SIMULTANEOUS OPTIMAL INTEGRATION OF PHOTOVOLTAIC DISTRIBUTED GENERATION AND BATTERY ENERGY STORAGE SYSTEM IN ACTIVE DISTRIBUTION NETWORK USING CHAOTIC GREY WOLF OPTIMIZATION

**Goal.** The integration of photovoltaic distributed generations in the active distribution network has raised quickly due to their importance in delivering clean energy, hence, participating in solving various problems as climate change and pollution. Adding the battery energy storage systems would be considered as one of the best choices in giving solutions to the mentioned issues due to its characteristics of quick charging and discharging, managing the quality of power, and fulfilling the peak of energy demand. The novelty of the proposed work is the development of new multi-objective functions based on the sum of the three technical parameters of total active power loss, total voltage deviation, and total operation time of the overcurrent protection relay. **Purpose.** This paper is dedicated for solving the allocation problem of hybrid photovoltaic distributed generation and battery energy storage systems integration in the standard IEEE 33-bus and IEEE 69-bus active distribution networks. **Methodology.** The optimal integration of the hybrid systems is formulated by minimizing the proposed multi-objective functions by applying a newly developed metaheuristic technique based on various chaotic grey wolf optimization algorithms. The applied optimization algorithms are becoming increasingly popular due to their simplicity, lack of gradient information needed, ability to bypass local optima, and versatility in power system applications. **Results.** The simulation results of both test systems confirm the robustness and efficiency of the chaotic grey wolf optimization algorithm compared to the rest of the algorithms in terms of convergence to the global optimal solution and in terms of providing the best and minimum multi-objective functions-based power losses, voltage deviation and relay operation time values. **Practical significance.** Recommendations have been used for the development of optimal allocation of hybrid systems for practical industrial distribution power systems with the renewable energy sources presence. References 32, tables 4, figures 9.

**Key words:** photovoltaic distributed generation, battery energy storage system, active distribution network, optimal integration, multi-objective functions, chaotic grey wolf optimization algorithm.

**Meta.** Integrazione fotovoltaica di distribuzione elettrica in rete distribuita per risolvere la necessità di rafforzare il sistema ed effettuare una migliore gestione della qualità della energia elettrica, tenendo conto delle varie problematiche in campo. Il monitoraggio e la gestione delle variazioni di tensione ecc. è di grande importanza per garantire la qualità della produzione elettrica. Il corretto funzionamento del sistema di generazione fotovoltaica e dell'energia elettrica richiede un'efficiente gestione elettrica. La mancata integrazione di sistemi fotovoltaici può causare vari problemi, tra cui la perdita di energia elettrica e la mancanza di energia elettrica. **Risultati.** I risultati ottenuti con l'applicazione di diversi algoritmi di ottimizzazione hanno dimostrato l'efficacia della proposta. **Conclusione.** La proposta di integrazione fotovoltaica in rete distribuita rappresenta un'opzione interessante per la gestione della qualità della produzione elettrica e la mancata integrazione di sistemi fotovoltaici può causare vari problemi, tra cui la perdita di energia elettrica e la mancanza di energia elettrica. **Keyword:** photovoltaic distributed generation, battery energy storage system, active distribution network, optimal integration, multi-objective functions, chaotic grey wolf optimization algorithm.

**1. Introduction.** In the last years, the penetration of Renewable Energy Sources (RES) in the Active Distribution Network (ADN) has rapidly increased to address the problems of climate change and pollution. Photovoltaic Distributed Generation (PVDG) often uses ADN to access many RESs for their benefits in pollution reduction, voltage profile enhancement, and power loss reduction. However, large-scale PVDG sources in the ADN variations, on the other hand, may cause voltage fluctuations in power supply systems, resulting in a loss of the quality of power and some other issues that have sparked widespread concern. Additionally, increasing PV penetration in the future could pose a serious threat to the utility ADN reliability and stability.

The Battery Energy Storage Systems (BESS) has emerged as one of most successful solutions for dealing with these issues [1]. The BESS has become a popular method of smoothing active power variations of distribution grid connected PVDG sources at the common coupling point in recent years. The BESS enables quick charging and discharging, enhancing the versatility of ADN, especially those with multiple PVDG sources. In practice, the BESS provides ADN with a variety of services in several countries [2].

Recently, various researchers have been dedicated to develop an advanced solution that identifies the best locations and sizes for PVDGs and BESSs units to improve ADN operation and planning problems, as applying the Mixed Integer Linear Programming (MILP) to reduce the total cost of energy in ADN [3, 4], and MILP algorithm while considering the environmental and...
economic aspects [5]. Stochastic Mixed Integer Linear Programming (SMILP) for overall network cost minimization with ADN reconfiguration [6], and the Mixed-Integer Second-Order Cone Program (MISOCP) to minimize real-time energy gap with uncertainties [7], and also using MISOCP to reduce the total cost’s operation and BESS cost’s investment considering soft open points of ADN [8]. Dynamic programming optimization algorithm to maximize the renewable DG consumption and BESS benefits [9]. Applying Genetic Algorithm (GA) for active power losses minimization [10], and applying GA for minimizing the BESS total cost, also the yearly cost of voltage-sag events [11], also GA for reducing the total net present value from BESS deployment over a specified planning horizon [12], and applied multi-player distributed optimization game algorithm to maximize the cost and benefits of BESS [13].

Applied Differential Evolutionary (DE) algorithm for minimizing the investment and maintenance costs considering time-varying load model [14]. Implantation of the Group Search Optimizer (GSO) algorithm to minimize the system stability index of ADN [15], Modified Bat Algorithm (MBA) for minimizing the system’s total cost with various irradiances at different days [16], Hybrid Gravity Search Algorithm (HGS) for reducing the BESS daily cost of maintenance and operation also its initial investment [17], used Teaching–Learning-Based Optimization (TLBO) algorithm for minimization of life cycle cost and gas emissions [18], Whale Optimization Algorithm (WOA) for reducing the ADN’s power losses [19], Particle Swarm Optimization (PSO) algorithm for reducing the active power loss and the node voltages deviation indices with the dynamic hourly reconfiguration of ADN [20], Natural Aggregation Algorithm (NAA) for minimizing the investment and operation cost of the system, and the BESS’s residual value [21], Harris Hawks Optimization (HHO) algorithm to minimize the sum of the bus voltage deviation and active power losses [22]. Recently in 2021, applied Simulated Annealing (SA) algorithm for utility profit maximization from energy arbitrage [23].

This paper has applied a new recent meta-heuristic which called the Grey Wolf Optimizer (GWO); an optimization algorithm inspired based on the hunting behavior of grey wolves that lives in wild nature [24]. The principal defies of GWO that it is easy to fall into the local optimum. Owing to the ergodicity of chaos, in this paper is included the theory of chaos into the GWO algorithm to strengthen its performance [25].

Practically, the operational objectives are conflicting in nature. Hence, the problem of allocating PVDG and BESS becomes a complex multi-objective function problem that optimizes multiple conflicting objectives. In this paper, an allocation problem of hybrid PVDG–BESS systems is formulated to minimize the Multi-Objective Functions (MOF) which can be solved by the various versions of Chaotic Grey Wolf Optimization (CGWO) algorithms.

2. Mathematical problem formulation.

2.1. Multi-objective functions. In this paper, aim to optimally locate and size the hybrid PVDG and BESS sources into ADN, by minimizing simultaneously the technical parameters of Total Active Power Loss (TAPL), Total Voltage Deviation (TVD), and Total Operation Time (TOT) of Non-Standard Overcurrent Relay (NS-OCR), which is based on new time-current-voltage tripping characteristic

\[ MOF = \text{Minimize} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \sum_{j=1}^{M} [TAPL_{i,j} + TVD] ] \] . (1)

Starting by, the TAPL of the distribution line, that can be expressed by [26, 27]

\[ TAPL_{i,j} = \sum_{i=1}^{N} \sum_{j=1}^{M} APL_{i,j} \] , (2)

\[ APL_{i,j} = \alpha_i \left( P_{PG} + Q_{Q_i} \right) + \beta_j \left( Q_{P_i} + P_{Q_j} \right) \] , (3)

\[ \alpha_i = \frac{R_{ij}}{V_{ij}} \cos(\delta_i - \delta_j) \] , (4)

\[ \beta_j = \frac{R_{ij}}{V_{ij}} \sin(\delta_i + \delta_j) \] , (5)

where \( R_{ij} \) is the line resistance; \( N_{bus} \) is the bus number; \( (\delta_i, \delta_j) \) are angles and voltages, respectively; \( (P_i, P_j) \) and \( (Q_i, Q_j) \) demonstrate active and reactive powers, respectively.

The second term is the TVD, which is defined as [28, 29]

\[ TVD = \sum_{i=1}^{N} \left| 1 - V_i \right| \] . (6)

The final term, the TOT of NS-OCR, which is defined as [30]

\[ TOT = \sum_{i=1}^{N} T_i \] , (7)

\[ T_i = \left( \frac{1}{e^{I_p - I_F}} \right)^K TDS \left( \frac{A}{M^a - 1} \right) \] , (8)

\[ M_i = \frac{I_p - I_F}{I_p} \] , (9)

where \( T_i \) is the operation time of relay; \( TDS \) is the time dial setting; \( M \) is the multiple of pickup current and \( V_{FSD} \) represent the fault voltage magnitude; \( I_p \) and \( I_F \) represent the fault and the pickup current, respectively; \( A, B, \) and \( K \) are the constants of relay, set to 0.14, 0.02, and 1.5, respectively; \( N_{OCR} \) is the number of overcurrent relays.

2.2. Equality constraints can be expressed by the balanced powers equations

\[ P_G + P_{PVG} + P_{BESS} = P_D + APL \] , (10)

\[ Q_G = Q_{PVG} + RPL \] , (11)

where \( (Q_G, P_G) \) represent the total reactive and active power from the generator; \( (Q_{PVG}, P_D) \) represent the total reactive and active power of the load; \( (RPL, APL) \) are the reactive and active power loss, respectively; \( P_{PVG} \) and \( P_{BESS} \) are the output powers generated from PVDG and BESS, respectively.

2.3. Distribution line constraints would be given as inequality constraints

\[ V_{min} \leq |V| \leq V_{max} \] , (12)

\[ |V - V_i| \leq \Delta V \] , (13)

\[ S_j \leq S_{max} \] , (14)
where $V_{\text{min}}$, $V_{\text{max}}$ are minimum and maximum of bus voltage limits; $\Delta V_{\text{max}}$ is the maximum of voltage drop limits; $S_t$ is the apparent power in the distribution line and $S_{\text{max}}$ is the maximum of apparent power.

2.4. PVDG-BESS units constraints can be expressed as follow

$$\sum_{i=1}^{N_{\text{PVDG}}} P_{\text{PVDG}}(i) \leq P_{\text{PVDG}, \text{min}} \leq P_{\text{PVDG}, \text{max}},$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^{N_{\text{BESS}}} P_{\text{BESS}}(i) \leq P_{\text{BESS}, \text{min}} \leq P_{\text{BESS}, \text{max}},$$

where $P_{\text{PVDG}, \text{min}}$, $P_{\text{BESS}, \text{min}}$ are the minimum of output power injected by PVDG and BESS, respectively; $P_{\text{PVDG}, \text{max}}$, $P_{\text{BESS}, \text{max}}$ are the maximum of output power injected by PVDG, and BESS, respectively; $N_{\text{PVDG}}$, $N_{\text{BESS}}$ are the PVDG and BESS units’ number, respectively; $n_{\text{PVDG}}$, $n_{\text{BESS}}$ are the locations of PVDG and BESS units at bus $i$.

3. Chaotic grey wolf optimization. As long as the GWO algorithm could not always perform that well in identifying global optimal results, CGWO algorithm was developed basing on introducing chaos (chaotic maps) in GWO algorithm itself in order to improve its efficiency by generating random numbers.

3.1. Grey wolf optimizer. The GWO is an algorithm evolved by Mirjalili [24], basing on the inspiration from the leadership hierarchy behaviours and the grey wolves’ hunt mechanism in wild nature, where it begins the process of optimization by initiating a plant of candidate solutions randomly.

The three best candidate solutions in each iteration, are assumed as alpha, beta, and delta wolves, who take the lead toward to promising search space regions. The rest of grey wolves are considered as omega and need to encircle alpha, beta, and delta to find better solutions. The mathematical formulation of omega wolves is expressed as [24, 31].

Encircling prey: grey wolves encircle prey during the hunt. The mathematical model expressed as follows:

$$\vec{D} = |\vec{C} \cdot \vec{X}_p(t) - \vec{X}(t)| ,$$

$$\vec{X}(t+1) = \vec{X}_p(t) - \vec{A} \cdot \vec{D} ,$$

where $\vec{A}$ and $\vec{C}$ designate the coefficient vectors; $t$ designates the current iteration; $\vec{X}_p$ is the best solution’s position vector obtained so far; $\vec{X}$ is the vector of position.

The vectors $\vec{A}$ and $\vec{C}$ can be calculated using these equations

$$\vec{A} = 2 \vec{a} \vec{r} - \vec{a},$$

$$\vec{C} = 2 \vec{r},$$

where $a$ is the decreased linearly from 2 to 0 over the iterations course (in exploration and exploitation phases); $\vec{r}$ is the vector randomly initiated with uniform distribution between 0 and 1.

Hunting: in GWO, it is supposed that alpha ($\alpha$), beta ($\beta$), and gamma ($\delta$) have better knowledge about the prey’s potential location, the three best solutions obtained firstly so far are saved and obligate the other search agents (including the omegas) to update their positions according to the best search agent’s position

$$\vec{D}_u = |\vec{C}_1 \cdot \vec{X}_u - \vec{X}| ,$$

$$\vec{D}_\beta = |\vec{C}_2 \cdot \vec{X}_\beta - \vec{X}| ,$$

$$\vec{D}_\delta = |\vec{C}_3 \cdot \vec{X}_\delta - \vec{X}| ,$$

$$\vec{X}_1 = \vec{X}_\alpha - \vec{A}_u (\vec{D}_u) ,$$

$$\vec{X}_2 = \vec{X}_\beta - \vec{A}_\beta (\vec{D}_\beta) ,$$

$$\vec{X}_3 = \vec{X}_\delta - \vec{A}_\delta (\vec{D}_\delta) ,$$

$$\vec{X}(t+1) = \frac{\vec{X}_1 + \vec{X}_2 + \vec{X}_3}{3}.$$
Fig. 1. Single diagram of test systems: \(a\) – IEEE 33-bus; \(b\) – IEEE 69-bus

Figures 2, 3 demonstrate the curves of convergence of the applied CGWO algorithms for both cases of optimal PVDG and hybrid PVDG-BESS installation in both test systems ADNs.

By doing the analysis of both convergence curves, also for a maximum iterations’ number equal to 150, it can be noted that the CGWO_Logistic delivered the best minimization of MOF results for both cases of PVDG and hybrid PVDG-BESS presence in both test system ADNs, comparing to the other algorithms.

For the case of only PVDG integration, the MOF got minimized by the CGWO_Logistic algorithm until 20.670 for the first test system ADN, and until 39.043 for the second system ADN.
For the case of hybrid PVDG-BESS, the MOF got minimized by the CGWO_Logistic algorithm until 20.668 for the first system, while for the second system it got minimized until 39.037, with noticing a late convergence characteristic in both cases studies for the two test systems which were in general, more than 100 iterations for all cases studies, except for the case of PVDG integration in second test system, where the CGWO_Logistic algorithm converges around 85 iterations to attain the best solution.

Figures 4, 5 illustrate the MOF boxplot results of the different applied CGWO algorithms after 20 runs in each of them, for both cases studies of optimal PVDG and hybrid PVDG-BESS integration, respectively in the two test systems ADNs.

For the purpose of improving the comparison and better evaluating of the utilized CGWO algorithms, a boxplot is presented as shown in Fig. 4, 5. The results were obtained while taking into account 20 runs for each applied algorithm. It can be noted for all the CGWO algorithms that the results are too close to their best and minimum MOF for all cases studies of optimal PVDG and hybrid PVDG-BESS integration in both test systems ADNs.

Besides, it is clear that the CGWO_Logistic algorithm showed efficiency and reliability when providing the lowest median and delivering the best and the minimum value of MOF in the two test systems for all cases studies.

Tables 1 and 3 show the optimal locations and sizes of both case studies (PVDG and hybrid PVDG-BESS) when applying the various CGWO algorithms on the two test systems ADNs.

Tables 2, 4 show the optimized parameters and the results obtained when optimally locate and size all cases studies (PVDG and hybrid PVDG-BESS) by various CGWO algorithms in both test systems ADNs.

From Tables 1–4 also when based on the comparison, it is clear among all the applied CGWO algorithms, that the best results and the minimum of MOF, was obtained by the CGWO_Logistic algorithm which provided the best values for the first test system ADN until 20.670 for the case of PVDG and until 20.668 for the case of hybrid PVDG-BESS. Meanwhile, for the IEEE 69-bus ADN the CGWO_Logistic algorithm provided the best MOF value of 39.043 for the case of PVDG and a value until 39.037 for the case of hybrid PVDG-BESS.
The rest of the applied algorithms also reveal a good efficiency in delivering the best results, but in terms of each parameter on its own, where, as example for the IEEE 33-bus ADN, the CGWO_Singer algorithm delivered the minimum TAPL’s value of 92.112 kW, while the CGWO_Tent algorithm delivered the minimum TVD’s value of 1.062 p.u. for the case of PVDG, also the CGWO_Gauss algorithm provided the minimum TOT’s value of 37.647 seconds for the case of hybrid PVDG-BESS. Meanwhile, for the second test system ADN, as example for the IEEE 33-bus ADN, the CGWO_Singer algorithm delivered the minimum TAPL’s value of 92.112 kW, while the CGWO_Gauss algorithm provided the minimum TOT’s value of 37.647 seconds for the case of hybrid PVDG-BESS.

Figure 6 demonstrates the comparison of active power losses between the basic case and both cases of optimal PVDG and hybrid PVDG-BESS presence in both test systems ADNs.

From Fig. 6, and the previous results, it is noted that the optimal allocation of PVDG and hybrid PVDG-BESS using the CGWO_Logistic algorithm in the two test systems, contributed excellently and directly to the minimizing of the active power losses in almost all branches of both ADNs, especially in branches which situated near to the optimally located buses of both cases integration in the two test systems, with superior and much better results for the second case study with the integration of hybrid PVDG-BESS.

Also, this comparison could be improved when basing on the TAPL value, where it is reduced at the first system IEEE 33-bus ADN, from value of 210.987 kW at the basic case to 96.115 kW for the case of hybrid PVDG-BESS, while the CGWO_Tent algorithm delivered the minimum TAPL’s value of 92.112 kW, much better results for the second case study with the integration of hybrid PVDG-BESS.

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Figure 6 demonstrates the comparison of active power losses between the basic case and both cases of expected results of all cases integration for the IEEE 33-bus ADN, from value of 210.987 kW at the basic case to 96.115 kW for the case of hybrid PVDG-BESS, much better results for the second case study with the integration of hybrid PVDG-BESS.
For the second system ADN, the TAPL got reduced from 224.947 kW to 101.078 kW for the case of PVDG and reduced until 78.497 kW for the case of hybrid PVDG-BESS installation.

Figure 6. Active power losses in branches: 
\(a\) – IEEE 33-bus; \(b\) – IEEE 69-bus

Figure 7 represents the voltage deviation for all cases studies of the optimal integration of PVDG and hybrid PVDG-BESS units in the two standards test systems ADNs.

When analyzing Fig. 7, it may be noticed that the voltage deviation at the basic case was above the limited value of 0.05 p.u. in most buses of the two test systems ADNs. Moreover, it may be observed after the optimal integration of PVDG and the hybrid PVDG-BESS into ADNs by the CGWO_Logistic algorithm, that the voltage deviation got minimized under the allowed range in all test systems’ buses with superior and better results provided by the second case with the integration of hybrid PVDG-BESS systems.

Also, by checking the value of TVD, it is seen for the first system, the TVD minimized from 1.812 p.u. to 1.090 p.u. for the case of PVDG and until 1.066 p.u. for the case of hybrid PVDG-BESS. For the second system, TVD reduced from 1.870 p.u. to 1.303 p.u. for the case of PVDG and until 1.137 p.u. for the case of hybrid PVDG-BESS.

Figure 8 represents the bus voltage profiles for all cases studies of the optimal integration of PVDG and hybrid PVDG-BESS units in the two standard test systems ADNs.

From Fig. 8, it may note that the voltage profiles have improved in all buses of both standards test systems ADNs after the optimal integration of both cases studies of PVDG and hybrid PVDG-BESS units, with much better and superior results for the second case of hybrid PVDG-BESS. Also, this voltage profiles’ ameliorating was especially in the buses which situated close to the optimally located buses of both cases studies integration into test systems ADNs.

As mentioned previously in Fig. 7, the minimization of the voltage deviation, consequently led to the enhancement of the voltage profiles, due to the fact that the voltage deviation is represented as the difference between the nominal voltage of 1 p.u., and the voltage value at the basic case.
Figure 9 illustrates the primary overcurrent relays’ operation time with two different zones of zoom for the basic case and after all cases studies integration of PVDG and hybrid PVDG-BESS into both standards test systems ADNs.

When comparing to the basic case, it is clear that the operation time in most of the primary NS-OCRs had considerably minimized after the optimal integration of PVDG and hybrid PVDG-BESS into both test systems ADNs by the CGWO_Logistic algorithm. Besides, the TOT was decreased at the first system IEEE 33-bus ADN from 20.574 seconds to 19.493 seconds for the case of PVDG and until 19.521 seconds for the case of hybrid PVDG-BESS. Also, it is mentioned a clear impact of operation time’s minimization in both zones of zoom in Fig. 9,a, between NS-OCRs from 12 to 14 and from 23 to 25, for both cases studies.

For the IEEE 69-bus ADN, the TOT decreased from 38.772 seconds to 37.649 seconds for the case of PVDG and until 37.821 seconds for the case of hybrid PVDG-BESS, where that impact of operation time’s minimization is obvious in both zones of zoom in Fig. 9,b between NS-OCRs from 10 to 13 and from 50 to 54, for both cases studies. Hence, according to equation (8), this minimization was due to the inverse function between the fault current and the fault voltage magnitude covered by the NS-OCR and its operation time, where the more $I_F$ and $V_{FM}$ increased, the NS-OCR will operate quickly to clear the faults.

5. Conclusion.
In this paper, a study of comparison was carried out between the various chaotic grey wolf optimization
algorithms to identify the optimal allocation of multiple photovoltaic distributed generation and hybrid photovoltaic distributed generation and battery energy storage systems, into the active distribution networks based on solving the multi-objective function which represented as reducing simultaneously the three technically parameters: total voltage deviation, total active power losses and the overcurrent relays’ total operation time.

The simulation results confirm the robustness and efficiency of the chaotic logistic grey wolf optimization algorithm, compared to the rest of the applied algorithms, in terms of providing the best and minimum multi-objective functions-based power losses, voltage deviation, and overcurrent relay operation time’s values, but including a late convergence characteristic. The comparison between the attained results of simulation for various cases studied led toward the conclusion that best results were achieved when the photovoltaic distributed generation and battery energy storage systems were simultaneously optimally allocated, which drove to a significant minimization of power losses, ameliorating of the voltage profiles, and improvement of the overcurrent protection system in the active distribution networks studies.

Based on the previous discussion, the future work will focus on implementing the Distributed Static Var Compensator in addition to the battery energy storage systems to improve the performance of the studies systems, while considering new technical indices, also the distributed generation power outputs and the load demand variation at the different sessions of the year.

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