

APPENDIX

Derivations for $|H(\mathbf{x}_{ij,\xi})| \leq \tilde{H}(\mathbf{x}_{ij}^s, \boldsymbol{\delta}_{ij})$

For the brevity of derivation, the AC branch power flow equation reformulated as follows:

$$P(\mathbf{x}_{ij}) = g_{ij}v_i^2 - v_i v_j y_{ij} \cos(\theta_{ij} + \varphi_{ij}). \quad (1)$$

Where, y_{ij} is the admittance of branch ij , φ_{ij} is the impedance angle of branch ij , and $g_{ij} = y_{ij} \cos \varphi_{ij}$, $b_{ij} = -y_{ij} \sin \varphi_{ij}$.

Taking the active power flow as an example, the absolute of the Hessian matrix shown as follows:

$$|H(\mathbf{x}_{ij})| = \begin{vmatrix} \frac{\partial^2 P(\mathbf{x}_{ij})}{\partial \theta_{ij} \partial \theta_{ij}} & \frac{\partial^2 P(\mathbf{x}_{ij})}{\partial v_i \partial \theta_{ij}} & \frac{\partial^2 P(\mathbf{x}_{ij})}{\partial v_j \partial \theta_{ij}} \\ \frac{\partial^2 P(\mathbf{x}_{ij})}{\partial \theta_{ij} \partial v_i} & \frac{\partial^2 P(\mathbf{x}_{ij})}{\partial v_i \partial v_i} & \frac{\partial^2 P(\mathbf{x}_{ij})}{\partial v_j \partial v_i} \\ \frac{\partial^2 P(\mathbf{x}_{ij})}{\partial \theta_{ij} \partial v_j} & \frac{\partial^2 P(\mathbf{x}_{ij})}{\partial v_i \partial v_j} & \frac{\partial^2 P(\mathbf{x}_{ij})}{\partial v_j \partial v_j} \end{vmatrix}, \quad (2)$$

$$|H(\mathbf{x}_{ij})| = \begin{vmatrix} |v_i v_j y_{ij} \cos(\theta_{ij} + \varphi_{ij})| & |v_j y_{ij} \sin(\theta_{ij} + \varphi_{ij})| & |v_i y_{ij} \sin(\theta_{ij} + \varphi_{ij})| \\ |v_j y_{ij} \sin(\theta_{ij} + \varphi_{ij})| & 2|g_{ij}| & |-y_{ij} \cos(\theta_{ij} + \varphi_{ij})| \\ |v_i y_{ij} \sin(\theta_{ij} + \varphi_{ij})| & |-y_{ij} \cos(\theta_{ij} + \varphi_{ij})| & 0 \end{vmatrix}. \quad (3)$$

Based on the following inequalities in (4)-(5), the corresponding elements in $|H(\mathbf{x}_{ij,\xi})|$ are relaxed.

$$|\cos(\theta_{ij,\xi} + \varphi_{ij})| \leq 1, \quad |\sin(\theta_{ij,\xi} + \varphi_{ij})| \leq 1 \quad (4)$$

$$\begin{aligned} |v_{i,\xi} v_{j,\xi}| &= |(1 - \lambda_{ij}^P) v_i^s + \lambda_{ij}^P v_i| |(1 - \lambda_{ij}^P) v_j^s + \lambda_{ij}^P v_j| \\ &\leq |v_j^s v_i^s| + |v_i^s v_j| + |v_j^s v_i| + |v_i v_j| \\ &\Downarrow v_i \leq \frac{1}{2} \delta_{ij,1}, v_j \leq \frac{1}{2} \delta_{ij,2} \\ &\leq v_j^s v_i^s + \frac{1}{2} (v_i^s \delta_{ij,2} + v_j^s \delta_{ij,1}) + \frac{1}{4} \delta_{ij,1} \delta_{ij,2} \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

Where, $v_{i,\xi}$ and $v_{j,\xi}$ are the elements of $\mathbf{x}_{ij,\xi}$; $\delta_{ij,1}$ and $\delta_{ij,2}$ are the elements of $\boldsymbol{\delta}_{ij}$. Finally, the $\tilde{H}(\mathbf{x}_{ij}^s, \boldsymbol{\delta}_{ij})$ is obtained as follows:

$$\tilde{H}(\mathbf{x}_{ij}^s, \boldsymbol{\delta}_{ij}) = \begin{vmatrix} |y_{ij}| \left(\begin{matrix} v_j^s v_i^s + \frac{1}{4} \delta_{ij,1} \delta_{ij,2} + \\ \frac{1}{2} (v_i^s \delta_{ij,2} + v_j^s \delta_{ij,1}) \end{matrix} \right) & (v_j^s + \frac{1}{2} \delta_{ij,2}) |y_{ij}| & (v_i^s + \frac{1}{2} \delta_{ij,1}) |y_{ij}| \\ (v_j^s + \frac{1}{2} \delta_{ij,2}) |y_{ij}| & 2|g_{ij}| & |y_{ij}| \\ (v_i^s + \frac{1}{2} \delta_{ij,1}) |y_{ij}| & |y_{ij}| & 0 \end{vmatrix}. \quad (6)$$