

# Optimal Power Flow using Matpower and Pyomo

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# Optimal Power Flow?

The **optimal power flow(OPF)** can integrate the computation of power flow and operational problems (such as economic dispatch and unit commitment) subject to the power system's physical and electrical constraints.

*The optimal power flow (OPF) integrates the computation of power flow and economic dispatch subject to the system's physical and electrical constraints ... (Ali et al. 2024)*

# Optimal Power Flow?

- Optimal power flow = Optimization problem + Power flow

## Optimization problem

- Find the optimal variables satisfying the objective function
- Example:

$$\begin{array}{ll}\min_{x \in D} & f(x) \\ \text{subject to} & g_i(x) \leq 0, \quad i = 1, \dots, m \\ & h_j(x) = 0, \quad j = 1, \dots, r\end{array}$$

## Power flow

- Find the variables satisfying the power flow equation
- Example:

$$P_i = |V_i| \sum_{\forall j} |V_j| [G_{ij} \cos(\theta_i - \theta_j) + B_{ij} \sin(\theta_i - \theta_j)]$$

# Optimal Power Flow?

## Optimization problem and power flow problem

- Optimization problem
  - Solve the problem based on the optimization techniques (convex, branch and bound, etc)
    - 조건에 따라 해가 존재하지 않을 수 있음
    - Variables: Generator status, reactive/active power, voltage magnitude/phase, etc
- Power flow
  - Solve the problem based on finding the solution on multiple equations (Newton Raphson, Gauss-Seidel)
    - 초기값 혹은 계통에 문제가 없지 않은 이상 해는 존재
    - Variables: Reactive/active power, voltage magnitude/phase
- Optimization problem + power flow
  - 다양한 목적함수를 가지며 제약조건으로 power flow를 갖는 최적화 문제
    - 손실 최소화, 비용 최소화, 이익 최대화 등

# Optimal Power Flow?

Problems defined by variable type

- Linear programming (LP)
  - 모든 목적함수와 제약조건이 선형화 되어있는 상황이며, 발전량과 전압의 크기/위상 등 continuous variable 을 결정하는 문제
  - Cplex, Gurobi 등 solver 이용 가능
  - Global optimum 을 찾을 수 있으나 비선형방정식을 선형방정식으로 바꿔야 함
- Mixed integer linear programming (MILP)
  - 모든 목적함수와 제약조건이 선형화 되어있고, 이진변수(0 or 1)이 존재하는 최적화 문제
  - 이진변수는 발전기의 On/Off, ESS의 충방전 Mode 선택 등 다양한 변수가 존재
  - Cplex, Gurobi 등 solver 이용 가능
  - Global optimum 을 찾을 수 있으나 비선형방정식을 선형방정식으로 바꿔야 함
  - Solver가 이진변수를 relaxation (이진 변수를 연속 변수로 완화) 하는 것으로 알려짐

# Optimal Power Flow?

Problems defined by variable type

- Mixed integer nonlinear programming (MINLP)
  - 목적함수와 제약조건에 비선형 방정식 등이 포함된 최적화 문제
  - 이진변수, 연속변수 등 다양한 변수와 함께 전력방정식이 그대로 포함될 수 있음
  - 문제를 선형함수로 변환하지 않아도 되기 때문에 해가 구해진다면 정확한 해일 가능성이 높음
  - 하지만, solver 성능에 따라 문제가 풀리지 않는 경우들이 대부분
  - Local optimum 과 global optimum 이 같지 않을 수 있음을 항상 고민해야 함
  - Knitro 등의 solve를 사용
- Meta heuristic
  - 비선형 방정식 등이 포함된 최적화 문제이나 문제 해결을 위해 다양한 방법을 활용하는 기법
  - 기본적으로 변수에 여러 값들을 대입하면서 구하는 문제 해결 방법이지만, 다양한 알고리즘이 사용됨
  - Genetic algorithm, particle swarm optimization, harmony search 등의 방법이 사용됨
  - Pygmo 등으로 이용할 수 있으며, matlab 을 이용하는 것이 일반적임

# Optimal Power Flow?

## How to solve?

- 문제 해결의 기본 방향
  - 최적화 문제를 처음 해결하는 상황이라면, 목적함수와 제약조건의 방정식을 그대로 이용할 수 있는 MINLP와 meta heuristic 방법을 이용하는 것도 방법임
  - 위 방법을 이용한 이후에는 relaxation 등을 통하여 MILP, LP 문제로 바꾸어 해결하는 방안을 고민할 수 있음
- 문제 유형별 사용 Solver
  - LP, MILP: Pyomo 에서 cplex, gurobi 등을 연계
  - MINLP: Pyomo 에서 knitro 등을 연계
  - Meta heuristic: Pyomo 에서는 해결하지 못하며, Pygmo 등을 사용



# Typical optimal power flow problem

Minimize the loss in the overall system(Lavorato et al. 2012).

## A. Distribution System Reconfiguration Problem

The DSR problem is modeled as follows:

$$\min \quad v = \sum_{(ij) \in \Omega_l} (g_{ij} x_{ij} (V_i^2 + V_j^2 - 2V_i V_j \cos \theta_{ij})) \quad (18)$$

s.t.

$$P_{S_i} - P_{D_i} - \sum_{j \in \Omega_{b_i}} (x_{ij} P_{ij}) = 0 \quad \forall i \in \Omega_b \quad (19)$$

$$Q_{S_i} - Q_{D_i} - \sum_{j \in \Omega_{b_i}} (x_{ij} Q_{ij}) = 0 \quad \forall i \in \Omega_b \quad (20)$$

$$\underline{V} \leq V_i \leq \overline{V} \quad \forall i \in \Omega_b \quad (21)$$

$$x_{ij} (I_{r_{ij}}^2 + I_{m_{ij}}^2) \leq \overline{I}_{ij}^2 \quad \forall (ij) \in \Omega_l \quad (22)$$

$$x_{ij} \in \{0, 1\} \quad \forall (ij) \in \Omega_l \quad (23)$$

Eqs. (14) – (17)

$$\sum_{(ij) \in \Omega_l} x_{ij} = n_b - 1 - \sum_{j \in \Omega_{bp}} (1 - y_j). \quad (24)$$

# Typical optimal power flow problem

## Objective function

- Objective function: Minimize the loss

$$\min \quad v = \sum_{(ij) \in \Omega_l} (g_{ij}(|V_i|^2 + |V_j|^2 - 2|V_i||V_j|\cos\theta_{ij}))$$

# Typical optimal power flow problem

## Constraints

- Balance
  - Active power

$$P_{S_i} - P_{D_i} - \sum_{j \in \Omega_{b_i}} P_{ij} = 0$$

$$(P_{ij} = -|V_i|^2 G_{ij} + |V_i| |V_j| (G_{ij} \cos \theta_{ij} + B_{ij} \sin \theta_{ij}))$$

- Reactive power

$$Q_{S_i} - Q_{D_i} - \sum_{j \in \Omega_{b_i}} Q_{ij} = 0$$

$$Q_{ij} = |V_i|^2 B_{ij} + |V_i| |V_j| (G_{ij} \sin \theta_{ij} - B_{ij} \cos \theta_{ij})$$

# Typical optimal power flow problem

## Constraints

- Inequality constraints
  - Voltage

$$\underline{|V_i|} \leq |V_i| \leq \overline{|V_i|}$$

- Line rating

$$I_{real,ij}^2 + I_{imag,ij}^2 \leq \overline{I_{ij}^2}$$

# Our main objective is to...

- Formulate the objective function and constraints of the Optimal Power Flow (OPF) problem.
- Implement the formulated objective function and constraints using Matpower and Pyomo.
- Derive simulation results of the implemented model on a 33-bus test system.

# Overview

Depicted by latex..

- Nomenclature
- Objective function
- Constraints
  - Balance

# Nomenclature

## Sets, indices, parameters

- Indices

$i, j$  Index of bus

$l$  Index of line

- Sets

$\Omega_l$  Set of lines

$\Omega_b$  Set of buses

$\Omega_{b_i}$  Set of connected buses  
in the bus  $i$

$\Omega_{b_g}$  Set of generation buses  
( $\Omega_{b_g} \subset \Omega_b$ )

- Parameters or constants

$Z_{ij}, Y_{ij}$  Impedance and  
admittance of line  $ij$   
(from bus  $i$  to bus  $j$ )

$G_{ij}, B_{ij}$  Conductance and  
susceptance of line  $ij$   
(from bus  $i$  to bus  $j$ )

$baseMVA$  Value of base MVA

$\bar{V}, \underline{V}$  Maximum and minimum  
voltage magnitude

$\bar{I}_{ij}$  Maximum current  
flow limit of line  $ij$

# Nomenclature

Sets, indices, parameters

- Parameters or constants (Continued)

|   |  |
|---|--|
| $P_{D_i}, Q_{D_i}$                        | Active and reactive power demand at bus $i$                  |
| $\overline{P}_{G_i}, \underline{P}_{G_i}$ | Maximum and minimum active power from generator at bus $i$   |
| $\overline{Q}_{G_i}, \underline{Q}_{G_i}$ | Maximum and minimum reactive power from generator at bus $i$ |

- Functions

|                                |   |
|--------------------------------|---|
| $P_i, Q_i$                     | Active and reactive power calculated at bus $i$ |
| $P_{ij}, Q_{ij}$               | Active and reactive power flow of line $ij$     |
| $I_{rij}, I_{lmij}$            | Real and Imaginary current flow of line $ij$    |
| $P_{ij}^{loss}, Q_{ij}^{loss}$ | Active and reactive line loss of line $ij$      |



# Nomenclature

## Variables

- Variables

|                    |   |
|--------------------|---|
| $ \dot{V}_i $      | Voltage magnitude in bus $i$                        |
| $\theta_i$         | Voltage phase angle in bus $i$                      |
| $P_{G_i}, Q_{G_i}$ | Active and reactive power from generator at bus $i$ |

# Objective function

$$\min \sum_{\forall l} P_l^{lineloss} \quad (1)$$

$$P_l^{lineloss} = P_{ij} + P_{ji} \quad \forall l \in \Omega_l \quad \text{or} \quad \forall (ij) \in \Omega_l \quad (2)$$

$$\begin{aligned} P_{ij} = & -G_{ij} \left| \dot{V}_i \right| \left| \dot{V}_i \right| + G_{ij} \left| \dot{V}_i \right| \left| \dot{V}_j \right| \cos(\theta_i - \theta_j) \\ & + B_{ij} \left| \dot{V}_i \right| \left| \dot{V}_j \right| \sin(\theta_i - \theta_j) \quad \forall l \in \Omega_l \quad \text{or} \quad \forall (ij) \in \Omega_l \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

$$\begin{aligned} P_{ji} = & -G_{ij} \left| \dot{V}_j \right| \left| \dot{V}_j \right| + G_{ij} \left| \dot{V}_i \right| \left| \dot{V}_j \right| \cos(\theta_i - \theta_j) \\ & - B_{ij} \left| \dot{V}_i \right| \left| \dot{V}_j \right| \sin(\theta_i - \theta_j) \quad \forall l \in \Omega_l \quad \text{or} \quad \forall (ij) \in \Omega_l \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

# Constraints

## Load balance

$$P_{G_i} - P_{D_i} = \sum_{j \in \Omega_{b_i}} (P_{ij}) \quad \forall i \in \Omega_b \quad (5)$$

$$Q_{G_i} - Q_{D_i} = \sum_{j \in \Omega_{b_i}} (Q_{ij}) \quad \forall i \in \Omega_b \quad (6)$$

$$Q_{ij} = B_{ij} \left| \dot{V}_i \right|^2 + G_{ij} \left| \dot{V}_i \right| \left| \dot{V}_j \right| \sin(\theta_i - \theta_j) \\ - B_{ij} \left| \dot{V}_i \right| \left| \dot{V}_j \right| \cos(\theta_i - \theta_j) \quad \forall i \in \Omega_l \quad \text{or} \quad \forall (ij) \in \Omega_l \quad (7)$$

# Constraints

## Power and voltage

$$\underline{P}_{G_i} \leq P_{G_i} \leq \overline{P}_{G_i} \quad \forall i \in \Omega_b \quad (8)$$

$$\underline{Q}_{G_i} \leq Q_{G_i} \leq \overline{Q}_{G_i} \quad \forall i \in \Omega_b \quad (9)$$

$$\underline{V} \leq |\dot{V}_i| \leq \overline{V} \quad \forall i \in \Omega_b \quad (10)$$

$$\theta_i = 0 \quad \text{if bus } i \text{ is slack bus.} \quad (11)$$

# Constraints

## Current

$$I_{rij}^2 + I_{lmij}^2 \leq \bar{I}_{ij}^2 \quad \forall l \in \Omega_l \quad \text{or} \quad \forall (ij) \in \Omega_l \quad (12)$$

$$\begin{aligned} I_{rij} = & -G_{ij} \left| \dot{V}_i \right| \cos \theta_i + B_{ij} \left| \dot{V}_i \right| \sin \theta_i \\ & + G_{ij} \left| \dot{V}_j \right| \cos \theta_j - B_{ij} \left| \dot{V}_j \right| \sin \theta_j \quad \forall l \in \Omega_l \quad \text{or} \quad \forall (ij) \in \Omega_l \end{aligned} \quad (13)$$

$$\begin{aligned} I_{lmij} = & -B_{ij} \left| \dot{V}_i \right| \cos \theta_i - G_{ij} \left| \dot{V}_i \right| \sin \theta_i \\ & + B_{ij} \left| \dot{V}_j \right| \cos \theta_j + G_{ij} \left| \dot{V}_j \right| \sin \theta_j \quad \forall l \in \Omega_l \quad \text{or} \quad \forall (ij) \in \Omega_l \end{aligned} \quad (14)$$

# Constraints

## Sending flow

$$\begin{aligned}
 \dot{S}_{ij} &= \dot{V}_i \dot{I}_{ij}^* = \dot{V}_i \left( \frac{\dot{V}_i - \dot{V}_j}{\dot{Z}_{ij}} \right)^* \\
 &= \dot{V}_i \frac{\dot{V}_i^*}{\dot{Z}_{ij}^*} - \dot{V}_i \frac{\dot{V}_j^*}{\dot{Z}_{ij}^*} \quad \left( Y_{ij} = -\frac{1}{Z_{ij}} = G_{ij} + jB_{ij} \right) \\
 &= \left| \dot{V}_i \right|^2 (-G_{ij} + jB_{ij}) - \left| \dot{V}_i \right| \left| \dot{V}_j \right| e^{j(\theta_i - \theta_j)} (-G_{ij} + jB_{ij}) \\
 &= -G_{ij} \left| \dot{V}_i \right|^2 + G_{ij} \left| \dot{V}_i \right| \left| \dot{V}_j \right| \cos \theta_{ij} + B_{ij} \left| \dot{V}_i \right| \left| \dot{V}_j \right| \sin \theta_{ij} \\
 &\quad + j \left( B_{ij} \left| \dot{V}_i \right|^2 + G_{ij} \left| \dot{V}_i \right| \left| \dot{V}_j \right| \sin \theta_{ij} - B_{ij} \left| \dot{V}_i \right| \left| \dot{V}_j \right| \cos \theta_{ij} \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

# Constraints

## Sending flow (continued)

$$\therefore P_{ij} = -G_{ij} \left| \dot{V}_i \right|^2 + G_{ij} \left| \dot{V}_i \right| \left| \dot{V}_j \right| \cos(\theta_i - \theta_j) + B_{ij} \left| \dot{V}_i \right| \left| \dot{V}_j \right| \sin(\theta_i - \theta_j)$$

$$Q_{ij} = B_{ij} \left| \dot{V}_i \right|^2 + G_{ij} \left| \dot{V}_i \right| \left| \dot{V}_j \right| \sin(\theta_i - \theta_j) - B_{ij} \left| \dot{V}_i \right| \left| \dot{V}_j \right| \cos(\theta_i - \theta_j)$$

# Constraints

## Receiving flow

$$\begin{aligned}
 \dot{S}_{ji} &= \dot{V}_j \dot{I}_{ji}^* = -\dot{V}_j \dot{I}_{ij}^* \\
 &= \dot{V}_j \frac{\dot{V}_i^*}{\dot{Z}_{ij}^*} - \dot{V}_j \frac{\dot{V}_j^*}{\dot{Z}_{ij}^*} \quad \left( Y_{ij} = -\frac{1}{Z_{ij}} = G_{ij} + jB_{ij} \right) \\
 &= -\left| \dot{V}_i \right| \left| \dot{V}_j \right| e^{-j(\theta_i - \theta_j)} (-G_{ij} + jB_{ij}) + \left| \dot{V}_j \right|^2 (-G_{ij} + jB_{ij}) \\
 &= -G_{ij} \left| \dot{V}_j \right|^2 + G_{ij} \left| \dot{V}_i \right| \left| \dot{V}_j \right| \cos \theta_{ij} - B_{ij} \left| \dot{V}_i \right| \left| \dot{V}_j \right| \sin \theta_{ij} \\
 &\quad + j \left( B_{ij} \left| \dot{V}_j \right|^2 - G_{ij} \left| \dot{V}_i \right| \left| \dot{V}_j \right| \sin \theta_{ij} - B_{ij} \left| \dot{V}_i \right| \left| \dot{V}_j \right| \cos \theta_{ij} \right)
 \end{aligned}$$



# Constraints

## Receiving flow (continued)

$$\therefore P_{ji} = -G_{ij} \left| \dot{V}_j \right|^2 + G_{ij} \left| \dot{V}_i \right| \left| \dot{V}_j \right| \cos(\theta_i - \theta_j) - B_{ij} \left| \dot{V}_i \right| \left| \dot{V}_j \right| \sin(\theta_i - \theta_j)$$

$$Q_{ij} = B_{ij} \left| \dot{V}_j \right|^2 - G_{ij} \left| \dot{V}_i \right| \left| \dot{V}_j \right| \sin(\theta_i - \theta_j) - B_{ij} \left| \dot{V}_i \right| \left| \dot{V}_j \right| \cos(\theta_i - \theta_j)$$

# Constraints

## Current

$$\begin{aligned}
 I_{ij} &= \frac{\dot{V}_i - \dot{V}_j}{Z_{ij}} & \left( Y_{ij} = -\frac{1}{Z_{ij}} = G_{ij} + jB_{ij} \right) \\
 &= (-G_{ij} - jB_{ij}) (\dot{V}_i - \dot{V}_j) \\
 &= (-G_{ij} - jB_{ij}) \left( |\dot{V}_i| \cos \theta_i + j |\dot{V}_i| \sin \theta_i - |\dot{V}_j| \cos \theta_j - j |\dot{V}_j| \sin \theta_j \right) \\
 &= -G_{ij} |\dot{V}_i| \cos \theta_i + B_{ij} |\dot{V}_i| \sin \theta_i + G_{ij} |\dot{V}_j| \cos \theta_j - B_{ij} |\dot{V}_j| \sin \theta_j \\
 &\quad + j \left( -B_{ij} |\dot{V}_i| \cos \theta_i - G_{ij} |\dot{V}_i| \sin \theta_i + B_{ij} |\dot{V}_j| \cos \theta_j + G_{ij} |\dot{V}_j| \sin \theta_j \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

# Constraints

## Current (Continued)

$$\therefore I_{ij,real} = -G_{ij} \left| \dot{V}_i \right| \cos \theta_i + B_{ij} \left| \dot{V}_i \right| \sin \theta_i + G_{ij} \left| \dot{V}_j \right| \cos \theta_j - B_{ij} \left| \dot{V}_j \right| \sin \theta_j$$

$$I_{ij,imaginary} = -B_{ij} \left| \dot{V}_i \right| \cos \theta_i - G_{ij} \left| \dot{V}_i \right| \sin \theta_i + B_{ij} \left| \dot{V}_j \right| \cos \theta_j + G_{ij} \left| \dot{V}_j \right| \sin \theta_j$$

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