## Feed-forward Neural Network Based Transient Stability Assessment of 132KV Sub-transmission Power System Network: Case Study Afam to Port-Harcourt Town (Z4), Nigeria

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Abstract - The adverse effects due to disturbance especially three-phase fault on power system networks are severe; therefore, it is pertinent to determine the characteristics behavior of these networks when a fault occurs and to maintain or avoid the impact of these disturbances on the power system networks. This research work is geared towards evaluating the critical clearing time and the rotor angle by which the circuit breaker(s) are /is required to open during abnormal condition without damage to generators under synchronism, etc. The objectives of the research work were achieved in threefold: Firstly the test system 132KV sub-transmission network was modeled using ETAP 7.0 Software to perform the time domain simulation processes and obtained results for further analysis. Secondly, in MATLAB environment, programs using Runge-Kutta (order-2) method was also used to solve the swing equation of SEMIB for further data collection. Thirdly, selected features from Runge-Kutta's method's results were now fed into the feed-forward neural network (FFNN), as inputs and targets/outputs to map out the CCT required for the operation of the circuit breakers. Thus, from the comparative results of the (FFNN) and the conventional (R-K) method shows that both can be complementary to evaluate the CCT and rotor angle for transient stability assessment of power system networks.

*Key Words*: Critical clearing time, ETAP software, MATLAB, FFNN, Power system networks, Transient stability, Torque angle, etc.

## **1. INTRODUCTION**

The increasing demand and needs for electric power, networking and consumption on daily basis are neverending. Currently, in all sectors of life enterprise, electric power is ultimate. The networks in which electric power is been transported are very /extremely complex; bulk electric power is transmitted over the interconnected network of transmission lines linking generators, power transformers, loads, etc., to give man's comfort. Successful operation of a power system depends largely on the ability to readily provide reliable and uninterrupted service delivery to the loads. Constant voltage and frequency at all times are required by consumer's equipment (loads) to operate satisfactorily. High powered turbines and synchronous generators are cascaded to generate electric power for man's needs. Usually, in a power generating station two or more generators are synchronism to provide bulk electric power through transmission networks.

The effect and performance of these synchronous machines after been disturbed is very important in the stability of the power system. It is noted that in power system stability studies especially the transient events: the rotor angle, power transfer capabilities, frequency, and voltage, etc., are fundamental electrical variables one need to check. Rotor-angle stability problem is a function of 'transient stability' and 'small-disturbance stability' problem linked with the operation of synchronous machines being in parallel through long-distance transmission lines delivery bulk electric power.

From a visual point of view, transient stability is a function of abnormality in power system that required immediate normalcy. That is the ability of an electric power system to keep its synchronous machines' in synchronized operation when subjected to large or small disturbance. It is also a nonlinear, high-dimensional problem from the theoretical point of view of power system stability analysis as seen in [1]. In this article, we shall utilize the advantages of applying feed-forward neural network, a class of ANN in assessing the critical clearing time of appropriate circuit breaker in connection to generators lumped as Single Machine connected to Infinite Bus System as the main aim.

## **1.1 Statement of Problem**

Disturbances such as switching OFF and ON of power circuit, short circuit fault from power system network, loss of synchronous generators, surges due to lightning effect, etc. had the consequences of losing stability following or after the occurrence of a disturbance on power system network. The factor of an unintentional power outage is a problem. Sometimes the disturbance on the network may be small or large depending on the nature and location of the disturbances.



1.2 Objectives of Assessment

- a) Is to determine the characteristic behavior of the system network when subjected to a three-phase fault.
- b) Is to evaluate, and predict the status of the network in regards to the critical clearing time (CCT) of the circuit breakers and to classify the network whether transiently it is stable or unstable.
- c) To assess the active power transfer of the power system network due to a transient event at various fault location that may affect the performance, reliability, and stability of operation.

## **1.3 Scope of Assessment**

The total assessment of all 132kV, 33kV, 11kV utility networks in Rivers state will pose a huge stress in the assessment processes; hence we shall focus on the following area as a case study:

- i) The 132kV network emanating from Afam to Port-Harcourt (PH) Town (Zone4) at Amadi junction and some distribution network in their load terms.
- ii) Determination of the critical clearing time for the appropriate circuit breakers installed at the generator ends and the torque angle, voltage profile, and power transfer capability between generation and loads.

## 2. LITERATURE REVIEW

## 2.1 Time Domain Simulation in Power System

The behaviors of synchronous machines following or after a small or large disturbance on the interconnection of generators, transformers, power transmission networks and load are very much vital as stated earlier. In the yesteryears, due to the rigorous circumstances involving the analysis of transient stability in electric power system and networks, in literature, the use of 'time-domain' methods (i.e. numerical integration) was in used before the arrival of numerical computers; system motion equations were carried out manually to determine the machines' swing curves. Thus, the evolution of 'rotor angle' with time was far noted, in Park and Bancker, 1929 as referenced in [1].

The sudden occurrence of transient impact on power systems network is totally inevitable rather it is better we geared towards minimizing it. In fact, there are cases where national grid network collapses thereby rendering zero power to consumers. According to Epili and Vadirajacharya, the duration of time for the occurrence of this transient is very short, even the generators close to fault location, the AVR's response time is too large to respond to such an event resulted from either loss of loads, transmission network collapse from a three-phase faults, etc.,[2].

The researchers Kothari and Nagrath, in their book mentioned (Kundur P. et al., vol. 19, no.2, May 2004), an IEEE transaction on power system; defined Power system stability as: "the capability of an electric power system with known initial operating condition, to recover a state of operating balance after being subjected to a physical disturbance, with most system variables restrained in such a way that, practically the whole system remains intact" [3]. Of course, the nature of a system should either be stable or unstable; in electric power systems and networks, the unstable power system may cause blackout otherwise unintentional power outage within the area under consideration. However, to provide a secure and a stable electric power through the network(s) that must be reliable, safe, etc., one needs to assess the transient stability level of the network fast and accurately.

According to (Karami, 2011), determination of transient stability of power system one has to resort using the most frequently used technique (time domain simulation technique) to evaluate the given set of nonlinear equations that describe the dynamic system equations. In reality, the condition of loading of the power system and the system parameters of the state actually varies from those presumed at the preliminary planning stage [4].

## 2.2 Application of Machine Learning Approaches in Electric Power Systems and Networks, etc.

The growing trend of machine learning approaches such as ANN, AI, expert systems, fuzzy logic, etc., to electric power systems studies, etc., are presented in the various literature. As seen in (Orike, 2015) that computational intelligence (CIs) are now complementary the assessment of those critical areas in electric power systems and networks to quickly achieve the desired results. These areas are transient stability assessment; static and dynamic security assessment; identification, modeling and prediction/evaluation; control; maintenance analysis; load forecasting; fault location and analysis [5].

## 2.2.1 Neural Networks in Electric Power Systems

The increasing nature of interconnection of power systems and its complexity has a resort to new approaches to assess the status. As seen in (Pothamsetty et al., 2014) in their paper: "power system transient stability margin estimation using artificial neural networks," presented multi-layered perceptron (MLP), a neural network used to approximate the normalized transient stability sideline. The MLP neural network was structured to map the nonlinear relationship between the initial operating state and normalized transient stability sideline. In their works, time domain simulation method together with potential energy margin surface method was used to acquire the training set of NN.

It is worthwhile to note that, the worst contingency expected is best simulated in advances as to curtail the status of the scenario and to take advantage of a preventive control rather than total failure in due course. The application of the time-domain simulation (TDS) method for on-line or off-line analysis is the very best; accurate for determining the transient stability problem. Due to circuit modeling conditions, a method known as Equal Area Criterion is limited in its application. Large power system now utilizes neural network in assessing transient stability [6].

Also, Bourguet and Antsaklis (1994), presented ANN application in the electric power industry, a technical report which highlighted - power plants and control problems, using neural networks, a perspective of power systems such as security system, load predicting, and fault analysis [7].

In (Abdul Wahab et al., 2007), probabilistic neural network (PNN) and least squares support vector machine (LS-SVM) methods were applied to assess the transient stability of the IEEE 9-bus network; a test system for the verification of the methods. Prior to the implementation of the PNN and LS-SVM, time domain simulations were carried out for the purposes of obtaining selected training data sets while considering several contingencies. As stated in their works, simulations were done using the MATLAB-based PSAT. And that, time domain simulation method was chosen to assess the transient stability of the power system because it is the most accurate method compared to the direct method [8]. Again, in the article [9], ANN was used. The critical fault clearing time obtained via multilayer feedforward artificial neural network was compared to the results of the conventional equal area criterion method.

## 2.2.2 Static and Dynamic Security Assessment

On this subheading, the utilization of expert systems, decision trees, etc. was also mentioned in (Kalyani and Shanti Swarup, 2009). Some prototypes of neural networks were studied as classifier design. In their assessment, features collections were made using a forward sequential technique. On the online security assessment, suitable classifier design in pattern recognition with input features classification was made to assess the system security profile as stated in [10].

In (Sobajic and Pao, 1989) presented a key-work of the use of artificial neural networks (ANN) in electric power systems. An adaptive pattern recognition approach based on a Rumelhart feed-forward neural network with a backpropagation learning scheme was applied to synthesize the critical clearing time (CCT). A parameter that is paramount in the post-fault dynamic analysis of interconnected systems [11].

## 2.2.3 Power System Networks Performance

terms of power systems networks analysis (Ebrahimpour, et al., (n.d)) introduces a new model of the neural network in their research work for estimation of transient stability named committee neural network (CNN). In their paper, a mixture of the experts (ME) was used to assess the transient stability of power system after faults occur on transmission lines, in a way that, the problem space was distributed into some subspaces for the experts, and then the outputs of experts are joined by a gating network to form the final output. Using the IEEE 9bus and IEEE 14-bus as a test sample, the simulations were made with an injection of three-phase faults on the test systems. In addition, input data required for further analysis from the time domain simulation were feds into the mixture of an expert system for proper classification of the systems' status - whether the system is stable or unstable [12].

## 2.2.4 Fault Location and Assessment

One of the major causes of a power outage is the failure of electrical equipment. For reliability, security, and availability of power, it is required to have good detection, fault location point and diagnosis systems in the power system operation. ANNs are being studied as classifiers of failures in electrical apparatus, and successful results have been recorded. The development of ANN gives the extra advantage of recording the failures and can also reproduce them [13].

In (Olulope et al., 2010), the application of time domain integration schemes was first utilized; then, multi-layered feedforward network (a class of artificial neural networks) trained with Levenberg Marquardt (LM) back propagation algorithm was used for estimating the critical fault clearing time (CCT) of a power system. In their research work, a single disturbance such as three-phase fault was injected into the test network. From the TDS output, selected known features were taken as inputs and the critical fault clearing time (CCT) estimated previously as the desired target. Using single machine infinite bus system (SMIB) model; their test system was modeled using DIgSILENT software packages.

It was noted that there are two principal methods of assessing transient stability: evaluation and prediction method. In the analysis of power system stability, the critical fault clearing time must be evaluated; while prediction of the power system conditions states whether it is stable or unstable gives the classification criterion, thus, the critical clearing time is insignificant when considering stability prediction [14].

With reference to (Amjady and Majedi, 2007), assessment of CCT for a power system, radial basis function networks can also perform the task. In their work, critical clearing time was defined as: If the fault is cleared after its occurrence as soon as possible in power system, that immediate maximum time it takes to cleared the fault to keep the system transiently stable is called the Critical Clearing time (CCT) [15].

### **3. METHODOLOGY**

## 3.1 Methods Applied to Transient Stability Studies

In literature, there are different methods used in the study of transient stability assessment, but few methods will be mention here:

- (a) Time domain simulation of the power system network
- (b) The step-by-step method of numerical solution of swing equation
- (c) A digital solution of swing equation using Runge-Kutta methods
- (d) Equal-area criterion
- (e) Liapunov's direct method,
- (f) Machine learning approaches, etc., [3], [5].

From the above mentioned techniques, we will utilize the techniques of (a),(c), (d) and (f) to *a* model of Single Equivalent Machine connected to the infinite bus system (SEMIB) to demonstrate the electromechanical angular and voltage swings when a three-phase fault occurs on one of the double circuit sub-transmission lines. The three-phase balance fault will be injected into the line at different location or point on the line. The test network will be modelled and simulated using ETAP software as the simulation tool.

#### 3.2 The Swing Equation

$$M\frac{d^2\delta}{dt^2} = (P_m - P_{max}sin\delta) = P_a \quad MW \qquad -- (1.1)$$

$$P_e = P_{max} sin\delta \quad MW or pu \qquad -- (1.2)$$

$$M\frac{d^{2}\delta}{dt^{2}} = (P_{m} - P_{e}) = P_{a} MW -- (1.3)$$

Equation (1.1) or (1.3) is the swing equation describing the motion of the generator.

Let

G<sub>base</sub> = base MVA

- H = inertia constant in MJ/MVA or MW-s/MVA
- f = power supply frequency in Hertz (H<sub>z</sub>) or cycle per second

*M* = moment of inertia of the generator

 $GH = K.E = \frac{1}{2} M \omega_s$  MJ -- (1.4)

$$M = \frac{2G_{rated}H}{\omega_s} = \frac{2G_{rated}H}{2\pi f}$$
 MJ-s/elect.rad

$$M = \frac{G_{rated}H}{\pi f} \text{ MJ-s/elect..rad} -- (1.5)$$

$$M = \frac{G_{rated}H}{180f}$$
 MJ-s/elect. degree -- (1.6)

Substituting equation (1.5) or (1.6) into equation (1.3) the swing equation becomes

$$\frac{G_{rated}H}{\pi f} \cdot \frac{d^2 \delta}{dt^2} = P_a = (P_m - P_e) MW \qquad -- (1.7)$$

Dividing by equation (1.7) by  $G_{base}$  (base MVA) rating of the machine(s), we have:

But, if  $G_{rated} = G_{base}$ , then, we have

$$\frac{H}{180f} \cdot \frac{d^2\delta}{dt^2} = P_{m(pu)} - P_{e(pu)} = P_{a(pu)} - (2.0)$$

Equation (1.9) is the per-unit swing equation. We shall use the per-unit values in our computation in the digital solution of solving the swing equation using Runge-Kutta (order-2) method [3], [18].

#### 3.3 The Test System Network

The modelled diagram of the positive sequence reactance network was further reduced to Fig.1.

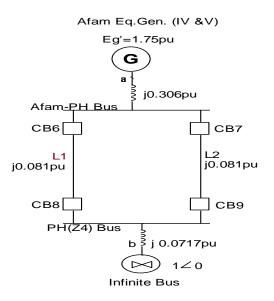


Fig.1: Single Equivalent Machine Connected to Infinite Bus bar (SEMIB)

#### 3.4 Terms of Some Parameters and Computation

Let Eg' = voltage (emf) behind transient reactance; Pe = active power transferred to the system;  $P_m$  = mechanical power input to the rotor shaft;  $P_a$  = accelerating power; V= the voltage at infinite bus bar;  $P_{maxbf}$  = maximum power that can be transferred before fault;  $P_{maxdf}$  = maximum power that can be transferred during fault;  $P_{maxaf}$  = maximum power that can be transferred after isolation (i.e. clearance) of fault,  $X_{bf}$  = transfer reactance of the entire network before –fault; Xd = steady – state synchronous reactance of the generator; X'd = direct- axis transient reactance of the generator;  $X_L$  = transmission lines reactance (neglecting Ro).etc., [3],[18].

Under transient condition

 $Xd \rightarrow X'd < Xd$  and X''d < X'd < Xd

During transient condition

$$\begin{split} X_{equ} &= X'd + X_L & -- (2.1) \\ Pe &= \frac{|Eg'||V|}{x_{equ}} \sin \delta o \qquad pu & -- (2.2) \end{split}$$

#### **3.5 Critical Clearing Angle (δcrang)**

For any given initial load there is a critical clearing angle and if actual clearing angle exceeds critical clearing angle the system becomes unstable otherwise it will be stable. *Equal-area criterion* is basically suitable for one machine system with infinite bus-bar but with a limitation – it is not feasible to evaluate the *critical clearing time, CCT* required to set the circuit breakers rather the *maximum torque angle and critical clearing angle* can be evaluated. Thus, using the equal-area criterion for critical clearing angle,  $\delta crang$ , we have

$$\delta crang = \cos^{-1} \left( \frac{(\delta max - \delta o) \sin \delta o - \gamma_1 \cos \delta o + \gamma_2 \cos \delta max}{\gamma_2 - \gamma_1} \right)$$
  
elect. deg. -- (2.3)

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Where: 
$$\gamma_1 = \frac{P_{maxdf}}{P_{maxbf}}$$
 -- (2.4)

$$\gamma_2 = \frac{P_{maxaf}}{P_{maxbf}} -- (2.5)$$

Maximum torque angle,  $\delta_{max}$  is given by

$$\delta_{max} = 180^{\circ} - \sin^{-1}(\frac{\sin\delta_0}{\gamma_2}) \quad \text{elect.} deg. \quad -- (2.6)$$

Case 1: On 10% Fault Location on Line 1 (i.e. 3.835 KM) from Afam 132KV bus to PH (Z4) 132KV line

Using Fig. 1 shown above and the data from the load flow simulation report, we have

$$Eg' = 1.75 \ pu$$
,  $Pm = 3.83 \ pu$ ,  
 $Pe = 3.81 \ pu$ ,  $V = 1.0 \ pu$ 

Transfer reactance of the entire network *before-fault* condition

$$X_{bf} = j0.306 + \left(\frac{j0.081}{2}\right) + j0.0717 = j0.4182 \ pu$$

For active power transferred *before-fault* condition, *Pe*<sub>1</sub>:

$$Pe_1 = 3.81 = \frac{1.75 \ x \ 1}{0.4182} \sin \delta_o = 4.175 \sin \delta_o$$

 $P_{maxbf} = 4.175 \ pu$ Initial power angle is given by

$$sin\delta_o = \frac{3.81}{4.175} = 0.912$$

 $\delta_o = \sin^{-1}(0.912)$   $\delta_o = 65.83 \ elect \ degree \ or \ 1.1489$ elect.radian

For active power transferred *during fault* condition,  $Pe_2 @ 0.00$  s to 0.150 s fault clearing time setting, when  $\delta$ =66.94 deg.

$$Pe_2 = 2.97 \ pu$$
  
 $P_{maxdf} = \left(\frac{2.97}{sin66.94}\right) = 3.227 \ pu$ 

For active power transferred *after-fault* condition,  $Pe_3$ : @ 0.00 s. to 0.151s fault clearing time setting, when  $\delta$ =67.08 deg.  $Pe_3 = 3.89 \ pu$ 

$$P_{maxaf} = \left(\frac{3.89}{sin67.08}\right) = 4.223 \ pu$$

Maximum torque angle,  $\delta_{max}$  is given by

$$\delta_{max} = 180^{\circ} - \sin^{-1}(\frac{\sin \delta_0}{\gamma_2}),$$
 from equation (2.6) above; and

$$\gamma_2 = \frac{4.223}{4.175} = 1.01$$

$$\delta_{max} = 180^{\circ} - \sin^{-1}(\frac{0.9123}{1.01}) \ deg.$$
  
$$\delta_{max} = 180^{\circ} - 64.59^{\circ} = 115.41 \ deg.$$

Using the equal-area criterion for critical clearing angle,  $\delta crang,$  we get

$$\begin{split} \delta_{crang} &= \cos^{-1}[(0.01745x3.81(115.41 - 65.83) \\ &- (3.227Cos65.83) \\ &+ (4.223Cos115.41))/(4.223 \\ &- 3.227)] \ deg. \end{split}$$

 $\delta_{crang} = 80.54 \, elect. \, deg$ 

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In order to achieve the numerous computation involved in the analysis, *A Program for the transient stability of single machine connected to the infinite bus using Runge-Kutta (Order-2) method of solving swing equation was implemented in MATLAB R2013a environment* [17].

## 3.6 Simulation of the Test System Network

Electrical Transient Analyzer Program (ETAP) is powerful simulation software [16] used to model power system networks and carry out the simulation. In the first scenarios, the load flow results are obtained on 100 MVA base systems. We will inject three phase balance fault at *different point/location on the line* in order to ascertain the true state of the line under fault condition and to evaluate for setting of the circuit breakers critical opening time at different faults point say 10%, 20%, 30%, 40%, 50%,.....100% of 38.35KM on line1 from Afam bus to Port Harcourt Town (Zone 4). The operating voltage is 132kV. From the load flow and transient stability assessment (ETAP simulation report) certain generated data were collected for further analysis using Equal Area Criterion (EAC) and Runge-Kutta's (Order-2) method of numerical analysis using MATLAB R2013a software.

## 3.7 Utilization of Runge-Kutta (Order-2) method to the various cases: For 10% Fault Location (3.835KM) on line 1

Input data into the program for 10% of Line1: Pm = 3.8100 pu;  $\delta_o$  = 65.83 deg = 1.1489 radian; Pmaxbf = 4.1750 pu; Pmaxdf = 3.2270 pu; Pmaxaf

= 4.2230 pu; H = 14.6500 MW-s/MVA; Fault clearing time (FCT setting): 0.00 – 0.150 s; Total simulation time used: 1.0 sec.

After the first computation and yielding the desired results, we now replace the data in the input section of the program with new sets of data, simulate again for all percentage stated. The critical clearing time is realized during the simulation by trial and errors. Thereafter, selected features from the program results were fed into the feed-forward neural network to further estimate the desired CCT.

## 3.8 Utilization of the (FFNN) to Evaluate the CCT

The utilization task is in three sections:

a) This first section is responsible for acquiring the training data set in order to train the *multi-layered feedforward neural network* (FFNN) and allow it to adjust its parameters to form a configuration that links the inputs with the outputs. Here, the training data sets are output results of the solution of Runge-Kutta method of solving the swing equation. The training of the FFNN will utilize selected features as input (M;  $\delta$ ; Pmaxdf;  $Pe_2$ ;  $\omega$ ), (refer to equation 2.7, below) and the critical fault clearing time (*CCT*), (refer to equation 2.9, below) as desired target/output. Where M is the moment of inertia of the

equivalent machine under consideration and is kept constant, delta ( $\delta$ ) is the rotor angle during fault condition, (*Pmaxdf*) is the maximum electrical power delivered during fault condition, (*Pe*<sub>2</sub>) is the real power delivered during fault condition, and ( $\omega$ ) is the rotor angular speed. Levenberg Marquardt (LM) back-propagation algorithm will be used to train the network in the multilayered feed-forward neural network to evaluate the critical clearing time (*CCT*) [5], [9].

b) The second section is responsible for applying the concepts of the FFNN (expert system) to solve the transient stability problem using the data supplied from the first section. *Here, some percentage of the inputs data* are used as a train set, test set; and validation of the *network configuration.* The performance of the model is a of function certain classification accuracy and misclassification function. The training of the inputs data sets takes more time as the case may be. In this research work, the data sets for 10%, to 50% faults location on line 1 utilizes 10,20,10 neutrons while the data sets for 60% to 100% faults location inputs data utilized 20,10, 20 neutrons in the hidden layer of the FFNN during the training as configured.

c) There should be some form of conformity between the 'targets' value used and the real 'output' from the trained network, to actualize better network plots. The FFNN is capable of evaluating the critical faults clearing time (CCT) of the power system network as the desired output y. The results may be compared with the conventional results. After simulation of the input-trained data sets with equal respective targets, the regression plots and performance plots are checked to for best plots. Thereafter, a new set of the inputs data are fed into a saved M-file to generate a corresponding output as desired. The regression plots and performance plots are very important; it indicates the perfection of the trained data set and the target/ output. See the various figures/plots below.

## 3.9 Some Neural Network Classifier

The neural network has the ability to simulate large or small data without misplacing the uniqueness of the dynamic behaviour of that system. All are classifiers of artificial neural network used nowadays in the assessment of power systems/networks:(i) Multilayer Perceptron (MLP) Neural Network; (ii) Learning Vector Quantization (LVQ) Neural Network; (iii) Probabilistic Neural Network (PNN); (iv) Adaptive Resonance Theory Mapping (ARTMAP), (v) Mixture of Experts system, etc. The neural networks models are designed with respective train algorithm [10], [11], [12].

A Multi-layered Perceptron (MLP) model is a feedforward neural network model capable of mapping given input data sets with the corresponding target to produce Volume: 05 Issue: 03 | Mar-2018

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an output. The network in its training period of the data sets given, establishes input-output relationships.It consists of input, two or more layer of neurons (called the hidden layers) with nonlinear activation or transfer functions (tan-sigmoid transfer function) and an output layer (linear transfer function) often time. The network can be trained with Levenberg-Marquardt (LM) backpropagation algorithm [10], [11], [12].

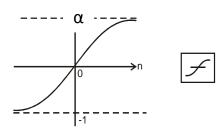
## 3.9.1 Transfer Function/Activation Function

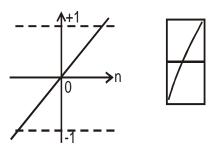
The transfer function controls the amplitude of the output by translating the output of the neuron to its input before finally outputting the result. There are lots of transfer functions available in the neural network toolbox programs [17]. However, transfer functions frequently used for multilayer feed-forward neural network are:

1) Tan-sigmoid Transfer Function (Tansig):

Sigmoid output neurons are applied for pattern recognition problems. Linear output neurons are applied for function fitting problems. Fig.2 shows the tan-sigmoid transfer function [17].

- 2) *Linear Transfer Function (Purelin):* In these types of functions the neurons are applied in the final layer of the multi-layered network as function approximations. Fig.3 shows the linear transfer function applied in multilayer networks with backpropagation training algorithms [17].
- 3) *Log-sigmoid Transfer Function (Logsig):* This transfer function collects the input variable of any value between plus (+) and minus (–) infinity and compresses the output into series of 0 to 1 [17].





y = Purelin (n) Fig. 3: Linear Transfer Function Adapted from: Mathworks

# 3.9.2 The Feed-forward Neural Network in MATLAB Environment

Using Multilayer feed-forward neural network, we can increase the hidden layer from the 'default' to any desired hidden layers [17]. From the network below, we have three (3) hidden layers; the hidden size, each has 20, 10 and 20 neurons in parenthesis- square bracket upon round bracket. Fig. 4 shows the screenshot architecture of the multilayered feed-forward neural network utilized in this research work.

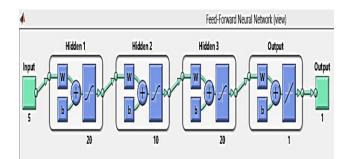


Fig 4: Screenshot of Multilayered Feed-forward Neural Network (FFNN)

## Sample Call-Out Program for the FFNN in MATLAB Environment

Inputdata= [...];

Targetdata= [...];

net=feedforwardnet

([hiddensize<sup>1</sup>,hiddensize<sup>2</sup>,..hiddensize<sup>n</sup>],'trainlm');

net=configure(net,Inputdata,Targetdata);view(net);

net=init(net);

net=train(net,Inputdata,Targetdata)

Output ofTarget = net (Inputdata)

perf = perform(net,Inputdata,Targetdata)

Input data set:

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 $Inputs = \begin{bmatrix} M & M & \dots & M \\ \delta_1 & \delta_2 & \dots & \delta_n \\ Pmaxdf_1 & Pmaxdf_2 & \dots & pmaxdf_n \\ Pe2_1 & Pe2_2 & \dots & Pe2_n \\ \omega_1 & \omega_2 & \dots & \omega_n \end{bmatrix} \quad -- (2.7)$ 

Weight matrix = 
$$\begin{bmatrix} W_{1,1} & W_{1,2} & W_{1,R} \\ W_{2,1} & W_{2,2} & W_{2,R} \\ W_{5,1} & W_{5,2} & W_{5,R} \end{bmatrix} -- (2.8)$$

If R = m, S = n, for  $(m \times n)$  matrix,

Where M = moment of inertia of the equivalent generator in Pu;  $\delta_n$ =rotor angles during a respective fault condition in radian; Pmaxdf = Maximum power delivered during a fault condition in Pu; Pe<sub>2</sub> = Real power delivered during a fault condition in Pu;  $\omega_n$ .= Rotor angular speed in Pu.

Target data =  $[cct_1, cct_2, cct_3 \dots \dots cct_n]$  -- (2.9)

Where n = no. of cct corresponding to a set of input data.

#### **4. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION**

#### 4.1. Results

From the different stages of assessment of the 132KV power system network- (a case study of Afam to Port-Harcourt (PH) Town (Zone4)) operating at 132KV (incomer) and 33KV (out-going). Table I shows the results of the respective percentage fault location of line 1 during the time domain simulation (TDS) of the transient stability assessment using ETAP Software; the base case analysis.

Table II (a), (b) and (c) are results of the application of Runge-Kutta method solution of the swing equation with unstable, stable and critically stable conditions for only 10% fault location on (line 1) whereas Table III is the summary results (all percentage) using Runge-Kutta method. Fig 5 shows the graph of the swing curve for 10% fault location on line1 with (sustained fault, fault cleared curve and critically stable curve).

Fig. 6 presents a graph of maximum power delivered (Pmax) versus CCTs (from Table III.); Fig. 7 shows the graph of real power delivered during fault conditions (Pe2) versus CCTs (from Table III) while Fig. 8 is the graph of critical clearing angle ( $\delta$ crang) versus CCTs (from Table IV). Fig.9 is the regression plots for (10%-100%) fault location and Fig. 10 the performance plot for (10%-100%) fault location using the FFNN. The column chart for CCT versus 10%-100% fault location using FFNN is shown in Fig.11.

The comparative presentation of the results of the (FFNN) and the conventional method (Runge-Kutta order-2) is shown in Table IV whereas Fig.12 shows the column chart presentation of the FFNN versus numerical (R-K) method for CCT determination.

 Table I

 Results of the Time Domain Simulation (TDS) using

 ETAP Software

Perce ntage Fault Locati on	Three phase Fault Location From Afam bus to PH(Z 4)Bus	Equivale nt Inertia Constant H (MJ/MVA	Pmaxdf (During fault) (Pu)	Pe2 (Durin g fault) (Pu)	Critical Clearing Angle, dcrang (deg.)	Critical Clearin g Time (CCT) (s)
(%)	(KM)	)				
10	3.835	14.65	3.0111	2.9700	67.1	0.37
20	7.67	14.65	3.1444	3.1200	66.7	0.55
30	11.505	14.65	3.2417	3.2300	69.1	0.56
40	15.34	14.65	3.3126	3.3100	68.5	0.56
50	19.175	14.65	3.3809	3.3800	68.2	0.56
60	23.01	14.65	3.4249	3.4200	66.6	0.56
70	26.845	14.65	3.4627	3.4500	66.7	0.56
80	30.68	14.65	3.3927	3.3800	66.7	0.56
90	34.515	14.65	3.5244	3.4900	66.6	0.56
100	38.35	14.65	3.5252	3.4900	66.6	0.56

 Table II (a)

 Sustained Fault for 10% Fault Location (Unstable)

t	di	wi	Pm	Pmaxdf	k1	11	k2	12	ddi	dwi	d(i+1)
0	1.1490	0	3.8100	4.1750	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0.0500	1.1606	0.4642	3.8100	3.2270	0	0.4642	0.0232	0.4642	0.0116	0.4642	66.4977
0.1000	1.1952	0.9125	3.8100	3.2270	0.0232	0.4561	0.0460	0.4405	0.0346	0.4483	68.4808
0.1500	1.2517	1.3320	3.8100	3.2270	0.0456	0.4331	0.0673	0.4059	0.0565	0.4195	71.7152
0.2000	1.3283	1.7156	3.8100	3.2270	0.0666	0.3999	0.0866	0.3674	0.0766	0.3837	76.1038
0.2500	1.4231	2.0641	3.8100	3.2270	0.0858	0.3632	0.1039	0.3338	0.0949	0.3485	81.5389
0.3000	1.5346	2.3869	3.8100	3.2270	0.1032	0.3314	0.1198	0.3143	0.1115	0.3228	87.9268
0.3500	1.6618	2.7030	3.8100	3.2270	0.1193	0.3137	0.1350	0.3185	0.1272	0.3161	95.2141
0.4000	1.8049	3.0412	3.8100	3.2270	0.1352	0.3197	0.1511	0.3566	0.1431	0.3382	103.4157
0.4500	1.9660	3.4410	3.8100	3.2270	0.1521	0.3598	0.1700	0.4400	0.1611	0.3999	112.6433
0.5000	2.1492	3.9558	3.8100	3.2270	0.1721	0.4459	0.1943	0.5835	0.1832	0.5147	123.1399

 Table II (b)

 Fault Cleared at 0.15s for 10% Fault location (*Stable*)

1	t	di	wi	Pm	Pmaxbf	k1	11	k2	12	ddi	dwi	d(i+1)
0	D	1.1490	0	3.8100	4.1750	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0.0	0500	1.1606	0.4642	3.8100	4.2230	0	0.4642	0.0232	0.4642	0.0116	0.4642	66.4977
0.1	1000	1.1952	0.9125	3.8100	4.2230	0.0232	0.4561	0.0460	0.4405	0.0346	0.4483	68.4808
0.1	1500	1.2517	1.3320	3.8100	4.2230	0.0456	-0.0636	0.0424	-0.0993	0.0440	-0.0814	71.0037
0.2	2000	1.3283	1.7156	3.8100	4.2230	0.0416	-0.0981	0.0366	-0.1269	0.0391	-0.1125	73.2438
0.2	2500	1.4231	2.0641	3.8100	4.2230	0.0359	-0.1253	0.0297	-0.1473	0.0328	-0.1363	75.1227
0.3	3000	1.5346	2.3869	3.8100	4.2230	0.0291	-0.1455	0.0218	-0.1615	0.0255	-0.1535	76.5822
0.3	3500	1.6618	2.7030	3.8100	4.2230	0.0214	-0.1596	0.0135	-0.1704	0.0174	-0.1650	77.5817
0.4	4000	1.8049	3.0412	3.8100	4.2230	0.0132	-0.1684	0.0048	-0.1747	0.0090	-0.1716	78.0958
0.4	4500	1.9660	3.4410	3.8100	4.2230	0.0046	-0.1727	-0.0040	-0.1749	0.0003	-0.1738	78.1124
0.5	5000	2.1492	3.9558	3.8100	4.2230	-0.0041	-0.1729	-0.0127	-0.1709	-0.0084	-0.1719	77.6309

Table II(c)Critical Clearing time found after 0.15s for 10%Fault Location (Critically stable)

t	di	wi	Pm	Pmaxdf	k1 l	1 k2	12	ddi	dwi	d(i+1)	
0	1.1490	0 3	.8100	4.1750	0	0	0	o (	0	0	
0.0500	1.1606	0.4642	3.8100	3.2270	0	0.4642	0.0232	0.4642	0.0116	0.4642	66.4977
0.1000	1.1952	0.9125	3.8100	3.2270	0.0232	0.4561	0.0460	0.4405	0.0346	0.4483	68.4808
0.1500	1.2392	0.8310	3.8100	3.2270	0.0456	0.4331	0.0673	0.4059	0.0565	0.4195	71.7152
0.2000	1.2783	0.7185	3.8100	3.2270	0.0666	0.3999	0.0866	0.3674	0.0766	0.3837	76.1038
0.2500	1.3111	0.5822	3.8100	3.2270	0.0858	0.3632	0.1039	0.3338	0.0949	0.3485	81.5389
0.3000	1.3366	0.4287	3.8100	4.2230	0.1032	-0.1968	0.0934	-0.2192	0.0983	-0.2080	87.1703
0.3500	1.3541	0.2637	3.8100	4.2230	0.0928	-0.2187	0.0819	-0.2193	0.0873	-0.2190	92.1745
0.4000	1.3630	0.0921	3.8100	4.2230	0.0819	-0.2198	0.0709	-0.2052	0.0764	-0.2125	96.5498
0.4500	1.3633	-0.0816	3.8100	4.2230	0.0712	-0.2066	0.0609	-0.1826	0.0661	-0.1946	100.3352
0.5000	1.3549	-0.2535	3.8100	4.2230	0.0615	-0.1847	0.0523	-0.1555	0.0569	-0.1701	103.5946

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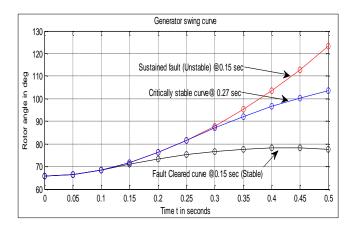
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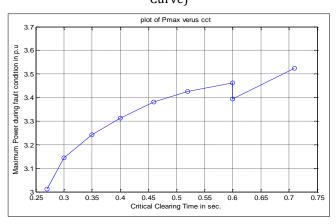
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#### Output Result for 10% Fault Location

 $\delta max = 114.1671 \ deg$  (maximum angle);  $\delta crang = 80.5192 \ deg$ . (critical clearing angle), Power delivered during fault condition, Pe<sub>2</sub> = 2.9700 *pu*; Pmax = 3.0111 *pu* (maximum power delivered at  $\delta crang$ )



**Fig 5:** Graph of Swing Curves for 10% Fault Location on Line1 (Sustained Fault, Fault Cleared and Critically Stable Curve)



**Fig. 6**: Graph of P<sub>max</sub> versus CCT (10%-100%) Fault Location (from Table III)

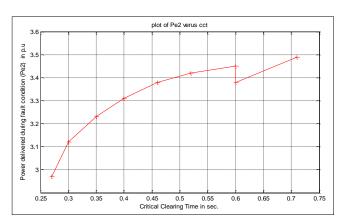
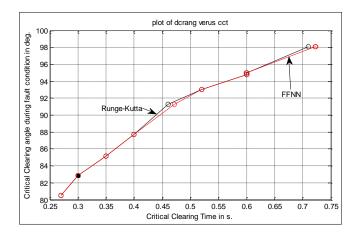
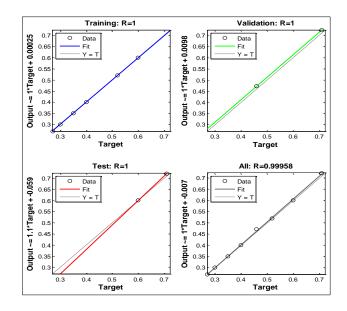


Fig. 7: Graph of Pe<sub>2</sub> versus CCT (10%-100%) Fault Location (from Table III)



**Fig. 8**: Graph of δcrang versus CCT (10%-100%) fault location (from Table IV)



**Fig. 9:** Regression plots for (10%-100%) Fault Location using FFNN

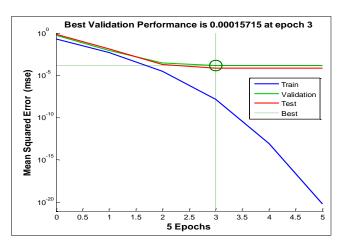


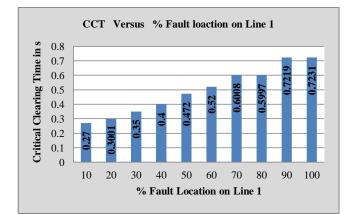
Fig. 10: Performance Plot for (10%-100%) Fault Location using (FFNN)

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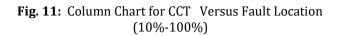


 Table III

 Summary Results of the Digital Solution of the Swing

 Equation using Runge-Kutta Method

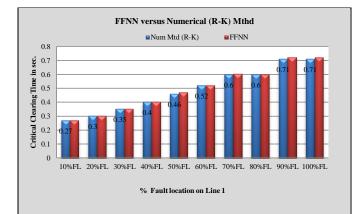
Percen tage Fault Locatio n %	Three phase Fault Location From Afam bus to PH Bus in KM	Equivalent Inertia Constant (H) MJ/MVA	Pmaxdf (During Fault) P.u	Pe <sub>2</sub> (During Fault) P.u		Clearing δcrang) radian	Critical Clearing Time (CCT) in (s)
10	3.835	14.65	3.0111	2.9700	80.53	1.4055	0.2700
20	7.67	14.65	3.1444	3.1200	82.85	1.4460	0.3000
30	11.505	14.65	3.2417	3.2300	85.12	1.4856	0.3500
40	15.34	14.65	3.3126	3.3100	87.72	1.5310	0.4000
50	19.175	14.65	3.3809	3.3800	91.28	1.5931	0.4600
60	23.01	14.65	3.4249	3.4200	93.05	1.6240	0.5200
70	26.845	14.65	3.4627	3.4500	94.80	1.6545	0.6000
80	30.68	14.65	3.3927	3.3800	94.95	1.6571	0.6000
90	34.515	14.65	3.5244	3.4900	98.10	1.7121	0.7100
100	38.35	14.65	3.5252	3.4900	98.10	1.7121	0.7100

 Table IV

 Comparative Results of the (FFNN) and Conventional

 Method (R-K)

Fault Location	Equivale nt Moment	Pmaxdf (During Fault)	Pe₂ (During Fault)	Critical Clearing Angle	Critical Clearin	•
	of Inertia			(δcrang)	Conventional (Runge-Kutta)	(FFNN)
	Constant				(s)	
%	(P.u)	(P.u)	(P.u)	(radian)		(s)
10	0.0090	3.0111	2.9700	1.4055	0.2700	0.2700
20	0.0090	3.1444	3.1200	1.4460	0.3000	0.3001
30	0.0090	3.2417	3.2300	1.4856	0.3500	0.3500
40	0.0090	3.3126	3.3100	1.5310	0.4000	0.4000
50	0.0090	3.3809	3.3800	1.5931	0.4600	0.4720
60	0.0090	3.4249	3.4200	1.6240	0.5200	0.5200
70	0.0090	3.4627	3.4500	1.6545	0.6000	0.6008
80	0.0090	3.3927	3.3800	1.6571	0.6000	0.5997
90	0.0090	3.5244	3.4900	1.7121	0.7100	0.7219
100	0.0090	3.5252	3.4900	1.7121	0.7100	0.7231



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Fig.12: Column Chart of FFNN versus Numerical (R-K) Method for CCT

## 4.2 Discussion

From the results of the time domain simulation (using ETAP software) presented in Table I, the critical clearing angle ( $\delta$ crang) slightly increases and decrease without a corresponding increase in the critical clearing time. During the simulation, the *critical clearing time* at the respective percentages of fault location on line 1 under assessment was almost constant whereas the critical clearing angles fluctuate slightly.

Also, from the results of the analytical approach using Runge-Kutta (Order-2) method, Table II (a), (b), and (c) present the network's unstable, stable and critically stable states for 10% fault location on line1. That is 3.835KM away from Afam Bus, been the first case. These tables results were analytically compared with the initial calculated critical clearing angle ( $\delta$ crang = 80.54 deg) and the maximum critical clearing angle ( $\delta max = 114.1671$ deg). On Table II (b), the rotor angle increases in time from 0.05s (66.4977 deg) to 0.45s (78.1124 deg) and later decreases at 0.5s with a critical clearing angle of 77.63 deg with a fault clearing time setting of 0.15s. The real power delivered during the fault condition, Pe2 = 2.9700 pu whereas the maximum power delivered at  $\delta$  crang, Pmax = 3.0111 pu. The other tables of the results for the remaining 20% - 100% are not presented here due to space. Fig. 5 shows the swing curves for 10% fault location on line 1, the blue coloured curve which denotes critically stable curve was set to compare with the red coloured, sustained fault curve (unstable curve) to obtain the critical clearing time while the black coloured curve with circledot indicates fault cleared and at this point the torque angle decreases resulting into stable condition. The point of intersection between the red coloured curve and the blue coloured curve estimates the critical clearing angle in electrical degree. The critical fault clearing time of 0.27s corresponds to a critical clearing angle of 80.53 electrical degrees (= 1.4055 electrical radian).

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Fig. 6 shows the various Pmax versus CCT (from Table III.); Fig. 7 shows the graph of Pe2 versus CCT (from Table III) and Fig. 8 presents the graph of  $\delta$ crang versus CCT (from Table III). Fig.9 is the FFNN regression plots using selected numerical features from the (10%-100%) fault location of the time domain simulation and Runge-

Kutta method's results. Note that, the simulation time used during simulation was very short; some percentages of the selected numerical input-features into the FFNN were trained, validated, tested, and the output being equalled to the target. Fig. 10 presents the performance plot for (10%-100%) fault location with best validation performance of 0.00015715 at 3epoch using the FFNN.

Now, at 50% distance of fault location from the generator end (i.e. 19.175 KM), the critical fault clearing time (CCT) evaluated was 0.40s with a critical clearing angle of  $\delta_{\rm crang}$ = 91.28 electrical degree.

For 100% fault location (i.e. 38.35 KM) from the generator end, the critical fault clearing time (CCT) evaluated was 0.71s with a critical clearing angle of  $\delta_{crang}$ = 98.10 electrical degree. From the plot of Pmax against CCT, the maximum power delivered was 3.525 pu whereas the real power delivered during fault a condition, Pe2 = 3.4900 pu and a CCT of 0.71 s is required to open the immediate circuit breaker installed at the generator end.

Table III is the summary result of the assessment having corresponding increases between the critical clearing time (CCT) to set a circuit breaker at the power generating end and the critical clearing angle expected during a fault condition on line1. Table IV is the comparative result of the FFNN and a conventional method using Runge-Kutta (Order-2) method. Fig.12 is the column chart of FFNN versus (R-K) numerical method for determining CCT. It shows that the utilization of FFNN there is slight variation in the evaluated critical clearing time as compared to the conventional method.

## **5. CONCLUSION**

Applying feed-forward neural network to further examine the transient stability of the 132KV subtransmission power system network: a case study Afam -Port-Harcourt town (Zone 4) was an interesting research to evaluate the CCT at the generator's end circuit breaker and the performance of the power system network during a fault condition. The assessment was performed in three distinct parts, in the first case of the assessment; the network was modelled thereafter time domain simulation was performed on the network using ETAP 7.0. From the results obtained, it shows that the network attained its stability as fast possible as the fault cleared by the opening of the circuit breaker and the maximum Critical Fault Clearing Time realized was 0.56s. In furtherance of the assessment, the numerical analysis of solving the SEMIB swing equation using Runge-Kutta (Order-2) method was carried out using MATLAB codes. Again, the results obtained were feds into the FFNN to further match the selected inputs and targets to output the CCT required. Obviously, the result of the FFNN was a function of the input variables from the Runge-Kutta method used.

The aim of evaluating the critical clearing time and the angle was achieved. From the results (as in Table III or IV) the CCT increases with a corresponding increase in the angle of swing during a fault condition. It is evident that the power delivered during this fault condition also increases slightly corresponding to either maximum clearing angle ( $\delta$ max) or the critical clearing angle ( $\delta$ crang) as a result of transient current.

We also noticed that, on injection of three-phase fault on one of the 33KV feeders connected from the 132KV sub-transmission substation to UST injection sub-station, the circuit breaker installed at the Port Harcourt Town (Zone 4), trips off to clear the fault. Only the affected area was in power outage. In general, the test network returns to its normal operating condition.

The impact of instability on power system network resulting from severe fault on the network can cause total loss of power – voltage collapse or damage to power apparatus. It is imperative to carry out transient stability assessment of power system network time to time to reduce or almost avoid the effect of loss of power or power apparatus. The importance of estimating the critical fault clearing time is to protect and prevent further damage to apparatus as the circuit breaker speedily open.

Overstressing of the networks should be avoided by radically construct new networks or reconstruct old networks for better performance. For rapid fault clearing, we recommended that using high-speed circuit breakers quick restoration will be achieved. We also observed that most of the faults on the transmission lines results in transient nature and are better self-clearing in action. Therefore, automatic reclosing type, high-speed circuit breakers should be incorporated in the network and periodic testing and inspection should be carried out to ascertain their effectiveness.

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