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# Chapter A

## Introduction to the Tutorial

This tutorial is intended to introduce the user to the *PowerFactory* environment. The user will be guided through the creation and development of an electrical power system and in doing so will gain familiarity with the basic features of the software. The tutorial project is developed in a sequential manner, whereby each exercise builds upon what has been completed in the previous exercise. Users can start each exercise of the tutorial by using a special *PowerFactory* command dialogue called Tutorial Manager.

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**Note:** In order to execute the Tutorial, you need to have a demo version or a licensed version of *PowerFactory* with a license capability of at least 30 nodes.

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### A.1 How to use the Tutorial Manager

At the beginning of each exercise, the Tutorial Manager displays a background single line graphic of the network that the user will need to implement in order to complete the exercise. At the end of each exercise the solution achieved may be compared to a sample solution by initializing the next exercise using the Tutorial Manager.

Each exercise is implemented as a separate project which can be executed using the Tutorial Manager. The exercises do not necessarily need to be executed in sequence and can be skipped without the user having to enter any data required by the preceding exercises.

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**Note:** The *PowerFactory* Tutorial philosophy is to guide the user through the features of the software. The data for a small but complete power system design will be entered.

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Step by step instructions to perform each of the tutorial tasks are provided throughout this document. To start with the tutorial itself, go to Chapter [C](#) (Creating the Tutorial Project).

#### A.1.1 Initialization of the Tutorial Exercises

The Tutorial Manager is used to initialize each exercise:

- Open the Tutorial Manager by selecting the *Help* → *Start Tutorial...* option on the main menu.
- Select the option *Start* → *Exercise X*. (select any of the exercises listed)
- Press the **Execute** button.



This brings you to the beginning of the selected tutorial exercise. For Exercise 1 there is no initialization, because this exercise begins with the creation of a totally new project. If you select to start exercise 1 from within the Tutorial Manager, the Tutorial Manager will open Chapter C (Creating the Tutorial Project) of this document only without initializing a project in the *PowerFactory* database.

Further hints on how to use the Tutorial Manager are given at the beginning of Chapter D (Creating Power System Elements).



## A.2 Troubleshooting

As mentioned above the Tutorial Manager installs the data required at the beginning of each exercise. This includes a background pattern, which shows where to drop the elements in the single line graphic.

Typical questions that arise whilst working with the Tutorial are:


- ***The background pattern is not visible in the single line graphic. How can it be made visible again?***

To make the pattern visible again:

- Click on the 'Show Layer' icon (  ). The Graphics Layer dialogue appears. The 'Background' layer is shown in the right pane ('Invisible').
- Move the background layer into the left pane: left click the 'Background' layer and press the  button. This moves the background to the list of visible layers.
- Close the layer dialogue.

- ***I want to continue the tutorial, but it is not active. How do I activate it so I can continue where I left off?***

If you interrupted the Tutorial to work on another project, or to close the *PowerFactory* program, you may reactivate the Tutorial by selecting it in the *File* menu. That menu keeps a list of the last 5 active projects. The Tutorial should be one of the choices.

It is also possible to activate the Tutorial project by means of the Data Manager. Press the  icon, look for the project in the database tree (left side of the window), right click on it and select 'Activate'. It is recommended that you make yourself familiar with the Data Manager by doing exercise 3, before using it to start the tutorial. A short description about how to activate an existing tutorial project within the Data Manager is given in Chapter E.2: Using the Data Manager.


If you cannot find the tutorial project either in the file menu nor with the Data Manager, you will have to start at the beginning on the tutorial exercise where you left the tutorial, by selecting *Start* → *Exercise X* in the Tutorial Manager.

## A.3 Conventions, Terms and Abbreviations used in this Manual

Mouse and keyboard handling actions are abbreviated, and a 'shorthand' is also used to describe actions that the user should take. To assist the user these shorthand descriptions are specifically formatted to stand out, as follows:

**Key** As in "Press the left mouse key". A key is either one of the mouse keys or a key on the keyboard. Mouse keys are sometimes called 'buttons', as in 'the mouse button.'

**Button** As in "Press the **OK** button". The word "button" is used for screen areas which perform some action when clicked using the mouse. In other words, a 'virtual' button.

**Icons** Icons are usually described by the popup name that appears when the cursor is hovered over the icon. For example, press the 'user settings' icon to open the user settings dialogue. Icons are also shown as seen on screen, as in press the  icon to open the user settings dialogue.

**Right/Left clicking** As in "Right click the browser". This means pointing the cursor at the object described (the browser) and pressing the right/left mouse key.

**Double Clicking** As in "Double click the button". This means pointing the cursor at the object described and pressing the left mouse key twice within about half a second (the time interval is as set in the Windows operating system).

**Ctrl-B** (key combination example) means that the user should press the combination of keys described. For example, "Press Ctrl-B to toggle between balanced/unbalanced case", means that the user should press and hold down the first keyboard key (the Control key on the keyboard in this example) and then press the second key (**B**) as well.

**Menu sequences** When a user needs to select a command through cascaded menu options the sequence is shown by arrows that indicate what option to choose next, starting from the original menu button. For example, setting the drawing format can be done by pressing the **Options** button to access the options menu, then by choosing "Graphic" from the list offered, and finally "Drawing Format. . ." from the last list. This series of actions is all simply described by *Options → Graphic → Drawing Format. . .*

**" " and "** Single quotation marks are used to indicate that the description is one that can be found within the program and is one that is not user definable. For example, the balloon help description 'Calculate Load Flow' that you see when you hover your cursor over the Load Flow icon.  
Double quotation marks are used to indicate data that a user has entered or should enter. Double quotation marks are also used to indicate a process or series of objects that have no discernible name, but which need to be described. For example, the "drawing tools panel", which is found on the right hand side of the drawing canvas.

**> and [1 [2 [3], etc.]** These show a sequence of events that should be performed. Where they are numbered they will be associated with a graphic in which the numbers appear.

**left-clicking, right-clicking, clicking, double-clicking, etc.** Wherever the instruction clicking or double-clicking appears it should be taken to mean clicking and double-clicking using the left mouse button. When the right mouse button is to be used it will be explicitly stated.

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### A.4.1 Direct Technical Support

*DlgSILENT* experts offer direct assistance to *PowerFactory* users with valid maintenance agreements via telephone or online via support queries raised on the customer portal.

To register for the on-line portal, select *Help → Register. . .* or go to directly to the registration page (link below). Log-in details will be provided by email shortly thereafter.

To log-in to the portal, enter the email (or Login) and Password provided. When raising a new support query, please include the *PowerFactory* version and build number in your submission, which can be found by selecting *Help* → *About PowerFactory* ... from the main menu. Note that including relevant \*.dz or \*.pfd file(s) may assist with our investigation into your query. The customer portal is shown in Figure A.4.1.

**Phone:** +49-(0)7072-9168-50 (German)  
+49-(0)7072-9168-51 (English)

**Portal log-in and Registration:** <http://www.digsilent.de/index.php/support.html>

The screenshot shows the 'New Incident' form in the DlgSILENT customer portal. The form has a header bar with navigation buttons: HOME, INCIDENT LIST, SUBMIT NEW, CUSTOMER INFO, KNOWLEDGE, REPORT, and DOWNLOAD. The form itself is titled 'New Incident' and contains the following fields:

- Incident Type:** A dropdown menu set to 'Question/Support request'.
- Title:** A text input field containing 'PowerFactory query.....'.
- Product:** A dropdown menu set to 'PowerFactory'.
- Version:** A dropdown menu set to '14.1'.
- Patch Number:** A text input field containing '3'.
- Description:** A large text area containing the following text:
 

Dear DlgSILENT GmbH,  
I would like to raise the following support query.....  
Please note that I have reviewed the manual and FAQ section of the support site for available information.  
Attached is my PowerFactory case in version 14.1.3 format.  
Regards,  
Avid User
- Attach:** A section with a 'Choose File' button, a text input field containing 'My\_case.pfd', and a 'Save as:' label. Below this is an 'Attach Another File' button.
- Enable KnowledgeWise AutoSearch to recommend relevant knowledge:** A checkbox that is checked.

At the bottom of the form are 'Submit' and 'Cancel' buttons.

Figure A.4.1: DlgSILENT customer portal

## A.4.2 General Information

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# Chapter B

## Program Overview

The calculation program *PowerFactory*, as written by *DlgSILENT*, is a computer aided engineering tool for the analysis of transmission, distribution, and industrial electrical power systems. It has been designed as an advanced integrated and interactive software package dedicated to electrical power system and control analysis in order to achieve the main objectives of planning and operation optimization.

"*DlgSILENT*" is an acronym for "**D**igital **S**imuLation of **E**lectrical **N**eTworks". *DlgSILENT* Version 7 was the world's first power system analysis software with an integrated graphical single-line interface. That interactive single-line diagram included drawing functions, editing capabilities and all relevant static and dynamic calculation features.

*PowerFactory* was designed and developed by qualified engineers and programmers with many years of experience in both electrical power system analysis and programming fields. The accuracy and validity of results obtained with *PowerFactory* has been confirmed in a large number of implementations, by organizations involved in planning and operation of power systems throughout the world.

To address users power system analysis requirements, *PowerFactory* was designed as an integrated engineering tool to provide a comprehensive suite of power system analysis functions within a single executable program. Key features include:

1. *PowerFactory* core functions: definition, modification and organization of cases; core numerical routines; output and documentation functions.
2. Integrated interactive single line graphic and data case handling.
3. Power system element and base case database.
4. Integrated calculation functions (e.g. line and machine parameter calculation based on geometrical or nameplate information).
5. Power system network configuration with interactive or on-line SCADA access.
6. Generic interface for computer-based mapping systems.

Use of a single database, with the required data for all equipment within a power system (e.g. line data, generator data, protection data, harmonic data, controller data), means that *PowerFactory* can easily execute all power simulation functions within a single program environment - functions such as load-flow, short-circuit calculation, harmonic analysis, protection coordination, stability calculation, and modal analysis.

## B.1 Database Management and Backups


The *PowerFactory* database has been proven to be very stable. Nevertheless, as is true for all electronic databases, it can be corrupted by external or internal causes. External causes are such as power failures resulting in a sudden system shutdown, hard disk crashes, computer viruses or inadvertent deletion of files. To prevent any loss of data, please follow these instructions:

- Backup the database directory of all DlgSILENT *PowerFactory* installations on a regular basis. A daily automatic backup is recommended. This directory is named "DB" and can normally (i.e. for a standard installation) be found under *C:\DlgSILENT\pfXXX* where XXX is the version number (e. g. 15.0), i. e. pf1501 In some installations the path is *C:\DlgSILENT\pfXXXXYY* where XXX is the version number (e. g. 15.0) and Y is the service pack number (e.g. 1), i. e. pf15.0.1
- Save all projects on a regular basis by right-clicking the project folder in the database tree and selecting the *Export Data* option. This will prompt you for a filename.

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**Note:** By exporting a project, only the information in that project and all its subfolders will be stored. If the exported objects use information (e.g. power system types like line or transformer types) that is saved somewhere else, then this information will not be stored. Please ensure that the power system types and all other referenced information is exported as well. We recommended limiting the use of "non-project objects" to one or two non-project libraries; these should also be exported on a regular basis.

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- Exported projects may be imported into a database tree by pressing the  icon on the Data Manager's toolbar. You will be prompted for the exported filename (\*.pfd or \*.dz).
- Please make sure that you make backup copies of all the exported data, as well as of the *PowerFactory* database on a regular basis.
- However, should you find yourself in the unhappy position of having a corrupted database and no backup files please contact us for assistance; all may not be lost!

## B.2 Designed for Beginners and Experts

DlgSILENT *PowerFactory* has originally been designed as a complete package for the high-end user. Consequently, there are no special 'lightweight' or cut-down versions. However, this does not mean that non high end users will find themselves perplexed when using *PowerFactory*. The program is also friendly to the basic user. Users who are learning about power systems are able to easily and quickly perform load-flows and short-circuit calculations, without needing to immediately master the mathematical intricacies of the calculations. The *PowerFactory* Tutorial allows the user to learn primarily about modelling and analyzing electrical power systems. Basic knowledge in working with a PC is presumed.

The program is shipped with all of the engines and algorithms that are required for high-end use. The functionality that has been bought by a user is configured in a matrix, where the licensed calculation functions, together with the maximum number of busses, are listed as coordinates. In addition, there are options available which will allow the configuration and fine-tuning of the software according to the user's needs, for some of the functions.

In this manner, not every *PowerFactory* license contains all functionality described in this manual, but only those actually required, thereby reducing the complexity at the outset. As requirements dictate, further functionality can be added to the license. The user thus does not have to learn a whole new interface for new functions, but merely uses new commands within the same environment. In addition, the original network data is used and only extra data, as may be required by the new calculation function, needs to be added.

# Chapter C

## Exercise 1: Creating the Tutorial Project

The first step in designing a new power system (including that of the Tutorial) is to create a project. A project offers the basic structure in which to define and store power system definitions, together with their design stages and single line diagrams, type libraries, calculation stages, calculation commands, etc.

This chapter describes how to create a new project and explains most of its features. For new users it is recommended to read the preceding tutorial chapters before starting with the tutorial exercises. These will provide the user with the *PowerFactory* terminology and concepts required to easily understand the rest of the tutorial.

The Tutorial Manager is a special *PowerFactory* feature designed to guide the user through the tutorial. With the exception of the first exercise, it will be used to install a specific project at the beginning of each exercise. For the first exercise the Tutorial Manager cannot be used, because the first exercise requires the user to create a project of their own.

### C.1 Logon to *PowerFactory*

When starting *PowerFactory* you have to enter a user name and a password into the 'Log on' dialogue window. Alternatively you can logon with a user-specific name. You are allowed to enter user-specific names in a Demo-version of *PowerFactory* as well. Owners of a multi-user database license are recommended to log on with their own user name which is typically assigned to them by the administrator. You can create a new User account easily by selecting "Create a new user" and then entering a new User name and password in the Log on dialogue window of *PowerFactory*, e. g. 'Tutorial User' or 'MyUser'. This is recommended if you have a Demo-version or if you have a single-user license. Whilst a user name is required, the usage of a password is optional (once you have set a password you will have to enter it at each logon).

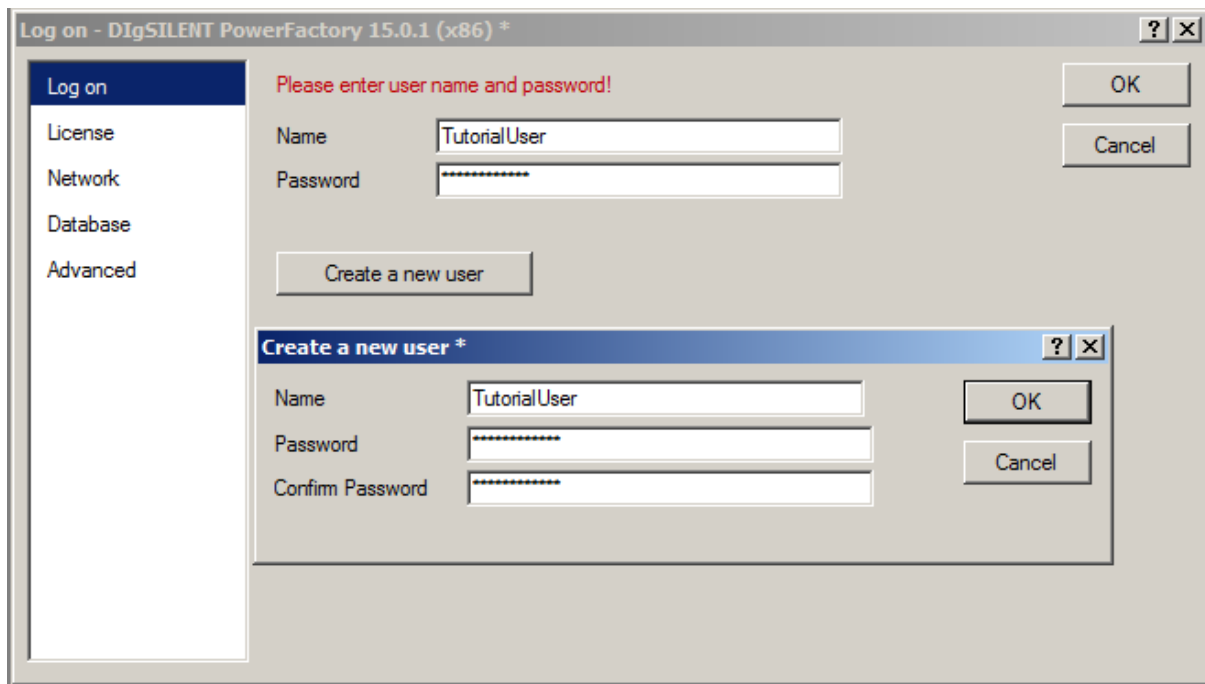


Figure C.1.1: Logon to *PowerFactory* with a user-specific name (here: Tutorial User) and password

The location where the Tutorial Manager stores the tutorial projects is called the *User* folder (the *User* folder has the user name entered into the Logon dialogue window). The *User* folder will be the folder created for you by the administrator, or by yourself as written above. The active *User* folder is marked by a small blue screen icon inside the Data Manager (the Data Manager will be explained in Chapter E (Exercise 3: The Data Manager)). See Figure C.1.2 for an example with the user named "Tutorial User".

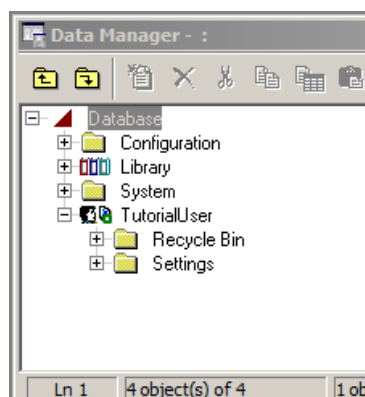


Figure C.1.2: Example of an active user folder

## C.2 Creating the Tutorial Project

Create a new project in your User folder by:

- Open the *File* menu on the main menu bar.
- Select the *New* option.
- Choose *Project...* as shown in Figure C.2.1

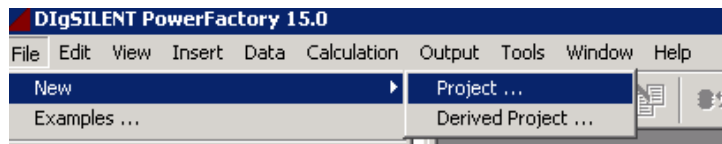


Figure C.2.1: Creating a new Project from the file menu

- The dialogue shown in Figure C.2.2 will pop up. This dialogue, as most others in this Tutorial, is shown as it should look after it has been edited.

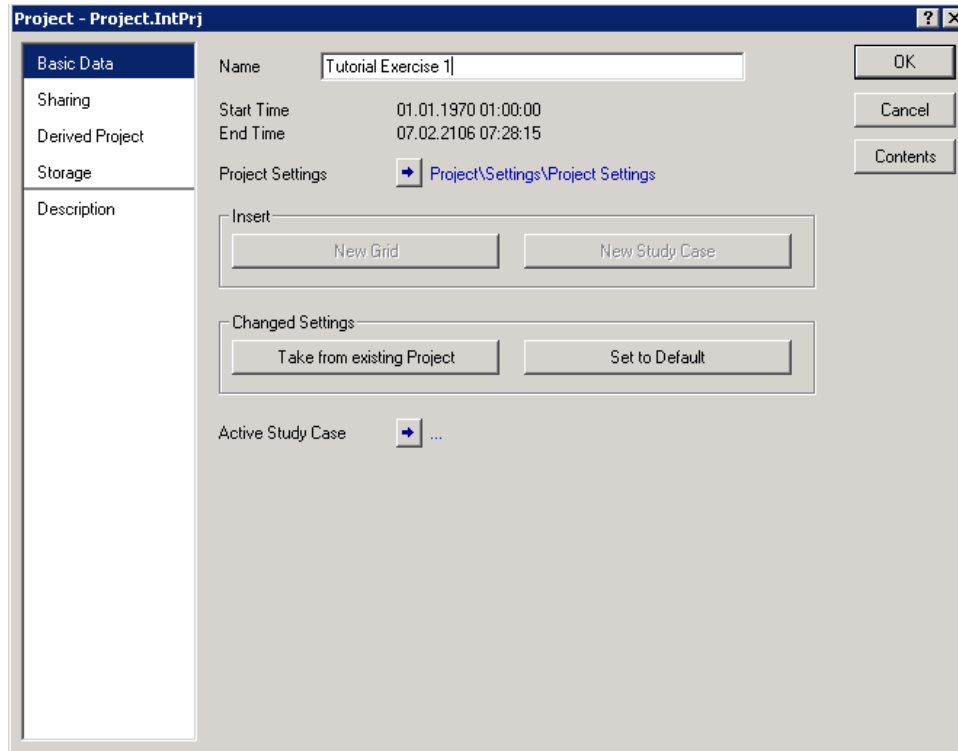


Figure C.2.2: The project dialogue (IntPrj)

- Enter the name of the project as "Tutorial Exercise 1".
- Click the **OK** button.

This creation of a new project causes any currently active project to be deactivated (if one was active) and all related graphic windows to be closed.

A project needs at least one grid folder in which a power (sub)system is defined. Therefore, a grid folder is created automatically and its edit dialogue pops up, as depicted in Figure C.2.3



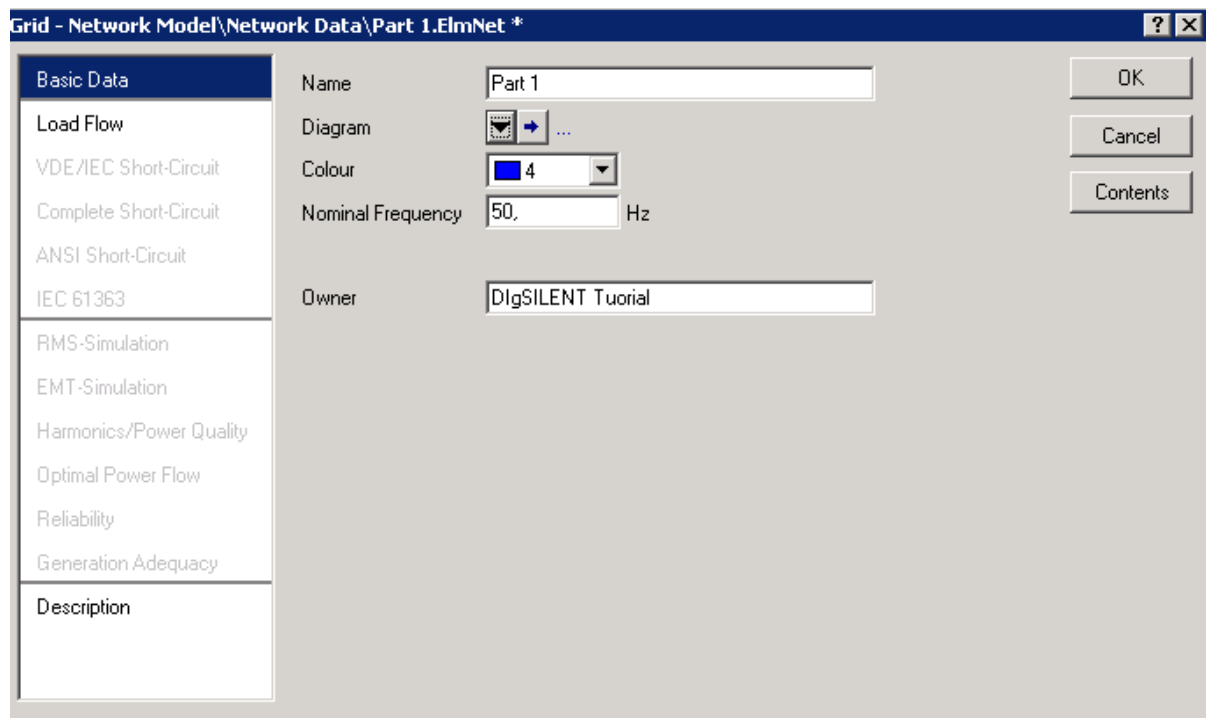


Figure C.2.3: The grid edit dialogue

- Set the name of the grid to "Part 1".
- Set the frequency to 50 Hz. The *PowerFactory* tutorial system is designed for 50 Hz.
- Left-click the **OK** button.

The *Owner* field is optional and is normally used to enter a project, company or any other appropriate name. In this tutorial, the *Owner* name is not used, although "*DIgSILENT Tutorial*" is entered in Figure C.2.3

In the background, the new grid "Part 1" is created in the project, together with a 'Study Case' folder which is used to activate the grid and to perform calculations for it. This study case is given a default name (which is "Study Case").

The newly created project and the study case are activated automatically, an empty single line graphic will be displayed. The *PowerFactory* workspace should now look as shown in Figure C.2.4 The numbered labels in the figure correspond with the following parts of the workspace:

1. The main menu bar.
2. The main icon bar. This contains a list box showing all study cases which are available. Choosing a different study case in the list switches to that study case. If there is not enough space to display all buttons on the pane, this toolbar is displayed with small 'up' and 'down' arrow buttons, with which the rest of the buttons can be accessed.
3. The local graphics window icon bar. This toolbar is also displayed with small 'up' and 'down' arrow buttons which allow access to additional buttons if the window is too small to display all buttons. The icons in this icon bar depend on the content of the window shown. In this particular case it is the graphics window with the single line diagram.
4. The empty single line graphics window with drawing grid. The grid shows where graphical elements will snap, if the snap option is activated.
5. The drawing toolbox. This is displayed in its 'docked' state on the right side of the graphics window.

6. The output window. This is the white window below the graphics window. It is used to show text messages, text reports and also shows active links for debugging the data model.
7. The status bar. This gives feedback about the present status of *PowerFactory*. For example, it indicates the position of the cursor either in the graphics window or in the output window. It also shows the name of the currently active project.

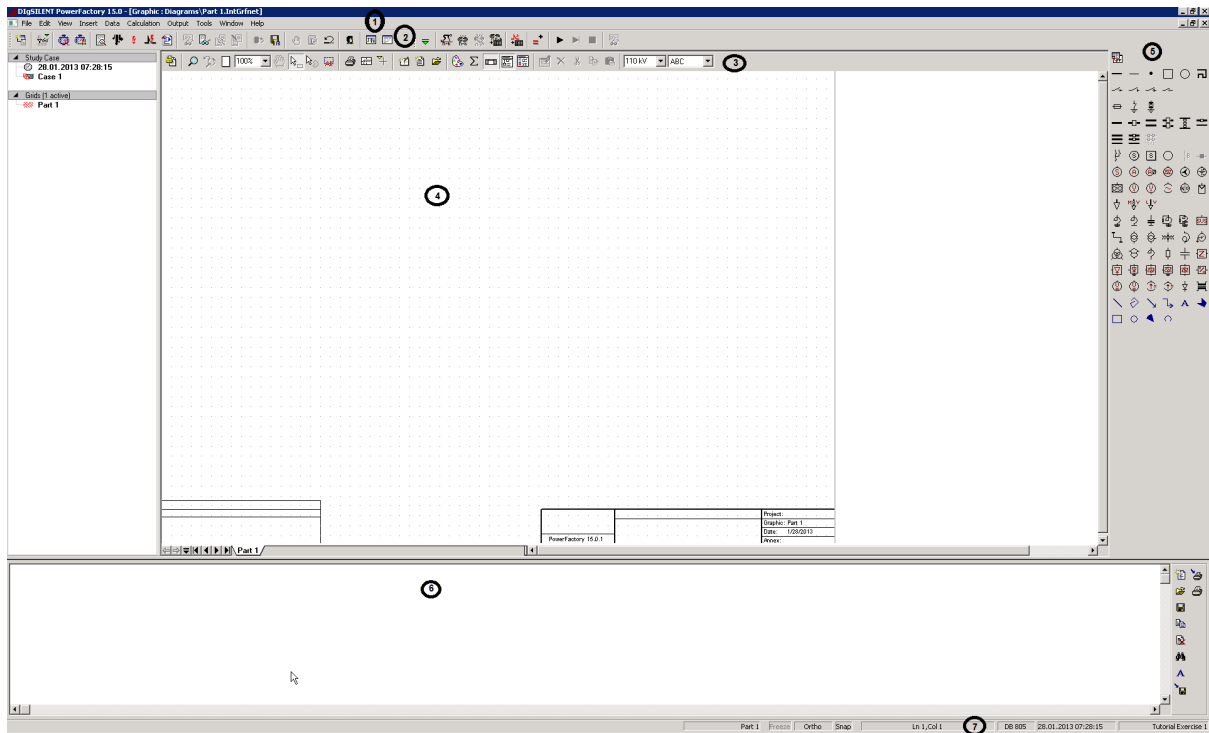


Figure C.2.4: The workspace after creation of a new project

### C.3 Renaming the Study Case

Although the created project may be used as it is, the name of the new study case is normally changed to something more original than "Study Case".

- Select the *Edit* → *Project Data* → *Study Case...* option on the main menu.

The edit dialogue of the study case is depicted in Figure C.3.1

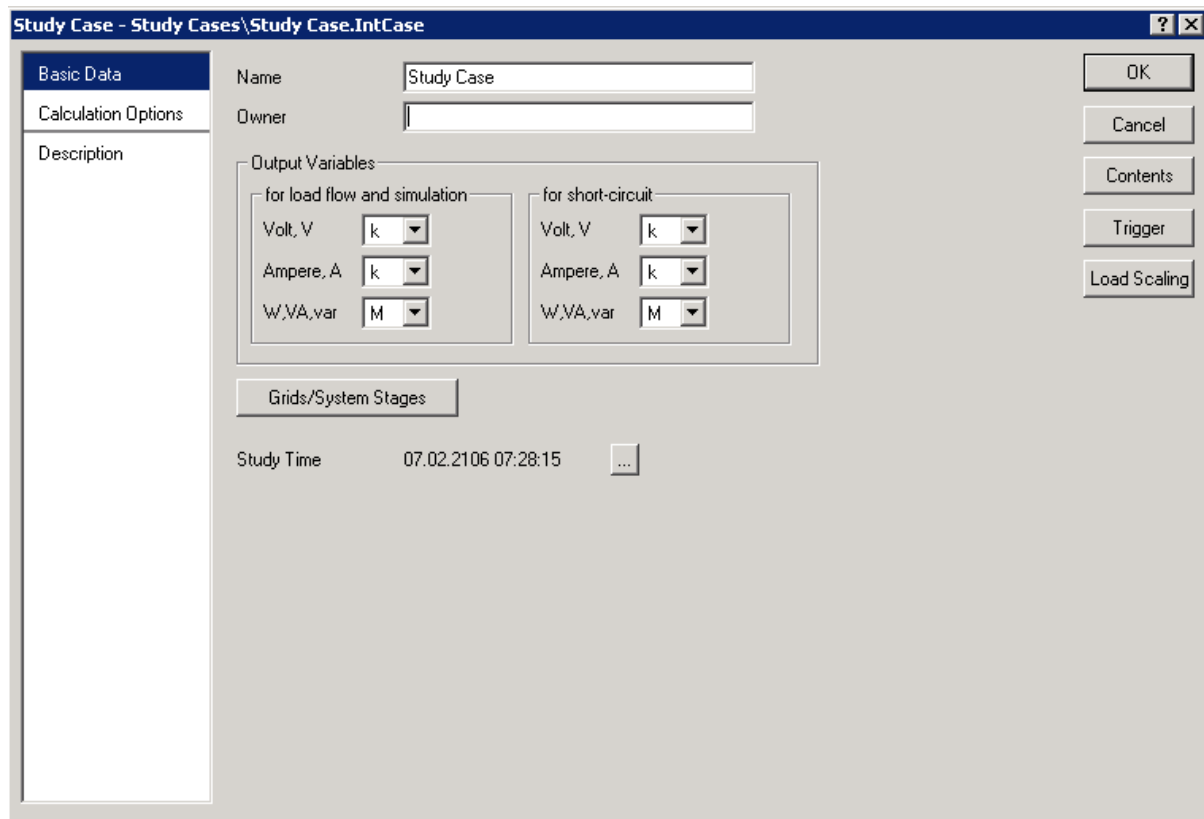


Figure C.3.1: The study case edit dialogue

- Change the name to "Case 1".
- To set the Study Time click on the button with the three dots ( ... ). A window "Set Date and Time of Calculation Case" appears, as shown in Figure C.3.2.

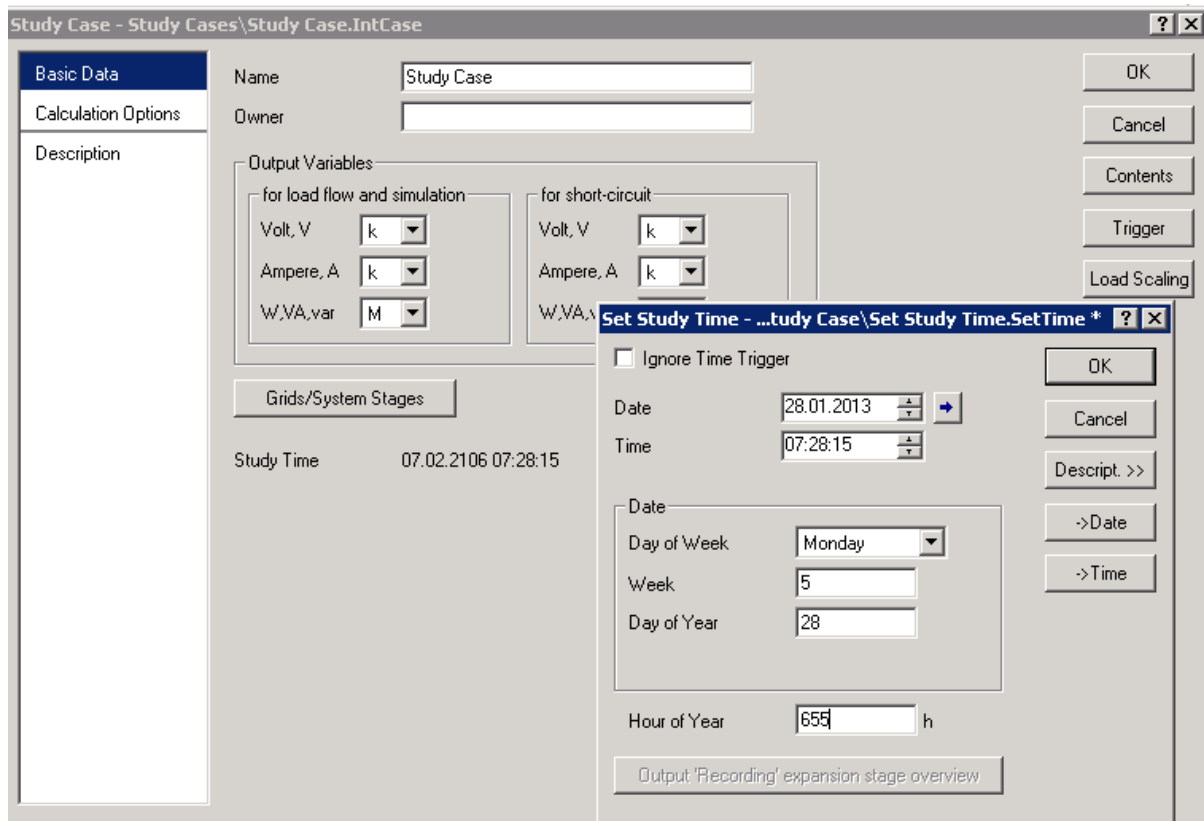


Figure C.3.2: Setting Date and Time of the Study Case

- Press the button “-> Date” and the button “-> Time” to set the current computer date and time for the study case.
- Click the **OK** button. The study case dialogue window should look like Figure C.3.3 now.
- Press **OK**, to save the settings for the study case.

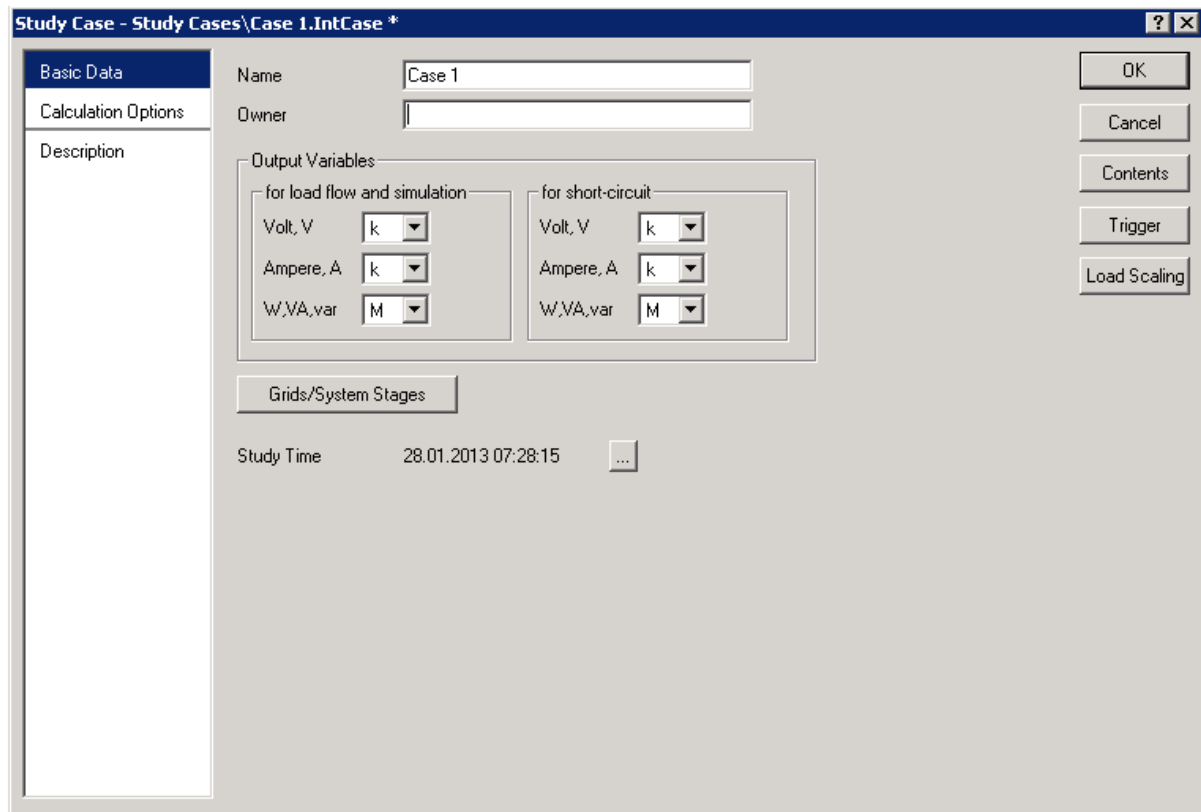


Figure C.3.3: The study case dialogue window after changing the settings

The name in the study case list on the main menu should now have changed to “Case 1” too. The study case list shows the currently active study case and may be used to select another study case or to deactivate the study case by selecting the empty line.

## C.4 Closing and Restarting (*PowerFactory*)

The *PowerFactory* program does not have a “Save” button for projects. All changes made to the system database are immediately stored in the database on disk. This means that you may end the program at any time without having to save your work first (There is an option to save Operation Scenarios manually. The concept of Operation Scenarios is described in the User’s Manual, they are not part of the Tutorial yet).

The software will not reactivate the last active project at start-up. However, the last few active projects are kept in the main *File* menu. Reactivating a recently active project is a matter of left clicking one of these entries.

This Tutorial may thus be interrupted at any moment without further action, and may be continued at any time later by reactivating the Tutorial project.

## Chapter D

# Exercise 2: Creating Power System Elements

In the previous chapter, a Grid folder ("Part 1") and a Study Case have been created. This would normally be enough to start working. However, some additional folders and settings have been created for the Tutorial which will make things a bit easier. To install these extras, a special command dialogue called Tutorial Manager is provided (see Chapter [A.1](#)). The Tutorial Manager principally does the following:

- It installs a project containing the predefined tutorial Power System and an equipment type library for busbars, lines, transformers and other objects.
- It prepares the graphic window and sets a background pattern which makes it easier to position the elements of the tutorial Power System grids.

To be able to perform all the tasks proposed for this tutorial, the Tutorial Manager must be activated by the user at the start of each tutorial exercise. It will install the predefined project. Therefore, your first step in creating the tutorial Power System will be to *activate the Tutorial Manager*.

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**Note:** The Tutorial Manager will not destroy all user defined experiments or alterations made in each tutorial project. Instead of replacing the user defined tutorial projects, it installs teach new predefined tutorial project in parallel with existing projects. If the tutorial project for the exercise already exists, the Tutorial Manager adds a number in parentheses to the name of the newly installed project.

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Activate the Tutorial Manager:

- Open the Help menu on the main menu list.
- Select the option *Start Tutorial...*

The Tutorial Manager dialogue appears now.  
For this Tutorial exercise,

- Select the option *Start → Exercise 2*.
- Press **EXECUTE**.

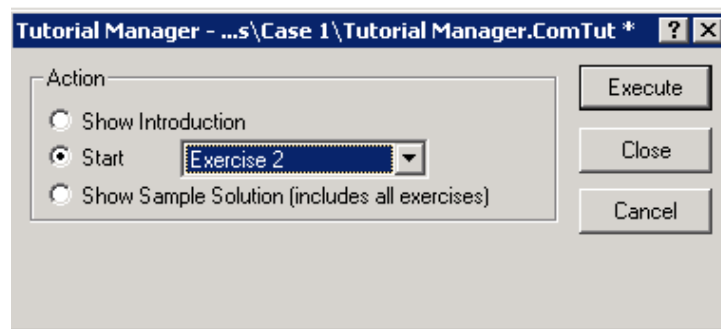


Figure D.0.1: The Tutorial Manager for Starting with Exercise 2

The Tutorial Manager has installed some additional features and has reopened the single line graphic. A single line diagram, in grey, is now visible in the background. This is just a pattern to show where to place the actual power system components.

## D.1 Creating the Power System Components

The *PowerFactory* program allows the creation of new power system designs by creating all components and manually connecting them to define the topology. The most convenient method of achieving this is to use the interactive single line graphics. All component information is also accessible via a textual database environment called 'Data Manager'

The single line graphics are used to create new power system components and to insert them into the topological network. In this way, the power system database and its single line graphic are built together in one step.

For example, editing the created power system components to set the voltage level or other electrical parameters, may also be done from the single line graphic. This is achieved by double clicking the graphical symbols. This will open the corresponding data dialogue of the power system component. The following sections will illustrate this in more detail.

### D.1.1 Creating Substations with Single Busbars

There are a lot of predefined busbar system arrangements in *PowerFactory*, for example single busbar systems, single busbar systems with a tie circuit breaker, double busbar systems, double busbar systems with a tie breaker and bypass busbar, and so on. All these systems consist of terminals, circuit breakers and disconnectors.

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**Note:** In *PowerFactory* Version 15 nodes are always represented by terminals (which is difference in comparison to previous versions). A terminal may be part of a substation, e.g. in a single or double busbar system. A new substation is created for each new 'busbar system' by default. If you use simple terminals instead of 'busbar systems' to represent nodes, no substation element will be created.


By clicking with the right mouse button on a terminal and selecting 'Show detailed Graphic of Substation' a new single line diagram with the detailed topology of the substation will be opened. You can edit this graphic, if you want to change the topology of the substation. You can even add new terminals to a substation.


When other power system elements, such as lines, transformers or loads (known generically as edge and branch elements) are connected to a node, *PowerFactory* automatically inserts circuit breaker models in order to open/close this connection. Cubicles with these circuit breakers may



be visualized as the panels in a switchboard, or bays in a high voltage yard. Using simple terminals, all necessary circuit breakers will be created automatically when an element is connected to the terminal. If you use predefined busbar systems (from templates), you have to select the node of an existing breaker to connect the element to the busbar. This is explained in detail later in this Tutorial.

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To create a substation with a single busbar, a 'Single Busbar System' is used:

- If the drawing toolbox is not visible on the right side, click on the  icon in order to un-freeze the graphic.

The  icon ('Freeze Mode') changes between graphical editing and parameter editing. When pressed, the drawing toolbox will disappear and the single line diagram will be 'frozen' and can not be changed anymore. You can enter data of the drawn elements in both modes, but in the frozen mode (parameter editing) unintentional changing of the graphic is not possible. Pressing the 'Freeze Mode' button again will return the drawing toolbox ('Un-freeze').

- Use the balloon help to find the 'Single Busbar System' icon () (note that this icon is very similar to the 'terminal' and 'short terminal' icons). The cursor will show the single busbar icon after the icon has been pressed.
- Use the background pattern to position the first busbar by left clicking on the drawing surface. A busbar will be drawn (in black), and is given a default name like "SingleBusbar / BB". "SingleBusbar" is the name of the substation, whilst "BB" is the name of the terminal (busbar).
- If something other than a single busbar appears, press the 'Undo' button () to undo your last action(s) and try again.

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**Note:** When the insert mode is activated and the symbol for e.g. the terminal is attached to the mouse arrow, you can switch to the edit mode by selecting the  icon in the main toolbar, by pressing the **Esc** key or simply by pressing the right mouse button once.

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The terminal (busbar) of the substation may be moved and resized to fit the background pattern:

- Select the terminal by left clicking it. This will mark the terminal by a thick grey line with two small squares. If something is selected in a frozen diagram, then a hatched crossed marking appears without squares. If you have double clicked the terminal accidentally, its edit dialogue will pop up. Close that dialogue with the **Cancel** button.
- Move the terminal by left clicking on the solid grey line and dragging the terminal. Releasing the mouse sets the new location.
- Resizing is done by left clicking one of the small black squares and dragging it to the left or right, see Figure [D.1.1](#).

The cursor can also be used to show a balloon help text when held still at the name of the busbar or at any other text in the single line diagram. This is much more convenient than having to zoom in and out in order to read something.



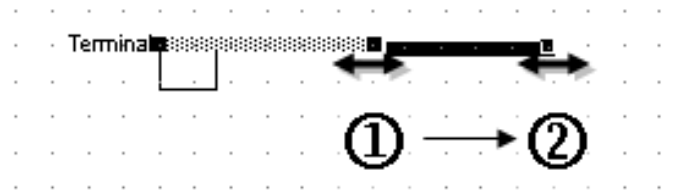




Figure D.1.1: Resizing a terminal (busbar)



Create two other substations in the same way:



- Select the  icon ('Single Busbar System') in the graphic toolbox again. Place the second and third substation (i. e. the terminal of the substation).
- Move and/or resize the second and third terminal to fit the background pattern.

The drawing may be too small to accurately position the terminals. To zoom in on the three terminals:

- Left click the 'Zoom In' icon (.
- Draw a square around the three terminals by left clicking the first corner, holding the mouse key down, and dragging the mouse to the other corner. The selection square will be zoomed when the mouse key is released.


The zoomed in area of the graphic can be moved by using the 'Hand Tool':

- Press the 'Hand Tool' icon (). The mouse cursor becomes a hand symbol.
- Click inside the drawing plane and keep the mouse button pressed.
- Move the mouse to move the zoomed in area.
- Release the mouse button.
- Press the 'Hand Tool' icon ( again, to exit the 'Hand Tool' mode.

The 'Hand Tool' mode is available only, if you have zoomed in on the graphic. The previous zoomed area can be restored by pressing the  icon ('Zoom Back'). The whole area is shown when the 'Zoom All' button ( is pressed.

## D.1.2 Creating Branch Elements

The terminals (busbars) of the substations are to be connected with transformers:

- Left click the  (two winding transformer) icon in the drawing toolbox.
- To draw the first transformer, left click the upper terminal at the position suggested by the background pattern.
- The detailed graphic of the upper substation is opened automatically. Connect the transformer to one bay by clicking on one of the marked breaker terminals as illustrated in Figure D.1.2 The result should look like Figure D.1.3

- The transformer is now connected graphically to the terminal at that position.
- Left click the middle terminal to make the second connection.
- The detailed graphic of the middle substation is opened automatically. Connect the transformer to any bay by clicking on one of the breaker terminals as before.

**Note:** There is a difference between simple terminals (without substations) and the predefined more complex busbar systems with substations, which represent substations in detail: If you connect an element to a busbar system, the detailed graphic of the substation (busbar system) is opened. You have to connect the element (in this case the transformer) to one of the marked terminals (the big squares which are at the end of the predefined breaker panels).

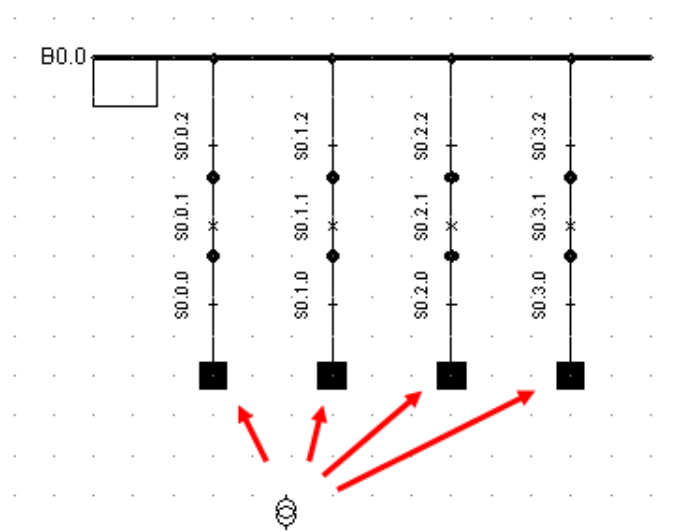


Figure D.1.2: Connecting the transformer to the single busbar system (in detailed substation graphic)

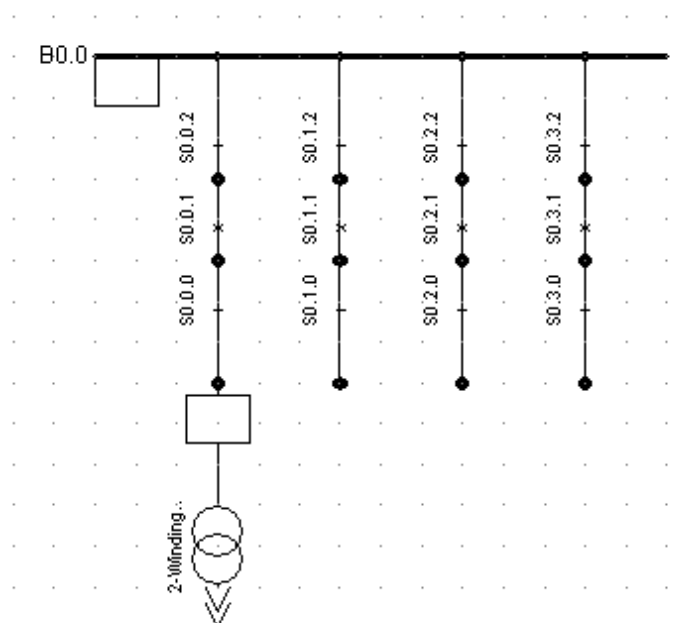



Figure D.1.3: Transformer connected to the single busbar system

- Use the same method to connect a second transformer between the middle and lower terminal.

The single line diagram, without the background, should now look like Figure D.1.4

If something other than a transformer has appeared or if the connection was not made as intended, press the 'Undo' button () to cancel the last step. Pressing **ESC** while drawing will cancel the drawing of the transformer.

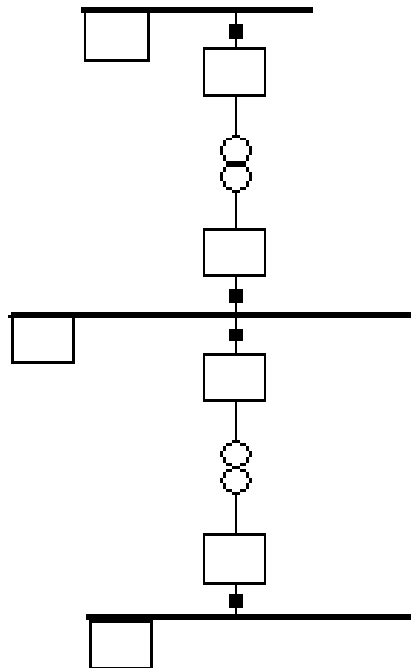



Figure D.1.4: Three substations with single busbar systems and two transformers

A transformer may be moved in a similar way to how a busbar is resized:

- Left click a transformer to select it.
- Left click the selected transformer, hold down the mouse key.
- Move the transformer one or two grid points left or right by dragging.
- Release the mouse button.

Normally, you cannot drag the transformer outside the range of the two terminals. If you try this, it will be positioned at the terminals, as far to the right or left as possible. If you try again from this position, you can drag it outside the range.

- Move the transformer back to its original position. If the connections were damaged during the first move, press 'Undo' button () to undo the move.

You can also draw the transformer symbol again by right clicking it, and selecting *Redraw Element* from the context sensitive menu. This will mark the two terminals to which the transformer is electrically connected. You can re-draw the transformer again, but you have to connect it to the two marked terminals. The option *Redraw Element* is available for all symbols in the single line diagram.

Left clicking the upper and then the lower terminal while drawing a transformer creates a straight connection. The transformer symbol is placed in the middle. A non-straight connection can be made by:


- left clicking a terminal to make the first connection.
- left clicking the drawing surface to define corners in the connection line.
- double clicking on the drawing surface to place the transformer symbol.
- left clicking the drawing surface again to draw the second connection line,
- and left clicking the second terminal to make the second connection.

As before detailed graphics of the substations will pop up during this sequence, in order to allow you to connect the transformer to the breaker panels. You may want to practice this now, using the option *Redraw Element*.

### D.1.3 Creating Single-Port Elements


Single-port elements are power system elements which are connected to one terminal only: generators, motors, loads, external grids, etc.

The tutorial grid has two asynchronous machines:

- Press the  icon in the drawing toolbox.
- Connect the first machine to the lower terminal by left clicking it on the position as shown by the background pattern.
- The detailed graphic of the substation pops up. Connect the machine to one breaker panel by clicking on one of the marked breaker terminals.
- Connect the second machine to the middle terminal.

Left clicking a terminal places the single-port symbol with a straight connection. Non-straight connections may be made by first left clicking the drawing area to place the symbol, then to draw a non-straight connection and finally left clicking the terminal to make the connection.

To finish off the tutorial grid, the external grid should be placed:

- Press the  icon in the drawing toolbox.
- Left click the upper terminal to connect the external grid.
- Again the detailed graphics of the substations pops up. Connect the external grid to one breaker panel by clicking on one of the marked breaker terminals.

If the external grid is connected to the terminal in the overview diagram at the same position as the transformer, the external grid symbol is automatically positioned above the terminal. Otherwise, it is placed in the default position under the terminal.

If the external grid symbol is drawn in the downwards position, it may be flipped upwards. If the external grid symbol is already positioned correctly, you may want to practice the following on the machine on the middle busbar:

- Right-click the external grid symbol or the asynchronous machine. The context sensitive menu appears (see Figure [D.1.5](#)).



- Left click the *Flip At Busbar* option. The symbol is rotated 180 degrees around its busbar connection.

Flipping is also possible with non-straight connections.

This concludes the creation of the power system elements and the topology. Please check that all symbols are positioned correctly. Use 'Move', 'Resize' and/or 'Flip at busbar' to correct the single line diagram.

The elements have not been edited yet, and are all using default parameters. Entering the parameters is the next step.

The background pattern isn't needed anymore. To hide it, the graphical layer on which it is drawn should be disabled. For every group of graphic symbols, such a layer exists. To hide the background:

- Click on the 'Show Layer' icon () . The Graphic Layers dialogue appears. The "Background" layer is shown in the left pane ('Visible').
- Hide the background by moving it to the right pane: left click the 'Background' layer and press the  button. This moves the background to the list of invisible layers.
- Close the layer dialogue with the **OK** button. The single line graphic will now look more sharp.

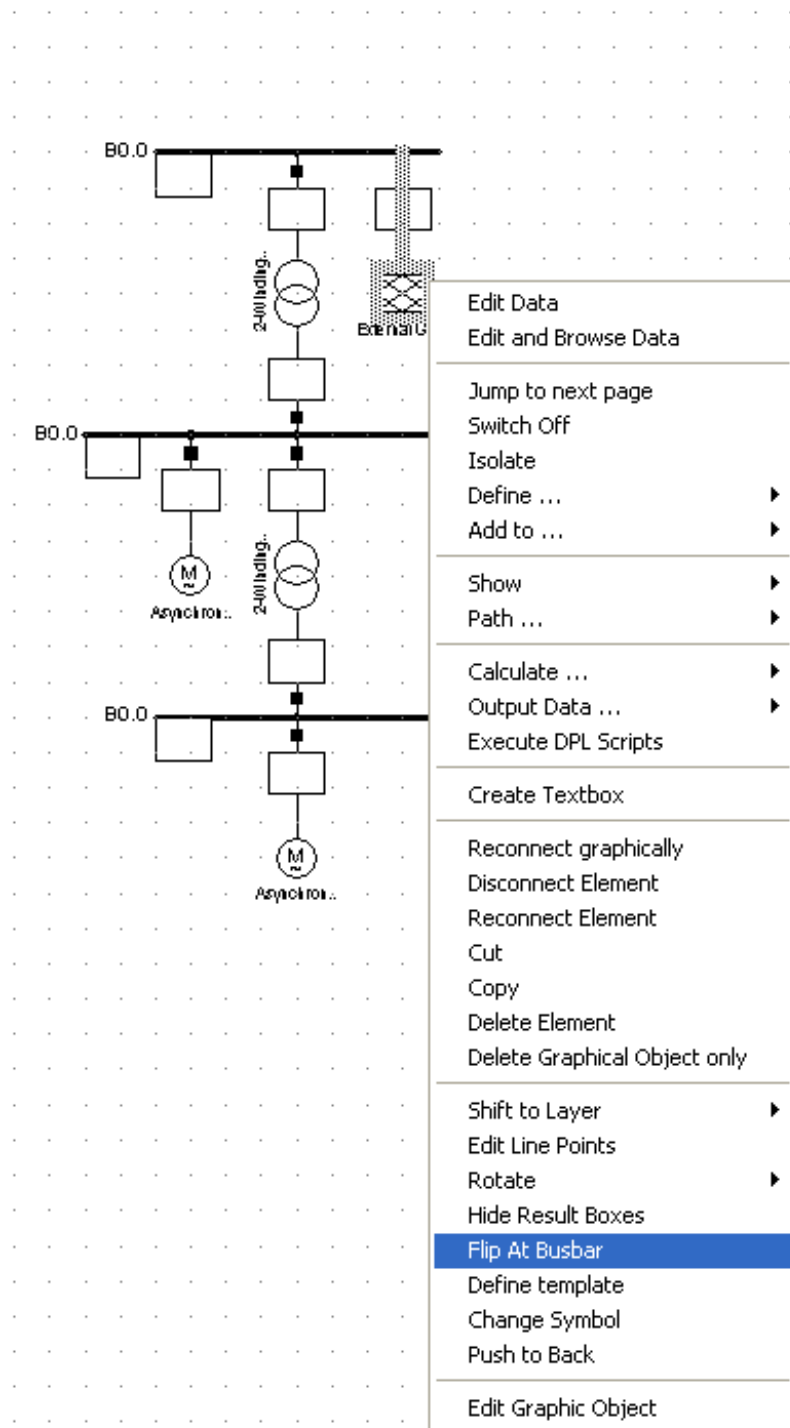



Figure D.1.5: The Flipping a symbol

## D.2 Editing the Power System Components

The *PowerFactory* program offers several methods for editing the electrical parameters of power system elements, from simple edit dialogues to flexible spreadsheet-like environments where more than one element is visible at the same time.

The most simple and direct method, however, is to double click the elements in the single line graphic,

which opens their edit dialogue.

To avoid unintended changes to the single line diagram, press the 'Freeze Mode' button () to freeze the diagram.

Most power system elements are assigned Type objects. A large quantity of transformers in a network for instance, may all be of the same type and share common electrical parameters. These parameters can be defined in a transformer Type object. Each common transformer can therefore reference that type.

Normally, this would mean that a library of user defined types has to be created prior to defining power system elements. However, for this tutorial all needed types have been predefined and are ready to use.

### D.2.1 Editing Terminals and Substations

To edit the upper substation with its terminal:

- Double click the upper terminal. The edit dialogue for the terminal, as depicted in Figure [D.2.1](#) will pop up.

This dialogue shows:

- Page tabs which are used to enter calculation specific parameters ('Basic data', 'Load Flow', etc.).
- The name of the terminal.
- Its type, with a button to select a type and one to edit the type.
- A Zone and an Area, to which the terminal belongs. These aren't used in this tutorial. Further information about Zones and Areas is available in the User Manual.
- The substation to which this terminal belongs, with a button which opens the edit dialogue of that substation.
- The System Type (AC, DC, or AC/BI for two phase AC systems like railway systems)
- The Phase Technology to define the number of phases. For Example, you can select whether the terminal has a neutral conductor or not.
- The nominal voltage of the terminal.

The screenshot shows a software dialog box titled "Terminal - Part 1\Single Busbar\D1\_Swab.ElmTerm". On the left is a vertical menu with tabs: "Basic Data", "Load Flow", "VDE/IEC Short-Circuit", "Complete Short-Circuit", "ANSI Short-Circuit", "IEC 61363", "RMS-Simulation", "EMT-Simulation", "Harmonics/Power Quality", "Protection", "Optimal Power Flow", "Reliability", "Generation Adequacy", "Tie Open Point Opt.", and "Description". The "Basic Data" tab is selected. The main area contains the following fields and controls:

- Name:** D1\_Swab
- Type:** A dropdown menu showing "Types Busbars\Bar 33 kV".
- Zone:** A dropdown menu showing "...".
- Area:** A dropdown menu showing "...".
- Substation:** A dropdown menu showing "Part 1\Single Busbar".
- Out of Service:** An unchecked checkbox.
- System Type:** A dropdown menu showing "AC".
- Usage:** A dropdown menu showing "Busbar".
- Phase Technology:** A dropdown menu showing "ABC".
- Nominal Voltage:** A group box containing:
  - Line-Line:** 33 kV
  - Line-Ground:** 19,05256 kV
- Earthed:** An unchecked checkbox.

On the right side of the dialog are four buttons: "OK", "Cancel", "Jump to ...", and "Cubicles".

Figure D.2.1: The busbar edit dialogue

Edit the upper terminal and substation:

- D1\_Swab
- To enter the *Type*, left click the type selection button (▼) and choose the *Select Project Type* option. This opens the library in the database tree. Please navigate to the 'Types Busbars' folder as shown in Figure D.2.2. This busbar library has been installed by the Tutorial Manager. When needed, click on the '+' symbol to open the Database subfolders or double click them.
- Select the "Bar 33 kV" type by left clicking the small object icon. Holding the mouse still above the object icon will bring a balloon help as depicted in Figure D.2.2.
- Press **OK** to select the busbar type. The terminal edit dialogue will become active again.
- Change the line-line nominal voltage to 33 kV.
- Press the button with the blue arrow at the 'Substation' entry in order to edit the substation.
- The dialogue window of the substations appears (Figure D.2.3). Change the name of the substation to "Station 1".
- Enter "S1" for the 'Short Name'.
- Close the substation dialogue by pressing **OK**.
- Press **OK** to close the dialogue window of the terminal.



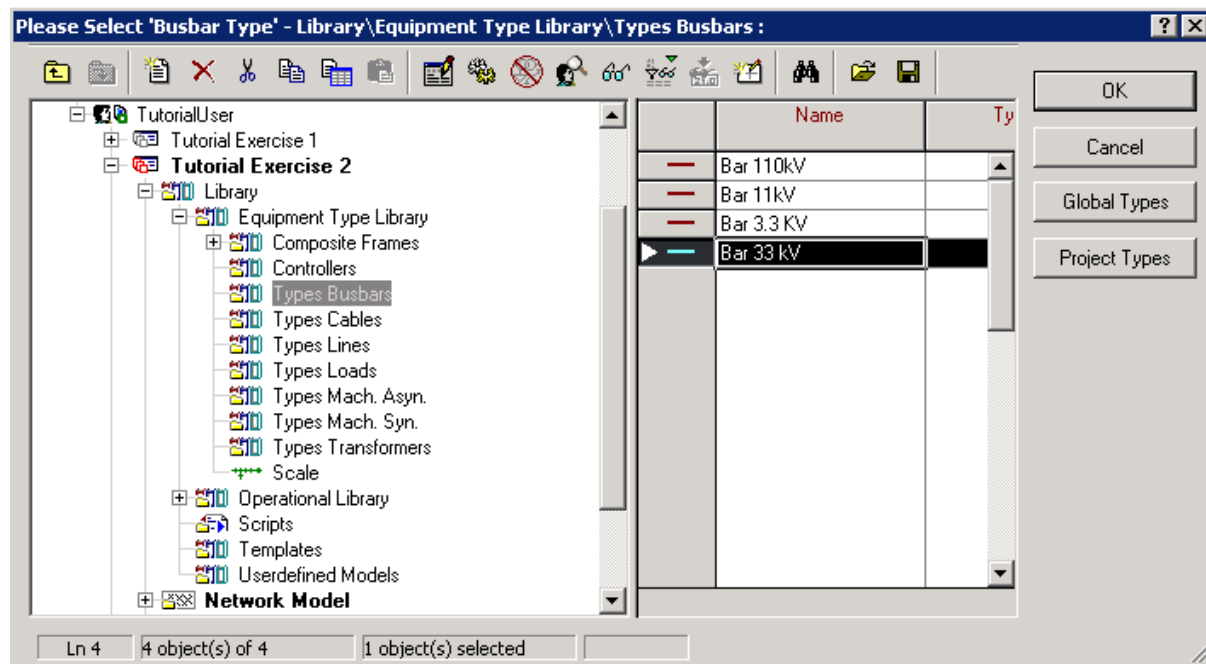


Figure D.2.2: Selecting a busbar type

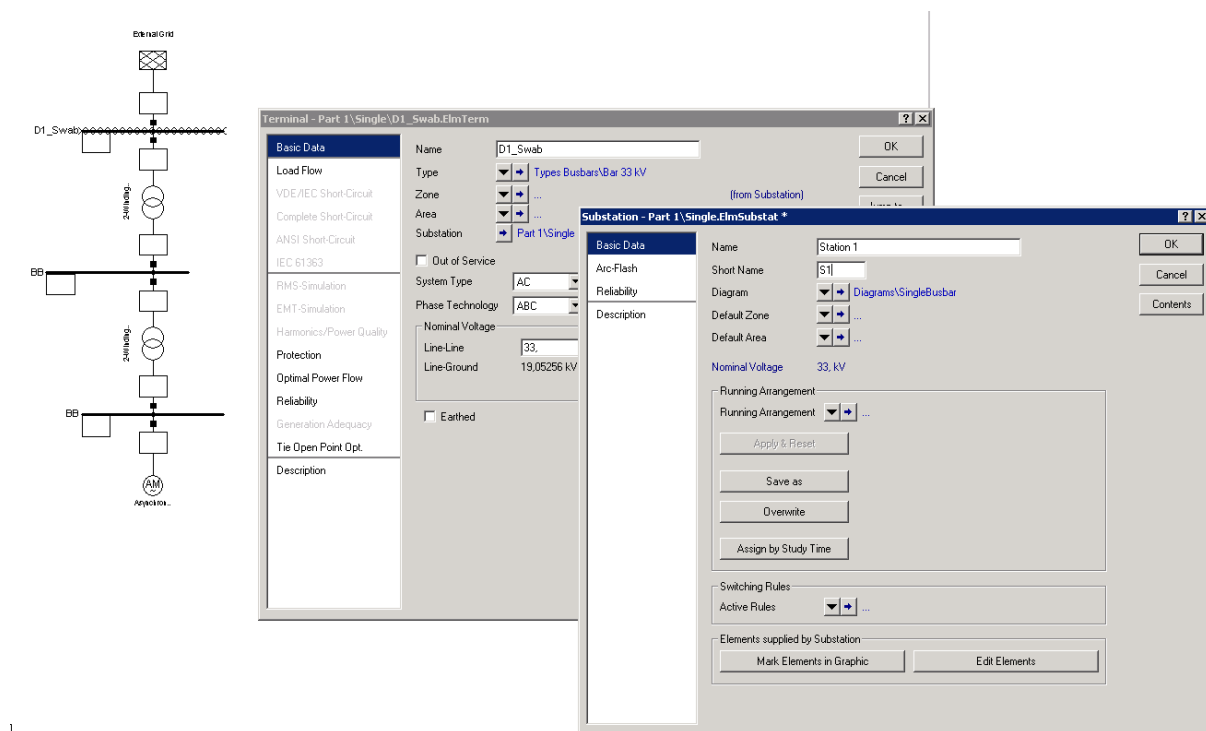


Figure D.2.3: Setting the nominal voltage of a substation

The middle substation with its terminal is edited in the same way:

- Double click the middle terminal.
- Name = "D1\_11a".
- Select the type: use Select Project Type → Bar 11 kV.

- Set the nominal voltage of the substation to 11 kV.
- Name of the substation "Station 2", short name = "S2"
- Close all dialogues by pressing **OK**.

The lower terminal is at 3.3 kV:

- Name = "D1\_3.3a"
- Type = *Project Type* → *Bar 3.3 kV*
- Set the nominal voltage of the substation to 3.3 kV
- Name of the substation "Station 3", short name = "S3"
- Close all dialogues by pressing **OK**.

### D.2.2 Jumping to Other Elements

All element edit dialogues are equipped with a **Jump to..** button. Pressing this button either jumps directly to the connected element, if there is only one such an element, or shows a list of connected elements from which one may be selected.

To practice this:

- Double click the external net symbol to open its dialogue.
- Press the **Jump to...** button. The dialogue of the terminal "D1\_Swab" appears now.
- Press the **Jump to...** button again. A list of connected elements appears. Select the transformer. The edit dialogue of the transformer appears.
- Press the **Cancel** button in any edit dialogue to exit without changes.

### D.2.3 Editing Two-Port Elements

To edit the top transformer:

- Double click the transformer to open its dialogue.
- Name = "T1\_33/11a"

The dialogue shows the connected terminals. These fields have been set when the transformer was connected in the single line diagram. The names of the terminals are shown in red.

- Type = *Project Type* → *TR2 20;33/11;10*.
- Open the 'Load Flow' page by left clicking the page tab.
- Check that the automatic tap changer is disabled and that the tap position is set to zero.
- Press **OK**.

An error message will be displayed if the HV and LV sides of the transformer are connected incorrectly. If this is the case:

- Press the **Flip Connections** button on the 'Basic Data' page.
- Press **OK** again.

To edit the other transformer:

- Open its dialogue.
- Name = "T1\_11/3.3a".
- Type = *Project Type* → *TR2 5;11/3.3;5%*
- Check on the 'Load Flow' page that the automatic tap changer is disabled and that the tap position is set to zero.

## D.2.4 Editing Single-Port Elements

To edit the external grid open the edit dialogue and set:

- 'Basic Data':
  - Name = "Transmission Grid"
  - The external grid element has no type. All electrical data is stored in the element itself.
- 'Load Flow' data:
  - Bus Type = "SL" (slack)
  - Angle = 0.0 deg
  - Voltage Setpoint = 1.0 p.u
- VDE/IEC Short-Circuit:
  - Max. Short Circuit Power "Sk" = 10000 MVA
  - R/X ratio = 0.1
- Press **OK**.

To edit the 11 kV induction machine:

- Open its dialogue.
- Name = "ASM1a"
- Type = *Project Type* → *ASM 11kV 5MVA*
- 'Load Flow' page Active Power = 4 MW
- Press **OK**.

To edit the 3.3 kV induction machine:

- Open its dialogue.
- Name = "ASM1b"
- Type = *Project Type* → *ASM 3.3kV 2MVA*
- 'Load Flow' page: Active Power = 1 MW
- Press **OK**.

This concludes the power system definition of the first exercise. A calculation may now be carried out.

## D.3 Performing a Load Flow Calculation

A load flow calculation may be started from the main menu (*Calculation* → *Load flow...*), or by clicking on the Load Flow icon (🔌) on the main toolbar. This will bring the load flow command dialogue to the front, similar to the depiction in Figure D.3.1.

This command dialogue offers several options for the load flow calculations.

- For this first tutorial load flow, check that the following options are set:
  - Calculation Method = AC Load Flow, balanced, positive sequence
  - Temperature Dependency: Line/Cable Resistances = ...at 20 °C
  - Disable all other options on the basic options tab.
  - On the active power control tab ensure Active power control = according to secondary control and consider active power limits is enabled.
- Press the **Execute** button.

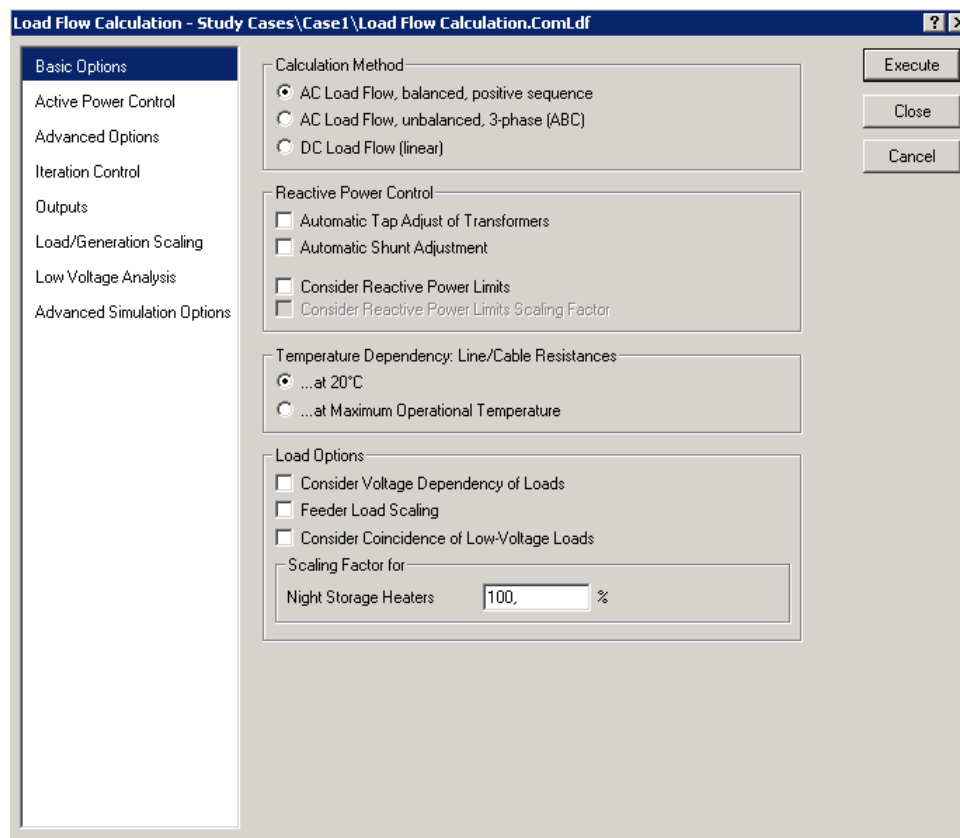


Figure D.3.1: The load flow command dialogue

A load flow calculation is now started. If the tutorial power system was entered correctly, the following message should appear in the output window:

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DIgSI/info - Element 'Transmission Grid' is local reference in separated area
of '1'
DIgSI/info - Calculating load flow...
DIgSI/info - -----
DIgSI/info - Start Newton-Raphson Algorithm... DIgSI/info - load flow iteration:
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DIgSI/info - load flow iteration: 2
DIgSI/info - Newton-Raphson converged with 2 iterations.
DIgSI/info - Load flow calculation successful.

```

If an error was found, an error message like the following could appear:

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DIgSI/err - 'Part 1\T1_33/11a.ElmTr2':
DIgSI/err - missing type !
DIgSI/err - Error in load flow data!
DIgSI/info - Load flow calculation not executed.
DIgSI/err - last command leads to error(s), see output window !

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In this case (the transformer has no type set), the load flow calculation is not executed.

To resolve the error, one should first find the element for which the error was reported. With the interactive *PowerFactory* output window, this is easy: just double click the line with the element's name in the output window. This will automatically open the element's edit dialogue. Correct the error and try the load flow again.

The message of the successful load flow calculation shows that the load flow solving algorithm has found one area (separated area) in the whole system and chosen the external grid element as reference element (it's the only possible reference element in this example).

The single line graphic shows the results of the loadflow in the result boxes, as is depicted in Figure D.3.2.

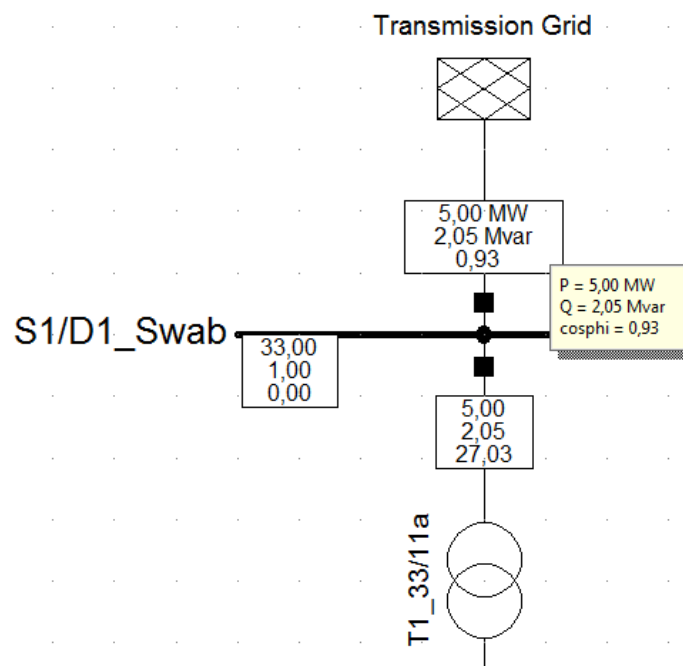


Figure D.3.2: Results of the load flow calculation

In this figure, the balloon text help which appears if the cursor is held still over a result box is also shown. Especially when a larger part of a power system is viewed, the result boxes may become hard to read. The balloon help may then be used to view the results more easily.

## D.4 Editing the Result Box Format

The parameters visible in the result boxes are not fixed and may be freely edited. *PowerFactory* offers highly flexible result box definition tools with which many possible result box formats may be defined.

In this tutorial, only the most direct way of changing a result box definition is used. For some users, this method may be sufficient for their needs. Other users may want to read the parts about editing result box definitions in the User Manual after they finish the tutorial.

To understand the way in which the format of the result boxes is managed and edited, it's important to understand the nature of the *PowerFactory* result boxes.

### D.4.1 Background Information About Result Boxes

A *PowerFactory* result box is actually a tiny calculation report. In principle, there is no difference between a complex multi page load flow report and the small result box of a power line. Both reports are generated by so-called result forms, which use the *DlgSILENT* output language to define the contents of the report.

The following example of a part of a result form will help to illustrate this topic. Normally the user doesn't have to edit a result form manually since there are easy to use dialogues for editing available. These are presented in chapter [D.4.2](#). The following example has been taken from a large load flow report format, which included macros, loops and many other reporting commands. The example shows a piece from the heading of the report, where totals are reported for the generation and motor load active and reactive power.

```
Generation Motor |$HE
Load |$HE
[# ]/ [# ]/ |$HE, [c:Pgen, [c:Pmot
[# ] [# ] |$HE, [c:Qgen, [c:Qmot
```

It is important to understand that such report forms may also be written to define the result box of a power line. Since short-circuit calculations and load flow calculations will produce two differing sets of results, two small report forms should be created. For instance, one could report the initial short circuit current and apparent power, and the other could report the active power, the reactive power and the power factor.

It is therefore clear that it must be possible to create and select a result box format for each available calculation function. Furthermore it should be observed that the results for branch elements differ from those of node elements. The flexibility of the *PowerFactory* result box formats extends these basic requirements by offering the definition of results boxes for different projects, for a single edge element or for all edge elements at once, for a single particular element or for element classes (lines vs. transformers, for instance), etc. This flexibility leads to a large variety of result box formats. The functions provide clear arrangements of results and help management of all the formats:

- The *PowerFactory* program is shipped with a complete range of default result box formats, which are stored in a read-only folder.
- New, user defined formats are stored in a user defined folder, and will be based on the default formats.
- A very flexible Form Manager is used to assign result formats to all elements or to all edge and node elements, as long as they have not been assigned their own format before. It is therefore possible to use special dedicated formats in some cases, without losing the ability to change the overall format without much effort.

- The result box format of all edge or node elements may be chosen in the main menu from a small, possibly user defined selection.

In the following section, the result box format of the external network element will be changed.


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**Note:** By default, in result boxes, the power flowing into branch elements has positive sign, while that flowing out of them has negative sign. For consuming edge elements (loads) the same convention is followed. In the case of producing elements (external networks and generators) power flowing out of the element nodes is positive while that flowing in is negative.

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### D.4.2 Editing the Result Box Format

The result boxes of the top transformer shows P, Q and I. For example, it may be necessary to change this to P, Q, I and loading. To change the result box definition:

- Freeze the single line diagram .
- Right click a result box of the transformer. This pops up a small menu.

Holding the mouse still at one of the *Format for...* options (*Format for Edge Elements* or *Format for 2-Winding-Transformers*) will show a second menu. You can select another result box format from this list. The menu shows with a small checkmark (✓) which format is being used. Currently the *Format for Edge Elements* → *Branch flow* is used.

Selecting the option Edit format for... will open the currently used form definition dialogue.

- Select the option *Edit Format for Edge Elements*. The format dialogue window appears (see Figure D.4.1).
- Press the **Input Mode** button and select *User Selection*, if this is not selected yet. Press **OK**.

The frame shows three boxes which show the currently selected variables. By clicking on one of the variables (e.g. the current) a new window will be opened and additional variables can be selected or the existing variable can be disabled.

- Double click on the third line (drop down list which shows 'm:I:\_LOCALBUS') and have a look at the new window. The variable I:\_LOCALBUS is enabled, all others are disabled.
- Enable the cosphi:\_LOCALBUS to add the power factor to the variable selection.
- All variables which are checked will be added to the result list.
- Press the **OK** button.

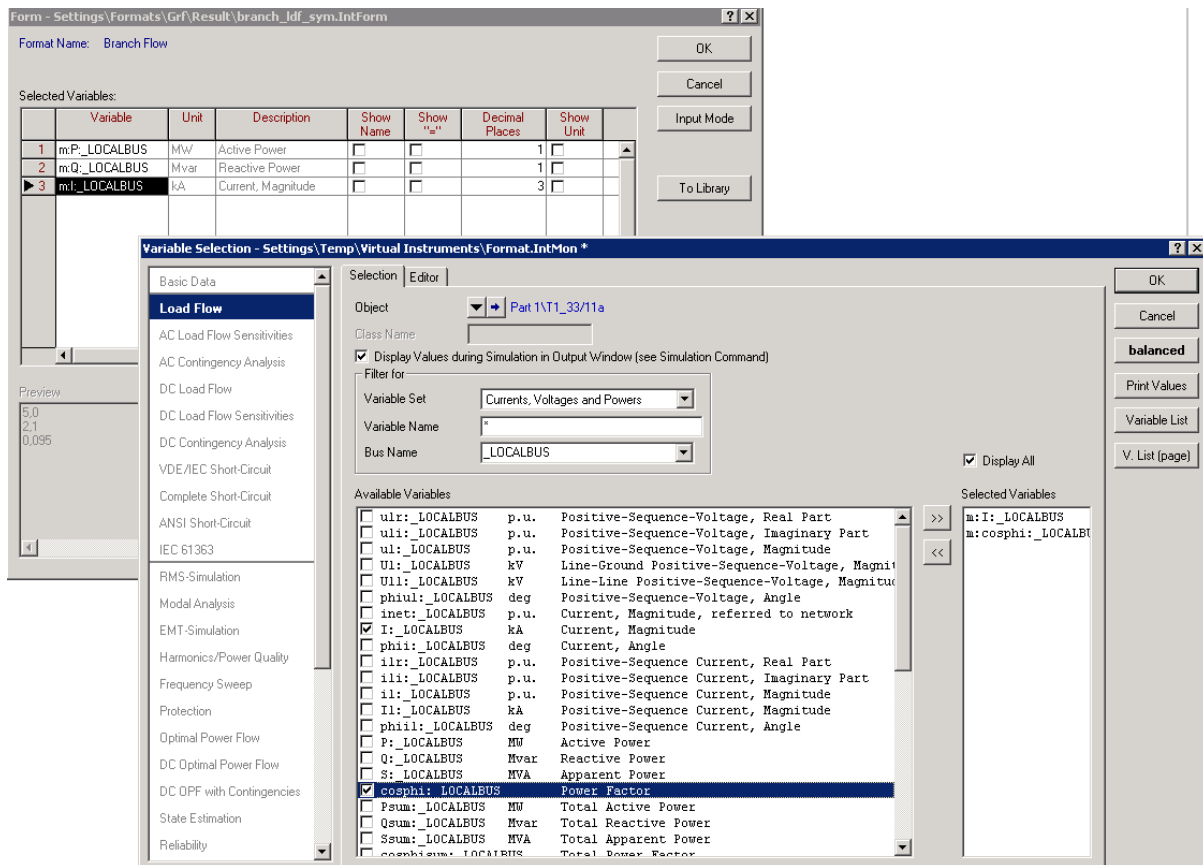


Figure D.4.1: Editing result boxes using predefined variables

- Observe the change in the result box for the transformer. It now shows the power factor, too. Try the balloon help, it has changed too.
- Observe that all result boxes for the transformers have changed.
- Select the option *Edit Format for Edge Elements* again. Try setting the decimal places of the individual results to 3 or 4, or adding the unit by using the *Show Unit*.


If the result box becomes too small to display everything:

- Un-freeze the diagram (🔓).
- Right click the result box and select the *Adapt width* option.

It isn't often necessary to add units or descriptions to the result box formats because these are also given in the single line legend, and are shown in the balloon help. The legend in the lower left corner of the single line diagram is automatically updated when the result box formats are changed.

The legend is shown or hidden by pressing the  icon.

## D.5 Performing Short-Circuit Calculations

A short-circuit calculation may be started from the main menu (*Calculation* → *Short-Circuit*), by clicking on the short-circuit icon () on the main toolbar, or directly from the single line graphic:



- Freeze the diagram.
- Right click the 11 kV busbar "D1\_11a", and select the *Calculate* → *Short-Circuit* option as shown in Figure D.5.1.

This opens the short-circuit command dialogue.

- Set the Method to *According to IEC 60909*
- Set the Fault Type to *3-phase Short-Circuit*
- Enable the Fault Location option *User Selection* and select the fault location if necessary. This is done automatically, if you have started the short-circuit calculation from the single line graphic as described above.
- The dialogue should look like Figure D.5.2 now. Press the **Execute** button.

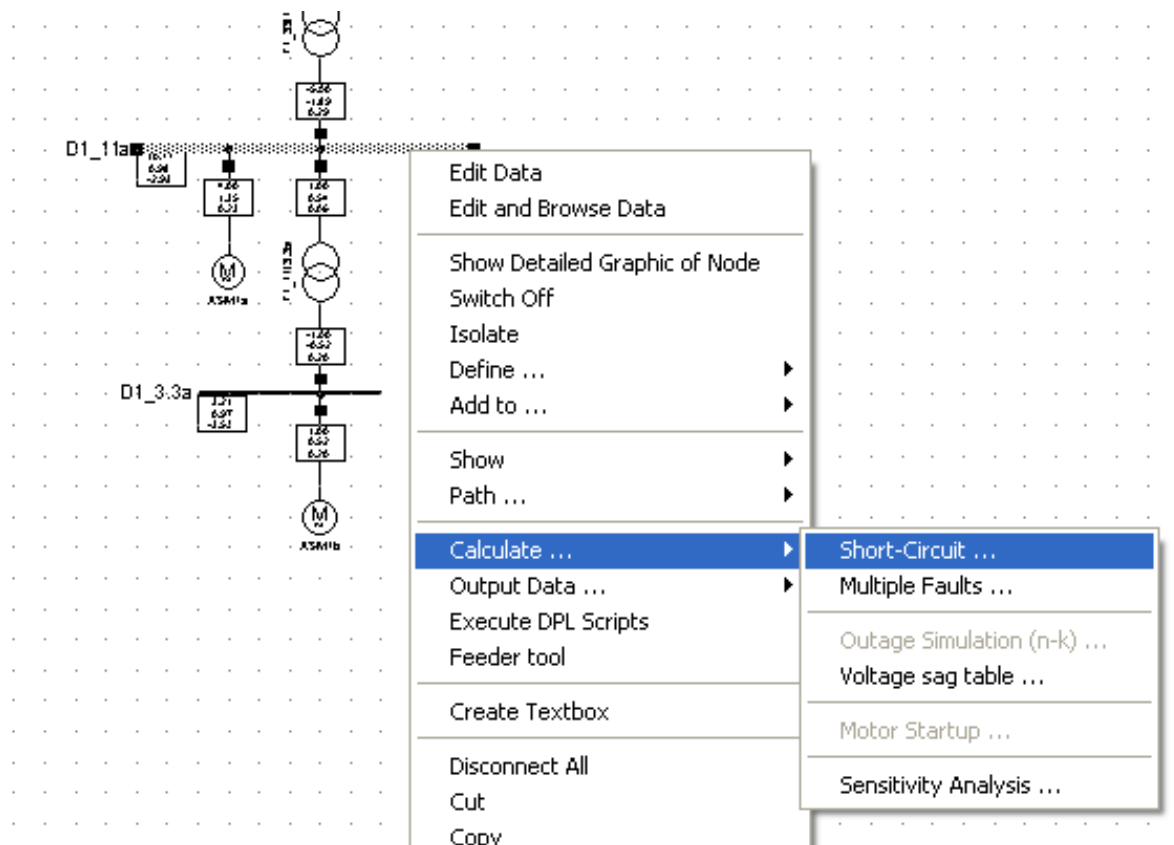


Figure D.5.1: Starting a short-circuit calculation from the single line graphic

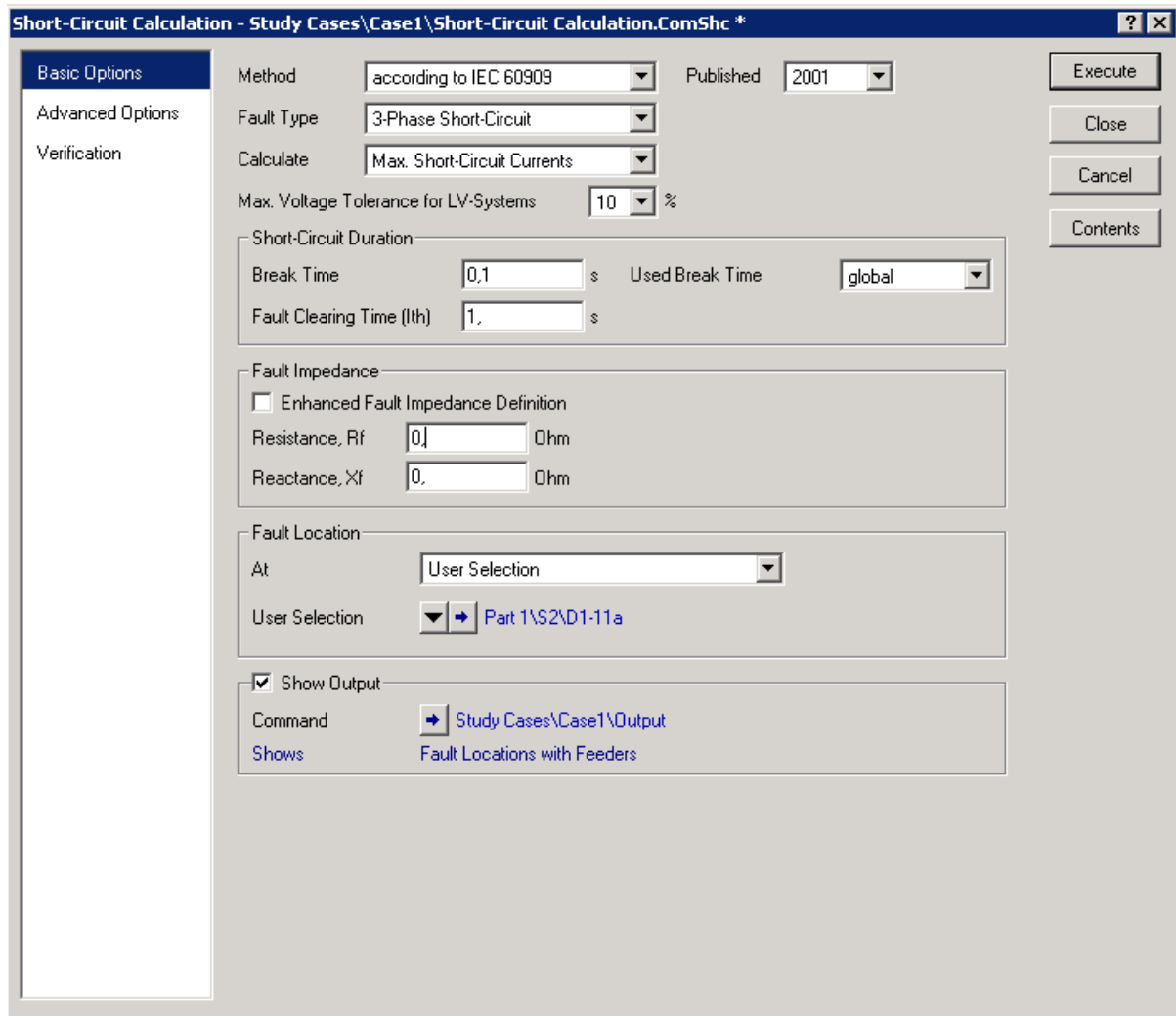


Figure D.5.2: The short-circuit command dialogue

A short-circuit calculation is started for a short-circuit at the selected busbar only. The results show the currents in the whole network, except for the load element, which is neglected.

The output window should show the following message:


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DlgSI/info - Element 'Part 1\Transmission Grid.ElmXnet' is local reference
in separated area 'Part 1\D1_Swab.ElmTerm'
DlgSI/info - Short-circuit calculated at Terminal Part 1\D1_11a
DlgSI/info - Short-circuit calculation ready !
```

To calculate short circuits for all busbars and terminals at once:

- Click on the short-circuit icon (⚡) on the main toolbar.
- Set the Method = According to IEC
- Set the Fault Type = 3-phase Short-Circuit
- Enable the Fault Location option 'Busbars and junction Nodes'.
- Press the **Execute** button.

A short-circuit analysis is made for all nodes (busbars, terminals). The results are given locally for each terminal as the short-circuit currents and power that flows to that terminal in case of a short-circuit at that terminal.

To calculate a multiple fault (fault occurring at more than one element at the same time):

- Perform a balanced load flow.
- Multi-select two terminals by using the **CRTL** -Key.
- Right click the selection and select the *Calculate* → *Multiple Faults...* option.
- A browser window with a list of fault locations appear. This list contains the selected terminals and additional terminals, if they have been selected before. You can edit this list (delete entries or create new one by using the 'New Object' button  of the browser window).
- Click **CLOSE**
- The short-circuit command appears again. It should have the method set to 'Complete' and the option 'Multiple Faults' should be enabled.
- Press the **EXECUTE** button.

The short-circuit currents and power in the network are calculated for the simultaneous short-circuits.

# Chapter E

## Exercise 3: The Data Manager

In the second exercise of the tutorial, the main menu, the main icon bar, the drawing toolbox, and the single line graphic were used to:


- Create a new project and a new grid.
- Define and edit a new part of a power system.
- Calculate loads flows and short-circuits.
- Look at results.

The Tutorial Manager is used again to install some additional settings for this third exercise of the tutorial now:

- Select the *Help* → *Start Tutorial...* option on the main menu.
- Select the *Start* → *Exercise 3* option in the Tutorial Manager.
- Press **Execute**.

The single line diagram should disappear and reappear again with a different background pattern.

The database, in which all changes were stored, was not used directly in the previous exercises. To view and use the database, it is necessary to access the textual database environment known as “Data Manager”:

- Press the button 'Open Data Manager' () on the main icon bar. A Data Manager window, as depicted in Figure E.0.1, will be opened.

The Data Manager has two windows:

- The database tree window (left pane) which shows a tree representation of the whole database
- The database browser window (right pane) which shows the contents of the selected folder in the database tree window.

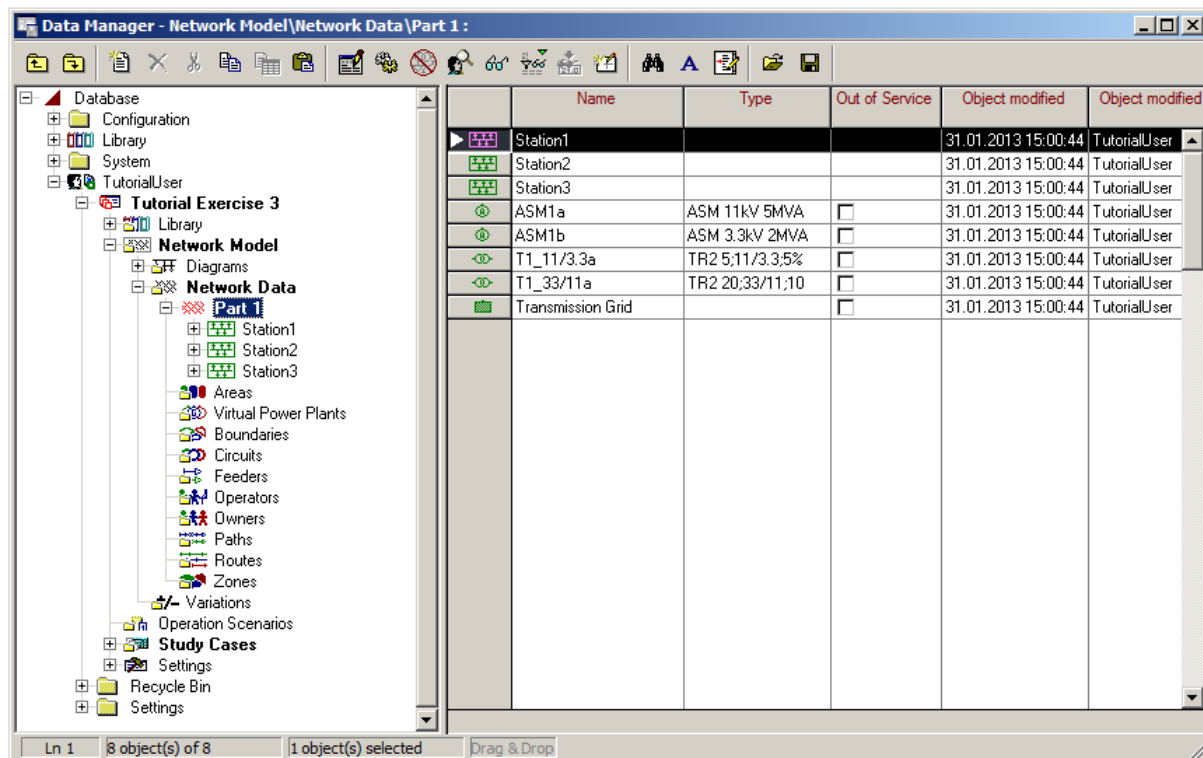


Figure E.0.1: The Data Manager

## E.1 The Data Manager: Basics

Users familiar with the “Windows Explorer” may want to skip this section. The database tree window shows a hierarchical tree with ‘Folder’ objects. If such a folder contains other objects, it has a small plus sign (+). This sign may be left clicked to open the folder. The database browser in the right side panel will show the contents of the open folder.

An open folder will show its status by a small minus sign (−). Left clicking this sign will close the folder. In Figure E.0.1, the folders “Tutorial User”, “Tutorial” (project), “Library”, “Network Model” etc. are open, the folders “Equipment Type Library”, “Operational Library” and so on are closed. The “Part 1” folder is selected in the tree, and its contents are thus shown in the browser on the right.

- Left click all minus signs until the database tree only shows the basic *Database* folder.
- Left click the plus signs until the folder *Database \ User \ Tutorial \ Network Model \ Network Data \ Part1* is open. The *User* folder is your working folder; the one with the small blue icon (monitor screen). It may have another name than *User*.

Double clicking a folder may also be used to expand and collapse folders.

Left clicking a folder in the database tree will show its contents in the database browser:

- Left click the folder “Part1”. The browser now shows all objects created in the second exercise of the tutorial.

The objects displayed in the browser may be sorted to the column field by left clicking the column heads:

- Left click the column head “Name”. The objects are sorted to name.

- Left click the same head. The objects are sorted in reverse order.
- Left click the empty first column head (above the icons, left of the "Name" column). This sorts the objects according to their class.


If the Data Manager window is too small:

- Point the mouse at a border or corner of the Data Manager window. The mouse cursor will change into a double arrow. The border/corner may now be dragged to resize the window.
- The whole Data Manager window can be moved by left clicking its title bar and dragging the whole window (keeping the mouse button down).
- The tree and browser pane are separated by a vertical splitter bar. This bar may be dragged to enlarge the tree or browser pane.

## E.2 Using the Data Manager

Open the Data Manager and have a look into your *User* folder (*Database \ User*). In addition to the projects of the previous exercises of the tutorial, the Tutorial Manager has installed and activated a new project called "Tutorial Exercise 3". An activated project is indicated by **bold** printed letters inside the Data Manager. We are working with this project now. If you want to go back to any preceding exercise, you can activate the corresponding project by right clicking on the project folder and selecting *Activate* from the context-sensitive menu.

The Data Manager may be used to edit the power system components:

- Select the folder *Database User Tutorial Exercise 3 Network Model Network Data Part 1* (select it in the tree).
- In the browser, double click the small icon for a transformer . This will open the same edit dialogue as was opened from the single line diagram.
- Close the edit dialogue with **Cancel**.


The Data Manager is a very versatile object which may be used for many things, e.g.

- Create any kind of object "manually", i.e. projects, calculation cases, type libraries, calculation commands, variations, etc.
- Copy and paste parts of the database from one folder into another.
- Look at results in table format.
- Edit objects in table format.
- Import and export parts of the database.

## E.3 Adding a Branched-Off Line

The system will now be expanded by adding a distribution cable with loads, to the middle terminal.

Start by drawing the extra substation right of the 11 kV terminal:



- Un-freeze the single line diagram (only necessary if the freeze mode is active).
- Select the  icon in the drawing toolbox and place the new substation with a single busbar to the right of "D1\_11a".
- Edit the terminal by opening the dialogue of the new terminal (double click the terminal in the single line graphics). :
  - Name = "D2\_Swab"
  - Name of the substation = "Station 4", short name = "S4"
  - Type = Project Type → Bar 11kV
  - Nominal Voltage = 11 kV

In the purchased version of the software it is possible to simplify this step. By noting that the new terminal is electrically similar to the existing terminal "D1\_11a" it is possible to copy the data from the existing terminal to the new terminal.

This method of copying data from one object to the other object can be used to speed up the definition of networks and to reduce mistakes. For example, a large distribution system that uses many terminals (or stations or busbars respectively) which are electrically similar, could be drawn in the single line diagram. One of these terminals could then be edited to have the correct type and voltage level. By selecting all similar terminals, and opening a database browser as described above, the terminal data can be copied, and pasted to all other terminals in one action.

Copying and pasting data is possible for all objects, including transformers, lines, loads, generators, etc. Regretfully this capability is not available in the demo version of the software.

To create the cable between the terminals "D1\_11a" and "D2\_Swab":


- Select a 'Line'  from the drawing toolbox.
- Draw the line according to the background pattern:
  - Left click the terminal "D1\_11a"
  - The detailed graphic of the substation is opened automatically. Connect the line to one bay by clicking on one of the free breaker terminals. (This procedure is explained in section [D.1.2](#) (Creating Branch Elements))
  - Left click the drawing area to create the two corners of the line
  - Left click the other terminal ("D2\_Swab").
  - Connect the line to any free breaker panel in the second substation.
- Double click and then edit the line:
  - Name = "L1\_Swab"
  - To select the type click on the black down arrow button ():
    - \* Select Project Type
    - \* Line Type (*TypLne*)
    - \* Types Cables (library subfolder)
    - \* Cable 11kV800A (the Line becomes a cable)
    - \* Select the cable type and press the **OK** button of the browser window
  - Length = 3 km
- Press **OK**

Now add a cable to the right 11 kV busbar:

- Select the 'Short Terminal' element from the drawing toolbox. This kind of terminal doesn't represent a whole substation. This element is rather used for simple grid nodes (connection points).
  - Place the short terminal below the terminal "D2\_Swab", as shown in the background at the end of the next line (between line end and load).
  - Edit the terminal:
    - Name = "D1\_Reut"
    - Type = Project Type → Bar 11kV
    - Nominal Voltage = 11 kV
  - Select a 'Line' from the drawing toolbox.
  - Draw a straight line between terminal "D2\_Swab" and the new terminal "D1\_Reut".
  - The detailed graphic of the substation "D2\_Swab" is opened. Connect the line to one breaker panel.
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**Note:** A difference between a simple terminal and a substation with a detailed busbar system concerns the connection of branch elements to the node. For a simple terminal, a circuit breaker is created automatically when the branch element is connected to the terminal. Whilst for a substation, it is necessary to choose which circuit breaker terminal to connect the branch element to. A simple terminal includes just one simple breaker instead of a detailed breaker configuration which consists of circuit breakers and disconnectors. You can view the detailed graphic of the terminal with its connections by right clicking on the terminal and selecting 'Show Detailed Graphic of Node'.

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- Double click the line to edit it.
  - Name = "L\_Swb\_Rt"
  - Type = Project Type → Line Type (TypLne) → Types Cables (library subfolder) → Cable 11kV400A (again a cable)
  - Length = 5 km
- Connect a load () at the Short Terminal at the end of the line.

Your single line graphic (without background guides) should now look like Figure [E.3.1](#).





- Set the New Position to 4 km. The 'Branch-Off Element' dialogue shows the valid interval (0 to 5 km).
- The Switch options (Insert Switches on Right Side / Left Side) should be disabled.
- Press **OK**.

The new load symbol is attached to the line turned through 90 degrees.



The physical position of the line-branch has no relation to the graphical distance of the branch to the top terminal "D2\_Swab", as seen in the single line diagram. Of course, the order of the branches in the diagram equals the physical order, but the graphical distances between them have no meaning.

- Insert the lower load in the same way. Set it at 4.8 km, that means enter 0.8 km, because the dialogues counts from the inserted terminal above, also without switches.
- Insert the third load between the two other ones.
- Set the load at 4.4 km (enter 0,4 km).
- Enable the left switch option.
- Flip the connection of the load:
  - Click with the right mouse button into the empty drawing area to free the mouse pointer from the load
  - click on the last inserted load element with the left mouse button and hold the mouse button pressed
  - move the load to the other side of the line as indicated by the background figure
  - free the mouse button to drop the load on the new position

The third load is now inserted 180 degrees turned. It is also possible to right click it after inserting, and to select *Flip At Busbar*. This will rotate the element 180 degrees around its busbar connection.

This concludes the topological changes for the third exercise of the tutorial. Note that the name of the line ("L\_Swb\_Rt") has been replaced in the single line graphic, because the line was split into four lines. They have the automatically created names "L\_Swb\_Rt", "L\_Swb\_Rt(1)", "L\_Swb\_Rt(2)", and "L\_Swb\_Rt(3)" now. The new elements will be edited in the next section of this chapter.

The grey background pattern is not needed anymore:

- Click on the 'Show Layer...' icon () on the single line graphic icon bar. This opens the 'Graphic Layers' edit dialogue.
- The 'Background' layer is in the 'Visible' pane. Left click it to select it and press the  button to move it to the 'Invisible' pane. Double clicking the 'Background' layer does the same.
- Close the dialogue.

The background is now invisible.

- Freeze the diagram again.

## E.4 Editing the New Elements

Because a type and a length for the branched-off line has already been set, it is only necessary to edit the names of the newly created lines:

- Double click the upper line:
  - Name = "L\_Swb\_Tub"

- Double click the second line route from above:
  - Name = "L\_Tub\_Dus"
- Name the third route:
  - Name = "L\_Dus\_Gom"
- Name the bottom route:
  - Name = "L\_Gom\_Reut"

The insertion of loads into the line has created new line elements, and it has also inserted terminals between the lines. The loads were connected through these terminals. It is necessary to edit these terminals too. It would be a nuisance to edit them one by one, as they all are the same. Therefore, the "multi-edit" capabilities of the database browser should be used.

- Open a Data Manager window.
- In the database tree window left click the grid folder "Part 1" (Figure E.4.1).

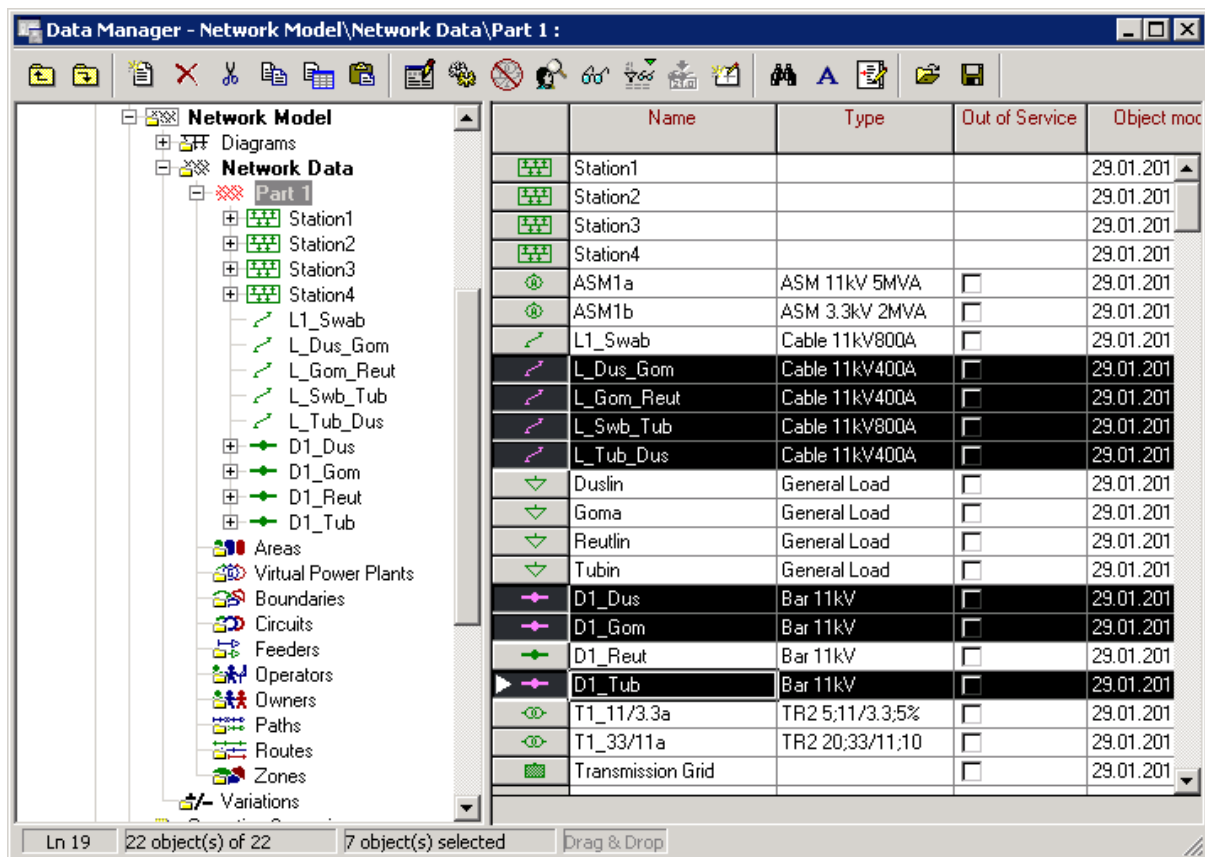


Figure E.4.1: Data Manager window with the new lines and terminals (after editing them)

The browser shows now amongst other parameters, the names and types of the elements, as in Figure E.4.1. The types of the three new terminals ("Terminal", "Terminal(1)", and "Terminal(2)") are not set yet. This shall be changed now:

- Double click one of the terminal icons (🔌) in the first column of the browser. This opens the terminal edit dialogue.

- Set the type to: Project Type → Bar 11kV.
- Close the dialogue with **OK**.

Returning to the browser, this now shows the selected type for the edited terminal. The two other terminals should get the same type:

- Set the project type for the other two terminals

The browser should now show that the type field is set for all elements. Next the names of the new terminals should be set:

- Double click in the name field of "Terminal" with the left mouse button.
- Change the name to "D1\_Tub"
- Click with the left mouse button into the name field of "Terminal(1)"
- A window pops up and asks, if you want to save the changes to "D2\_Tub.ElmTerm". Confirm with Yes.
- Change the name of "Terminal(1)" to "D1\_Gom"
- Repeat with "Terminal(2)" and change its name to "D1\_Dus"
- Close the browser window.

The end-terminal ("D1\_Reut") may already have the correct type and nominal voltage set. Double click the symbol in the single line graphic and check that its data corresponds to:

- Type = Project Type → Bar 11 kV
- Nom. voltage = 11 kV

The new lines should be grouped together with the terminals in one Branch object, to make it clear that they belong together.

- Open the Data Manager again.
- Select the grid folder "Part 1" and click with the right mouse button.
- Select 'New → Branch' from the context-sensitive menu as shown in Figure [E.4.2](#).
- A new branch object is created.
- Name the branch "L\_Swb\_Reut".
- Select the terminals "D1\_Tub", "D1\_Gom", and "D1\_Dus".
- Cut them by clicking with the right mouse button on the selection and choosing 'Cut'.
- Select the new branch object "L\_Swb\_Reut" in the left pane of the Data Manager.
- Click with the right mouse button and select 'Paste'. This will paste the terminals into the branch object.
- Select the lines "L\_Swb\_Tub", "L\_Tub\_Dus", "L\_Dus\_Gom", and "L\_Gom\_Reut".
- Cut and paste them into the branch object as well.

Figure E.4.3 shows how the filled branch object folder looks like in the Data Manager.

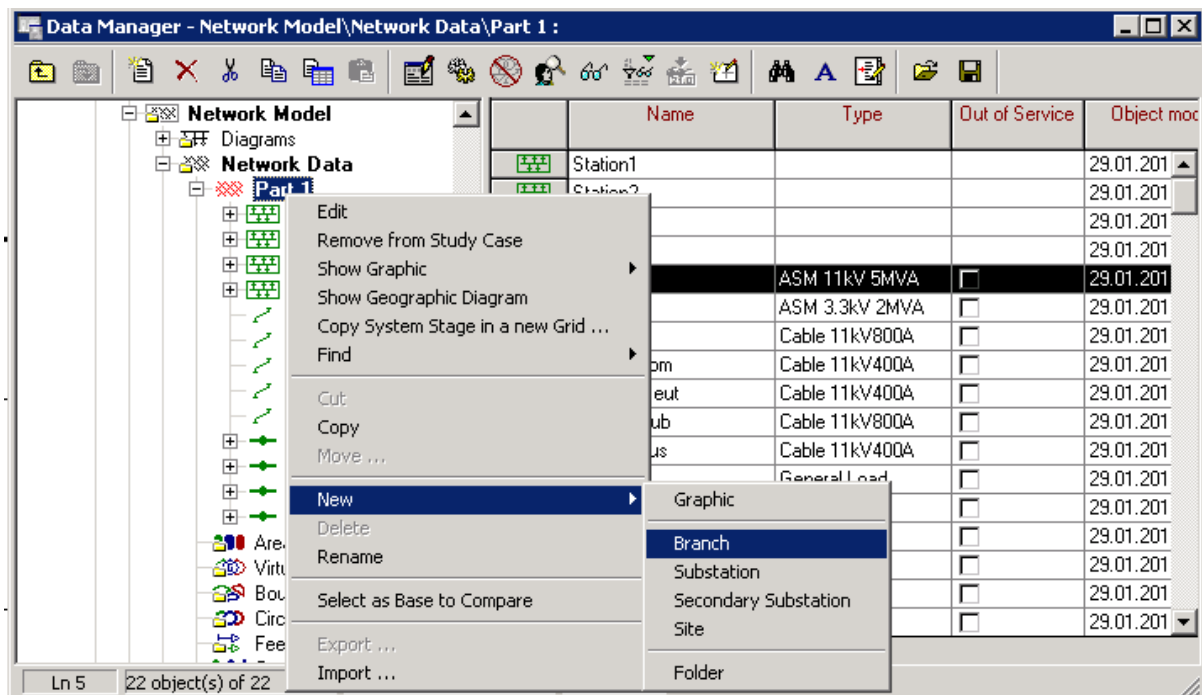


Figure E.4.2: Creating a new Branch in the Data Manager

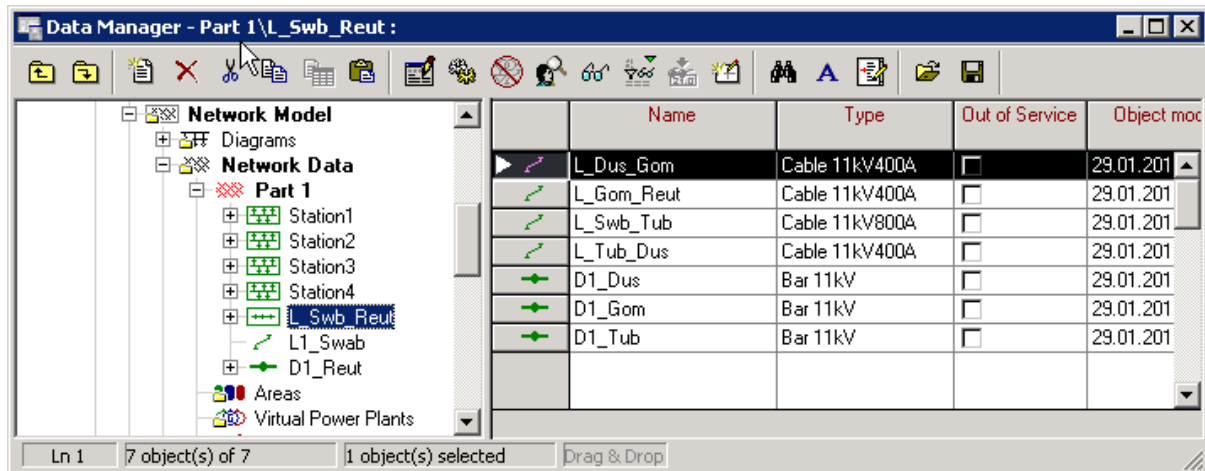


Figure E.4.3: The filled Branch object in the Data Manager

Finally it is necessary to edit the Branch object itself:

- Right click the Branch object in the Data Manager.
- Select *Edit* from the context sensitive menu. The dialogue window of the Branch (*ElmBranch*) appears.
- Press the 'Update' button in order to select the connections and the limiting component of the Branch automatically (Figure E.4.4). This will update the Resulting Values of the Branch (length, rated current, impedances etc.), too.
- Close the dialogue by clicking the **OK** button.

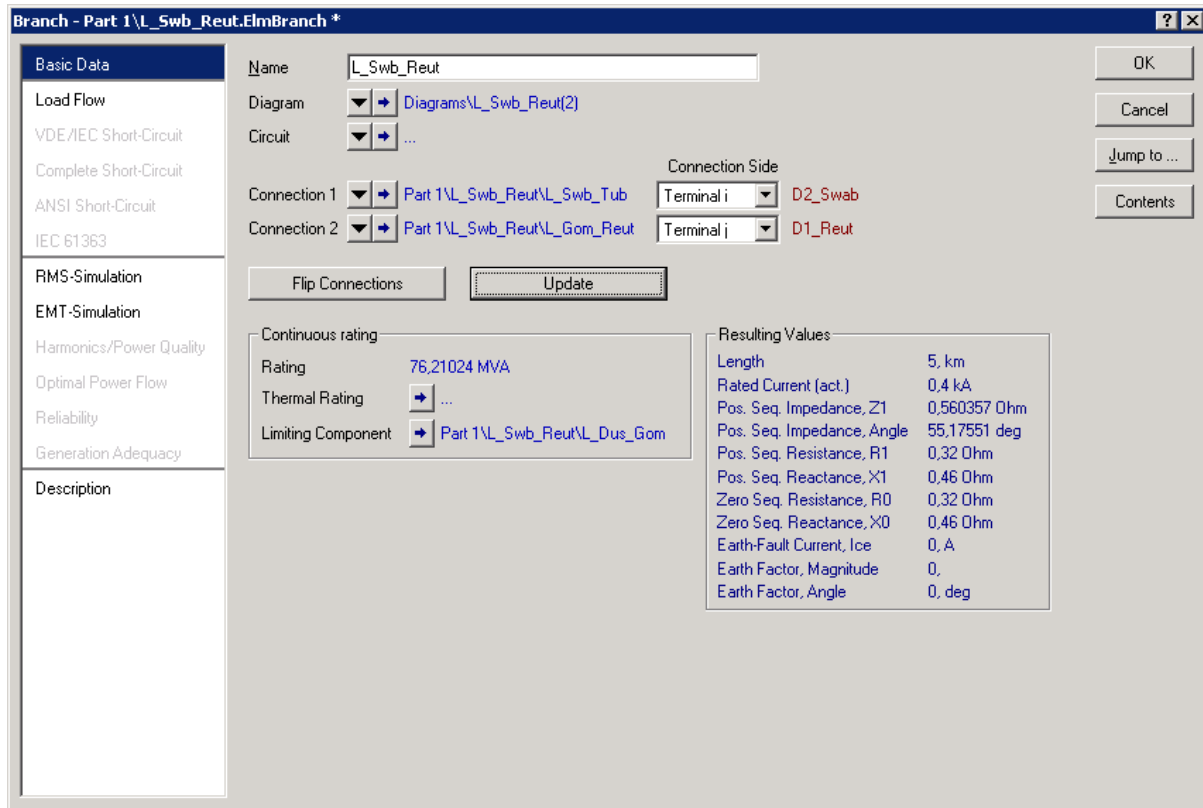


Figure E.4.4: Updated Branch object

The types of the four new loads must now be set.


- Multi select the four new loads in the single line diagram (select the first, hold the **Ctrl** down and select the others).
- Right click the selection and choose *Edit Data*. A browser with the four loads pops up. None of them should have the type field set yet.
- Open the dialogue of the first load (double click the icon), set its type to *Project Type (Select Project Type)* → *General Load Type (TypLod)* → *Types Loads (library subfolder)* → *General Load* and close the selection dialogue with **OK**.
- Close the dialogue of the load with **OK** as well.
- Repeat this step for the other loads.
- Close the browser.

The database browser has many editing features including copying and pasting data from one element to another (this function is available in the purchased version only). Additionally most parameters may be edited directly without having to open the edit dialogue, allowing the data to be accessed and changed in a similar way to a spreadsheet.

The new loads are now edited to set their power demand.

- Edit the top load.
  - 'Basic Data' page:
    - \* Name = "Tubin"

- 'Load Flow' page:
    - \* Balanced/Unbalanced = Balanced
    - \* Active Power = 4.0 MW
    - \* Power Factor = 0.9
    - \* Voltage = 1.0 p.u.
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**Note:** When the Active Power and/or the Power Factor are not visible, you can select '**P, cos(phi)**' as '**Input Mode**' for the current load. It is also possible to edit the default input mode for all loads by pressing the  button and then selecting '**Active Power**' and '**cos(phi)**'. All loads are assumed to be inductive (standard).

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- Edit the middle load:
  - 'Basic Data':
    - \* Name = "Duslin"
  - 'Load Flow':
    - \* Balanced/Unbalanced = Balanced
    - \* Active Power = 1.0 MW
    - \* Power Factor = 0.9
    - \* Voltage = 1.0 p.u.
- Bottom load:
  - 'Basic Data':
    - \* Name = "Goma"
  - 'Load Flow':
    - \* Balanced/Unbalanced = Balanced
    - \* Active Power = 1 MW
    - \* Power Factor = 0.9
    - \* Voltage = 1.0 p.u.
- Load at the end terminal:
  - 'Basic Data':
    - \* Name = "Reutlin"
  - 'Load Flow':
    - \* Balanced/Unbalanced = Balanced
    - \* Active Power = 3 MW
    - \* Power Factor = 0.9
    - \* Voltage = 1.0 p.u.

This concludes the design of the power system for now

## E.5 Performing Calculations

- Perform a load flow calculation:
  - Balanced, positive sequence.
  - All other options disabled.

It is necessary to determine from the results, whether any of the elements are overloaded. To get visible information about the loading of the elements we will colour the graphic.

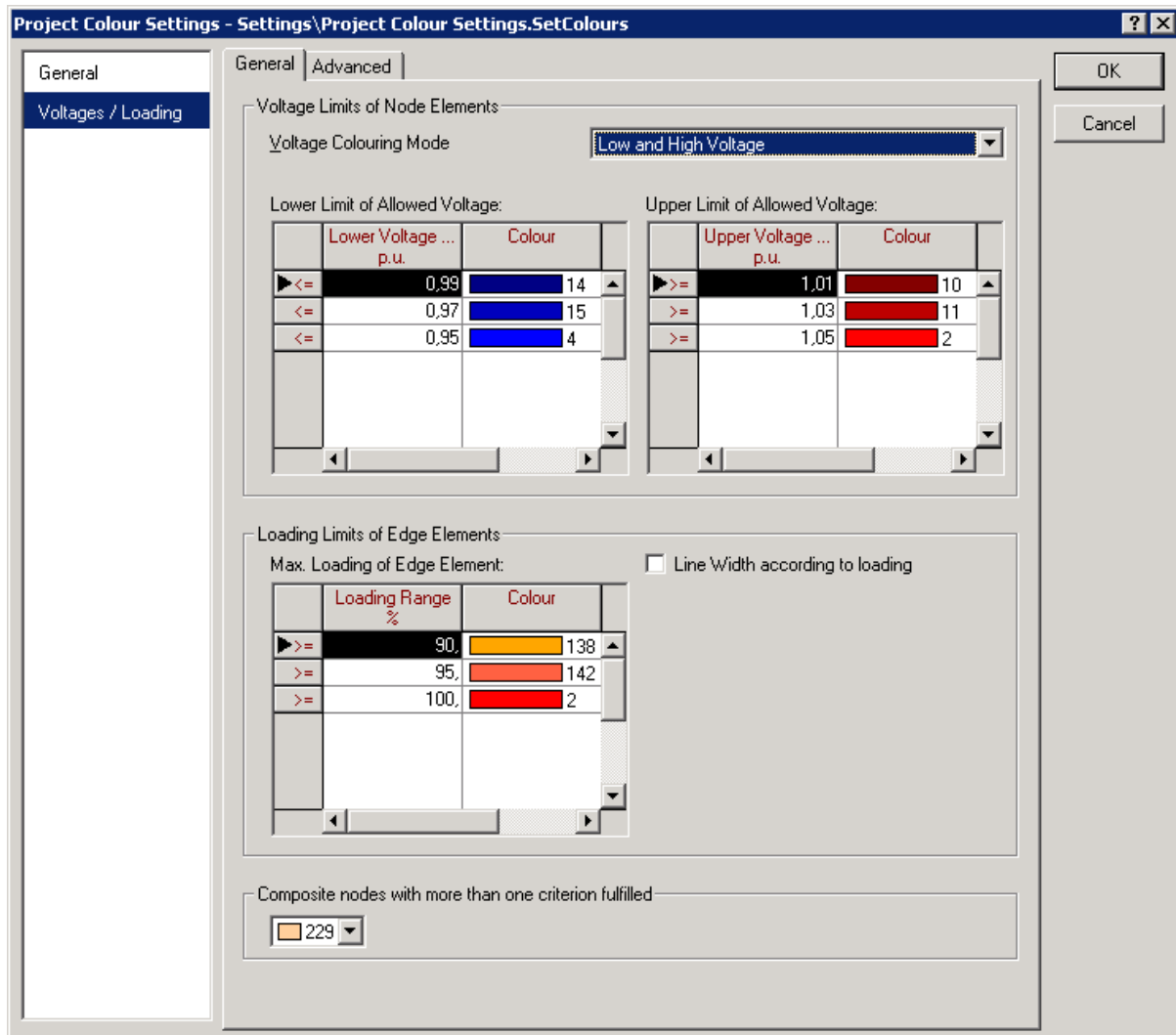


Figure E.5.1: Colour Representation of Graphic


- Click the 'Diagram Colouring' button (🎨) in the graphic window icon bar.
- On the load flow page, select 'Colour settings' from '3. Others' ensuring 'Results' and 'Voltages / Loading' is selected from the drop down lists. The 'Project Colour Settings' dialogue will open (Figure E.5.1).
- Select the 'Voltages / Loading' page
- Change the 'Loading Range' for 'Max. Loading of Edge Element' to:
  - 90 %
  - 95 %
  - 100 %
- The dialogue window should look like Figure E.5.1 now. Close the dialogue with **OK**.

It is now possible to see that the upper transformer and cable "L\_Swb\_Tub" are overloaded (marked red). The voltage in the whole grid is relatively low (blue terminals). If your network graphic is not




coloured although you edited the "Diagram Colouring", run a load flow calculation again. This will make the colouring appear.

To improve the situation some changes can be made to the equipment. As an example try taking a bigger cable for cable "L\_Swb\_Tub":

- Double click the cable "L\_Swb\_Tub"
- Select a new cable type:
  - Press the  button.
  - Select *Project Type* → *Line Type* (TypLne)
  - Cable 11kV800A
  - Confirm this selection by clicking **OK**.
  - Close the line dialogue with **OK**.

Run a new load flow. It should be clear that the cable isn't overloaded now.

Because a switch was inserted in the line just before the middle load, the last three loads may be switched off:

- Enlarge an area around the middle load (zoom in with .
- Right click the serial switch in the route.
- Select *Open*. The switch symbol will turn white.
- Alternatively, double click the switch symbol with the left mouse button to open it or to close it.
- Zoom out and perform a load flow. Observe the differences.

With the line open, a short-circuit on the end-terminal makes no sense:

- Right click the end-terminal "D1\_Reut".
- Select Calculate - *Short-Circuit*.
- Perform a short-circuit calculation according to:
  - Method = According to IEC
  - Fault = 3-phase Short Circuit

This will lead to an error because there is no generator unit found in the separated network. You will get warning and error messages.

- Close the switch again in the same way as it was opened.
- Perform the short-circuit calculation again. It will now execute normally.

This concludes the third exercise of the tutorial.

# Chapter F

## Exercise 4: Creation of a Second Subsystem

In this fourth exercise, the second part of the tutorial power system will be created. The second part of the system is a high voltage transmission system.

For this fourth tutorial exercise, a new Grid folder shall be created to demonstrate the method by which this is done:

- If Tutorial exercise 3 project from the previous chapter is not active:
  - In the main menu select the File and then the Tutorial exercise 3 project from the list of recently active projects.
  - If you can not find an entry for the tutorial, refer to the 'Trouble Shooting' list given in Chapter [A.2](#).
- Make sure that the study case "Case 1" is activated. It should be visible in the study case list from the main menu. If no study case is shown, select "Case 1".
- Select the *Edit → Project* option on the main menu. This opens the project edit dialogue.
- Press the **New Grid** button. This opens the *ElmNet* dialogue.
- Enter the name of the new grid as "Part 2" and press **OK**. An 'Open Grid' query will ask what to do with the new grid.
- Select the option *add this Grid/System Stage to active Study Case?*
- Press **OK**.

An empty single line graphic with the name "Part 2" will open.

This demonstrates one method by which a new grid folder can be created. A second grid will now be constructed in a new tutorial project. In a later exercise the grids will be interconnected.

As was done in previous exercises, it is necessary to execute the Tutorial Manager to prepare the fourth exercise:

- Set up the Tutorial Manager by selecting the *Help → Start Tutorial...* option on the main menu.
- Select the *Start → Exercise 4*.
- Press **Execute**.

Again, a new empty single line graphic will pop up. This graphic shows the background pattern of the small transmission system from "Part 2". The new transmission system should now be created.

## F.1 Creating the Topology

The single line diagram shows a pattern of four double busbars with some loads and generators attached to them. These elements shall be created as part of this exercise.

Zoom in on the background pattern and create the double busbar systems:

- Un-freeze the single line diagram (necessary only if the freeze mode is active).
- Select the 'Double Busbar System' (DBS) from the drawing toolbox (≡).
- Place the upper DBS.
- Select both busbars of the DBS by drawing a rectangle over them: left click the drawing sheet, drag the mouse to draw the rectangle, release the mouse to select both busbars. The DBS does not have to fit in the square: every element that is partly in the square will be selected. In Figure F.1.1, two busbars are about to be selected by dragging a small square over them. Be sure to also select the bus coupler before moving.
- Move the DBS if it does not coincide with the background pattern.
- Enlarge the DBS by dragging one of the right side black squares, until it fits the background pattern. Because both busbars are selected, both are enlarged by dragging the black square. If you select one of the two busbars only, you can enlarge them individually.

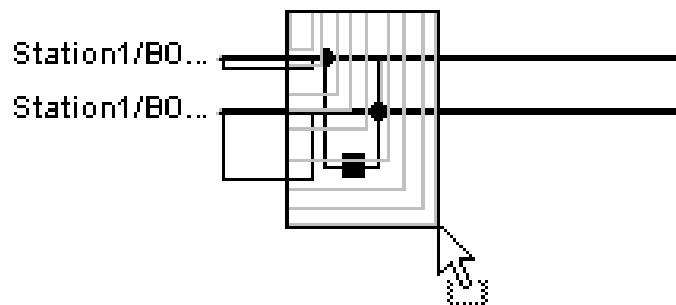


Figure F.1.1: Selecting two busbars

- Place the left, middle and right double busbar systems as shown in the background pattern and enlarge and/or move them to cover the background pattern.
- Create the loads at the four busbars, according to the background pattern:
  - Select the load from the drawing toolbox.
  - Place it on the respective busbar system.
  - The detailed graphic of the substation (busbar system) is opened. Connect the load to one of the marked terminals (the big squares which are at the end of the breaker configurations).
- The load at the upper DBS has to be placed above the DBS: press the **Ctrl** key when placing it or use the *Flip at Busbar* option.
- Create three synchronous machines at the upper, left and right DBS. The machine at the upper DBS has to be placed upside down again.

Before connecting the lines with the busbars, think about the number of existing breaker bays of the double busbar systems. The predefined busbar systems, which are taken from templates, have a specific number of breaker bays. New breakers are created automatically, if you connect elements to the busbars. Advanced users can create their own templates, which might have more breakers than the predefined ones (if you want to do this, please refer to the User's Manual). To add breakers manually to the existing double bus bar systems:

- Go to one of the detailed graphics of the substations as shown in Figure F.1.2. If the graphic pages are not available, click on the double busbar system in the graphic "Part 2" with the right mouse button and select 'Show Detailed Graphic of Substation' from the context sensitive menu.
- Select the two terminals (busbars) and enlarge them.
- Select one of the empty breaker bays (cubicles).
- Click with the right mouse button on the breaker selection and select 'Copy' from the context sensitive menu (alternatively press **Ctrl-C**).
- Click with the right mouse button into the empty drawing area and select 'Paste' from the context sensitive menu (alternatively press **Ctrl-V**).
- Connect the newly created breakers with the busbar system.
- Repeat the last two steps to create and connect another breaker system with the busbar system. The detailed graphic should look similar to Figure F.1.3 now.
- Repeat all steps with the other double busbar substations in the grid.

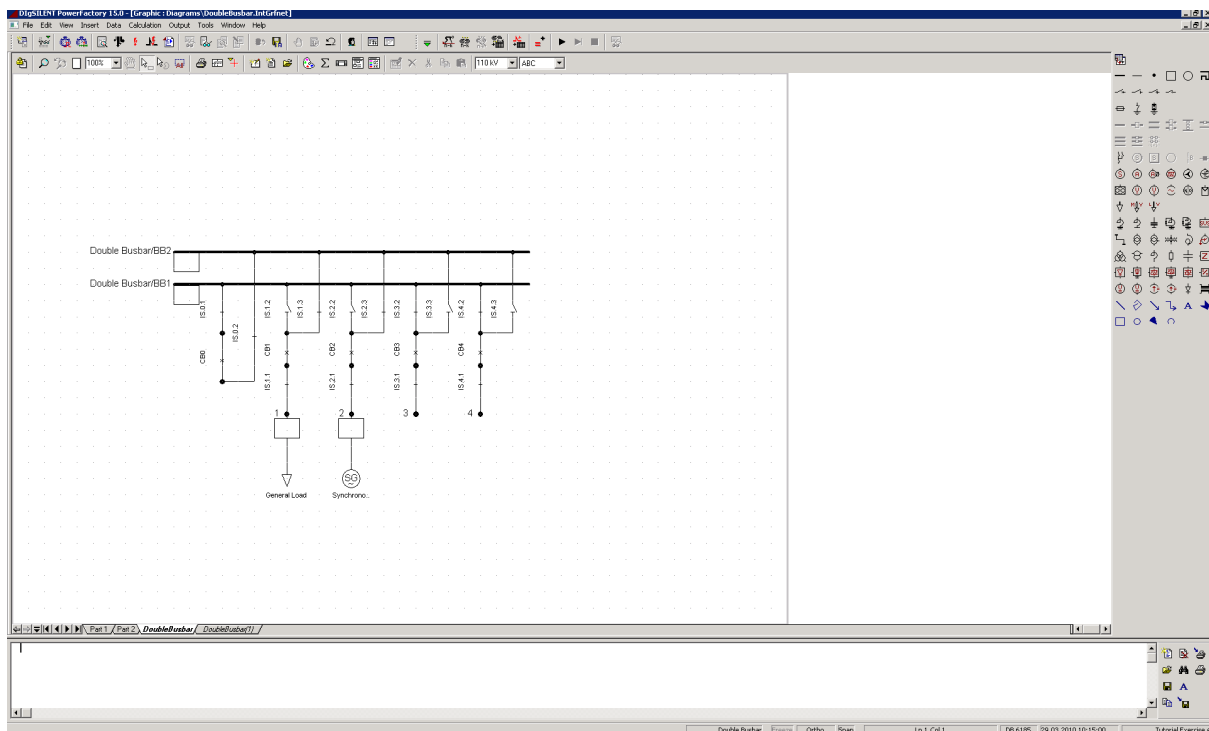


Figure F.1.2: Detailed Graphic of a substation with double busbar system

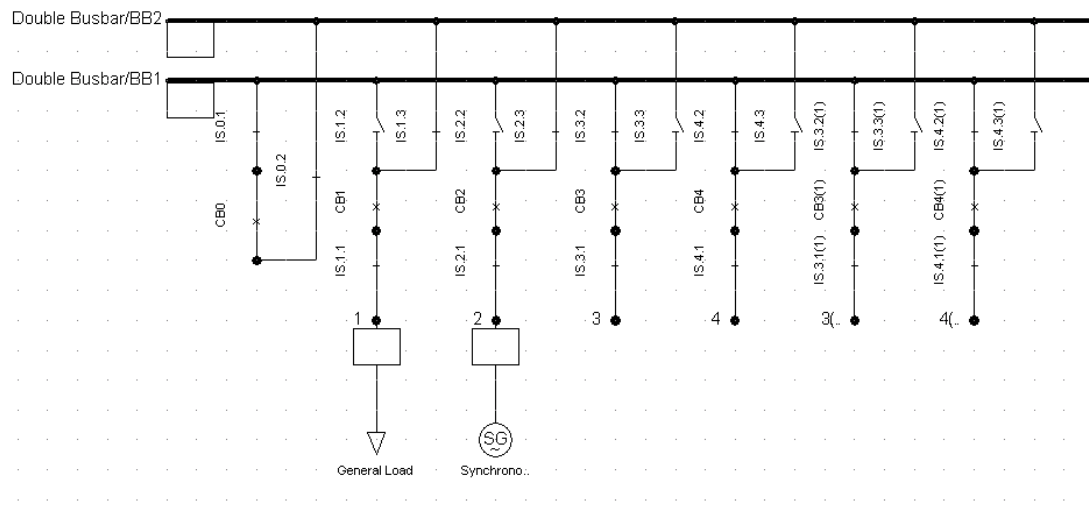



Figure F.1.3: Double busbar system with two new cubicles

Now connect the lines to the busbars:

- Create the 6 lines according to the background pattern in the graphic “Part 2”:
  - Select the line from the drawing toolbar.
  - Click on one of the double busbar systems in the graphic “Part 2”.
  - Drag the line to a second double busbar systems in the graphic “Part 2” and click on that double busbar systems.
  - The detailed graphic of the second substation is opened automatically.
  - Connect the line to one bay by clicking on one marked breaker terminal.
  - The detailed graphic of the first substation is opened automatically.
  - Connect the line to one bay by clicking on one marked breaker terminal.
  - Repeat these steps to draw and connect all lines.

The topology is now complete and the background pattern is not needed anymore:

- Hide the background pattern (using the  icon).
- Freeze the diagram again.

## F.2 Editing the Elements

First, name the four stations, which contain the double busbar systems:

- Double click on one terminal of the upper double busbar system in the graphic “Part 2”. The dialogue window of the terminal will open.
- Press the ‘Edit’ button (the button with the little blue arrow) beneath the substation entry. The dialogue window of the substation will open.
- Rename the upper substation to “Station 1” as shown in Figure F.2.1.

- Repeat with the other double busbar systems:
- Rename the lower left substation to "Station 2".
- Rename the lower middle substation to "Station 3".
- Rename the lower right substation to "Station 4".

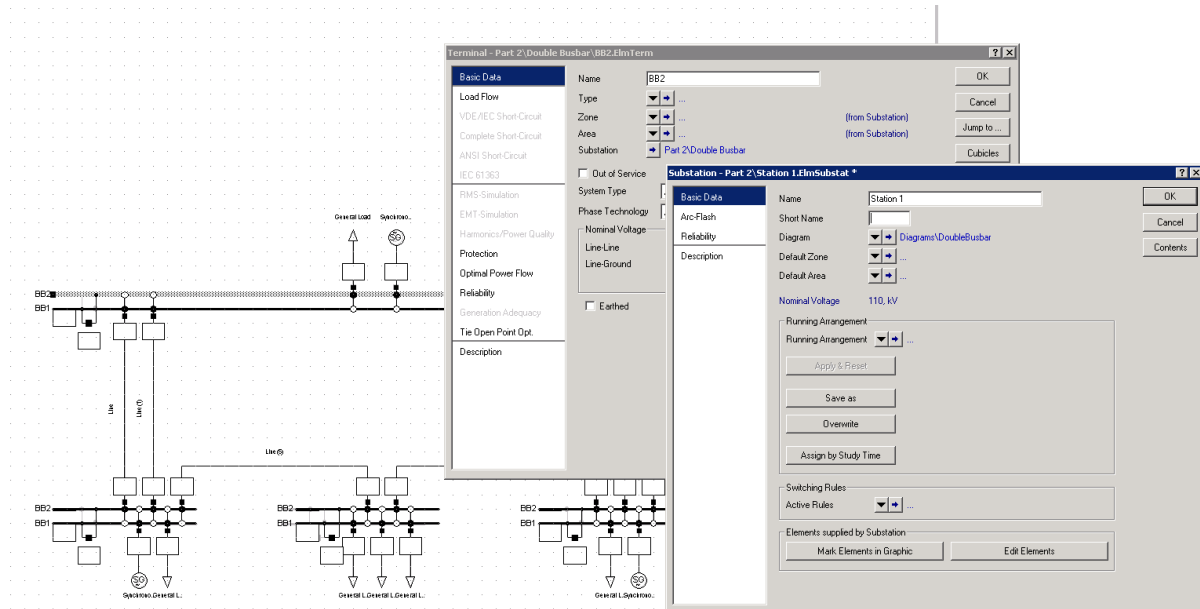





Figure F.2.1: Renaming substations

Give each terminal its name.



- Double click each terminal (busbar) to edit:
  - Top Busbars: Name = "B110\_1a" and "B110\_1b"
  - Left Busbars: Name = "B110\_2a" and "B110\_2b"
  - Middle Busbars: Name = "B110\_3a" and "B110\_3b"
  - Right Busbars: Name = "B110\_4a" and "B110\_4b"

All the busbars of the system (there are 8) are similar, they are all designed for 110 kV. Therefore, it is a good idea to edit them by copying data:

- Click on the icon 'Edit relevant objects for calculation' on the graphics window icon bar (). This will show a list with icons for all object classes found in the active project.
- Press the 'Terminal (\*.ElmTerm)' icon (.
- A database browser appears with all terminals in the project.
- Double click the first terminal icon () from one terminal with the name "B110\_..." and edit the terminal to have:
  - Type = Project Type → Bar 110 kV
  - Nom. Voltage = 110 kV
- Close the terminal dialogue. The browser now shows the type and nominal voltage.

- First left click, then right click the entered type field in the browser and select *Copy*.
- Left click the empty type field of the second terminal with the name "B110\_...". Drag the mouse to the empty type field of the last terminal with the name "B110\_...". Release the mouse key. All the empty type fields should now be selected.
- Right click the selected fields and select *Paste*. The terminal type is now copied to all other terminals at once.
- Check the nominal voltages of the terminals with the names "B110\_...". If necessary repeat the copy and paste for the nominal Voltage.
- Close the browser.

The copy and paste method is now used to enter the type for the six lines.

- Click on the  icon again and select the line symbol (.
- Edit the line with the name "Line" in the browser:
  - Type = Project Type → Line Type (*TypLne*) → Types Lines → OHL 110 kV
- Copy the type to the other five lines with the names "Line(1)" through "Line(5)".
- Close the browser.



Although all the lines share the same line type, they have different lengths. To enter the line lengths:

- Edit the four vertical lines from the upper DBS to the left and right DBS by double clicking them:
  - Length = 60 km
- Edit the remaining two lines to the center DBS:
  - Length = 20 km

Name the lines:


- The two lines on the left side between "Station 1 / B110\_1x" and "Station 2 / B110\_2x":
  - Name = "L12a" and "L12b"
- The lines between "Station 1 / B110\_1x" and "Station 4 / B110\_4x":
  - Name = "L14a" and "L14b"
- The line between "Station 2 / B110\_2x" and "Station 3 / B110\_3x":
  - Name = "L23"
- The line between "Station 4 / B110\_4x" and "Station 3 / B110\_3x":
  - Name = "L43"

Edit the six loads:

- Click the  icon and select the load symbol (). A browser window with all loads will open. From the second column of the table it is possible to see which load belongs to the grid "Part 1" and which belongs to "Part 2".

- In the 'Basic Data' page, set the type for the first load, which belongs to "Part 2":
  - Type = Project Type → Equipment Type Library → Types Loads → General Load
- Paste the Type to the other five loads which belong to "Part 2".
- In the 'Load Flow' page set the input mode and the power demand parameters for the first load:
  - Input Mode= PC (this means P, cos(phi))
  - Active Power = 100 MW
  - Power Factor = 0.95
- Paste the Input Mode, the Active Power and Power Factor to the other five loads.
- Close the browser.

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**Note:** When editing with the data browser, the Detailed Mode  icon in the browser toolbar) is activated. It allows editing of the object's calculation data sets by clicking in the corresponding page (as in the object dialogs). If the Detailed Mode is deactivated by pressing the button, the Object Mode is enabled and only a limited set of data is accessible for editing. Further information is given in the User Manual.

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Name the loads at the top, left and right busbar systems. Double click to edit each of them.

- Top load: Name = "Ld\_1"
- Left load: Name = "Ld\_2"
- Right load: Name = "Ld\_4"

The loads at the middle busbar system have a different power demand. Double click to edit each of them.

- Edit the left load:
  - Name = "Ld\_3a"
  - Active Power = 40 MW
  - Power Factor = 0.95
- Edit the right load:
  - Name = "Ld\_3b"
  - Active Power = 40 MW
  - Power Factor = 0.95
- Edit the center load:
  - Name = "Ld\_Swab"
  - Active Power = 20 MW
  - Power Factor = 0.90

Finally, edit the generators one by one:

- Top generator:
  - 'Basic Data':



- \* Name = "SM\_1"
  - \* Type = Project Type → Types Mach. Syn. → SGEN150M/110kV
- 'Load Flow':
  - \* Reference Machine = enabled
  - \* Mode of Local Voltage Controller = Voltage
  - \* Voltage = 1.0 p.u. for the *Dispatch*
  - \* Angle = 0.0 deg.
- Left generator:
  - 'Basic Data':
    - \* Name = "SM\_2"
    - \* Type = Project Type → Types Mach. Syn. → SGEN150M/110kV
  - 'Load Flow':
    - \* Reference Machine = disabled
    - \* Mode of Local Voltage Controller = Power Factor
    - \* Active Power = 100.0 MW
    - \* Power Factor = 0.95
- Right generator:
  - 'Basic Data':
    - \* Name = "SM\_4"
    - \* Type = Project Type → Types Mach. Syn. → SGEN150M/110kV
  - 'Load Flow':
    - \* Reference Machine = disabled
    - \* Mode of Local Voltage Controller = Power Factor
    - \* Active Power = 100.0 MW
    - \* Power Factor = 0.95

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**Note:** If the Active Power and/or the Power Factor fields are not visible in the 'Load Flow' page, select  $P_{\cos(\phi)}$  in the *Dispatch* → *Input Mode option*.

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## F.3 Performing Calculations

- Perform a load flow with the option *Consider Reactive Power Limits* enabled (see Figure [F.3.1](#)).
- Correct the system in case of errors.

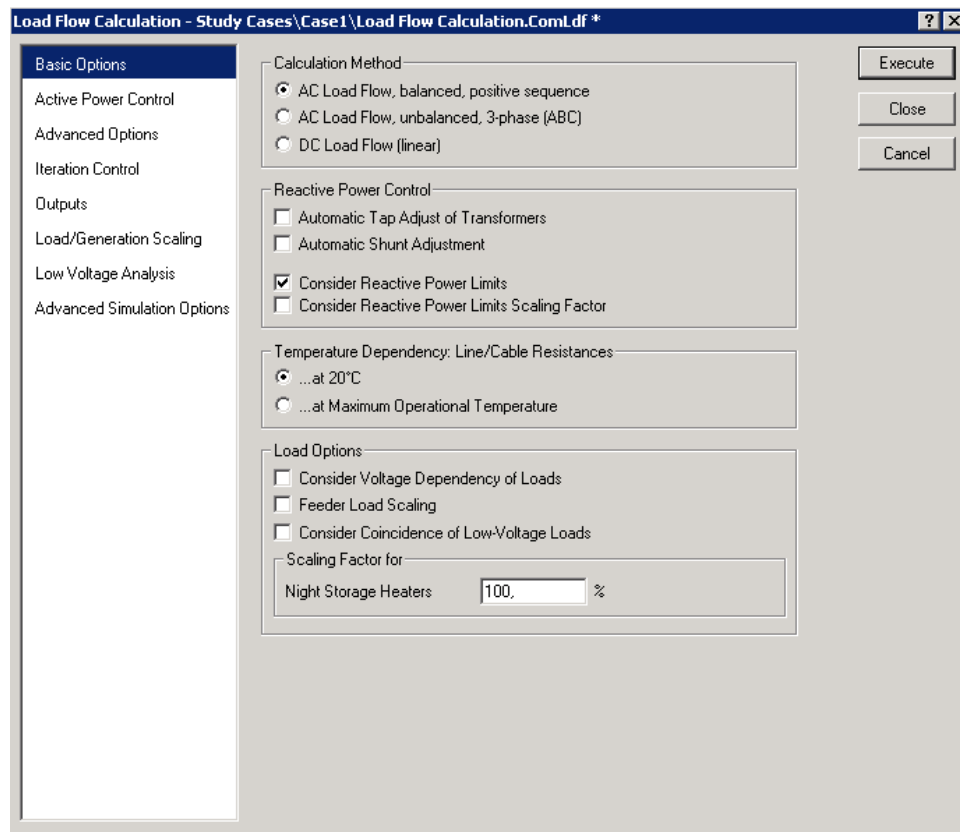


Figure F.3.1: Consider Reactive Power Limits in the Load Flow Calculation

The secondary controller function for the power system (frequency control => equilibrium between power demand and power production) is performed by the top generator alone. The other two generators are fixed to a certain PQ setpoint (active and reactive power). Due to these control settings, the upper generator is heavily overloaded. However, it is not possible to simply set all generators to the "SL" (slack) mode, because this would create three reference busbars which would all have a voltage angle of 0.0 degrees.

The solution is to select one reference busbar, for which the voltage angle will be 0.0 degrees, and to create a **frequency controller object** which will regulate the power output of the generators.

- Edit all three generators:
  - Reference Machine = disabled
  - Local Voltage Controller = Voltage
  - Active Power = 100.0 MW
  - Voltage = 1.0 p.u.

This gives all generators a "PV" characteristic.

- Define the power frequency controller:
  - Select the upper terminal "B110\_1a" of "Station 1" and the three generators (by clicking on them while holding the **Ctrl** key pressed).
  - Right click the selection and choose the *Define* → *Power-Frequency Controller* option. The edit dialogue of a power frequency controller will appear.

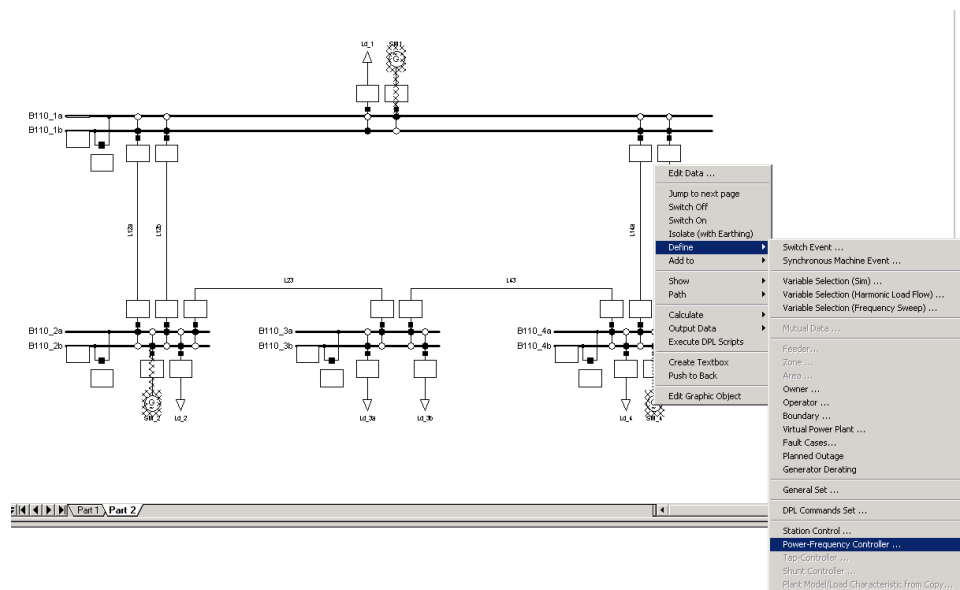


Figure F.3.2: Defining a Power-Frequency Controller

The power-frequency controller already has the “Bus Bar of Frequency Measurement” field set. The selected generators are in the machine list.

- Enable the option *According to Nom. Power*.
- In the 'Basic Data' page, set the name of the controller:
  - Name = “Secondary Control”
- Close the controller dialogue with **OK**.

The new element “Secondary Control” has been created in the database.

It is also possible to add generators to an existing frequency controller. This is done from the single line diagram:

- Multi select the generators, right click the selection.
- Select the *Add to* → *Power-Frequency Controller*. A list of existing frequency controllers is shown from which the one must be selected for addition to the generators.
- The frequency controller dialogue appears. The generators are now added to the machine list unless they are already contained in it.
- Close the frequency controller dialogue.

The load flow will be different now:

- Open the load flow command.
- At the 'Active Power Control' page, enable *According to secondary control*.
- Perform a load flow. Observe the changes: all generators are now producing equal real power. The power contribution is not fixed but can be changed in the frequency controller by setting it to *Individual active power* and editing the percentages in the list.

The frequency controller can be reached by opening the dialogue of a participating generator. The controller object is mentioned on the 'Load Flow' page as *External Secondary Controller*. The button beside it can be clicked to jump to the controller.

This concludes the fourth exercise of the tutorial.



## Chapter G

# Exercise 5: Connecting the Subsystems

In the previous exercises of the tutorial, a small distribution system ("Part 1") and a small transmission system ("Part 2") have been entered and tested. In addition, load flow and short circuit-calculations were performed for both systems.

In this exercise of the tutorial, these two networks are going to be connected to each other and calculations for the resulting network will be performed.

Start the Tutorial Manager by doing the following:

- Open the Tutorial Manager by selecting the *Help → Start Tutorial...* option on the main menu.
- Select the option *Start → Exercise 5*.
- Press **Execute**.

If there was a project active before, the graphics board disappears. Other than this, nothing visible happens! The grids are not shown automatically this time.

### G.1 Activation of the Two Subsystems

For the connection and analysis of the two subsystems, it should be possible to switch from one single line graphic to the other quickly and to perform calculations for the **combination** of the two grids. Until now, only one subsystem ("Part 1" or "Part 2") was active at the same time. However, it is possible to activate as many grids, and add as many single line diagrams to the graphics board as are needed. For now, the created grids "Part 1" and "Part 2" and their corresponding single line diagrams will be activated.

A grid folder is activated by adding it to an active study case. The study case keeps a reference to all active grids. Therefore, the combination of the active grids will be the basis for all performed calculations. The study case will automatically deactivate all its grids when it is deactivated itself, and will reactivate them again when it is activated, using the grid references. You thus first have to activate the study case by selecting it in the study case list in the main menu.

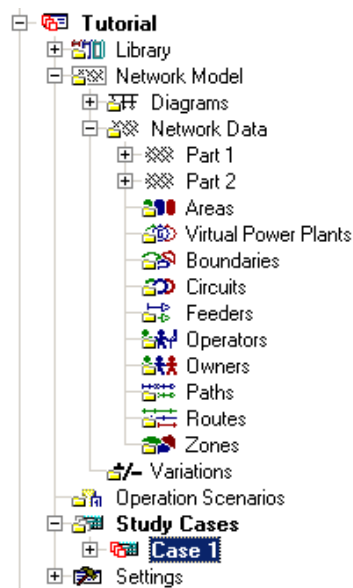



Figure G.1.1: Database tree


The following describes how grids can be added to a study case from a data manager window:

- Open a data manager window by pressing the  button.
- Expand the Tutorial project in the tree. The Tutorial project should now look like depicted in Figure G.1.1. Both the Tutorial project and the study case should be active (red coloured icons).
- Add the two grids to the study case by right clicking them and selecting *Add to Study Case*. Their icons will also become red to signal their active status.
- Close the data manager window.

The graphics board that will appear shows both single line diagrams. It is possible to interchange between them by pressing the tabs on the bottom of the graphics board.

When a study case is deactivated, it will automatically close its graphics board. When it is activated again, the graphics board will be shown again too.

Thus, there are two active grids and two single line graphics. The background pattern of the transmission system shows some alterations that are to be made. First, check to see that both grids have been activated:

- Perform a *load flow calculation* () with the following settings in the basic option page:
  - *AC Load Flow, balanced, positive sequence* Calculation Method.
  - *Consider reactive power limits*.
  - All other options disabled.

The load flow command now sees one single network, which has two isolated areas. In the output window several messages are printed out; one of these messages should be:

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DIgSI/info - Grid split into 2 isolated areas
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Switch to the other single line diagram and observe that the load flow was calculated for both grids. It may be necessary to enlarge (zoom) the diagram in order to see the results in the result boxes. Alternatively, point at a result box to get a balloon

help.

Now the two grids can be connected.

## G.2 Connecting Two Grids

The distribution grid ("Part 1") is fed by an external grid element, at 33 kV. The transmission grid has a load element in the middle which represents the distribution grid, as depicted in Figure G.2.1 by the red arrow.

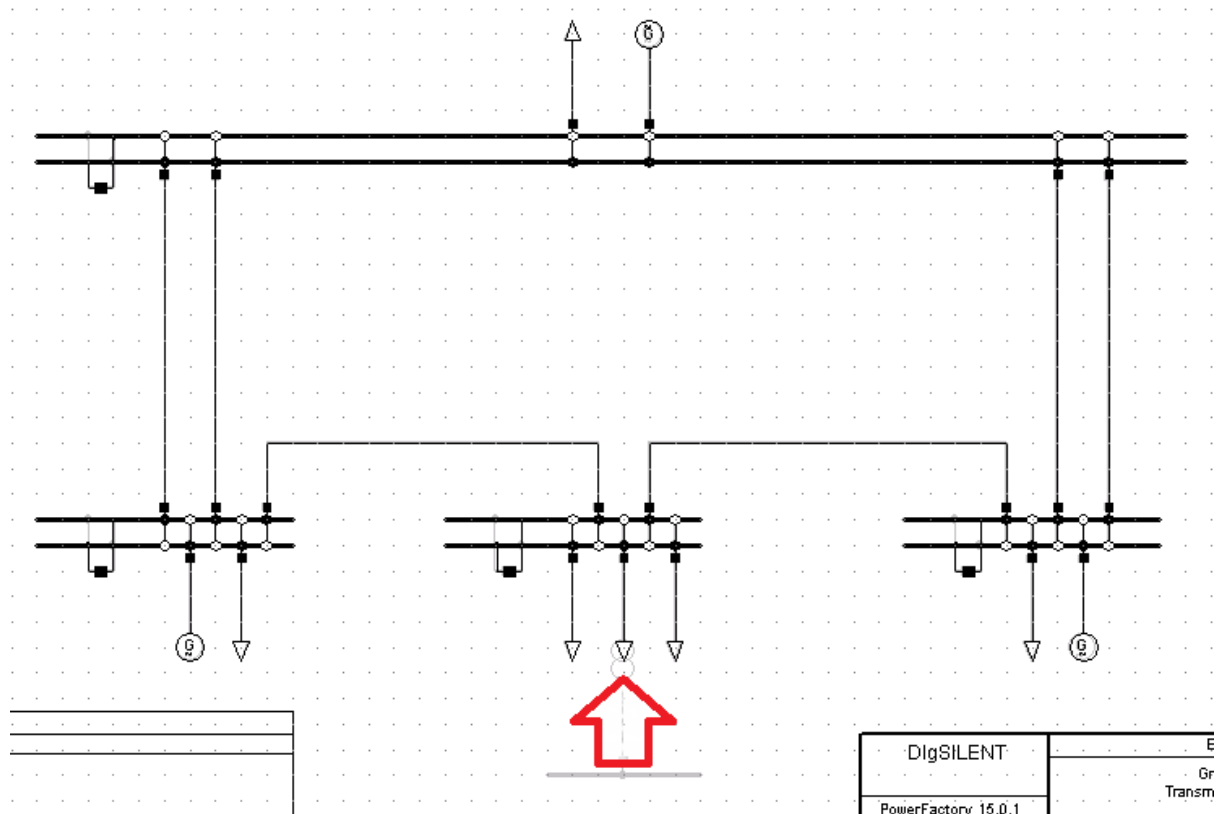


Figure G.2.1: Transmission grid single line diagram (Part 2). Middle load representing the distribution load

In order to connect the two grids:

- remove the external net object in the distribution grid and the middle load element in the transmission grid,
- create a 110/33 kV transformer and connect the 110 kV double busbar system in "Part 2" with the 33 kV busbar in "Part 1".

The first step is easy, because it is performed in each grid independently from the other grid:


- Select and un-freeze the "Part 1" diagram.
- Left click the external net symbol and press the delete (X) button. Answer Yes to delete the object.



- Select and un-freeze the "Part 2" diagram.
- Delete the load "Ld\_Swab" on the middle busbar system in the same way.

However, the creation of the new transformer is not possible. It cannot be created because two busbars are needed in a single line graphic in order to connect a new transformer between them. The "Part 1" single line diagram doesn't have the 110 kV busbar system, and the "Part 2" doesn't have the 33 kV busbar. At least one of these busbars must be made visible in the other diagram.

Therefore it is necessary to create a second graphical representation of one of these busbars:

- Open the single line diagram "Part 1", select the busbar "D1\_Swab" and copy it (either press the  button, right click the selection and choose *copy*, or press **Ctrl-C**).
- Change to the single line diagram "Part 2".
- Right click at the indicated position below the mid DBS in the diagram and select *Paste Graphic Only*.

A new graphical symbol of the "D1\_Swab" busbar is now created in the other single line diagram. However, no new busbar is created in the database. Electrically, there is still only one "D1\_Swab" busbar.

Some additional aspects of the graphical copy and paste:


- The same method for graphical copy and paste is available for all objects.
- Copy and Paste 'graphically' is also possible for more than one object at the same time. The symbols are pasted in the same configuration as when they were copied. Care must be taken to prevent symbols from being drawn outside of the drawing plane. A change to a larger paper size will bring these objects back into view.
- Only one graphical symbol of each object is allowed in each single line diagram. It is not possible to graphically copy and paste inside the same diagram.

To check upon the new busbar symbol:

- Open its dialogue. Its name should be

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...\Station 1\D1_Swab.ElmTerm
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If the inserted busbar is called something other than "D1\_Swab", a new "D1\_Swab" busbar was created instead of a new symbol. In this case:

- Press the 'Undo' button () to dispose of the created busbar.
- Try again.

A second graphical representation of the busbar "D1\_Swab" has now been created in the single line diagram "Part 2".

Now connect the busbars by means of a transformer:

- Select the 2 winding transformer from the toolbox and draw a new transformer between double busbar system and the copied busbar

- Edit the transformer:
  - Name = "T1\_Swab"
  - Type = *Project Type* → *TR2 60;110/33*

This concludes the topological changes for this exercise of the tutorial.

- Hide the background pattern.
- Freeze both diagrams.

The transformer now connects the two sub systems:

- Perform a load flow calculation.

The transmission system is now supplying the distribution network with about 14.51 MW. Both parts of the system are regarded as a whole by all calculation modules:

- Perform a short-circuit calculation for a 3 phase short circuit at the end terminal of the branched-off line in the distribution system. The short-circuit is now fed by the three generators in the transmission network.

This concludes the fifth exercise of the tutorial.

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**Note:** The method for pasting single power system elements from a single line diagram into another single line diagram is just one of the methods of creating single line representations of existing power system elements. This method may be used as described for connecting two power system grids, but it is not so suited for creating completely new single line diagrams for existing grids. The *PowerFactory* software offers special tools for that. If the user is interested in creating single line diagrams from existing network data, then they should refer to the User Manual.

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# Chapter H

## Exercise 6: Motor Start Simulation

Until now, only two calculation functions have been used in this tutorial: the *load flow* and the *short circuit calculation*.

In this tutorial exercise, one of the generators in the transmission network is going to be replaced by a more detailed model of a power plant. This power plant model will contain one large asynchronous motor for which a motor starting calculation will be performed.

Start the Tutorial Manager by doing the following:


- Open the Tutorial Manager by selecting the *Help* → *Start Tutorial...* option on the main menu.
- Select the option *Start* → *Exercise 6*.
- Press **Execute**.

The graphics board should now show the two single line graphics from the last exercise of the Tutorial and two new tabs called Motor and Voltage.



- Perform a load flow by pressing the  button in order to check the power system.

### H.1 Modelling the Power Plant

The top generator ("SM\_1") in the transmission system ("Part 2") is to be replaced by a more detailed model of a power plant. The desired plant model should already be visible in the background pattern. In order to delete the generator do the following:






- Left click the generator and press the delete button ().
- Answer the question by **Yes**.

The deleted generator participated in the secondary control. Therefore this has to be corrected:

- Open a browser containing the secondary controls by pressing  button on the main toolbar and then . The browser window should only contain one secondary control in this example.
- Open the secondary control dialogue by double clicking on it and go to the 'Load Flow' page.



- The power-frequency control element is still using the deleted generator “SM\_1”, which is shown in red. Right click the row with this generator (right click the number in the first column) and select *Delete Rows*. This clears the generator from the power-frequency control element.
- Press the **Ok** button and close the browser window.

To enter the model of the power plant:

- Use the background pattern to draw a new single busbar above the double busbar system by selecting the single busbar system icon  from the graphical toolbox.
- Connect the busbar to the double busbar system with two lines by selecting the line icon  from the graphical toolbox.
- Draw three short terminals above this busbar (). Enlarge the right one.
- Connect the three short terminals to the single busbar with three two-winding transformers ().
- Connect a synchronous generator to each of the left two terminals. Use the *Flip at Busbar* utility (in the right mouse menu) if they are drawn downwards.
- Connect an asynchronous motor () and a load to the right terminal (plant supply). Hold down the **Ctrl** key while connecting the elements in order to place them upwards.

These defined elements form the new power plant model.

This concludes the topological changes. Now please do the following:

- Hide the background by clicking on the 'Graphic Layers' icon (.
- Freeze the diagram by clicking on the 'Freeze Mode' icon (.


## H.2 Editing the Power Plant

- Multi-edit the two new lines (make sure that the editor browser is in the Detailed Mode, refer to Chapter F.2 (Editing the Elements) to have:
  - Name = “L\_pp1a” and “L\_pp1b”
  - Type = Project Type → OHL 110kV
  - Length = 2 km
- Edit the single busbar:
  - Name = “PP110\_1”
  - Type = Project Type → Bar 110kV
  - Nom. Voltage = 110 kV
  - Substation:
    - \* Name = Station Power Plant 1
    - \* Short Name = PP1
- Edit the three terminals:
  - Name = “Trm\_G1” (left generator )
  - Name = “Trm\_G2” (right generator)
  - Name = “Trm\_EB” (plant supply)

- Type = Project Type → Bar 33kV
- Nom. Voltage = 33 kV
- Edit the two generator transformers one at a time:
  - Name = “Tpp1\_G1” (left)
  - Name = “Tpp1\_G2” (right)
  - Type = Project Type → TR2 60:110/33

If the 'Inconsistent data' error dialogue pops up after pressing **OK** on the edit dialogue of the transformer, then flip the connections (high voltage side is connected to the 33 kV terminal, while the low voltage side is connected to the 110 kV busbar). One way to do this is:

- **Cancel** the transformer edit dialog.
- Change to 'No freeze' mode.
- Right click the transformer and then select *Disconnect Element*.
- Right click again and select *Rotate* → 180 °C.
- Right click and select *Connect Element*.
- Left click on the 110 kV busbar and then on the generator terminal.
- Edit the transformers for the plant supply
  - Name = “Tpp1\_EB”
  - Type = Project Type → TR2 2:110/33. **Flip the connections if required.**
- Multi-edit the two generators (make sure that the editor browser is in the Detailed Mode, see [F.2](#) (Editing the Elements):
  - 'Basic Data' page:
    - \* Name = “PP1\_G1” (left generator)
    - \* Name = “PP1\_G2” (right generator)
    - \* Type = Project Type → SGEN 150M/33kV
  - 'Load Flow' page:
    - \* Reference Machine = Disabled
    - \* Voltage Control = Power Factor (in the editor browser 'Ctrl Mode' = 0)
    - \* Input Mode = PC (P, cos(phi))
    - \* Active Power = 50 MW
    - \* Power Factor = 0.95
- Edit the asynchronous machine:
  - 'Basic Data' page:
    - \* Name = “PP1\_ASM1”
    - \* Type = Project Type → ASM 33kV 3MVA
    - \* Generator / Motor = Motor
  - 'Load Flow' page:
    - \* Active Power = 2 MW
- Edit the load:
  - Name = “PP1\_L1”
  - Type = Project Type → General Load Type → General Load

- 'Load Flow' page:
  - Active Power = 0.5 MW
  - Power Factor = 0.80
- Perform a load flow calculation to check the results .

For each of the two new generators an active power of 50 MW was defined. The two generators do not participate in the secondary control. This will now be changed:

- Multi select the generators, right click them and select *Add To* → *Power-Frequency Controller...*. Select the Power-Frequency Control that is shown in the browser. This adds the generators to the list of controlled machines of the secondary control.
- Select *Individual Active Power* from the *Control Mode* field (In the 'Load Flow' page of the Power-Frequency Control). Edit the *Active Power Percentages* in the list for the existing generators to have 33% and the added generators ("SM\_2" and "SM\_4") to have 17%.
- Perform a load flow calculation to check the results.

Any differences to the previous load flow calculation?

## H.3 Performing a Motor Start Simulation

The system now includes four generators and a big asynchronous motor, which is to be analyzed for its motor starting capability.

To perform a motor start simulation:

- Right click the asynchronous motor "PP1\_ASM1" and select *Calculate* → *Motor Starting*
- Set a simulation time of 5 seconds.

The Motor Start Simulation is a predefined sequence of commands and events for the simulation of the dynamic behaviour of the motor during starting. The following tasks are performed automatically:

- The asynchronous machine is disconnected.
- A new load flow is calculated.
- The initial conditions for all dynamic elements are calculated.
- A new graphic board with several predefined output curves is created.
- A transient simulation is started and a 'Switch Event' to switch on the machine during simulation is executed.
- The simulation is run for 5 seconds. During the simulation, the result plots are updated continuously.

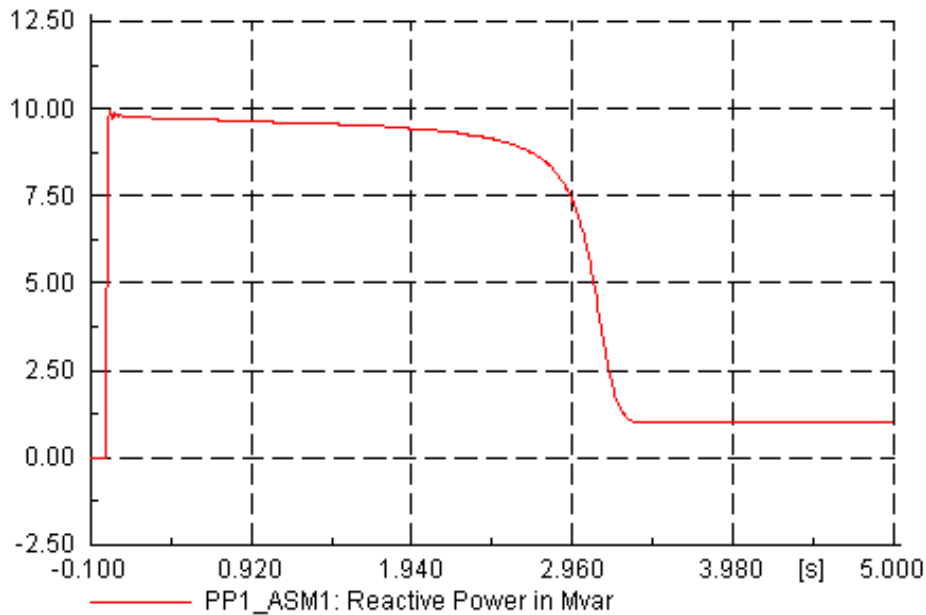


Figure H.3.1: Reactive power demand during starting

From the plots it is seen that after about 3.2 seconds, the motor reaches its nominal speed. In steady state the active power demand is approximately 2.16 MW and the reactive power demand approximately 0.99 MVar. This is also shown in the single line diagram. The result is somewhat surprising, because a mechanical load for the machine was not defined. The 2.16 MW cannot be accounted for as losses. So what is the power used for?

The answer is found in the motor dialogue.

- Double click the asynchronous motor to open its dialogue.

At the '*RMS simulation*' page, it shows parameters for a default mechanical load:

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Proportional factor = 1.0 p.u.  (=mdmlp)
Exponent = 2.0 (=mdmex)
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These two parameters belong to the model of the motor driven machine. This built-in model is fairly simple and determined by the following equation, which gives the relationship between torque ( $x_{mdm}$ ) and speed.

$$x_{mdm} = mdml \cdot |(\text{speed})|^{mdmex} \quad (\text{H.1})$$

With the exponent being 2, the power demand is a cubic function of speed.

Of course, this may not be the motor driven machine model that is required. It will be replaced in the next chapter.

## H.4 Changing the Motor Driven Machine (MDM)

In this section the motor driven machine model is going to be changed. In this context important *PowerFactory* objects called Composite Models will be introduced.



- Right click the asynchronous machine and select the option *Define* → *New Motor Driven Machine (mdm)*.

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**Note: Motor driven machine models** (mdm) are *PowerFactory* objects of the element class (Elm-Mdm...) that enclose information about the mechanical load of a motor. The interaction between an mdm and a motor is carried out by means of another *PowerFactory* element object, called Composite Model (ElmComp)

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An 'Element selection' dialogue, which is used to create new objects will pop up. At this moment, it only shows a list of three predefined machine driven models and one general dynamic model ('Common Model').

- Select the **Mdm\_\_3 (ElmMdm\_\_3)** model.
- Press **OK**

This creates a new **ElmMdm\_\_3** object. The dialogue of the mdm will pop up automatically.

- Make sure that the name of the mdm in the 'Basic Data' page is:
  - Mdm\_\_3
- Edit the values on the 'RMS-Simulation' page:
  - $\text{alf1} = 0.95 \text{ p.u.}$
  - $\text{slipm} = 0.7 \text{ p.u.}$
  - $\text{exp1} = 2.0$
  - $\text{alf2} = 0.35 \text{ p.u.}$
  - $\text{exp2} = 3.0$
  - $\text{xkmm} = 0.15 \text{ p.u.}$

The machine-mechanical load system is modelled by means of a so called Composite Model. The composite model uses a Composite Frame, which is a *PowerFactory* block diagram that hard-wires controllers and other models. The default Composite Frame for an asynchronous machine is depicted in Figure H.4.1. Although this Frame has four slots (blocks), only the slots for the asynchronous machine ('asm slot') and for the motor driven machine ('mdm slot') are used in this exercise.

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**Note: A Composite Model** is an advantageous *PowerFactory* object used to connect element's models within a dynamic system. Composite models use a system block diagram representation, called Composite Frame. When editing a composite model, the user must define a name of the model, select a composite frame and fill the slots (blocks) of the selected frame with the corresponding elements.

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After pressing **OK** in the mdm dialog, the composite model dialogue will pop up.

- Edit the composite model 'Basic Data' page:
  - Name = "Plant\_PP1\_ASM1"
  - Frame = Select → ... \Tutorial\Library\Equipment type library\Composite Frames\Composite Frame ASM

- In the 'Slot Definition' table the corresponding field of the slot 'asm slot' must display the name of the asynchronous machine and the field of the slot 'mdm Slot' must display the name of the motor driven machine. The other two fields have to remain empty. If the slot of the asynchronous machine appears empty after changing the Frame definition, please do the following:
  - \* Double click in the 'asm' empty slot.
  - \* In the browser, select from the left part of the window the grid defined as "Part 2".
  - \* On the right side of the window the asynchronous machine "PP1\_ASM1" should now appear. Select the asynchronous machine and press **OK**.

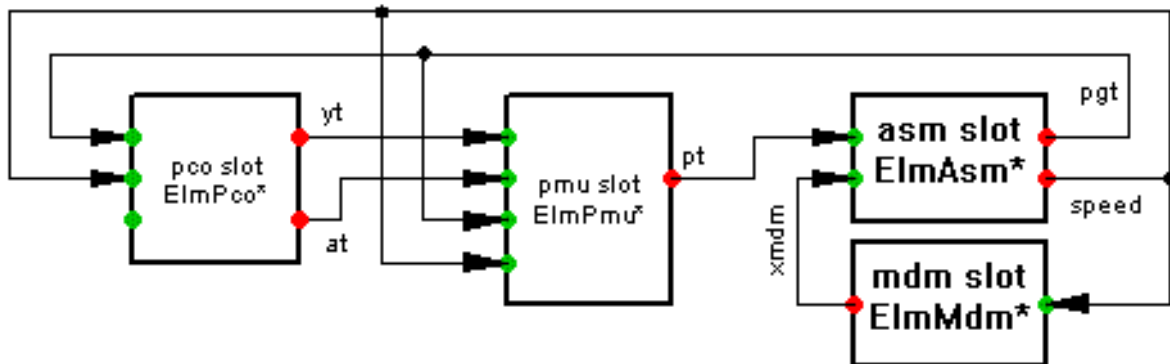


Figure H.4.1: Composite Frame for asynchronous machine

For the purposes of this exercise, it is not necessary to consider composite models in any more detail. To see the implications of the new mdm,

- Repeat the motor start analysis.

It now takes almost 1.4 seconds more for the machine to reach the nominal speed.

This concludes this exercise of the tutorial.



# Chapter I

## Exercise 7: Transient Analysis

In exercise [H](#): Motor Start Simulation, a first glimpse of the transient analysis capabilities of the *PowerFactory* software was offered. However, the analysis was more or less performed by the software itself. In this seventh exercise of the tutorial, the more direct use of the transient analysis features is shown.

Let the Tutorial Manager prepare the Tutorial exercise for you again:

- Activate the Tutorial Manager.
- Select the option *Start* → *Exercise 7*.
- Press **Execute**.

### I.1 Composite Models Revisited

The activated Grid contains four generators, which are still lacking some additional models, such as prime mover (turbine) models, governors / primary controllers, and voltage controllers. A realistic transient analysis is of course not possible with such uncontrolled generators. In this exercise, you will add controllers to the two generators in the power plant and analyse the behaviour of the system when a short circuit appears and the faulted transmission line is subsequently separated. In order to model the controlled generators, composite models for the synchronous machines and their controllers must be defined. The project composite frame for a synchronous machine is depicted in Figure [I.1.1](#). Although this Frame has several slots, only the slot for the synchronous machine ('sym slot'), the slot for the voltage controller ('vco slot'), and the slot for governor and turbine ('gov') will be used. The model of governor and turbine ('gov') contains the primary controller ('pco') and the prime mover unit ('pmu').

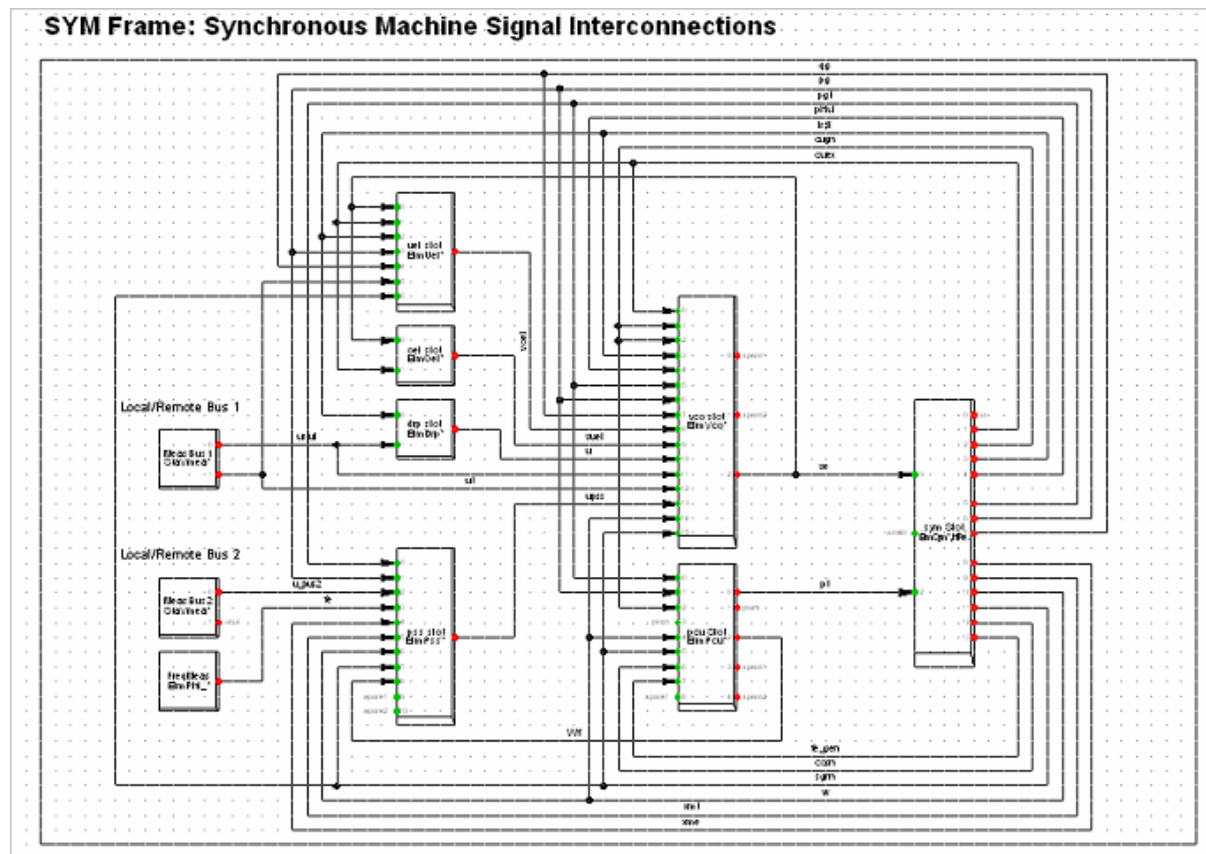


Figure I.1.1: Composite Frame for synchronous machine

To start with, the generator “PP1\_G1” is given a voltage controller and a governor including turbine model:

- Open and freeze the single line diagram for the transmission system (“Part 2”).
- Right click generator “PP1\_G1” and select *Define* → *Automatic Voltage Regulator (avr)*.
- Select the ‘Common Model (ElmDsl)’ from the element’s list. A data browser window with the message ‘Please select Block Definition’ pops up. There you have to define the type of the new controller.
- In the data browser select the ‘vco\_IEEET1’ from the global library as the type. It can be found under the path:
  - Database \ Library \ Models (old version) \ IEEE \ Models
- Edit the voltage controller according to:
  - ‘Name’= “VCO\_PP1\_G1”
  - Parameters

<b>Tr</b> =	0.02	s	ǧ	<b>E1</b> =	4	p.u.
<b>Ka</b> =	100	p.u.	ǧ	<b>Se1</b> =	1.5	p.u.
<b>Ta</b> =	0.05	s	ǧ	<b>E2</b> =	6	p.u.
<b>Ke</b> =	1	p.u.	ǧ	<b>Se2</b> =	2.5	p.u.
<b>Te</b> =	0.2	s	ǧ	<b>Vrmin</b> =	-8	p.u.
<b>Kf</b> =	0.0025	p.u.	ǧ	<b>Vrmax</b> =	8	p.u.
<b>Tf</b> =	1	s	ǧ			

- Press **OK**.

The edit dialogue for the new synchronous machine composite model pops up.

- Edit the 'Basic Data' page according to the following information:
  - Name = "Plant\_PP1\_G1"
  - Frame= *Select* → *Database \ Library \ Models (old version) \ IEEE \ Frames \ IEEE-frame no droop*
- In the 'Slot Definition' table check that "PP1\_G1" and "VCO\_PP1\_G1" have been added to the 'sym slot' and 'vco slot' respectively.
- If the slot of the synchronous machine appears empty after changing the Frame definition, please do the following:
  - Double click in the 'sym' empty slot.
  - In the browser, select from the left part of the window the grid defined as 'Part 2'.
  - On the right side of the window the synchronous machine 'PP1\_G1' should now appear. Select the synchronous machine and press **OK**.
- Press **OK**.
- Right click the generator "**PP1\_G1**" again and select *Define* → *Governor and Turbine (gov)*.
- Use the governor and turbine (gov) 'pcu\_HYGOV' as the type. It can be found in the global library under *Database \ Library \ Models (old version) \ IEEE \ Models*. Edit the controller according to:
  - 'Name' = "pcu\_PP1\_G1"
  - 'Parameters':
    - \*  $T_w = 0,1$  s (the rest of the parameters remain with the default value).
  - Press **OK**.
- Check that "pcu\_PP1\_G1" has been added to the 'pcu slot' in the 'Slot Definition' table of "Plant\_PP1\_G1" and press **OK**.

Following the same procedure, define controllers for "**PP1\_G2**":

- Right click generator "**PP1\_G2**" and select *Define* → *Automatic Voltage Regulator (avr)* → .
- Use the same 'vco\_IEEET1' as the type.
- Edit the voltage controller according to:
  - 'Name' = "VCO\_PP1\_G2"
  - Parameters

<b>Tr</b> =	0.01	s	ǧ	<b>E1</b> =	4	p.u.
<b>Ka</b> =	150	p.u.	ǧ	<b>Se1</b> =	1.5	p.u.
<b>Ta</b> =	0.025	s	ǧ	<b>E2</b> =	6	p.u.
<b>Ke</b> =	1.5	p.u.	ǧ	<b>Se2</b> =	2.5	p.u.
<b>Te</b> =	0.4	s	ǧ	<b>Vrmin</b> =	-7	p.u.
<b>Kf</b> =	0.001	p.u.	ǧ	<b>Vrmax</b> =	7	p.u.
<b>Tf</b> =	0.1	s	ǧ			

- Press **OK**.

The edit dialogue for the new synchronous machine composite model pops up.

- Edit the 'Basic Data' page according to the following information:
  - Name = "Plant\_PP1\_G2"
  - Frame= *Select* → *Database \ Library \ Models (old version) \ IEEE \ Frames \ IEEE-frame no droop*
- In the 'Slot Definition' table check that "PP1\_G2" and "VCO\_PP1\_G2" have been added to the 'sym slot' and 'vco slot' respectively.
- If the slot of the synchronous machine appears empty after changing the Frame definition, please do the following:
  - Double click in the 'sym' empty slot.
  - In the browser, select from the left part of the window the grid defined as 'Part 2'.
  - On the right side of the window the synchronous machine 'PP1\_G2' should now appear. Select the synchronous machine and press **OK**.
- Press **OK**.
- Right click the generator "PP1\_G2" again and select *Define* → *Governor and Turbine (gov)*.
- Select the same governor and turbine model (gov) 'pcu\_HYGOV' and use the same parameters as for generator G1. Name it: "pcu\_PP1\_G2"
- Make sure that "pcu\_PP1\_G2" has been added to the 'pcu slot' in the 'Slot Definition' table of "Plant\_PP1\_G2", then press **OK**.

This last step has finished the power plant model definition. Now the transient analysis can be performed.

## I.2 Setting Up a Transient Short-Circuit Simulation

Now the behaviour of the controlled generators will be tested by simulating a single phase short circuit on one of the lines which connect the power plant with the transmission system. The single phase line fault results in the opening and reclosing of the faulted phase. Since this does not clear the fault, all three phases are then opened.


In order to define a short circuit at the line "L\_pp1a", and the resulting switching sequence, it is necessary to define the short-circuit and the switching events that will ultimately isolate the line.

Events, as any other element within *PowerFactory*, are objects of different classes (depending on the event) that can be accessed and edited through the Database Manager. The easiest way for defining events for a simulation is to set up the initial conditions and then create events by right clicking objects.



Please note that no protection devices are used in this example.

### I.2.1 Setting Initial Conditions

Prior to the transient analysis, the internal operation statuses (state variables and internal variables) of connected machines, controllers and other transient models that affect the time-domain simulation must be computed based on a load flow calculation.

The 'Calculate Initial Conditions' command () allows the determination of the transient simulation settings and calculates the initial conditions (initialises the simulation). An unbalanced stability simulation using RMS values will be run, which is normally used to analyse the behaviour of the control systems.


To set initial conditions:


- Activate the “Stability” toolbar by clicking on the  icon on the main toolbar and selecting RMS/EMT Simulation (normally this toolbar is activated by standard).
- Click on the  icon to open the initial calculation command.
- Set the following options:
  - Method of simulation = RMS Values (Electromechanical Transients)
  - Unbalanced, 3-Phase (ABC)
  - Verify initial conditions = enabled
  - Automatic step size Adaptation = enabled
- Press **Execute** to calculate a load flow and then the initial conditions.
- After the command execution, the final message ‘Initial Conditions Calculated’ should appear on the output window.
- Correct possible mistakes.


## I.2.2 Defining Events

After initializing the simulation, it is necessary to start defining the events:

### Short Circuit Event:

- Right click the line “L\_pp1a” and select *Define* → *Short-Circuit Event*. This will create a new event (short circuit event EvtShc) and open the event dialogue.
- Edit the new event:
  - Execution Time = 0.0 s
  - Fault Type = Single Phase to Ground Fault
  - Phase = a
  - Fault resistance = 0.0 Ohm
  - Fault Reactance = 0.0 Ohm
- Press the Edit button at the Object field (). The line dialogue appears.
- At the ‘RMS-simulation’ page, enable the option *Short-Circuit at Line - Available*
- Set the short-circuit location to 50%.
- Close the line dialogue by pressing **OK**.
- Close the event dialogue by pressing **OK**.

Events are saved in the active study case under the ‘Simulation Events’ folder (); from there they can be accessed and edited.

The *Short-Circuit* at Line option at the line object must be set to prepare the calculation for a line with a short circuit event. This inserts an additional internal calculation node at the fault location in the line. When this option is changed, a re-initialization of the simulation by clicking on the  icon is required.


### Switching Events:


After clicking again on the  icon and then pressing **Execute**, switching events can be created:



- Right-click the top switch at line "L\_pp1a" and select *Switch off*, or double-click it. This will create and show a new switch event (EvtSwitch).
- Set the following data in the 'Basic Data' page:
  - Execution Time = 0.2 s
  - Action = Open
  - All Phases = disabled
  - Phase b and c = disabled
  - Phase a = enabled
- Repeat the same procedure for the bottom switch. Make sure that the correct switch is selected! If the line is clicked by accident rather than the bottom switch, an event for the top switch will automatically pop up.
- Right click the top switch again, and select *Switch off*.
- Set the following data in the 'Basic Data' page:
  - Execution Time = 0.3 s
  - Action = Close
  - All Phases = disabled
  - Phase b and c = disabled
  - Phase a = enabled
- Repeat for the switch on the other side.
- For a third time, right click the top switch, select *Switch off* and set:
  - Execution Time = 0.4 s
  - Action = Open
  - All Phases = enabled
- Repeat for the other switch

To check the list of the defined events do the following:

- Click on the  icon to open the event list.
- Check the events and correct mistakes.

If detailed information of the events cannot be seen in the browser, press the 'Detailed Mode' button . Remember that only elements of the same class can be seen in the detailed mode.

## I.3 Defining Results Objects and Variables Sets





In order to produce graphs from the transient simulation, it is necessary to define which variables are to be stored by the simulation. The *PowerFactory* software has thousands of possible variables which could all be stored and analysed. However, storing them all would take too much time, would produce megabytes of data and would make it very difficult to select a variable and display its value in a graph.

The solution is to select a number of variables prior to the simulation. This is done by creating so-called 'Variable Sets' for each power system element that is of interest. The Tutorial Manager has already defined some of these sets (for the generator "PP1\_G1", for the terminals "Trm\_G1" and "Trm\_G2" and for the line "L\_pp1a"). In this part of the tutorial a variable set will be defined for the generator "PP1\_G2".

In the Tutorial project, the 'Variable Sets' are stored in the study case ("Case1") under the folder "Results". Variable Sets are *PowerFactory* objects of the class 'IntMon'. To create the "PP1\_G2" variable set:

- Freeze the single line diagram.
- Right click generator "PP1\_G2" and select *Define* → *Variable Set (Sim)*. This will show a "Results" folder, where the previously created variable sets are stored.

Notice that whenever a variable set for an element within the power system is defined (as in the previous step) a new, empty variable set for that element is created in the "Results" folder.

- Double click the icon of the "PP1\_G2" variable set in the "Results" folder to edit it. A "Variable Set" object dialogue, as the one depicted in Figure [I.3.1](#), will pop up.
- Select the *RMS-simulation page*.
- In the "Filter for" field select "Currents, Voltages and Powers" from the "Variable Set" menu.
- Select "bus1:A" from the "Bus Name" menu.
- Select the variable:  
`I:bus1:A kA Phase Current, Magnitude`
- Click on the variable or press the  button to move the selected variable to the right panel.
- Select "Bus Name" = "bus1:B"
- Select the variable:  
`I:bus1:B kA Phase Current, Magnitude`
- Click on the variable or press the  button to move the selected variable to the right panel.
- Select "Bus Name" = "bus1:C"
- Select the variable:  
`I:bus1:C kA Phase Current, Magnitude`
- Click on the variable or press the  button to move the selected variable to the right panel.
- Select "Variable Set" = "Signals"
- Multi-select the variables  
`psie - p.u. Excitation-Flux`  
`speed - p.u. Speed`  
`phi - p.u. Rotor-angle`
- Click on the variable or press the  button to move the selected variables to the right panel.
- Select "Variable Set" = "Calculation Parameter"
- Select and move to the right panel the variable  
`dfrotx - deg Maximum Rotor Angle difference`
- Close the variable set by pressing the **Ok** button.

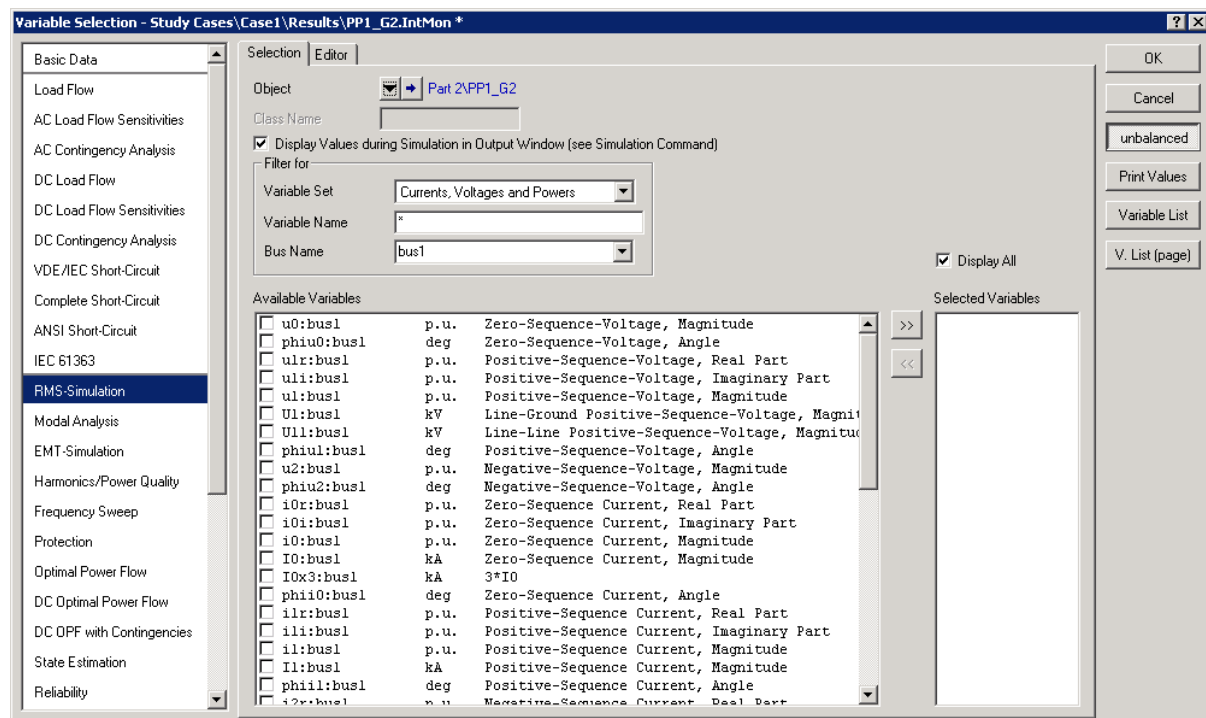


Figure I.3.1: Defining a variable set

## I.4 Running Transient Simulations and Creating Plots

During a simulation, all variables defined in the variables sets are written to a result file (see section I.3). The result file is used to define graphs and other kinds of virtual instruments (VI's). A virtual instrument is a tool for displaying calculated results. The most common use of a VI is to look at the results of a time-domain simulation, like an EMT or RMS simulation, by defining one or more plotted curves. These curves show the variables changing with time.


In this part of the Tutorial some of the features of virtual instruments will be introduced in particular their use for visualising the results of transient analyses. Further information on this powerful tool can be found in the User Manual.

Before performing a transient simulation and generating graphics of the calculated results, it is important to distinguish between the concepts of virtual instruments, virtual instrument panel and plots:





- **The Virtual Instrument Panel** is a page in the active graphics board, where different plots or graphs (virtual instruments) are stored and displayed. The basic information about the included virtual instruments is stored here.
- **The Virtual Instruments** display the results of one or more variables or parameters in various ways (Plots, Bar Diagrams, Vector Diagrams, etc.). Every VI can be set up for the individual needs of the variable which is to be displayed. The virtual instruments are shown on the VI panel.
- **Plots** are one of the many different ways in which a VI displays the information about the variables it has. Plots show all sorts of time-domain variables depending on other variables. Plots can be used in different ways (subplots, subplots with two y axis, X-Y plots and FFT plots). In this part of the Tutorial plots are used as subplots.

### I.4.1 Running a Transient Simulation

The main toolbar shows two icons for starting  and stopping  the transient simulation.




- Click on the start  icon. Enter an execution time of 10s.
- Press **Execute**

The simulation is now started. The output window will show messages about the events that are processed, when they are processed. The predefined graphs (in the “Generators” Virtual Instrument Panel) will start to show results.

All plots can be scaled automatically in the x- respectively y-direction to the best view by clicking on the icons  and . Furthermore for a better analysis of certain time period or a closer look at the graphs, the x- and y-axis can easily be zoomed in using the 'Zoom x-Axis' icon () and the 'Zoom y-Axis' icon ()

### I.4.2 Defining New Virtual Instruments

The Tutorial Manager has already defined the Virtual Instrument Panel called “Generators”. It contains two plots, displaying the speed and the turbine power of the generator PP1\_G1. Now you are going to create the same plots for the generator PP1\_G2:

- Open (if not already open) the Virtual Instrument Panel “Generators” and click on the “Append new VI's”  icon.
- In the dialogue that pops up, select the “Subplot (Visplot)” object.
- Set the desired number of new subplots (in this case 2).
- Click on the  icon to arrange the plots by pairs (if you prefer a vertical arrangement use the  icon).
- Double click on the first empty (or bottom-left) subplot to open its edit dialogue and define the variables to display.
- In the “Curves” field (bottom of the edit dialogue), double click on the empty Element field to select an element. A data browser, showing the elements with defined variable sets, pops up (Figure I.4.1). Double click on the PP1\_G2 icon to select it.

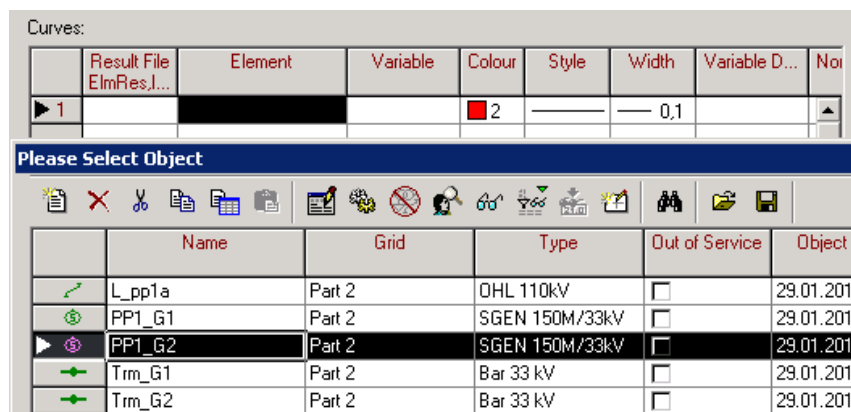


Figure I.4.1: Selecting an element to display the calculated results in a plot

In the subplot dialogue, double click on the empty “Variable” field to select the variable to display. From the displayed variables list (which corresponds the list defined in the variables set, see Section 1.3), select “s:speed” (Figure 1.4.2).

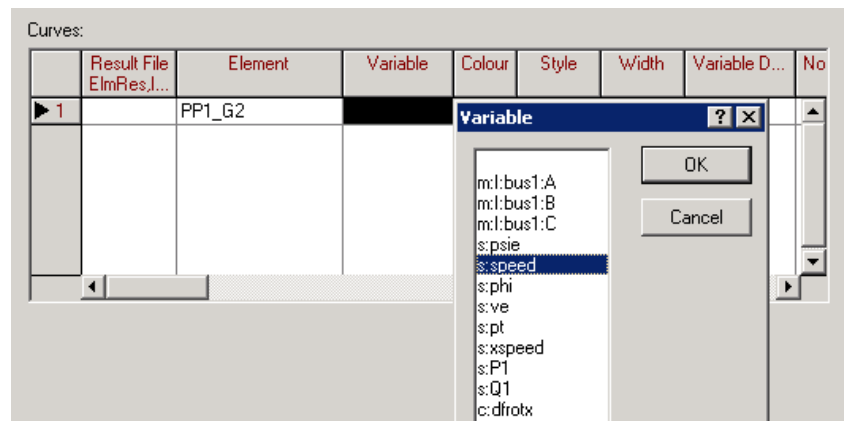





Figure 1.4.2: Selecting a variable to display in a subplot

- If you want to change the plot colour, double click on the “Colour” field. You can also edit the line style and line width.
- Press the **Ok** button on the edit dialogue, to visualize the newly defined subplot. If required, use the  icon to get a better view.
- Following the same procedure, display the turbine power (“s:pt”) of PP1\_G2 in the remaining empty subplot.
- Run a transient simulation with an execution time of 70 s. Adjust the view of your plots with  and . Steady state was reached? Increase your simulation time.

### 1.4.3 Selecting Variables to Show in a Plot

It is possible to change and add new variables to a plot. To illustrate this functionality, the active and the reactive power of generator “PP1\_G2” will be displayed in the bottom-right (or last) plot of the virtual instrument panel:

- Double click on the subplot of the virtual instrument panel that displays the turbine power of “PP1\_G2”.
- Double click on the “Variable” field of the defined curve and select “s:P1” from the displayed variables list.
- Right click on the curve number and select “Append Rows” from the context sensitive menu (Figure 1.4.3). A new row in the “Curves” field is generated, there you can define a second variable to display in your subplot.

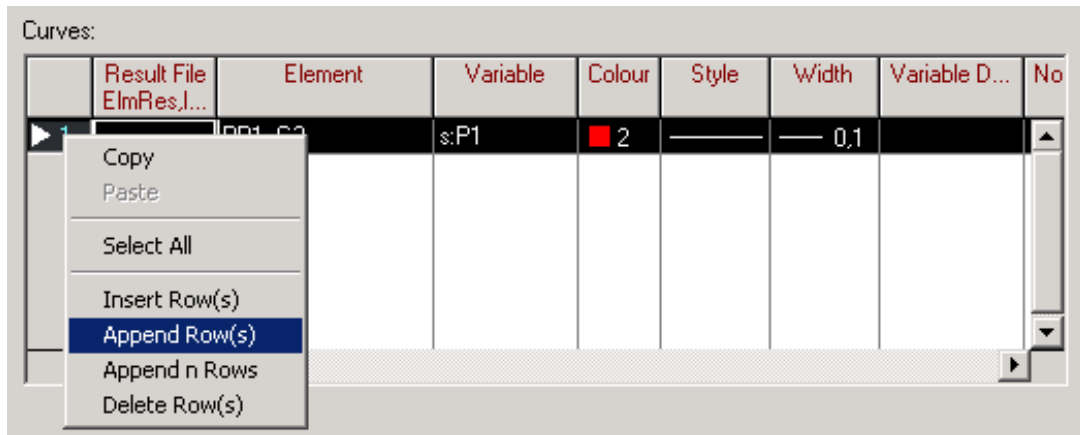


Figure I.4.3: Adding a new variable to a subplot

- Following the instructions given in section [I.4.2](#) define the new curve to display the reactive power of generator “PP1\_G2” (“s:Q1”). Your subplot should look now like Figure [I.4.4](#) (for the first 10 seconds).

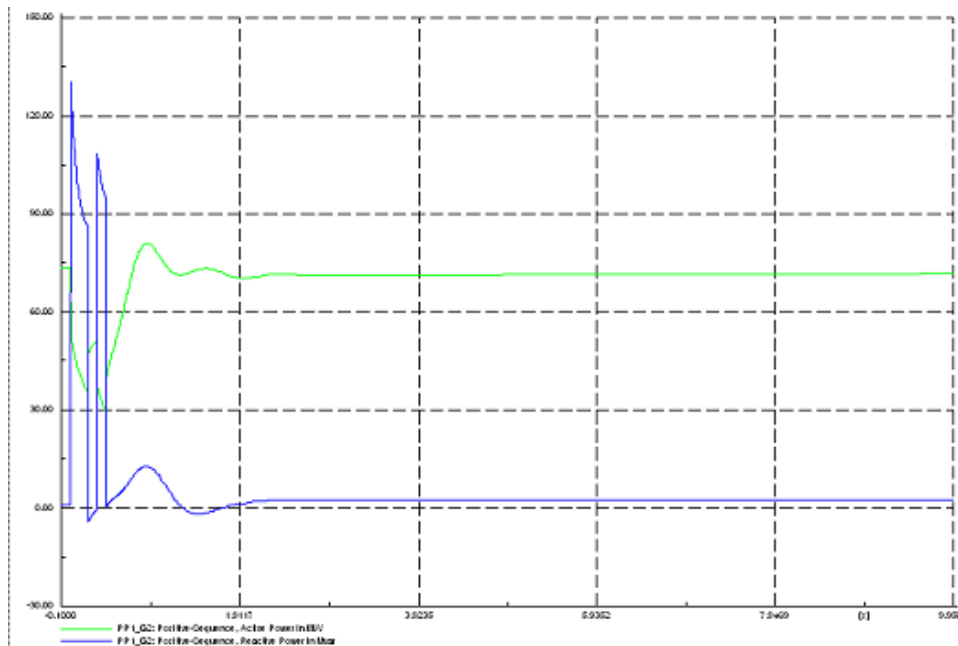




Figure I.4.4: Virtual Instrument subplot displaying two variables

Modify the existing plots to show the following variables, which are important for analyzing the behaviour of a power plant during a short-circuit.

- Speed 'speed' of generator G1 and G2.
- Active and reactive power 'P1' and 'Q1' of generator G1 and G2.
- Rotor angle 'phi' of generator G1 and G2.
- Turbine power 'pt' of generator G1 and G2.
- Excitation voltage 've' of generator G1 and G2.
- Phase currents of generators and on lines.
- The steps to create plots are described in the next chapters.

### I.4.4 Creating a New Empty VI Page

In this section a new virtual instrument panel will be created to display the short circuit currents and voltages at the generators terminals and at the line "L\_pp1a". The Tutorial Manager already defined variable sets for these elements. To create a new virtual instruments page (panel):

- Press the "Insert New Graphic" button () on the Graphics Board toolbar and select *Virtual Instrument Panel*.
- In the new empty page create 4 subplots following the procedure indicated in [I.4.2](#) ()
- In the first subplot display the phase currents of generator "PP1\_G1" ("m:l:bus1:A", "m:l:bus1:B", "m:l:bus1:C").
- In the second subplot display the per unit line to line voltages at the terminal "Trm\_G1" ("m:ul:A", "m:ul:B", "m:ul:C").
- In the third subplot display the per unit line to ground voltages at "Trm\_G1" ("m:u:A", "m:u:B", "m:u:C").
- In the last subplot display the per unit short circuit currents at line "L\_pp1a" ("m:i:bussch:A", "m:i:bussch:B", "m:i:bussch:C").

## I.5 Closing Up the Tutorial

In this exercise of the tutorial the following was explained:

- How to define Composite Models for elements
- How to perform a transient analysis
- How to define new result variables
- How to change, create and modify Subplots

A sample solution to the seventh exercise can be accessed which may be of help if the user has encountered any difficulties during the execution of the exercise.

To install the sample solution for the seventh tutorial exercise, please do the following:

- Select the option *Help → Start Tutorial...* on the main menu to open the Tutorial Manager.
- Select the option *Show Sample Solution (includes all exercises)*.
- Press the **OK** button.

This concludes the tutorial. The topics covered throughout this Tutorial are sufficient to give a brief introduction to the basic features and terminology of the *PowerFactory* environment. New users are invited to reinforce the acquired knowledge and to learn new specific features by going through the examples provided in this Help Package. The User Manual and the Technical References always provide the necessary information to make use of the outstanding *PowerFactory* features.

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