

Networks and Complex System

Optimizing Load Distribution in Power Transmission Networks through Demographic and Geographical Analysis

36

Kailash Dusad, Monu Sunia, and Chanchal Yadav BTech'22 IIT Gandhinagar

1. Introduction

- Efficient power distribution is vital for modern lifestyles and economic growth.
- Conventional systems encounter challenges like load imbalances and transmission losses.
- Observations of a specific power network reveal opportunities for load optimization.
- Leveraging demographic data and geographical proximity can enhance distribution efficiency.
- This study addresses load forecasting, transmission capacity optimization, and renewable integration.
- The aim is to advance power system engineering and bolster energy infrastructure resilience.

2. Overview of research

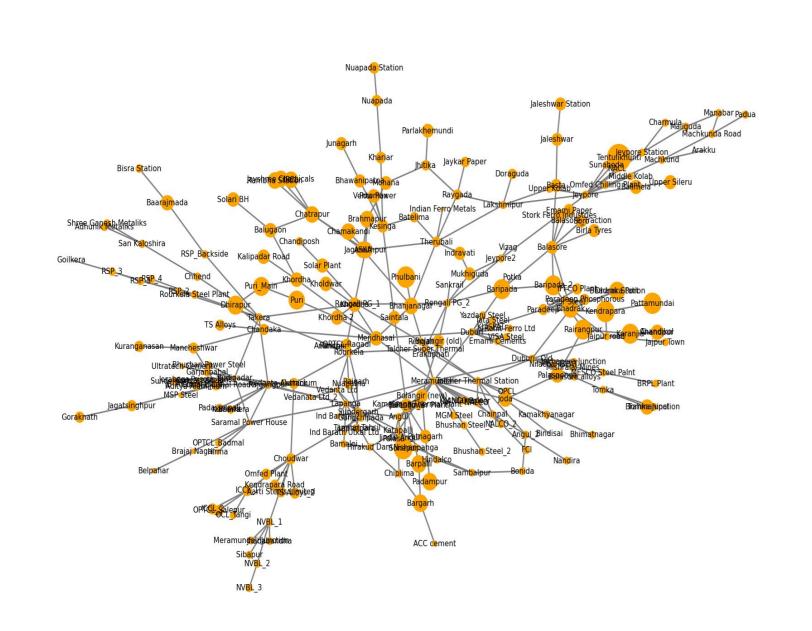


Fig 1: Overview of the research.

3. Scientific questions

- How can we integrate renewable energy sources such as solar and wind power into the network while maintaining stable load distribution and grid reliability, considering their intermittency and variability?
- Optimal placement of new nodes to minimize load imbalances and transmission losses while maximizing power distribution efficiency?
- Developing accurate load forecasting models to anticipate future distribution needs considering population growth and economic development.

4. Optimization Framework for Efficient Load Distribution and Infrastructure Planning in Power Networks

Efficient power distribution is vital for modern lifestyles and demographic and geographical analysis for enhanced efficiency and reliability.

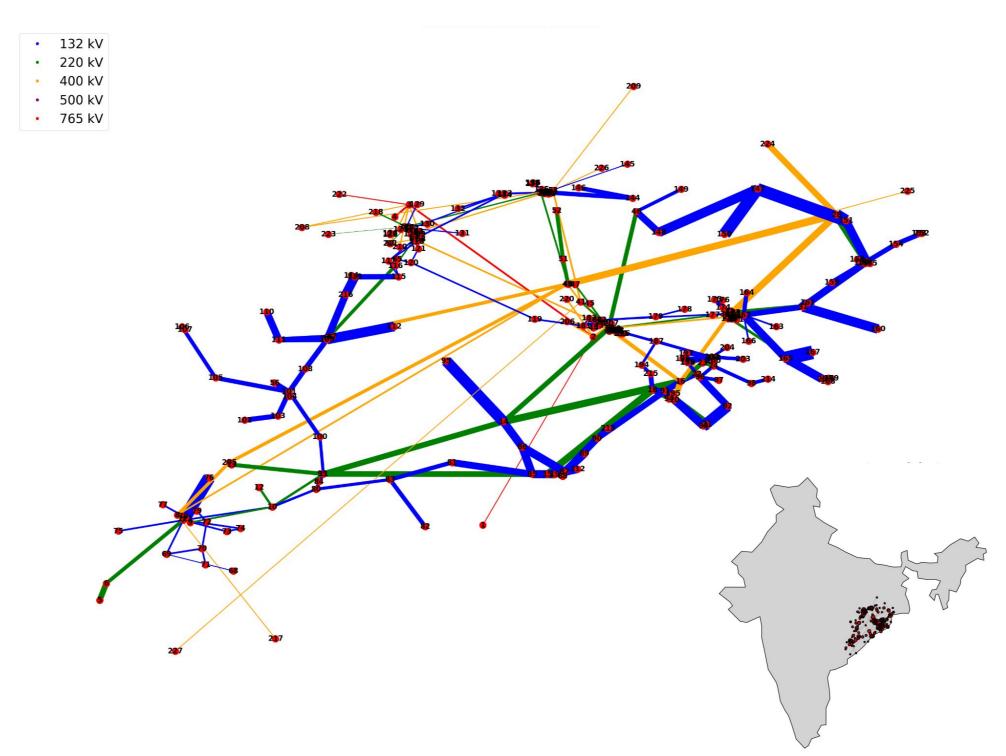


Fig 2: network graph illustrating nodes and edges annotated with power ratings and population weights.

5. Utilizing Lower Population Nodes and Strategic Placement of new node for Improved Power Grid Efficiency

Objective: To optimize power distribution networks by redistributing load from high population-weighted nodes to comparable lower population-weighted nodes or strategically establishing new nodes, thereby enhancing overall network efficiency and reliability.

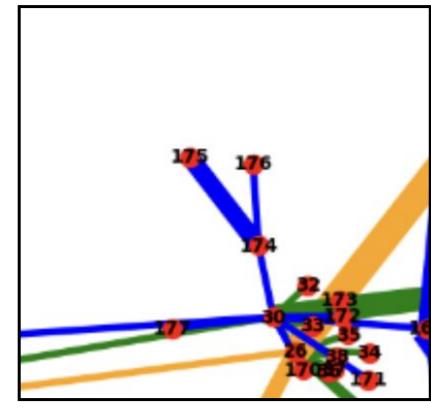


Fig 3: Load Distribution from Brahmanipal (175) to Tomka Junction (176) Power House Ensuring Short Distance (5km)

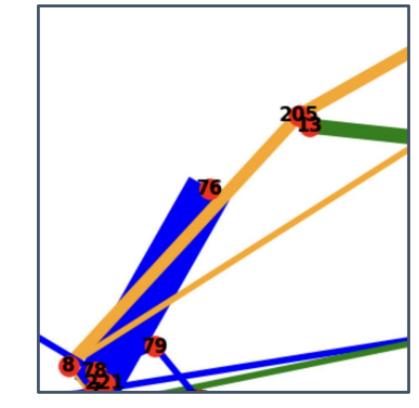


Fig 4: Load Distribution from Tentulikhunti (76) to Indravati (13) Power House Via Generating a New Node

6. Emerging Technologies and Innovations in Power Distribution Networks

Objective: Investigate how emerging technologies, such as smart grids and renewable energy integration, can improve efficiency and reliability in power distribution networks.

Renewable Energy Integration

- Incorporate solar, wind, and other renewable sources into traditional power grids.
- Promote sustainability and reduce reliance on fossil fuels for energy generation.

Promoting Network Sustainability

- Reduce carbon emissions and environmental impact by increasing the share of renewable energy sources.
- Support long-term energy sustainability goals and contribute to climate change mitigation efforts.

Improving Network Efficiency

- Enhance grid stability and load balancing capabilities.
- Enable dynamic pricing schemes and demand response strategies for efficient resource utilization.

Enhancing Network Reliability

- Mitigate risks of outages and disruptions through proactive monitoring and fault detection.
- Facilitate rapid restoration of services through automated control systems.

7. Research Outcomes

- Investigate **optimal load sharing** strategies among powerhouses based on population weight and geographical proximity, aiming to minimize overload and optimize energy distribution.
- Investigate innovative techniques for strategically placing new nodes in the distribution network to enhance load sharing efficiency and overall network performance.
- Evaluate infrastructure changes and new node positioning for their effects on load distribution, and environmental compliance.

Future work: Exploring the integration of renewable energy sources to enhance network flexibility and sustainability.

8. References

- [1] Surender V. Raj, Udit Bhatia, Manish Kumar, "Cyclone preparedness strategies for regional power transmission systems in data-scarce coastal regions of India," Sustainable Cities and Society, vol. 76,p.103330, May 2022.[Online]. Available:
- https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/abs/pii/S2212420922001765
- [2] E. U. Oleka, S. N. Ndubisi, and G. K. Ijemaru, "Electric Power Transmission Enhancement: A Case of Nigerian Electric Power Grid," IEEE Transactions on Power Systems, vol. 32, no. 4, pp. 2789-2797, Jul. 2017. [Online]. Available: link

9. Acknowledgement

• We express our sincere gratitude to our instructor, Professor **Udit Bhatia**, for their guidance and invaluable insights throughout the duration of this project. Their expertise and support have been instrumental in shaping our research endeavors.