

Resilience of Active Distribution Networks to Changes in Topological Structure

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What causes topological changes in network?

- 1 **n/w reconfiguration:** transferring loads from the heavily loaded feeders to the lightly loaded ones, to alleviate overload conditions and other contingencies.
- 2 **malicious attacks:** Copper theft, stealing power using tie-lines etc

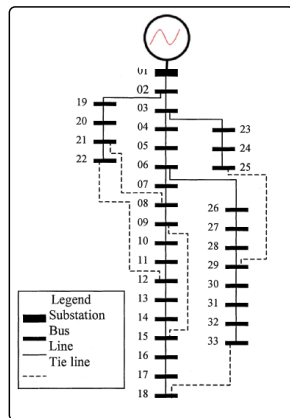


fig: 33-bus radial (**PASSIVE**) distribution system

n/w reconfiguration is typically performed based on static power flow analysis

Effect of network changes on ADN?

- 1 ADN behaves like a small grid with dynamical sources and dynamical loads
- 2 private parties typically control their DG's with local information

decentralized control of ADN is not feasible if there are **decentralized fixed modes (DFM)** and these modes might arise due to changes in network

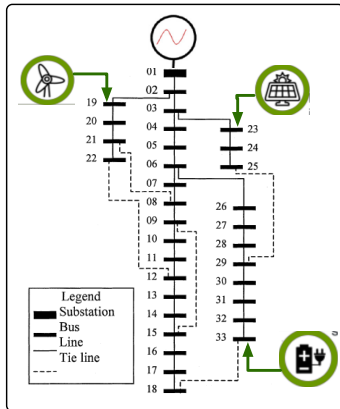


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DFM of linear system can't be shifted by constant decentralized output feedback.

An illustration

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"no DFM ($\epsilon \neq 0$)" $\implies u_1 = -2y_1$ and $u_2 = -3\epsilon_2^{-1}$, does the job

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(i) DFM can arise due to small perturbations system parameters

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(ii) system might inherently possess a DFM

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"Resilience of system" can be quantified by means of how close/far the system is far from having a DFM

How DFMs might arise in ADN?

- **nonlinear model**

$$\dot{x}_P = f(x_p, P, u_1)$$

$$\dot{x}_Q = g(x_q, Q, u_2)$$

$$P = h(x_p)$$

$$Q = r(x_q)$$

- **linearized model (around operating point)**

$$\begin{bmatrix} \Delta \dot{x}_P \\ \Delta \dot{x}_Q \end{bmatrix} = \left(\begin{bmatrix} A_P & 0 \\ 0 & A_Q \end{bmatrix} + D \begin{bmatrix} J_1 & J_2 \\ J_3 & J_4 \end{bmatrix} \right) \begin{bmatrix} \Delta x_P \\ \Delta x_Q \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} B_P & 0 \\ 0 & B_Q \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

1. "**Jacobian of power flow**" at an operating point depends on the network topology (admittance values)
2. changes in network topology (**reconfiguration or malicious intent**) might perturb **Jacobian** which results in DFMs

2. Modeling difficulties in Active Distribution Networks

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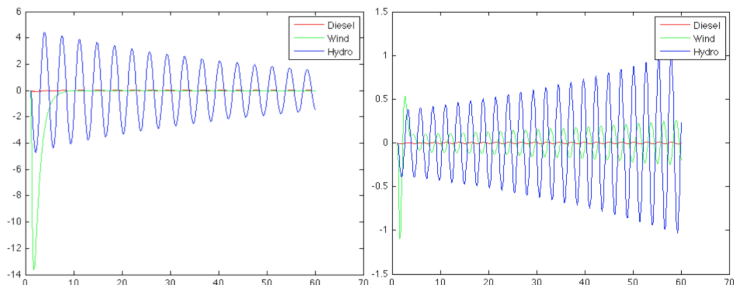
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ADN

- significant voltage sag
- $\frac{R}{X} > 1$
- unbalanced load: 3-phase power flow

ADN controller design under TN assumptions



Source: M.H Nazari, M. Illic 2012

Takeaway: incorrect modeling may mis-classify DFM

- ① appropriate linearization/approximation schemes for ADN
- ② identify models of DG and appropriate time-scales
- ③ quantify resilience by number and characteristics of DFM
- ④ understanding vulnerabilities of ADN's that might arise from DFM

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