

A WAVELET TRANSFORM AND DATA MINING TECHNIQUE BASED PROTECTION TECHNIQUE FOR MICROGRID

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Abstract- With the emphasis on reducing carbon footprint and promoting the utilization of non renewable resources of energy in production of electricity, the micro grids have emerged as popular arrangement. Micro grids have empowered the users with flexibility in generating & controlling electricity as per their requirements and have reduced their dependence on utility grid. Also they can now transfer surplus electrical energy to utility grid and can earn monetary gains. Photovoltaic systems have emerged as indispensable alternative over other distributed energy resources that can be inetrated in microgrids due to their simple design, easy to install and easy to maintain features. However the deep penetration of microgrid systems is posing threat to reliable & optimal operation of main utility grids. It is important to detect the faults on primitive stage & resove it before it results into catastrophic failure of whole system. This paper presents novel scheme based on wavelet transform & data mining technique for early detection & classification of faults that may occur in microgrid. Once the fault is detected & classified an appropriate protection scheme can be employed to resolve the faults at early stage and thereby improving the overall safe operation of the complete system.

Keywords—Microgrid, Detection and Identification, Classification, Fault Diagnosis, Protection System, PV Systems, Wavelet Transform.

I. INTRODUCTION

With ever increasing demand for electricity the main transmission networks are now operating near to their stability limits. In an order to address the future demads it is needed to upgrade the existing infrastructure which is not an economically viable solution. This has forced to adopt new strategies which includes te generation of electrical energy at the point of consumption it self.

This electrical energy can be generated by utilizing various vastly available renewable energy resources such as wind, sunlight etc. It has led to the concept of Microgrids which is usually consisted of distributed energy resources such as

wind mills, fuels cells, PV arrays etc. and dedicated load connected within well defined electrical boundaries. Microgrids have ability of operating while connected to main utility grid & in isolation also known as islanding mode. Microgrids are offering numerous advantages to consumers & grid operators in form of less dependence on main grid, flexibility in operation and control, transfer of surplus power to the main grid, improvement in service quality, enahancement in reliability, reduction in pollution & dependence on conventional energy resources. However the interconnection of microgrid to main utility grid is posing challages in operation & protection of later. The protection system to be employed must be able to respond to faults of main grid as well as the microgrid.

These faults needed to be detected and classified quickly as possible so that appropoate protection strategy could be pressed into action which can isolate the faulty section & resolve the fault swiftly.

This paper proposes efficient protection scheme for microgrid based on autocorrelation of three phase current envelopes. It evaluated the envelope of current signal using a squaring and low-pass filtering approach. Then, fault signatures in the microgrid are detected by extracting the information from the distorted envelope by using variance of the autocorrelation function.

Also, the direction of fault is determined using the reactive power. The discrete wavelet transform (DWT) is used to extract the information from the instantaneous voltage and current signal and the standard deviation is calculated from the estimated approximate coefficients. This information is further used to train the decision tree which is a data mining based model to classify the fault occurred.

The DWT requires lesser computation time for extraction of information from voltage current signal and offers retention of useful features. The said protection scheme is easy to implement and have shown good performance under looped and radial configuration for both modes of operation i.e. grid-connected and islanded modes. The simulation results obtained testifies that the proposed scheme not only detect, locate, classify, and isolate various types of short-circuit



faults effectively but also provide backup protection in case of primary protection failure.

II. LITERATURE REVIEW

This section elaborates the comparative study of various techniques used in past in the field of fault detection & classification for microgrid.

James J. Q. Yu et al. [1] proposed the intelligent fault detection scheme based on wavelet transform and deep neural network. The scheme is intended to provide the information regarding type of fault, phase on which fault has occurred and the location of fault. These information are important for effective protection of microgrid & the swift recovery from the faulty condition. The wavelet transform extracts the information from branch currents sampled by protective relays then this information is given as input to the deep neural network to develop the information regarding fault. The detailed assessment is carried out on the CERTS microgrid and IEEE 34-bus system for performance evaluation of the proposed scheme. The results obtained from simulation reveals its effectiveness with reference to detection, time required for computation & robustness against uncertainty in measurement. Also when obtained results were compared with preceding research work on the topic, the proposed scheme found better in fault detection & its location and accuracy for classification of fault. Debi Prasad Mishra et al. [2] used the effective information such as change in energy, entropy and standard deviation extracted using wavelet coefficients from the current signal at the relaying point. The features are extracted for faulted & unfaulted conditions for each phase then this data is used to train the decision tree which is conformed for unseen data set for detection of faults in the microgrid. Then wavelet based features derived from sequence components in addition to features derived earlier from current signals are utilized in building the decision tree for fault classification. Both the Decision Trees are comprehensively assessed on a huge data set of 3860 samples. The results obtained indicates the efficiency and effectiveness of the proposed protection scheme against faults occurring under wide range of operating conditions in microgrid. Shazia Baloch et al. [3] proposed the protection scheme based on autocorrelation of three phase current envelope of current signal. The hidden information is extracted from distorted envelope using variance of autocorrelation function to detect the fault signatures in microgrid. MATLAB/Simulink (Version: R2017b) was used to simulate the medium voltage microgrid and study the performance of proposed scheme. The simulation results indicates that the proposed scheme not only identifies the fault, its type but also provides the backup against occurrence of indispensable insurance violation. Sisitha Senarathna et al. [4] discusses the state of the art of various adaptive methods employed in protection of microgrid. They systematically focuses on the wide range of applicability variants, their strengths & drawbacks. In this paper author elaborated the various considerations accumulated by Microgrids inside the last decade that has turned the fundamental resource into viable business. The ease of installation, control and maintenance is one of the principle explanations behind microgrids popularity. A wide variety of Distributed Generation (DG) options that may

include wind turbine, other smaller scale turbine, PV systems, fuel cells etc. which can be easily integrated to form microgrid and make it suitable to operate in both grid connected and islanded modes. There are number of challenges needed to be addressed so as to utilize the maximum capacity of microgrids, and insurance is one of such challenge. Different arrangements of insurance were devised, based on advancements in insurance strategies. Versatile assurance is one of such emerging methodology for microgrid insurance. This paper presents an elaborated audit on versatile insurance of microgrids which includes a wide scope of materialness variations taking into account of their qualities, and limitations. It also investigates the paramount explores that applies computational insight to implement versatile insurance. These arrangements have initiated the thorough reclassification of insurance arrangements leading to progressively adaptable and solid framework that can be implemented all inclusive. Lai Lei et al. [5] explained that there is a difference in level of fault current between islanded mode and grid connected mode which ultimately degrades the overcurrent protection strategies. This paper proposes a protection scheme dependent on feature cosine and differential plan. At first feature cosine is proposed which uses equation of ellipse and minimum least squares to enumerate the unified performance of voltage and current. Secondly the difference of feature cosine between healthy & faulty sections of the microgrid is determined by analyzing the direction of fault current and feature cosine for different fault locations in a microgrid. Then differential direction is defined and hence the faulty section is detected based on feature cosine and differential scheme. Lastly diverse time domain imitations including different modes of operation of microgrid, type of faults, identification of faulty section, and noise influence were studied and results obtained verifies the high accuracy of the proposed protection scheme. M. Amin Zamani et al. [6] discussed the key challenges in protection of microgrid while working in both modes of operation. This paper proposed the protection scheme for low voltage microgrid using microprocessor based relays alongwith details of structure & design of the relay. The major advantages of the proposed scheme is non requirement of communication or compatible protection devices also it is independent of mode of operation and the magnitude of the fault current. PSCAD/EMTDC software package is used for simulation studies of transient time domain.

III. PROBLEM DEFINITION

This proposed work is motivated from the challenges offered by large scale integration of DERs and their operation in islanded mode to cater the emergency power demand ensuring the reliability under faulty conditions or disturbances in the grid. The situation can be overcome by using the discrete wavelet transform (DWT) and data-mining technique for easy fault detection and classification that has been developed for the microgrid. The microgrid have significant edge in the distribution systems but at the same time the challenges in integration of renewable and synchronous DERs made the protection tasks inevitably difficult. Renewable DERs when compared to synchronous DERs have dynamic generation output with limited capability for carrying fault current which is upto 2-3 times the rated current, same in case of synchronous DERs is up to even 10 times. This forms a wide distinction in operating conditions between them. These reasons further makes the associated

protection issues more complicated. As the fault current magnitude is dependent on mode of operation this leads to vast difference in the level of fault current between islanded and grid-connected mode. Hence, it is needed to formulate accurate and reliable protection strategy which can work effectively under both operating modes and can meet the protection requirements of the microgrid without being affected with the harmonics associated with power electronic interfacing devices and non-linear loads.

IV. PROPOSED METHODOLOGY

This section elaborates an overview of the proposed methodology which is based on the application of wavelet transform and decision tree classifier.

Simulation of Microgrid understudy

The simulation is carried out for operation of Microgrid performing load leveling and voltage regulation in the local power system. Also the dynamic responses of the Microgrid components are presented when subjected to sudden changes in solar irradiance. Battery energy storage effectively compensated the fluctuations of PV system output. The proposed model of microgrid also considered the critical components such as solid-state converters for analysis of protection of microgrids, as current rating of most of the converter based DERs are limited to maximum of twice the rated current. This results into limitation on magnitude of fault current to be handled which in turn creates sensitivity issues in the protection of microgrids.

Generation of fault and other operating Scenario

The major challenges regarding the protection of microgrids arise from the construction features of a microgrid, which involve large scale presence of converter type DERs and the possibility of two way power flow. That is to be added to the low inertia of the systems especially in the island mode of operation. This makes microgrids easily susceptible to instability due to changes in load and generation.

Development of protection scheme for microgrid

The enhancement in consistency of the microgrid has been studied by employing auto reclosures in proposed adaptive protection scheme, this enabled the system to recover faster from the faulty condition. The time domain simulations carried out on proposed adaptive protection for its efficiency and effectiveness using MATLAB.

Feature extraction using Wavelet transform

Wavelet transform has been used for feature extraction in image processing so that the image can be represented in its compacted and inimitable form of matrix vector of single values.

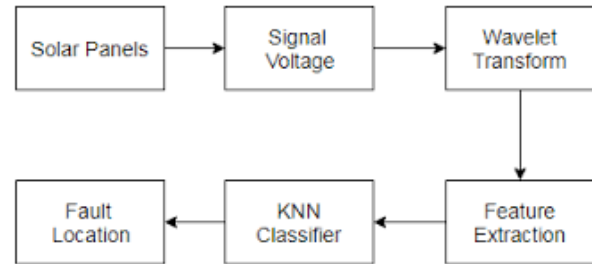


Figure 1. Steps involved in Feature extraction using discrete wavelet transform

Fault detection and classification using grid connected and islanded modes using bagged decision tree algorithm

Correlation analysis has been used to select the inout features from the signal processing stage and are used to train the bagged decision trees for detecting the faults in the proposed protection scheme. The technique was tested on a microgrid model.

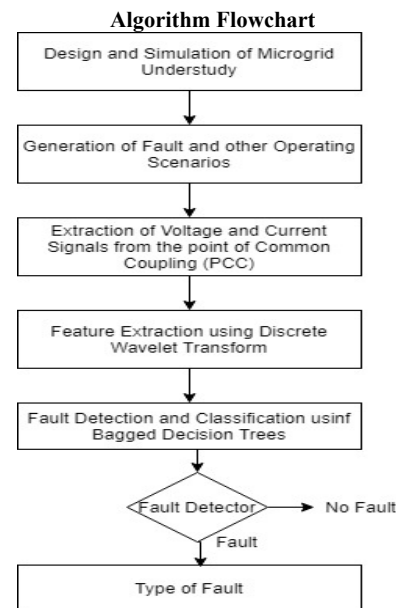


Figure 2. Algorithm flowchart

The proposed algorithm has been shown in above Figure 2. The various steps involved in the flowchart are as follows:

Step 1: The work of the proposed algorithm starts from the design and simulation of the microgrid understudy model which is the first step.

Step2: In the second step the function call goes at generation of faults and other operating scenarios.

Step 3: In the third step the control will switch to the extraction of the voltage and current signals from the point of common coupling (PCC) with the help of discrete wavelet transform.

Step 4: In the next step training of bagged decision trees will work thoroughly. The loop will follow the following conditions- if the fault detects then the function control will show the type of fault which occurs. Otherwise, in second category it will generate output as-no fault.

V. SIMULATION SETUP

In this section illustrates the simulation models used in the study:

1. MATLAB Simulink model of Microgrid under study

Microgrid may consist of various distributed energy resources (DERs) can operated in islanded mode or grid connected mode. Figure 3 shows the simulink model of the system considered for carrying out investigation. The system shown in figure consists of microgrid connected to the utility grid via point of common coupling (PCC). The Three phase fault has been simulated at bus B3B for both modes of operation of microgrid i.e. grid connected & island modes. The voltage and current waveform have been recorded for both the case of operations.

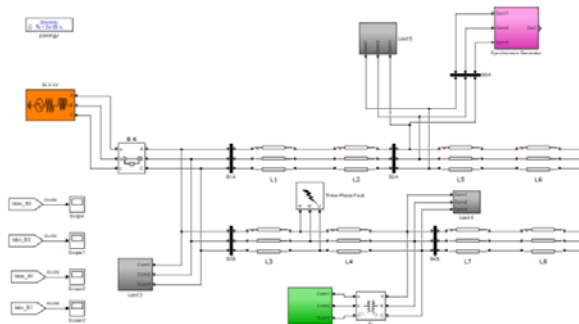


Figure 3. Simulink model of Microgrid considered under study

In the above figure 3 the representation model of the Grid-connect PV system is shown which is grid-connected photovoltaic system: Mathematical modeling using MATLAB/Simulink.

2. MATLAB Simulink model of PV Array based generator in the microgrid

Figure 4. details the microgrid configuration which consists of PV array, low pass filter, Inverter, Boost Converter Control for Maximum Power Point Tracking, V_{sc} Control.

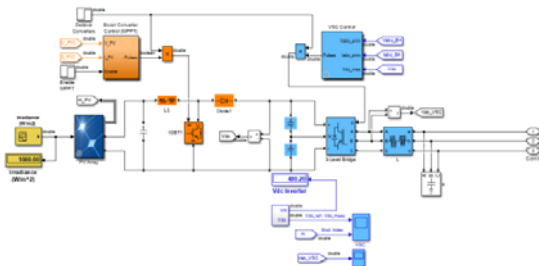


Figure 4. PV array based generator in the Microgrid

3. I-V and P-V Characteristics of PV Array

I-V characteristic of PV array represents the relationship between current and voltage for the existing condition of the irradiance. The curve provides the necessary information required to configure the PV system for operating it close to optimal peak power point.

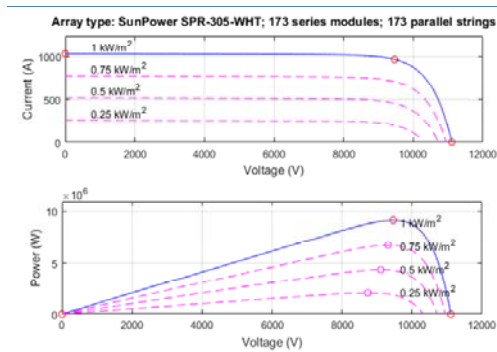


Figure 5. I-V and P-V Characteristics of PV array

Figure 5 shows the I-V and P-V characteristics of the PV array (Sun Power SPR 305-WHT consisting of 173 series modules & 173 Parallel strings) considered for study. Value of current, voltage, maximum power point (MPP) for different level of irradiance level can be determined using these characteristics.

Irridance Level	Power (W)	Voltage (V)	Current (A)
1 kW/m ²	9 x 10 ⁶	9000	1000
0.75 kW/m ²	7 x 10 ⁶	8700	750
0.5 kW/m ²	4.5 x 10 ⁶	8600	500
0.25 kW/m ²	2 x 10 ⁶	8500	250

Table 1: Comparative study of power, voltage and current for different levels of irradiance level

Table 1 illustrates the comparative analysis of the Maximum Power Point (MPP) for different levels of irradiane. The above values have been derived from the I-V and P-V characteristics of the PV array (Sun Power SPR 305-WHT consisting of 173 series modules & 173 Parallel strings) considered for study.

VI. PARAMETERS USED

The necessary information from current and voltage signals so obtained due to phase to ground fault occurred while operating in Grid connected mode & island mode is extracted using wavelet transform. This information is futher used in training of bagged decision tree for the classifying the type of error occurred in the system.

VII. RESULT ANALYSIS

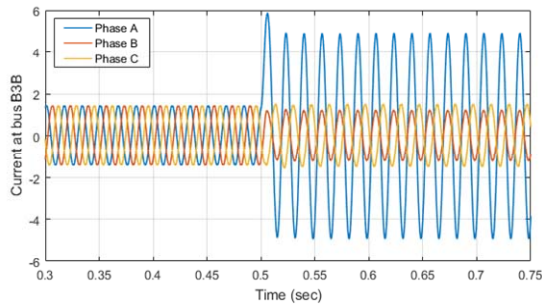


Figure 6. Current at Bus B3B due to A-G fault in the grid-connected mode

The Figure 6 illustrates the current waveform at B3B bus due to phase A to ground (A-G) fault occurred in microgrid system when connected to utility grid. Figure is showing the variation of currents on ordinate while time has been taken on abscissa.

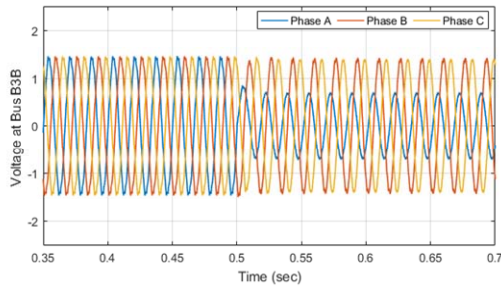


Figure 7. Voltage at Bus B3B due to A-G fault in the grid-connected mode

The Figure 7. is showing the variation of voltage at B3B bus due to phase A to ground (A-G) fault occurred in microgrid system when connected to utility grid. The time has been taken on abscissa while variation of voltage has been taken on ordinate.

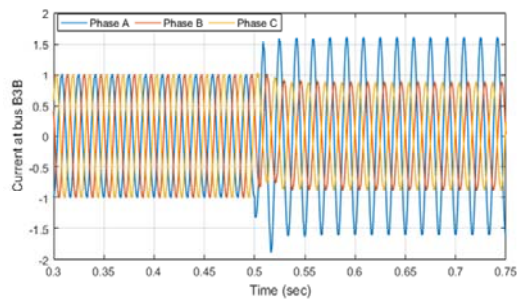


Figure 8. Current at Bus B3B due to A-G fault in the Off-grid mode

The Figure 8 shown above illustrates the current waveform at B3B bus due to phase A to ground (A-G) fault occurred in microgrid system when operating in islanded mode. Figure is showing the variation of currents on y axis while time has been taken on x axis.

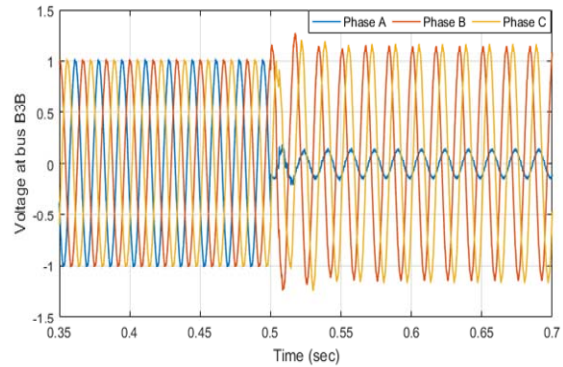


Figure 9. Voltage at Bus B3B due to A-G fault in the Off-grid mode

The Figure 9 shown above illustrates the variation of voltage at B3B bus due to phase A to ground (A-G) fault occurred in microgrid system when operating in islanded mode. Figure is showing the voltage on y axis while time has been taken on x axis. The necessary information from current and voltage signals so obtained due to phase to ground fault occurred while operating in Grid connected mode & island mode is extracted using wavelet transform. This information is further used in training of bagged decision tree for the classifying the type of error occurred in the system.

In the proposed study, an extensive data set is generated to train and test the data-mining model (using Bagged trees) for developing an accurate and robust classifier to perform the fault detection and classification task. The Baaged decision tree model is trained and tested for different combination of data sets, involving variation in fault parameters and other operating scenarios. For example in combination of (70–30) data set, 70% of data are considered for training purpose and 30% of data for testing purpose. The confusion matrix generated for the above system is depicted in Fig. 9, 10 and 11, which provides the comparison results between the actual and predicted faults during testing for the given data set.

True class	0	1	2	3	4
0	233			12	27
1		260	5	5	
2		7	246	17	
3	9	21	32	195	13
4	20			10	240
	0	1	2	3	4

Figure 9: Confusion matrix showing the comparison between true and predicted class

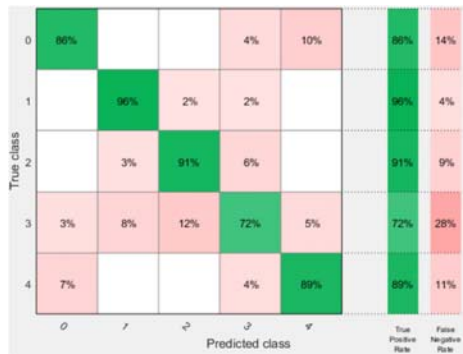


Figure 10: Confusion matrix showing the variation between true positive and true negative rate



Figure 11: Confusion matrix showing the variation between positive predictive value and false discovery rate

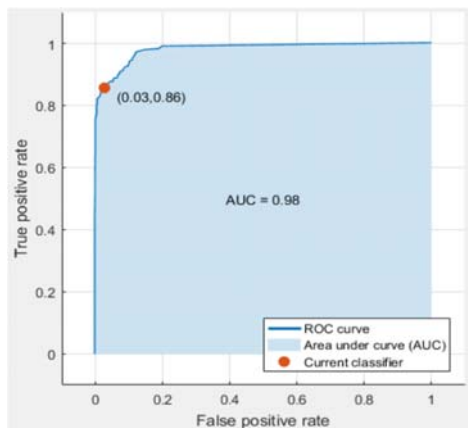


Figure 11: Receiver Operating Characteristic (ROC) curve of Bagged decision tree based classifier

In order to show the robustness of proposed bagged decision tree based classifier in performing the protection task, the Receiver Operating Characteristic (ROC) curve has been depicted in Fig. 11 which shows the ability in performing the intended tasks.

VIII. CONCLUSION AND FUTURE WORK

In this paper PV system based microgrid connected to the utility grid has been considered for study & simulation. The swift detection & classification of the faults occurring the microgrid is important in an order to implement the proficient protection strategy for the system.

For the anticipated protection scheme the use of wavelet transform is proposed. It has been used to extract the desired information from the current & voltage waveforms captured during faults. This information is then utilized in teaching bagged decision trees for identification and classification of faults occurred in the microgrid.

The bagged decision tree are used in decision making process and is one of the important data mining technique. The optimal and safe working of the system can be ensured by adapting suitable protection scheme once the fault is classified accurately.

The proposed scheme of fault identification and classification & subsequent analysis as elaborated in this paper suggest that devised methodologies are quite capable and practical in approach however some improvements still can be made which are as follows:

1. The microgrid considered for the study & simulation only consists of the PV arrays. Study can be further carried out on microgrid constituting of other distributed energy resources such as fuel cell, wind turbines etc.
2. In this dissertation work a phase to ground fault has been simulated for one phase. The results can be verified for other different types of faults such as line to line (L-L), all line to ground (L-L-G) faults.
3. Wavelet transform as a data mining tool uses the regression as data mining technique. Other data mining techniques such as Tracking patterns, Classification, Association, Clustering etc. may be implemented to extract the information from the data captured during fault in the system.

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