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#### **MODULE 6:** Power System Stability.

#### Overview

The importance of power system stability is increasingly becoming one of the most limiting factors for system performance. By the stability of a power system, we mean the ability of the system to remain in operating equilibrium, or synchronism, while disturbances occur on the system. There are three types of stability, namely, steady-state, dynamic and transient stability. However, to understand the basic concepts of power systems stability, only the transient stability with simplified system will be presented in this module.

#### **Stability Definitions**

In the study of electric power systems, several different types of stability descriptions are encountered. There are three types of stability, namely,

(1) Steady-state stability –	refers to the stability of a power system subject to small and		
	gradual changes in load, and the system remains stable with		
	conventional excitation and governor controls.		
(2) Dynamic stability –	refers to the stability of a power system subject to a relatively		
	small and sudden disturbance, the system can be described by		
	linear differential equations, and the system can be stabilized		
	by a linear and continuous supplementary stability control.		
(3) Transient stability –	refers to the stability of a power system subject to a sudden		
	and severe disturbance beyond the capability of the linear and		
	continuous supplementary stability control, and the system		
	may lose its stability at the first swing unless a more effective		
	countermeasure is taken, usually of the discrete type, such as		
	dynamic resistance braking or fast valving for the electric		
	energy surplus area, or load shedding for the electric energy		
	deficient area. For transient stability analysis and control		
	design, the power system must be described by nonlinear		
	differential equations.		

To understand the basic concept of stability of power systems, transient stability is discussed in this module. Examples requiring only simple calculations and computer programming using Matlab will be presented.

#### Fundamentals of Transient Stability

Transient stability concerns with the matter of maintaining synchronism among all generators when the power system is suddenly subjected to severe disturbances such as faults or short circuits caused by lightning strikes, the sudden removal from the transmission system of a

generator and/or a line, and any severe shock to the system due to a switching operation. Because of the severity and suddenness of the disturbance, the analysis of transient stability is focused on the first few seconds, or even the first few cycles, following the fault occurrence or switching operation.

First swing analysis is another name that is applied to transient stability studies, since during the brief period following a severe disturbance the generator undergoes its first transient overshoot, or swing. If the generator(s) can get through it without losing synchronism, it is said to be transient stable. On the other hand, if the generator(s) loses its synchronism and can not get through the first swing, it is said to be (transient) unstable. There is a critical angle within which the fault must be cleared if the system is to remain stable. The equal-area criterion is needed and can be used to understand the power system stability. Before getting into detail discussion of the subject, some simple figures can be utilized to graphically represent the difference between a stable case and an unstable case. In a stable case, as shown in Figure 6-1, if the fault is cleared at  $t_{c1}$  second, or at angle  $\delta_{c1}$ , where the area  $A_a$  (area associated with acceleration of the generator) equals the area A<sub>d</sub> (area associated with deceleration of the generator). One can see that the angle reaches its maximum  $\delta_m$  at t<sub>c1</sub> and never gets greater than this value. In the unstable case, as shown in Figure 6-2, the fault is cleared at  $t_{c2}$  second with the area  $A_a$  greater than the area A<sub>d</sub>. Also, it is very clear that for an unstable case, with the fault cleared at  $t_{c2}$  the angle keeps increasing and goes out-of-step, or unstable, as shown in Figure 6-2. More detail discussion on equal-area criterion will be presented later.



Stable Case

Response to a fault cleared in  $t_{c1}$  seconds - stable case

Fig. 6-1. First swing analysis for a stable case.

**Unstable Case** 



in  $t_{c2}$  seconds - unstable case

Fig. 6-2. First swing analysis for an unstable case.

#### Swing Equation

The moment of inertia and the accelerating torque of a synchronous machine can be related as follows

$$J\frac{d^2\delta_m}{dt^2} = T_a,$$

where

J = moment of inertia,

 $\delta_{\rm m}$  = mechanical angle,

and

 $T_a = T_m - T_e$  = accelerating torque = the difference between the mechanical torque and the electromagnetic torque.

In steady-state conditions,  $T_m = T_e$  and  $T_a = 0$ .

The relationship between the mechanical angle and the electrical angle (rotor angle) can be expressed as

$$\delta = \frac{P}{2}\delta_{\rm m},$$

where

P is the number of poles of the machine.

Then, the equation of the accelerating torque can be re-written as

$$\mathbf{J} \cdot \frac{2}{\mathbf{P}} \cdot \frac{\mathbf{d}^2 \boldsymbol{\delta}}{\mathbf{dt}^2} = \mathbf{T}_{\mathbf{a}} \,.$$

It is reasonable to assume that the machine speed deviates very little from the synchronous speed,  $\omega_s$ , therefore,

$$\omega_{\rm s} \cdot \mathbf{J} \cdot \frac{2}{\mathbf{P}} \cdot \frac{\mathrm{d}^2 \delta}{\mathrm{d}t^2} = \omega_{\rm s} \cdot \mathbf{T}_{\rm a} = \mathbf{P}_{\rm a} \,.$$

A commonly used constant, inertia constant H, is defined as the ratio between the stored energy in watt-seconds and VA rating of the machine, namely,

$$H = \frac{\frac{1}{2}J\omega_s}{S}.$$

It can be re-arranged as

$$J\omega_{s} = \frac{2HS}{\omega_{s}}.$$

One can relate this equation to the equation for the accelerating power P<sub>a</sub>,

$$\frac{2\text{HS}}{\omega_{\rm s}} \cdot \frac{2}{\text{P}} \cdot \frac{\text{d}^2\delta}{\text{dt}^2} = \text{P}_{\rm a}$$

If one defines

$$\omega_0 = \frac{P}{2}\omega_s,$$

then, the above equation can be expressed as

$$\frac{2H}{\omega_0}\frac{d^2\delta}{dt^2} = \frac{P_a}{S},$$

where all quantities are in their actual values.

Finally, the swing equation with the accelerating power in per unit value can be obtained as follows

$$\frac{2H}{\omega_0}\frac{d^2\delta}{dt^2} = P_a,$$

or

$$M\frac{d^2\delta}{dt^2} = P_a,$$

where

M is the angular momentum,

and

$$M = \frac{2H}{\omega_0} = \frac{H}{60\pi},$$

for the frequency of 60 Hertz.

#### Equal-Area Criterion

To understand the basic concepts of transient stability, equal-area criterion is suitable for this. The one-line diagram of a generator connecting to an infinite bus through a GSU, four transmission lines and a system reactance is shown in Figure 6-3. It is assumed that a three-phase fault occurs right at the plant switchyard. Its equivalent circuit can be obtained as shown in Figure 6-4. A classical model consisting of a generator transient reactance and a voltage source is used for the generator.



Fig. 6-3. One-line diagram of a one-machine with infinite bus system.



Fig. 6-4. Equivalent circuit of the simple system.

The following parameters are used for this simple system:

	1 2
S = 1.0	: Initial VA output of the machine (in pu)
pf = -0.8	: Initial power factor of the machine (lagging)
$\overline{V}_t = 1.0 \angle 0^\circ$	: Initial terminal voltage (in pu)
$X_{t} = 0.1$	: GSU reactance (in pu)
$X_{L} = 0.4$	: Transmission line reactance (in pu)
$X_{sys} = 0.1$	: System reactance (in pu)
$\dot{X_{d}} = 0.25$	: Generator transient reactance (in pu)
H = 4	: Inertia constant of the machine

Assuming a three-phase fault occurs at one of the four identical transmission line, however, some calculations are needed before the fault occurs, namely,

The generator current before the fault

$$\bar{I}_{gen} = \frac{S}{V_t} \angle -\cos^{-1}(pf) = 1 \angle -36.87^\circ.$$

The system voltage and the generator internal generated voltage can be calculated as

$$\overline{E}_{sys} = \overline{V}_{t} - j \left( X_{t} + \frac{X_{L}}{4} + X_{sys} \right) \overline{I}_{gen} = 0.82 - j0.24 = 0.8544 \angle -16.31^{\circ},$$

and

$$\overline{E}_{f} = \overline{V}_{t} + (jX'_{d})\overline{I}_{gen} = 1 \angle 0^{\circ} + (j0.25)(1 \angle -36.87^{\circ}) = 1 + (0.15 + j0.2) = 1.1673 \angle 9.87^{\circ}.$$

The initial power angle equals the phase angle between the two voltages, namely,

$$\delta_0 = 9.87^\circ + 16.31^\circ = 26.18^\circ.$$

Then, the maximum power

$$P_{\max,0} = \frac{E_f E_{sys}}{X_{total,0}} = \frac{(1.1673)(0.8544)}{0.25 + 0.1 + 0.1 + 0.1} = 1.81335.$$

The initial mechanical power can be obtained

$$P_{\text{mech},0} = P_{\text{max},0} \sin(\delta_0) = (1.81335) \sin(26.18^\circ) = 0.8,$$

which matches the initial power factor of the generator of 0.8.

Since it is a three-phase fault and the location of the fault, the electrical power output of the generator is zero when the fault is on. When the fault is cleared at  $t_{c1}$  with the transmission line tripped off, there are only three transmission lines left. The maximum power can be re-calculated as

$$P_{\text{max,f}} = \frac{E_{f}E_{\text{sys}}}{X_{\text{total,f}}} = \frac{(1.1673)(0.8544)}{0.25 + 0.1 + \frac{0.4}{3} + 0.1} = 1.70973.$$

The final power angle equals

$$\delta_{\rm f} = 180^{\circ} - \sin^{-1} \left( \frac{P_{\rm mech,0}}{P_{\rm max,f}} \right) = 180^{\circ} - \sin^{-1} \left( \frac{0.8}{1.70973} \right) = 152.1^{\circ}.$$

The fault may be cleared between the initial angle and the final angle. For instance, if the fault is cleared at  $\delta_{c1} = 80^{\circ}$  as shown in Figure 6-5, then, the areas A<sub>a</sub> and A<sub>d</sub> can be calculated

$$A_{a} = \int_{\delta_{0}}^{\delta_{c1}} (P_{\text{mech},0} - 0) \cdot d\delta = \int_{0.4569}^{1.3963} 0.8 d\delta = 0.7515$$

and

$$A_{d} = \int_{\delta_{c1}}^{\delta_{f}} (P_{\max,f} \sin \delta - P_{\min,0}) \cdot d\delta = \int_{1.3963}^{2.6547} (1.70973 \sin \delta - 0.8) \cdot d\delta = 0.8011721.$$

Since  $A_a < A_d$ , it is stable.



Fig. 6-5. A plot of power vs. angle for a fault cleared at  $\delta_{c1} = 80^{\circ}$  (a stable case).

If the fault is cleared at  $\delta_{c2} = 110^{\circ}$  as shown in Figure 6-6, then, the areas  $A_a$  and  $A_d$  can be calculated

$$A_{a} = \int_{\delta_{0}}^{\delta_{c2}} (P_{\text{mech},0} - 0) \cdot d\delta = \int_{0.4569}^{1.92} 0.8 \cdot d\delta = 1.17037,$$

and

$$A_{d} = \int_{\delta_{c2}}^{\delta_{f}} \left( P_{\max, f} \sin \delta - P_{\min, 0} \right) \cdot d\delta = \int_{1.92}^{2.6547} \left( 1.70973 \sin \delta - 0.8 \right) \cdot d\delta = 0.33848.$$

Since  $A_a > A_d$ , it is unstable.



Fig. 6-6. A plot of power vs. angle for a fault cleared at  $\delta_{c2} = 110^{\circ}$  (an unstable case).

It is more practical for engineers to know what the maximum angle to clear the fault and still have a stable case. Such an angle is commonly called the "critical clearing angle,"  $\delta_{cc}$ . If one defines the ratio between the total initial reactance and the final reactance as

$$\mathbf{R}_2 = \frac{\mathbf{X}_{\text{total},0}}{\mathbf{X}_{\text{total},\text{f}}} \,.$$

If the fault cleared at  $\delta_{cc}$ , Areas  $A_a = A_d$ , therefore,

$$\begin{split} &\int_{\delta_0}^{\delta_{cc}} \left( \mathbf{P}_{\mathrm{mech},0} \right) \cdot \mathrm{d}\delta - \int_{\delta_{cc}}^{\delta_f} \left( \mathbf{P}_{\mathrm{max},f} \sin \delta - \mathbf{P}_{\mathrm{mech},0} \right) \mathrm{d}\delta = 0 \ . \\ & \Rightarrow \int_{\delta_0}^{\delta_{cc}} \left( \mathbf{P}_{\mathrm{max},0} \sin \delta_0 \right) \cdot \mathrm{d}\delta + \int_{\delta_{cc}}^{\delta_f} \left( \mathbf{P}_{\mathrm{max},0} \sin \delta_0 - \mathbf{R}_2 \cdot \mathbf{P}_{\mathrm{max},0} \sin \delta \right) \mathrm{d}\delta = 0 \ . \end{split}$$

$$\Rightarrow (\delta_{cc} - \delta_0) \sin \delta_0 + \sin \delta_0 (\delta_f - \delta_{cc}) + R_2 (\cos \delta_f - \cos \delta_{cc}) = 0.$$

Therefore, the equation for the critical clearing angle can be expressed as

$$\delta_{cc} = \cos^{-1} \left( \frac{(\delta_{f} - \delta_{0}) \sin \delta_{0} + R_{2} \cos \delta_{f}}{R_{2}} \right).$$

For the simple system, the critical clearing angle is

$$\delta_{cc} = \cos^{-1} \left( \frac{\left(2.6547 - 0.4569\right) \cdot \sin\left(26.18^\circ\right) + \left(\frac{0.55}{0.5833}\right) \cdot \cos\left(152.1^\circ\right)}{\left(\frac{0.55}{0.5833}\right)} \right) = 81.69^\circ.$$

The corresponding critical clearing time,  $t_{cc}$ , may be useful for relay engineers to set the relay time. With a three-phase fault on,

$$M\frac{d^2\delta}{dt^2} = P_{mech,0}.$$

Then,

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}\omega}{\mathrm{d}t} = \frac{\mathrm{P}_{\mathrm{mech},0}}{\mathrm{M}} \,,$$

where

$$\omega = \frac{\mathrm{d}\delta}{\mathrm{d}t}.$$

Finally,

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}\delta}{\mathrm{d}t} = \frac{\mathrm{P}_{\mathrm{mech},0}}{\mathrm{M}} \, \mathrm{t} \; .$$

Therefore,

$$\delta = \delta_0 + \frac{1}{2} \frac{P_{\text{mech},0}}{M} t^2.$$

At  $\delta = \delta_{cc}$ , the corresponding critical clearing time can be obtained as

$$t_{cc} = \sqrt{\frac{2\mathrm{M}(\delta_{cc} - \delta_0)}{\mathrm{P}_{\mathrm{mech},0}}} \,.$$

For the simple system with three-phase fault, the critical clearing time is

$$t_{cc} = \sqrt{\frac{2\left(\frac{4}{60\pi}\right)(1.4257 - 0.4569)}{0.8}} = 0.22671 \text{ second} = 13.6 \text{ cycles.}$$

Therefore, to have a stable case the three-phase fault needs to be cleared within a total of 13.5 cycles.

There is another category of situations where the power out of the generator under evaluation is not zero during the fault on. If a fault other than a three-phase fault occurs at the plant or a three-phase fault occurs at locations away from the plant, for instance somewhere along a transmission line, the power output of the generator will not be zero while the fault is on.

A simple system with two identical transmission lines, as shown in Figure 6-7, is used to illustrate this situation. Since a single-line-to-ground (SLG) fault is assumed in this example, Figure 4-22 may be used to obtain the zero sequence network for the delta-wye grounded GSU. When the fault is on, the connection between the positive, negative and zero sequence networks can be obtained as shown in Figure 6-8. This circuit can be simplified into two voltage sources with a wye-connected reactances between them, as shown in Figure 6-9. The wy- connected reactances can be converted into a delta connection as shown in Figure 6-10.

The following parameters are used for this simple system:

S = 1.0 pf = -0.8	: Initial VA of B : Initial powe	: Initial VA output of the machine (in pu) : Initial power factor of the machine (lagging)		
$\overline{V}_t = 1.02$	0° : Initial terminal voltage (in pu)			
H = 4	: Inertia constant of the machine			
	Positive sequence	Negative sequence	Zero sequence	
X <sub>L</sub>	0.4	0.4	1.0	
X <sub>sys</sub>	0.1	0.1	0.05	
X <sub>t</sub>	0.2	0.2	0.2	
X <sub>d</sub>	0.25	0.1	N/A	



Fig. 6-7. A simple system with a SLG fault at plant switchyard on a transmission line.

Similar to the previous example, some calculations before the fault occurs are needed. The generator current before the fault

$$\bar{I}_{gen} = \frac{S}{V_t} \angle -\cos^{-1}(pf) = 1 \angle -36.87^\circ.$$

The system voltage and the generator internal generated voltage can be calculated as

$$\overline{E}_{sys} = \overline{V}_{t} - j \left( X_{t} + \frac{X_{L}}{2} + X_{sys} \right) \overline{I}_{gen} = 0.7 - j0.4 = 0.8062 \angle -29.74^{\circ},$$

and

$$\overline{E}_{f} = \overline{V}_{t} + j(X_{d}^{'})[\overline{I}_{gen} = 1 \angle 0^{\circ} + (j0.25)(1 \angle -36.87^{\circ}) = 1 + (0.25 \angle 53.13^{\circ}) = 1.15 + j0.2 = 1.1673 \angle 9.87^{\circ}$$

The initial power angle equals the phase angle between the two voltages, namely,

 $\delta_0 = 9.87^\circ + 29.74^\circ = 39.61^\circ = 0.6913 \mathrm{rad}\,.$ 

Then, the maximum power before the fault occurs



Fig. 6-8. Connection between positive, negative and zero sequence networks for the system with SGL fault.



Fig. 6-9. The simplified equivalent circuit for SLG fault.



Fig. 6-10. The final equivalent circuit of SLG fault during the fault is on.

The initial mechanical power can be obtained

$$P_{\text{mech},0} = P_{\text{max},0} \sin(\delta_0) = (1.2548) \sin(39.61^\circ) = 0.8$$

which matches the initial power factor of the generator of 0.8.

Since it is a SLG fault, the electrical power output of the generator will not be zero when the fault is on. To calculate the maximum power during the fault on, Figures 6-8, 6-9 and 10 can be helpful to obtain the reactance needed. The equivalent reactances for the negative and zero sequence networks can be calculated as follows, respectively,

$$X_{eq2} = (X_2 + X_t) / (\frac{X_{L2}}{2} + X_{sys2}) = (0.1 + 0.2) / (0.2 + 0.1) = 0.15,$$

and

$$X_{eq0} = (X_t) / (\frac{X_{L0}}{2} + X_{sys0}) = (0.2) / (0.5 + 0.05) = 0.1467.$$

With the wye-delta conversion of the reactances as shown in Figure 6-10, the reactance between the two voltage sources can be obtained, namely,

$$X_{during} = \frac{\left(X_{d}^{'} + X_{t}^{'}\right)\left(X_{eq2} + X_{eq0}^{'}\right) + \left(\frac{X_{L}}{2} + X_{sys}^{'}\right)\left(X_{eq2}^{'} + X_{eq0}^{'}\right) + \left(X_{d}^{'} + X_{t}^{'}\right)\left(\frac{X_{L}}{2} + X_{sys}^{'}\right)}{\left(X_{eq2}^{'} + X_{eq0}^{'}\right)},$$

and

$$X_{during} = \frac{(0.45)(0.2967) + (0.3)(0.2967) + (0.45)(0.3)}{(0.2967)} = 1.2051.$$

Therefore, the maximum power during the fault on can be express as

$$P_{\text{max,during}} = \frac{E_{\text{f}} E_{\text{sys}}}{X_{\text{during}}} = \frac{X_{\text{total,0}}}{X_{\text{during}}} P_{\text{max,0}} = R_1 P_{\text{max,0}} = (0.6224) \cdot (1.2548) = 0.7809,$$

where R1 is defined as

$$R_1 = \frac{X_{\text{total},0}}{X_{\text{during}}} = \frac{0.75}{1.2051} = 0.6224.$$

When the fault is cleared at  $t_{c1}$  with the transmission line tripped off, there is only one transmission line left. The maximum power can be re-calculated as

$$P_{\text{max,f}} = \frac{E_{f}E_{\text{sys}}}{X_{\text{total,f}}} = \frac{X_{\text{total,0}}}{X_{\text{total,f}}} P_{\text{max,0}} = R_{2}P_{\text{max,0}} = (0.7895) \cdot (1.2548) = 0.9906,$$

where R2 is defined as

$$R_2 = \frac{X_{\text{total},0}}{X_{\text{total},f}} = \frac{0.75}{0.95} = 0.7895.$$

The final power angle equals

$$\delta_{\rm f} = 180^{\circ} - \sin^{-1} \left( \frac{P_{\rm mech,0}}{P_{\rm max,f}} \right) = 180^{\circ} - \sin^{-1} \left( \frac{0.8}{0.9906} \right) = 126.14^{\circ} = 2.2015 \, \text{rad} \, .$$

The fault may be cleared between the initial angle and the final angle. For instance, if the fault is cleared at  $\delta_{c1} = 80^{\circ}$  as shown in Figure 6-11, then, the areas  $A_a$  and  $A_d$  can be calculated

$$A_{a} = \int_{\delta_{0}}^{\delta_{c1}} \left( P_{\text{mech},0} - R_{1} P_{\text{max},0} \sin \delta \right) \cdot d\delta = \int_{0.6913}^{1.3963} \left( 0.8 - 0.7809 \sin \delta \right) \cdot d\delta = 0.0979 \,,$$

and

$$A_{d} = \int_{\delta_{c1}}^{\delta_{f}} \left( P_{\max,f} \sin \delta - P_{\text{mech},0} \right) \cdot d\delta = \int_{1.3963}^{2.2015} \left( 0.9906 \sin \delta - 0.8 \right) \cdot d\delta = 0.1120 \,.$$

Since  $A_a < A_d$ , it is stable.



Fig. 6-11. A plot of power vs. angle for a SLG fault cleared at  $\delta_{c1} = 80^{\circ}$  (a stable case).

If the fault is cleared at  $\delta_{c2} = 90^{\circ}$  as shown in Figure 6-12, then, the areas  $A_a$  and  $A_d$  can be calculated

$$A_{a} = \int_{\delta_{0}}^{\delta_{c2}} \left( P_{\text{mech},0} - P_{\text{max},\text{during}} \sin \delta \right) \cdot d\delta = \int_{0.6913}^{1.5708} (0.8 - 0.7809 \sin \delta) \cdot d\delta = 0.1019 \,,$$

and

$$A_{d} = \int_{\delta_{c2}}^{\delta_{f}} \left( P_{\max, f} \sin \delta - P_{\text{mech}, 0} \right) \cdot d\delta = \int_{1.5708}^{2.2015} \left( 0.9906 \sin \delta - 0.8 \right) \cdot d\delta = 0.0796 \,.$$

Since  $A_a > A_d$ , it is unstable.



Fig. 6-12. A plot of power vs. angle for a SLG fault cleared at  $\delta_{c2} = 90^{\circ}$  (an unstable case).

Again, it may be more practical for engineers to know what the maximum angle to clear the fault and still have a stable case. If the fault cleared at  $\delta_{cc}$ , Areas  $A_a = A_d$ , therefore,

$$\int_{\delta_0}^{\delta_{cc}} \left( \mathbf{P}_{\text{mech},0} - \mathbf{P}_{\text{max},\text{during}} \sin \delta \right) \cdot d\delta - \int_{\delta_{cc}}^{\delta_{f}} \left( \mathbf{P}_{\text{max},f} \sin \delta - \mathbf{P}_{\text{mech},0} \right) d\delta = 0.$$
  

$$\Rightarrow \int_{\delta_0}^{\delta_{cc}} \left( \mathbf{P}_{\text{max},0} \sin \delta_0 - \mathbf{R}_1 \cdot \mathbf{P}_{\text{max},0} \sin \delta \right) \cdot d\delta + \int_{\delta_{cc}}^{\delta_{f}} \left( \mathbf{P}_{\text{max},0} \sin \delta_0 - \mathbf{R}_2 \cdot \mathbf{P}_{\text{max},0} \sin \delta \right) d\delta = 0.$$
  

$$\Rightarrow \left( \delta_{cc} - \delta_0 \right) \sin \delta_0 + \mathbf{R}_1 \cos \delta_{cc} - \mathbf{R}_1 \cos \delta_0 + \sin \delta_0 \left( \delta_f - \delta_{cc} \right) + \mathbf{R}_2 \cos \delta_f - \mathbf{R}_2 \cos \delta_{cc} = 0.$$

Therefore, the equation for the critical clearing angle can be expressed as

$$\delta_{cc} = \cos^{-1} \left( \frac{(\delta_{f} - \delta_{0}) \sin \delta_{0} - R_{1} \cos \delta_{0} + R_{2} \cos \delta_{f}}{R_{2} - R_{1}} \right).$$

For the simple system, the critical clearing angle is

$$\delta_{cc} = \cos^{-1} \left( \frac{(2.2015 - 0.6913)\sin(39.61^{\circ}) - (0.6224)\cos(39.61) + (0.7895)\cos(126.14^{\circ})}{0.7895 - 0.6224} \right) = 83.89^{\circ}$$

Therefore, for the given simple system with a SLG fault, the fault needs to be cleared before 83.89° to have a stable system. Otherwise, the system will go unstable.

Unlike the previous case, the corresponding critical clearing time,  $t_{cc}$ , can not be calculated as discussed earlier. One way to get it is to solve the swing equation. A popular technique is the Runge-Kutta method. However, details on Runge-Kutta method is not the scope of this material. By printing the time steps and the corresponding angles, as shown in Table 6-1, one can easily estimate the critical clearing time,  $t_{cc}$ . For instance, the critical clearing time for this simple system with a SLG fault at plant switchyard is between 0.375 and 0.3833 second since its critical clearing angle is 83.89°. Therefore, to have a stable case, the SLG fault needs to be cleared within 22.5 cycles.

Time Steps in Second	Time Steps in cycles	Power Angles in degrees
0	0	39.6107
0.0083	0.5	39.6390
0.0167	1.0	39.7239
•	•	•
•	•	•
0.2917	17.5	68.4727
0.3000	18.0	69.8538
0.3083	18.5	71.2474
0.3167	19.0	72.6524
0.3250	19.5	74.0676
0.3333	20.0	75.4921
0.3417	20.5	76.9248
0.3500	21.0	78.3648
0.3583	21.5	79.8115
0.3667	22.0	81.2640
0.3750	22.5	82.7219
0.3833	23.0	84.1845
0.3917	23.5	85.6514
0.4000	24.0	87.1223
0.4083	24.5	88.5970
0.4167	25.0	90.0753
0.4250	25.5	91.5572
0.4333	26.0	93.0428
0.4417	26.5	94.5321

Table 6-1. Time steps and corresponding power angles from the example.

There are two Matlab programs (m-files) for the two examples given in this module. The first one is for the case when the output power from the generator under evaluation is zero while the fault is on. It is given in Appendix 6A. The second m-file is for the case when the output power from the generator while the fault on has a none-zero value. It is given in Appendix 6B. Readers have Matlab may use these two m-files for simple stability evaluations. Figures 6-13 and 6-14 show the power angle curves with the clearing angles given in the two examples.



Fig. 6-13. Power angle curves for the example with a three-phase fault.



Fig. 6-14. Power angle curves for the example with a SLG fault.

#### Appendix 6A: Matlab program for a three-phase fault with zero output power from the generator when fault is on

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% This program computes the swing curve of a generator connected to
% an infinite bus through a step-up transformer of reactance Xt,
% Np transmission lines (each having a reactance XL) and a system
% reactance Xsys. The generator has reactance Xpd. The system
% voltage magnitude is Esys and the voltage magnitude behind the
% generator transient reactance is Ef. The initial generator output
% VA and pf are specified. Note: The pf is negative if it is lagging.
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clear all
Np = 4 % Number of transmission lines
S = 1.0; % Initial VA output of the machine (per unit)
pf = -0.8; % Initial pf of machine
Vt = 1.0;% Initial terminal voltage of machine (per unit)XL = 0.4;% TL reactance
Xsys = 0.10; % System reactance
Xt = 0.10; % Transformer reactance
Xpd = 0.25; % Transient reactance of generator
rad = 180/pi; % Converts radians to degrees
H = 4; % Inertia constant of machine
Imag = S/Vt; % Initial current output of machine (per unit)
global Pmech % Input power of machine
global Pmax % Output power of machine
global M % Machine constant
global Tc
            % Clearing time
% Calculate pf angle
if pf < 0.0
  theta = -acos(abs(pf));
else
   theta = acos(abs(pf));
end
% Calculate the complex current outout of the machine
Igen = Imag*(cos(theta)+j*sin(theta))
% Calculate the system voltage
Esysc = Vt - j*(Xt + (XL/Np) + Xsys)*Igen
Esys = abs(Esysc)
Esys_deg=angle(Esysc)*rad
% Calcualte the voltage behind the transient reactance
Efc = Vt + j*Xpd*Igen
Ef = abs(Efc)
Ef deg=angle(Efc)*(180/pi)
% Calculate the impedance of the system before and after the fault
Xbefore = Xpd + Xt + XL/Np + Xsys
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Xafter = Xpd + Xt + XL/(Np-1) + Xsys % Calculate the initial value of delta delta init = angle(Efc) - angle(Esysc); delta init deg=delta init\*rad % Calculate the initial Pmax of the machine Pmax0=(Ef\*Esys)/Xbefore % Calculate the initial input power to the machine Pmech = Pmax0\*sin(delta\_init) % Calculate the ratio of impedance after the fault to before the fault R2 = Xbefore/Xafter% Calculate the value of delta after the fault delta\_final = pi - asin((sin(delta\_init)/R2)); delta\_final\_deg=delta\_final\*rad M = H/(60\*pi);% Calculate critical clearing time T = ((delta\_final-delta\_init)\*sin(delta\_init)+R2\*cos(delta\_final))/R2 % Calculate the critical clearing angle delta clear = acos(T); delta\_cc\_deg=delta\_clear\*rad Tcc = sqrt((2\*M\*(delta\_clear - delta\_init))/Pmech) % Calculate final Pmax % Pmax = (Ef\*Esys)/Xafter Pmax=R2\*Pmax0 dt = 0.0001; % step size period=input('Please input the time period in seconds for the simulation ') nsteps = 1 + period\*1/dt % number of steps in 1 second % Let clearing time be Tc = 0.22 seconds % Compute nsteps1 which is the number of steps that fault is on and Pa = Pmech input\_method=input('please input "1" for clearing time in seconds, OR "2" for clearing angle in degrees '); if input method == 1 Tcip=input ('Please input the clearing time in seconds ='); deltac=delta\_init+(1/2)\*(Pmech/M)\*Tcip\*Tcip Tc=round(Tcip\*1000)/1000 end if input\_method == 2 deltac\_deg=input('please input the clearing angle in degrees ='); deltac=deltac\_deg/rad; Tcini = sqrt((2\*M\*(deltac - delta\_init))/Pmech) Tc=round(Tcini\*1000)/1000 end % calculate the area of accelerating power Aa

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Aa=Pmech*(deltac - delta_init)
% calculate the area of deccelerating power
Ad=Pmax*(-cos(delta_final)+cos(deltac))-Pmech*(delta_final - deltac)
%Tc=Tc c/60
nsteps1 = 1 + Tc/dt;
nsteps2 = nsteps1 + 1;
% The following code solves the swing equation by using the 4th order
% Runge-Kutta method
t(1) = 0.0;
delta(1) = delta_init;
w(1) = 0;
for i = 2:nsteps1
  k1 = dt*w(i-1);
   l1 = dt*(Pmech/M);
  k2 = dt^{(w(i-1) + 11/2)};
   12 = dt*(Pmech/M);
  k3 = dt*(w(i-1) + 12/2);
   13 = dt*(Pmech/M);
  k4 = dt*(w(i-1) + 13);
   14 = dt*(Pmech/M);
  delta(i) = delta(i-1)+(k1+2*k2+2*k3+k4)/6;
  w(i) = w(i-1) + (11+2*12+2*13+14)/6;
   t(i) = (i-1)*dt;
end
for i = nsteps2:nsteps
  k1 = dt*w(i-1);
   l1 = dt*(Pmech - Pmax*sin(delta(i-1)))/M;
  k2 = dt*(w(i-1) + 11/2);
   12 = dt*(Pmech - Pmax*sin(delta(i-1)+ k1/2))/M;
  k3 = dt^{(w(i-1) + 12/2)};
   13 = dt*(Pmech - Pmax*sin(delta(i-1)+ k2/2))/M;
  k4 = dt*(w(i-1) + 13);
  14 = dt^{(Pmech - Pmax*sin(delta(i-1)+ k3))/M};
  delta(i) = delta(i-1) + (k1+2*k2+2*k3+k4)/6;
  w(i) = w(i-1) + (11+2*12+2*13+14)/6;
   t(i) = (i-1)*dt;
end
for i = 1:nsteps
  deg(i) = rad*delta(i);
end
plot(t,deg,'b');
xlabel('Time(Seconds)')
ylabel('Delta(Degrees)')
title('Swing Equation Solution')
grid
% results(:,1) = t(:);
% results(:,2) = deg(:); %x1 in degrees
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% results(:,3) = x2(:);
% results

#### Appendix 6B: Matlab program for a SLG fault - none-zero output power from the generator when fault is on

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% This program computes the critical clearing time of a generator connected
% to an infinite bus through a step-up transformer of reactance Xt, and two
T.L.
% The fault is a line-to-ground (SLG) fault on a line close to the step-up
transformer.
% Np transmission lines (each having a reactance XL) and a system
% with reactance Xsys. The generator has reactance Xpd. The system
% voltage magnitude is Esys and the voltage magnitude behind the
% generator transient reactance is Ef. The initial generator output
% VA and pf are specified. Note: The pf is negative if it is lagging.
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             % Number of transmission lines
Np = 2
s = 1.0;
            % Initial VA output of the machine (per unit)
pf = -0.8; % Initial vA output of the machine (per unit)
Vt = 1.0; % Initial terminal voltage of machine (per unit)
XL = 0.4; % positive sequence TL reactance
XL0 = 1.0; % zero sequence TL reactance
Xsys = 0.10; % System reactance
Xt = 0.20; % Transformer reactance
Xpd = 0.25; % Transient reactance of generator
rad = 180/pi; % Converts radians to degrees
H = 4; % Inertia constant of machine
Imag = S/Vt; % Initial current output of machine (per unit)
% Calculate pf angle
if pf < 0.0
   theta = -acos(abs(pf));
else
   theta = acos(abs(pf));
end
% Calculate the complex current output of the machine
Igen = Imag*(cos(theta)+j*sin(theta));
% Calculate the system voltage
Esysc = Vt - j*(Xt + (XL/Np) + Xsys)*Igen;
Esys = abs(Esysc);
Esys_deg=angle(Esysc)*(180/pi);
% Calculate the voltage behind the transient reactance
Efc = Vt + j*Xpd*Igen;
Ef = abs(Efc);
Ef deg=angle(Efc)*(180/pi);
M = H/(60*pi);
% Calculate the initial value of delta, i.e., delta0
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delta_init = angle(Efc) - angle(Esysc);
delta_init_deg = rad*delta_init;
% Calculate three impedances between the voltage sources.
% One X is before the fault occurs. This impedance is called Xbefore
% A second X is while the fault is on. This impedance is Xduring
% The third X is after the fault is cleared. Call it Xafter
Xbefore = Xpd + Xt + XL/Np + Xsys;
Xafter = Xpd + Xt + XL/(Np-1) + Xsys;
% Xduring is calculated from a wye-delta transformation. Let c
% be common point in wye. Let 1 be generator internal point,
% Let 2 be infinite bus internal point, let n be neutral point
X1c = Xpd + Xt;
X2c = XL/Np + Xsys;
% Let X2 of generator be 0.10, let X2 of system be 0.10,
% let X0 of system be 0.05
X2gen = 0.10; X2sys = 0.10; X0sys = 0.05;
% Negative seq. impedance looking into fault point is computed as
Xdiv = X2gen + Xt + XL/Np + X2sys;
X2in = (X2gen + Xt)*(XL/Np + X2sys)/Xdiv;
% Zero seq. impedance looking into fault point is computed as
Xdiv0 = Xt + XL0/Np + X0sys;
X0in = Xt*(XL0/Np + X0sys)/Xdiv0;
Xnc = X2in + X0in;
Prod = X1c*X2c + X2c*Xnc + Xnc*X1c;
Xduring = Prod/Xnc;
R1 = Xbefore/Xduring;
R2 = Xbefore/Xafter;
% Calculate the deltaf, the maximum swing of system
delta_final = pi - asin(sin(delta_init)/R2);
delta_final_deg = rad*delta_final;
% Calculate intermediate term T used in calculating the critical clearing
angle
T = ((delta_final-delta_init)*sin(delta_init) - R1*cos(delta_init) +
R2*cos(delta_final))/(R2 - R1);
% Calculate the critical clearing angle deltac
deltac = acos(T);
deltac_deg = rad*deltac;
% calculate the initial Pmax0
Pmax0=Ef*Esys/Xbefore;
% Calculate the initial input power to the machine
Pmech = Pmax0*sin(delta_init);
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% Calculate Pmax while fault on % Pmaxon = (Ef\*Esys)/Xduring Pmax = R1\*Pmax0; % Calculate the final Pmax Pmaxf = R2\*Pmax0;% step size dt = 0.5/60;Period=1 Tcl=input('Please input the clearing time in cycles (with 0.5 cylce increment) = '); Tc=Tc1/60 % Calculate the Aa and Ad, NOT used for the simulation deltac\_deg=input('please input the clearing angle in degrees ='); deltac=deltac\_deg/rad; % calculate the area of accelerating power Aa Aa=Pmech\*(deltac - delta\_init) - Pmax\*(-cos(deltac)+cos(delta\_init)) % calculate the area of deccelerating power Ad Ad=Pmaxf\*(-cos(delta\_final)+cos(deltac))-Pmech\*(delta\_final - deltac) % # of steps in 1 second %nsteps=1+Period\*1/dt nsteps=1+Period/dt; %nsteps1 = 1 + Tc/dt; nsteps1=1+2\*Tc1; % The following code solves the swing equation by using the 4th order % Runge-Kutta method t(1) = 0.0;delta(1) = delta init; w(1) = 0;for i = 2:nsteps1 k1 = dt \* w(i-1);l1 = dt\*(Pmech - Pmax\*sin(delta(i-1)))/M; k2 = dt\*(w(i-1) + 11/2);12 = dt\*(Pmech - Pmax\*sin(delta(i-1)+ k1/2))/M; k3 = dt\*(w(i-1) + 12/2);13 = dt\*(Pmech - Pmax\*sin(delta(i-1)+ k2/2))/M; k4 = dt\*(w(i-1) + 13);14 = dt\*(Pmech - Pmax\*sin(delta(i-1)+ k3))/M; delta(i) = delta(i-1) + (k1+2\*k2+2\*k3+k4)/6; w(i) = w(i-1) + (l1+2\*l2+2\*l3+l4)/6;t(i) = (i-1)\*dt;end nsteps2 = nsteps1 + 1for i = nsteps2:nsteps k1 = dt \* w(i-1);

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l1 = dt*(Pmech - Pmaxf*sin(delta(i-1)))/M;
   k2 = dt^{(w(i-1))} + 11/2);
   12 = dt*(Pmech - Pmaxf*sin(delta(i-1)+ k1/2))/M;
  k3 = dt*(w(i-1) + 12/2);
   13 = dt*(Pmech - Pmaxf*sin(delta(i-1)+ k2/2))/M;
  k4 = dt^{(w(i-1) + 13)};
   14 = dt*(Pmech - Pmaxf*sin(delta(i-1)+ k3))/M;
  delta(i) = delta(i-1) + (k1+2*k2+2*k3+k4)/6;
  w(i) = w(i-1) + (l1+2*l2+2*l3+l4)/6;
   t(i) = (i-1)*dt;
end
%for i = 2:200
% a1 = dt*x2(i-1);
   a2 = dt*(Pmech - Pmax*sin(x1(i -1)))/M;
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   b1 = dt^{(x2(i-1) + a2/2)};
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%
  b2 = dt*(Pmech - Pmax*sin(x1(i -1) + a1/2))/M;
c1 = dt^{(x2(i-1) + b2/2)};
% c2 = dt*(Pmech - Pmax*sin(x1(i -1) + b1/2))/M;
% d1 = dt^{(x2(i-1) + c2)};
% d2 = dt*(Pmech - Pmax*sin(x1(i -1) + c1))/M;
%
   x1(i) = x1(i-1)+(a1+2*b1+2*c1+d1)/6;
  x2(i) = x2(i-1)+(a2+2*b2+2*c2+d2)/6;
%
% t(i) = (i - 1)*dt;
%end
for k = 1:i
   deg(k) = rad*delta(k);
end
plot(t,deg,'b');
xlabel('Time(Seconds)')
ylabel('Delta(Degrees)')
title('Swing Equation Solution')
grid on
% figure
% plot(t,x2(:),'b');
% xlabel('Time(Seconds)')
% ylabel('Speed, rad/sec')
% title('Swing Equation Solution')
% grid
% Note: x1 is is degrees and x2 is in radians/sec
 results(:,1) = t(:);
 results(:,2) = deg(:); %x1 in degrees
 %results(:,3) = x2(:);
 results;
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