Reduction of the total utility peak load by applying demand response measures

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Teaching in EE started in the 19th century. The education was modeled following the methods tested and perfected in France and Germany.

Faculty of Electrical Engineering (ETF) was founded in 1948.



The educational system was and is constantly being upgraded to include teaching methods and tools that were verified in the leading teaching institutions in the world.

The teaching has a strong theoretical component.

The emphasis on design centered education is at the graduate level (final engineering, master, and doctoral projects).



Undergraduate studies

- duration: 4 academic years
- two study programs ("Electrical Engineering and Computers" and "Software Engineering")

Master degree studies

- duration: 1 academic year
- one study program
- Doctorial academic studies
 - duration: 3 academic years
 - one study program



Organization of Studies

DIVISIONS:

- POWER ENGINEERING
- ELECTRONICS
- PHYSICAL ELECTRONICS
- SIGNALS AND SYSTEMS
- COMPUTER ENGINEERING AND INFORMATICS
- TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGIES
- SOFTWARE ENGINEERING



The number of students who received:

Diploma Engineer Degree since the foundation of the Faculty is 19.253 (in the last academic year – 379)

Master Degree since the foundation of the Faculty is 3.078 (in last academic year – 367)

Doctorial Degree since the foundation of the Faculty is 620 (in last academic year – 18)

Research and Development Work



Content

- Introduction
- Methodology elaboration
- Wider research frame and DSM/DR program
- Results /case study of ED Belgrade/ with a sensitivity analysis
- Conclusions

Nomenclature

- AC air conditioning
- AMR automated meter reading
- DR demand response
- DG distributed generation
- DSM demand side management
- EDB Electricity Distribution Company Belgrade
- EE energy efficiency
- HAN home area network
- HS heat storage
- LV low voltage
- MV medium voltage
- RES renewable energy sources
- TA thermal accumulating

Introduction

- Options for peak reduction versus options to investment in new distribution facilities.
- DSM, DR, and EE options in the context of higher DG and RES presence
- Financial incentives and targeted information to influence individual customer decisions.
- Critical issue: how much does it cost to reduce peak through such programs?
- Different assessments of (cost-)effectiveness...

Demand response method for total utility peak load reduction - 1

- Objective is to select the best schedule for shiftable load (appliances) in order to reduce the total utility peak load
- Energy used by consumers is the same
- Household appliances have been categorized as controllable and uncontrollable
- Demand of controllable appliances can be shifted

Method - 2

- Heating / cooling, water heating, as well as refrigerators and freezers, i.e. devices that have thermostats, are best candidates for load shifting
- Natural thermal storage enables to maintain the temperature within the certain range
- Devices can be controlled fully automatically within constraints

Method - 3

- Controllable appliances are further classified according to their load-shifting flexibility (time period of shifting)
- A. 15 minutes shiftable load (refrigerators,...) they participate with 5 % in total controllable load during winter and with 10 % during summer
- B. 30 minutes shiftable load (air-conditioners,..) they participate with 25 % in total controllable load during winter and with 60 % during summer
- C. 1 hour shiftable load (heaters, water heaters) they participate with 70 percent in total controllable load during winter and with 30% during summer

Method - 4

- The proposed model has been implemented and solved in MATLAB software tool
- In simulation it is taken that shiftable appliances participate with the same percentage every hour
- Comparison with scheduling problem on generation side has been examined (hydro – thermal coordination)

Specific winter load profiles



The pair of daily load profiles of the major part of Belgrade's supplying area for the same date in 2011 and 2012, with different weather conditions

Specific summer load profiles



A pair of daily load profiles for almost the same date during summer 2012 and 2007, with opposite weather conditions (upper curve at higher average daily temperature)

Wider research frame



DSM/DR program simulation (The impact on the annual peak load reduction)



Achieved and forecasted annual peak loads of EDB - until 2021/22

Elaboration of previous figure

- The end of the introduction period of proposed DSM/DR project is in winter season 2021/22
- Previously forecasted annual peak load has been 1843.3 MW
- Reduction with implemented DSM/DR project is of 241.66 MW
- It is equal to full capacity for DSM/DR of thermalaccumulating devices
- EDB does not need to build four substations 110/10 kV/kV less, S_{inst} =2.40 MVA each

DR solution

Necessary hardware and software support for remote control



Elaboration of previous figure -1

- The above technical solution is based on combined use of AMR system and/or MV/LV power transformer monitoring (left), home area network (HAN) concept and additional devices (right)
- On the threshold of each HAN (right), some gateway device or decentralized controller has to be deployed
- Within the HAN the appropriate household devices should be used (compatible to load management)
- The way of connection of PV-panels and arrays is shown.

Elaboration of previous figure - 2

- The innovative load control system based on stochastic distributed computing and the use of additional devices to select the availability of connected home appliances for load control is designed
- Customers will perform that selection by their own
- Second type of HAN devices is designed to control thermostats of AC devices
- Solution of dynamic instantaneous control problems is achieved based on compromise between occupants' comfort and expenses
- The monitoring of loads at LV boards (left) is to be introduced and data to be sent to the Utility's Control Center

Comparison of the costs in two planning alternatives

- DSM/DR program's introduction costs:
- Replace / re-program old control receivers and smart meters in AMR system
- Installation of h/w and s/w of DSM module: smart plugs, gateway devices, data concentrators with communication equipment, central server and s/w...
- Incentives to customers for their participation in DSM
 Details & math model – in Study

- Investment costs for new power facilities:
- Four substations 110/10 kV (75% loaded, each 2x40 MVA)
- Supplying lines 110 kV
- MV and LV grids and substations MV/LV

Total costs: ca. 146 M EUR

Present value: ca. 101 M EUR

The upper limit for **cost-effective DSM/DR program**, as it has been designed and proposed here

All costs are made comparable

RESULTS – CASE STUDY OF EDB

Results for the base case scenario (for realistic input data):

- Total costs of DSM/DR module introduction, reduced to present value: 47.2 M EUR
- Costs per single "smart" plug: 94.4 EUR
- Costs per participant (customer): 236 EUR

Results for **the worst case scenario**:

- Total costs (net present value): ca. 113.2 M EUR
- Costs per single "smart" plug: 151.0 EUR
- Costs per participant (customer): 377.4 EUR

The option of building the new power facilities is better

Sensitivity analysis results

DSM/DR program is still better

option than new facilities !



Input parameters

Conclusions

- DSM/DR programs represent a serious alternative to the option of building new power facilities
- Important steps:
 - ✓ proper initial estimation of DSM/DR capacity of considered supply area
 - ✓ appropriate DSM/DR program design
 - ✓ examination of individual prices for every single element within DSM/DR program design

Conclusions (2)

Case study of Belgrade Utility entire supply area shows that DSM/DR program introduction is the better option than construction of new power facilities, in the wide range of variations of influential parameters

Thank you for your attention !

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