

Effect of SVC on Composite Power System Reliability Level

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Abstract: The major goal of an electric power system is to provide its customers with a good service at a minimum cost and an acceptable reliability level. Power system reliability is based on two basic considerations, namely, adequacy and quality. This study investigates how to improve composite power system adequacy in the long-term. Specifically, to enhance system reliability level by using Power System Simulator for Engineering (PSSE), Static Var Compensators (SVCs) can be installed on each bus for the IEEE-RTS. It has been observed that the Expected Energy not Served (EENS) is reduced for all buses in the IEEE-RTS, which means that the overall system reliability level has improved.

Keywords: SVC – composite power system reliability level - EENS (expected energy not served) - PSSE, IEEE-RTS

1-INTRODUCTION OF PROBABILISTIC CALCULATIONS

Electric power systems are continuously operating systems. Regular maintenance is needed to keep components in good condition and repairs are performed promptly in order to restore service. Therefore, each component can be represented as a two-state model. At any time, a component can reside in one of two states: in-service (available) and out-of-service (unavailable) [1].

The transition from available state to unavailable (outage) state is called a failure event, and is assumed to occur at a constant rate λ (failures per year). The transition from the out-of-service state to the in-service state is called a restoration event, and is also assumed to occur at a constant rate μ , in restorations per year. The mean duration that the equipment is in service is m years, while the mean duration that it is out of service is r years. The probability that the equipment is in-service is:

$$p_{in} = \frac{m}{m+r} \quad (1)$$

The probability that it is out-of-service is:

$$p_{out} = \frac{r}{m+r} \quad (2)$$

Thus, $p_{in} + p_{out} = 1$. The unavailability p_{out} is the index adopted and used to assess reliability of the system; typically, its units are considered to be in hours/year or in minutes/year.

The frequency, F (occurrences/year) to transition from the *in-service state* to the *outage state* is equal to the frequency of transition from the outage state to the in-service state, and is given by:

$$F = P_{in} \cdot \lambda = P_{out} \cdot \mu \quad (3)$$

The average duration, D (in hours or days) per year that the equipment is in the outage state is:

$$D = \frac{P_{out}}{F} \quad (4)$$

Hence Eq. (2), to represent the probability of an outage for this equipment, only two parameters are required: F and D . Other characteristics can be derived from these two parameters:

$$\mu = \frac{1}{D} \quad (5)$$

$$\lambda = \frac{F}{1-F \cdot D} \quad (6)$$

$$m = \frac{1-F \cdot D}{F} \quad (7)$$

The methodology used in PSSE™ program [3] for probabilistic indices calculations is based on state enumeration method.

The sum of probabilities of all states is equal to 1. Probabilistic indices of system failures are computed by identifying the set of states that satisfy failure criteria and the transition rates from any state inside the set to any state outside of the set. In Figure 1, a yellow node represents a state that has violations; all yellow ones form the set of states that satisfy failure criteria which is referred to as S . Failure criteria include branch overloads, bus voltages outside high or low limits, bus change exceeding deviation

criteria and loss of load. The red nodes represent the states that are not tested or has low probabilities. and the green nodes represent success states.

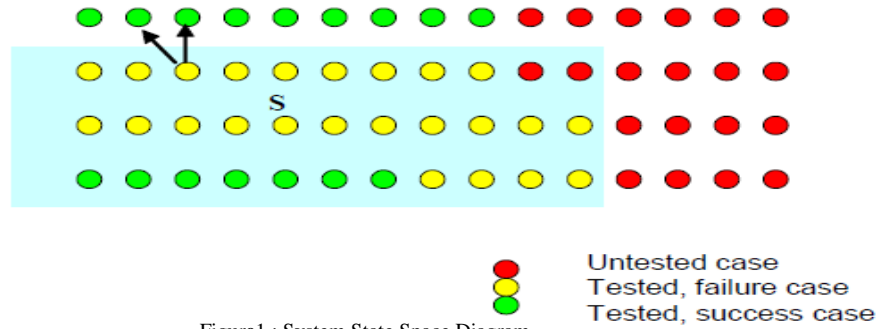


Figure1 : System State Space Diagram

of system failure is defined as:

$$P_{failure} = \sum_{i \in S} P_i \quad (8)$$

Where P_i is the probability of state I that satisfies failure criteria. The frequency of system failure is defined as:

$$F_{FAILURE} = \sum_{i \in S} \sum_{j \notin S} F_{ij} \quad (9)$$

Where F_{ij} is the frequency of transition from state i inside the set to state j outside the set. The duration is defined as:

$$D = \frac{P_{failure}}{F_{failure}} \quad (10) \quad \text{The probability of a contingency is the product of in-service}$$

probabilities of elements being in-service and out-of-service probabilities of elements being out-of-service, and is defined as:

$$P_i = \prod_j^N P_j \prod_k^M (1 - P_k) \quad (11)$$

The common factor, C can be defined as the product of in-service probabilities of all elements:

$$C = \prod_k^{N+M} (1 - P_k) \quad (12)$$

and the normalized probability is defined as:

$$P_i^* = \frac{P_i}{C} \quad (13)$$

The advantage of using the normalized probability is that probability calculation will not be subjected to the double counting failure occurrences.

Now, the paper is organized as follows, Section 2 shows a probabilistic assessment process of load curtailment by using the PSSE™ for a contingency of a certain probability that causes an overload on a transmission element. Section 3 demonstrates probabilistic indices of load curtailment that are assumed for full one year operation under present base case. Section 4 proposes some proper corrective measures to deal with system conditions to be restored and comply with the prescribed operation limits. Section 5 exhibits how reliability testing criteria for contingency analysis in planning and operations criteria between electric power utilities in various regions and countries. Section 6 shows the outline of the evaluation Procedure using an AC power flows for a single contingency analysis. Sections 7-9 portray results, tables and discussions for using the RBTS (Roy Billinton Test System) in the analysis. Section 10 presents discussions and conclusions based on the results obtained. Section 11 displays number of references that were cited for this study.

2-PROBABILISTIC ASSESSMENT OF LOAD CURTAILMENT

Another form of reliability assessment performed by PSSE™ is based on load curtailments due to stochastic events. This type of assessment focuses on the impact of unreliability (energy curtailments) on the customers. The basic premise in probabilistic assessment of load curtailment is the following: a contingency of a certain probability that causes an overload on a transmission element may not, by itself, be of interest to the consumers. However, the consumers would be interested in knowing that the same contingency if allowed to proceed unmitigated could result in curtailment of some or all of their electrical demands. Hence, the objective of probabilistic load curtailment assessment is not one of finding out the number and severity of system contingencies, but rather, of determining to what extent consumers can be affected by the energy curtailment. This requires that the assessment proceeds beyond identifying the problems by recognizing the actions that might be taken in order to mitigate those possible problems occurrences. PSSE™ approaches this as an optimal power flow application (i.e., corrective actions)[2].

3- PROBABILISTIC INDICES OF LOAD CURTAILMENT

It should be noted that the number of the indices are 'Energy' indices, in that they depend on an assumed duration to which the base case applies. This duration is considered to be 8,760 hours (number of hours per year). The following probabilistic indices is calculated for the system and its individual buses. The Interrupted power (*IP*) in MW/year is defined as:

$$IP = \sum_{i \in S} P_{load_i} \cdot F_i \quad (14)$$

Where, for system indices, P_{load_i} is the total MW load lost in state I and for an individual bus, it is total MW load lost at the bus, and F_i is frequency of state i . The Average Interrupted Power (*AIP*) in MW/occurrence is defined as:

$$AIP = \frac{\sum_{i \in S} P_{load_i} \cdot F_i}{\sum_{i \in S} F_i} \quad (15)$$

The Expected Energy not Served (*EENS*) in MW.h/year is defined as:

$$EENS = \sum_{i \in S} P_{load_i} \cdot F_i \cdot D_i \quad (16)$$

Two other indices may be of interest: the bulk power interruption index and the bulk energy curtailment index. The Bulk Power Interruption *BPI* index is defined as:

$$BPI = \frac{\sum_{i \in S} P_{load_i} \cdot F_i}{P_{load}} \quad (17)$$

Where P_{loads} is the sum of the loads in the study area. Similarly Bulk Energy not Served (*BENS*) is defined as:

$$BENS = \frac{\sum P_{load_i} \cdot F_i \cdot D_i}{P_{load}} \quad (18)$$

All indices are based on an assumption of one full year (8760 hours) of operation under the present base case.

4- CORRECTIVE ACTIONS ANALYSIS

Some violations in operation limits such as flow overloading, bus voltage outside an acceptable range under a contingency case are expected. The objective of the corrective action analysis is to find a set of appropriate corrective actions by which the system condition is restored and comply with the prescribed operation limits. In reliability assessment, corrective action analysis is required where probabilistic indices are calculated, such as duration of loss of load, to model a complete sequence from the severe outages to the complete restoration in secure and stable conditions. Corrective action analysis is modeled as an Optimal Power Flow (OPF) with the objective of minimizing control adjustments subject to operation limits. The data are obtained from two files, Subsystem Description Data file and Monitored Element Data file, which are used in contingency analysis; beside using of linear programming technique instead of non-linear programming.

5- RELIABILITY TESTING CRITERIA FOR CONTINGENCY ANALYSIS

While there may be variations in planning and operations criteria between electric power utilities in various regions and countries, there are significant commonalities among them. Typical steady-state tests can include:

- Base case with all elements are in service.
- Single contingencies (N-1). Loss of any transmission line, transformer or generator. These are often termed 'probable' or 'credible' contingencies.
- Double contingencies (N-2). Simultaneous loss of two single-circuit transmission lines, a double-circuit line or DC bipolar. Variations on these contingencies exist worldwide specifically with respect to the definition of "double" circuit and the option of non-simultaneity of loss (N-1-1). These too are 'credible' or 'probable' contingencies. Less probable contingences and/or extreme contingencies can include loss of entire substations or multiple generators.

Typical dynamic testing will include the same family of contingencies and are augmented by representation of the severity of the initiating disturbance which results in the loss of system elements (three-phase and single-phase faults with normal or delayed clearing times for example).

Acceptable system conditions prior to and subsequent to the contingencies depend on the severity of the contingency and include:

- Voltages within defined normal or emergency limits.
- Changes in voltage within defined limits.
- Branch loadings within normal or emergency loading limits.
- Maintenance or loss of limited amounts of load.
- Maintenance of system integrity or breakdown into viable sections.
- Maintenance of transient and dynamic stability.

Such criteria are deterministic in the sense that the scenario being under test must comply with the acceptable system conditions or is considered to have failed the test. A failure implies the need for additional system elements (for planning) or an adjustment of pre-contingency test conditions (for operations).

6-PERFORMING AC CONTINGENCY ANALYSIS

The network contingency calculation function calculates full AC power flow solutions for the user's specified set of contingency cases, monitors voltage and loading conditions and stores the results in a binary file. Subsequently, this file can be processed to produce a variety of reports of voltage and loading violations, loadings and available capacity. This feature is a powerful approach for testing large systems with many possible contingencies specifically where the user wishes to monitor specific branches, interfaces or network areas for possible problems occurrences. The procedure of evaluating a single contingency with multiple level contingency analysis is shown in Figure2.

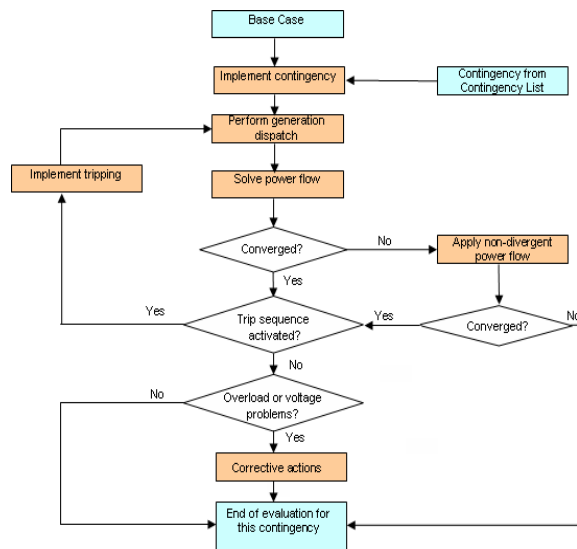


Figure 2 :Outline of Evaluation Procedure Using AC Power Flows for a Single Contingency

7-RBTS (ROY BILLITON TEST SYSTEM):

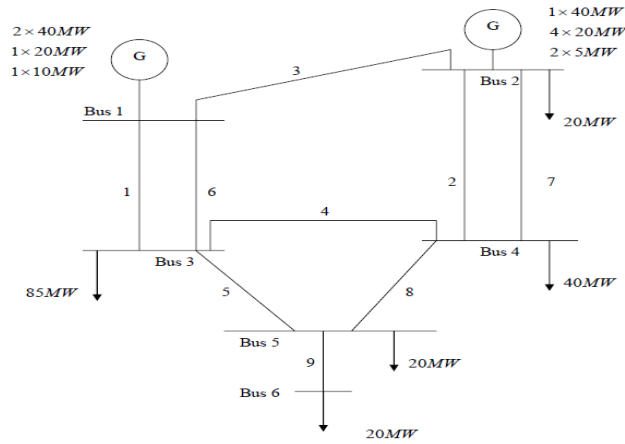


Figure 3 :single line diagram of RBTS[3]

Unit size MW	Number of units	Forced outage rate	Failure rate	Repair rate
5(hydro)	2	0.01	2	198
10(Thermal)	1	0.02	4	196
20(hydro)	4	0.015	2.4	157.6
20(Thermal)	1	0.025	5	195
40(hydro)	1	0.02	3	147
40(Thermal)	2	0.03	6	194

Table 1:Generating Unit Reliability Data for RBTS

Bus	Unit 1 MW	Unit 2 MW	Unit 3 MW	Unit 4 MW	Unit 5 MW	Unit 6 MW	Unit 7
1 (Thermal plant)	40	40	10	20			
2 (hydro plant)	5	5	40	20	20	20	20

Table 2 : Generating unit locations for RBTS

Line	from	to	Length KM	Permanent	
				Outage	Duration
1	1	3	75	1.5	10
2	2	4	250	5	10
3	1	2	200	4	10
4	3	4	50	1	10
5	3	5	50	1	10
6	1	3	75	1.5	10
7	2	4	250	5	10
8	4	5	50	1	10
9	5	6	50	1	10

Table 3 : Transmission line length and outage data for RBTS

Line	Buses		Impedance (pu)			Current rating (pu)
	From	to	R	X	B/2	
1,6	1	3	0.0342	0.180	0.0106	0.85
2,7	2	4	0.1140	0.600	0.0352	0.71
3	1	2	0.0912	0.480	0.0282	0.71
4	3	4	0.0228	0.120	0.0071	0.71
5	3	5	0.0028	0.120	0.0071	0.71
8	4	5	0.0228	0.120	0.0071	0.71
9	5	6	0.0028	0.120	0.0071	0.71

Table 4 : Line impedance and rating

BUS NUMBER	EENS FOR RBTS WITHOUT SVC	EENS RBTS WITH SVC 100MVAR	EENS RBTS WITH SVC 200MVAR	EENS RBTS WITH SVC 300MVAR
3	1375.83	HIGH VALUE (EXCEED THE RANGE)	1005.74	1005.74
4	1375.83	1405.78	200.23	2211.71
5	1375.83	3783.42	2211.71	200.23
6	1375.83	2211.71	2211.71	200.23

Table 5 : Annualized system indices for the RBTS

8-IEEE-RTS (ROY BILINTON TEST SYSTEM):

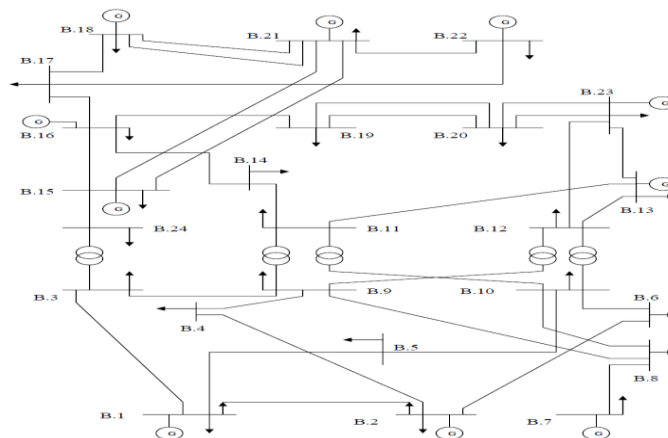


Figure 4 : single line diagram of IEEE-RTS

Unit size MW	Number of units	Forced outage rate	MTTF(hr)	MTTR(hr)
12	5	0.02	2940	60
20	4	0.10	450	50
50	6	0.01	1980	20
76	4	0.02	1960	40
100	3	0.04	1200	50
155	4	0.04	960	40
197	3	0.05	950	50
350	1	0.08	1150	100
400	2	0.12	1100	150

Table 6: Generating unit reliability data of IEEE-RTS

Bus	Unit 1 MW	Unit 2 MW	Unit 3 MW	Unit 4 MW	Unit 5 MW	Unit 6 MW
1	20	20	76	76		
2	20	20	76	76		
7	100	100	100			
13	197	197	197			
15	12	12	12	12	12	155
16	155					
18	400					
21	400					
22	50	50	50	50	50	50
23	155	155	350			

Table 7 : Generating unit locations in IEEE-RTS

Size (MW)	MVAR	
	Minimum	Maximum
12	0	6
20	0	10
50	-10	16
76	-25	30
100	0	60
155	-50	80
197	0	80
350	-25	150
400	-50	200

Table 8: Generating unit MVAR capacities in IEEE-RTS

Device	BUS	MVAR capacity
Synchronous	14	50 Reactive
Condenser		200 Capacitive
Reactor	6	100 Reactive

Table 9 : Voltage Correction devices

Bus	Load	
	MW	MVAR
1	108	22
2	97	20
3	180	37
4	74	15
5	71	14
6	136	28
7	125	25
8	171	35
9	175	36
10	195	40
13	265	54
14	194	39
15	317	64
16	100	20
18	333	68
19	181	37
20	128	26
Total	2850	580

Table 10 : Bus load data

In large systems [6], it is not practical to test SVC at each bus. Buses have to be selected according to their higher voltage drop in steady state. PSSE31 has Q-V analysis features to determine buses that have higher reactive power demand.

From bus	To bus	Length (miles)	Permanent	
			Outage rate(occ/yr)	Outage duration(hr)
1	2	3	0.24	16
1	3	55	0.51	10
1	5	22	0.33	10
2	4	33	0.39	10
2	6	50	0.48	10
3	9	31	0.38	10
3	24	0	0.02	768
4	9	27	0.36	10
5	10	23	0.34	10

6	10	16	0.33	35
7	8	16	0.30	10
8	9	43	0.44	10
8	10	43	0.44	10
9	11	0	0.02	768
9	12	0	0.02	768
10	11	0	0.02	768
10	12	0	0.02	768
11	13	33	0.40	11
11	14	29	0.39	11
12	13	33	0.40	11
12	23	67	0.52	11
13	23	60	0.49	11
14	16	27	0.38	11
15	16	12	0.33	11
15	21	34	0.41	11
15	21	34	0.41	11
15	24	36	0.41	11
16	17	18	0.35	11
16	19	16	0.34	11
17	18	10	0.32	11
17	22	73	0.54	11
18	21	18	0.35	11
18	21	18	0.35	11
19	20	27.5	0.38	11
19	20	27.5	0.38	11
20	23	15	0.34	11
20	23	15	0.34	11
21	22	47	0.45	11

Table 11: Transmission line length and forced outage data

9-QV ANALYSIS (QV CURVES) APPLICATIONS:

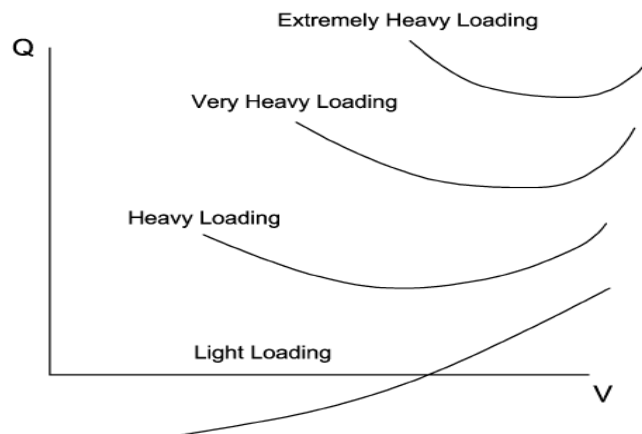


Figure 5: QV Curves for a Range of System Loading

Q-V analysis is designed for studies of low voltage stability, which could be analyzed as a steady-state problem. They are load flow based analyses used to assess voltage variations with active and reactive power changes.

QV curves are used to determine the reactive power injection required at a bus in order to vary the bus voltage to the required value. The curve is obtained through a series of AC load flow calculations. Starting with the existing reactive loading at a bus, the voltage at the bus can be computed for a series of power flows as the reactive load is increased in steps, until the power flow experiences convergence difficulties as the system approaches the voltage collapse point. Figure 5 is a typical of the QV curves that will be generated for a system that is stable at moderate loading and unstable at higher loading.

The bottom of the QV curve, where the change of reactive power, Q, with respect to voltage, V (or derivative (dQ/dV) is equal to zero, represents the voltage stability limit. Since all reactive power compensator devices are designed to operate satisfactorily when an increase in Q is accompanied by an increase in V, the operation on the right side of the QV curve is stable, whereas the operation on the left side is unstable. Also, voltage on the left side may be so low that the protective devices may be activated.

9-1 - Q-V ANALYSIS FOR IEEE-RTS USING PSSE31

Table 13 is filled by run Q-V analysis in PSSE31 for all IEEE-RTS buses except generation buses at 1 pu voltage. According to the results of Q-V analysis, higher reactive power value at a bus means it is the most bus that needs reactive support. The most 5 buses that need SVC support are selected. To study the effect of SVC on IEEE-RTS with respect to composite power system reliability. We will use EENS (EUE).

BUS NO	MVAR
3	155.42
4	107.41
5	135.42
6	242.58
8	179.87
9	252.77
10	313.32
11	334.01
12	252.17
14	115.84
17	127.35
19	139.74
20	114.95
21	64.28
24	149.20

Table 13 : Results of Q-V analysis of IEEE-RTS using PSSE31

BUS NUMBER	EENS FOR IEEEERTS WITHOUT SVC	EENS FOR IEEEERTS WITH SVC 100MVAR	EENS FOR IEEEERTS WITH SVC 200MVAR	EENS FOR IEEEERTS WITH SVC 300MVAR
6	14929.67	12474.56	8830.08	12390.50
9	14929.67	11641.79	8242.65	6897.51
10	14929.67	11436.14	9051.12	7444.98
11	14929.67	11734.21	9672.87	7596.74
12	14929.67	11793.09	9897.85	7722.98

Table 14 : Annualized system indices for the IEEE-RTS

10-DISCUSSION AND CONCLUSION:

RBTS EENS index is reduced from 1375.83 MWh to 1005.74 MWh and 200.23 MWh by adding SVC with 200 MVAR at buses 4 and 3, hence, the index is reduced to 1005.74 MWh and 200.23 MWh by adding SVC with 300 MVAR at buses 3, 5 and 6. Reliability assessment is done with one SVC on each bus at each run. Adding SVC with 200 MVAR and 300 MVAR at other buses and adding SVC with 100 MVAR for all buses increases EENS index. For the IEEE RTS, EENS index is reduced by adding SVC with 100, 200 and 300 MVAR for all buses. According to the previous results, we notice that the RBTS loads have no reactive loads, and SVC will increase reactive power flow and respectively will increase apparent power flow (MVA) Eqn. (19).

$$S = V \times I^* \tag{19}$$

Current will decrease to maintain voltage leading to reducing loading on lines and hence reducing load curtailment (L_K) which is a factor in reliability index EENS according to Eqn. 20 and 21

$$EENS = \sum_{j \in x,y} L_{Kj} D_{Kj} F_j \quad MWh \tag{20}$$

$$EENS = \sum_{j \in x,y} L_{Kj} P_j (8760) \quad MWh \tag{21}$$

Where $j \in x$ includes all contingencies resulting in line overloads which are alleviated by load curtailment at bus K. $j \in y$ includes all contingencies which result in an isolation of bus K.

The effect of SVC is appeared strongly in the IEEE-RTS which has both active and reactive loads.

-Network solutions (i.e. dc load flow, ac load flow, remedial actions, load curtailment policies and load models) are the major factors associated with the process of composite power system adequacy evaluation [6].

Most of the present researches are concerning with the effect of the SVC upon power system stability. However, the uses of SVC can be easily extended; the effect of SVC on load curtailment is illustrated. The reduction of load curtailment for contingencies or heavily loaded situations can reduce the total cost of the load shedding [5]. The huge impact of the SVC on reliability levels indicates that an investment in reactive power is an effective way to enhance these reliability levels. Using SVC rather than erecting more transmission lines or building additional power plants to improve composite power system reliability level is proposed and encouraged. Compared with establishing more lines or plants, the employment of SVC is easy to implement. In the meantime, SVC can show significant effects on the enhancement of reliability levels [4]. SVC has the effect to reduce load curtailment either by installing it at buses or in the middle of the lines. Annualized system indices are used instead of load point indices to study effect of SVC on the system.

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