A review of combined economic emission dispatch for optimal power dispatch with renewable energy

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\textbf{ABSTRACT}

This paper provides comprehensive review of recent formulation and solution of combined economic emission dispatch problem considering renewable energy. Generally, power dispatch plays an important role in power generation system that mainly depends on the fossil fuels. Rapid depletion of these sources cause a limitation and increase the fuel price. At the same time, the poisonous gases emit by the thermal generator causes a long term environmental pollution. An extensive researches have been conducted for last few decades by considering Renewable Energy (RE) in power generation system as an alternative source. Therefore, Combined Economic Emission Dispatch (CEED) of thermal and renewable energy resources currently formulated in power dispatch problem. The optimization methods that commonly used to solve the CEED problem are categorized as traditional method, non-conventional method and hybrid method. It can be concluded that non-conventional and hybrid method have great and superior solution for solving multiobjective economic emission dispatch problem. The recent research related to CEED with RE are summarized in terms of methods, test cases, conditions, types of RE and constraints. Thus, it can be useful references for the research in this area.

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1. INTRODUCTION

Power generation is known as a large network system that responsible in supplying the electricity while power dispatch plays a big role in power system planning and scheduling. Power dispatch is responsible in planning an optimal and effective power output of committed generator to meet the required power demand and system constraints [1].

Economic Dispatch (EcD) is one of optimization problem that deals with the reduction of fuel costs to meet the power demand [2]. Instead of minimizing the cost in EcD problem, the Emission Dispatch (EmD) problem also need to pay more attentions in the power dispatch problem. EmD is referred to the minimization of the burning fossil fuels that have discharge various harmful particles in the air such as nitrogen oxides (NO\textsubscript{x}), sulfur dioxide (SO\textsubscript{2}) and carbon dioxide (CO\textsubscript{2}) [3]. The minimization of both fuel cost and emission of pollutant form a multi-objectives optimization problem called Combined Economic Emission Dispatch (CEED) [4] where these problems are commonly conflicted to each other. Therefore, the best optimal solution of CEED become important optimization problem to be solved in power system scheduling.
The rapid depletion of fossil fuels introduced renewable energy sources as one of the alternatives to be implemented in power systems. These great innovations are accepted, and many researchers are started to include these green technologies into power dispatch problems [5–7]. By involving the green technologies, the complexity of CEED formulation and constraints are also increased and attract the researchers to focus on this research [7–9].

This paper presents the fundamental concept of power dispatch, including Economic and Emission Dispatch. It also provides a comprehensive review of Combined Economic Emission Dispatch (CEED) considering renewable energy. The critical analysis and summary of the related previous study are highlighted in the table form. Therefore, it can guide researchers to find suitable research directions in this area.

2. CONCEPT OF POWER DISPATCH

The global are facing a major depletion on fossil fuels, thus making these sources become limited and affecting the price as well. Therefore, the Economic Dispatch (EcD) is introduced as a solution to minimize the total fuel cost \( C_T \). The main objective of the EcD is to reduce the fuel cost of the generating unit. The EcD formulation can be expressed in quadratic form as [5]:

\[
C_T = \sum_{i=1}^{N_{Gi}} a_i + b_i P_{Gi} + c_i P_{Gi}^2
\]

where \( a_i \), \( b_i \), and \( c_i \) are the fuel cost coefficients of the \( i \)th generator, while \( P_{Gi} \) is known as the power of the generator. By considering valve point effects, the non-convex fuel cost function \( C_i \) can be formulated as [10]:

\[
C_i = a_i + b_i P_{Gi} + c_i P_{Gi}^2 + |e_i \sin(f_i(P_{Gi}^\text{min} - P_{Gi}))|\]

where \( e_i \) and \( f_i \) are the fuel cost coefficients of the \( i \)th generator due to valve point effects.

However, burning fossil fuels can emit harmful particles in the air such as sulfur dioxide (SO\(_2\)), nitrogen oxide (NO\(_x\)) and carbon dioxide (CO\(_2\)). Therefore, Emission Dispatch (EmD) is proposed with the goal to minimize the emission of the hazardous particle of the generating unit. The mathematical formulation of emission \( E_i \) can be expressed as [11]:

\[
E_i = \alpha_i + \beta_i P_{Gi} + \gamma P_{Gi}^2 + \epsilon_i(\exp(\delta_i * P_i))
\]

where \( \alpha_i \), \( \beta_i \), \( \gamma \), \( \epsilon_i \), and \( \delta_i \) are the emission coefficients of the \( i \)th generating unit.

These two single objectives can combine to form Combined Economic Emission Dispatch (CEED) that minimizes both fuel cost and emission of the generating unit simultaneously [11]. The CEED optimization problem can be defined as [1]:

\[
\min F = \sum_{i=1}^{n} (C_i(P_{Gi}) + h_i E_i(P_{Gi}))
\]

where \( \min F \) is the objective function to be minimized, \( C_i \) and \( E_i \) are the fuel cost and emission functions of the \( i \)th generating unit and \( h_i \) is the price penalty factor. This approach is to convert the multiobjective problem into a single objective problem [11]. Thus, \( h_i \) can be calculated as follows [11]:

\[
h_i = \frac{a_i + b_i P_{Gi} + c_i P_{Gi}^2}{(a_i + b_i P_{Gi} + \gamma P_{Gi}^2 + \epsilon_i(\exp(\delta_i * P_{Gi})))}
\]

The effect of fossil fuels brings up renewable energy as an alternative way to solve the economic and environmental issues. There are various green technologies that have been developed and the most popular are hydro, solar, and wind sources while biomass, tidal, and geothermal are starting to strike up in global markets.
Power dispatch problem can be formulated in two different condition which are in static condition or dynamic condition [11]. Static condition is aimed to allocate the generating unit in a scheduling horizon normally one hour while dynamic condition is the performance over twenty-four hours a day. Obviously the formulation of the dynamic condition will be more complex compared to static condition. Although the dynamic formulation is difficult due to the large dimensionality but the performance in terms of accuracy is high [3]. Several researches have been successfully solve the dynamic CEED problem. Normally, CEED has been applied on thermal cases only and the formulation is simpler. Meanwhile, to solve these multi-objective problem by considering the renewable energy, the formulation might be more complex subject to constraint. This is one of the good choice we have to overcome the limitation of fossil fuels and reducing the pollutant. However, these renewable energies also confronting the constraints especially uncertainty of the weather.

3. **CEED WITH RENEWABLE ENERGY**

Despite from fossil fuel, renewable energy is started to be implement widely on power generation as an alternatives sources. Renewable energy is not deplete as compared to the fossil fuels that are now facing up a depletion process. Thermal generator has own constraints as well as renewable energy generators.

In 2012 [12], A.Ahmadi proposed a method for self-scheduling of hydro-thermal problem. A valve-point effect problem has been linearized in this multi-objective problem. Instead of fix rate, a dynamic ramp rate limit is used to optimize the problem. This problem is studied on IEEE-118 bus considering prohibited operational zones, ramp rate limit and fuel limitations. An analytic method using lexicographic optimization and hybrid augmented-weighted ε-constraint technique is used and efficiently solved the problem.

In 2013 [6], H.T. Jadav solved the economic emission dispatch considering wind power as stochastic variable. An ABC algorithm is a hybrid with PSO algorithm and applied to IEEE-30 bus test system consists of two wind farm and six thermal units. The proposed method are applied to three different cases considering valve point effect, prohibited zones, ramp rate limit and others. The proposed method has good performances on computational efficiency and converges fast than PSO and ABC. A. Immanuel Selvakumar proposed a multi-objective short-term hydrothermal scheduling (MSTHTS) including the economic and emission as the objective functions [13]. Hybrid method has been carried out by integrating society-civilization algorithm (SCA) and particle swarm optimization algorithm (PSO) thus introducing civilized swarm optimization (CSO) where the ability of local and global searching are balanced. The performance of CSO has been illustrated on two hydrothermal test systems in terms of solution optimality, consistency and execution time. As a result, proposed CSO is more consistent and faster than the previous methods.

In 2014 [11], Naveed Ahmed Khan proposed a solar generation on combined emission economic dispatch of the power system. The solar generation are tested statically and dynamically with full and reduced radiation. A popular method, particle swarm optimization method has been approach on six conventional and thirteen photovoltaic plant by considering power balance and generator limit constraints. In [14], the authors proposed a fixed head hydro thermal environmental economic dispatch possesses various constraints including generator limit constraint, water availability constraints and power balance constraints. An improved multi-objective estimation of distribution algorithms is approach to solve the multi-objective problems of fixed two hydro unit and two and four thermal generator.

In 2015 [8], Jamshid Aghaei proposed a self-scheduling of hydro-thermal considering ramp rate limit, multi-head power discharge characteristic of the hydro, spillage of reservoirs, prohibited operating zones and operating services of the thermal plants. The problem is applied on IEEE-118 bus of 54 thermal unit and 8 hydro unit by ε constraint and generate Pareto set. To validate the superior of the method, the result obtained is compared to the weighted sum method, differential evolution, quantum-behaved particle swarm optimization algorithm, hybrid multi-objective cultural algorithm and evolutionary-programming based interactive fuzzy satisfying method. A wind-thermal economic emission dispatch include the coordination of power allocation form wind and thermal power generation is then proposed by Shanhe Jiang [15]. A new develop optimization method known as gravitational acceleration enhanced particle swarm optimization algorithm is proposed to solve this bi-objective problem. The proposed hybrid method quickly converges when compared to gravitational search algorithm and particle swarm optimization algorithm.

In 2016 [10], Ali Ghasemi addresses the effect of wind on economic emission dispatch. An OLHBMO algorithm is suggested to solve the IEEE-30 bus 6 unit, IEEE 118-bus 14 unit and IEEE 118-bus 40 unit with valve point effect, security constraint, equality and inequality constraint and prohibited operating zones. Next, Naveed Ahmed Khan presents a combined economic emission dispatch with solar generation on IEEE-30 bus system[4]. A hybrid method are applied to solve the problem with network security constraints. At the same time, Shunjian Lin proposed a normalized normal constraints algorithm to be applied on multi-objectives problem in large scale power system with wind and pumped storage.
hydroelectric stations [16]. Yimu Fu has minimized the power purchase cost and pollutant gas emission on stochastic wind thermal generation [9]. Interior point method has been applied to solve IEEE-39 bus and Real 1534-bus power system with added of wind plant. The constraints are including power balance constraint, conventional unit output, wind farm output and pumped storage station output. As a result, a preliminary exploration is performed with high computing clusters.

In 2017 [1], optimization of economic emission dispatch with solar generation has been proposed by C.Shilaja and K.Ravi. This bi-objectives problem are solved by eFPA and BFPA by including generator constraints, power balance constraints and renewable energy constraints. About twenty solar and five thermal generator are used on IEEE-30 bus and IEEE-57 bus system with full solar radiation and reduced solar radiations. Mohammad Reza Andervash then present an economic emission dispatch of thermal with the presence of hybrid electric car and correlated wind power plants [17]. The uncertainty of the wind plant, the generator constraints and prohibited operating zones are including as the constraints. The NSGA-II and SPEA method are approach to solve these multi-objective problem. Paper [18] proposed a multi-objective short-term hydrothermal scheduling. The cuckoo search algorithm is modified for improvement and applied on four test system that consider power balance constraints, generator limit and hydraulic constraints.

Gang Liu proposed a dynamic economic emission with wind-thermal plant in paper [19]. A hybrid method, DE and PSO are integrate into DE-PSO algorithm to solve the problem. The result are more superior compared to other method in term of diversity, maximum spread and accuracy. A multi-objective economic environmental power dispatch with stochastic wind-solar-small hydro plant (run of river) is then proposed by Partha P.Biswas [5]. Some of the IEEE-30 bus system has replaced with one wind generator, one solar unit and one combination of solar and hydro unit. MOEA and SMODE are used up to solve the problem by considering the network constraint, prohibited zones and generator capability. The simulation result shows that SMODE outperform MOEA in terms of achieving diversity and convergence.

In 2019 [3], M.Basu proposed multi-area dynamic economic emission dispatch considering hydro-wind-thermal power system. The NSGA-II is used for solving complicated real world problem by taking consideration of wind power uncertainty, cascaded hydro plants and valve point effect.

Table 1 summarizes the papers that recent and related research of combined economic emission dispatch with renewable energy where the method, case study, condition, type of renewable energy and constraints are highlighted.

| No. | Ref/Year | Method | Test Case | Condition | Renewable Energy Source | Constraint |
|-----|----------|--------|-----------|-----------|-------------------------|------------|
| 1.  | [3] 2019 | NSGA-II| 4 reservoir hydro plant, 2 wind plant and 10 thermal | D | W | Ramp rate limit constraints, hydraulic network constraints, tie line capacity constraints |
| 2.  | [19] 2018 | Differential evolution and particle swarm optimization | 10 thermal without wind power, IEEE 118-bus with 14 thermal unit and 1 large wind farm | √ | √ | Wind power chance constraints, ramp rate limit of thermal |
| 3.  | [5] 2018 | MOEA/D and SMODE | IEEE 30-bus | √ | √ | Prohibited operating zones and security constraints |
| 4.  | [1] 2017 | eFPA and binary FPA | IEEE 30-bus of 5 thermal and 20 solar, IEEE 57-bus of 5 thermal and 20 solar | √ | | Renewable energy constraints |
| 5.  | [17] 2017 | NSGA-II and SPEA-2 | 26 buses, 46 transmission lines, 6 thermal and 2 wind farm | √ | | Ramp rate limit, prohibited operational zones, generation limit of wind turbines, line loading limit |
| 6.  | [18] 2017 | Modified cuckoo search algorithm | 2 hydro plant and 1 thermal plant, 1 hydro plant 1 thermal plant, 2 hydro plant and 2 thermal plant | √ | | Hydraulic constraints |
| 7.  | [10] 2016 | OLHBMO algorithm PSO, Newton-Ralphson and binary integer programming | IEEE 30-bus and IEEE 118-bus | √ | | Security constraints, prohibited operating zones |
| 8.  | [4] 2016 | IEEE 30-bus of 6 thermal, 13 solar plant | √ | | Renewable energy limit, network constraints |
| No. | Ref/Year | Method                                                                 | Test Case                                                                 | Condition | Renewable Energy Source | Constraint                                                                 |
|-----|----------|------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 9.  | [16] 2016| Interior point algorithm and normalized normal constraints algorithm Interior point method, scenario based decomposition and asynchronous block iteration | Actual large scale power system IEEE 39-bus with wind farm                | √         |                       | Thermal and hydroelectric output constraints, transmission line limit, security limit |
| 10. | [9] 2016 | Interior point algorithm and normalized normal constraints algorithm Interior point method, scenario based decomposition and asynchronous block iteration | IEEE 39-bus and real 1534-bus power system                                   | √         |                       | Conventional unit output constraints, wind farm output constraints, pump storage output constraints, network transmission constraints |
| 11. | [8] 2015 | ε constraint                                                           | IEEE 118-bus with 10 oil fired, 11 gas fired, 33 coal fired units and 8 hydro units and 6 and 40 thermal without wind | √         |                       | Prohibited operational zones, valve loading effect, capacity limits of thermal, ramp rate limit, hydro constraints. |
| 12. | [15] 2015| GAEPSO                                                                  | 40 thermal with 2 wind farm                                               | √         |                       | Prohibited zones constraint                                                                 |
| 13. | [11] 2014| PSO algorithm                                                          | 6 thermal 13 solar plant                                                  | √         |                       | Ramp rate limit                                                                 |
| 14. | [14] 2014| Improved multi-objective estimation of distribution algorithms          | 2 hydro plant, 4 thermal unit, 2 hydro plant, 2 thermal unit               | √         |                       | Water availability constraints, generation limit                                                                 |
| 15. | [6] 2013 | GABC                                                                    | IEEE 30-bus with 6 thermal and 2 wind farm                               | √         |                       | Prohibited operational zones, ramp rate limit                                                                 |
| 16. | [13] 2013| Civilization swarm optimization                                         | 4 hydro unit, 3 thermal unit, 2 hydro unit, 4 thermal unit                 | √         |                       | Operational limits constraints on hydro and thermal, flow balance, bound of water discharge through turbines |
| 17. | [12] 2012| Mixed integer nonlinear programming                                    | IEEE 118-bus with 10 oil fired, 11 gas fired and 33 coal fired unit       | √         |                       | Prohibited operational zones, capacity limit constraints, ramp rate limit, maximize profit |

Note: St = Static, D = Dynamic, W = Wind, S = Solar, H = Hydro

4. OPTIMIZATION METHOD OF CEED

There are different methods have been proposed to handle the power dispatch problem for minimizing cost and emission in power generation. Generally, it can be classified into three categories as shown in Figure 1 which are traditional method, non-conventional method and hybrid method.

![Figure 1. Classification of optimization method](image-url)

Traditional methods including simulated annealing [20], Lambda iteration [21] and Newton Raphson [22] are usually performed better and fast on single objective function since they don’t have problem on specific parameter. As the problem becomes multi-objective function, the non-conventional method is introduced to handle the difficult optimization problem. Various non-conventional method such as, FPA [1], Modified NSGA-II [23], PSO [24], LFA [25], WOA [26], CSA [27] and SOA [28] have been successfully utilized for these problem.
Even though, the performance is great in solving non-linear and non-convex problem, but some of these meta-heuristic algorithms are suffered from specific parameter selection thus resulting a long computational time. Therefore, a hybrid method is proposed in which combining two or more algorithms with hope to improve the previous single algorithm. The proposed hybrid algorithms such as DSA-DP-CSA [29], MOEA-SMODE [5], PSO-Newton Raphson and binary integer programming [4] and CSA-PSO [13] are efficiently solve the dispatch problem. However, the hybrid method is more difficult and the computational time is longer compared to non-conventional method. Some performances are so much improved than previous but some cases may be worse than previous. Therefore, each algorithm has its own benefit and drawback while there is no single algorithm can outperform other algorithm for different nature of problem. Table 2 list out the advantages and disadvantages of some optimization methods.

| Ref | Algorithm | Advantages | Disadvantages |
|-----|-----------|------------|---------------|
| [30] | GA | Good in search space covering | Need a long computational time |
| [31] | ABC | Quick convergence ability, Simple structure | Poor exploitation capability, Poor in global optima |
| [32] | PSO | Higher value on global exploration, Simple to understand | Suffer from trapping in local optima solutions, Slow in computational time |
| [33] | DE | Simple and less parameter | Suffer from premature convergence |
| [10] | HBMO | Easy to implement, Simple in concept | Unsuitable value leads to bad local and global search |
| [13] | CSO | Higher solution quality, Shorter computational time | Cannot guarantee high computational time on large scale system |
| [34] | GSA | Faster convergences speed, High rate of successful | Cannot maintain the population diversity in the swarm |

5. CONCLUSION

This paper has presented a review of application of renewable energy on combined economic emission dispatch optimization problem with integration of renewable energy. There are different types of renewable energy sources and combinations have been considered in current power dispatch problem and the problem become complex multi-objective optimization problem. Apart from that, the methods, test cases, types of renewable energy, constraints and condition either static or dynamic of each paper are reviewed and tabulated in the table. In order to solve this complex CEED problem, many optimization algorithms have been proposed and each of them have their own advantages and disadvantages. This paper also summarizes the classification of the optimization methods that widely used such as traditional method, non-conventional and hybrid method.

From the review, it found that renewable energy like solar power plant is the large green technology has been integrated in power system over various countries. Therefore, the power dispatch is become complex due to the intermittent sun radiation and required new dispatch model and efficient optimization algorithm. As mention in [35], the factor of convergence, optimal solution, robustness and computational time must be considered in order to find a good solution of optimization technique. Thus, it has a great potential to discover an effective and accurate solution for solving economic emission dispatch optimization problem with integration of renewable energy in static and dynamic condition.

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