# Power System Toolbox 4

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# Introduction

This paragraph should contain a bit of history about how Power System Toolbox (PST) has developed into its current form- Possibly written/drafted by Trudnowski... Mention of renewed interest in PST via SETO/Sandia and the new MIT license may be appropriate.

The purpose of this user manual is to document work done on PST 3 to form PST 4. It is meant only to augment the previous user manual provided with PST 3 [1]. Major code changes presented include how global variables are handled and the functionalization of the non-linear simulation routine. Descriptions of new models created for inverter based resources and automatic generation control are also presented. Additionally, work to add functionality to PST such as variable time step integration routines, generator tripping, and code compatibility with Octave is documented. To demonstrate and debug new and old PST capabilities, an example library has been created and brief explanations of examples are intended to be included. Unfortunately, due to time constraints, details may be rather lacking and intentions may only matter so much.

Finally, it is worth noting that all source code, examples, and other research documentation can be accessed at https://github.com/thadhaines/MT-Tech-SETO/tree/master/PST.

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- Original Creators (graham and joe)
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# Glossary of Terms

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Term	Definition
AC	Alternating Current
ACE	Area Control Error
AGC	Automatic Generation Control
BA	Balancing Authority
BES	Bulk Electrical System
CTS	Classical Transient Stability
DACE	Distributed ACE
EIA	United States Energy Information Administration
FERC	Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
FTS	Fixed Time Step
Hz	Hertz, cycles per second
IC	Interchange
ISO	Independent Service Operator
J	Joule, Neton meters, Watt seconds
LFC	Load Frequency Control
NERC	North American Electric Reliability Corporation
ODE	Ordinary Differential Equation
P	Real Power
ΡΙ	Proportional and Integral
PSS	Power System Stabilizer
PST	Power System Toolbox
PU	Per-Unit
Q	Reactive power
RACE	Reported ACE
RTO	Regional Transmission Organization
SACE	Smoothed ACE
SI	International System of Units
US	United States of America

# Term Definition

VAR Volt Amps Reactive

 ${\rm VTS} \qquad {\rm Variable \ Time \ Step}$ 

W Watt, Joules per second

WECC Western Electricity Coordinating Council

# 1 PST Version History

- 2.3 Based on PST 2, includes Dan Trudnowski's pwrmod, ivmmod, and generator tripping modifications.
- 3.0 From Joe Chow's website. Includes fixes and alterations. Notably multiple DC lines and PSS modifications.
- 3.1 Based on 3.0, includes Dan Trudnowski's pwrmod and ivmmod models in nonlinear simulation. pwrmod included linear simulation and various model patches. Multiple generator tripping code is included, but untested.
- 3.1.1 Based on 3.1. Ryan Elliott's version with energy storage and updated linear simulation along with various other fixes and code cleanup alterations.
- SETO Based on 3.1. New global structure. Includes automatic generation (AGC) models and variable time step (VTS) options. Will become 4.0 after clean up actions taken.
- 4.0.0-aX Alpha version of PST 4 based on SETO version. Includes a refined VTS routine, confirmed multi-generator tripping, and improved AGC action/modulation.
- 4.0.0 Finished VTS, AGC, code cleanup, example library, and documentation work by Thad Haines.

# 2 Code Fixes

The purpose of this section is to record notable fixes to PST code from version 3 to version 4.

# 2.1 exc dc12

In 2015 there were 'errors' corrected in the saturation block that create differences between version 2 and 3 of this model. Effects are noticeable, but a solution hasn't been investigated yet.

# 2.2 exc st3

Corrected theta index to  $n_bus$  from n per Ryan Elliott. Corrected simple \* to .\* in the if ~isempty(nst3 sub) section.

# 2.3 lmod

Fixed state limiting. While if over-limit, the derivative was set to zero, the state was not set to the maximum/minimum value correctly.

# 2.4 mac tra

Commented out code that prevented the setting equal of the transient reactances.

# 2.5 rlmod

Fixed state limiting issue that was found in lmod. If over-limit, the derivative was set to zero, however the state was not set to the maximum/minimum value correctly.

# 3 Changes and Additions

This chapter contains information on changes and additions to PST since version 3.

# 3.1 Area Definitions

Created area functionality via the area\_def. The area\_indx function creates the required data structures and indices.

To enable allow for AGC and the required area calculations, each bus in the bus array must be assigned to an area in the area\_def array. An example area\_def array is shown below.

```
%% area_def data format
% should contain same number of rows as bus array (i.e. all bus areas defined)
% col 1 bus number
% col 2 area number
area_def = [ ...
            1 1;
            2 1;
            3 1;
            4 1;
            10 1;
            11 2;
            12 2;
            13 2;
            14 2;
            20 1;
           101 1;
           110 2;
           120 2];
```

It should be noted that rows may not have to be in the same order as the bus array (untested). The area\_def array is automatically placed into the global g structure.

```
>>> g.area
ans =
    area_def: [13x2 double]
    n_area: 2
```

```
area: [1x2 struct]
```

Each area currently contains values that may be relevant to AGC calculations. The calcAreaVals function is used to calculate and store such values. An example of what is stored in the g.area.area(x) structure is shown below.

```
>> g.area.area(2)
ans =
         number: 2
      areaBuses: [6x1 double]
         macBus: [2x1 double]
      macBusNdx: [3 4]
        loadBus: [4x1 double]
     loadBusNdx: [8 9 12 13]
         genBus: [2x1 double]
      genBusNdx: [6 7]
           totH: [1x4063 double]
           aveF: [1x4063 double]
         totGen: [1x4063 double]
        totLoad: []
            icA: [1x4063 double]
            icS: []
  exportLineNdx: [11 12]
  importLineNdx: []
       n_export: 2
       n_import: []
```

It should be noted that icS represents a placeholder for a scheduled interchange value and the totLoad is a field for collected total load. The collection of actual running load values may prove more complicated as the bus array does not seem to be updated every step, only a reduced Y matrix used in the nc\_load function called from i\_simu.

# 3.2 Automatic Generation Control

Automatic generation control (AGC) is an extended-term model that acts to restore system frequency and area interchange values to set values over the course of minutes. This restoration is accomplished by calculating an area control error (ACE) that is distributed to controlled generation sources to correct any deviation from reference values.

# 3.2.1 AGC Block Diagrams

The AGC process is shown in Figures 3.1 -3.3. RACE (reporting ACE) and SACE (smoothed ACE) are calculated using PU values assuming B is a positive non-PU value with units of MW/0.1Hz If  $K_{bv}$  is not zero, the resulting RACE is not the industry standard (WECC defined) RACE value. The scheduled interchange may be altered by the user via a mAGC\_sig file that controls the behavior of the  $IC_{adj}$  input.

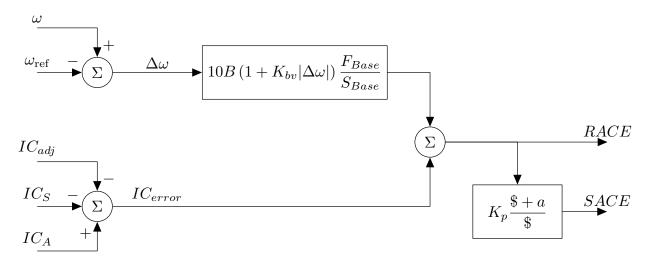


Figure 3.1: AGC calculation of RACE and SACE.

RACE and SACE are calculated every simulation time step, however distribution of SACE is determined by the user defined startTime and actionTime variables. Assuming action, the conditional  $\Delta\omega$  logic is processed before adjusting the aceSig value which is then gained to become ace2dist.

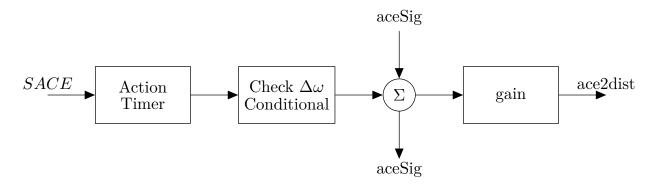


Figure 3.2: AGC calculation of ace 2 dist.

The ace2dist value is distributed to all controlled generators associated with the AGC model according to their respective participation factor pF. Each ctrlGen has a unique low pass filter to allow for different 'ramping' of signal to individual machines. The output of the low pass filter is gained by -1 and added to the existing associated governor tg\_sig value.

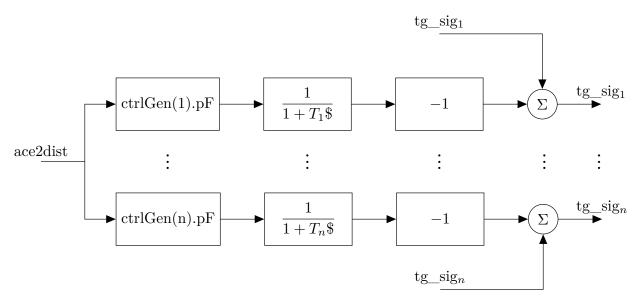


Figure 3.3: AGC handling of ace2dist to individual governor signals.

## 3.2.2 Weighted Average Frequency (calcAveF)

An inertia weighted average frequency is used as the 'actual' frequency  $\omega$  in ACE calculations. The calcaveF function calculates an average weighted frequency for the total system and for each area (if areas are defined). System values are stored in g.sys.aveF and area values are stored in g.area.area(x).aveF where x is the area number. The calculation involves a sum of system inertias that changes with generator trips.

In a system with N generators, M areas, and  $N_M$  generators in area M, the calcaveF function performs the following calculations for each area M:

$$H_{tot_M} = \sum_{i}^{N_M} MV A_{base_i} H_i \tag{3.1}$$

$$F_{ave_M} = \left(\sum_{i}^{N_M} Mach_{speed_i} MV A_{base_i} H_i\right) \frac{1}{H_{tot_M}}$$
(3.2)

Then system total values are calculated as

$$H_{tot} = \sum_{i}^{M} H_{tot_M} \tag{3.3}$$

$$F_{ave} = \left(\sum_{i}^{M} F_{ave_M}\right) \frac{1}{M} \tag{3.4}$$

If M == 0 (areas are not defined), calcaveF performs

$$H_{tot} = \sum_{i}^{N} MV A_{base_i} H_i \tag{3.5}$$

$$F_{ave} = \left(\sum_{i}^{N} Mach_{speed_{i}} MV A_{base_{i}} H_{i}\right) \frac{1}{H_{tot}}$$
(3.6)

# 3.2.3 Other Area Calculations (calcAreaVals)

The calcAreaVals function calculates real and reative power generated by all area machines and actual area interchange every time step. It should be noted that power injected

via loads, pwrmod, or ivmmod are not included in the g.area.area(n).totGen(k) value.

An area's actual interchange is calculated using the <code>line\_pq2</code> function to collect area to area line power flows.

# 3.3 Global Variable Management

To enable easier manipulation of PST - it was decided to create a global structure that contains all system globals. While this may or may not have been a good idea - it happened. Initial results show a speed up of over 2 times. In other words, it could be assumed previous versions of PST spent half of their computation time handling globals.

Inside the global variable g are fields that corresponds to models, or groups, of other globals. For example, the g.mac.mac\_spd global contains a all machine speeds while the g.bus.bus\_v contains all bus voltages, etc. As of this writing, compiled on September 9, 2020, the following subsections describe the globals contained in each field of the global g.

## 3.3.1 agc

This contains variables for agc calculation and operation. An example of AGC variables are shown below

```
>> g.agc
ans =
        agc: [1x2 struct]
        n_agc: 2
do better
```

### 3.3.2 area

This contains variables for area calculation and operation. An example of area variables are shown below.

```
>> g.area
ans =
    area_def: [13x2 double]
    n_area: 2
    area: [1x2 struct]
```

```
>> g.area.area(1)
do better
```

## 3.3.3 bus

Contains bus and all altered bus arrays associated with faults created in y\_switch. Also contains the bus\_v and theta information related to buses.

### 3.3.4 dc

```
%% HVDC link variables
global dcsp_con dcl_con dcc_con
global r_idx i_idx n_dcl n_conv ac_bus rec_ac_bus inv_ac_bus
global inv_ac_line rec_ac_line ac_line dcli_idx
global tap tapr tapi tmax tmin tstep tmaxr tmaxi tminr tmini tstepr tstepi
global Vdc i_dc P_dc i_dcinj dc_pot alpha gamma
global VHT dc sig cur ord dcr dsig dci dsig
global ric_idx rpc_idx Vdc_ref dcc_pot
global no_cap_idx cap_idx no_ind_idx l_no_cap l_cap
global ndcr ud ndci ud dcrud idx dciud idx dcrd sig dcid sig
% States
%line
global i_dcr i_dci v_dcc
global di dcr di dci dv dcc
global dc dsig % added 07/13/20 -thad
%rectifier
global v conr dv conr
%inverter
global v_coni dv_coni
```

```
% added to global dc
global xdcr_dc dxdcr_dc xdci_dc dxdci_dc angdcr angdci t_dc
global dcr_dc dci_dc % damping control
global ldc_idx
global rec_par inv_par line_par
```

Some DC related functions reused global variable names for local values but avoided conflict by not importing the specific globals. During global conversion this caused some issues with accidental casting to global and overwriting issues. While the non-linear and linear simulations run, there may be issues with this problem yet to be discovered. More specifically, the tap variable is re-witten numerous times during a simulation when calculating line flows.

#### 3.3.5 exc

```
global exc_con exc_pot n_exc
global Efd V_R V_A V_As R_f V_FB V_TR V_B
global dEfd dV_R dV_As dR_f dV_TR
global exc_sig % pm_sig n_pm % not related to exciters?
global smp_idx n_smp dc_idx n_dc dc2_idx n_dc2 st3_idx n_st3;
global smppi_idx n_smppi smppi_TR smppi_TR_idx smppi_no_TR_idx;
global smp_TA smp_TA_idx smp_noTA_idx smp_TB smp_TB_idx smp_noTB_idx;
global smp_TR smp_TR_idx smp_no_TR_idx;
global dc_TA dc_TA_idx dc_noTR_idx dc_TB dc_TB_idx dc_noTB_idx;
global dc_TE dc_TE_idx dc_noTE_idx;
global st3_TA st3_TA_idx st3_noTA_idx st3_TB st3_TB_idx st3_noTB_idx;
global st3_TR st3_TR_idx st3_noTR_idx;
```

## 3.3.6 igen

```
%% induction genertaor variables - 19
global tmig pig qig vdig vqig idig iqig igen_con igen_pot
global igen_int igbus n_ig
%states
global vdpig vqpig slig
%dstates
global dvdpig dvqpig dslig
% added globals
global s_igen
3.3.7 ind
%% induction motor variables - 21
global tload t init p mot q mot vdmot vqmot idmot iqmot ind con ind pot
global motbus ind_int mld_con n_mot t_mot
% states
global vdp vqp slip
% dstates
global dvdp dvqp dslip
% added globals
global s_mot
global sat idx dbc idx db idx % has to do with version 2 of mac_ind
% changed all pmot to p_mot (mac_ind1 only)
```

Two models of this are included as mac\_ind1 (a basic version from 2.3), and mac\_ind2 which is an updated induction motor model. Default behavior is to use the newer model (mac\_ind2).

## 3.3.8 ivm

voltage model...

get the tstuff

## 3.3.9 k

To allow for functionalized running, various index values were placed into the global structure

```
global k_inc h ks h_sol
golbal k_incdc h_dc
```

### 3.3.10 line

Contains line and all altered line arrays associated with faults created in y\_switch.

## 3.3.11 lmod

```
global lmod_con % defined by user

global n_lmod lmod_idx % initialized and created in lm_indx

global lmod_sig lmod_st dlmod_st % initialized in s_simu

global lmod_pot % created/initialized in lmod.m

global lmod_data % added by Trudnowski - doesn't appear to be used?
```

## 3.3.12 lmon

This contains variables for line monitoring not previously collected during simulation.

An example of lmon contents is shown below.

```
>> g.lmon
ans =
    lmon_con: [3 10]
    n_lmon: 2
```

```
busFromTo: [2x2 double]
        line: [1x2 struct]
>> g.lmon.line(1)
ans =
    busArrayNdx: 3
        FromBus: 3
          ToBus: 4
          iFrom: [1x8751 double]
             iTo: [1x8751 double]
          sFrom: [1x8751 double]
             sTo: [1x8751 double]
3.3.13
        mac
global
       mac_con mac_pot mac_int ibus_con
global mac_ang mac_spd eqprime edprime psikd psikq
global curd curd curdg curdg fldcur
global psidpp psidpp vex eterm ed eq
global pmech pelect qelect
global dmac_ang dmac_spd deqprime dedprime dpsikd dpsikq
global n_mac n_em n_tra n_sub n_ib
global mac_em_idx mac_tra_idx mac_sub_idx mac_ib_idx not_ib_idx
global mac_ib_em mac_ib_tra mac_ib_sub n_ib_em n_ib_tra n_ib_sub
global pm_sig n_pm
global psi_re psi_im cur_re cur_im
% added
global mac_trip_flags
global mac_trip_states
```

## 3.3.14 ncl

```
global load_con load_pot nload
```

## 3.3.15 pss

```
global pss_con pss_pot pss_mb_idx pss_exc_idx
global pss1 pss2 pss3 dpss1 dpss2 dpss3 pss_out
global pss_idx n_pss pss_sp_idx pss_p_idx;
global pss_T pss_T2 pss_T4 pss_T4_idx
global pss noT4 idx % misspelled in pss_indx as pss_noT4
```

Despite the renaming of the pss\_noT4\_idx, it doesn't seem to actually be used anywhere.

## 3.3.16 pwr

```
global pwrmod_con n_pwrmod pwrmod_idx
global pwrmod_p_st dpwrmod_p_st
global pwrmod_q_st dpwrmod_q_st
global pwrmod_p_sig pwrmod_q_sig
global pwrmod_data
```

There are some cells that contain user defined derivatives that aren't included yet.

### 3.3.17 rlmod

```
global rlmod_con n_rlmod rlmod_idx
global rlmod_pot rlmod_st drlmod_st
global rlmod_sig
```

## 3.3.18 svc

```
global svc_con n_svc svc_idx svc_pot svcll_idx
global svc_sig
% svc user defined damping controls
```

```
global n_dcud dcud_idx svc_dsig
global svc_dc % user damping controls?
global dxsvc_dc xsvc_dc
%states
global B_cv B_con
%dstates
global dB_cv dB_con
```

There seems to be some code related to user defined damping control of SVC, but it is not described in the user manual. (Added by Graham around 98/99)

## 3.3.19 sys

global basmva basrad syn\_ref mach\_ref sys\_freq

### 3.3.20 tcsc

```
global tcsc_con n_tcsc tcsvf_idx tcsct_idx
global B_tcsc dB_tcsc
global tcsc_sig tcsc_dsig
global n_tcscud dtcscud_idx %user defined damping controls
% previous non-globals added as they seem to relavant
global xtcsc_dc dxtcsc_dc td_sig tcscf_idx
global tcsc dc
```

Similar to the SVC, there seems to be some added functionality for controlled damping, but no examples exist? (Added by Graham around 98/99)

## 3.3.21 tg

```
%% turbine-governor variables
global tg_con tg_pot
global tg1 tg2 tg3 tg4 tg5 dtg1 dtg2 dtg3 dtg4 dtg5
global tg_idx n_tg tg_sig tgh_idx n_tgh
```

It should be noted that the hydro governor model tgh has not been modified as no examples seemed to use it.

#### 3.3.22 vts

Globals associated with variable time step simulation runs were placed in the g.vts field.

```
dataN % used as a the data index for logging values

fsdn % a cell of fields, states, derivatives, and number of states

n_states % total system state count

dxVec % vector used to pass around current dataN derivatives

stVec % vector used to pass around current dataN states

t_block % a list of time blocks collected from sw_con

t_blockN % current time block being executed

iter % counter to monitor number of solutions per step

tot_iter % total number of solutions

slns % a running history of solution iterations
```

## 3.3.23 y

Contains reduced Y matrices, voltage recovery matrices, and bus order variables created in y\_switch associated with faults. Example variables are shown below.

```
>> g.int
ans =
     Y_gprf: [4x4 double]
do better....
```

# 3.4 handleNewGlobals Function

Checks for system arrays and puts them into the required global fields.

# 3.5 Internal Voltage Model (ivmmod)

This is the ideal voltage behind an impedance model Dan created. It's meant to model a 'grid forming' inverter where voltage and angle can be set. While there are questions about the reality of such operations and how PST simulates them, the model exists and appears to 'work' in the non-linear simulation of PST 4. There is pre-existing documentation and an example that should be condensed into this document.

# 3.6 Line Monitoring Functionality (lmon)

Coded to actually monitor line current and power flow during non-linear simulation.

The lmon\_indx function creates the required data structures and indices.

Power flow on a line must be calculated each step as AGC requires actual area interchange for the ACE calculation. The previously existing line\_pq function performed this task, but was not fully incorporated into the simulation to allow calculation during execution. This minor oversight has been resolved and the lmon\_con array is still used to define monitored lines as in previous version of PST. It should be noted that areas with AGC automatically track area interchange flows and do not need to be user defined.

```
%% Line Monitoring
% Each value corresponds to an array index in the line array.
% Complex current and power flow on the line will be calculated and logged during
→ simulation
%lmon_con = [5, 6, 13]; % lines between bus 3 and 101, and line between 13 and 120
lmon_con = [3,10]; % lines to loads
```

Line monitoring data is collected in the g.lmon field of the global variable.

Each g.lmon.line entry contains the following fields and logged data:

```
>>> g.lmon.line(2)
ans =
   busArrayNdx: 10
   FromBus: 13
```

ToBus: 14

iFrom: [1x4063 double]
 iTo: [1x4063 double]
sFrom: [1x4063 double]
 sTo: [1x4063 double]

3.7 Live Plotting Functionality (liveplot)

Default action of PST 3 was to plot the bus voltage magnitude at a faulted bus. However, it may be useful to plot other values or turn off the plotting during a simulation. The live plotting routine is now functionalized to allow users to more easily define what is displayed (if anything) during simulations. The livePlot function was designed to be overwritten in a similar fashion as PSS or machine models previously described.

There are currently XXX live plot functions:

- liveplot\_ORIG Original faulted bus voltage plot.
- liveplot\_1 Faulted bus voltage and system machine speeds plus any lmod signals.
- liveplot\_2 AGC signals.

It should be noted that the live plotting can cause extremely slow simulations and occasional crashes. To disable live plotting:

• In stand-alone mode:

Change the 'live plot?' field from a 1 to a 0 in the popup dialog box.

• In batch mode:

Create a variable livePlotFlag and set as 0 or false.

# 3.8 Machine Trip Logic

This section should cover how machines are tripped and mention later examples?

# 3.9 Octave Compatibility

To more fully support free and open-source code, PST 4 has been developed to be compatible with Octave. It should be noted that more experimental features, like VTS, hasn't been tested fully in Octave. It is known that not all ODE options that exist in MATLAB exist in Octave.

# 3.10 Power System Stabilizer Model

There was a modification to the washout time constant in the power system stabilizer (PSS) model between PST version 2 and 3 that affects the output of the model in a fairly drastic way. To accommodate for this, PST 4 has two PSS files named pss2 and pss3 which mimic the computation of each PST version PSS model respectively. This enables the user to specify which PSS model should be used by copying the numbered PSS files over the non-numbered PSS file.

```
copyfile([PSTpath 'pss2.m'],[PSTpath 'pss.m']); % use version 2 model of PSS copyfile([PSTpath 'pss3.m'],[PSTpath 'pss.m']); % use version 3 model of PSS The default PSS model used in PST 4 is pss2.
```

# 3.11 Power Injection Model (pwrmod)

This is the power/current injection model Dan created for version 2.3. It's meant to model the 'grid-following' type of inverters. It is included in both the non-linear and linear simulation modes of PST 4. There is pre-existing documentation and an example that should be condensed into this document.

# 3.12 Reset Original Files Function (resetORIG)

As the operation of PST involves replacing system models and modulation files, the need to restore all original files can be very useful. Especially if unexpected behavior is observed in simulation output. The resetORIG script replaces all possible model and mod-

ulation files with the default versions. As of this writing, the correct operation of this script is as follows:

1. Navigate to root PST 4 directory in MATLAB

#### 2. Execute resetORIG

A text message should be displayed stating the restoration process has completed.

If other models are preferred for default use, the restoration process can be modified. Simply change the \*\*\_ORIG file name to the file that should be copied instead.

# 3.13 s\_simu Changes

The s\_simu file from PST 3 was relatively and objectively messy. Work has been done to clean up code and functionalize sections for easier code readability. Additionally, 'stand alone mode' and 'batch mode' capabilities have been condensed into one file. The difference between batch and stand alone mode is that the later will prompt the user for input of system file and other simulation parameters while batch mode assumes the file to run is the DataFile.m in the root PST directory.

- To use stand alone mode:
   Run s\_simu after issuing the clear all; close all commands.
- To use batch mode:
   Ensure at least 1 non-global variable is in the workspace prior to running s\_simu.

### 3.13.1 Functionalization

The use of a single global allowed for easier functionalization of easily identifiable parts of code. Below are some of the functions that were created from code originally in s\_simu.

#### 3.13.1.1 cleanZeros

To cleanZeros function cleans all entirely zero variables from the global g and places the names of cleared variables into the clearedVars cell that is stored in g.sys. The function is executed at the end of s simu.

### 3.13.1.2 correctorIntegration

As shown in the code except below, the correctorIntegration function performs the corrector integration step of the simulation loop to calculate the next accepted value of integrated states. The executed code was taken directly from s\_simu and modified to work with the new global g.

```
function correctorIntegration(k, j, h_sol)

% CORRECTORINTEGRATION Performs x(j) = x(k) + h_sol*(dx(j) + dx(k))/2

%

% Input:

% k - data \ index \ for \ 'n'

% j - data \ index \ for \ 'n+1'

% h_sol - time \ between \ k \ and \ j
```

It should be noted that the two 'Integration' functions write new states to the same j data index. Additionally, the h\_sol value is updated in i\_simu (called during the network solution) from the index of ks referencing an h array containing time step lengths... While this process seemed unnecessarily confusing and sort of round-about, it has not been changed as of this writing.

#### 3.13.1.3 dcSolution

The portion of s\_simu that integrates DC values at 10 times the rate of the normal time step was moved into the dcSolution function. This has not been tested with VTS, but was functionalized to enable future development. It appears to work as normal when using Huen's method (FTS), but a thorough testing has yet to be performed as of this writing.

#### 3.13.1.4 dynamicSolution

As the name implies, the dynamicSolution function performs the dynamic model calculations at data index k by calling each required model with the input flag set to 2. This functionalized code is again taken directly from s\_simu.

#### 3.13.1.5 initNLsim

The initNLsim function is a collection of code from s\_simu that performs initialization operations before a non-linear simulation. This is essentially the creation of the various Y-matrices used for fault conditions and the calling of the dynamic models with the input flag set to 0.

#### 3.13.1.6 initStep

Code from s\_simu that was performed at the beginning of each solution step was collected into initStep. Operations are related to setting values for the next step equal to current values for mechanical powers and DC currents, as well as handling machine trip flags.

#### 3.13.1.7 initTblocks

The initiTblocks function analyzes the global sw\_con and solver\_con to create appropriate time blocks that are used in non-linear simulation. Any fixed time vectors associated with time blocks that use Huen's method are created. Care was taken to ensure a unique time vector (no duplicate time points). With the option to switch between fixed step and variable step methods, this method may require slight modifications/refinements in the future.

#### 3.13.1.8 initZeros

A large amount of code (≈400 lines) in s\_simu was dedicated to initializing zeros for data to be written to during non-linear simulation. This code has been collected into the initZeros function with inputs defining the desired length of vectors for normally logged data and DC data.

```
function initZeros(k, kdc)
% INITZEROS Creates zero arrays for logged values based on passed in input
%
% Input:
% k - total number of time steps in the simulation
% kdc - total number of DC time steps in the simulation
```

#### 3.13.1.9 monitorSolution

The monitorSolution function takes a single input that defines the data index used to calculate any user defined line monitoring values, average system and/or area frequencies, and other interchange values for defined areas. It should be noted that these calculations are mostly based on complex voltages that are calculated during the network solution.

### 3.13.1.10 networkSolution & networkSolutionVTS

The networkSolution function is a collection of code from s\_simu dealing with calls to dynamic models with the flag set to 1 and Y-matrix switching. The call to i\_simu (which updates g.k.h sol) is also located in this function.

The networkSolutionVTS function is essentially the same as the networkSolution function, except instead of relying on index number to switch Y-matricies, the switching is done based on passed in simulation time. This was a required change when using VTS as the previous method relied on a known number of steps between switching events, and that is no longer a reality with the experimental VTS methods.

The default behavior of PST 4 is to use newtowrkSolutionVTS which requires the input of the current data index k and the simulation time.

### 3.13.1.11 predictorIntegration

The predictorIntegration function performs the predictor (forward Euler) integration step of the simulation loop. The code was taken directly from s\_simu and uses the same variable names.

```
function predictorIntegration(k, j, h_sol)
% PREDICTORINTEGRATION Performs  x(j) = x(k) + h_sol*dx(k)
%
% Input:
% k - data index for 'n'
% j - data index for 'n+1'
% h_sol - time between k and j
```

#### 3.13.1.12 standAlonePlot

The standAlonePlot function is the updated plotting routine based on user input previously found at the end s\_simu. After a completed simulation, it is called from s\_simu if stand alone mode is detected.

#### 3.13.1.13 trimLogs

As there is no way to accurately predict the amount of (length of) data to be logged during a variable time step simulation, extra space is allocated, and then all logged values are trimmed to the proper length post simulation. It should be noted that the current size allocation was arbitrary and can be altered as need be. Typically, an actual extended term simulation using VTS will requires fewer steps than a fixed step method, but that is not always the case. It's important to note that if not enough space is allocated, the simulation will crash when the code attempts to access data indices outside of the allocated range.

The trimLogs function trims all logged values in the global g to a given length k. It is executed near the end of  $s\_simu$  before cleanZeros.

### 3.14 Sub-Transient Machine Models

There are three versions of the sub-transient machine model (mac\_sub) included with PST 4. The \_ORIG model is the standard PST model based on the R. P. Schulz, "Synchronous machine modeling" algorithm. The \_NEW model is based on the PSLF 'genrou' model by John Undrill. The \_NEW2 model is the same as the \_NEW model with minor alterations. Any model may be copied over the mac sub file for use.

```
copyfile([PSTpath 'mac_sub_NEW.m'],[PSTpath 'mac_sub.m']); % use genrou model
copyfile([PSTpath 'mac_sub_ORIG.m'],[PSTpath 'mac_sub.m']); % restore model
```

### 3.15 sw\_con Updates

Undocumented changes to the sw\_con have occurred in version 3. The valid trip options of column 6 are:

- 1. Three phase fault
- 2. line-to-ground
- 3. line-to-line
- 4. loss of line with no fault
- 5. loss of load at bus
- 6. no action
- 7. clear fault without loss of line

### 3.16 Variable Time Step Integration

Variable time step (VTS) simulations are possible using standard MATLAB ODE solvers.

Explain FTS and VTS

Cover speed up possibility

explain zeroing derivatives.

**NOTE:** Variable time step simulation is still experimental and should be used with caution.

#### 3.16.1 Solver Control Array (solver\_con)

Theoretically, a user will only have to add a solver\_con to a valid data file to use variable time step methods. If a solver\_con is not specified, Huen's method is used for all time blocks (i.e. default PST behavior).

Between each sw\_con entry, a *time block* is created that is then solved using a the defined solution method in the solver\_con. As such, the solver\_con array has 1 less row than the sw\_con array. An example solver\_con array (with code comments) is shown below.

```
%% solver_con format
% A cell with a solver method in each row corresponding to the specified
% 'time blocks' defined in sw_con
% Valid solver names:
% huens - Fixed time step default to PST
% ode113 - works well during transients, consistent # of slns, time step stays
\hookrightarrow relatively small
% ode15s - large number of slns during init, time step increases to reasonable size
% ode23 - realtively consistent # of required slns, timstep doesn't get very large
% ode23s - many iterations per step - not efficient...
% ode23t - occasionally hundereds of iterations, sometimes not... decent
% ode23tb - similar to 23t, sometimes more large solution counts
solver con ={ ...
    'huens'; % pre fault - fault
    'huens'; % fault - post fault 1
    'huens'; % post fault 1 - post fault 2
    'huens'; % post fault 2 - sw_con row 5
    'huens'; % sw_con row 5 - sw_con row 6
    'ode23t'; % sw_con row 6 - sw_con row 7 (end)
    };
```

#### 3.16.2 MATLAB ODE Solvers

The variable time step implementation in PST revolves around using the built in MATLAB ODE solvers. All these methods perform actions depicted in the following block diagram.

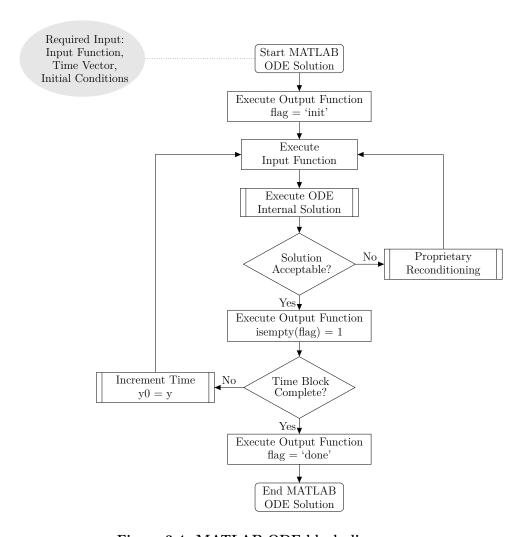


Figure 3.4: MATLAB ODE block diagram.

The input to an ODE solver include, an input function, a time interval (time block), initial conditions, and solver options. The current options used for VTS are shown below and deal with error tolerance levels, initial step size, max step size, and an Output function.

```
% Configure ODE settings
%options = odeset('RelTol',1e-3,'AbsTol',1e-6); % MATLAB default settings
options = odeset('RelTol',1e-4,'AbsTol',1e-7, ...
    'InitialStep', 1/60/4, ...
    'MaxStep',60, ...
    'OutputFcn',outputFcn); % set 'OutputFcn' to function handle
```

#### 3.16.3 Functions Specific to VTS

A number of new functions were created to allow for VTS to be integrated into PST. Some functions were simply portions of code previously located in s\_simu and placed into a function for ease of use and clarity of code flow, while others were created to handle data or perform other tasks specifically related to VTS. The following sub paragraphs provide some information about such functions that have not been previously introduced.

#### 3.16.3.1 vtsInputFcn

The slightly abbreviated (mostly complete) input function is shown below.

```
function [dxVec] = vtsInputFcn(t, y)
% VTSINPUTFCN passed to ODE solver to perfrom required step operations
%
%
   NOTES: Updates and returns q.vts.dxVec
%
%
  Input:
%
  t - simulation time
%
   y - solution vector (initial conditions)
%
% Output:
   dxVec - requried derivative vector for ODE solver
global g
%% call handleStDx with flag==2 to update global states with newest passed in soln.
\% write slnVec vector of values to associated states at index k
% i.e. update states at g.vts.dataN with newest solution
handleStDx(g.vts.dataN, y, 2)
initStep(g.vts.dataN)
```

#### 3.16.3.2 vtsOutputFcn

The slightly abbreviated output function is shown below.

```
function status = vtsOutputFcn(t,y,flag)
% VTSOUTPUTFCN performs associated flag actions with ODE solvers.
%
%
   Input:
% t - simulation time
% y - solution vector
%
  flag - dictate function action
%
  Output:
    status - required for normal operation (return 1 to stop)
global g
status = 0; % required for normal operation
if isempty(flag) % normal step completion
    % restore network to initial solution
    handleNetworkSln(g.vts.dataN ,2) % may cause issues with DC.
    monitorSolution(g.vts.dataN); % Perform Line Monitoring and Area Calculations
```

```
%% Live plot call
   if g.sys.livePlotFlag
       livePlot(g.vts.dataN)
   end
   % after each successful integration step by ODE solver:
   g.vts.dataN = g.vts.dataN+1; % increment logged data index 'dataN'
   g.vts.stVec = y;
                               % update state vector
   handleStDx(g.vts.dataN, y, 2) % place new solution results into associated globals
   g.vts.tot_iter = g.vts.tot_iter + g.vts.iter;  % update total iterations
   g.vts.slns(g.vts.dataN) = g.vts.iter;
                                            % log solution step iterations
                                             % reset iteration counter
   g.vts.iter = 0;
elseif flag(1) == 'i'
   % init solver for new time block
   handleStDx(g.vts.dataN, y, 2) % set initial conditions
elseif flag(1) == 'd'
   % only debug screen output at the moment
end % end if
end % end function
```

#### 3.16.3.3 handleNetworkSln

The handleNetworkSln function was created to store, and restore, calculated values set to globals during a network solution. The purpose of this function was to allow for the first network solution performed each step to be carried forward after multiple other network solutions may over-write the calculated values at the same data index. This over-writing may occur during the MATLAB ODE solvers repeated call to the input function. As shown below, handlNetworkSln takes a data index k and an operation flag as inputs.

```
function handleNetworkSln(k, flag)
% HANDLENETWORKSLN saves or restores the network solution at data index k
%
% NOTES: Used to reset the newtork values to the initial solution in VTS.
%
```

#### 3.16.3.4 handleStDx

The handleStDx function was created to perform the required state and derivative handling to enable the use internal MATLAB ODE solvers. Its general operation is probably best described via the internal function documentation provided below.

```
function handleStDx(k, slnVec, flag)
% HANDLESTDX Performs required state and derivative handling for ODE solvers
%
%
   NOTES: Requires state and derivative values are in the same g.(x) field.
%
            Not all flags require same input.
%
%
    Input:
%
    k - data index
%
    flag - choose between operations
%
            0 - initialize state and derivative cell array, count states
%
            1 - update g.vts.dxVec with col k of derivative fields
%
            2 - write slnVec vector of values to associated states at index k
            3 - update g.vts.stVec with col k of state fields
    snlVec - Input used to populate states with new values
```

The new global structure created in the SETO version of PST enables this function to complete the stated operations by relying heavily on dynamic field names. Essentially, all required field names, sub-field names, and states are collected into a cell (flag operation 0) that is then iterated through to collect data from, or write data to the appropriate location (all other flag operations).

The usefulness of handleStDx is that the standard MATLAB ODE solvers require a single derivative vector as a returned value from some passed in 'input function', and each PST model calculates derivatives and places them into various globals. Thus, a derivative

collection algorithm was needed (flag operation 1). Once the ODE solver finishes a step, the returned solution vector (of integrated states) must then be parsed into the global state variables associated with the supplied derivatives (flag operation 2). At the beginning of time blocks that use the MATLAB ODE solvers, an initial conditions vector of all the states related to the derivative vector is required (flag operation 3).

To avoid handling function output, global vectors <code>g.vts.dxVec</code> and <code>g.vts.stVec</code> are used to hold updated derivative and state vector information.

It should be noted that original PST globals follow the same data structure, however, new models (such as AGC and pwrmod/ivmmmod) use a slightly different data structure and must be handled in a slightly different way. As of this writing AGC and pwrmod functionality has been added to handleStDx and it seems very possible to add more models that require integration as they arise.

# 4 PST Operation Overview

This is likely to include a flow chart/ multiple flow charts.

Mention partitioned explicit method via Huen's, partitioned implicit via VTS.

Overview of running s\_simu in batch or stand alone mode.

copying of modulation files

### 4.1 Simulation Loop

The complete simulation loop code is shown below. This code was copied from <code>s\_simu\_BatchVTS</code> with corresponding line numbers.

```
%% Simulation loop start
362
     warning('*** Simulation Loop Start')
363
     for simTblock = 1:size(g.vts.t_block)
364
365
         g.vts.t_blockN = simTblock;
366
         g.k.ks = simTblock; % required for huen's solution method.
367
368
         if ~isempty(g.vts.solver_con)
369
              odeName = g.vts.solver_con{g.vts.t_blockN};
370
         else
371
              odeName = 'huens'; % default PST solver
372
         end
373
         if strcmp( odeName, 'huens')
375
              % use standard PST huens method
              fprintf('*** Using Huen''s integration method for time block %d\n*** t=[%7.4f,
377
              \rightarrow %7.4f]\n', ...
                  simTblock, g.vts.fts{simTblock}(1), g.vts.fts{simTblock}(end))
378
379
              % add fixed time vector to system time vector
380
              nSteps = length(g.vts.fts{simTblock});
381
              g.sys.t(g.vts.dataN:g.vts.dataN+nSteps-1) = g.vts.fts{simTblock};
382
383
              % account for pretictor last step time check
384
              g.sys.t(g.vts.dataN+nSteps) = g.sys.t(g.vts.dataN+nSteps-1)+
385

    g.sys.sw_con(simTblock,7);
386
              for cur_Step = 1:nSteps
387
```

```
388
               k = g.vts.dataN;
               j = k+1;
389
390
               % display k and t at every first, last, and 50th step
391
               if (mod(k,50)==0) \mid | cur_Step == 1 \mid | cur_Step == nSteps
392
                   fprintf('*** k = \%5d, \t(k) = \%7.4f\n',k,g.sys.t(k)) \% DEBUG
393
               end
394
395
               %% Time step start
396
               initStep(k)
397
398
               399
               networkSolutionVTS(k, g.sys.t(k))
400
               monitorSolution(k);
401
               dynamicSolution(k)
402
               dcSolution(k)
403
               404
405
               406
               networkSolutionVTS(j, g.sys.t(j))
407
               dynamicSolution(j)
408
               dcSolution(j)
409
               correctorIntegration(k, j, g.k.h_sol)
410
411
               \% most recent network solution based on completely calculated states is k
412
               monitorSolution(k);
413
               %% Live plot call
414
               if g.sys.livePlotFlag
415
                   livePlot(k)
               end
417
418
               g.vts.dataN = j;
                                                    % increment data counter
419
               g.vts.tot_iter = g.vts.tot_iter + 2;  % increment total solution counter
420
               g.vts.slns(g.vts.dataN) = 2;
                                                    % track step solution
421
            end
422
            % Account for next time block using VTS
423
            handleStDx(j, [], 3) % update g.vts.stVec to initial conditions of states
424
            handleStDx(k, [], 1) % update g.vts.dxVec to initial conditions of derivatives
425
426
        else % use given variable method
427
            fprintf('*** Using %s integration method for time block %d\n*** t=[%7.4f,
428
            \rightarrow %7.4f]\n', ...
               odeName, simTblock, g.vts.t_block(simTblock, 1), g.vts.t_block(simTblock,
429

→ 2))
```

# 5 Examples Explained

As github as many examples, this is a chapter to explain what the purpose of them is and detail non-linear vs linear operation of examples that do such things.

- Experimental VTS
- AGC
- AGC interchange modulation
- Extended term with VTS
- Hiskens NE model via Ryan
- MiniWECC via Dan
- Experimental Un-tripping
- Modulation via mod files
- Linear simulation where applicable

Variables to note in associated examples (where x is the internal model number):

- exciter  $V_{ref} = \texttt{g.exc.exc\_pot(x,3)}$
- governor  $P_{ref} = g.tg.tg_pot(x,5)$
- governor  $\omega_{ref} = g.tg.tg\_con(x,3)$

### 5.1 Automatic Generation Control

A variety of examples were created for AGC testing. While some may use VTS, this section covers information only related to AGC. The VTS example section contains VTS specific information.

The O-examples/AGC folder contains all system and modulation files associated with the AGC examples. The run\*\*\* files are designed to run PST in using the batch mode.

## 5.2 Variable Time Step

# 6 Loose Ends

As software development is never actually over, this chapter is meant to contain any loose ends that felt relevant. The below is copied from the most recent weekly (09/02/20) and some minor additions

- 1. As infinite buses don't seem to be used in dynamic simulation, they were not converted to use the golbal g.
- 2. tgh model not converted for use with global g. (no examples of tgh gov)
- 3. In original (and current) s\_simu, the global tap value associated with HVDC is overwritten with a value used to compute line current multiple times.
  It probably shouldn't be.
- 4. Constant Power or Current loads seem to require a portion of constant Impedance.
- 5. PSS design functionality not explored
- 6. No examples of of delta P omega filter or user defined damping controls for SVC and TCSC models
- 7. Differences in mac ind between pst 2 and 3 seem backward compatible untested.
- 8. DC is not implemented in VTS Just combine into main routine? Seems counter intuitive to do multi-rate variable time step integration.
- 9. AGC capacity should consider defined machine limits instead of assuming 1 PU max.
- 10. AGC should allow for a 'center of inertia' frequency option instead of the weighted average frequency.
- 11. A method to initialize the power system with tripped generators should be devised and occur before the first power flow solution.

- 12. A method to zero derivatives of any model attached to a tripped generator should be created to enable VTS to optimize time steps.
- 13. Re-initializing a tripped generator in VTS will likely require indexing the g.vts.stVec.

  This could be aided by adding indices to the g.vts.fsdn cell.
- 14. miniWECC DC lines (modeled as power injection) is not included in AGC calculations as the power does not travel over simulated lines.

# 7 Bibliography

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# 8 Document History

- 09/02/20 0.0.0-a.1 document creation...
- 09/03/20 0.0.0-a.2 Population with sections and some previously generated content, addition of glossary
- 09/07/20 0.0.0-a.3 Added and alphabetized more sections, collected raw material from research documents
- 09/08/20 0.0.0-a.4 Figure and equation formatting in AGC, more logical sectioning, minor editing
- 09/09/20 0.0.0-a.5 Introduction work, AGC editing, restructure of VTS sections,

# A Appendix A: Formatting Examples

This appendix is included to show how appendices work, blowing up of numbering, and to also serve as an easy LaTeX formatting template. Despite this being an appendix, it is still numbered like a chapter.

### A.1 Numberings in Equations

Additionally, a reminder of Ohm's law

$$V = IR \tag{A.42}$$

shows that equation numbering has blown up. This is to show spacing on the table of contents.

### A.2 Numberings in Tables

Table A.14 is full of nonsense data and is numbered artificially large.

Table A.14: Another Table.

One	Two	Three	Four	Five
2.35	45.87	9.00	1.00	0.33
5.88	48.01	7.85	2.35	0.45

### A.3 Numberings in Figures

Finally, Figure A.67 shows how figure numbers look when double digit.



Figure A.67: A boxcat in its natural environment.

### A.4 Code using Minted

Code can be added using the minted package. The example below is for a Python example, but can be configured other ways. Note that a --shell-escape command had to be added to the TeXStudio build command due to peculiarities with the package. Additionally, the minted LaTeX package requires python to be installed with the pygments package. This can be done via the 'py -m pip install -U pygments' console command.

```
def sumPe(mirror):
         """Returns sum of all electrical power from active machines"""
2
        sysPe = 0.0
3
4
        # for each area
        for area in mirror. Area:
6
             # reset current sum
             area.cv['Pe'] = 0.0
9
             # sum each active machine Pe to area agent
10
            for mach in area. Machines:
11
                 if mach.cv['St'] == 1:
12
                     area.cv['Pe'] += mach.cv['Pe']
13
14
             # sum area agent totals to system
15
             sysPe += area.cv['Pe']
16
17
        return sysPe
18
```

Figure A.68: Code listing as a figure.

Other packages exist for code insertion, but they may or may not be as pretty. Remember, as with anything, this is totally optional and voluntary...