Abstract:- Flexible Alternating Current Transmission systems (FACTS) devices have been proven to be a better approach in the improvement of the transmission of power, of which its major purpose is to compensate the reactive power of the network. This is why this paper investigates the impact of FACTS devices on the Port Harcourt network which is a state network in Nigeria. Continuation Power Flow (CPF) analysis and Eigenvalue analysis were done for proper investigation of both the impact on the load increment and behavior due to disturbances. CPF analysis shows that the network without FACTS will violate all bus voltage with load increment of which the maximum loading is far lower as compared to when FACTS is installed. When FACTS was installed, though few of the bus voltages were violated, but, about 100% addition load improvement as compared to without FACTS. The Eigenvalue analysis done shows that the network is prone to instability without the addition of FACTS with the presence of a negative real reduced Jacobian (JR) matrix. With the inclusion of FACTS, the system became stable with all real Jr values being positive. An improvement was seen in the real and reactive power losses when using FACTS device up to the range of 0.0647pu and 0.4974pu from 1.3425pu and 1.9385pu respectively. This shows that there will be a greater advantage in using FACTS device to stabilize the network.

Keyword: FACTS, Port Harcourt, Voltage, Stability, Eigenvalue, loading factor.

I INTRODUCTION

Power system stability have been a major concern to Nigerians. This has led to so many closure of businesses, increase in the prize of goods and services, decrease in the number of investors, etc [1]. The major cause of the power problem has been poor management of the Network. Since the cause of voltage instability is reactive power, it will be wise to compensate the reactive power of the network using FACTS devices. FACTS devices have been proven to be the best means to improve the transmission line for a better Network performance. So many FACTS device have been developed with its different properties, but, for the purpose of this paper Static Compensator (STATCOM) will be considered. STATCOM was used to investigate the strength of the Port Harcourt network to ascertain if there will be a greater advantage in using FACTS device to stabilize the network.

II CONTINUATION POWER FLOW (CPF)

The CPF simulation was considered to determine the voltage behavior of the network on a changing load. This analysis was necessary to checkmate the load input in the network [4]. At maximum loading, the network is expected not to accept more load or a system collapse is likely to occur. Load parameter λ is selected as continuation parameter in all prediction and correction steps. In this study, continuation power flow method without parameterization is utilized so as to analyze the voltage stability of systems since it gives satisfactory results.

III NODAL ANALYSIS

This analysis is used to predict voltage collapse in complex power system. It computes the smallest eigenvalue and associated eigenvector of reduced Jacobian matrix gotten from load flow solution. Eigenvalues comprises of modes of voltage and reactive power changes which provides relative measure of proximity to voltage instability [2]. It can also be used to predict the weakest bus by determining the participating factor. The reduced Jacobian matrix Jr

\[ J_r = \frac{\Delta Q}{\Delta V} \]  

The reduced jacobian matrix represents a linearized relationship between the increment changes in bus voltage (ΔV) and the changes in reactive power (ΔQ) [2]. Reduced Jacobian, eigenvalues and eigenvectors are used for voltage instability characteristics analysis. In a dynamic system, when the real part of the eigenvalue are positive, the system can be said to be stable, and can be considered unstable when, at least, one of the real part of the eigenvalue is negative. Once the minimum eigenvalue have been found, the highest participation factor value can be determined which can be seen as the weakest bus.
IV RESULTS AND DISCUSSION
The stability analysis was done with Power System Analysis Toolbox (PSAT). The voltage profile, P-V curve and \( J_R \) real and imaginary, real and reactive power losses, voltage violation and maximum loading factor were gotten to justify the impact of adding FACTS device to the Network as shown in Table 1 and figure 1 – 7.

Table 1: Summary of voltage analysis done

| Properties               | Without FACTS | With FACTS |
|--------------------------|---------------|------------|
| Voltage violation        | 4             | 0          |
| Real power loss (p.u.)   | 0.12984       | 0.00703    |
| Reactive power loss (p.u.) | 1.5549       | 0.10156    |
| CPF Voltage violation    | 7             | 4          |
| CPF Real power loss (p.u.) | 1.3425       | 0.0647     |
| CPF Reactive power loss (p.u.) | 1.9385       | 0.49743    |
| Maximum loading (p.u.)   | 0.5234        | 2.567      |

Figure 1: Voltage profile with DGs

Figure 2: Voltage profile for CPF

Figure 3: V-P curve with DG

Figure 4: \( J_R \) real and imaginary values without FACTS
The result gotten shows an improvement in the voltage violation at the collapse point as shown in Table 1. Without using FACTS device, 2 buses were violated, but the introduction of FACTS device shows that there is no violation of any Bus. A notable improvement was also seen in the real and reactive power losses when using FACTS device up to the range of 0.0647pu and 0.49743pu from 1.3425pu and 1.9385pu respectively.

V CONCLUSION

After investigating the impact of FACTS on the stability of Port Harcourt power Network, it can be concluded that it will be of a very great advantage to introduce FACTS device in the power Network to improve the efficiency of the Network. The Network showed a significant improvement on all the parameters considered. It shows that with the introduction of FACTS, more people can be served with minimal losses and a far better voltage stability. The paper gives a clear understanding on the advantages of using FACTS devices to improve the power system and minimize losses due to outages and damages. FACTS aid to compensate reactive power which is the major cause of voltage instability.

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