

# LOAD FLOW (GAUSS-SEIDEL METHOD)

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## Solution of Non-Linear Equations

The two *load flow equations* are:

$$P_i = V_i \left| \sum_{p=1}^n Y_{ip} \right| V_p \cos(\delta_i - \delta_p - \gamma_{ip})$$

$$Q_i = V_i \left| \sum_{p=1}^n Y_{ip} \right| V_p \sin(\delta_i - \delta_p - \gamma_{ip})$$

These equations provide the calculated value of *net* real power and *net* reactive power entering bus 'i'. The equations are non-linear and only a numerical solution is possible. There are different methods could be implemented to solve these equations. Among those are the Gauss-Seidel and Newton-Raphson methods.

## Gauss-Seidel Method

Consider a system of non-linear equations having "*n*" unknowns  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n$

$$\begin{aligned} f_1(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \\ f_2(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \\ \dots \dots \dots \dots \dots \dots \\ f_n(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \end{aligned}$$

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Rearranging, then

$$x_i = f_i (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \quad \text{Eq. 1}$$

$$1 \leq i \leq n$$

Assuming initial values,

$$x_1^o, x_2^o, \dots, x_n^o$$

Substituting the initial values in Eq. 1, then

first iteration  
first variable

$$x_1^1 = f_1^1 (x_1^o, x_2^o, \dots, x_n^o)$$

All values are initial values  
 $x_1^o, x_2^o, \dots, x_n^o$

$$x_2^1 = f_2^1 (x_1^1, x_2^o, \dots, x_n^o)$$

$x_1 = x_1^1$  from previous step  
and all other values are  
initial values  
 $x_2^o, \dots, x_n^o$

$$x_3^1 = f_3^1 (x_1^1, x_2^1, x_3^o, \dots, x_n^o)$$

$x_1 = x_1^1$  &  $x_2 = x_2^1$   
and  
 $x_3^o, \dots, x_n^o$

Or in general

$$x_i^1 = f_i^1 (x_1^1, x_2^1, \dots, x_i^o, \dots, x_n^o)$$

Where  $x_i^1$  is the first approximation of  $x_i$  using the initial assumed values.

The  $k^{th}$  approximation of  $x_i$  is:

$K^{th}$  iteration  
 $i^{th}$  variable

$$x_i^k = f_i^k (x_1^k, x_2^k, \dots, x_{i-1}^k, x_i^{k-1}, x_{i+1}^{k-1}, \dots, x_n^{k-1})$$

The changes in the magnitude of each variable  $x_i^k$  from its value  $x_i^{k-1}$  at the previous iteration is:

$$\Delta x_i = x_i^k - x_i^{k-1}$$

If  $\Delta x_i < \epsilon$  then the solution has converged.

Where,  $\epsilon$  is a small value ( for exmple :  $\epsilon = 0.001$  )

**EXAMPLE 1:**

For the following equation, find an accurate value for  $x$  up to 5 decimal places.

$$2x - \log(x) = 7$$

**SOLUTION:**

Using Gauss-Seidel

$$x = 0.5(7 + \log x)$$

$$x^0 = 1$$

$$x^1 = 0.5(7 + \log 1) = 3.5$$

1<sup>st</sup> iteration

$$x^1 = 3.5$$

$$x^2 = 0.5(7 + \log 3.5) = 3.772034$$

2<sup>nd</sup> iteration

$$x^2 = 3.772034$$

$$x^3 = 0.5(7 + \log 3.772034) = 3.788287$$

$$x^3 = 3.788287$$

$$x^4 = 0.5(7 + \log 3.788287) = 3.789221$$

$$x^5 = 3.789274$$

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$$x^6 = 3.789278$$

$$\varepsilon = 0.000004$$

**EXAMPLE 2:**

For the following equations, find an  $x$  and  $y$  after 4 iterations.

$$x = 0.7 \sin x + 0.2 \cos y \quad \& \quad y = 0.7 \cos x - 0.2 \sin y$$

**SOLUTION:**

Using Gauss-Seidel, assuming initial values

$$x^0 = y^0 = 0.5 \text{ (rad)}$$

$$x^1 = 0.7 \sin x^0 + 0.2 \cos y^0$$

$$x^1 = 0.7 \sin 0.5 + 0.2 \cos 0.5$$

$$x^1 = 0.51111$$

$$y^1 = 0.7 \cos 0.51111 - 0.2 \sin 0.5$$

$$y^1 = 0.51465$$

$$x^2 = 0.516497$$

$$y^2 = 0.510241$$

$$x^3 = 0.520211$$

$$y^3 = 0.509722$$

$$x^4 = 0.522520$$

$$y^4 = 0.509007$$

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### Gauss-Seidel Method for Load Flow Analysis

#### Advantages

1. *Simplicity*
2. *Small computer memory requirement*
3. *Less computational time per iteration*

#### Disadvantages

1. *Slow rate of convergence, and therefore large number of iterations.*
2. *Increase in the number of iterations as the number of system buses increases.*
3. *The speed of convergence is affected by the selected slack bus.*

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### I - G-S Method when PV buses are absent

Assuming a power system in which the voltage *controlled buses are absent*. If the system has  $n$  buses, then; one bus will be considered as a slack bus and the other  $n-1$  buses are load buses (*PQ-buses*).

**For the Slack or Swing Bus:**

$|V_i|$  and  $\delta_i = 0$  are known &  $P_i$  and  $Q_i$  are unknown

The swing bus voltage is taken as a reference. Its voltage magnitude is known and its phase shift angle is set equal to zero.

**For  $(n-1)$  Load Buses (PQ bus):**

$P_i$  and  $Q_i$  are known &  $|V_i|$  and  $\delta_i$  are unknown

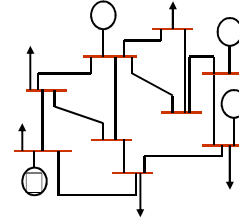
Using Gauss-Seidel Method, we assume the *initial values* for the magnitude and phase shift angle of  $(n-1)$  buses. These values are *updated at each iteration*.

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For an 'n' bus system

$$I_{bus} = Y_{bus} V_{bus} \quad \dots \text{Eq. 1}$$

For the  $i^{th}$  bus of an 'n' bus system, the current entering this bus is:



$$I_i = Y_{i1} V_1 + Y_{i2} V_2 + \dots + Y_{ii} V_i + \dots + Y_{in} V_n \quad \dots \text{Eq. 2}$$

$$I_i = Y_{ii} V_i + \sum_{\substack{p=1 \\ p \neq i}}^n Y_{ip} V_p \quad \dots \text{Eq. 3}$$

$$V_i = \frac{1}{Y_{ii}} \left( I_i - \sum_{\substack{p=1 \\ p \neq i}}^n Y_{ip} V_p \right) \quad \dots \text{Eq. 4}$$

In power systems, power is known rather than currents. The complex power injected into the  $i^{th}$  bus is:

$$S_i = P_i + jQ_i = V_i I_i^* \quad \dots \text{Eq. 5}$$

$$S_i^* = V_i^* I_i \quad \dots \text{Eq. 6}$$

OR

$$I_i = \frac{P_i - jQ_i}{V_i^*} \quad \dots \text{Eq. 7}$$

Substituting in Eq. 4

$$V_i = \frac{1}{Y_{ii}} \left( \frac{P_i - jQ_i}{V_i^*} - \sum_{\substack{p=1 \\ p \neq i}}^n Y_{ip} V_p \right) \quad \dots \text{Eq. 8}$$

Since bus 1 is the slack bus "reference", then  $V_i$  represents  $n-1$  set of equations for  $i = 2, 3, \dots, n$ . These equations will be solved using G-S method for the unknowns  $V_2, V_3, \dots, V_n$ .

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### NOTES:

1. Eq. 8 can be written as:

**NOTE**  
The values for  $P$  and  $Q$  are the scheduled values for PQ Bus.

$$V_i = \frac{1}{V_i^*} \frac{P_i - jQ_i}{Y_{ii}} - \sum_{\substack{p=1 \\ p \neq i}}^n \frac{Y_{ip}}{Y_{ii}} V_p \quad \dots \text{Eq. 9}$$

$$V_i = \frac{K_i}{V_i^*} - \sum_{\substack{p=1 \\ p \neq i}}^n L_{ip} V_p \quad \dots \text{Eq. 10}$$

$$K_i = \frac{P_i - jQ_i}{Y_{ii}} \quad \text{and} \quad L_{ip} = \frac{Y_{ip}}{Y_{ii}}$$

The values for  $K_i$  and  $L_{ip}$  are computed once in the beginning and used in every iteration.

2. The voltages at all the buses in a power system are close to 1.0 pu. Therefore, we can start the G-S iteration process assuming initial values for the voltages equal to 1.0 and making zero angle.

$$V_2^o = V_3^o = \dots V_n^o = 1 \angle 0$$

3. <sup>12:09</sup> At each step in the iteration process use the **most updated values** for the voltages to compute the new values for the bus voltages.

$$V_i = \frac{K_i}{V_i^*} - \sum_{\substack{p=1 \\ p \neq i}}^n L_{ip} V_p \quad \dots \text{Eq. 11}$$

$$V_i = \frac{K_i}{V_i^*} - \sum_{p=1}^{i-1} L_{ip} V_p - \sum_{p=i+1}^n L_{ip} V_p \quad \dots \text{Eq. 12}$$

Therefore, for the  $(k^{th}+1)$  iteration,

$$V_i^{k+1} = \frac{K_i}{(V_i^k)^*} - \sum_{p=1}^{i-1} L_{ip} V_p^{(k+1)} - \sum_{p=i+1}^n L_{ip} V_p^k \quad \dots \text{Eq. 13}$$

for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$

The most updated voltage values are from the previous iteration

The most updated voltage values are from the same iteration

The iteration process is continuous till the convergence occurs, i.e.;

$$|\Delta V_i^{k+1}| = |V_i^{k+1}| - |V_i^k| < \epsilon \quad \dots \text{Eq. 14}$$

for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$

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4. The **current and complex power** at  $i^{th}$  bus are:

$$I_i = Y_{i1} V_1 + Y_{i2} V_2 + \dots + Y_{ii} V_i + \dots + Y_{in} V_n$$

And

$$S_i = P_i + jQ_i = V_i I_i^*$$

Or

$$S_i^* = P_i - jQ_i = V_i^* I_i$$

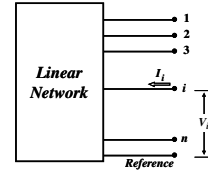
$$P_i - jQ_i = V_i^* (Y_{i1} V_1 + Y_{i2} V_2 + \dots + Y_{ii} V_i + \dots + Y_{in} V_n)$$

$$P_i = \text{Re}\{V_i^* (Y_{i1} V_1 + Y_{i2} V_2 + \dots + Y_{ii} V_i + \dots + Y_{in} V_n)\}$$

$$Q_i = -\text{Im}\{V_i^* (Y_{i1} V_1 + Y_{i2} V_2 + \dots + Y_{ii} V_i + \dots + Y_{in} V_n)\}$$

The two equations are known as the **rectangular form** of the **load flow equations**. They provide the calculated value of **net** real power and **net** reactive power entering bus 'i'.

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### EXAMPLE 3:

For the three bus system. Write the expression for the bus voltages using GS method.

#### SOLUTION:

The system contains 3 buses, ( $n=3$ ).

i- Select bus 1 as a slack bus "reference".

$$|V_1| = 1 \text{ and } \delta_1 = 0$$

ii- Buses 2 and 3 are load buses.

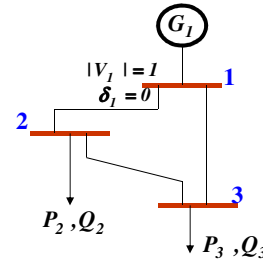
$P_2, P_3, Q_2$  and  $Q_3$  are known

$V_2, V_3, \delta_2$  and  $\delta_3$  are unknown

$$V_2 = \frac{K_2}{V_2^*} - \sum_{\substack{p=1 \\ p \neq 2}}^3 L_{2p} V_p$$

$$V_2 = \frac{1}{V_2^*} \frac{P_2 - jQ_2}{Y_{22}} - \sum_{\substack{p=1 \\ p \neq 2}}^3 \frac{Y_{2p}}{Y_{22}} V_p$$

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**NOTE**  
The values for P and Q  
are the scheduled  
values

$$V_2 = \frac{1}{V_2^*} \frac{P_2 - jQ_2}{Y_{22}} - \left[ \frac{Y_{21}}{Y_{22}} V_1 + \frac{Y_{23}}{Y_{22}} V_3 \right] \quad \dots \text{Eq. 15}$$

$$V_3 = \frac{1}{V_3^*} \frac{P_3 - jQ_3}{Y_{33}} - \left[ \frac{Y_{31}}{Y_{33}} V_1 + \frac{Y_{32}}{Y_{33}} V_2 \right] \quad \dots \text{Eq. 16}$$

Using GS method, **select the initial values** for the unknowns as:

$$V_2^o = V_3^o = 1 \angle 0$$

**Start the first iteration**

$$V_2^1 = \frac{1}{(V_2^o)^*} \frac{P_2 - jQ_2}{Y_{22}} - \left[ \frac{Y_{21}}{Y_{22}} V_1 + \frac{Y_{23}}{Y_{22}} V_3^o \right] \quad \dots \text{Eq. 17}$$

The most updated voltage  
value is the initial value

$$V_3^1 = \frac{1}{(V_3^o)^*} \frac{P_3 - jQ_3}{Y_{33}} - \left[ \frac{Y_{31}}{Y_{33}} V_1 + \frac{Y_{32}}{Y_{33}} V_2^1 \right] \quad \dots \text{Eq. 18}$$

The most updated voltage  
value is from this iteration

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**Start the second iteration**

$$V_2^2 = \frac{1}{(V_2^1)^*} \frac{P_2 - jQ_2}{Y_{22}} - \left[ \frac{Y_{21}}{Y_{22}} V_1 + \frac{Y_{23}}{Y_{22}} V_3^1 \right] \quad \dots \text{Eq. 19}$$

The most updated voltage  
value is from previous  
iteration

$$V_3^2 = \frac{1}{(V_3^1)^*} \frac{P_3 - jQ_3}{Y_{33}} - \left[ \frac{Y_{31}}{Y_{33}} V_1 + \frac{Y_{32}}{Y_{33}} V_2^2 \right] \quad \dots \text{Eq. 20}$$

The most updated voltage  
value is from this iteration

**Compare the results for convergence**

$$|\Delta V_i^{k+1}| = |V_i^{k+1}| - |V_i^k| < \epsilon \quad \text{for } i = 1, 2, \dots, n$$

$$|\Delta V_2^2| = |V_2^2| - |V_2^1| < \epsilon \quad \dots \text{Eq. 21}$$

$$|\Delta V_3^2| = |V_3^2| - |V_3^1| < \epsilon \quad \dots \text{Eq. 22}$$

If Eqs. 21, 22 are not satisfied then start a new iteration.

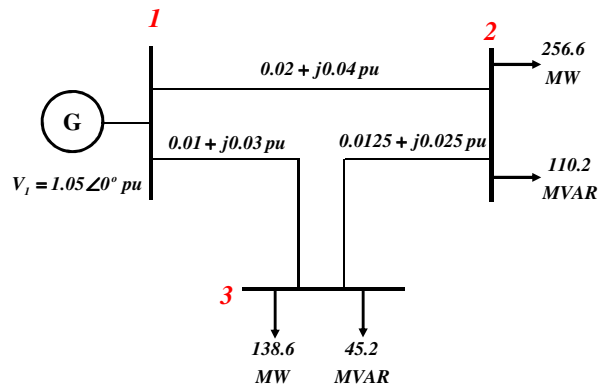


**EXAMPLE 4:**

For the system shown in the figure, the line impedances are as indicated in per unit on 100MVA base.

A. Using Gauss-Seidel method find the bus voltages after 7 iterations.

B. Using the bus voltages find the Slack bus real and reactive power.



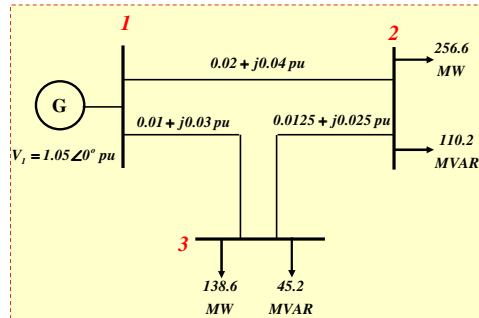
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**Formulation of the Bus Admittance Matrix**

$$y_{12} = \frac{1}{0.02 + j0.04} = 10 - j20 = y_{21}$$

$$y_{13} = \frac{1}{0.01 + j0.03} = 10 - j30 = y_{31}$$

$$y_{23} = \frac{1}{0.0125 + j0.025} = 16 - j32 = y_{32}$$



$$Y_{bus} = \begin{bmatrix} Y_{11} & Y_{12} & Y_{13} \\ Y_{21} & Y_{22} & Y_{23} \\ Y_{31} & Y_{32} & Y_{33} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} y_{12} + y_{13} & -y_{12} & -y_{13} \\ -y_{21} & y_{21} + y_{23} & -y_{23} \\ -y_{31} & -y_{32} & y_{31} + y_{32} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$Y_{bus} = \begin{bmatrix} 20 - j50 & -10 + j20 & -10 + j30 \\ -10 + j20 & 26 - j52 & -16 + j32 \\ -10 + j30 & -16 + j32 & 26 - j62 \end{bmatrix}$$

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### Classification of buses:

#### Bus 1: Slack Bus

$$V_1 = 1.05 \angle 0^\circ \text{ pu}$$

#### Buses 2 and 3: Load Buses (PQ bus)

$P_2, P_3, Q_2$  and  $Q_3$  are known

$V_2, V_3, \delta_2$  and  $\delta_3$  are unknown

$$P_{2,d} = 256.6 \text{ MW} \quad Q_{2,d} = 110.2 \text{ MVAR}$$

$$P_{3,d} = 138.6 \text{ MW} \quad Q_{3,d} = 45.2 \text{ MVAR}$$

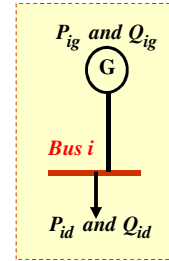
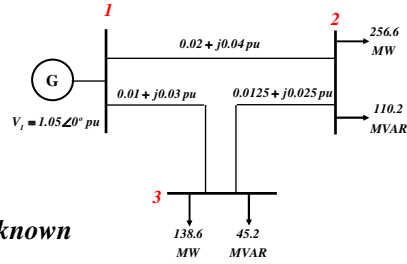
$$P_{i,sch} = P_{gi} - P_{di}$$

&

$$Q_{i,sch} = Q_{gi} - Q_{di}$$

$$S_{i,sch} = P_{i,sch} + jQ_{i,sch}$$

$$S_{2,sch} = (P_{2,g} - P_{2,d}) + j(Q_{2,g} - Q_{2,d})$$



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$$S_{2,sch} = \frac{(P_{2,g} - P_{2,d}) + j(Q_{2,g} - Q_{2,d})}{\text{Base MVA}} \text{ pu}$$

$$S_{2,sch} = \frac{(0 - 256.6) + j(0 - 110.2)}{100 \text{ MVA}} \text{ pu}$$

$$S_{2,sch} = -2.566 - j1.102 \text{ pu}$$

$$S_{3,sch} = -1.386 - j0.452 \text{ pu}$$

Using GS method, select the **initial values** for the unknowns as:

$$V_2^o = V_3^o = 1 \angle 0$$

Start the **first iteration**

$$V_2^1 = \frac{1}{(V_2^o)^*} \frac{P_{2,sch} - jQ_{2,sch}}{Y_{22}} - \left[ \frac{Y_{21}}{Y_{22}} V_1 + \frac{Y_{23}}{Y_{22}} V_3^o \right]$$

$$S_{i,sch}^* = P_{i,sch} - jQ_{i,sch}$$

$$V_2^1 = \frac{1}{(1.0)^*} \frac{-2.566 + j1.102}{26 - j52} - \left[ \frac{-10 + j20}{26 - j52} 1.05 + \frac{-16 + j32}{26 - j52} 1.0 \right]$$

Reminder  
The bus admittance matrix is

$$\begin{bmatrix} 20 - j50 & -10 + j20 & -10 + j30 \\ -10 + j20 & 26 - j52 & -16 + j32 \\ -10 + j30 & -16 + j32 & 26 - j62 \end{bmatrix}$$

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OR, to simplify the calculations, we have:

$$V_i = \frac{1}{V_i^*} \frac{P_i - jQ_i}{Y_{ii}} - \sum_{\substack{p=1 \\ p \neq i}}^n \frac{Y_{ip}}{Y_{ii}} V_p$$

$$V_2 = \frac{K_2}{V_2^*} - \sum_{\substack{p=1 \\ p \neq 2}}^n L_{2p} V_p$$

$$V_2^1 = \frac{K_2}{(V_2^0)^*} - [L_{21} V_1 + L_{23} V_3^0]$$

Reminder  
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The values for  $K_i$  and  $L_{ip}$  are computed once in the beginning and used in every iteration.

$$K_2 = \frac{P_2 - jQ_2}{Y_{22}}$$

$$L_{21} = \frac{Y_{21}}{Y_{22}}$$

$$\text{and } L_{23} = \frac{Y_{23}}{Y_{22}}$$

$$K_2 = -0.0367 - j0.031$$

$$L_{21} = -0.3846$$

$$L_{23} = -0.6154$$

$$V_1 = 1.05 \angle 0^\circ \text{ pu}$$

and

$$V_3^0 = 1 \angle 0$$

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$$V_2^1 = 0.9825 - j0.310$$

$$V_3^1 = \frac{K_3}{(V_3^0)^*} - [L_{31} V_1 + L_{32} V_2^1]$$

$$K_3 = \frac{P_3 - jQ_3}{Y_{33}}$$

and

$$L_{31} = \frac{Y_{31}}{Y_{33}}$$

and

$$L_{32} = \frac{Y_{32}}{Y_{33}}$$

$$K_3 = -0.0142 - j0.0164$$

$$L_{31} = -0.4690 + 0.0354i$$

$$L_{32} = -0.5310 - 0.0354i$$

$$V_1 = 1.05 \angle 0^\circ \text{ pu}$$

and

$$V_2^1 = 0.9825 - j0.310$$

$$V_3^1 = 1.0011 - j0.0353$$

Start the second iteration

$K_2, K_3, L_{21}, L_{23}, L_{31}, L_{32}$  constants will be the same.

$$V_2^2 = \frac{K_2}{(V_2^1)^*} - [L_{21} V_1 + L_{23} V_3^1]$$

$$V_2^2 = 0.9816 - j0.0520$$

$$V_3^2 = \frac{K_3}{(V_3^1)^*} - [L_{31} V_1 + L_{32} V_2^2]$$

$$V_3^2 = 1.0008 - j0.0459$$

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**Start the third iteration**

$K_2, K_3, L_{21}, L_{23}, L_{31}, L_{32}$  constants will be the same.

$$V_2^3 = \frac{K_2}{(V_2^2)^*} - [L_{21} V_1 + L_{23} V_3^2] = 0.9808 - j0.0578$$

$$V_3^3 = \frac{K_3}{(V_3^2)^*} - [L_{31} V_1 + L_{32} V_2^2] = 1.0004 - j0.0488$$

**Start the fourth iteration**

$K_2, K_3, L_{21}, L_{23}, L_{31}, L_{32}$  constants will be the same.

$$V_2^4 = \frac{K_2}{(V_2^3)^*} - [L_{21} V_1 + L_{23} V_3^3] = 0.9803 - j0.0594$$

$$V_3^4 = \frac{K_3}{(V_3^3)^*} - [L_{31} V_1 + L_{32} V_2^3] = 1.0002 - j0.0497$$

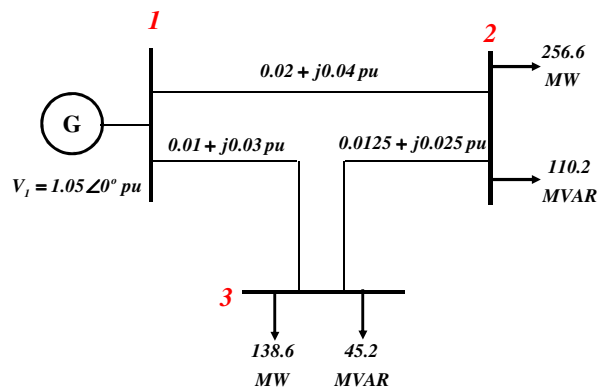
**After 7 iterations.**

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$$V_2^7 = 0.9800 - j0.0600 = 0.98183 \angle -3.5035^\circ \text{ pu}$$

$$V_3^7 = 1.0000 - j0.0500 = 1.00125 \angle -2.8624^\circ \text{ pu}$$

**B. Using the bus voltages find the Slack bus real and reactive power.**



$$V_1 = 1.05 + j0.0^\circ \text{ pu}$$

$$V_2 = 0.9800 - j0.0600 = 0.98183 \angle -3.5035^\circ \text{ pu}$$

$$V_3 = 1.0000 - j0.0500 = 1.00125 \angle -2.8624^\circ \text{ pu}$$

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Using the **rectangular form** of the load flow equations, then the **net** active and reactive powers at  $I^{th}$  bus are:

$$P_i = \text{Re}\{V_i^* (Y_{i1} V_1 + Y_{i2} V_2 + Y_{i3} V_3)\}$$

$$Q_i = -\text{Im}\{V_i^* (Y_{i1} V_1 + Y_{i2} V_2 + Y_{i3} V_3)\}$$

$$P_i - jQ_i = V_i^* (Y_{i1} V_1 + Y_{i2} V_2 + Y_{i3} V_3)$$

$$P_i - jQ_i = 4.0938 - j1.8894$$

$$P_i = 4.0938 \text{ pu}$$

$$Q_i = 1.8894 \text{ pu}$$

**Base MVA=100**

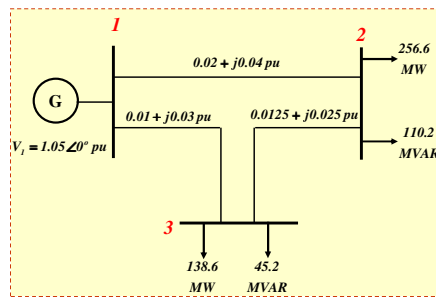
$$P_i = 409.38 \text{ MVA}$$

$$Q_i = 188.94 \text{ MVA}$$

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Reminder  
The bus admittance matrix is

$$\begin{bmatrix} 20 - j50 & -10 + j20 & -10 + j30 \\ -10 + j20 & 26 - j52 & -16 + j32 \\ -10 + j30 & -16 + j32 & 26 - j62 \end{bmatrix}$$



## II. Modifying G-S Method when PV buses are present

Assuming a power system has  $n$  buses, then; one bus will be considered as a slack bus and the other buses are load buses (PQ-buses) and voltage controlled buses (PV-buses). Let the system buses be numbered as:

$i = 1$  Slack bus

$i = 2, 3, \dots, m$  PV-buses

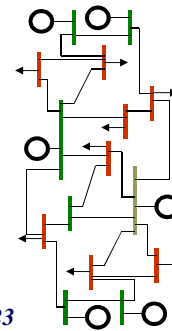
$i = m + 1, m + 2, \dots, n$  PQ-buses

For the voltage controlled buses,

$P_i$  and  $|V_i|$  are known &  $Q_i$  and  $\delta_i$  are unknown

$$|V_i| = |V_i|_{\text{Specified}} \quad \dots \text{Eq. 23}$$

$$Q_{i,\min} < Q_i < Q_{i,\max} \quad \dots \text{Eq. 24}$$



The second requirement for the voltage controlled bus may be violated if the bus voltage becomes too high or too small. It is to be noted that we can control the bus voltage by controlling the bus reactive power.

Therefore, during any iteration, if the PV-bus reactive power violates its limits then set it according to the following rule.

$$Q_i > Q_{i,max} \quad \text{set} \quad Q_i = Q_{i,max}$$

$$Q_i < Q_{i,min} \quad \text{set} \quad Q_i = Q_{i,min}$$

And treat this bus as PQ-bus.

**NOTE**  
For PQ-bus  
 $P_i$  and  $Q_i$  are known  
&  $|V_i|$  and  $\delta_i$  are unknown

**Load flow solution when PV buses are present**

**a. Calculate  $Q_i$**

**In the polar form,**

$$Q_i = |V_i|^2 \sum_{p=1}^n |Y_{ip}| |V_p| \sin(\delta_i - \delta_p - \gamma_{ip})$$

For the  $(k^{th}+1)$  iteration,

$$Q_i^{(k+1)} = |V_i|_{speci}^2 \sum_{p=1}^{i-1} |Y_{ip}| |V_p^{(k+1)}| \sin(\delta_i^{(k)} - \delta_p^{(k+1)} - \gamma_{ip}) \\ + |V_i|_{speci}^2 \sum_{p=i}^n |Y_{ip}| |V_p^{(k)}| \sin(\delta_i^{(k)} - \delta_i^{(k)} - \gamma_{ip})$$

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For  $p = 1$  to  $(i-1)$ , use  $|V_p|$  &  $\delta_p$  of  $(k^{th}+1)$  iteration

For  $p = i$  to  $n$ , use  $|V_p|$  &  $\delta_p$  of  $(k^{th})$  iteration

Set  $|V_i| = |V_i|_{speci}$

**In the rectangular form,**

$$P_i - jQ_i = V_i^* (Y_{i1} V_1 + Y_{i2} V_2 + \dots + Y_{ii} V_i + \dots + Y_{in} V_n)$$

$$Q_i = -\text{Im}\{V_i^* (Y_{i1} V_1 + Y_{i2} V_2 + \dots + Y_{ii} V_i + \dots + Y_{in} V_n)\}$$

**b. Check  $Q_i^{k+1}$  to see if it is within the limits**

$$Q_{i,min} < Q_i < Q_{i,max}$$

**Case 1: If the reactive power limits are not violated,**

calculate  $V_i^{k+1}$

$$V_i^{k+1} = \frac{K_i}{(V_i^k)^*} - \sum_{p=1}^{i-1} L_{ip} V_p^{(k+1)} - \sum_{p=i+1}^n L_{ip} V_p^k = |V_i^{k+1}| \angle \delta_i^{k+1}$$

Use  $|V_i|_{speci}$  and  $\delta_i^{k+1}$  For the **PV-bus voltage**.

**Reset the magnitude**

$$|V_i^{k+1}| = |V_i|_{Speci}$$

Voltage magnitude is known for PV bus, therefore the new calculated magnitude will not be used.

$$V_i^{k+1} = |V_i|_{Speci} \angle \delta_i^{k+1}$$

Only the calculated angle will be updated and used.

**Case 2: If the reactive power limits are violated,**

$$Q_i^{k+1} > Q_{i,max} \quad \text{set} \quad Q_i^{k+1} = Q_{i,max}$$

**Or**

$$Q_i^{k+1} < Q_{i,min} \quad \text{set} \quad Q_i^{k+1} = Q_{i,min}$$

Consider this bus as a **PQ-Bus**, calculate bus voltage  $V_i^{k+1}$

$$V_i^{k+1} = \frac{K_i}{(V_i^k)^*} - \sum_{p=1}^{i-1} L_{ip} V_p^{(k+1)} - \sum_{p=i+1}^n L_{ip} V_p^k$$

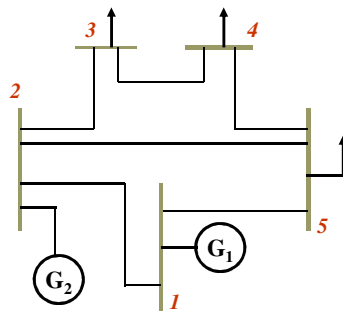
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$$V_i^{k+1} = |V_i^{k+1}| \angle \delta_i^{k+1}$$

The PV-bus becomes PQ-bus and both Voltage magnitude and angle are calculated and used

### EXAMPLE 6:

Each line has an impedance of  $0.05+j0.15$



**Line Data for the 5 buses Network**

From Bus	To Bus	R	X
1	2	0.0500	0.1500
2	3	0.0500	0.1500
2	4	0.0500	0.1500
3	4	0.0500	0.1500
1	5	0.0500	0.1500
4	5	0.0500	0.1500

The shunt admittance is neglected

**Bus Data for the the 5 buses Network Before load flow solution**

Bus No.	Bus code	Volt Mag.	Volt Angle	Load MW	Load MVAR	Gen. MW	Gen. MVAR	Q Min.	Q Max.	Inject MVAR
1	Slack	1.0200	0	100	50	?	?	0	0	0
2	PV	1.0200	?	0	0	200	?	20	60	0
3	PQ	?	?	50	20	0	0	0	0	0
4	PQ	?	?	50	20	0	0	0	0	0
5	PQ	?	?	50	20	0	0	0	0	0

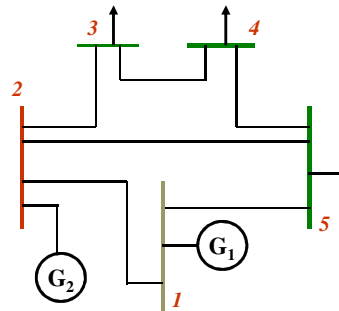
For the '5' bus system

Construct the bus admittance matrix  $Y_{bus}$

Find  $Q_2, \delta_2, V_3, V_4$  and  $V_5$

$$Q_{max} = 0.6 \text{ pu}$$

$$Q_{min} = 0.2 \text{ pu}$$



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### SOLUTION:

$Y_{bus}$  Construction

$$y = \frac{1}{z} = \frac{1}{0.05 + j0.15} = 2 - j6$$

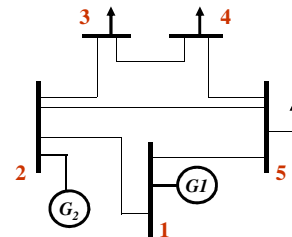
$$Y_{11} = y_{12} + y_{15} = 4 - j12$$

$$Y_{22} = y_{21} + y_{23} + y_{25} = 6 - j18$$

$$Y_{33} = y_{32} + y_{34} = 4 - j12$$

$$Y_{44} = y_{43} + y_{45} = 4 - j12$$

$$Y_{55} = y_{51} + y_{52} + y_{54} = 6 - j18$$



$$Y_{12} = -y_{12} = -2 + j6$$

$$Y_{15} = -y_{15} = -2 + j6$$

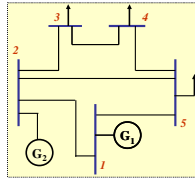
$$Y_{13} = Y_{14} = 0$$

$$Y_{bus} = \begin{bmatrix} 4.0 - j12.0 & -2.0 + j6.0 & 0 & 0 & -2.0 + j6.0 \\ -2.0 + j6.0 & 6.0 - j18.0 & -2.0 + j6.0 & 0 & -2.0 + j6.0 \\ 0 & -2.0 + j6.0 & 4.0 - j12.0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -2.0 + j6.0 & 4.0 - j12.0 & -2.0 + j6.0 \\ -2.0 + j6.0 & -2.0 + j6.0 & 0 & -2.0 + j6.0 & 6.0 - j18.0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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The net scheduled power *injected* at each bus is:



Bus No.	Bus code	Volt Mag.	Volt Angle	Load MW	Load MVAR	Gen. MW	Gen. MVAR	Q Min.	Q Max.	Inject MVAR
1	Slack	1.0200	0	100	50	?	?	0	0	0
2	PV	1.0200	?	0	0	200	?	20	60	0
3	PQ	?	?	50	20	0	0	0	0	0
4	PQ	?	?	50	20	0	0	0	0	0
5	PQ	?	?	50	20	0	0	0	0	0

$$S_{1,sch} = (P_{1,g} - P_{1,d}) + j(Q_{1,g} - Q_{1,d})$$

$$S_{1,sch} = (P_{1,g} - 1.0) + j(Q_{1,g} - 0.5)$$

$$S_{2,sch} = (P_{2,g} - P_{2,d}) + j(Q_{2,g} - Q_{2,d})$$

$$S_{2,sch} = (2.0 - 0) + j(Q_{2,g} - 0)$$

$$S_{3,sch} = (0 - 0.5) + j(0 - 0.2)$$

$$S_{3,sch} = -0.5 - j0.2$$

$$S_{4,sch} = -0.5 - j0.2$$

$$S_{5,sch} = -0.5 - j0.2$$

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The known values are:

$$V_1 = 1.02 \angle 0^\circ$$

$$|V_2|_{spec} = 1.02$$

$$Q_{2,min} = 0.2$$

and

$$Q_{2,max} = 0.6$$

Using GS method, *select the initial values for the unknowns* as:

$$V_3^o = V_4^o = V_5^o = 1 \angle 0^\circ$$

and

$$\delta_2^o = 0$$

Start the first iteration

Bus 2 is PV Bus

$$\text{Check } Q_2 \text{ is within the limits } Q_{2,min} < Q_2 < Q_{2,max}$$

$$P_i - jQ_i = V_i^* (Y_{i1} V_1 + Y_{i2} V_2 + \dots + Y_{ii} V_i + \dots + Y_{in} V_n)$$

$$Q_2^I = -\text{Im}\{V_2^* (Y_{21} V_1 + Y_{22} V_2^o + Y_{23} V_3^o + Y_{24} V_4^o + Y_{25} V_5^o)\}$$

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$$Q_2^I = 0.2448$$

The bus admittance matrix is

$$\begin{bmatrix} 4.0 - j12.0 & -2.0 + j6.0 & 0 & 0 & -2.0 + j6.0 \\ -2.0 + j6.0 & 6.0 - j18.0 & -2.0 + j6.0 & 0 & -2.0 + j6.0 \\ 0 & -2.0 + j6.0 & 4.0 - j12.0 & -2.0 + j6.0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -2.0 + j6.0 & 4.0 - j12.0 & -2.0 + j6.0 \\ -2.0 + j6.0 & -2.0 + j6.0 & 0 & -2.0 + j6.0 & 6.0 - j18.0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$Q_{2,min} < Q_2 < Q_{2,max} \quad i.e.; \quad 0.20 < 0.2448 < 0.6$$

The reactive power limits are not violated,

Calculate:

$$V_2^I = \frac{K_2}{(V_2^o)^*} - [L_{21} V_1 + L_{23} V_3^o + L_{24} V_4^o + L_{25} V_5^o]$$

The values for  $K_i$  and  $L_{ip}$  are computed once in the beginning and used in every iteration.

$$K_2 = \frac{P_2 - jQ_2}{Y_{22}} \quad L_{21} = \frac{Y_{21}}{Y_{22}} \quad L_{23} = \frac{Y_{23}}{Y_{22}} \quad L_{24} = \frac{Y_{24}}{Y_{22}} \quad L_{25} = \frac{Y_{25}}{Y_{22}}$$

$$S_{2, sch} = 2.0 + j0.2448$$

$$K_2 = 0.0456 + j0.0959 \quad L_{21} = -0.3333 \quad L_{23} = -0.3333 \quad L_{24} = 0.0 \quad L_{25} = -0.3333$$

$$V_2^I = 1.0555 \angle 5.1113^\circ$$

Reset the magnitude

$$|V_2^I| = |V_2|_{Speci} = 1.02$$

Therefore,

$$\delta_2^I = 5.1113^\circ$$

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$$V_2^I = 1.02 \angle 5.1113^\circ$$

Voltage magnitude is known and fixed for a PV bus, therefore the new calculated magnitude will not be used.

Bus 3 is PQ Bus

$$V_3^I = \frac{K_3}{(V_3^o)^*} - [L_{31} V_1 + L_{32} V_2^I + L_{34} V_4^o + L_{35} V_5^o]$$

$$K_3 = \frac{P_3 - jQ_3}{Y_{33}} \quad L_{31} = \frac{Y_{31}}{Y_{33}} \quad L_{32} = \frac{Y_{32}}{Y_{33}} \quad L_{34} = \frac{Y_{34}}{Y_{33}} \quad L_{35} = \frac{Y_{35}}{Y_{33}}$$

$$K_3 = -0.0275 - j0.0325 \quad L_{31} = 0.0 \quad L_{32} = -0.5000 \quad L_{34} = -0.5000 \quad L_{35} = 0.0$$

$$V_3^I = 0.9806 \angle 0.7559^\circ$$

Bus 4 is PQ Bus

$$V_4^I = \frac{K_4}{(V_4^o)^*} - [L_{41} V_1 + L_{42} V_2^I + L_{43} V_3^I + L_{45} V_5^o]$$

$$K_4 = \frac{P_4 - jQ_4}{Y_{44}} \quad L_{41} = \frac{Y_{41}}{Y_{44}} \quad L_{42} = \frac{Y_{42}}{Y_{44}} \quad L_{43} = \frac{Y_{43}}{Y_{44}} \quad L_{45} = \frac{Y_{45}}{Y_{44}}$$

$$K_4 = -0.0275 - j0.0325 \quad L_{41} = 0.0 \quad L_{42} = 0.0 \quad L_{43} = -0.5000 \quad L_{45} = -0.5000$$

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$$V_4^I = 0.9631 \angle -1.5489^\circ$$

**Bus 5 is PQ Bus**

$$V_5^1 = \frac{K_5}{(V_5^0)^*} - [L_{51} V_1^1 + L_{52} V_2^1 + L_{53} V_3^1 + L_{54} V_4^1]$$

$$K_5 = -0.0183 - 0.0217i \quad L_{51} = -0.3333 \quad L_{52} = -0.3333 \quad L_{53} = 0.0 \quad L_{54} = -0.3333$$

$$V_5^1 = 0.9812 \angle -0.0031^\circ$$

**Start the second iteration**

**Bus 2 is PV Bus**

Check  $Q_2$  is within the limits  $0.2 < Q_2 < 0.6$

$$Q_2^2 = -\text{Im}\{V_2^{1*} (Y_{21} V_1^1 + Y_{22} V_2^1 + Y_{23} V_3^1 + Y_{24} V_4^1 + Y_{25} V_5^1)\}$$

$$Q_2^2 = 0.0290$$

The reactive power limits are violated

$$Q_2 < Q_{i,\min} \quad \text{set} \quad Q_2 = Q_{i,\min} = 0.2$$

And treat this bus as PQ-bus

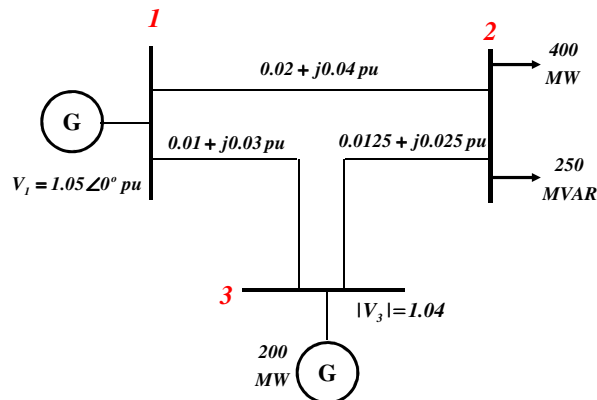
$$S_{2,\text{sch}} = 2.0 + j0.2$$

Use the most updated value of  $Q_2$  to calculate the constant  $K_2$

**All Buses 2, 3, 4 and 5 are PQ Buses. Find the bus voltages using GS method**

**Example 7:**

**A. The line impedances are as indicated in per unit on 100MVA base. Using Gauss-Seidel method find the power flow solution of the system. Ignoring the limits of  $Q_3$ .**

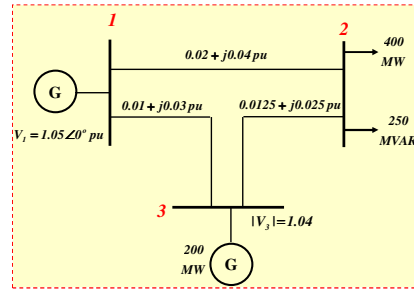


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$$y_{12} = \frac{1}{0.02 + j0.04} = 10 - j20 = y_{21}$$

$$y_{13} = \frac{1}{0.01 + j0.03} = 10 - j30 = y_{31}$$

$$y_{23} = \frac{1}{0.0125 + j0.025} = 16 - j32 = y_{32}$$



$$Y_{bus} = \begin{bmatrix} Y_{11} & Y_{12} & Y_{13} \\ Y_{21} & Y_{22} & Y_{23} \\ Y_{31} & Y_{32} & Y_{33} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} y_{12} + y_{13} & -y_{12} & -y_{13} \\ -y_{21} & y_{21} + y_{23} & -y_{23} \\ -y_{31} & -y_{32} & y_{31} + y_{32} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$Y_{bus} = \begin{bmatrix} 20 - j50 & -10 + j20 & -10 + j30 \\ -10 + j20 & 26 - j52 & -16 + j32 \\ -10 + j30 & -16 + j32 & 26 - j62 \end{bmatrix}$$

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### Classification of buses:

#### Bus 1: Slack Bus

$$V_1 = 1.05 \angle 0^\circ \text{ pu}$$

#### Bus 2: Load Bus (PQ bus)

$P_2$  and  $Q_2$  are known  $V_2$  and  $\delta_2$  are unknown

$$S_{2,sch} = \frac{(P_{2,g} - P_{2,d}) + j(Q_{2,g} - Q_{2,d})}{\text{Base MVA}} \text{ pu}$$

$$S_{2,sch} = \frac{(0 - 400) + j(0 - 250)}{100} \text{ pu}$$

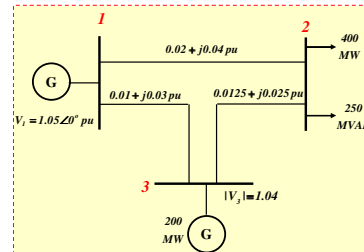
$$S_{2,sch} = -4 - j2.5 \text{ pu}$$

#### Bus 3: Voltage Controlled Bus (PV bus)

$|V_3|$  and  $P_{g,3}$  are known  $Q_{3,sch}$  and  $\delta_3$  are unknown

$$P_{3,sch} = 2.0 \text{ pu}$$

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Using GS method, select the initial values for the unknowns as:

$$V_1 = 1.05 \angle 0^\circ \text{ pu} \quad V_2^o = 1 \angle 0 \quad |V_3| = 1.04 \quad \delta_3^o = 0^\circ$$

Start the first iteration

Bus 2 is PQ Bus

$$V_2 = \frac{K_2}{V_2^*} - \sum_{\substack{p=1 \\ p \neq 2}}^n L_{2p} V_p$$

$$V_2^I = \frac{K_2}{(V_2^o)^*} - [L_{21} V_1 + L_{23} V_3^o]$$

$$K_2 = -0.0692 - j0.0423 \quad L_{21} = -0.3846 \quad L_{23} = -0.6154$$

$$V_2^I = 0.9746 - j0.0423$$

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Bus 3 is PV Bus

$$V_3^I = \frac{K_3}{(V_3^o)^*} - [L_{31} V_1 + L_{32} V_2^I]$$

$$K_3 = 0.0274 + j0.0208 \quad L_{31} = -0.4690 + j0.0354 \quad L_{32} = -0.5310 - j0.0354$$

$$V_3^I = 1.0378 - j0.0052 = 1.0378 \angle -0.2854^\circ$$

Reset the magnitude

$$|V_3^I| = |V_i|_{Speci} = 1.04$$

$$V_3^I = 1.04 \angle -0.2854^\circ$$

$$V_3^I = 1.0400 - j0.0052$$

Voltage magnitude is fixed for a PV bus, therefore the new calculated magnitude will not be used.

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Start the second iteration

$K_2, L_{21}, L_{23}$  are constants and will be the same.

Bus 2 is PQ Bus

$$V_2^2 = \frac{K_2}{(V_2^1)^*} - [L_{21} V_1 + L_{23} V_3^1]$$
$$V_2^2 = 0.9711 - j0.0434$$

Bus 3 is PV Bus

$$V_3^2 = \frac{K_3}{(V_3^1)^*} - [L_{31} V_1 + L_{32} V_2^2]$$

$L_{31}$  and  $L_{32}$  are constants and will be the same.  
 $K_3$  is changed as  $Q_3$  change

$$K_3 = \frac{P_3 - jQ_3^2}{Y_{33}} \quad K3 = 0.0305 + j0.0194$$

$$V_3^2 = 1.0391 - j0.0073 = 1.0391 \angle -0.4028^\circ$$

Reset the magnitude

$$V_3^2 = 1.04 \angle -0.4028^\circ = 1.0400 - j0.0073$$

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