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ABSTRACT

In restructured power markets, forecasting electricity price and load accurately are most essential tasks and basis for any decision making. Short-term load forecasting is an essential instrument in power system planning, operation, and control. Various operating decisions are based on load forecasts like dispatch scheduling of generating capacity, reliability analysis, and maintenance planning for the generators. Also, the accurate day ahead electricity price forecasting provides crucial information for power producers and consumers to develop accurate bidding strategies in order to maximize their profit.

This thesis discusses significant role of artificial intelligence (AI) in short-term load & price forecasting, that is, the day-ahead hourly forecast of the electricity market parameters (load and price). A new artificial neural network (ANN) has been designed to compute the forecasted load & price. The data used in the forecasting are hourly historical data of the temperature, electricity load and natural gas price. The ANN was trained on hourly data from the 2007 to 2011 and tested on out-of-sample data from 2012. The simulation results have shown highly accurate day-ahead forecasts with very small error in load and price forecasting.

However load forecast of ISO New England market is far better than price forecast of ISO New England market. This is because price curves of any electricity market is highly volatile & depends on also many other factors which must also be taken care off. Also, the load forecast is much better with temperature data as input than without taking it. This is due to the fact that temperature and weather data are having high degree of correlation with load of that particular region. This indicates that temperature data is a very important parameter for load forecasting using ANN.

Economic load dispatch (ELD) problem is a common task in the operational planning of a power system, to schedule the connected generating units of plant outputs so as to fulfill load demands at minimum operating cost while satisfying all operational constraints. Optimization is a mathematical technique that is very appropriate to solve the ELD problem. Different optimization techniques like genetic algorithm, pattern search, minimax optimization, hybrid of genetic & pattern search algorithm, hybrid of genetic algorithm & fmincon & particle swarm optimization have been successfully applied to solve the ELD problem & day ahead economic load forecast (DAELF) problems using IEEE 30-bus (06 machine) & standard 26-bus (06 thermal units & 46 transmission line). The results shows that particle swarm optimization technique gives the optimum operating cost.

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ABBREVIATIONS

AI Artificial Intelligence

ANN Artificial Neural Network

MAPE Mean Absolute Percentage Error

MAE Mean Absolute Error

NN Neural Network

STLF Short Term Load Forecasting

LMP Locational Marginal Price

ELD Economic Load Dispatch

ELF Economic Load Forecast

DAELF Day-Ahead Economic Load

Forecast

GA Genetic Algorithms

PS Pattern Search Optimization

Algorithm

MM Minimax Optimization

FN Fmincon Minimization

PSO Particle Swarm Optimization

HGFN Hybrid of GA & Fmincon

HGPS Hybrid of GA & Pattern search