



# **Determination of ATC Using DCPTDFs Based Approach in Deregulated Market**

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**ABSTRACT:** Deregulated electricity industry aims to create a competition in market to trade electricity, which gives new opportunities to deal with technical challenges of market participants and power system researchers. The benefits are efficient capacity expansion planning, cheaper electricity, cost minimization, and better services. For better transmission services support in electricity industry and full utilization of transmission assets, Available Transfer Capability (ATC) must be calculated. Available transfer capability (ATC) of transmission network is the extra amount of power transfer that can be transmitted between the buyer bus and seller bus without any loss of security. For proper operations of system under the various transactions, ATC calculations must be fast and accurate enough. In this paper by using DCPTDF scheme the ATC is calculated with and without line contingency case and then the corresponding values of ATC are compared. The multiple line contingencies and their effect on the value of ATC are shown. The above said methodology is implemented on IEEE 24-bus test system.

**KEYWORDS:** Available transfer capability, DC power transfer distribution factors, and line outage contingency, and line outage distribution factors.

## **I. INTRODUCTION**

The bundled electric utilities using terms transmission capacity, transmission interchange capability, transmission system load ability and simultaneous transfer capability to measure the strength of their transmission systems. The assessment of transmission system load ability play a vital role in both real time operation and operational planning in order to utilize maximum available system components with respect to system security. The electric power industries, all over the world, have changed to a new deregulated environment to create competitive electricity markets. Due to competition in the electric power industry, there is a search for the better utilization of the transmission facilities. Thus, the transfer capability during the transmission system is used as a basis to determine the quantity of transmission service available to reschedule energy delivery. Under the U. S. Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC), which established open access non-discriminatory transmission services policy and open access same time information system (OASIS), ATC is required to be posted on OASIS to make competition reasonable and effective. Such information will help power marketers and sellers and buyers to reserve transmission services. Utilities must therefore, determine their ATC sufficient to ensure the security of the system while executing a wide range of transmission transactions. Due to changes in the system conditions or scheduled power transfers between the areas, ATC has to be continuously updated and posted. There are various sources of uncertainties involved in the ATC calculation [3]. These uncertainties can be attributed to forced and scheduled transmission outages, weather conditions and generation unavailability. Because of these conditions, the inaccuracies or uncertainties of the TTC and ATC values will also increase with time. The methods based on Power Transfer Distribution Factors/Outage Factors using DC load flow have been reported in [4-8]. The DC load flow based methods utilizing DC power transfer distribution factors are reported for ATC computation in [5]. In this paper, PTDFs based approach using DC load flow has been implemented for ATC determination in case of single-transaction environment. The line outages have also been considered for ATC determination in single-transaction cases. The results have also been obtained for single transactions IEEE RTS 24 bus system [1].



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## II. METHODOLOGY FOR ATC DETERMINATION

### A. Power Transfer Distribution Factors Based On DC Load Flow Approach

Assuming the line resistance equal to zero, no charging capacitance of the lines, all terminal voltages equal to 1 p.u at all buses, the N-R load flow equations can be approximated in the simple form. These equations are called DC load flow. The DC load flow equation, describing the relationship between the bus voltage angle vector  $[\delta]$  and real power injection vector  $[P]$  for a  $N_B$ -bus system, is given as follows:

$$[P]=[B][\delta]$$

Where,  $[B]$  is the  $N_B \times N_B$  susceptance matrix, whose entries are:

The change in injected power at any bus  $i$  can be written as:

$$[\Delta P_i] = [B][\Delta \delta_i]$$

where

$\Delta P_i$  matrix which shows change in real power at bus  $i$ .

$B$  is susceptance matrix.

$\Delta \delta_i$  matrix which shows change in voltage angle at any bus  $i$ .

The DC power transfer distribution factors (DCPTDFs) are the linear sensitivity factors which relates the change in the real power flow in a line to the change in a transaction between seller bus  $m$  and buyer bus  $n$ . Mathematically this can be defined as:

$$\text{DCPTDF} = \frac{\Delta P_{ij}}{\Delta P_{mn}}$$

For calculating PTFs, the power flow equation for DC load flow and its sensitivity calculation is essential. Real power flows in a line connected between bus  $i$  and bus  $j$  using DC power flow formulation is given as:

$$P_{ij} = \frac{\delta_i - \delta_j}{x_{ij}} = b_{ij} (\delta_i - \delta_j)$$

Where,  $x_{ij}$  and  $b_{ij}$  are the series reactance and susceptance of the transmission line.

$\delta_i$  is the phase angle of voltage at bus  $i$ .

The DCPTDFs for a line between buses  $i$  and  $j$  and a transaction between a seller bus  $m$  and a buyer bus  $n$  can be expressed as:

$$\text{DCPTDF}_{ij-mn} = \frac{x_{im} - x_{jm} - x_{in} + x_{jn}}{x_{ij}}$$

### B. Line Outage Distribution Factors

ATC is constrained by the effects of contingencies. The dc power flow can be used to compute the effects of each line outage and then the PTFs applied to find transfer limits but by using LODFs the computational speed can be increased. LODFs and PTFs can be combined together to evaluate the first contingency incremental transfer capability, which is the maximum increase in transaction amount from one zone to another zone. Whenever there occurs an outage, the power flowing on the outage line is redistributed on the remaining lines in the system. The line outage distribution factors (LODF) is a measure of this redistribution.  $\text{DCLODF}_{ij-rs}$  is the fraction of the power flowing on the line from bus/zone  $r$  to bus/zone  $s$  before the line outage ( $P_{rs}^0$ ), which now flows over a line from bus/zone  $i$  to bus/zone  $j$  and can be defined as:



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$$DCLODF_{ij-rs} = \frac{\Delta P_{ij-rs}}{P_{rs}^0}$$

where, r and s are the buses/zones connecting a line, whose outage is being simulated. In terms of line series reactance and elements of matrix [X] of DC load flow, DCLODFs can be expressed as:

$$DC LODF_{ij-rs} = \frac{N_{rs} x_{rs} (X_{ir} - X_{is} - X_{jr} + X_{js})}{N_{ij} x_{ij} [N_{rs} x_{rs} - (X_{rr} + X_{ss} - 2X_{rs})]}$$

Where,

$x_{ij}$  and  $X_{ir}$  are the series reactance of the line ij and  $i_r$ <sup>th</sup> element of matrix [X].

$N_{ij}$  are the number of parallel circuits connecting bus/zone i and bus/zone j.

### C.ATC Determination Using DCPTDFs for Intact System

The DCPTDFs have been used to determine ATC for different transactions. A transaction from bus/zone m to bus/zone n creates a change  $\Delta P_{ij}$  in the flow on a line from bus/zone i to bus/zone j. The new flow on the line is the sum of the original flow  $P_{ij}^0$  and the change in the flow. It must be less than the line flow limit,  $P_{ij}^{\max}$ . Thus, the new line flow:

$$P_{ij}^{\text{new}} = (P_{ij}^0 + \Delta P_{ij}) \leq P_{ij}^{\max} \quad (1)$$

The maximum increase in the flow of the line between buses i and j for transaction between buses m and n,  $\Delta P_{ij}^{\max}$  can be written as:

$$\Delta P_{ij}^{\max} = DCPTDF_{ij,mn} * P_{ij,mn}^{\max} \quad (2)$$

From eq. (1) and (2)

$$P_{ij-mn}^{\max} \leq \frac{P_{ij}^{\max} - P_{ij}^0}{DCPTDF_{ij,mn}}$$

where,  $P_{ij,mn}^{\max}$  is the maximum allowable transaction amount from bus/zone m to bus/zone n constrained by the line flow limit from bus/zone i to bus/zone j. For the given transaction, the ATC can be defined as:

$$ATC_{mn} = \min_{ij \in N_l} \{ P_{ij,mn}^{\max} \}$$

Where,  $N_l$  is the total number of lines in the system.

### D.ATC Determination under Line Contingency

According to ATC principles, adequate amount of uncertainties should be accommodated in ATC calculations. Line outage as contingency cases should be taken into account for ATC calculations as it is constrained by the effect of contingencies. DCLODFs and DCPTDFs can be combined together to compute first contingency incremental transfer capability. This is the maximum increase in the transaction amount from a bus/zone to another bus/zone under (n-1) contingency condition. Consider a transaction from zone m to zone n and the outage of the line from bus/zone r to bus/zone s (line rs). The change in the flow on the line rs due to the given transaction is:

$$\Delta P_{rs}^{\text{new}} = DCPTDF_{rs,mn} * P_{mn}^{\text{new}}$$



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When the outage of line rs is considered, the part of the flow appears on line ij. Thus, the change in flow in the line ij resulting from outage of the line rs along with a new transaction from bus/zone m to bus/zone n is given by:

$$\Delta P_{ij,rs}^{new} = (DCPTDF_{ij,mn} + DCLODF_{ij,rs} * DCPTDF_{rs,mn}) * P_{mn}^{new}$$

The ATC from bus/zone m to bus/zone n, with outage of line rs is given as:

$$ATC_{mn,rs} = \min_{ij \in N_l} \left\{ \frac{P_{ij}^{mn} - P_{ij}^0}{DCPTDF_{ij,mn} + DCLODF_{ij,rs} * DCPTDF_{rs,mn}} \right\}$$

All possible combinations of outage lines and limiting lines should be checked. Then, ATC can be evaluated as:

$$ATC_{mn,rs} = \min_{ij} \left( \min_{mn,ij} P_{mn,ij}^{max}, \min_{ij,rs} P_{mn,ij,rs}^{max} \right)$$

The steps explained in previous section for calculating ATC, these can be summarized in the flow chart shown in Fig.1. Whenever a transaction occurs between two buses, the real power flows of the lines changes. This is due to the change in angle. This change in line flows is given by:

$$[\Delta P_{ij}] = DCPTDF_t * P_t$$

Now the total line flows will be the sum of base case real power flow and the change in line flows. Mathematically it can be written as:

$$P_{tot} = P_{ij} + \Delta P_{ij}$$

is a column matrix which indicates the amount of power transferred between seller bus and buyer bus. The seller bus acts the source and the buyer bus acts as the sink for the power or the positive injection and negative injection, respectively. The entries in this matrix is +1 for seller bus and -1 for the buyer bus, all other elements will be zero for single transactions. The maximum allowable capability of the transaction using DCPTDF is given as

$$P_{ij-mn}^{max} = [P_{ij}^{max} - P_{ij}] / DCPTDF_{ij,mn}$$

Where,

$P_{ij}^{max}$  Maximum transfer limit of the line between bus i and j.

Now the ATC can be expressed mathematically as:

$$ATC_{mn} = \min \{ P_{ij,mn}^{max} \mid ij \in nl \}$$

Where,

nl is the total number of lines in the system.

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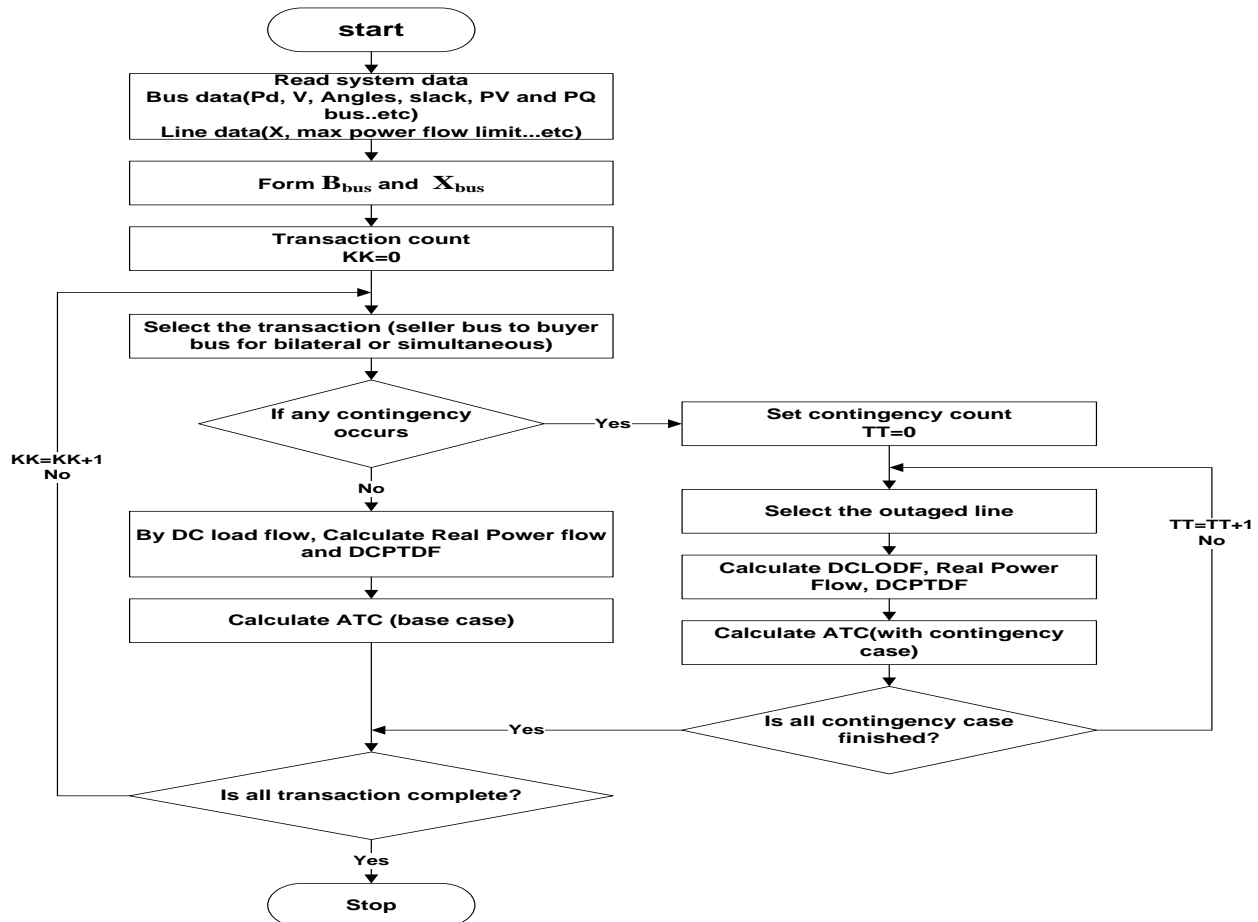


Fig.1 Flow chart for ATC determination

Using the steps for ATC calculation described in the previous section, ATC can be determined for all transactions in the case of intact system and contingency cases.

### III. RESULTS AND DISCUSSIONS

The results have been determined for IEEE RTS 24 bus system. The results include PTFD calculations for intact system and contingency cases in all transactions. Based on the PTFDs ATC have been calculated for all transaction cases.

The transactions chosen are:

T1: transaction between seller bus1 to buyer bus 2.

T2: transaction between seller bus5 to buyer bus 10

T3: transaction between seller bus11 to buyer bus 14

DCPTDFs of different Transactions T1, T2, and T3 are shown in graphical form in the Fig. 2. It is observed from the figure that PTFD for different transactions cases are different and are calculated for the ATC determination. These DCPTDFs are shown without contingency case.

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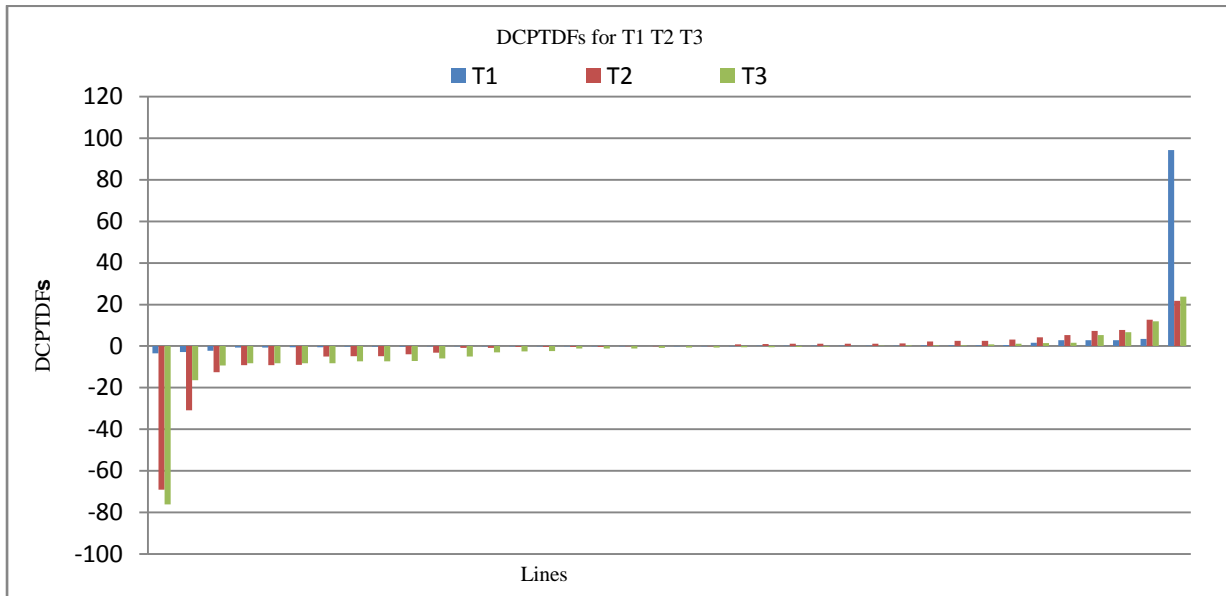


Fig 2 DCPTDFs without line contingency case

DCPTDF show what percent of a transfer would appear on each transmission line when a particular transactions happen in a system. In the results negative sign indicates that power can flow occurs in the reverse direction.

Now with DCPTDFs available for all transaction cases, ATCs are calculated for different transactions T1, T2, T3. ATCs obtained for intact case are shown in the Fig. 3. DC method is fast for calculating ATC. Base case line flows and DCPTDFs are used for evaluating ATC.



Fig.3ATC with different transactions

ATCs for the contingency cases are determined for each transaction case under line outages. DCPTDFs under line outages and LODFs are calculated for ATC determination. DCPTDF are shown in Figs. 4-6 for the transactions T1, T2 and T3 with different outage lines. LODFs are the measure of redistribution of the power flows in the lines due to the outage of any line in a system. It is observed from the DCPTDFs with line outages and without line outages, that there is



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change in the patterns of PTDFs for each line outage case for all the transactions. DCLODFs obtained with DC load flow approach are shown in Fig. 8. ATC for line outage cases are given in Table I and are shown in Fig. 7.

TABLE 1  
 ATC FOR LINE OUTAGES FOR DIFFERENT TRANSACTIONS

Outage Line	ATC(p.u)		
	T1	T2	T3
1-5	61.46	245.99	548.12
9-11	109.03	262.86	-1006.77
12-13	120.73	238.66	631.29
17-18	124.71	242.80	596.34

The table shows the ATC with line outages for different transactions. The ATC value is taken to be minimum value for all transactions. This value shows the unutilized value available for further transactions over already committed units. It is observed from the table that ATC decreases for line outages for all transaction cases.

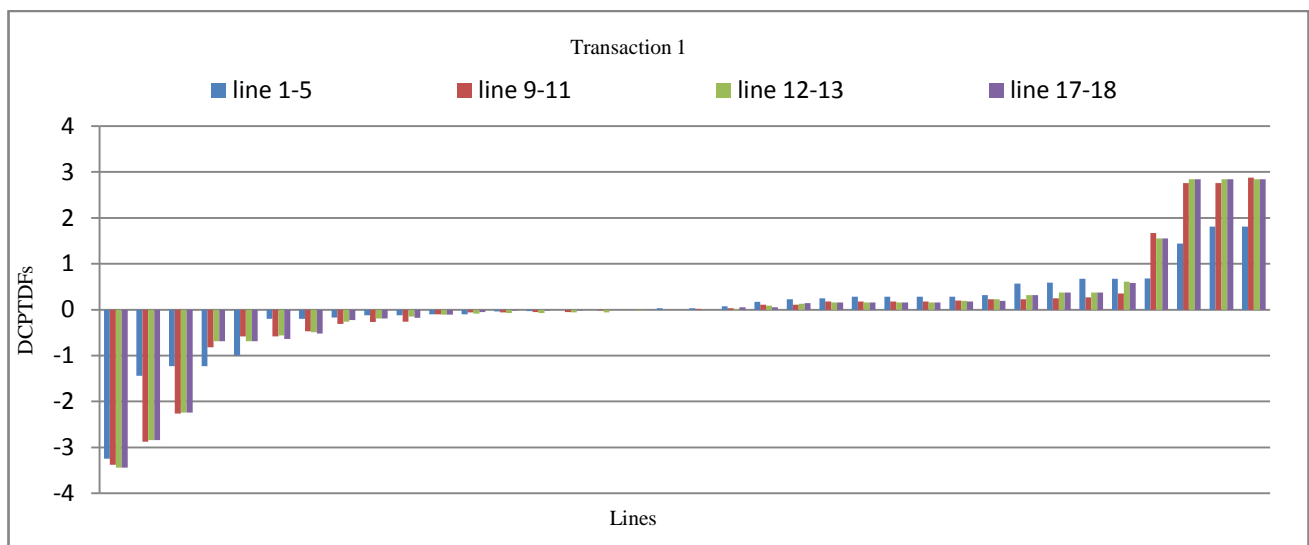


Fig.4 DCPTDFs for transaction T1

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This figure depicts the DCPTDFs for transaction 1 i.e from seller bus 1 to buyer bus 2 with different line outages. The graphs show the distribution of power over the transmissions lines when there is outage of different transmission lines.

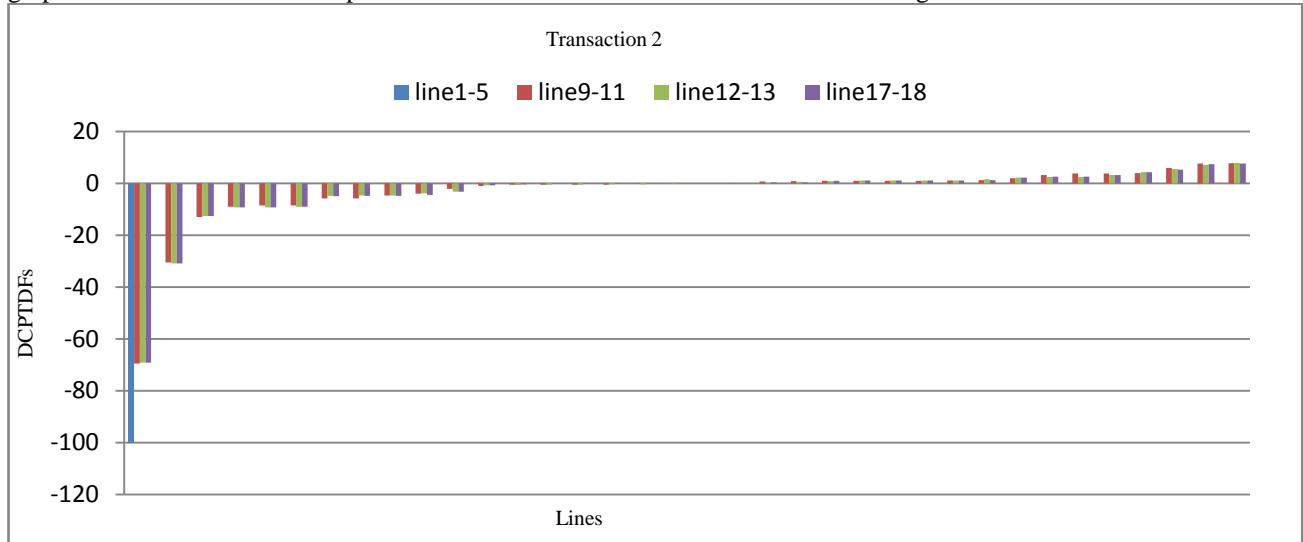


Fig.5. DCPTDFs for transaction T2

This figure depicts the DCPTDFs for transaction 2 i.e from seller bus 5 to buyer bus 10 with different line outages. The graphs show the distribution of power over the transmissions lines when there is outage of different transmission lines. The negative distributed power over transmission lines show that power can flow in reverse direction also i.e reactive power flow over transmission lines.

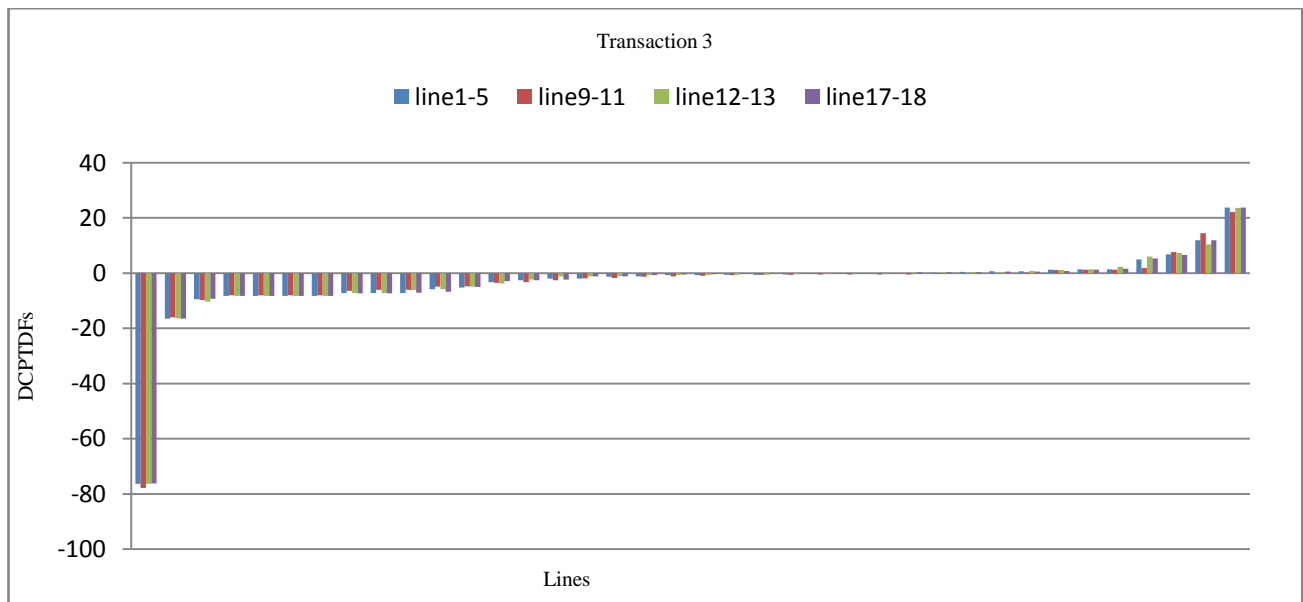


Fig.6 DCPTDFs for transaction T3

This figure depicts the DCPTDFs for transaction 3 i.e from seller bus 11 to buyer bus 14 with different line outages. The graphs show the distribution of power over the transmissions lines when there is outage of different transmission



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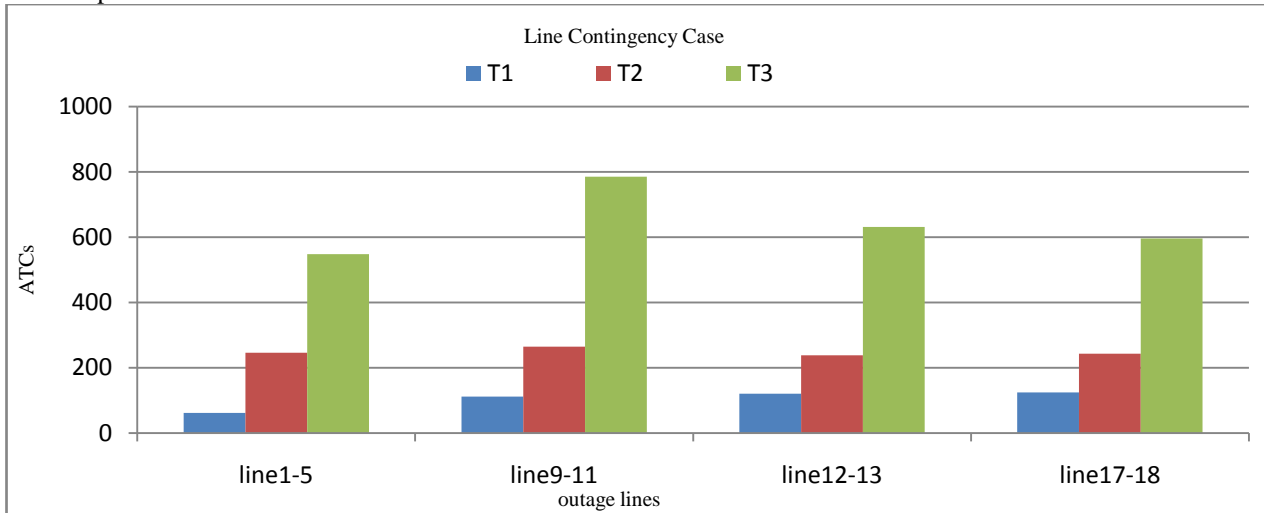


Fig.7 ATC for contingency cases for different transactions

This graph shows the ATC for different transactions with line contingency case which provides us the information about how much power can be available over transmission lines if there is outage of different lines. The maximum ATC is available for T3 during the outage of line 9-11.

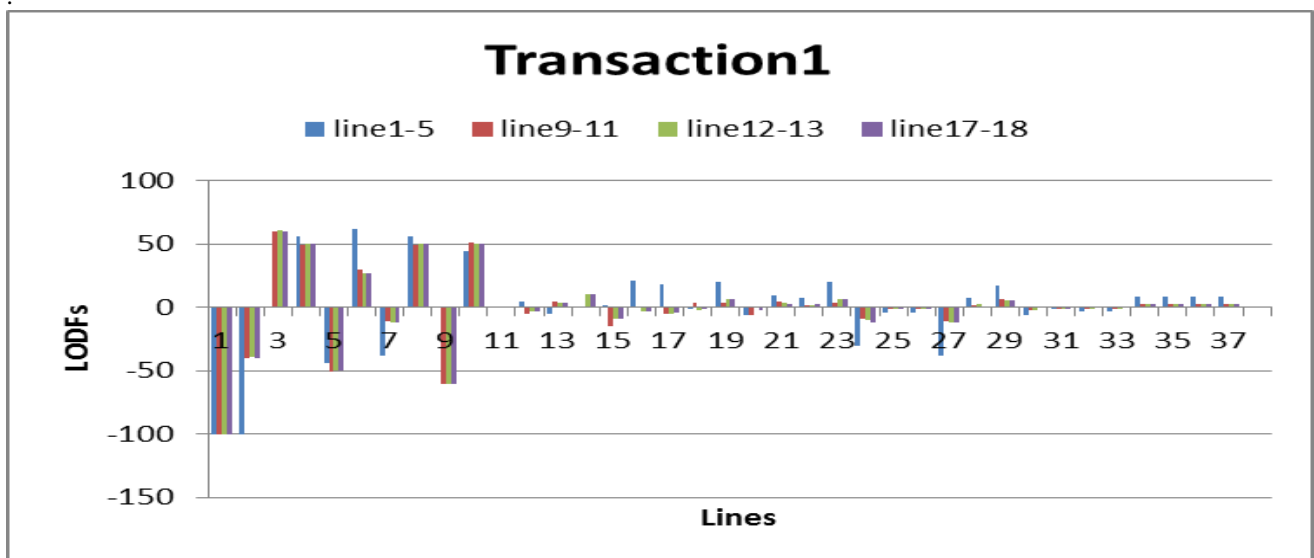


Fig. 8 Line outage distribution factors

The graph shows the line outage distribution factors for transaction 1 with different line outages. This provides us information regarding the distribution of power over transmission lines when some lines are being outage.



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## IV.CONCLUSION

In this paper, methodology for ATC determination has been suggested for bilateral transactions based on DC load flow approach. Results are shown in tabular and bar charts form. DCLODFs are used to determine ATCs in contingency case. Calculation of ATC by DC load flow is easy and it is less time consuming because this method is non iterative method. In line contingency cases, ATC is found to decrease for all transactions as compared to ATC without line contingency case.

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