



Intelligent Load Shedding for Distributed Generating System

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ABSTRACT: In recent years, load shedding systems have been used in conventional under frequency relay and breaker inter lock schemes integrated with Programmable Logic Controller which typically result in excessive load shedding. An intelligent load shedding is a model driven load shedding system with predictive solution optimization techniques which improves response time and makes fast, optimum and reliable load shedding decisions with conditions such as loss of generation, short circuits etc. This paper demonstrates the need for a modern load scheme and introduces the new technology of intelligent load shedding. Simulations of case studies for Plant energy power plant is performed to demonstrate the advantages of Intelligent load shedding methods over conventional load shedding methods from the design and operation perspectives.

KEYWORDS: ETA, intelligent load shedding (ILS), PLC, Relay, stability, TD-total demand, TG-total generation.

I. INTRODUCTION

Intelligent load shedding is means to improve power system stability, by providing an adapted load control along the distribution network in situations where the power system otherwise would go unstable. The work with intelligent load shedding in this work results in various technical principles of dedicated algorithms. These algorithms intend to bring a support tool for the operating system during critical situation. The main aspects are evaluating the right amount and location of power response for a given disturbance evaluating the right time response expected in order to comply with an acceptable stability recover. In this project different case studies for plant energy plant are performed using ETAP software and this information are given to programmable logic controller (PLC).

II. CONVENTIONAL LOAD SHEDDING TECHNIQUES

A. BREAKER INTERLOCK LOAD SHEDDING

Even though its execution is fast, it has some drawbacks, listed below.

- Load shedding based on worst.
- More loads are shed than required.
- Only one stage of load shedding.
- System modifications are costly.

B. UNDER-FREQUENCY RELAY LOAD SHEDDING

Drawbacks of this scheme are listed below.

- Response time is slow.
- Incorrect / excessive load shedding.
- Lack of knowledge in the analysis to shed the load.

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C. PROGRAMMABLE LOGIC CONTROLLER - BASED LOAD SHEDDING

Main drawback of the system is the pre-defined load priority tables implementation at the PLC level that are which is done by sequential execution that curtail blocks of load and dynamic changes in the system loading, generation, or operating configuration is not taken into consideration.

III. INTELLIGENT LOAD SHEDDING SYSTEM

Intelligent load shedding calculates the minimum required MW to be shed for each subsystems according to the type and location of the disturbance, actual operating generation, spin reserve, loading configuration, load disturbance and priority. Intelligent load shedding then selects the best combination of loads (CBs) that will satisfy this requirement. All of this is executed in less than a few milliseconds after a disturbance occurs in the system for transient events or after user defined time delay for steady state overload conditions.

In Fig 1 represents functional diagrams of Intelligent load shedding. Knowledge base is most important block. It is connected to the load shedding which sends trip signals relay. The network model can be accessed by the knowledge base while monitoring the system. And the flowchart of ILS is shown in Fig.2

A. IMPLEMENTATION OF ILS

An effective load shedding approach requires a comprehensive understanding of power system dynamics and process constraints, combined with knowledge of system disturbances and Single line diagram of energy plant is shown in Fig 3. ILS helps to shed the load swiftly and hence prevents the equipments from damage and system from blackout Intelligent load shedding calculates the minimum required MW to be shed for each subsystem according to the type and location of the disturbance, actual operating generation, spin reserve, loading, configuration, load distribution, and priority. Intelligent load shedding then selects the best combination of loads (CBs) that will satisfy this requirement. All of this is executed in less than a few milliseconds after a disturbance occurs in the system for transient events or after user-defined time delay for steady-state overload conditions.

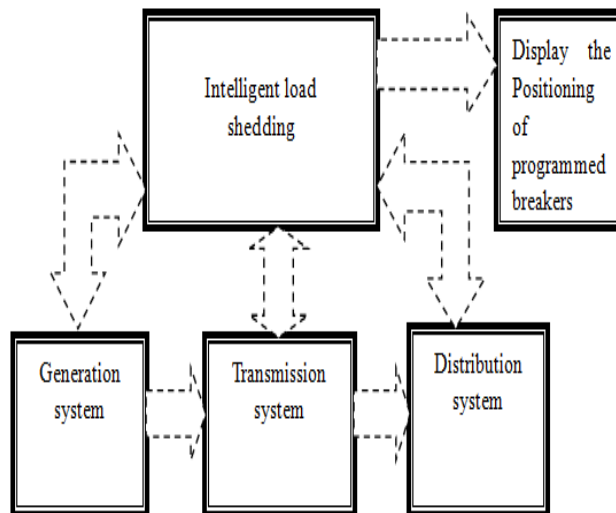


Fig 1 Implementation of ILS in plant

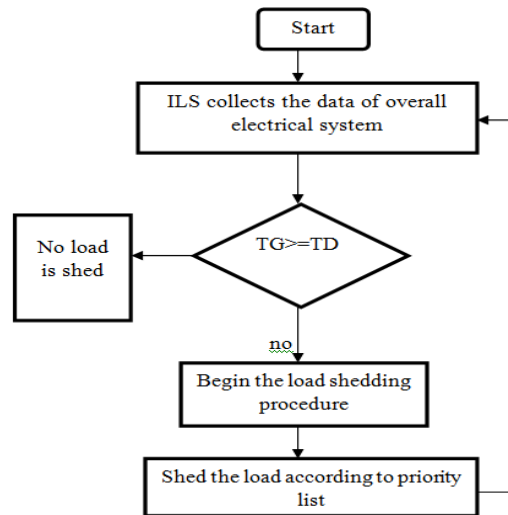


Fig 2. Flow chart of ILS

IV. IMPLEMENTATION OF ILS IN A REAL POWER PLANT

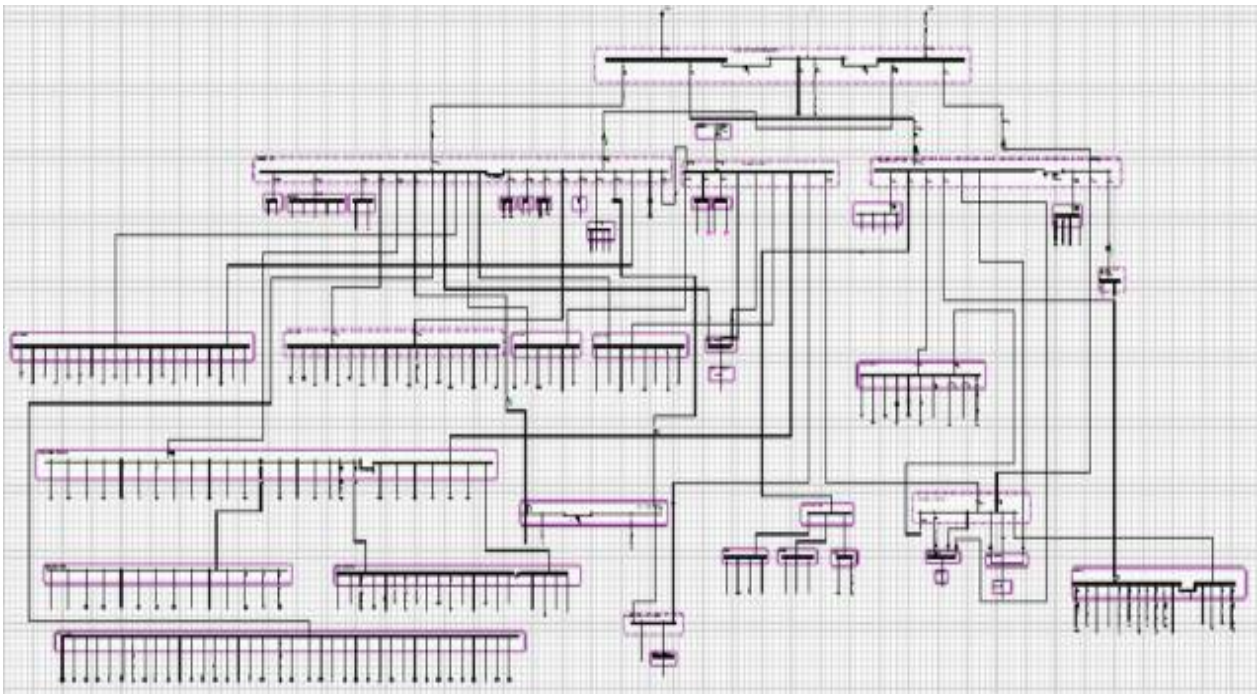


Fig 3. Single line diagram of energy plant

A. SYSTEM DESCRIPTION

Plant plant has 3 nos. of 6.6 kV Gas Turbine Generators (2 nos working + 1 no.standby), each with a rated output of 8MW to meet the total Electrical load demand of the terminal. 6.6kV supply is derived from these generators and supplied to the main MV switch board. The primary power distribution voltages are 6.6kV and 415V. Following are the main substations in this plant for feeding power to the total terminal load.Main electrical substation: This substation

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houses the main 6.6kV switchgear connected to GTG. Main power feeders for other substations shall emanate from this substation. Admin MCC room: This substation in the admin MCC room feeds the electrical load of all non-plant Buildings.

V. CASE STUDY

A. Study Case 1 – Tripping of large motor: 6.6 kV Export pump is tripped at time T=1 seconds.

a) Summary of results and Recommendations – Case 1

From the study result plots, during disturbance caused by sudden loss of MV motor load (2000 kW), it is observed that in the generation bus Bus-1, Bus-2, Bus-3 frequency disturbance is negligible and voltage is stabilized within a few cycle and it is shown in Fig 4. and Fig 5

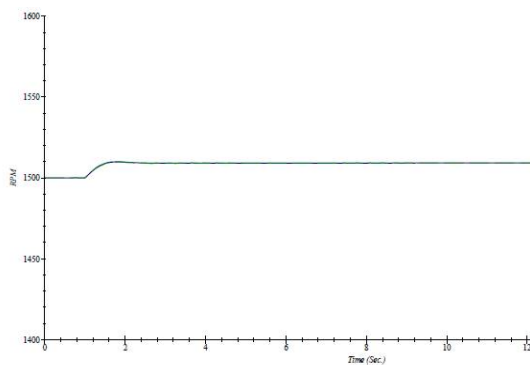


Fig 4. Generator speed

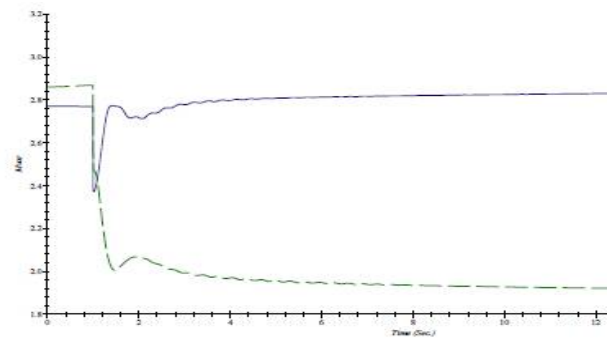


Fig 5. generator reactive power

B. Study Case 2 – Sudden loss of Generator GTG-1: Generator GTG-1 is tripped at time T=1 seconds.

a) Summary of results and Recommendations – Case 2

From the study result plots, during disturbance caused by sudden loss of generator GTG-1, the generation bus, frequency disturbance is negligible and voltage is stabilized within a few cycles and it is shown in Fig 6. and Fig 7. The generation power loss is compensated by shedding loads according to the load shedding schedule for 2.8MW load. Load shedding shall be done such that during one generator failure, the power system shall continue to operate without tripping the generator due to overload.

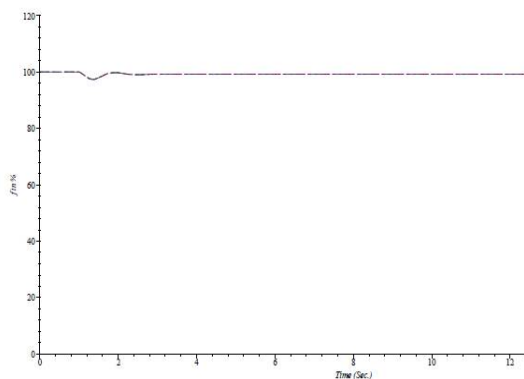


Fig 6 bus frequency

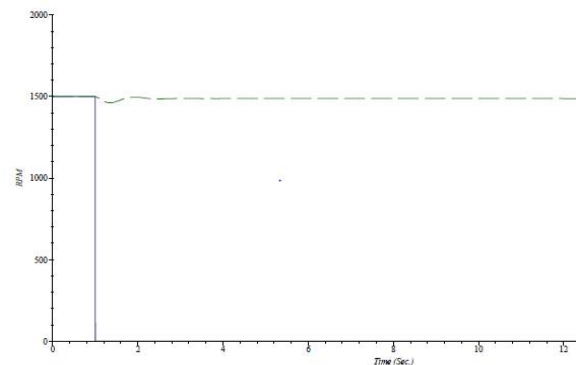


Fig 7. Generator speed

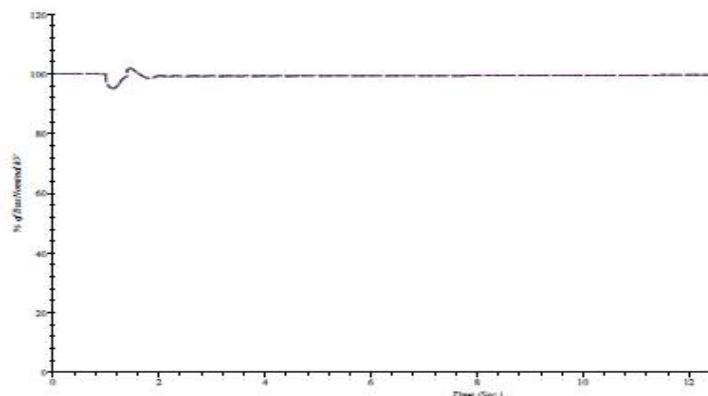


Fig 8. Bus voltage

C. Study Case 3 – Tripping of Power Transformer:

Power transformer is tripped at time T=01 seconds.

a) Summary of results and Recommendations – Case 3

From the study result plots, during disturbance caused by sudden loss of Power transformer (MES), it is observed that in the generation bus Bus-1, Bus-2, Bus-3 frequency disturbance is negligible and voltage is stabilized within a few cycles and it is shown in Fig 9.and Fig 10. Load sharing function shall respond in reducing the two generator loads equally.

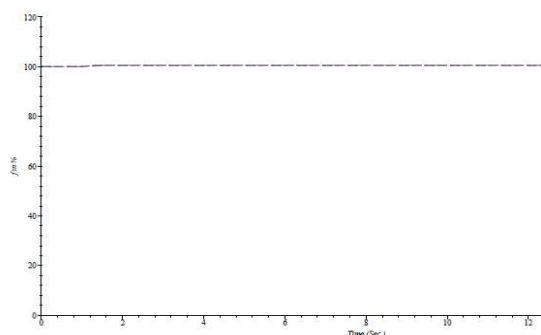


Fig 9. Bus frequency

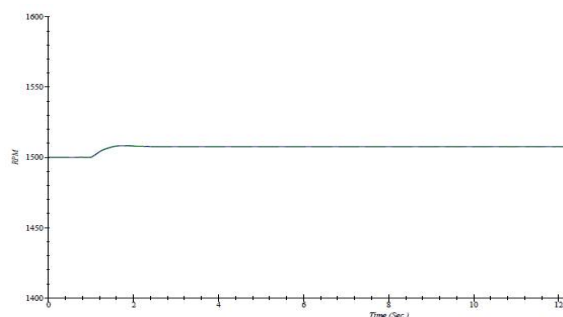


Fig 10. Generator speed

D. Study Case 4 – 3 phase fault at 6.6 kV bus (BUS-3):3 phase fault is applied at t=1.2 seconds on 6.6 kV bus (BUS-3). Fault is cleared after 400 ms (at t=1.4 seconds).

a) Summary of results and Recommendations – Case 4

From the study result plots after the application of fault in BUS-3, the power generation bus voltage dropping down. After the fault cleared at 400 ms, the generation voltage, frequency and power are recovered to normal state and it is shown in Fig 11.and Fig 12. The relative power angle of the generators is within the limit of 120 degrees. So we conclude that the generators are retaining the synchronism after the fault cleared in 400 ms and the large motor can be able to re-accelerate to attain rated speed after clearing the fault in 400 ms. Hence the protection relay setting shall be done based on this critical fault clearing time to clear the fault within 400 ms.

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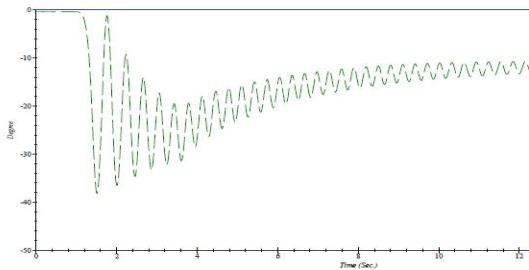


Fig 11. Generator reactive angle

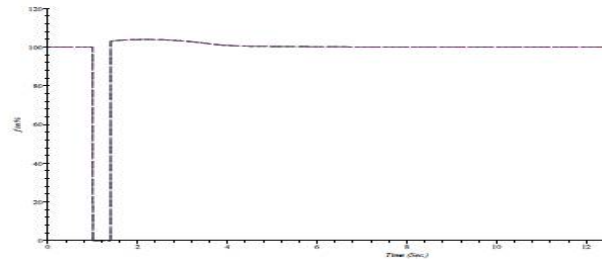


Fig 12 Bus frequency

VI HARDWARE RESULT AND DISCUSSION

The simulation study was carried out in embedded controller and it is shown in Fig 13 where the transformer is given to the 3 phase supply, it energizes the relay contactor and controller. It gives 9V and 15V supply to the bridge rectifier and relay driver circuit. The current transformer measures the current values using current measuring module and this current is converted into voltage using shunt resistor through voltage measuring module. The 5V controller displays the voltage and current value and this data are given to the 12V relay by converting 5V to 12V using transistor. An Alternator operates at 440V, in which inductive and resistive load of 16A and 20A are connected. These loads are operated up to 2.1A when the current rating exceeds this value, the relay send the signal to the contactor and then the particular load will be tripped from the circuit. Thus the system will be operated in stable condition.

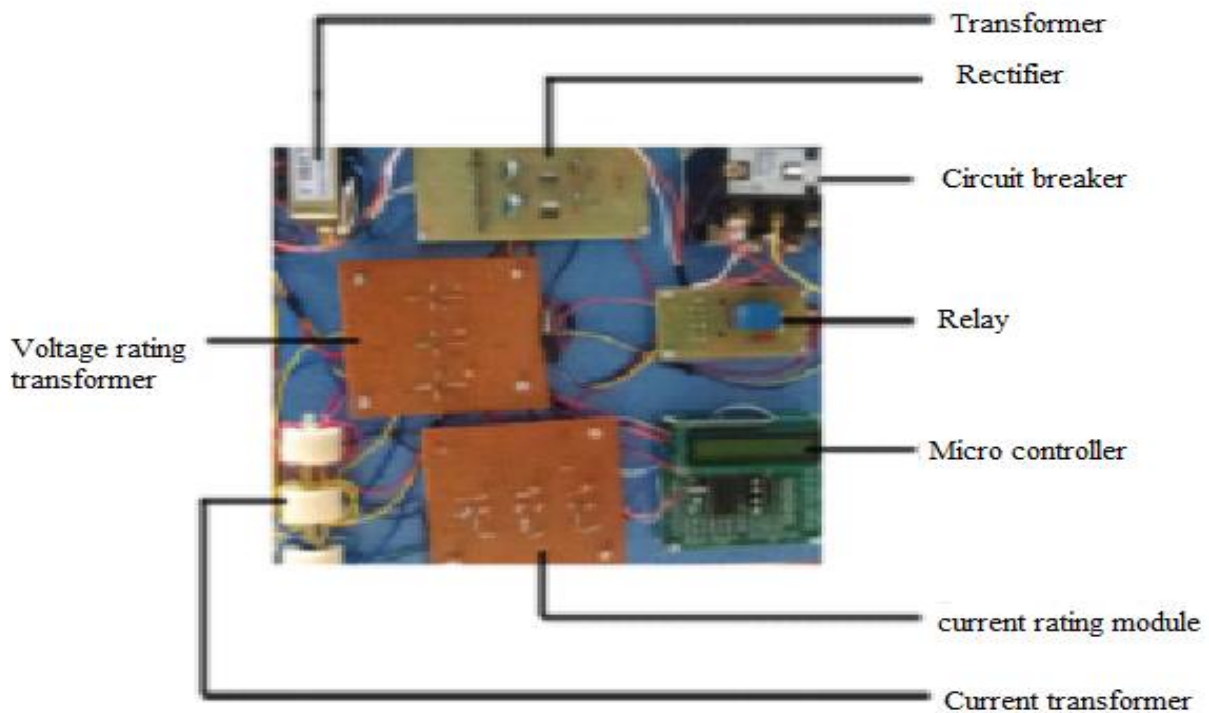


Fig 13. Hardware



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VI CONCLUSION

This paper has introduced an intelligent, optimal, and fast load shedding technology referred to as ILS. ILS combines online data, equipment ratings, user-defined control logics, and a knowledgebase obtained from power system simulation studies, to continually update Dynamic load shed tables. This system can perform optimal load shedding within 200 milliseconds from the initial occurrence of a disturbance. Thus a detailed study on Load Shedding is made. Overall Plant energy process, various cycles involved and various strategies of Plant energy were broadly discussed. A 8MW Plant energy plant has been taken for study. Overall modeling of entries plant power system is made in ETAP. The SLD of the Plant energy power plant is drawn in ETAP. ILS technology has been successfully installed and operational at several industrial facilities. Thus the Stability of the given system is maintained through intelligent load shedding.

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