

**EE 374 PROJECT REPORT**



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# 1.Introduction

In transmission systems, it is important to model lines because it can cause losses. Therefore, before deciding which cable (or conductor type) will be used, losses should be calculated. Then, it should be selected according to results. In this project, the aim is to calculate  $X_{pu}$ ,  $Z_{pu}$  and  $R_{pu}$  from given parameters. In other words, series resistance & reactance and shunt susceptance of the line (given conductor type, length,  $V_{base}$ ,  $S_{base}$ , number of circuits, number of bundles, phase locations, and distance between bundles in a text file) is calculated by just single MATLAB function.

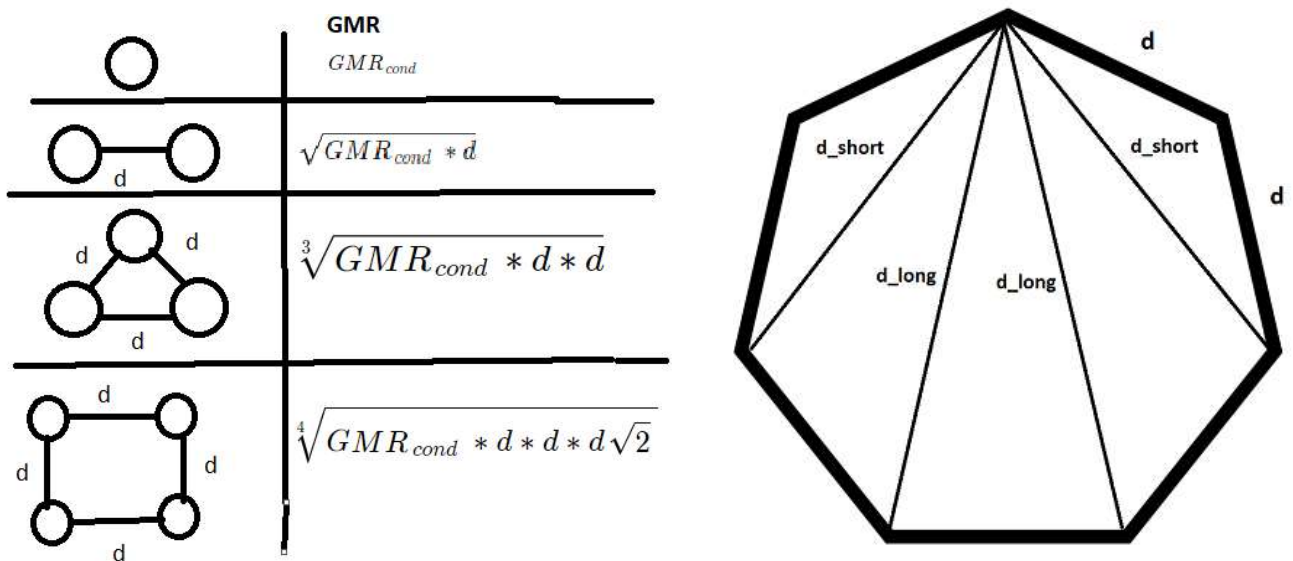
## 2. Applied Methods

- **Taking data from a text and csv file**

Firstly, to be able to open text file, *fopen* is used. Then, *fgetl* function is used to get data from text line by line. At this point if statements are used to check whether it gives correct result or not. Also, numerical parameters are converted to double types, which helps to manipulate easily. After finishing to read data, file is closed by *fclose*. For csv file (conductor type data), different method is applied. *Readtable* function is used; however, the data type, table, is not easy to manipulate. Therefore, table is converted to array, by using *table2array*. Then, array is divided into column by column (names, RACs etc.). Afterwards, the index of desired conductor type is found. By using this index number, desired parameters are taken.

- **Calculating req & GMRbundle depending on only the number of bundles (N\_bundle)**

To be able to manipulate data in this part, switch operator is used instead of writing lots of if statements.  $GMR_{bundle}$  Calculations:  $GMR_{bundle}$  is basically calculated for  $N_{bundle}$  is equal to 1,2,3,4. (Figure 3) The same method is applied for  $N_{bundle} = 5$  and 6 since their diagonal length of pentagon and hexagon. However, for heptagonal it is not easy to calculate. (Figure 4)



**Figure 1:** GMR calculation for  $N_{bundle} = 1, 2, 3, 4$  & Diagonals for heptagon

To calculate its diagonal parameters for  $N_{\text{bundle}}=7,8$  *cosine theorem* is used as you can see it in Figure 4.  $R_{\text{eq}}$  is calculated by using same method. Only difference is that firstly outside diameter is divided by two to get  $r_{\text{eq\_cond}}$  value.

- **Calculating  $r_{\text{eq}}$  & GMRbundle & GMD depending on only the number of circuits ( $N_{\text{circuit}}$ )**

If the number of circuits is one, there is no difference for calculations of GMR and  $r_{\text{eq}}$ . However, GMD is calculated in this part firstly. It can be calculated by formulas.

$$GMD = \sqrt[3]{GMD_{AB} GMD_{BC} GMD_{AC}}$$

$$GMD_{AB} = \sqrt[2]{A_1 B_1}$$

$$A_1 = (X_1, Y_1)$$

If the number of circuits is two, all three parameters should be calculated again. For GMR, we should divide it into three sub-GMR:  $GMR_{aa}$   $GMR_{bb}$   $GMR_{cc}$ .  $GMR_{aa}$  = the distance between phase a1 and phase a2. Then, taking geometrical mean of these three sub-GMR values will provide us GMR. This calculation is valid for  $r_{\text{eq}}$ . For GMD, the only difference will be  $GMD_{AB}$  calculation as follows:

$$GMD_{AB} = \sqrt[4]{|A_1 B_1| |A_1 B_2| |A_2 B_1| |A_2 B_2|}$$

- **Calculating R, L and C**

For the calculation of L, it is  $2 \times 10^{-7} \times \ln(GMD/GMR)$  in H/m. For R value, it is divided by ( $N_{\text{bundle}} \times N_{\text{circuit}}$ ) due to parallelization of used conductors. For C value, earth effect is considered. (Note that prime values are corresponding to its symmetric with respect to x axis.)

When  $N_{\text{circuit}}$  is one,  $H_1$  should be  $|A_1 A_1'|$ , which is double of absolute value of y coordinate of A phase.  $H_2$  and  $H_3$  can be calculated with phase B and phase C, respectively. On the other hand,  $H_{12}$  is basically  $|A_1 B_1'|$ , which can be calculated by distance between  $A_1 (x_1, y_1)$  and  $B_1' (x_2, -y_2)$ . (Again,  $H_{13}$  and  $H_{23}$  can be found by using similar method.) Then we can use the formula given in CommonProblems.pdf:

$$C_n = \frac{2 \times \pi \times \epsilon}{\ln\left(\frac{GMD}{r_{eq}}\right) - \ln\left(\frac{\sqrt[3]{H_{12} H_{13} H_{23}}}{\sqrt[3]{H_1 H_2 H_3}}\right)}$$

When  $N_{\text{circuit}}$  is two,  $H_1$  can be found by geometric mean value of  $|A_1 A_1'|$ ,  $|A_1 A_2'|$ ,  $|A_2 A_2'|$ ,  $|A_2 A_1'|$ .  $H_2$  and  $H_3$  can be calculated with phase B and phase C, respectively. On the other hand,  $H_{12}$  is the geometric mean of  $|A_1 B_1'|$ ,  $|A_1 B_2'|$ ,  $|A_2 B_2'|$ ,  $|A_2 B_1'|$ . (Again,  $H_{13}$  and  $H_{23}$  can be found by using similar method.)

## 2. Assumptions

- Data files (csv and txt) is assumed to be designed properly.
- The shape of bundles is assumed to be regular polygon.
- Conversions of units is assumed as 1mil = 1609.344 m; 1 in = 0.0254 m; 1 ft = 0.3048; f=50 Hz; epsilon zero value =  $8.854187817 \times 10^{-12}$  F/m
- y coordinates of given phases corresponds to its height from ground.

## 3. Test Results

Sbase (MVA)		Sbase (MVA)	
100		100	
Vbase (kV)		Vbase (kV)	
154		154	
Number of circuits		Number of circuits	
2		1	
Number of bundle conductors per phase		Number of bundle conductors per phase	
4		6	
Bundle distance (m)		Bundle distance (m)	
0.4		0.5	
Length of the line (km)		Length of the line (km)	
100		125	
ACSR conductor name		ACSR conductor name	
Rail		Pheasant	
C1 Phase A (centre)		C1 Phase A (centre)	
-4.2		-4	
27		25	
C1 Phase B (centre)		C1 Phase B (centre)	
-4.4		0	
23.5		25	
C1 Phase C (centre)		C1 Phase C (centre)	
-4.2		4	
20		25	
C2 Phase A (centre)		-999	
4.2			
20			
C2 Phase B (centre)			
4.4			
23.5			
C2 Phase C (centre)			
4.2			
27			
-999			

**Figure 2:** Example txt file data (1 and 2, respectively) and results of our project

From expected outputs and figure 2, there is a small difference between them due to rounding property of MATLAB. By using format long, this difference can be smaller.

Also, by changing parameters in input\_file\_example1.txt, the observation is written into table1. By looking results, we can decide which parameter has an effect on  $X_{pu}$   $B_{pu}$  or  $R_{pu}$ . Also, by changing conductor type, the most proper conductor type under specific design parameters can be found.

**Table 1:** How parameters affect results for input\_file\_example1.txt

	$X_{pu}$	$B_{pu}$	$R_{pu}$
As number of bundle conductors per phase increases	Decreases	Increases	Decreases
As bundle of distance increases	Decreases	Increases	<i>Does not change</i>
As length of line increases	Increases	Increases	Increases
As the height length of phases increases (y)	<i>Does not change</i>	Decreases slightly	<i>Does not change</i>
As the length between phases increases (x)	Increases	Decreases	<i>Does not change</i>

It should be noted that while creating this table, data which has two circuits is used. Therefore, the results are valid for this type of modeling. Also, it should be noted that changing parameters about bundle distance or phase location does not affect on resistance value, which is expected. However, if number of bundles is increased, R will decrease due to parallelization. Increasing in parameter, length, results in an increase in all parameters. Although the earth effect is considered in this project, it is not significant for calculation as you can see in table 1.

## 4.Conclusion

In this project, modeling of transmission line is applied. By giving parameters, it calculates  $B_{pu}$   $X_{pu}$  and  $R_{pu}$ . These parameters are important for power system simulations. Also, this code is giving us almost correct results. The difference between theoretical and experimental results is so small that it can be neglected. Moreover, if same algorithm was applied more faster languages, such as FORTRAN, C etc., it would be implemented in simulations (such as PSS®E) directly.