7**.

We can get the results shown in the following **Figure 8** by solving the optimal spinning reserve model.

In the figure, abscissa is spinning reserve capacity, and ordinate is the comprehensive economic benefits. With the increase in spinning reserve capacity, the comprehensive economic benefits are also increasing. When spinning reserve capacity increases to a certain value, the comprehensive economic benefits to maximize reach the maximum. Now the cost of purchasing spinning reserve is equal to the outage loss. The optimal spinning reserve capacity is 373MW. However, the spinning reserve capacity of Hainan power grid in July 12, 2012 is 457 MW. This model reduces the cost of power grid in spinning reserve configuration under the premise of meeting the operational reliability.

7. Conclusions

This paper shows how stochastic production simulation can be applied to solve the optimal spinning reserve problem which determines the spinning reserve requirements in power system with wind integrated. This model helps a power system overcome the randomness and intermittency of wind power, random outage of generator

hydropower	rated capacity	total power
1	4*60	840.6
2	2*40	393.3
3	4*20	176.1
3000		~~~
2000		
1500		

Table 1. The generated energy of three hydropower plants.



14.24

19.12

0.00

9:36

4.48

1000

500

0

0.00



Figure 7. The equivalent load duration curve (ELDC) of the typical day.



Figure 8. The relationship between comprehensive economic benefits and spinning reserve capacity.

and load fluctuation. Results tested in Hainan power grid reduce the cost of spinning reserve configuration without affecting operational reliability.

The main contributions of this paper include 1) introducing a efficient method to forecast wind power output, 2) developing a model on the optimal spinning reserve, 3) propose a convenient approach to solve the operation problem of hydropower in different water period, 4) formulating the stochastic production simulation.

The mat lab program developed in this paper has been able to solve the optimal spinning reserve model. Expect to apply software copyright and supply service to power companies in the future.

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