DISTRIBUTION OF GENERATION AND STUDY OF THE IMPACT AND PROBLEMS OF SOURCES OF DISTRIBUTED GENERATION.

Vinnytsia National Technical University

Анотація:

У зв'язку зі зростанням потреби в електричній енергії і розвитком енергетики, розподіл генерації в електричних мережах зазнав чимало змін, що і звернуло увагу людства до цього питання.. У цій роботі я вирішив дослідити вплив та виклики, що ставлять перед собою джерела розподіленої генерації в електроенергетиці. У роботі було проаналізовано різноманітні джерела розподіленої генерації та їх вплив на стійкість, надійність та управління електроенергетичними системами. Через всебічний огляд та аналіз, ця робота визначає ключові проблеми та потенційні рішення для оптимізації інтеграції розподіленої генерації в енергетичні мережі.

Ключові слова: Розподілена генерація, Електротехніка, Електроенергетичні системи, Стійкість, Надійність

Abstract:

Due to the increasing demand for electrical energy and the development of the energy sector, the distribution of generation in electrical networks has undergone significant changes, attracting humanity's attention to this issue. In this paper, I aimed to investigate the impact and challenges posed by distributed generation sources in power systems. Various sources of distributed generation and their effects on the stability, reliability, and management of power systems were analyzed. Through comprehensive review and analysis, this study identifies key issues and potential solutions for optimizing the integration of distributed generation into energy networks.

Keywords: Distributed generation, Electrical engineering, Power systems, Stability, Reliability

Introduction

The conventional model of centralized electricity generation has undergone changes in the transition to distributed generation systems due to progressive developments in technology and growing sustainability concerns. Distributed generation is an integral part of various technologies of small power generation integrated into the power distribution system. These sources are by no means limited to solar photovoltaic (PV) systems, microhydrogenerators, wind turbines, biomass generators, and fuel cells. Although distributed generation has numerous advantages, such as reduced transmission losses, increased energy efficiency, and great environmental benefits, its integration into existing power grids has several challenges.

Process

Types of Distributed Generation Sources: Distributed generation (DG) sources are exactly important because they cover a wide range of technologies that typically produce electricity at or near the point of

consumption. To explore this topic in depth, it is necessary to examine different types of distributed generation sources in detail and explore their mechanisms, benefits, and limitations. It is also important to consider intermittent renewable energy sources such as solar and wind.

Renewable energy sources such as photovoltaic (PV) and wind turbines are important components of distributed generation. Photovoltaic systems use sunlight through solar cells to convert solar energy into electricity. Similarly, wind turbines use wind energy to drive generators and produce electricity. These technologies offer significant environmental benefits, including reduced greenhouse gas emissions and reduced dependence on finite fossil fuels.

However, intermittent renewable energy poses challenges due to its variable nature. Solar power generation fluctuates with the availability of sunlight, and wind power output fluctuates with wind speed. Because conventional power systems are designed for stable, dispatchable generation, this intermittency adds complexity to maintaining grid stability and reliability. Synchronization of renewable energy generation with grid demand is critical to ensure reliable power supply.

Intermittent generation sources also pose challenges to grid stability. The nature of non-power generation complicates grid operations and requires sophisticated control mechanisms to balance generation and demand. In addition, integrating intermittent renewables may require upgrades to the grid to accommodate fluctuating power flows and ensure voltage and frequency coordination.

Impact on Power Systems: The integration of distributed generation has a significant impact on the power system, affecting its stability, reliability, and resiliency. Voltage regulation emerges as a key concern, as variable generation can cause voltage fluctuations and instability within the distribution network. In addition, fluctuations in renewable generation can degrade power quality, impacting sensitive loads and requiring robust mitigation measures.

The proliferation of distributed generation adds complexity to the management of power flows in the grid. Bi-directional power flows challenge traditional grid architectures designed for unidirectional power delivery. Adaptive protection schemes and grid control strategies to maintain system stability and prevent grid instability are needed to accommodate power flows in the reverse direction.

Challenges and Solutions: The integration of distributed generation presents multifaceted challenges that span the technical, economic, and regulatory arenas. Technical hurdles include grid congestion, voltage regulation issues, and frequency control challenges arising from variable generation. Economic challenges include the cost of integrating new technologies and potential disruption to existing energy markets.

Regulatory frameworks can lag behind the rapid evolution of distributed generation technologies and create barriers to their widespread adoption. Policy uncertainties and outdated regulations may hinder investment in distributed generation deployment and impede efforts to modernize the grid.

A comprehensive approach that leverages advanced grid management technologies, energy storage systems, and smart grid technologies is essential to address these challenges. Enhancing grid flexibility and resiliency can be achieved by deploying energy storage systems to mitigate intermittency and providing grid support services. Furthermore, a revised regulatory framework that incentivizes DG deployment and promotes grid integration is essential to foster an environment conducive to sustainable energy development.

Conclusion

The integration of distributed generation into the power network offers promising opportunities for a more sustainable and resilient power infrastructure. However, there are also significant technical and operational challenges. Addressing these challenges through innovative technology solutions, policy reviews, and enhanced grid management strategies will enable the effective integration of distributed generation to ensure a more reliable, efficient, and sustainable power grid for the future.

REFERENCES

- 1. Bandyopadhyay, S., & Mitra, S. (2014). A review of energy storage technologies. Renewable and Sustainable Energy Reviews, 33, 532-545.
- 2. Ghasemi, A., Zare, K., & Guerrero, J. M. (2017). Control of distributed generation interfaced with microgrids: Challenges and opportunities. Renewable and Sustainable Energy Reviews, 75, 120-138.
- Hatziargyriou, N., Asano, H., Iravani, R., & Marnay, C. (2007). Microgrids. IEEE Power and Energy Magazine, 5(4), 78-94.
- 4. Kroposki, B., Lasseter, R., Ise, T., & Morozumi, S. (2008). Making microgrids work. IEEE Power and Energy Magazine, 6(3), 40-53.
- Mendoza-Vizcaino, J., Sumper, A., & Gomis-Bellmunt, O. (2013). A review of the latest advances in hierarchical control for energy management of microgrids. IEEE Transactions on Industrial Electronics, 60(4), 1254-1265.

Бачинський Роман Валентинович – студент групи 1EC-226, факультет електроенергетики та електромеханіки, Вінницький національний технічний університет, Вінниця, email: <u>firesapfire@gmail.com</u>

Науковий керівник: **Надія Валеріївна Герасименко** – викладач англійської мови кафедри іноземних мов Вінницького національного технічного університету, Вінниця.

Roman Valentynovych Bachynskyi - student of group 1ES-22b, faculty of Power Engineering and Electromechanics, Vinnytsia National Technical University, Vinnytsia, email: <u>firesapfire@gmail.com</u>

Supervisor: Nadiia Valeriivna Herasymenko - English teacher, Department of Foreign Languages, Vinnytsia National Technical University, Vinnytsia