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I. Introduction

Low-grade heat sources present a significant technical and economic potential: over 60 quadrillions BTU of energy were wasted yearly in the United States, mainly in the form of heat, [1], the huge renewable geothermal and solar thermal energy resources are also low-grade. Recovery even a small fraction of these heat resources can make a significant contribution to the energy balance. The main reason for limiting the use of these energy sources is the low-temperature potential - typically below 100°C. Not only does this substantially limit energy conversion efficiency (Carnot efficiency ηc does not exceed 20%), but it also determines the low energy flux density Q and the correspondingly high capital expenditure (CapEx) on the equipment. Two major energy conversion technologies are currently under consideration - the Organic Rankin Cycle (ORC) and the Thermoelectric Generator (TEG). ORC is the best-developed and commercialized technology - different range equipment available on the market, there are real estimates of Levelized Cost of Electricity (LCOE). At the same time, TEGs have potential benefits that can provide them with a niche in the market for low-grade heat sources. This is high reliability, low operating costs, compactness, and noiseless. Much research has been devoted to improving the economic efficiency of TEG. Reviews [2-3] provides statistics on existing devices and discuss possible ways to improve their performance. The modern paradigm of the development of thermoelectric devices is based on an increase in the thermoelectric figure of merit of thermoelectric materials zT, which determines the theoretical efficiency limit of TEG. However, no significant progress has been made recently in raising zT, and there is a reason to believe that there is a limit that has already been reached [4]. At the same time, large reserves remain for improving TEG economic performance by optimizing structures and regimes. First of all, it concerns the increase of heat exchange intensity. On the conditions of heat exchange depends on the useful temperature difference on thermocouples and their optimal height, which determine the density.
of heat fluxes and the specific power of TEG [5]. Most commonly, the sources of waste heat are liquid heat-carriers with a defined temperature. For these conditions, plate-type heat exchangers provide the best heat exchange intensity. In patents [6-8], several TEG designs integrated into plate heat exchangers (HX TEG) were proposed. The proposed TEG system provides for the high intensity of heat transfer, increase efficiency and specific power, simplify the system architecture, and reduce cost. This differs from the commonly accepted conventional TEG design, where the heat carriers are separated from the thermoelectric module by a separator plate or tube canals. The design concept consists of heat exchange plates integrated with an array of thermoelectric modules (Figure 1a), assembled into a modular stack (Figure 1b). Each plate is composed of the case in which thermoelectric modules are mounted and hermetically sealed. Gaskets are located between the plates, which form the transport channels for the heat carriers. The entire stack assembly is clamped between endplates that provide connections for the heat carriers. Electrical connections are made in parallel and series between individual thermoelectric modules and between plates, depending on the desired reliability, voltage, and current, with current collection terminals mounted into one of the stack endplates. A TEG based on this design concept can be comprised of a single stack or combine with multiple stacks into a rack-type structure for higher power output (Fig. 1c, 1d).

II. THEORETICAL FOUNDATIONS

In general, the power of the TEG-HX is:

\[
N = E^2 \frac{m}{(m+1)^2} \tag{1}
\]

where \( E = ne \Delta T \) – an electromotive force of the generator; \( m \) – load factor.

That is, in order to determine the power of HX TEG, it is necessary to know the temperature difference on thermocouples \( \Delta T \) and its distribution along the channel. The mathematical models presented in [5] allow the analysis and evaluation of the economic indicators of the HX TEG based on the initial data - material properties and sizes of thermoelectric modules, assembly geometry, initial temperatures and coolant flow rates. Figure 2, below, illustrates a basic conceptual design for an HX TEG device for the purpose of discussion. In this illustrative example, heating (th) and cooling (tc) fluids pass through the canals between thermoelectric modules and flow over their surface, ensuring the maintenance of a temperature difference \( \Delta T \) on the thermoelectric modules. Due to certain irreversible losses associated with heat exchange, as well as a result of changes in the temperatures of the fluids along the length of each channel, the actual working temperature difference across a thermoelectric module will always be less than the inlet temperature difference:

\[
\Delta T < dt_o = t_{ho} - t_{co} \tag{2}
\]

A mathematical model to determine this temperature difference contains [5]:

\[
g_{bi}, t_{bi} \quad g_{ci}, t_{ci} \quad \Delta T < \frac{\Theta}{C_p}
\]

The solution of the equations of heat and electricity transfer with third type boundary
The system of equations (1 - 4) allows the calculation of the temperature distribution in the thermoelectric elements and in the fluid and, respectively, to determine the characteristics of the HX TEG as a function of the operational and geometrical parameters, the properties of the thermoelectric materials, and the properties of the fluids. Since the properties of coolants depend on temperature, for the calculation of heat transfer coefficients is applied to the interpolation of tabular data of the thermo physical properties using cubic splines. The peculiarity of the calculations is that in the case of a counter-current flow pattern of the coolant, at least one of the required temperatures (the temperature at the outlet of the heat exchanger) is uncertain. The problem is solved by successive calculations of the temperature distribution in each thermocouple (or module) using the parameters of the coolant at the output of the module as input parameters for the next module. The solution is numerically finding the temperature that satisfies the initial conditions, i.e., $t_{h(1)} = t_{ho}$ and $t_{c(1)} = t_{co}$. Figure 3 illustrates the results of calculating the temperature distribution along HX TEG channels.

However, due to possible errors in determining the initial data (first of all, the conditions of heat exchange), these models require verification by comparing the calculated and experimental data.

### III. Study of the HX TEG at the Thermolectric Test rig

In order to verify the mathematical model (1-4), an experimental study of the characteristics of a laboratory prototype HX-TEG was conducted. The flows diagram of the test apparatus is shown in Fig. 4. The experimental TEG consisted of thermoelectric plates designed in accordance with the patent [10]. The dimensions of the thermoelectric plate is similar to the Alfa Laval plate of heat exchanger type T2–BFG (380 mm x 140 mm). Each thermoelectric module pack in the plate consists of 10 thermoelectric modules type MT2.6-0.8-263. The first value in the specification of the module indicates the area of the cross-section of the thermocouples ($s=2.6$ mm$^2$), the second value is the legs length of the thermocouples ($h=0.8$ mm), and the third value is the number of thermocouples ($n_v=263$). The size of the module is 50 mm x 50 mm x 4 mm and the total number of modules in the HX TEG was $n=40$ pieces. The thermoelectric material is $Bi_2Te_3$, whose properties ($\alpha$, $\sigma$, $\lambda$) are described as polynomials of degree 2 with sufficient accuracy. Hot and cold heat-carriers (potable water) flowed through channels with a cross-section of $F=2$ cm$^2$ (100 mm x 2 mm). The temperatures of the heat-carriers at the inlets and outlets and the electromotive force (EMF) of the HX TEG were measured. The flow rates of the heat-carriers were...
measured with rotameters (varied between 0 – 1.0 kg/sec). The temperature of input coolants varied between $t_{co}=3.5^\circ C – 7^\circ C$ and $t_{ho}=40^\circ C -70^\circ C$. The entire TEG assembly was constructed in an aluminum chassis. The dependences of the power output of the HX TEG on the velocity and temperature of the heat-carrier were investigated and the experimental data were compared with the results of calculations. Using the experimental data for $t_h$, $t_c$, $G_h$, and $G_c$, together with the mathematical model (1 – 4), all HX TEG parameters were calculated:

- The distribution of temperature of the heat carriers $t_h$, $t_c$;
- The distribution of temperature difference on thermoelectric modules $\Delta T$, °C;
- An electromotive force EMF, V, and
- Power $N$, W.

Since the basis for calculations is primary data (initial temperature and mass flow of coolants), the accuracy of the mathematical model was estimated by comparing the experimental data of the EMF of HX TEG with the calculation by the same conditions. The correlation between the calculated and experimental data is presented in Figure 5, below, which presents the EMF, as calculated (Calc) compared with actual EMF measurements (Exp) for the same conditions.

**Figure 4:** Flows diagram of the test rig

**Figure 5:** Comparison of calculation (Calc) and experimental (Exp) data

**IV. Results and Discussion**

The correlation between the calculated and experimental data is presented in Fig. 6. The results obtained confirm the high accuracy of the developed mathematical model. The error estimate in the form $\Delta = (E_{exp} - E_{calc}) / E_{exp} \times 100\%$ shows that the
The difference between the experimental and calculated data does not exceed $\Delta \approx 7\%$, which is equal to about half of the scattering corridor of the experimental data (Fig. 7). That's quite acceptable and due primarily to the errors in the measurement of the heat carrier flows and the standard errors of the equation for the calculation of heat exchange intensity. The character of the scattering shows that the deviations are random and relate primarily to the results of the measurement, and not to the accuracy of the mathematical model.

![Image](image1.png)

**Figure 6:** The correlation between the calculated (Calc) and experimental (Exp) data

![Image](image2.png)

**Figure 7:** Deviation of experimental data compared with mathematical model for different $dt$

The specific power of TEG depends largely on the intensity of heat transfer, which for a fixed design is determined by the flow rate of the heat carriers. The above data were obtained for a heat carrier velocity of 1.1 m/s, which corresponds to heat transfer coefficients of about 0.22 W/cm²K. Increasing the velocity of heat carriers leads to a significant increase in power of HX TEG and, consequently, to a decrease in capital expenditure (CapEx) per Watt. According to the presented in Fig.8 data, increasing the heat transfer coefficient to 1.0 W/cm²K provides a double increase in power and a corresponding decrease in CapEx. For the considered design with smooth channels, such heat transfer coefficient corresponds to a speed of 8 m/s, which is not acceptable. But usually, the heat exchanger plates have a turbulent relief, thereby achieving $\alpha$ up to 2 W/cm²K at reasonable heat carrier velocities of $V \approx 1$ m/s. That is, existing methods allow to increase the intensity of heat transfer to the required level. The Levelized Cost Of Electricity (LCOE) estimates for the HX TEG is presented in Fig. 9. The real cost of components was taken into account in the CapEx calculations; the TEG resource is 10 years; the cost of the heat source (waste heat) and operating costs were not taken into account. Thus, the weighted price of electricity, given in Fig. 9 can be considered as a first approximation to reality.
The results of the experimental study of the thermoelectric generator for utilizing low-grade heat are considered. The studies were carried out in order to verify the developed mathematical models of TEG, integrated into the plate heat exchanger (HX TEG). The results obtained confirm the accuracy of the calculations (the error is about 7%). The economic indicators of HX TEG are given. Possibility to reach the specific values of Cap Ex< 1 $/W and LCOE=3-5 cents/kWh is demonstrated. Such technical and economic indicators allow us to expect a wide application of HX TEG for the exploitation of the waste heat and low-potential heat sources.

**V. Conclusions**

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1. **Introduction**

In Russia on thermal power plants (fig. 1), about 2000 power units with a capacity of 30 to 1200 MW are installed. The power units include a steam boiler, a steam turbine, and a turbine generator. Dimensions of buildings of power plants in which power units are installed depending on dimensions of steam boilers. The height of steam boilers can reach up to 100 m. In the furnaces of steam boilers, 80–85% of the fuel and energy resources extracted and used in the world, including Russia, are burned.

**Fig. 1:** Thermal power plant

Total rated capacity of power units of the thermal power plants (TPPs) and combined heat and power plants (CHPPs) of Russia is 160,000 MW. Every hour, in the furnaces of steam boilers (SB) of thermal power plant (TPPs) and combined heat and power plants (CHPPs), 35,730 tons of fuel are burned in the form of heat equivalent in fuel oil or 600 railway tanks with a capacity of 60 tons of fuel oil, which is ten trains with 60 tanks each. A day in the furnaces of TPPs and CHPPs steam boilers of Russia burn above 240 trains of heavy fuel oil equivalent. It is significant to increase the efficiency of the furnaces of steam boilers and steam turbines, to organize the rational combustion of fuel in the furnaces since only 1% of the fuel saved per day will be 8580 tons in fuel oil equivalent or 2.4 trains. Saving of 1% of fuel per year will be 876 trains in fuel oil equivalent of 60 tanks in each or 3 million 132 thousand tons of fuel oil.

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II. **The Problem of Heat Transfer Calculation in the Furnaces of Steam Boilers**

In the 20th-21st centuries, widespread flaring in furnaces, combustion chambers of gaseous, liquid, pulverized fuel was widely adopted. Flaring of fuel is characterized by volumetric radiation, a three-dimensional model of radiation. Radiation heat transfer accounts for 90–98% of the total heat transfer in the furnaces of steam boilers [1, 2], torch heating [3], and electric arc steel-smelting furnaces [4, 5]. In a torch, an electric arc emits quadrillion atoms, the radiation of each atom to the calculation site must be taken into account, which is an extremely complex task. To calculate the thermal radiation of the torch to the calculation site, it is necessary to solve the triple integral equations of heat transfer by radiation [6]. There were no solutions to the triple integral equations for determining the fluxes of thermal radiation, the angular emission coefficients of the torch to the calculation site, and the average path length of the rays from the emitting atoms to the calculation site were not found.

It is believed that the problem of calculating heat transfer in torch furnaces and power plants was eliminated with the advent of computers and the beginning of the use of the numerical computational technique for integral equations of heat exchange and calculation methods Pl-approximation, Monte Carlo, Schwarzschild-Schuster, Eddington, Chandrasekhar, spherical harmonics.

Numerical and other methods are based on the law of thermal radiation of solids, the Stefan-Boltzmann law. However, long-term theoretical and experimental studies of heat transfer have shown that the thermal radiation of the gas volumes of flares does not obey the Stefan – Boltzmann law, and the calculation error is 90–180% or more [5–9]. For example, the furnace of a steam boiler of a power unit with a capacity of 300 MW of a power plant is a rectangular parallelepiped with a width, depth, height of 14, 7, 35 m, respectively. When working on fuel oil in the furnace, every hour burns 67 tons of fuel. A high-temperature radiating gas volume of the torch is formed in the furnace, filling the entire space of the furnace. The torch emits all the atoms, which amount is approximately equal to the quantity of grains of sand in the Sahara Desert. The radiation of each atom to the calculation site must be taken into account, which was not done in the 20th century. Throughout the 20th century the torch in furnaces and combustors was "a black box," an unexplored object of radiation. To save fuel when burning in steam boiler furnaces, to increase the efficiency of a steam boiler, it is necessary to organize correctly combustion of liquid, powdered, gaseous fuel in the burners, to rationally place the burners on screen surfaces of fire chambers. It is possible to correctly place the burners on the screen surfaces if there is an exact methodology for calculating heat transfer in the furnaces of steam boilers, which allows obtaining a calculation result corresponding to the true heat transfer in the steam boiler furnaces.

Having performed dozens of calculations using the exact methodology with different locations of the burners in the furnace, you can find a rational arrangement of the burners at which the heat flow of the flame is aligned along the perimeter and height of the furnaces, the efficiency of steam boilers is increased, in-pipe deposits, operating costs and fuel consumption are reduced. Exact methods for calculating heat transfer in flare furnaces and combustion chambers were absent throughout the 20th century. Calculation methods that existed in Russia and other industrialized countries (zonal, numerical, Pl approximations, Monte Carlo, Schwarzschild – Schuster, Eddington, Chandrasekhar, spherical harmonics) did not allow to obtain a complete picture of heat transfer in flare furnaces and combustion chambers [1–5].

All of the above methods are based on the law of thermal radiation of blackbody, Stefan - Boltzmann solid body and the emission of gas volumes of torches does not obey the law of blackbody, the law of radiation of a solid body and the calculation error is 90-180% or more. This error led to the fact that throughout the 20th century in the textbooks, monographs, articles in Russian and foreign scientists, there was no information on the distribution of heat flows and radiation in the furnaces on the axis of symmetry of the display surfaces and their periphery (Fig. 2), on the causes of damage to the burner devices, uneven vaporization, and in-pipe deposits on the height and perimeter of the screen surfaces.

![Fig. 2: Furnace of 500 MW power unit steam boiler](image-url)
Local knowledge of heat transfer was obtained in the course of numerous laborious experimental studies of heat transfer in the furnaces of the steam boiler. Expensive time-consuming and resource-consuming experimental methods of heat transfer research did not allow to obtain a complete picture of heat transfer due to its complexity, low efficiency, lack of serial devices for measuring the heat flux of radiation on the heating surfaces in flare furnaces and combustion chambers.

The lack of reliable methods for calculating heat transfer in flare furnaces and combustion chambers led to the containment of their development, improvement, creation of innovative, more advanced flare furnaces, furnaces with a different arrangement of burners and flares in them (Fig. 3). The rational location aligned to the heat flows on the heating surfaces, evaporation, and in-line sediments in torch furnaces, the heating period becomes shorter, and the fuel consumption in flaring furnaces [10, 11], reduced fuel consumption and operating costs for removing intra pipe deposits.

Fig. 3: Interior view of the furnace of the steam boiler, burner, torch

The lack of a reliable method for calculating heat transfer did not allow the calculation of heat transfer and to predict the creation of more advanced efficient flare furnaces [11] and combustion chambers. The design of most of the direct-flow furnaces of steam boilers and flare heating furnaces has not made any fundamental changes for several decades, contributing to the equalization of the distribution of the fluxes of radiation of the flares on the heating surfaces.

III. The Laws of Thermal Radiation of Gas Volumes of Torch Furnaces

In 1996-2001 an author discovered the laws of thermal radiation of gas volumes of flares, the laws of radiation of isothermal isochoric coaxial cylindrical and concentric spherical gas volumes [5–10]. To comply with centuries-old scientific traditions and copyright laws of thermal radiation of gas volumes of torches, it became possible to calculate heat transfer (distribution of heat fluxes overheating surfaces) with high accuracy, to predict a change in the distribution of heat fluxes overheating surfaces with a change in the design of torch furnaces [11], furnaces, combustion chambers and the location of burners and torches in them. With the discovery of the laws of thermal radiation of gas volumes, it became possible to make changes in the design of furnaces, combustion chambers and calculate the rational arrangement of burners and torches in them, create innovative flare furnaces and combustion chambers in which heat fluxes are aligned overheating surfaces, time is reduced heating, fuel consumption, operating costs for flushing boilers from intra pipe deposits, the cost of pilot studies of the combustion chambers of gas turbine plants, the number of destruction of the combustion chambers is reduced, hence the resource of their work increases.
Fig. 4. Shows the radiation from cylindrical gas volumes to the calculated area. Mathematical notation of the laws of heat radiation from cylindrical gas volumes of the torches is given in Table 1 [6].

Table 1: Mathematical notation and formulation of the laws of heat radiation from cylindrical gas volumes

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<th>Law number</th>
<th>Mathematical notation of the law</th>
<th>Law formulation</th>
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<td>I</td>
<td>[ q_{F_0dF} = \frac{\varphi_{F_0dF} \cdot P_F \cdot e^{-kd}}{F_0} = \frac{\varphi_{F_0dF} \cdot P_F}{F_0} \cdot e^{-kd} ]</td>
<td>Heat radiation flux density incident on the calculated area from the cylindrical gas volume is directly proportional to its power, the angular radiation coefficient and is inversely proportional to the absorption coefficient, the average beam path length from the atoms of the volume to the site and the site area.</td>
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<td>II</td>
<td>[ l_1 = l_2 = l_3 = \ldots = l_i = \left( \sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{l_i}{n} \right) = l ]</td>
<td>The average beam path length from radiating atoms to the calculated area is equal to the arithmetic mean distance from the symmetry axis to the calculated area.</td>
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<td>III</td>
<td>[ \varphi_{F_1dF} = \varphi_{F_2dF} = \varphi_{F_3dF} = \ldots = \varphi_{F_n,dF} ]</td>
<td>Angular coefficients of radiation from coaxial cylindrical gas volumes to the calculated area are equal.</td>
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<td>IV</td>
<td>[ q_{F_1dF} = q_{F_2dF} = q_{F_3dF} = \ldots = q_{F_n,dF} ]</td>
<td>Flux densities of radiation from coaxial cylindrical gas volumes to the calculated area are equal.</td>
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<td>V</td>
<td>[ q_{F_0dF} = \sum_{i=1}^{n} q_{F_i,dF} ]</td>
<td>Flux densities of heat radiation from cylindrical gas volume of large diameter and its cylindrical axis of symmetry to the calculated area are equal when the heat capacities released in them are equal.</td>
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In Table 1 the following symbols are used: \( q \) is the density of the heat flux incident on the calculated area (CA) from the cylindrical gas volume (CGV), kW/m²; \( \varphi \) is the angular radiation coefficient (a portion of the radiation) from the CGV to the CA; \( P \) is the radiation power of the CGV, kW; \( k \) is the absorption coefficient of the CGV; \( l \) is the average beam path length from all atoms of CGV to the CA, m; \( F \) is the surface area of the CA, m²; indices denote the numbers of gas volumes from 1 to \( n \).

In 2011 the author of this article Makarov A. N. received a diploma for the scientific discovery [13]. According to the first law of heat radiation from cylindrical volumes, the heat radiation flux density of cylindrical gas volume to the calculated area \( q_{F_0dF} \) is directly proportional to the radiation power of the volume \( P_F \), the proportion of the radiation on the calculated area \( \varphi_{F_0dF} \) of the total radiation from the volume and inversely proportional to the site area \( F_0 \), the absorption coefficient of the gaseous medium \( k \), the average beam path length \( l \) from the atoms of the volume to the area.

The open laws of thermal radiation of ionized gas (electric arcs) and non-ionized (flares) gas volumes, as well as all fundamental laws of physics, are universal, multidisciplinary, applicable to several sectors of economic activity.

These laws are used to create innovative devices and methods in many industries: metallurgy, energy and various industries [4-11].

The open laws of thermal radiation of gas volumes make it possible to calculate with high accuracy for any calculation site the radiation of each atom and the total radiation of all atoms that make up the torch. It should be borne in mind that with the
discovery of the laws of thermal radiation of gas volumes, the extremely complex problem of calculating, using one radiation formula of quadrillion torch atoms to any calculation site in flame furnaces and combustion chambers, was solved. Based on open laws, the author developed a method for calculating heat transfer in flame furnaces and combustion chambers, the basic calculation formulas of which are given in the table [11].

In the table, the following conventions are used: \( q_{in} \) – is the density of the heat flux incident on the i-th elementary area on the heating surface; \( q_{in, Ф} \) – is the flux density of light radiated by the reflection and absorption of radiation; \( q_{in, n} \) – is the flux density of the heat flux of radiation falling on the calculation site from the radiating walls, hearth, lid, taking into account the reflection and absorption of radiation; \( q_{in, n} \) – is the flux density of the radiation flux of thermal radiation incident on the i-th site from the walls, hearth, arch, products; \( q_{in, n} \) – is the flux density of thermal radiation incident on the i-th site from the radiating walls, the hearth, the lid, taking into account the reflection and absorption of radiation; \( q_{in, n} \) – is the flux density of thermal radiation incident on the i-th platform, caused by the reflection of surface radiation from walls, hearths, lids, ingots; \( q_{con} \) – convective flux density of the torch and combustion products of the i-th site; \( q_{con} \) is the radiation flux density of the combustion products to the i-th site, \( Ф_{j} \) – is the local angular emissivity of the j-th cylindrical source to the i-th site, \( P_{j} \) is the power of the j-th cylindrical source, \( F_{i} \) is the area of the i-th elementary area, \( Ф_{j,k} \) – is generalized angular emissivity of the j-th volume zone (j-th cylindrical source) to the k-th surface, \( Ф_{j,k} \) – is the local angular emissivity of the j-th surface on i-th platform, \( Q_{j} \) – stream own radiation of the j-th surface, \( t_{s} = 20^\circ C \) – temperature of the products; \( t_{g,sr} = 1400^\circ C \) – average temperature of combustion products, gas; \( \alpha_{con} \) - heat transfer coefficient by convection, with free convection \( \alpha_{con} = 11.6 \ W / (m^2 \cdot ^\circ C) \); at the beginning of heating, \( q_{con} = 16.2 \ kW / m^2 \cdot ^\circ C \), \( Ф_{j,k} \) – is the local angular emission coefficient of the j-th volume of combustion products to the i-th site, \( P_{j} \) – is the power of the j-th volume of combustion products, \( c_s \) – is the emissivity of a completely black body; \( T_{j} \) – is the surface temperature; \( F_{j} \) – is the area of the j-th surface.

**Table 2:** Equations, formulas for calculating heat transfer in flame furnaces and combustion chambers [11]

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<th>Name of the formula, equation</th>
<th>Equation, formula</th>
<th>Measurement units</th>
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<td>1</td>
<td>The density of the total heat flux incident on the calculation site</td>
<td>( q_{in} = q_{in, Ф} + q_{in, n} + q_{in, n} + q_{in, n} )</td>
<td>kw/m²</td>
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<td>2</td>
<td>The share of power allocated to the settlement site</td>
<td>( P_{j} : P_{2} : \ldots : P_{n} = T_{1}^{n}V_{1} : T_{2}^{n}V_{2} : \ldots : T_{n}^{n}V_{n} )</td>
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<td>3</td>
<td>The density of the heat flux of radiation incident on the calculation site from the torch (the first law of thermal radiation of cylindrical gas volumes)</td>
<td>( q_{in, Ф} = \sum_{1}^{n} \frac{Ф_{j}}{P_{i}} \psi_{j} \phi_{j} e^{-kl} )</td>
<td>kw/m²</td>
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<td>4</td>
<td>Density of the heat flux of radiation caused by the reflection of the torch radiation from the surfaces to the calculation site</td>
<td>( q_{in, n} = \sum_{1}^{n} \frac{Ф_{j} \psi_{j,k} \phi_{j,k} e^{-kl}}{F_{k}} )</td>
<td>kw/m²</td>
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<td>5</td>
<td>Density of a heat flux of the radiation falling on the calculation site from the radiating surfaces</td>
<td>( q_{in} = \sum_{1}^{n} \frac{Ф_{j} \psi_{j,k} \phi_{j,k} e^{-kl}}{F_{k}} )</td>
<td>kw/m²</td>
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<td>6</td>
<td>Density of the heat flux of radiation caused by the reflection of radiation surfaces and incident on the calculation site</td>
<td>( q_{in, n} = \sum_{1}^{n} \frac{Ф_{j,k} \psi_{j,k} \phi_{j,k} e^{-kl}}{F_{k}} )</td>
<td>kw/m²</td>
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<td>7</td>
<td>Density of convective flow from the torch and combustion products to the calculation site</td>
<td>( q_{k} = \alpha_{k} \phi_{k} (t_{r.c.p.} - t_{H}) )</td>
<td>kw/m²</td>
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### IV. Calculation of Heat Transfer in the Furnace of a Steam Boiler

According to the laws of thermal radiation of gas volumes [10, 11] (see table 1) and the methodology for calculating heat transfer in flare furnaces and combustion chambers (see table 2) developed on their basis, the heat transfer in the furnace of a steam boiler of a power unit was calculated to be 800 MW. The calculation results of heat transfer in the furnace of a steam boiler TGMP-204 are presented in Fig. 5, 6.

The results of the calculation and measurement of the torch thermal radiation flux along the vertical axis of symmetry of the front wall are presented in Fig. 6 graphs 1 and 2. As can be seen from Fig. 6, the results of the calculation of measurements of torch radiation fluxes coincide or differ by no more than 5–8%, which confirms the high accuracy of the calculation results and the correspondence of the open laws of thermal radiation of gas volumes of the torch and the calculation methods developed on their basis for real processes of thermal radiation of the torch and heat transfer in furnaces of steam boilers. The results of heat transfer calculations in the furnaces of steam boilers showed that the components of the total heat flux incident on the calculation site (see Table 2, the first equation) are in the following ratio: the heat flux from the torch is 95%, the sum of the remaining components does not exceed 5% of the total heat flux. The heat flux of the torch is extremely unevenly distributed along the perimeter of the furnace and varies on the front wall from 780 kW/m² on the axis of symmetry to 180 kW/m² on the periphery of the wall. Hence the variation in heat flux of the torch along the perimeter of the front wall is 4.3 times.

![Fig. 5: Distribution of isotherms in the furnace of the steam boiler TGMP-204: 1-6, 10-12 - vertical radiating cylindrical gas volumes; 7-9 - horizontal radiating cylindrical gas volumes](image)

![Fig. 6: The density distribution of the total radiation flux along the walls of the furnace: 1 - along the vertical axis of symmetry of the front wall; 2 - the same measurement result; 3 - along the vertical axis of symmetry of the sidewall; 4 - along the vertical axis at the periphery of the side wall; 5 - along the vertical axis on the periphery of the front wall.](image)
Thermal fluxes of the flame of the torch are extremely unevenly distributed along the height of the furnace, the difference in the values of heat fluxes along the height of the front wall on its axis is 490% (from 780 kW / m² at furnace height of 14 m to 160 kW / m² at height of 42 m) (see Fig. 6). The values of heat flux on the front, and side walls vary greatly. A significant difference in the distribution of thermal radiation fluxes of the torch along with the height and perimeter of the walls negatively affects the intensity of vaporization and the amount of deposits in the pipes. From Fig. 6 it follows that the maximum vaporization is characterized by the Central section of the frontal wall, located at the height of 14 m (here we have the maximum deposits in the pipes). At the height of 14 m on the periphery of the frontal wall, the heat fluxes of the torch are 4.3 times less compared to the Central site, the intensity of vaporization and the amount of deposits is also 4-5 times less compared to the Central site. Along with the height of the walls, we have a similar unevenness in the heat flux of the torch and deposits in the pipes. All this leads to a significant unevenness of vaporization and deposits in the furnace tubes. Pipe sections located at a height of 14 m intensively precipitate sediments, their inner diameter decreases and the steam boiler needs to be stopped to flush in-pipe deposits, while deposits are insignificant in the peripheral sections of the front wall and sidewalls. If the boiler continues to run without flushing, deposits on the central section of the front wall become so significant that it will be necessary to stop the boiler and replace pipes with deposits of the central sections of the front wall with new pipes.

V. DEVELOPMENT OF INNOVATIVE FURNACES OF STEAM BOILERS

For many years, there was no accurate design information about the processes of heat transfer in the furnaces of steam boilers, so the design of direct-flow steam boilers has not changed for decades. The scientific discovery of the laws of thermal radiation of gas volumes made it possible to calculate the heat transfer in the furnaces of steam boilers and obtain complete information about the heat transfer in the furnaces, including data on the extremely uneven distribution of torch radiation fluxes along the perimeter and height of the furnace screen surfaces, to develop constructive solutions and new furnace devices, in which heat fluxes on screen surfaces and deposits in pipes are aligned, the operational costs of flushing boilers are reduced [12-15]. In Fig. 7 shows the innovative furnace of a steam boiler [12], in which at a distance of 0.33 the height of the furnace from the hearth, the front, rear and side walls are made at an angle of 4-6° with an inclination inward of the furnace with the formation of a tetrahedral truncated pyramid. When the upper part of the walls is made in the form of a tetrahedral truncated pyramid, the screens of the upper part approach the torch, the heat flows in the upper part of the walls increase, the height and perimeter are aligned (Fig. 8); vaporization is carried out evenly along the height and perimeter of the screens. The reduction of heat flow to the screens at the bottom reduces the number of deposits in the pipes, helps to slow down corrosion, increases the service life and the period between acid flushes of the boiler.

Fig. 7: The furnace of a steam boiler for combustion of gas-oil fuel with an inclination of part of walls inside: 1-under; 2-the arch; 3-walls; 4-screens; 5, 8-the lower and upper parts of the furnace, respectively; 6-burner; 7-torch; 9-flue

Fig. 8: The calculated distribution of the heat flux of the torch before (a) and after reconstruction (c): 1–4 is the distribution of heat fluxes along the symmetry axis of the front and side walls (a) 1, 2 is the distribution of heat fluxes on the axis of symmetry and on the periphery of the front and side walls, respectively (c)

In order to equalize the torch heat fluxes along the height and perimeter of the screen surfaces, a furnace made in the form of two truncated cones facing each other with large bases [15] (Fig. 9), as well as a
furnace made in the form of two large bases facing each other truncated pyramids [13, 14] (Fig. 10). Patents for inventions [12-15] were obtained for the proposed furnaces.

Fig. 9: Steam boiler furnace in the form of two truncated cones: 1-walls; 2 screens; 3-burners; 4-hearth; 5-arch; 6–torch

Fig. 10: Steam boiler furnace in the shape of two truncated pyramids: 1 - walls; 2 - arch; 3 - hearth; 4, 5 - screens; 6 – burners

Fig. 11: Distribution heat fluxes along the height and perimeter of the walls of the furnace, shown in Fig. 10: 1–4 - the density of thermal radiation fluxes, respectively, along the axis of symmetry of the front, side walls and on the periphery of the side and front walls

The calculation according to the laws of thermal radiation of gas volumes made it possible to obtain complete information about the torch thermal radiation flows incident on the frontal, rear, side walls along the perimeter and height, on the reasons for the unevenness of deposits along the perimeter and height of the furnaces, the unevenness of vaporization in the pipes, and the reasons for burner burnout [9] and other physical phenomena occurring in the furnaces of steam boilers. Using the laws of thermal radiation of gas volumes in the design of furnaces will allow us to analyze the effect of changes in the location of the burners in the width and height of the furnaces, calculate their optimal location, achieve equalization of vaporization and deposits in pipes, increase the efficiency of steam boilers by 1-3%, reduce fuel consumption and operating costs for flushing pipes.

Fundamental laws of physics are the basis for the development of theories, calculation methods, with the help of which all existing types of engineering and technologies were created in the 20th-21st centuries, electrification, mechanization, automation, computerization of industry, agriculture and everyday life were carried out [10]. Open Makarov A.N. the laws of thermal radiation of gas volumes, like all fundamental laws of physics, have multi disciplinarity, use in various sectors of economic and economic activity: in energy, metallurgy, in various industries, in education [11].

VI. Conclusion

The open laws of thermal radiation of gas volumes and their practical use in calculating heat transfer in flare furnaces made it possible to determine with high accuracy the distribution of torch radiation fluxes along the perimeter and height of the furnaces, to
identify the causes of burn-out nodes of burner assemblies in the furnaces and the unevenness of deposits inside the pipes around the perimeter and height of the pipes and to develop innovative furnaces of steam boilers, which eliminate the above disadvantages [12-15]. The practical use of the laws of thermal radiation of gas volumes in heat transfer calculations in flare heating furnaces made it possible to calculate the distribution of torch radiation fluxes along heating surfaces, to find out the reasons for the uneven distribution of heat fluxes on the surfaces of heated products, and to develop innovative torch furnaces with a rational arrangement of burners and torches in the furnaces at which it is aligned distribution of heat flows over heated products, reduced heating time of products, consumption fuel, increases the productivity of furnaces [11]. The use of open laws and the methodology for calculating heat transfer in the combustion chambers of gas turbine plants developed on their basis makes it possible to determine the distribution of the thermal radiation flux of the torch over the surface of the flame pipe at the stage of designing the combustion chambers, to organize effective cooling of the surface of the flame pipe, onto which the maximum heat flux of the flame falls, to exclude burnout of a flame tube, increase its service life, reduce the cost of experimental studies of combustion chambers and at the design stage to create conditions for long-term reliable operation of combustion chambers [16].

With the scientific discovery of the laws of thermal radiation of gas volumes of torches and electric arcs, it became possible for the first time to calculate the heat transfer in electric arc and flare furnaces and combustion chambers with high accuracy, to improve the heat transfer and design of electric arc and flare furnaces of industrial enterprises, furnaces and combustion chambers of gas turbine plants of electric stations save million kWh of electricity and million tons of liquid, gaseous, pulverized fuel, reduce pollutant emissions, reduce technogenic load on the environment and in many cities around the world. For a similar scientific discovery by the author of the laws of thermal radiation of gas volumes, for the discovery of the laws of thermal radiation by Wine and Planck of solids, blackbody, Wine in 1911, Planck in 1918 was awarded the Nobel prize in physics [10]. In 1921, Einstein was awarded the Nobel prize in physics for the discovery of the photoelectric effect of radiation, which was of similar importance, and for the development of the theory of the atom and radiation from it. The laws of thermal radiation of gas volumes, as well as the laws of thermal radiation of solids, blackbody, belong to the fundamental laws of physics, its section “Quantum Physics of Thermal Radiation.” Bohr was the last scientist to receive the Nobel Prize in Physics for discovering the fundamental laws of physics. The discovery of the fundamental laws of physics is an outstanding event in the life of humanity, which occurs once every 50-80 years. Confirmation of this fact is physics textbooks for schools and universities, which set out a little more than 30 laws discovered by humanity over 3 thousand years, starting from the III century BC. From the law of Archimedes and ending with the last fundamental laws, postulates discovered by Bohr in 1913.

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FPGA Physical layer Implementation of Fixed WIMAX for Data Transmission

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I. Introduction

The popularity of Broadband Wireless Local Area Network (WLAN) over cable modems in past decade has encouraged the development of a wireless standard for Metropolitan Area network (MAN). In an account of this, a broadband wireless access standard named WiMAX (Worldwide Interoperability for Microwave Access) has come into existence [1]. This standard is recently gaining importance due to high demand for high-speed internet access. The WiMAX also termed as IEEE 802.16 standard can provide a data rate starting from 100Mbps and a maximum range of 50 km for line of sight connectivity and 25km for Non-line of sight connectivity [2].

WiMax operates in 2.5, 3.5 and 5.8 GHz bands of frequencies using Orthogonal Frequency Division Multiplexing (OFDM) technology in the physical layer. The OFDM signaling is implemented to achieve higher performance for multipath fading wireless channels. Apart from this physical layer may incorporate other functions such as randomisation, forward error correction and sometimes coding for multiple antenna technologies.

The design of a WiMAX system is influenced by critical requirements such as higher speed, flexibility, time to market and importantly the hardware platform selection. For the high-speed system, the platform has to support significant processing capabilities that can perform computationally intensive tasks such as FFT/IFFT, FEC, etc. Flexibility is another requirement that a WiMAX design is to incorporate as the Standard is under continuous revision process. In such scenarios, the WiMAX system should be designed with hardware flexibility to achieve in-field reconfigure ability. Finally, the time to market is an important criterion for gaining success in market share. The Digital Baseband physical layer can be implemented using a general-purpose processor or a DSP processor which can run several algorithms mimicking the signal processing operations of the physical layer. The other methods of implementing the system are to develop a custom Application Specific Integrated Circuit (ASIC) or use an FPGA to configure the device as WiMAX physical layer system.

The use of DSP based algorithm to implement a system involves lot of computational complexity which may result in delays in generating the output signal. The ASIC implementation is a very time-consuming and expensive which affects the time to market of the implemented design. However, FPGA implementation does not suffer from the above two issue. Hence to design a WiMAX system with such criteria FPGA's provide an ideal implementation platform. [1]

This paper discusses about the implementation and performance analysis of WiMAX system. The transmitter and receiver sections are designed with a Channel and implemented on FPGA module. The channel module models the noise that mixes with the transmitted signal and passes the noise added signal to the receiver. The implementation of the system is verified by transmitting a binary sequence of data through the transmitter sections, allowing the transmitted signal to enter the receiver and extracting back the binary sequence of data. The WiMAX system implemented here makes use of an additive White Noise module that is implemented in hardware to act as a source of noise to the signal.
The WiMAX is a form of wireless transmission architecture which provides the speedy communication at low maintenance cost. This also gives the better use of bandwidth at higher frequency level. This part of the paper discusses the necessary concepts of the WiMAX system and its physical layer.

i. **WiMAX system**

The architecture of WiMAX system composed of various units in which base station (BS) and sink station (SS) are significant. Other components are CSN, MS, ASN, and CSN-GW, etc. The WiMAX Forum’s Network Working Group (NWG) provides a network reference model according to the IEEE 802.16e-200. The reference model is logically divided into three units [5].

ii. **WiMAX Physical layer**

This layer is mainly responsible for setting the connection among the communicating devices and transmission of the data bits. The physical layer design defines modulation type and transmission power requirements. WiMAX physical layer has two types of transmission techniques Time Division Duplex and Frequency Division Duplex with operating frequency band below 11 GHz. The physical layer of IEEE 802.16 standard is based on OFDM which is mainly required for multimedia communication and digital video services as it provides very fast data speed on non-line of sight channels and multipath environment. The role of the PHY layer is to encode the MAC frames into analog signals and receive these signals from a communication channel [7].

b) **Research Problem**

The implementation of the physical layer of WiMAX system poses big challenges as this is a complicated standard and high-speed processing requirement. There are very few works that focussed on implementing the WiMAX physical layer on FPGA system, but design constraints could not satisfy for the real-time hardware implementation of the system. Here an effort is made to realize a Physical layer of WiMAX on...
FPGA system with an improved throughput and FPGA design parameters.

II. LITERATURE REVIEW

This unit gives the discussion of the various research works towards the design and implementation of WiMAX based OFDM transmission system. Moises Sera [5] presented OFDM transmitter design as a part of Hiperlan/2 based transmitters. The issues in the implementation of OFDM based WLAN standard was presented by Ma.Jose Canet [6]. His work focussed on providing solutions to Baseband and IF OFDM signal generation. The work also benchmarked Optimised area results against system Generator results. Chris Dick[7] emphasized on designing the Software Defined Radio system on FPGA rather than on ASIC as FPGA provides a one-day solution to the implementation. His work provided a high-level view of FPGA implementation of OFDM receiver consisting of synchronization, packet detection; preamble correlates channel estimation and equalization functions. The implementation of 802.11 wireless standards on FPGA as a validating and prototype for ASIC was presented by Ludovico de Souza[8].Joaquin Garcia ad Cumplido [9] investigated the suitability of FPGA to support IF processing for 802.11a standard. The work majorly focussed on resource area and timing requirements that suit the implementation of rapid prototyping and also providing reconfiguration capability to support the different wireless standard. Awad et al. [10] implemented the physical layer of IEEE 802.20 and investigated the efficiency of OFDM transceiver. Lin [11] demonstrated the OFDM concept and investigated its efficiency changes by change in different parameters. The OFDM system was demonstrated by implementing the design in Matlab. Mohamed [12] presented an approach to implementing the OFDM system on FPGA. Harikrishna [13] presented FFT algorithm implementation on FPGA for WiMAX application. The author presented a memory based recursive FFT design which takes fewer gates, lower power and operates at high speeds. Upadhyaya et al. [14] presented an efficient FPGA implementation of address generation circuit for WiMax deinterleaver. A QAM architecture for WiMAX application covering carrier synchronization and timing synchronization issues was presented by Sahoo et al. [15].

III. PROPOSED SYSTEM

The OFDM physical layer system described here is an extension of the system described in chapter in chapter3 with few modifications that are added to the design. The modification to the hardware architecture of chapter1 includes the addition of Forwarding error correction technique. A convolution encoder for correcting the random errors and an interleave for overcoming the burst error effects are added at the transmitter section. The corresponding inverse function blocks such as a de-interleaved and a Viterbi decoder are added to the receiver section.

![Diagram](image-url)

**Figure 3:** Design for Hardware implementation

a) **Convolution Encoder**

This module comprises four inputs and two outputs. The global clock (Clk), reset (rst) and enable input signal act as control signals to the encoder. The Din signal serves as a single bit data input to the encoder. The convolution encoder developed is an encoder with a code rate of 1/3; hence the encoder output is a 3-bit code word (Dout). The encoder is also designed to give another output En_out which is high for the proper and valid working of the encoder. The En_out is also required for proper synchronization of the output code word. The convolution encoder is implemented considering a state machine implementation which comprises memory element and a combinational circuit. The state machine for the convolution encoder consists of M single bit shift registers and n modulo-2 adders (Ex-or gates). The shift registers are connected to the adders based on a generator polynomial. The number of adders in the state machine gives the length of code words generated.

b) **Interleaver**

This block reorders the coded symbols to counter the effects of burst errors on the transmitted coded symbols. The reordering of the coded symbols spreads out the burst errors rather than localizing it.

c) **OFDM TX**

The interleaved coded bits are transferred into Tx block for generating the OFDM signal. The OFDM TX block includes the following hardware modules 16 QAM, Symbol generation, zero padding, IFFT and Cyclic prefix(CP). The interleaved coded sequence is converted to one of the 16-QAM modulation symbols by passing the sequence through a QAM modulator. The QAM symbols are then zero padded and passed to a 256 point IFFT block. The cyclic prefix appends a 48-bit cyclic prefix code to generate a complete OFDM symbol of 304 bits. The OFDM signal will then be transferred over the channel via a Parallel to serial converter.
QAM
Symbol Generation
Zero padding
IFFT
Cyclic Prefix

Figure 4: TX1 hardware blocks

i.  **QAM**
   The coded data to be sent on the subcarriers are converted to QAM symbols using a 16-QAM module. The input 4-bit data are mapped as one of the 16 QAM symbols. Each of the QAM symbols is represented as real and imaginary components after the mapping process. The input 4-bit data is transformed into 16 real parts and 16 imaginary parts.

ii. **Symbol generation**
   This block constructs the OFDM symbol from the QAM symbols. In this block, the incoming QAM symbols are shifted four times to generate a single OFDM symbol. As the 16 bit Real and imaginary parts of each QAM symbol are shifted four times, the OFDM symbol constructed is of 64 bits. The incoming 16-bit QAM symbols are grouped in four to create an OFDM symbol of 64-bit.

iii. **Zero Padding**
   The 64 bit OFDM sample is zero padded in this block. The real-part and imaginary-part of the symbols generated from the SG block will be input to the Zero padding block to pad zeros. The zeros are padded to increase the sampling rate of the symbol. The 64-bit symbol data will be padded with extra 64 zeros to construct a 128 bit real and imaginary symbol data.

iv. **IFFT**
   The extended real and imaginary symbol data are passed through an IFFT block to generate the OFDM symbol. The IFFT module developed is a 256 point IFFT.

v. **Cyclic Prefix**
   The Cyclic prefix module extends the OFDM generate from the IFFT block to mitigate the ISI effects. It extends the symbol by prefixing the OFDM symbol by repeating the tail part of the symbol generated from IFFT. The cyclic prefix developed here extracts the last 32 bits from the IFFT generated OFDM symbol and prefixed it to the start of the symbol. Thereby a total of 288 bit OFDM symbol is generated.

d) **AWGN Generator Module**
   The AWGN generator module is used as AWGN Channel Noise module in Fixed-WiMAX system. The AWGN generator module generates the white Gaussian noise (WGN) of SND (standard normal Distribution). There are so many digital-synthesizing techniques are available to generate the random Gaussian variables depends on the transformation of UDR (Uniform distributed randomly) Variables. The hardware architecture of AWGN generator module is designed by using different techniques [79] like Central limit theorem (CLT), Box-Muller (B-M) Method, Rejection-acceptance Methods, Wallace Method and ICDF (Inverse Cumulative Distribution Function). In our design, ICDF method is adopted.

e) **OFDM RX**
   The OFDM signal received from the AWGN channel is passed through an RX block which consists of the following hardware modules; Inverse Cyclic Prefix, FFT, zero removal and QAM demodulator. The Inverse cyclic prefix removes the appended 48-bits of imaginary data and passes the 256 OFDM data to FFT block. The FFT block transforms the subcarriers to transform domain from which data is extracted by removing the zeros and demodulating. A 16-QAM demodulator maps the QAM symbols to code bits which will be forwarded to Inter leaver.

f) **Deinterleaver**
   The deinterleaving operation is the reverse of interleaving. This operation is performed to rearrange the symbols that were interleaved in the transmitter section. The interleaving and deinterleaving operation are performed by reading and writing through memory buffers.

g) **Viterbi Decoder**
   A Viterbi decoder is used at the receiver to decode the convolution codes. This decoder uses a Viterbi algorithm which uses trellis structure for decoding operation. The decoding of the convolution encoded sequence is performed by finding optimal path in the trellis structure for the received sequence. After obtaining the optimal path, a distance measure is used to received and coded sequence to perform decision decoding.

IV.  **Results Analysis**

This section the performance of the model designed is evaluated under two conditions of the channel 1) with fading and 2) without fading.

a) **Simulation Outcomes**
   The BER performance of the WiMAX system for these two systems is analyzed for the above mentioned two conditions and compared with the theoretically generated BER values for the designed system. The theoretical values are obtained using BER calculation module present in MATLAB software.
The AWGN Generator simulation results are shown in the figure 5.44. When clock is activated, initial reset has high, then low. The enable signal is set high. Based on the design modules like T-URNG and I-CDF module designs. The random 16-bit is generated.

**b) Performance Analysis**

i. **WiMAX System**

The total number of clock cycles to process each input bits information, the proposed design takes 2485 clock cycles it can also call it as Latency. The FPGA Operating frequency is set to 100MHZ and clock period is set to 10ns. To process the 1024 bit data, the throughput or bit rate is calculated as follows.

Throughput = \[
\frac{1}{(2485 \times 10 \text{ ns})} \times 1024 \text{ bits} = 41.20 \text{ Mbps}.
\]
The latency and throughput are improved both around 32% concerning previous WiMAX architecture [16]. The Bitrate complexity is reduced.

Similarly, the WiMAX system is area overhead, and hardware complexity is important in real-time implementations. So the proposed design is compared with work [17] for area constraints.

### Table 1: WiMAX Design comparison with work [16]

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<th>Optimization Parameter</th>
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<td>Latency (clock cycles)</td>
<td>3607</td>
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<td>Throughput (Mbps)</td>
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### Table 2: Area used in WiMAX Systems comparison

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<th>Area used in WiMAX Systems</th>
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<th>Work [17]</th>
<th>Proposed</th>
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<td>Logic Utilization</td>
<td>Available</td>
<td>Used</td>
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<td>Number of Slice Registers</td>
<td>301,440</td>
<td>165,792</td>
<td>55%</td>
<td>8422</td>
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<td>Number of Slice LUTs</td>
<td>150,720</td>
<td>102,490</td>
<td>68%</td>
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In work [17], the design is used system generator to generate the VHDL Code; It consumes more area because the code is auto-generated by system. The proposed design is written in Verilog HDL, and both the designs are synthesized in Virtex-6 X240T-2FF784 FPGA for comparison purpose. The proposed design gives around 80-90% improvement in area overhead concerning work [17] as shown in the table-5.2.

### Table 3: Viterbi Decoder Timing Comparison with Work [18]

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<td>Minimum period(ns)</td>
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<td>Maximum Frequency(MHz)</td>
<td>64.516</td>
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<td>Setup Time(ns)</td>
<td>20.8</td>
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The proposed modified Viterbi Decoder is compared with work [19] [20] for area for power consumption comparison as shown in the table-4.

### Table 4: Viterbi Decoder Area and power Comparison with Work [19][20]

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<td>Total Power (mW)</td>
<td>NA</td>
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<td>Slices</td>
<td>3444</td>
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<td>LUT's</td>
<td>6303</td>
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The proposed modified Viterbi Decoder improved the area with respect to work [19] with 44.33% slices and 49.21% LUT’s improvements. Similarly, with work [20], 42.98% LUT’s improved and 6% improved in total power reduction in proposed modified Viterbi Decoder.
The Proposed WiMAX system checks the BER Rate. The number of bits transferred 100 and the number of errors occurred during the processed time interval is 14. So the BER rate is 0.14. Interms of percentage is 14%. The original number of bits recovered is 86%.

V. Conclusion

WiMAX is a wireless Broadband access technology that implements the Wireless MAN (IEEE 802.16) standard. A WiMax physical layer was designed such that it can be efficiently implemented on FPGA system with improved throughput and reduced design parameters such as area and power. The system was designed with Forwarding error correction capability and also the design incorporated a channel model that generated AWGN signal. The performance of the system was analyzed by comparing it with other designs. The design presented in this paper proved to provide a better throughput than other designs. The BER rate is performed better out of 100 bits, errored bits are 14, and the Original bits recovered is 86%. The BER Rate is 0.14.

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I. INTRODUCTION

a) Background of the Study

Load evaluation verifies whether electrical systems are safe and efficient, and that installations show no signs of overload. Load analysis highlights potential problems in the distribution network such as energy usage, harmonic inference or unexpected spikes that a visual inspection alone may not identify. Electric Power System is made up of the Generating System, Transmission Station and Distribution Stations Respectively. Electric power is transmitted by high voltage transmission lines from sending end sub-receiving and end substation. At the receiving end substation, the voltage is been stepped down to a lower value which are 33kv or even 11kv as the case may be for customer usage. (Centrica Business solution,2019).

However, in Nigeria the limiting factors to efficient and reliable power supply apart from low power generation may include poor transmission feeders, poor or inefficient voltage control system due to lack of planning, faulty distribution system on the part of the electrical supplier (PHED). Voltage drop along the line and from the distribution system due to the flow of current and load variations on the consumer end, transmission and distribution network, damage of substations, short circuit or over loading of electrical mains (supply) and tripping of power system. These factors have resulted to unreliable frequent power outages and voltage variations. The demand for electrical power always exceeds the supply in practice especially in a developing country like Nigeria resulting to the interruption of an electrical supply which can be avoided by load-shedding, thereby causing excessive load on the feeders and the generating plant, leading to epiphetic power supply system.

Distribution transformers step down the voltage to the level suitable for household and commercial utilities and hence feed several customers through the secondary distribution lines (distributors) at the same voltage. Residential and commercial customers are connected to the secondary distribution line through the service drops. Although electrical power consumers are in need of higher amount of electrical power may be connected directly to the primary distribution line or the sub-transmission level.

The research gives steady state solution of the voltage at all the buses for a particular condition. In the study fast Decoupled Newton – Raphson load analysis was used to analyze electrical power supply to Igwuruta Town Port Harcourt because thus method gives the solution of non-linear simultaneous equation in polar form. The total time taken to get the convergent criteria is less, and the number of iterations required to get the convergent criteria are limited as it does not depend on the buses. Igwuruta is located in Ikwerre Local Government Areas of Rivers State, Nigeria. Electricity is being supplied to Igwuruta from the 33kv old Air-Port feeder, which the main source is from Port Harcourt Main Transmission Station 3x60 MVA. However, challenges such as low voltages are experiences in some areas which led to the installation of transformer without planning, resulting to overloading the of the feeder as the city expands and voltage drops are experienced in the transmission due to the distance covered by the line which serves the area. Despite these challenges, there is the insufficient megawatt from the National Grid to the state, electricity exercise control over the socioeconomic development of the state. In regards to this, this academic research will identity the numerous problems on the network and it will becomes paramount to carryout proper load flow analysis with a

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view to achieve efficient supply of power in Igwuruta area in particular and the state at large.

b) Statement of Problems
Admitting the decline nature of the power sector in Nigeria. Especially in the Igwuruta Town, Port Harcourt electricity power distribution network is faced with problems such as overloading of distributed transformers by the customer usage, low voltage experiences, voltage drops due to the distance covered by the transmission line, insufficient power supply from the National Grid, poor maintenance on the transmission and distribution line etc. But a comprehensive and proper load flow analysis using fast decoupled method will be used to achieve and restore steady and efficient supply of power in Igwuruta town and the state at large by solving the problems such as overloading of distributed transformers by the customer usage, low voltage experiences, the installation of transformer without planning etc.

c) Research Aim
The aim of this study is to conduct an analysis of electrical load evaluation in Igwuruta town, Port Harcourt for improved Distribution using fast decoupled method.

d) Objectives of the Research
The objectives of this research are considered as follows:
1. To assess the physical conditions of the electric power distribution network for Igwuruta town, Port Harcourt, in order to obtain relevant information/Data for analysis of voltage problems.
2. To carry out field survey on the distributions lines and equipment and to improve the distribution network using optimal capacitor replacement.
3. To model and to simulate the network using ETAP.
4. To improve the power using capacitor bank.
5. To validate the existing network with the capacitor bank for improved performance.

II. Literature Review

a) Importance of Load Flow Studies
Load flow studies are used to ensure that electrical power transfer from generators to consumers through the grid system is stable, reliable and economic. The increasing presence of distributed alternative energy sources, often in geographically remote locations, complicates flow studies and has triggered a resurgence of interest in the research work. In a three phase as power system active and reactive power flows from the generating station to the load through different networks buses and branches. The flow of active and reactive power is called power flow or load flow. Load flow studies provides a systematic mathematical approach for determination of various bus voltage, there phase angle active and reactive power flows through different branches generators and loads under steady state condition. (Centrica Business solution, 2019). In order to obtain a reliable power system operation under normal balanced three phase steady state conditions, it is required to have the followings:
- Generation supplies the load demand and losses.
- Bus voltage magnitudes remain close to rated values.
- Generator operates within specific real and reactive power limits.
- Transmission lines and transformer are not overloaded.

According to the scholar Ahmed, 2013 pinned that load flow analysis is the solution for the operating condition of a power system. Load flow analysis is used for power system planning, operational planning and operations construct (Brown 2013) also employed in multiple assessments, stability analysis and system optimization.

b) Literature Survey/Techniques of Load Flow Analysis
In the literature, there are a number of efficient and reliable load flow solution techniques, such as Gauss-seidel, Newton – Raphson and fast Decoupled load flow. In 1967, Tinney and Hart developed the classical Newton based power flow solution method. Later work by (Stott and Alsac 1974), made the fast decoupled Newton method and the algorithm remains unchanged for different applications.

Even though this method worked well for transmission systems, but its convergence performance is poor for most distribution systems due to the high R/X ratio which deteriorate the diagonal dominance of the Jacobian matrix for this reason, various other types of methods consist of backward/forward sweeps on a ladder system. The formulation of the algorithm for those were different from the Newton’s power flow method, which made those methods hard to be extended to other applications in which the Newton method seemed more appropriate.

(Tripathy et al 2004), presented a Newton like method for solving ill-conditioned power systems. Their method showed voltage convergence but could not be efficiently used for optimal power flow calculations.

c) Load Flow Analysis Using PSAT Soft for Test System Simulation
Power system analysis toolbox (PSAT) is an open source MATLAB and Graphical user interface (GUI)/octave-base software package for analysis and design of small to medium size power systems. The tool box is provided with a GUI and a Simulink editor for editing or designing a single line diagram of any power system networks. PSAT can perform power flow, continuation power flow (CPF) optimal power flow (off), small signal stability analysis.
(Abungu and Kipkirui 2009) state that decoupled load flow method using MATLAB 7.6 (r2013b) to develop an efficient and reliable program and PSAT as a validating tool. The procedural methods calculated and analyzed a well-conditioned load study with minimal losses on the buses; branches and the minimal number of iteration required for convergence were noted. IEEE 14 bus system was used as the test system in the study.

d) Radial Distribution Network (RDN) of Load flow Algorithm

Li et al, 2014, in their view stated that algorithm have been developed to tackle the load flow power problem. They formed node-branch incidence matrix that depict the relationship between the bus injection powers and branch powers, then an estimated voltage drop and angle formulas were used along with the incidence matrix to solving the load flow power. Li et al, 2016, modifies the previously mentioned algorithm to counter the fundamental error problem resulting in high precision results for both weakly meshed/meshed networks.

Jabr et al, 2012 state that RDN used the same convex formulation to obtain the optimal configuration for minimizes its real power waste. The modeling of the load power of Radial Distribution Network as Quadratically constrained convex optimization problem (QCCOP) convexification of the continuous decision variables of the optimization problem guaranteed the global optimality of the acquired solution. Moreover, the solution was obtained using interior – point method algorithm through CPLEX optimization software after passing the parameters from MATLAB. The proposed algorithm has shown high computational efficiency, which paves the way for real time optimization problems regarding the operation of Radial Distribution Network.

e) Determination of Bus Voltages, Power Losses and Load Flow in the Northern Nigeria 33kv Transmission Sub-Grid

According to the scholar (Izuegbunam et al, 2011) researchers, the Nigerian Electric Power Transmission network operated by Transmission Company of Nigeria (TCN) operates at a very high pressure of 330kv while its lower transmission pressure is 132kv.

The planning, design and operation of power systems requires load flow computations to analyse the steady state performance of the power system under various operating conditions and to study the effects of changes in the configuration of equipment. In their view, the very low bus voltage and poor power magnitude obtained from this study without voltage compensation revealed the reality of the perpetual poor power supply to the North West part of Nigeria. This project which seems to be a prototype of the entire network can be solved using load flow studies which involves the use of computer programs designed specifically for this purpose.

f) A Promising Method for Uncertain Load Flow Studies

According to (Su, 2005) and (Chen et al., 2008), probabilistic methods are tools for planning studies. Though there are different short comings as a result of non-normal probability distribution and the statistical dependence of the input data as well as the problems associated with identifying probability distribution for some input data accurately. In their view (Zian Wang et al., 2009) suggested a method for solving the load flow using interval arithmetic taking the uncertainty at the nodal values. Their articles also stated that the required solution to the non-linear equations can be obtained by interval Newton operator, Krawczyk operator or Hansen-Sengupta operator.

(Barboza et al., 2004) also gave the methodology for solving the uncertain power flow problems and a mathematical representation was applied to the load flow analysis by considering Krawczyk's method to solve the nonlinear equations. It is mentioned that the existing problem of excessive conservation in solving the interval linear equation could be overcome by Krawczyk's method. In this method the linearized power flow equations should be preconditioned by an M-matrix in order to guarantee convergence. The scholar also said that (Wang et al., 2005) the set of non-linear equations were solved by Gauss-Seidel method. Preconditioning is required but if interval input is too cumbersome, convergence is not guaranteed, that is why this method cannot give an exact solution. (Yu et al., 2009) Fast Decoupled power flow using interval arithmetic has been used to obtain the solution to the power flow with uncertainty.

This algorithm converges very fast and considers retaining the midpoint of the load flow studies. This is a specific feature that ensures the convergence in accordance with the punctual load flow studies. The algorithm is effective and avoids unnecessary computation effort like preconditioning.

g) Performance of Newton-Raphson Technique in Load Flow Analysis Using Matlab

In the view of (Klingman and Hinimelbau 2008) the slack bus set the angle difference between two voltages, the angle of the slack bus is not important, although it sets the reference angles of all the other bus voltages. The main objective for the calculation of power flow study is to find the magnitude of voltage \( V \) and the phase angle \( \delta \) of the power losses at each bus section, the real and reactive power flowing in each line of the power system. It was observed that Newton-Raphson's approach has made the calculations easier because the number of buses increased while the number of iterations decreased.
h) Electrical Load Flow Studies for Efficient Power Supply in Bayelsa State Using Newton-Raphson Technique

According to the scholars, (Idoniboyeobu and Nemine 2017), the load flow analysis is the backbone of power system analysis and design. It is the necessary for planning, operation, economic scheduling and exchange of power between utilities. The work is to determine the voltage magnitude, phase angle at the buses, real and reactive power of the transmission lines, to help the system engineering during operation and future expansion of the network.

i) Power Flow Analysis of Abule-Egba 33KV Distribution Grid System with Real Network Simulations

Load flows are required to analyze the steady state performance of the power system during planning, design and operation of electrical power systems. These load flow studies can be done using computer programs designed specifically for this purpose. According to (Abdulkareem, et al, 2014) model and simulation are methods used to overcome the computational problems of power flow solution using load flow iterative technique such as Newton-Raphson and Gauss-Seidel. It needs a model based on real condition. The making of this model must be based on real and valid data so that the model can represent real condition.

j) Analysis of the Load Flow Problem in Power System Planning Studies

In an electrical Power system, power flows from generating station to the load through different branches of the network. According to (Afolabi, et al., 2015) states that the flow of active and reactive power is known as load flow or power flow. Power flow analysis is an important tool used by mostly power engineers for planning and determining the steady state operations of a power system. Also (Mageshvaranet al., 2008) said that load flow studies is to determine the various bus voltages/phase angles, active and reactive power flow through different branches, generators, transformers, settings and load under steady state conditions. The power system is modeled by an electric circuit which consist of generation, transmission and distribution networks. Elgerd, 2012 and Kothari and Nagreth, 2007, said that the main information obtained from the load flow or power flow analysis consist of phase angles of load flow bus voltage and magnitude, reactive powers and voltage phase angles of generator buses, real and reactive power flow on transmission lines and power of the reference bus; other variables also being specified. The load flow problem equations are non-linear and as such it requires iterative techniques such as Newton-Raphson, fast decoupled and Gauss-Seidel etc. in solving it. According to Aroop et al., 2015 and Milano, 2009, the development of these methods mainly to the basic requirement of load flow calculation such as convergence properties, memory requirement, computing efficiency, convenience and flexibility of the implementation. However, it was concluded that in planning of a power system, Gauss-Seidel method can be used especially for a small system with less computational complexity due to the good computational characteristics it exhibited. The effective and most reliable amongst the three load flow methods is the fast decoupled method because it converges fast and is more accurate.


(Ochi, et al, 2013) in their view proposed a fast decoupled load flow calculation method for distribution systems with high R/X ratio. The method was based on a coordinate transformation in Y-matrix for Jacobian matrix in the load flow method. But comparing it with the Newton-Raphson's method, it was found that a short computational time was realized although its convergence characteristics worsen. In a bid to solve the problem, a coordinate transformation in Y-matrix of the fast decoupled method for better convergence was employed (Ochi et al., 2013).

l) Impact of Distributed Generation on the Quality of Power Supply in Nigeria: Port Harcourt Network Case Study

According to Ajabuego et al, (2017) in their work considered the impact of Distributed, Generation (DG) on the quality of electricity supply in Port Harcourt network. They gave account on the impact of both the present and the future load demand. In achieving this, power flow analysis and continuous power flow (CPF) optimization method was used to achieve the simulation. The simulation was done using MATLAB 7.9 Power System Analysis Toolbox (PSAT) Simulink environment to analyse the network. The result shows that the dispersion level of DG's among the buses increases, there was a very remarkable improvement in the voltage profile, real and reactive power and load ability of the network.

m) Load Flow Analysis of Port Harcourt Electricity Network by Fast Decoupled and Newton-Raphson Techniques

Ibeni (2017) in his work on Load Flow Analysis of Port Harcourt Electricity Network by using Fast Decoupled and Newton-Raphson methods showed that the power dispatched from the national grid network to the transmission substations were inadequate, and as such each injection substation had percentage of loading of the power available.

From the simulation results, it showed that sufficient power is required from the grid to the various injection substations via Port Harcourt Town (Z4) control transmission substation because the lack of adequate power supply from the grid to the transmission
substations down to the distribution injection substations will result to power sharing and to address this anomaly it was recommended that: The 33KV distribution network be expanded by installing more transformers, protective systems, and capacitors banks as realized from the affected buses so as to keep the desirable voltage limits; the injection substations for the network under consideration should be made to operate at least 80 per cent of power supply to the secondary distribution network; the reactive power demanded locally at the bus injection substation can be used to minimize the line power loss associated with the network; there should be a periodic load flow analysis carried out by the Electricity Distribution Company to ascertain the status of the network without over stressing it.

n) Comparison between Load Flow Analysis Methods in Power System using MATLAB

According to Kriti (2014), in his work on the 'Comparison between Lord Flow Analysis, Methods in Power System Using MATLAB'. He stated that the analysis, designing, and comparison between different load flow system techniques such as Newton-Raphson, Gauss-Seidel etc. in power system using MATLAB was done successfully and the desired results were obtained. In Gauss-Seidel method, it was found that the rate of convergence was slow, it can be easily programmed and the number of iterations increases directly with the number of buses in the system whereas in the Newton-Raphson method, the convergence was very fast and the number of iterations is independent of the size of the system; the solution is high as obtained. It was stated as observed that in Newton Raphson method, convergence is not sensitive to the choice of slack bus. In conclusion it was practical that only the Newton-Raphson and the Fast decoupled load flow methods were the most popular methods. The fast decoupled load flow is definitely superior to the Newton-Raphson method because of its speed and storage capability (Kriti, 2014).

o) Load Flow Analysis Using ETAP Software for Network Simulation

Jayaprakash, et al. (2016) in their work on load flow analysis to investigate the performance of electrical system during normal and abnormal operating conditions, provided information needed to: minimize MW and MVar losses; optimize circuit usage; develop practical voltage profiles; develop equipment specification guidelines and identifies transformer tap settings. ETAP is a computer based software that simulates real time steady-state power system operations, enabling the computation of system bus voltage profiles, real and reactive power flow and line losses etc. (Jayaprakash, et al., 2016).

ETAP offers the most accurate load flow analysis tools on the market, create and evaluate electrical system designs effectively. ETAP calculate voltage drop and power losses and efficiently build and evaluate system models using the advanced power flow analysis. ETAP system models efficiently and effectively function such as automatic device evaluation, alarms for critical and marginal units, a powerful results report comparison analyzer and intelligent, user friendly graphics make it the most reliable load flow analysis software (Ahmed 2017).

ETAP load flow software provides results, power factors for each branch, directional currents flows, and voltage drop calculations throughout each electrical system model. ETAP allows for multiple grid connections, detailed generator modeling, solar turbines and induction generators for radial and mesh networks. ETAP interactively utilizes multiple calculation methods in order to calculate the best possible results.

p) Summary of Review Literature

The problem of power losses, voltage breakdown, voltage instability etc. are major concern particularly to the distribution network at large. The rate of power voltages in the distribution network is becoming an uncontrollable situation. The major contribution of this work is that, it has identified the associated problems on the on the 33KV distribution network as a result of overload which were captured via simulation of the existing network for the purpose of overload. Based on the system overload analysis were made using optimal capacitor replacement method by optimal of sizing of capacitor bank with the capacitor of 48000KVAR were used to compensate the entire system network to improve the condition of the system (33kv distribution network). De-coupled correction method should be used when installing capacitor bank in a network.

III. Material and Method

a) Materials

The major source of data for this research work was gotten from Port Harcourt Electricity Distribution Company (PHEDC). Gathering/sourcing for an important task, various books, thesis, publications and theories have been referred to. The data gathered are: installed capacity of transmission substation, installed capacity of injection substation, examined feeders, total number and power rating of distribution transformers and single line diagram of power distribution network for Igwuruta Town, Port Harcourt (source, PHEDC).

Method: Fast decoupled method was used for computing bus voltages and the simulation on each of the feeders was done using ETAP version 16.00 in order to improve the existing system condition performance.
Plate 1: Systematic diagram of 33KV Old Airport Feeder from Port Harcourt main transmission station (Existing case study not simulated)
**Plate 2:** Existing line diagram of Old Airport Feeder (case study simulated)

**Table 3.1:** Some of the Transformers in Igwuruta Town, their Locations and Readings

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>S/N</th>
<th>Transformers Locations</th>
<th>Transformers Rating (KVA)</th>
<th>Red Phase (A)</th>
<th>Yellow Phase (A)</th>
<th>Blue Phase (A)</th>
<th>Neutral</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1.</td>
<td>Sizzlers</td>
<td>300</td>
<td>249</td>
<td>218</td>
<td>222</td>
<td>31</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2.</td>
<td>First River</td>
<td>500</td>
<td>304</td>
<td>298</td>
<td>310</td>
<td>41</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3.</td>
<td>Dr. Obi Wali</td>
<td>500</td>
<td>244</td>
<td>253</td>
<td>261</td>
<td>29</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4.</td>
<td>Shining Light Fast</td>
<td>200</td>
<td>162</td>
<td>171</td>
<td>194</td>
<td>17</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Source: Port Harcourt Electricity Distribution Company (PHEDC).

1. Sizzlers Transformer (300KVA)

\[
\text{Current } I = \frac{I_R + I_Y + I_B + I_N}{3} \]

\[
= \frac{249 + 218 + 222 + 31}{3} \]

\[
= \frac{720}{3} \]

\[
= 240 \text{A} \]

Load SVA on the transformer

\[
\text{SVA} = \sqrt{3} V \times I \]

\[
= \sqrt{3} \times 0.415KV \times 240A \]

\[
= 1.7320 \times 0.415kv \times 240A \]

\[
= 172.51KVA \]

But, 

\[
\% \text{ loading} = \frac{\text{SVA}}{\text{SMAX}} \times 100 \]

\[
= \frac{172.51KVA}{300} \times 100 \]

\[
\% \text{ loading} = 58\% \]

Active power, 

\[
P = \sqrt{3} VI \cos \phi = 172.51KVA \]

\[
\cos \phi = 0.8 \]

\[
\therefore \text{Active Power} = 172.51 \times 0.8 \]

\[
= 138.01KVA \]

Reactive Power, 

\[
Q = \sqrt{3} VI \sin \phi \]

\[
\sqrt{3} VI = 172.51 \]

\[
\sin \phi = 0.6 \]

\[
\therefore \text{Reactive power} = 172.51 \times 0.6 \]

\[
Q = 103.51KVA \]

Complex power, 

\[
S = P + jQ \]

\[
S = 138.01 + j103.51 \]

\[
\text{Lump load} = \frac{\text{SMAX} \times \% \text{ loading}}{100} \]

\[
= \frac{300 \times 58}{100} = 174KVA \]
c) Presentation of calculated values of the distribution transformers in Igwuruta Town, with their locations capacity, load current, lump load, active power and reactive power.

Table 3.2: Transformers Locations, Percentage Loading, active power, reactive power in Igwuruta Town Distribution Network

<table>
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<tr>
<th>S/N</th>
<th>Transformers Locations</th>
<th>Transformers (KVA)</th>
<th>Load Current (A)</th>
<th>Lump Load (KVA)</th>
<th>Reactive Power (KVAR)</th>
<th>Active Power (KVA)</th>
</tr>
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<td>Sizzlers</td>
<td>300</td>
<td>240</td>
<td>174</td>
<td>103.51</td>
<td>172.51</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2.</td>
<td>First River</td>
<td>500</td>
<td>317.67</td>
<td>230</td>
<td>137.00</td>
<td>182.66</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3.</td>
<td>Dr. Obi Wali</td>
<td>500</td>
<td>262.33</td>
<td>190</td>
<td>113.14</td>
<td>150.85</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4.</td>
<td>Shining Light Fast</td>
<td>200</td>
<td>181.33</td>
<td>130</td>
<td>78.20</td>
<td>104.27</td>
</tr>
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</table>

d) Determination of Overloaded Transformer

The determination of the overload transformer can be done using apparent power performance index to find the percentage loading of the transformers on rating for design purpose, transformer with loadings in excess of this figures are considered overloaded.

\[
\% \text{ loading} = \left( \frac{S_{\text{MVA}}}{S_{\text{MAX}}} \right) \times 100
\]

Where:
- \( S_{\text{max}} \) is the MVA rating of the transformer
- \( S_{\text{MVA}} \) is the operating MVA from power flow calculation
- \( N_T \) is the number of transformers.

Distribution line parameters
- Resistance of line per kilometer

\[
R_o = \frac{1000 \times \ell}{A} \ \Omega/km
\]  

(3.1)

Where:
- \( \ell \) = Resistivity of Aluminum ACSR = 3.82 \times 10^{-7} \Omega/m
- \( A \) = area of conductor = 150mm²

\[
Y_{21} = Y_{12} = -Y_{12}
\]  

(3.2)

\[
Y_{31} = Y_{13} = -Y_{13}
\]  

(3.3)

\[
Y_{41} = Y_{14} = -Y_{14}
\]  

(3.4)

Bus Admittance Matrix

\[
Y_{\text{bus}} = \begin{bmatrix}
Y_{11} & Y_{12} & Y_{13} & Y_{14} \\
Y_{21} & Y_{22} & O & O \\
Y_{31} & O & Y_{33} & O \\
Y_{41} & O & O & Y_{44}
\end{bmatrix}
\]  

(3.5)

From Ohm’s law the current entering only of the buses is given by;

\[
[I] = [Y_{\text{bus}}] [V]
\]  

(3.6)

\[
\begin{bmatrix}
I_1 \\
I_2 \\
I_3 \\
I_4
\end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix}
Y_{11} & Y_{12} & Y_{13} & Y_{14} \\
Y_{21} & Y_{22} & O & O \\
Y_{31} & O & Y_{33} & O \\
Y_{41} & O & O & Y_{44}
\end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix}
V_1 \\
V_2 \\
V_3 \\
V_4
\end{bmatrix}
\]  

(3.7)
The current entering bus $I_1$ is given by:

$$I_1 = Y_{11} V_1 + Y_{12} V_2 + Y_{13} V_3 + Y_{14} V_4$$  \(3.8\)

The current entering bus $I_2$ is given by:

$$I_2 = Y_{21} V_1 + Y_{22} V_2$$  \(3.9\)

The current entering bus $I_3$ is given by:

$$I_3 = Y_{31} V_1 + Y_{33} V_3$$  \(3.10\)

The current entering bus $I_4$ is given by:

$$I_4 = Y_{41} V_1 + Y_{44} V_4$$  \(3.11\)

Complex power injected into bus 1 is given by:

$$S^* = P_1 + jQ = V_1 I_1^*$$  \(3.12\)

$$S^* = P_1 - jQ = V_1^* I_1$$  \(3.13\)

Therefore, from equation (3.13)

$$I_1 = \frac{P_1 - jQ_1}{V_1^*}$$  \(3.14\)

Similarly, $I_2$, $I_3$ and $I_4$ injected into bus 2, 3 and 4 is given as;

$$I_2 = \frac{P_2 - jQ_2}{V_2^*}$$  \(3.15\)

$$I_3 = \frac{P_3 - jQ_3}{V_3^*}$$  \(3.16\)

$$I_4 = \frac{P_4 - jQ_4}{V_4^*}$$  \(3.17\)

Complex power injected into the ith bus is given as;

$$S_i = P_i + jQ_i$$

$$= V_i I_i^*$$

$$S_i^* = P_i - jQ_i$$

$$= V_i^* I_i$$

$$\therefore \ P_i - jQ_i = V_i^* I_i$$  \(3.18\)

But current entering the ith bus of an $n_1$ bus system is given as;

$$I_1 = y_{11} v_1 + y_{12} v_2 + y_{13} v_3 + \ldots + y_{1n} v_n$$

$$I_1 = \sum_{k=1}^{n} Y_{1k} V_k$$  \(3.19\)

Substitute $I_1$ from equation (3.19) into equation (3.18)
\[
P_1 - jQ_1 = V^* \left( \sum_{k=1}^{n} Y_{ik} V_k \right) \quad (3.20)
\]
Let
\[
V^* = V_1 (-\delta), V_k = V_k (\delta_k) \quad \text{and} \quad Y_{ik} = Y_{ik} (\theta_{ik})
\]
(3.21)
Substitute equation (3.21) into equation (3.20).
\[
P_1 - jQ_1 = V_1 \sum_{k=1}^{n} Y_{ik} V_k (\delta_k + \theta_{ik} - \delta_i) \quad (3.22)
\]
Separating the real and imaginary parts
Real power,
\[
P_1 = \sum_{k=1}^{n} |Y_{ik}| \left| V_1 \right| \left| V_k \right| \cos (\theta_{ik} + \delta_k - \delta_i) \quad (3.23)
\]
Reactive power,
\[
Q_1 = \sum_{k=1}^{n} |Y_{ik}| \left| V_1 \right| \left| V_k \right| \sin (\theta_{ik} + \delta_k - \delta_i) \quad (3.24)
\]
\[
V_i = \text{Bus voltage of bus } i
\]
\[
P_1 = \text{Active power injected into ith bus}
\]
\[
Q_1 = \text{reactive power injected into ith bus}
\]
\[
Y_{ik} = \text{Off diagonal element of the Y-buss matrix}
\]
\[
Y_{ii} = \text{Diagonal element of the Y-bus matrix}
\]
\[
V_i = \text{Voltage at bus } \eta
\]
**Fast Decoupled Method**
This method is the modification of newton – Raphson, which takes the advantage of the weak, coupling between P - \(\delta\)andQ - \(V\)/ due to the high X:R ratios. The Jacobian matric are obtained after partial derivatives of equations (3.23) and (3.24) are expressed which gives linearized relationship between angle. The equation can be written in matrix form as:
\[
\begin{bmatrix}
\Delta P \\
\Delta Q
\end{bmatrix}
= 
\begin{bmatrix}
J_1 & J_3 \\
J_2 & J_4
\end{bmatrix}
\begin{bmatrix}
\Delta \delta \\
\Delta V
\end{bmatrix}
(3.25)
\]
Equation (3.25) is reduced to half by ignoring the element of \(J_2 \) and \(J_3\), equation (3.25) is simplified as;
\[
\begin{bmatrix}
\Delta P \\
\Delta Q
\end{bmatrix}
= 
\begin{bmatrix}
J_1 & O \\
O & J_4
\end{bmatrix}
\begin{bmatrix}
\Delta \delta \\
\Delta V
\end{bmatrix}
(3.26)
\]
Expanding equation (3.26) give two separate matrixes,
\[
\Delta P \quad J_1 \Delta \delta \left[ \frac{\partial P}{\partial \delta} \right] \Delta \delta \quad (3.27)
\]
\[
\Delta Q \quad J_4 \Delta V \left[ \frac{\partial P}{\partial V} \right] \Delta V \quad (3.28)
\]
\[
\frac{\Delta P}{V_i} = - B^I \frac{\Delta \delta}{\Delta \delta}
\]
(3.29)

\[
\frac{\Delta Q}{V_i} = - B^{II} \left| \frac{\Delta V}{V} \right|
\]
(3.30)

\(B^I\) and \(B^{II}\) are the imaginary parts of the bus admittance, it is better to ignore all shunt connected elements, as to make the formation of \(J_1\) and \(J_4\) simple. This allow for only one single matrix than performing repeated inversion. The successive and voltage magnitude and phase angle changes are;

\[
\Delta \delta = - \left[ B^I \right]^{-1} \frac{\Delta P}{V}
\]
(3.31)

\[
\Delta |V| = - \left[ B^{II} \right]^{-1} \frac{\Delta Q}{|V|}
\]
(3.32)

e) Software Selection

ETAP is a fully graphical enterprise package that runs on Microsoft® windows® 2003, 2008, 2012, XP, vista, 7 and 8 operating systems. ETAP is the most comprehensive analysis tool for the decision and testing of power systems available. Using its standard offline simulation modules. ETAP can utilize real-time operating data for advanced monitoring, real – time simulation, optimization, energy management systems, and high – speed intelligent load shedding.

ETAP enables engineers to handle the diverse discipline of power systems for a broad spectrum of industries in one integrated package with multiple interface views such as AC and DC networks, cable raceways, ground grid, GIS, panels, are flash, protective device coordination/selectively and AC and DC control system diagram.

Design Calculation of Capacitor Bank

The analysis and the calculation of the size of capacitor bank to used is a major tool for power improvement, therefore capacitor bank will assist to regulate, control and compensate for power loss, reactive power losses and voltage profile inadequacy. The location of the capacitor bank must be taken into consideration when depends of the location of the inductive loads and their requested reactive power.

- Centralized correction: One capacitor bank installed near the main in coming switchboard.
- Decoupled correction: Capacitor banks are installed hear distribution switchboards that supply voltage to the main consumer responsible for the low power factor.
- Local correction: Capacitor banks are installed near individual consumers.

**BUS 2 Capacitor Bank formula size for improve performance**

\[
CKvar = kw (\tan \phi_1 - \tan \phi_2)
\]
(3.33)

Where,

- Capacitor Bank in KVar
- Present power factor (Pf)\(_1\) = \tan \phi_1
- Desired power factor (Pf)\(_2\) = \tan \phi_2
- System frequency (f) = 50Hz

From equation above, CKvar = kw (\tan \phi_1 - \tan \phi_2)

Total Active power KW
- Present power factor (Pf)\(_1\) = 0.8
- Desired power factor (Pf)\(_2\) = 0.9
- System frequency (f) = 50Hz

From equation (3.33) CKvar = kw (\tan \phi_1 - \tan \phi_2)

\[
\cos \phi_1 = 0.8
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\[
\phi_1 = \cos^{-1} (0.8) = 36.87^\circ
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\phi_2 = \cos^{-1} (0.9) = 25.84^\circ
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\[
CKVar = 16959.410 (\tan 36.87 - \tan 25.84)
\]

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= 16959.410 (0.7500 - 0.4842)
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= 16959.410 (0.2658)
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\[
= 4507.77KVar
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Table 3.3: Presentation of Calculated values of capacitor bank in each of the buses

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<th>Bus ID</th>
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After the penetration of the capacitor bank in the Igwuruta network, the percentage of voltage magnitude on Buses was improved. Bus 2: = 18.4%, Bus 3: = 18.4%, Bus 6: = 18.4%, Bus 7: = 18.4%, Bus 27: = 5.96%.

IV. Results and Discussion

Plate 3: Improved systematic line diagram of 33kv Old Airport Feeder (using capacitor bank)
a) Presentation of result and discussion base on analytical methods are presented in tabular and graphical form are shown below

**Table 4.1:** Bus Voltage Magnitude (Existing) and Bus Voltage Magnitude (Improved) against Bus Voltage Number

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The above table shows the existing bus voltage magnitude and bus voltage magnitude (improved) against the bus number.
The above table shows the existing bus voltage magnitude and bus voltage magnitude (improved) against the bus number.

**b) Discussion of Result**

After simulation on the system it shows that some buses are under existing operating condition, such buses are Bus 2, 3, 6, 7, 27, 28, 29, 30, 46, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 68 and 101 are not within the acceptable normal voltage of ± 5% of the dealved voltage as a result of overloading, poor transmission feeders, power or inefficient voltage control system due to lack of planning, faulty distribution system on the part of the electrical supplier (PHED) and as such case it creates voltage instability in the system network. The examination of the 33kv distribution network revealed the effect of poor power quality on the expected voltage of the distributed line in the study case Igwuruta, especially, the case of overload on the existing transformers and cables.

However, to improve the distribution network capacitor bank was used to reduces loss (I^2 R loss) associated with transmission and distribution of the current to the consumer’s loads, improve voltage regulation, quality of power, power factor, voltage profile of the system. Therefore, capacitor bank will assist to regulate control and compensate for power loss, reactive power losses and voltage profile inadequacy.

To improve the efficiency of the system two (2) capacitor bank rated at 16000KVAR each were optimally sized and allocated to support the voltage at the critical buses (bus 62 and 63) in order to enhanced power system operation by minimizing losses and improve the profile of the voltage. It will also helped to enhanced power flow on the critical part of the system network. Therefore, the problem of voltage fluctuation and harmonies can be overcome by the penetration of the FACTS-controller. A flexible AC transmission system consisting of power electronic devices along with power system devices to enhance the controllability and stability of the distribution system and increase the power transfer capabilities. After the penetration of the capacitor bank in the Igwuruta network, the percentage of voltage magnitude on Buses was improved. Bus 2: = 18.4%, Bus 3: = 18.4%, Bus 6: = 18.4%, Bus 7: = 18.4%, Bus 27: =5.96%.
V. Conclusion and Recommendations

a) Conclusion

After careful examination of the study case (Igwuruta 33kv distribution network), the research work showed that the existing state of the electrical power network of Iguruta 33kv distribution network taking its supply of power from 33kv Airport feeder that was transmitted from Port Harcourt main in Trans-Amadi. The research was modeled in Electrical Transient Analyzer Programme (ETAP 16.00 version) with the application of power flow equation, voltage equation, sizing of capacitor equation etc, for reason of ascertaining the system (network) conditions in the areas of voltage stability (whether there is a strong mismatch between nominal declared voltage with regards to IEE regulation and the existing operating voltage) in order into enhance system performance.

Importantly, the study engaged optimal capacitor placement of improving system overload by determining the optimal size of capacitor bank required to improve the specific bus overload problem of the system (network in a view to enhance power quality, voltage profile and power factor. The fixing of the sized capacitor bank at the affected buses improved the voltage profile and performance on the network. After the penetration of the capacitor bank in the Igwuruta network, the percentage of voltage magnitude on Buses was improved. Bus 2: = 18.4%, Bus 3: = 18.4%, Bus 6: = 18.4%, Bus 7: = 18.4%, Bus 27: 5.96%.

Sequel to the findings, it is deduced that power flow studies are key for future planning of power system expansion as well as determining the best and reliable operating condition of the existing system.

b) Recommendations

Based on the analysis and findings, the following recommendations are pointed out to ensure optimal performance and reliability of the 33kv distribution.
- Replacement of undersized cables in the network.
- Fixing capacitor bank compensator where necessary in order to reduce voltage instability problems, electricity cost due to excessive losses.
- Periodic load flow analysis should be carried out by the Port Harcourt Electricity Distribution Company (PHEDC) to know the status of the network without over stressing the system (ETAP 16.00 software).
- Additional 500KVA transformer should be added in the network especially to where the system experiences critical overload.

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