

# An Analytical Review of Multi-objective Optimal Power Flow Techniques

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## Abstract

Power systems are becoming larger and complex with rise in electricity demand. This increases complexity of a system for finding the optimal solution of power flow problem. Solution of optimal power flow (OPF) problem has now become necessity for electrical utilities because of the objectives of minimum fuel cost, power loss, emission and voltage deviation, which are non-convex, non-linear and non-smooth in nature. Consequently, system can cause severe damage both physically and economically if operated without any power flow analysis. This paper reviews different optimization techniques for solution of OPF problems with one or more objectives subject to balanced and unbalanced constraints.

**Keywords:** Conventional methods, classification of optimization techniques, heuristic methods, multi-objective optimal power flow, optimization techniques.

## INTRODUCTION

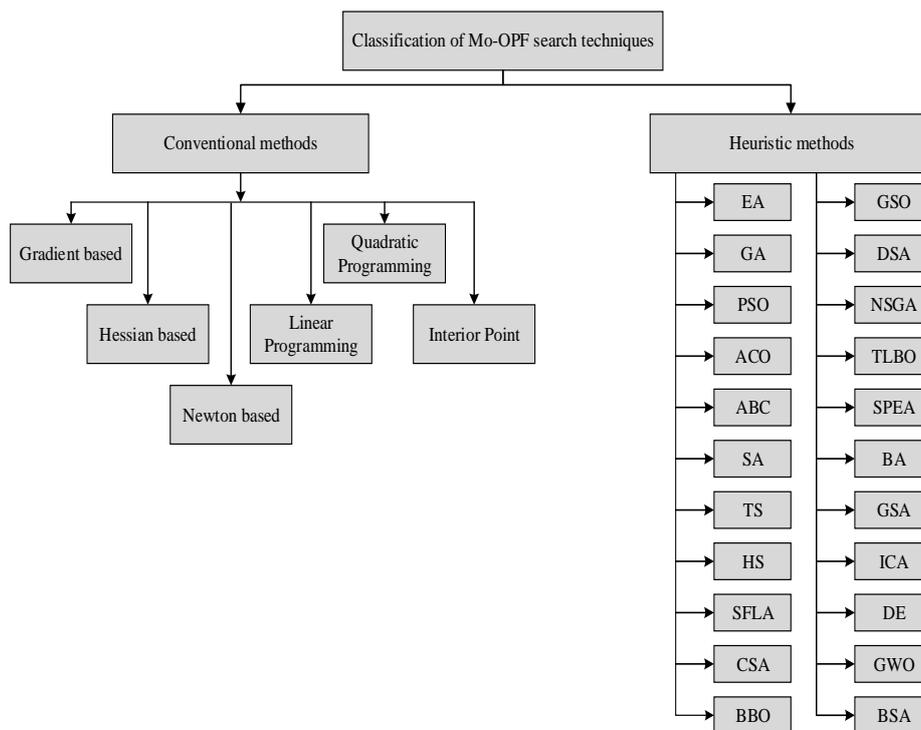
Optimal power flow (OPF) has now become important tool for power system which is used broadly in power system planning and operation. An optimization problem includes objective function to be optimized, a set of decision variables and balanced and unbalanced constraints. The objective function in case of OPF is traditionally a sum of linear or quadratic generation costs which are calculated from the decision variables, which are typically generator output power values in the system [1]. The constraints can simulate various power system phenomena, such as thermal limits of lines and generators, as well as control policies. In the 1960's, a method was developed to investigate non-deterministic in feeds and their effects on line flows in a power system [2]. However, many of the equations developed were non-linear and therefore very difficult to compute with the hardware available at the time. As the consumption of electricity is increasing day by day, more energy power plants are being established and connected to power grid. Therefore, this increases the instability in the power system. The solution of non-linear equations within optimization problems has now become feasible because of availability of faster equipment. OPF problem can be solved by conventional or heuristic methods. Many researchers have shown that conventional methods in present scenario cannot give reliable solution because of poor convergence, local optima entrapment and slower speed. If the numbers of variables are large, their computational speed for optimizing a solution becomes too slow and expensive for solution of a large system [3].

Therefore, the conventional deterministic methods are not enough for finding a desired optimal solution. To overcome the limitations of conventional methods, a probabilistic, learning or goal discovery based approach or heuristic approach is used. In the next section, a brief idea of OPF problem and different optimization techniques used for solving OPF problem is presented.

## OPTIMAL POWER FLOW AND CLASSIFICATION OF OPTIMIZATION TECHNIQUES

The OPF problem as discussed in earlier section contains large scale optimization problem, non-linear objectives having both discrete and continuous variables. Optimization of multiple objectives like minimum of generation cost, voltage deviation, power losses and emission can be done by controlling flow of power in an electrical system without breaching network constraints or system operating limits. OPF determines voltage, current and power injected for the system similarly as conventional power flow analysis but works with under constrained system, so that, multiple solutions are possible [4]. In present scenario, system requires not only economic operation but also environmental friendly and feasible operating system. This increases complexity and non-linearity of the system for solving OPF problem. Many objectives need to be optimized in a single run. Many researchers have come up with several techniques or methods to solve the multi-objective problems.

Optimization techniques are classified in two parts conventional methods and heuristic methods. There are several techniques for optimization purpose. Fig.1 shows different optimization techniques including some popular techniques for solution of OPF problem. Conventional methods have limited capability of handling large scale system constraints and require initial starting point for optimization. They are poor in convergence and may trap in local optimum. They are mostly suitable for single objective at single run and become slow if there is large number of variables. Consequently, these methods are computationally not suitable for finding solution of multiple objectives with several variables [5]. To overcome these drawbacks from analytical methods, heuristic based methods have been flourished in recent past. The main advantage of these methods is that they are versatile for handling large qualitative constraints. They are more suitable to find global optimum solution as well as local optimum solution.



**Figure 1:** Classification of Optimization Techniques

In the tables below, there are several methods for multiple objective optimization of the OPF problem which have already been proposed. Here, some of the techniques briefly explained which are largely used by the searchers and shown in table 1 and 2. Optimization of active and reactive power dispatch problem while maximizing voltage security is done by using interior point method along with goal programming and linearity combined objective functions [6]. In [7], an improved real and reactive power control technique using linear programming proposed which partitioned Jacobian matrix in a unified way, consequently common sensitivity matrices for both real and reactive power can be achieved. An evolutionary programming based OPF algorithm enhanced by the inclusion of gradient information to speed the search in areas local to candidate solutions and less sensitive to starting points proposed in [8]. In [9], genetic algorithm (GA) is used for solving OPF problem in feasible and reliable way satisfying the equality constraints with the desired precision. In [10], a Non-dominated Sorting Genetic Algorithm (NSGA) technique is proposed for solving environment/emission dispatch optimization problem with diversity preserving mechanism. In [11], a modified Improved NSGA (NSGA-II) algorithm presented for economic and emission dispatch problem which overcomes the drawbacks of NSGA-II for lacking uniform diversity and absence of lateral diversity among the non-dominated solutions. In [12], a mathematical model for solving multi-objective OPF (Mo-OPF) problem considering uncertainties modeled by fuzzy numbers and a model developed for analyzing trade-off between profit and security constraint. A Mo-OPF solution proposed by parallel elitist NSGA-II with innovative weight assuming technique based on fuzzy membership variance considering fuel cost and transient stability as objective function. In [3], a novel

particle swarm optimization (PSO) based approach to OPF problem is presented with flexibility to control the balance between the global and local search space and avoids premature convergence of the search process. In [13], this paper proposed chaotic improved PSO (CIPSO) based optimization technique to minimize power losses and L-index in power systems for multi-objective reactive power dispatch (MORPD) problem. In [14], the Mo-OPF problem considering fuel cost and losses as objective function solved by stochastic weighted turn-off chaotic PSO (SWTCPSO). This paper used mechanism of stochastic weighted turn-off and dynamic coefficients factors to overcome the premature convergence. The DE algorithm presented for the solution of Mo-OPF under contingent operations stated considering multiple shunt FACTS devices [15]. A solution of Mo-OPF implemented using DE algorithm demonstrated effectiveness and robustness over evolutionary based NSGA-II and classical weighted summation approach in [16]. The Efficient EA proposed with the concepts from simple evolutionary algorithm and classical algorithms to solve the OPF problem in [17]. The Strength Pareto Evolutionary Algorithm (SPEA) proposed for solution of OPF problem to get optimal cost and voltage profile for the system [18]. In [19], the improved SPEA (SPEA2) technique presented to overcome the drawbacks of multiple runs, inability to find Pareto optimal solutions for non-convex optimal front. The modified teaching learning based optimization (TLBO) presented aiming to solve the multiple objective problems by self-adaptive wavelet technique to deal with search capability, population diversity and convergence speed [20]. In [21], non-dominated sorting multi-objective opposition based GSA (NSMOGSA) proposed to solve different single and multiple OPF problems by

improving the current population toward optimal solutions and accelerating the convergence of the solutions.

methods and applied methods on these heuristic techniques in subsection. These tables also show the controlling parameters of methods and power flow constraints used in particular.

Table 1 shows some of the conventional optimization methods for solving OPF problems and Table 2 shows some heuristic

**Table 1.** Brief summary of solution of OPF problem by conventional methods

Techniques	Controlling parameters	Objective function	Constraints	Remark
Newton based Mathematical method [22]	-	-	$V_{g1}=[0.915,1.14]$ $V_{g2}=[0.95,1.05]$	A practical Solution for power flow problem considering control variables to minimize system costs or losses
Hessian method [23]	$\rho_L = [0,1]$	$Min \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} (a_i P_{g_i}^2 + b_i P_{g_i} + c_i)$	-	A reduced hessian based optimization method for solving economic dispatch problem
PQ decomposition [24]	$\lambda_0 = [0,1]$	$Min \sum_{i=1}^{N_i} g_k (V_i^2 + V_j^2 - 2V_i V_j \cos(\theta_{ij}))$	$V_1=[0.9,1.1]$ $V_3=[0.9,1.1]$	Cost and transmission real power losses are considered as objective function
Quadratic Programming [25]	-	$Min \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} (a_i P_{g_i}^2 + b_i P_{g_i} + c_i)$ $Min \sum_{i=1}^{N_i} g_k (V_i^2 + V_j^2 - 2V_i V_j \cos(\theta_{ij}))$ $Min \sum_{i=1}^{N_i}  V_i - V_{ref} $	-	Extension of basic Kuhn-Tucker conditions and employing a quadratic model
Quasi-Newton Approach [26]	-	-	-	Used explicit Newton method for OPF problem solution. Employing Special sparsity technique
Interior point method [6]	$\lambda_p = [0.8,1.6]$	$Min \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} (a_i P_{g_i}^2 + b_i P_{g_i} + c_i)$	-	Goal programming and linearly combined objective functions
Interior Point Method [27]	-	$Min \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} (a_i P_{g_i}^2 + b_i P_{g_i} + c_i)$	$V = [0.95,1.1]$	A versatile, efficient and faster method among the gradient based methods
Linear Programming [7]	-	$Min \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} (a_i P_{g_i}^2 + b_i P_{g_i} + c_i)$	$V_g=[0.9,1.15]$ $V=[0.95,1.05]$ $T_p=[0.9,1.1]$ $Q_c=[0,15.5]$	Uniformly partitioned Jacobian matrix for common sensitivity matrices for both real and reactive power

**Table 2.** Review of heuristic methods for solving OPF problem

Techniques	Applied method, year and reference	Controlling parameters	Objective Function	Constraints	Remarks
GA (Genetic Algorithm)	GA, 2004, [9]	$P_m = 0.9,$ $P_c = 0.01,$ $\delta = [0,1],$ $\mu = [0,1]$	$\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} (a_i P_{g_i}^2 + b_i P_{g_i} + c_i)$ $\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_l} g_k (V_i^2 + V_j^2 - 2V_i V_j \cos(\theta_{ij}))$	$V_g=[0.95,1.05]$ $V=[0.9,1.1]$ $Q_c=\pm 75\%$	Satisfying the equality constraints with the desired precision
	Enhanced GA, 2002, [28]	$P_c=0.9, P_m=0.01$	$\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} (a_i P_{g_i}^2 + b_i P_{g_i} + c_i)$	$V_g=[0.95,1.05]$ $T_p=[0.9,1.1]$ $Q_c=[0.0,0.05]$	Using problem specific operators to get faster operation
	Modified NSGA-II, 2011, [11]	$P_c=0.85, P_m=1/6,$ $\eta_c=5, \eta=15, rr=0.65$	$\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} (a_i P_{g_i}^2 + b_i P_{g_i} + c_i)$ $\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} (\alpha P_{g_i}^2 + \beta P_{g_i} + \gamma_i + \xi e^{\lambda P_{g_i}})$	-	Overcomes the uniform diversity and absence of a lateral diversity among the Pareto-optimal solutions
	Multi-objective GA, 2013, [12]	$P_c=0.7, P_m=0.061,$ $\lambda_l=[1,2]$	$\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} (a_i P_{g_i}^2 + b_i P_{g_i} + c_i)$ $\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_l}  V_i - V_{ref} $ $\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} (\alpha P_{g_i}^2 + \beta P_{g_i} + \gamma_i + \xi e^{\lambda P_{g_i}})$	$V_g=[0.95,1.05]$ $T_p=[0.9,1.1]$	Considering uncertainties modelled by fuzzy numbers and a model developed for analyzing trade-off between profit and security constraints
	Parallel NSGA-II, 2015, [29]	-	$\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} (a_i P_{g_i}^2 + b_i P_{g_i} + c_i)$ $\text{Max} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} \sum_{k=1}^{N_f} \sum_{n=k}^T \left\{ \phi \left( \left  \delta_n^i(k) - \delta_n^{GOI}(k) \right , \delta^* \right) \lambda \right\}$	-	Algorithm with innovative weight assuming method based on fuzzy membership variance
	NSGA, 2003, [10]	$\alpha_c=0.5, r=[0,1],$ $\beta=5, \lambda_f=3000,$ $w=rand[0,1],$ $P_c=0.9, P_m=0.1$	$\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} \left( (a_i P_{g_i}^2 + b_i P_{g_i} + c_i) + \left  d_i \sin \left( e_i \left( P_{g_i}^{\max} - P_{g_i} \right) \right) \right  \right)$ $\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} (\alpha_i P_{g_i}^2 + \beta_i P_{g_i} + \gamma_i + \xi_i e^{\lambda_i P_{g_i}})$	-	Proposed algorithm applied with diversity preserving mechanism
	Modified NSGA-II, 2011, [30]	-	$\text{Min} \sum_{k=1}^{N_l} g_k (V_i^2 + V_j^2 - 2V_i V_j \cos(\theta_{ij}))$ $\text{Max}(L_{index})$	$V_g=[0.95,1.1]$ $Q_c=[0,0.01]$	Incorporating controlled elitism and dynamic crowding distance for solving ORPD problem
	EGA-DQLF, 2010, [31]	$P_c=1.0,$ $P_m=0.006,$ $C_1=C_2=2.05,$ $\omega=1.2$	$\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} (a_i P_{g_i}^2 + b_i P_{g_i} + c_i)$ $\text{Min} \sum_{k=1}^{N_l} g_k (V_i^2 + V_j^2 - 2V_i V_j \cos(\theta_{ij}))$ $\text{Max}(L_{index})$	$V_g=[0.95,1.1]$ $V=[0.95,1.05]$ $T=[0.9,1.1]$ $Q_c=[0,0.01]$	Better optimal solution and calculate recommended set points for power system controls
	NSGA-II, 2010, [32]	$w_v=w_q=0.5$	$\text{Min} \sum_{i,j=1}^{N_l} g_k (V_i^2 + V_j^2 - 2V_i V_j \cos(\theta_{ij}))$ $\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_l}  V_i - V_{ref} $	-	Robust MORPD includes information of load increase directions to assist the stability of most favourable solutions in the presence of load irregularities

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PSO (Particle Swarm Optimization)	PSO, 2002, [3]	$\omega=1.0, \alpha_d=0.98, C_1=C_2=2$	$\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} (a_i P_{g_i}^2 + b_i P_{g_i} + c_i)$	$V=[0.95,1.1]$ $V_g=[0.95,1.1]$ $T=[0.9,1.1]$ $Q_c=[0.0,0.05]$	Flexible technique. Avoids premature convergence
	Modified PSO, 2005, [33]	$\omega_{min.}=[0.1,0.5], \omega_{max}=[0.5,1.0], C_1, C_2=[1,2], \Delta=[0.01,0.8]$	$\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} (a_i P_{g_i}^2 + b_i P_{g_i} + c_i)$	-	Dynamic search space reduction strategy to improve the convergence speed
	Improved PSO, 2012, [34]	$\omega=[0.9,0.4]$	$\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} (a_i P_{g_i}^2 + b_i P_{g_i} + c_i)$ $\text{Min} \sum_{i,j=1}^{N_l} g_k (V_i^2 + V_j^2 - 2V_i V_j \cos(\theta_{ij}))$ $\text{Max}(L_{index})$ $\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} (\alpha P_{g_i}^2 + \beta P_{g_i} + \gamma_i + \xi e^{\lambda P_{g_i}})$	$T_p=[0.9,1.1]$	Allows several non-dominated solutions
	CIPSO, 2014, [13]	$\omega_{max}=0.9, \omega_{min}=0.4, r_1, r_2=(0,1), \lambda_{CP}=[0,4], c_1, c_2=2, P_C=0.8$	$\text{Min} \sum_{i,j=1}^{N_l} g_k \left( \begin{matrix} V_i^2 + V_j^2 - \\ 2V_i V_j \cos(\theta_{ij}) \end{matrix} \right)$ $\text{Max}(L_{index})$	$V=[0.94,1.06]$ $V_g=[0.9,1.1]$ $T_p=[0.9,1.1]$ $Q_c=[0.0,0.3]$	Minimization of power losses and voltage stability index improvement as objective function
	SWTCPSO, 2015, [14]	-	$\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} (a_i P_{g_i}^2 + b_i P_{g_i} + c_i)$ $\text{Min} \sum_{k=1}^{N_l} g_k (V_i^2 + V_j^2 - 2V_i V_j \cos(\theta_{ij}))$	$V=[0.95,1.05]$ $T=[0.95,1.05]$ $Q_c=[0,0.05]$	-
	Multi-objective PSO, 2011, [35]	$C_1, C_2=[0,4]$	$\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} (a_i P_{g_i}^2 + b_i P_{g_i} + c_i)$ $\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} (\alpha_i P_{g_i}^2 + \beta_i P_{g_i} + \gamma_i + \xi_i e^{\lambda_i P_{g_i}})$	-	PSO technique with dynamic velocity control
DE (Differential Evolution)	Tribe Modified DE, 2013, [36]	$\eta_1, \eta_2=1$	$\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} (a_i P_{g_i}^2 + b_i P_{g_i} + c_i)$ $\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} \alpha P_{g_i}^2 + \beta P_{g_i} + \gamma_i + \xi e^{\lambda P_{g_i}}$	-	-
	Multi-objective DE, 2012, [37]	$N_p=100, P_m=0.5, P_c=0.98$	$\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} \left( (a_i P_{g_i}^2 + b_i P_{g_i} + c_i) + \left  d_i \sin(e_i (P_{g_i}^{\max} - P_{g_i})) \right  \right)$ $\text{Min} \sum_{i,j=1}^{N_l} g_k (V_i^2 + V_j^2 - 2V_i V_j \cos(\theta_i - \theta_j))$ $\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_l}  V_i - V_{ref} $	$V_g=[0.95,1.1]$ $V=[0.95,1.05]$ $T=[0.9,1.1]$ $Q_c=[0,5]$	Cluster based technique to deal with the size of Pareto optimal set and obtain finest balance solution for assisting the decision maker
	Enhanced self-adaptive DE, 2017, [38]	$W_p=W_r=W_q=$ $W_s=200000,$ $P_m=[0.5,1],$ $P_C=[0.5,1], N_Q=21$	$\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} (a_i P_{g_i}^2 + b_i P_{g_i} + c_i)$ $\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} (\alpha_i P_{g_i}^2 + \beta_i P_{g_i} + \gamma_i + \xi_i e^{\lambda_i P_{g_i}})$ $\text{Min} \sum_{i,j=1}^{N_l} g_k (V_i^2 - V_j^2 - 2V_i V_j \cos(\theta_{ij}))$	$V=[0.9,1.1]$ $T_p=[0.9,1.1]$ $Q_c=[0,0.05]$	-

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	Efficient DE, 2017, [39]	$P_m=0.9,$ $P_c=0.5,$ $w_1, w_2=(0,1)$	$\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} \left( a_i P_{g_i}^2 + b_i P_{g_i} + c_i + \left  d_i \sin \left( e_i (P_{g_i}^{\max} - P_{g_i}) \right) \right  \right)$ $\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} \sum_{j=1}^{N_l} R_{ij} \frac{( V_i ^2 +  V_j ^2 - 2 V_i  V_j  \cos(\delta_{ij}))}{ z_{ij}^2 }$ $\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} \sum_{j=1}^{N_l} Q_{ij} \frac{( V_i ^2 +  V_j ^2 - 2 V_i  V_j  \sin(\delta_{ij}))}{ z_{ij}^2 }$ $\text{Min} \sum_{i=N_g+1}^n \left[ \frac{ V_i  - V_{avg}}{dV} \right]^{2n}$	$V_g=[0.95,1.1]$ $T_p=[0.95,1.1]$ $Q_c=[0,0.05]$	Multi-objective problem solution using Tchebycheff decomposition approach
	DE, 2017, [16]	$P_m=0.9,$ $P_c=0.5,$ $w_1, w_2=(0,1)$	$\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} (a_i P_{g_i}^2 + b_i P_{g_i} + c_i)$ $\text{Min} \sum_{i,j=1}^{N_l} g_k (V_i^2 + V_j^2 - 2V_i V_j \cos(\theta_{ij}))$	$V_g=[0.95,1.1]$ $T_p=[0.95,1.1]$ $Q_c=[0,0.05]$	Demonstrating effectiveness and robustness over evolutionary based NSGA-II and classical weight summation approach
	Forced initialised DE, 2016, [40]	$P_m=0.6,$ $P_c=0.9$	$\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} (a_i P_{g_i}^2 + b_i P_{g_i} + c_i)$ $\text{Min} \sum_{i,j=1}^{N_l} g_k (V_i^2 + V_j^2 - 2V_i V_j \cos(\theta_{ij}))$ $\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_l}  V_i - V_{ref} $ $\text{Max}(L_{index})$	$V_g=[0.95,1.1]$ $V=[0.95,1.05]$ $Q_c=[0,5]$ $T_p=[0.9,1.1]$	DE algorithm combined with epsilon constraint approach
	Modified DE, 2008, [41]	$P_c=0.75, P_m=0.7$	$\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} (\alpha P_{g_i}^2 + \beta P_{g_i} + \gamma_i + \xi e^{\lambda P_{g_i}})$ $\text{Min} \sum_{i,j=1}^{N_l} g_k (V_i^2 + V_j^2 - 2V_i V_j \cos(\theta_{ij}))$	$V_g=[0.9,1.1]$ $V=[0.95,1.05]$ $Q_c=\pm 75\%$	-
	Simple DE, 2013, [15]	$P_m=0.6,$ $P_c=0.4$	$\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} (a_i P_{g_i}^2 + b_i P_{g_i} + c_i)$ $\text{Min} \sum_{i,j=1}^{N_l} g_k (V_i^2 + V_j^2 - 2V_i V_j \cos(\theta_{ij}))$ $\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_l}  V_i - V_{ref} $ $\text{Max}(L_{index})$	$V_g=[0.95,1.1]$ $V=[0.95,1.05]$ $T=[0.9,1.1]$ $Q_c=[0,0.05]$	OPF solution under contingent operations stated considering multiple shunt FACTS devices
EA (Evolutionary Algorithm)	Improved SPEA, 2017, [42]	$P_c=0.8, P_m=0.2,$ $Ne=50$	$\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} (a_i P_{g_i}^2 + b_i P_{g_i} + c_i)$ $\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} (\alpha_i P_{g_i}^2 + \beta_i P_{g_i} + \gamma_i + \xi_i e^{\lambda_i P_{g_i}})$	$V=[0.95,1.05]$ $T_p=[0.9,1.1]$	Improved environment selection strategy and external elite population update strategy

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	Modified Multi-objective EA based decomposition, 2016, [43]	$P_m, P_C = 0.5$	$\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} (a_i P_{g_i}^2 + b_i P_{g_i} + c_i)$ $\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} (\alpha P_{g_i}^2 + \beta P_{g_i} + \gamma_i + \xi e^{\lambda_i P_{g_i}})$ $\text{Min} \sum_{i,j=1}^{N_l} g_k (V_i^2 + V_j^2 - 2V_i V_j \cos(\theta_{ij}))$ $\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_l}  V_i - V_{ref} $	$V_g = [0.95, 1.1]$ $V_L = [0.9, 1.05]$ $T_p = [0.9, 1.05]$	Solution for single and multi-objective power flow problem
	Efficient EA, 2014, [44]	$P_c = 0.95,$ $P_m = 0.001,$ $C_1 = C_2 = 2.05,$ $\omega = 1.2, E_i = 0.15$	$\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} \left( (a_i P_{g_i}^2 + b_i P_{g_i} + c_i) + \left  d_i \sin \left( e_i (P_{g_i}^{\max} - P_{g_i}) \right) \right  \right)$	$V_g = [0.95, 1.1]$ $V = [0.95, 1.05]$ $Q_c = [0, 0.05]$ $T_p = [0.9, 1.1]$	Efficient and effective than Classical algorithm and simple evolutionary algorithm
	SPEA, 2004, [18]	-	$\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} (a_i P_{g_i}^2 + b_i P_{g_i} + c_i)$ $\text{Max} (L_{index})$	-	Optimal cost and voltage profile for the system
	SPEA2, 2011, [19]	$P_c = 0.9,$ $P_m = 0.01$	$\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} (a_i P_{g_i}^2 + b_i P_{g_i} + c_i)$ $\text{Max} (L_{index})$	$V = [0.95, 1.05]$	Overcome the drawbacks of multiple, inability to find Pareto-optimal solutions for non-convex optimal front
	MOEA, 2017, [17]	$W_i = [0, 1]$	$\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} (a_i P_{g_i}^2 + b_i P_{g_i} + c_i)$ $\text{Min} \sum_{i,j=1}^{N_l} g_k (V_i^2 + V_j^2 - 2V_i V_j \cos(\theta_{ij}))$ $\text{Max} (L_{index})$	$V = [0.95, 1.1]$ $T_p = [0.9, 1.1]$ $Q_c = [0, 0.05]$	Using lower and upper bounds for determining cost of generation in order to reduce computational burden
TLBO (Teaching Learning Based Optimization)	Improved TLBO, 2015, [20]	$\gamma_S = 1, \alpha_S = 0.8$	$\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} (a_i P_{g_i}^2 + b_i P_{g_i} + c_i)$ $\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_l}  V_i - V_{ref} $ $\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} (\alpha P_{g_i}^2 + \beta P_{g_i} + \gamma_i + \xi e^{\lambda_i P_{g_i}})$	$V = [0.95, 1.05]$ $T_p = [0.9, 1.1]$ $Q_c = [0, 0.3]$	Used self-adaptive wavelet technique to handle search capability, population diversity and convergence speed
	Simple TLBO, 2014, [45]	-	$\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} (a_i P_{g_i}^2 + b_i P_{g_i} + c_i)$	$V_g = [0.95, 1.1]$ $T_p = [0.9, 1.1]$ $Q_c = [0, 5]$	-
GSA (Gravitational Search Algorithm)	GSA, 2012, [46]	$G_o = 100, \alpha = 20$	$\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} \left( (a_i P_{g_i}^2 + b_i P_{g_i} + c_i) + \left  d_i \sin \left( e_i (P_{g_i}^{\max} - P_{g_i}) \right) \right  \right)$ $\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} (\alpha P_{g_i}^2 + \beta P_{g_i} + \gamma_i + \xi e^{\lambda_i P_{g_i}})$	-	Required less memory. Accurate, Efficient than NSGA-II, MODE, PDE, SPEA

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	NSMOGSA, 2015, [21]	-	$\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} (\alpha P_{g_i}^2 + \beta P_{g_i} + \gamma_i + \xi e^{\lambda_i P_{g_i}})$ $\text{Min} \sum_{i,j=1}^{N_l} g_k (V_i^2 + V_j^2 - 2V_i V_j \cos(\theta_{ij}))$ $\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} (a_i P_{g_i}^2 + b_i P_{g_i} + c_i)$ $\text{Max} (L_{index})$	$V=[0.95,1.1]$ $T_p=[0.9,1.1]$ $Q_c=[0,30]$	Improved current population toward optimal solutions and accelerating convergence speed
GSO (Group Search Optimization)	Adaptive GSO, 2016, [47]	$r=(0,1)$	$\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} (a_i P_{g_i}^2 + b_i P_{g_i} + c_i)$ $\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} (\alpha_i P_{g_i}^2 + \beta_i P_{g_i} + \gamma_i + \xi_i e^{\lambda_i P_{g_i}})$ $\text{Max} \left( w_l \sum_{l=1}^{nl} \left( \frac{S_l}{S_{lmax}} \right) + w_v \sum_{i=1}^{nb} (\Delta V_i) \right)$	$V_g=[0.94,1.06]$ $T_p=[0.9,1.1]$ $Q_c=[0,0.3]$	Feasible operating ranges of the generators with fuzzy decision maker
ABC (Artificial Bee Colony)	ABC, 2010, [48]	-	$\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} (a_i P_{g_i}^2 + b_i P_{g_i} + c_i)$	-	Faster computation time and convergence than GA and PSO
	Efficient ABC, 2013, [49]	-	$\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} (a_i P_{g_i}^2 + b_i P_{g_i} + c_i)$ $\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} (\alpha P_{g_i}^2 + \beta P_{g_i} + \gamma_i + \xi e^{\lambda_i P_{g_i}})$ $\text{Min} \sum_{i,j=1}^{N_l} g_k (V_i^2 + V_j^2 - 2t_k V_i V_j \cos(\theta_i - \theta_j))$ $\text{Max} (L_{index})$ $\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_l}  V_i - V_{ref} $	$V_g=[0.95,1.1]$ $V=[0.95,1.05]$ $Q_c=[0,0.05]$ $T_p=[0.9,1.1]$	Gives efficient and effective solution. Satisfying all the constraints
	BFA (Bee Foraging Algorithm), 2011, [50]	$P=6, S=100, N_c=50,$ $N_{ed}=15, P_{ed}=0.1,$ $P_g=0.2, c(i)=0.1,$ $M=2$	$\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} (a_i P_{g_i}^2 + b_i P_{g_i} + c_i)$ $\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} (\alpha_i P_{g_i}^2 + \beta_i P_{g_i} + \gamma_i + \xi_i e^{\lambda_i P_{g_i}})$	-	Using some performance matrices to improve convergence and diversity of the solution
GWO (Grey Wolf Optimization)	Wolf algorithm, 2015, [51]	-	$\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} (\alpha P_{g_i}^2 + \beta P_{g_i} + \gamma_i + \xi e^{\lambda_i P_{g_i}})$ $\text{Min} \sum_{i,j=1}^{N_l} g_k (V_i^2 + V_j^2 - 2V_i V_j \cos(\theta_{ij}))$	-	Inspired by exploration and social behaviour of grey wolf
	Hybrid GWO, 2016, [52]	$\omega=[0.4,1]$ $P_m=[0,0.2]$	$\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} \left( (a_i P_{g_i}^2 + b_i P_{g_i} + c_i) + \left  d_i \sin \left( e_i (P_{g_i}^{max} - P_{g_i}) \right) \right  \right)$	-	Enhanced mutation and crossover parameters better performance

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	GWO-DE, 2015, [53]	-	$\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} \left( (a_i P_{g_i}^2 + b_i P_{g_i} + c_i) + \left  d_i \sin \left( e_i (P_{g_i}^{\max} - P_{g_i}) \right) \right  \right)$ $\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_i} \sum_{j=1}^{N_i} R_{ij} \frac{( V_i ^2 +  V_j ^2 - 2 V_i  V_j  \cos(\delta_{ij}))}{ z_{ij}^2 }$ $\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_i} \sum_{j=1}^{N_i} X_{ij} \frac{( V_i ^2 +  V_j ^2 - 2 V_i  V_j  \sin(\delta_{ij}))}{ z_{ij}^2 }$ $\text{Min} \sum_{i=N_g+1}^n \left[ \frac{ V_i - V_{\text{avg}} }{dV} \right]^{2n}$	$V_g=[0.95, 1.1]$ $T_p=[0.9, 1.1]$ $Q_c=[0.5, 0]$	Hybrid GWO and DE algorithms to check viability for the small and large systems with different scenarios
HS (Harmony Search)	Improved HS, 2013, [54]	-	$\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} (a_i P_{g_i}^2 + b_i P_{g_i} + c_i)$	$V_g=[0.9, 1.05]$ $T_p=[0.9, 1.1]$	Refined the intervals of design parameters to achieve better optimization
	Multi-objective HS, 2011, [55]	Consideration rate=0.8, range=0.2	$\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} (a_i P_{g_i}^2 + b_i P_{g_i} + c_i)$ $\text{Min} \sum_{k=1}^{N_i} g_k (V_i^2 + V_j^2 - 2V_i V_j \cos(\theta_{ij}))$ $\text{Max}(L_{\text{index}})$	$V_g=[0.9, 1.05]$ $T_p=[0.95, 1.05]$ $Q_c=[0, 0.05]$	Crowded comparison operator used for finding Pareto optimal solutions
	Differential HS, 2014, [56]	-	$\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} (a_i P_{g_i}^2 + b_i P_{g_i} + c_i)$ $\text{Min} \sum_{i,j=1}^{N_i} g_k (V_i^2 + V_j^2 - 2V_i V_j \cos(\theta_{ij}))$ $\text{Max}(L_{\text{index}})$	$T=[0.9, 1.05]$ $V=[0.95, 1.1]$ $Q_c=[0, 5]$	Enhancing the exploitation ability and strengthened the exploration ability of the algorithm
ACO (Ant Colony Optimization)	Ant Colony Search, 2011, [57]	$\alpha_w=2.50, \beta_w=1.89, \rho_p=0.15, \tau_{\min}=0.05, \tau_{\max}=10$	$\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} (a_i P_{g_i}^2 + b_i P_{g_i} + c_i)$	-	Algorithm used in as middle phase between the UC and ED phases
	OPF-Security constraint ACO, 2013, [58]	$\alpha_p=9, \beta_p=11, \rho_e=0.5, q_0=0.1$	$\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} \left( (a_i P_{g_i}^2 + b_i P_{g_i} + c_i) + \left  d_i \sin \left( e_i (P_{g_i}^{\max} - P_{g_i}) \right) \right  \right)$	-	Checking viability to counter the non-convex, non-linear behaviour of OPF problem
BA (Bat Algorithm)	BAT Algorithm, 2013, [59]	$A=0.9, r=0.1, f_{\min}=0, f_{\max}=2$	$\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} (a_i P_{g_i}^2 + b_i P_{g_i} + c_i)$	-	-
	Theta-modified BA, 2016, [60]	Constant Parameters ( $\alpha=0.5, \gamma=0.2$ )	$\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} \left( (a_i P_{g_i}^2 + b_i P_{g_i} + c_i) + \left  d_i \sin \left( e_i (P_{g_i}^{\max} - P_{g_i}) \right) \right  \right)$	-	Phase angle vectors used for updating bat position to get better convergence and solution
Trust Region strategy	Multi-objective optimal Economic and Emission Load Dispatch, 2014, [61]	$\rho_l=1, \sigma=1, r_0=1, \beta=0.1, \varepsilon_l=10^{-8}, \varepsilon_2=10^{-8}, W_1, W_2=[0.4, 0.6]$	$\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} (a_i P_{g_i}^2 + b_i P_{g_i} + c_i)$ $\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} (\alpha P_{g_i}^2 + \beta P_{g_i} + \gamma_i + \xi e^{\lambda_i P_{g_i}})$	-	More efficient strategy for less or ill-defined, non-convex systems

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	Mo-OPF, 2017, [62]	$\delta_{min}=10^{-3}, \delta_{max}=10^5,$ $\gamma_1=10^{-4}, \eta_2=0.5,$ $\alpha_1=0.5, \alpha_2=2,$ $\varepsilon_1=10^{-10}, \eta=0.1$	$\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} (a_i P_{g_i}^2 + b_i P_{g_i} + c_i)$ $\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} (\alpha P_{g_i}^2 + \beta P_{g_i} + \gamma_i + \xi e^{\lambda_i P_{g_i}})$ $\text{Min} \sum_{i,j=1}^{N_l} g_k (V_i^2 + V_j^2 - 2V_i V_j \cos(\theta_{ij}))$ $\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_l}  V_i - V_{ref} $	-	Tchebychev approach for local optimization, Coleman-Li scaling matrix for global Optimization, Hessian technique for handling the feasible trust region sub-problems
Imperialist Comparative Algorithm	Modified ICA, 2014, [63]	$\lambda_s=1000, \lambda_v=\lambda_q=$ $50000, \lambda_p=$ $100000000$	$\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} (a_i P_{g_i}^2 + b_i P_{g_i} + c_i)$ $\text{Min} \sum_{i,j=1}^{N_l} g_k (V_i^2 + V_j^2 - 2V_i V_j \cos(\theta_{ij}))$ $\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_l}  V_i - V_{ref} $	$V=[0.95,1.05]$ $V_g=[0.95,1.1]$ $T_p=[0.9,1.1]$ $Q_c=[0,0.05]$	Allowing decision maker to obtain a better informed decision regarding the cooperation of objective
	MOMICA, 2014, [64]	-	$\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} (a_i P_{g_i}^2 + b_i P_{g_i} + c_i)$ $\text{Min} \sum_{i,j=1}^{N_l} g_k (V_i^2 + V_j^2 - 2V_i V_j \cos(\theta_{ij}))$ $\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_l}  V_i - V_{ref} $ $\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} (\alpha P_{g_i}^2 + \beta P_{g_i} + \gamma_i + \xi e^{\lambda_i P_{g_i}})$	$V_g=[0.95,1.1]$ $V=[0.95,1.05]$ $T_p=[0.9,1.1]$ $Q_c=[0,0.05]$	-
EP (Evolutionary Programming)	EP, 1999, [8]	$u=[0,1]$	$\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} (a_i P_{g_i}^2 + b_i P_{g_i} + c_i)$	$V_g=[0.95,1.1]$ $V=[0.95,1.05]$ $T_p=[0.9,1.05]$	Used gradient information to speed up the local search. Less sensitive to starting points
	PSO, GA, EP, 2015, [65]	$C_1=C_2=2, \omega_1=0.9,$ $\omega_2=0.4,$ $\lambda_1, \lambda_2=[0,1],$ $P_m=0.01, P_c=0.9$	$\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} (a_i P_{g_i}^2 + b_i P_{g_i} + c_i)$ $\text{Min} \sum_{i,j=1}^{N_l} g_k (V_i^2 + V_j^2 - 2V_i V_j \cos(\theta_{ij}))$ $\text{Max}(L_{index})$ $\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} (\alpha P_{g_i}^2 + \beta P_{g_i} + \gamma_i + \xi e^{\lambda_i P_{g_i}})$	$V, V_g=[0.95,1.1]$	Comparison of algorithms on the basis of better solution, convergence speed, time taken to complete the operation and quality of solution
	SA (Simulated Annealing), 2003, [66]	$T_o=500, M_o=30,$ $\rho_o=0.90, \alpha_w=100,$ $\beta_w=1$	$\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} (a_i P_{g_i}^2 + b_i P_{g_i} + c_i)$	$V_g=[0.95,1.1]$ $V=[0.9,1.1]$	Global optimum achieved by adequate selection of annealing parameters and weighting factors
	TS (Tabu Search), 2002, [5]	-	$\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} (a_i P_{g_i}^2 + b_i P_{g_i} + c_i)$	$V_g=[0.95,1.1]$ $T_p=[0.9,1.1]$ $V=[0.95,1.05]$	Flexible memory of search history to prevent cycling and to avoid jumbling in local search

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	WCA (Water Cycle Algorithm), 2016, [67]	$r=[0,1]$ , $c=[1,2]$	$\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} (a_i P_{g_i}^2 + b_i P_{g_i} + c_i)$	$V_g=[0.94,1.06]$ $T_p=[0.9,1.1]$ $Q_c=[0,30]$	Inspired by the surface run-off phase strategy
	Hybrid CSA (Cuckoo Search Algorithm), 2014, [68]	$\lambda_{ij}=[1,3]$ , $\alpha_{ij}=[-1,1]$	$\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} (a_i P_{g_i}^2 + b_i P_{g_i} + c_i)$ $\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_i} g_k (V_i^2 + V_j^2 - 2V_i V_j \cos(\theta_{ij}))$ $\text{Max}(L_{index})$	$V_g=[0.95,1.1]$ $T_p=[0.9,1.1]$ $Q_c=[0,5]$	Employed levy flights and crossover operations to find the steady state operating point
	DSA (Differential Search Algorithm), 2016, [69]	-	$\text{Min} \sum_{k=1}^{N_i} g_k (V_i^2 + V_j^2 - 2V_i V_j \cos(\theta_{ij}))$ $\text{Max}(L_{index})$	$Q_g = \pm 75\%$ $V_g=[0.95,1.1]$ $V=[0.95,1.05]$ $Q_c=[0,0.05]$ $T_p=[0.9,1.05]$	Applied successfully to various complex OPF problems
	BBO (Biogeography Based Optimization), 2010, [70]	$P_{mod}=1$ , $P_m=0.05$ , $I=1$ , $E=1$ , $elitism = 4$	$\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} (a_i P_{g_i}^2 + b_i P_{g_i} + c_i)$ $\text{Min} \sum_{i,j=1}^{N_i} g_k (V_i^2 + V_j^2 - 2V_i V_j \cos(\theta_{ij}))$	$V_g=[0.95,1.1]$ $V=[0.95,1.05]$ $T=[0.9,1.1]$ $Q_c=[0,5]$	Employed to small and large systems having linear/non-linear constraints and smooth/ non-smooth cost curves with different OPF problems
	KHA (Krill Herd Algorithm), 2015, [71]	$V_i^{max} = 0.01$ , $V_i^{max} = 0.05$ , $\omega_n, \omega = 0.9$ , Position constant vector( $C_i$ ) = 0.3	$\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} (a_i P_{g_i}^2 + b_i P_{g_i} + c_i)$ $\text{Min} \sum_{i,j=1}^{N_i} g_k (V_i^2 + V_j^2 - 2V_i V_j \cos(\theta_{ij}))$ $\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_i}  V_i - V_{ref} $ $\text{Max}(L_{index})$	$V=[0.95,1.05]$ $T=[0.95,1.05]$ $Q_c=[0,0.05]$	Algorithm inspired by herding behaviour of krill individuals
	Epsilon constraint based OPF solution, 2010, [72]	$w_1=w_2=0.5$	$\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} (a_i P_{g_i}^2 + b_i P_{g_i} + c_i)$ $\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} (\alpha P_{g_i}^2 + \beta P_{g_i} + \gamma_i + \xi e^{\lambda_i P_{g_i}})$	-	A fuzzy based decision maker is used to get best solution from Pareto-optimal set
	Game Theory based EED, 2015, [73]	$\theta=[0,1]$ , $w_1=w_2=w_3=1/3$ , $w=[0,1]$	$\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} (a_i P_{g_i}^2 + b_i P_{g_i} + c_i)$ $\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} (\alpha P_{g_i}^2 + \beta P_{g_i} + \gamma_i + \xi e^{\lambda_i P_{g_i}})$	-	Considering additional practical limitation like budgetary and maximum consumer load
	Hybrid ACO-ABC-HS method. 2016, [74]	$\Phi=rand[-1,1]$	$\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} (a_i P_{g_i}^2 + b_i P_{g_i} + c_i)$ $\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} (\alpha_i P_{g_i}^2 + \beta_i P_{g_i} + \gamma_i + \xi_i e^{\lambda_i P_{g_i}})$	-	Hybrid method provide better features of these techniques in a single framework for better solution
	Game Theory formulation based, 2015, [75]	-	$\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} (a_i P_{g_i}^2 + b_i P_{g_i} + c_i)$	-	Converts unbalanced constraints into viable action sets and engulf equality constraints by penalty factors

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	GSO (Glowworm Search Optimization), 2016, [76]	$\gamma=0.95, \beta=0.0005,$ $\rho=0.95, n_t=4,$ $r_s=0.005,$ $r_d=0.0005$	$\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} (a_i P_{g_i}^2 + b_i P_{g_i} + c_i)$ $\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} (\alpha_i P_{g_i}^2 + \beta_i P_{g_i} + \gamma_i + \xi_i e^{\lambda_i P_{g_i}})$	$V=[0.95,1.1]$ $T_p=[0.9,1.1]$ $Q_c=[0,0.05]$	Comparison of GSO to PSO in terms of convergence, solution quality and computational time
	SFLA (Shuffle Frog Leaping Algorithm), 2011, [77]	$P=2$	$\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} (a_i P_{g_i}^2 + b_i P_{g_i} + c_i)$ $\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} (\alpha_i P_{g_i}^2 + \beta_i P_{g_i} + \gamma_i + \xi_i e^{\lambda_i P_{g_i}})$	$V=[0.95,1.05]$	Proposed algorithm does not impose any limitations on the number of objectives to achieve a set of solutions
	BSA (Backtracking Search Algorithm), 2016, [78]	-	$\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} (a_i P_{g_i}^2 + b_i P_{g_i} + c_i)$ $\text{Min} \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} (\alpha_i P_{g_i}^2 + \beta_i P_{g_i} + \gamma_i + \xi_i e^{\lambda_i P_{g_i}})$	$V=[0.9,1.1]$	Solution by this algorithm compared with DE, PSO, ABC, GA and BBO

In above tables, following variables are defined as

$P_m$  = Mutation Probability;

$P_{mod}$  = Habitat modification probability;

$P_C$  = Crossover Probability;

$I$  = Maximum immigration rate;

$\eta_{e1}, \eta_{e2}$  = Expectation membership values;

$E$  = Maximum emigration rate;

$\omega$  = Inertia weight;

$V_i^{max}$  = Maximum induced speed;

$\eta_C$  = Distribution index for crossover;

$V_d^{max}$  = Maximum diffused speed;

$\eta_m$  = Distribution index for mutation;

$C_i$  = Position constant factor;

$\gamma$  = Luciferin enhancement constant;

$\tau$  = Pheromone;

$\rho$  = Luciferin decay constant;

$A$  = Loudness Rate;

$C_1, C_2$  = Acceleration factors;

$r$  = Pulse rate;

$r_s$  = Radial range of luciferin sensor;

$f_{min}, f_{max}$  = Minimum and maximum pulse frequency;

$r_d$  = Variable local decision range;

$P$  = Dimension of search space;

$\eta_t$  = Threshold parameter to control number of neighbors;

$M_0$  = Constant temperature;

$P_{ed}$  = Elimination-dispersal probability;

$\rho_0$  = Cooling factor;

$G$  = Gravitational constant;

$rr$  = Reduction rate;

$N_e$  = External set archive;

$W_p, W_s, W_q, W_r$  = Penalty factors;

$N_Q$  = Archive set;

$\lambda_s, \lambda_v, \lambda_Q, \lambda_P$  = Penalty factors;

$\Delta$  = Step size;

$w, w_1, w_2, w_3, \alpha_w, \beta_w, w_v, w_q$  = Weight factors;

$\delta, \mu, r_n, u, \lambda_1, \lambda_2, \phi$  = Random numbers;

$\lambda_0$  = Optimum factor;

$\alpha_S$  = Shape factor;

$\lambda_l$  = Load factor;

$\alpha_P, \beta_P$  = Parameters of relative importance of pheromone intensity versus visibility;

$\lambda_{lf}, \alpha_{lf}$  = Levy flight constant;

$\rho_L$  = Lagrange coefficient;

$\lambda_{Sf}, \lambda_S$  = Scaling factor;

$\rho_P$  = Pheromone coefficient;

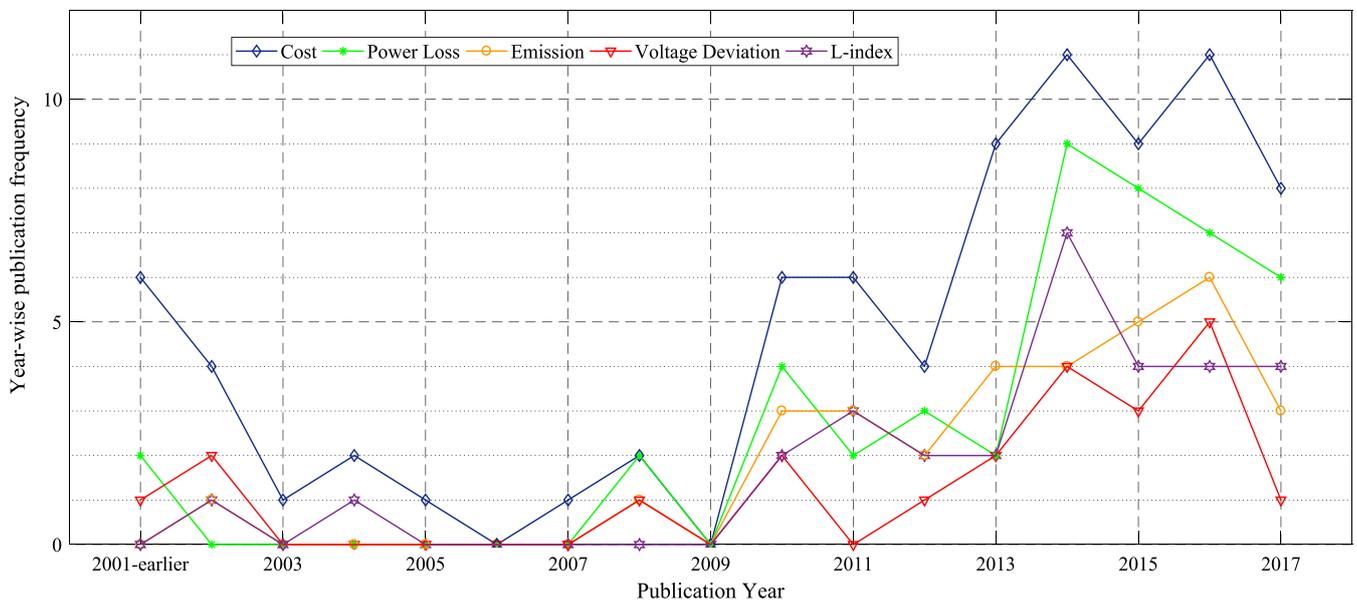
$\lambda_{CP}$  = Control parameter;

$\rho_e$  = Evaporation coefficient;

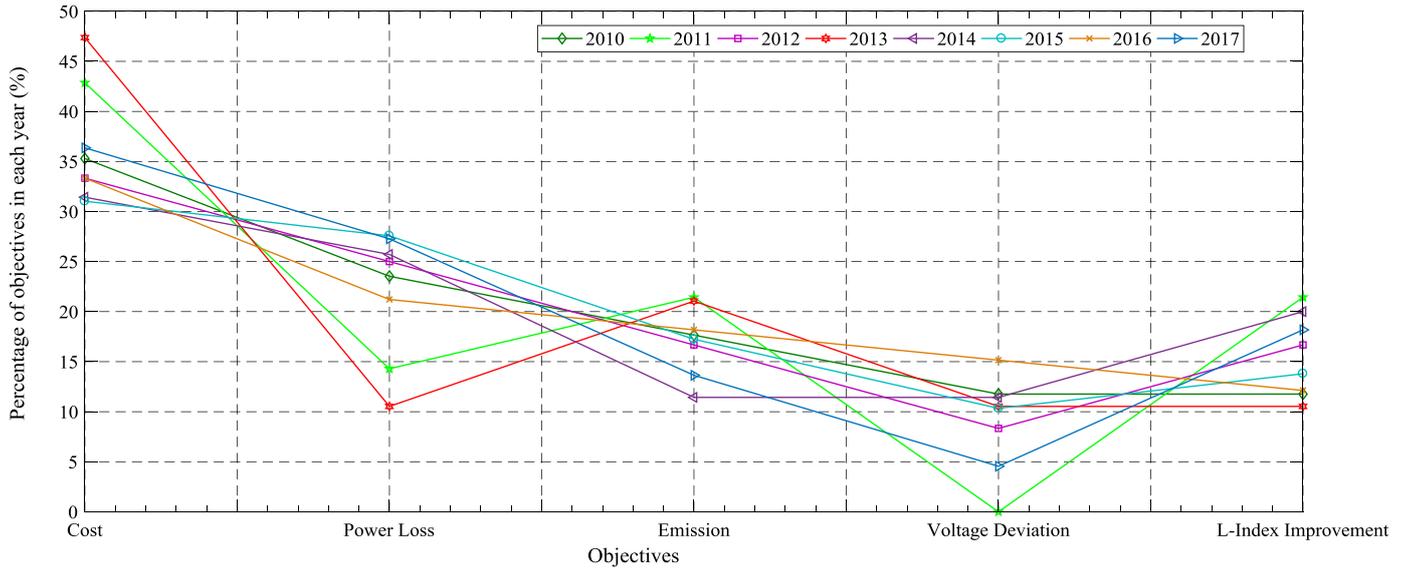
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| $S$ = Total number of bacteria in the population;                        | $\lambda_p$ = Lagrangian multiplier;                       |
| $d, e$ = Cost coefficients considering valve point effect;               | $E_i$ = Elitism index;                                     |
| $v_{ref}$ = Reference voltage;                                           | $a_c$ = Crossover operator;                                |
| $\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \xi, \lambda$ = Generator emission coefficients; | $\alpha_d$ = decrement constant;                           |
| $V_g$ = Generator voltage limit;                                         | $N_g$ = Number of generators;                              |
| $T_p$ = Transformer tap changing limits;                                 | $g_k$ = Line conductance at $k^{th}$ bus;                  |
| $V$ = Voltage limits of all buses;                                       | $N_l$ = Number of line voltages;                           |
| $Q_C$ = Transmission line shunt reactive power limit;                    | $R_k, X_k$ = Resistance, reactance at $k^{th}$ bus;        |
| $\theta$ = Customer type;                                                | $P_{gi}$ = Power generated at $i^{th}$ generator bus;      |
| $N_C$ = Number of Chromo-tactic steps;                                   | $a, b, c$ = Cost coefficients for quadratic cost function; |
| $T_0$ = Initial Annealing temperature;                                   | $v_i, v_j$ = Voltages at $i^{th}$ and $j^{th}$ buses;      |
| $N_{ed}$ = Number of elimination dispersal events;                       |                                                            |

Fig. 2 has the graphical representation between number of publications and publication year for different objectives mostly used in those years. Fig. 3 presents recently proposed

literature on different objectives by researchers during year 2010-2017.



**Figure 2:** Number of literature in previous years for solving OPF problem



**Figure 3:** Different objective function during recent years

From the above discussion, it is found that there are some opportunities to do further work related to OPF problem. Some of the research opportunities are shown in the next section.

**RESEARCH OPPORTUNITY**

In recent year, there is a requirement of clean energy to tackle pollution problem caused by fossil fuel. So that power utilities are now using renewable energy sources to generate electric power. However, integration of renewable energy in the power system is very difficult because the power generated from these sources is uncertain and not reliable, that increases complexity of the system. In above literatures, researchers did comprehensive work to optimize different objectives in order to get suitable power flow. But, the effect of renewable energy on the environment and cost of power generated from these sources needs to be done by using different optimization techniques. Also, while determining the effect of renewable sources on a power system with the help of optimization techniques or methods, it has become necessary to fulfill these requirements shown below.

- Effect on generation cost and emission from generator due to integration of these sources in the power system.
- Effect of renewable energy on environment and economic due to uncertain generation of electric power from renewable energy sources
- Voltage profile possesses an improvement because of uncertain behavior of renewable energy sources in a power system.
- Power system requires less power loss so that the solution from OPF problem should have minimum power losses.
- For optimization purpose, the technique should have less computation time, reliable operation, viable for continuous

and discrete operation and solvable for non-linear, non-convex objective function.

- The optimization technique should avoid premature convergence and local optima entrapment.

**CONCLUSION**

In this paper, optimal power flow problem using single objective and multi-objective based algorithms are briefly reviewed. It has been reviewed that gradient based algorithm was first introduced to solve OPF problem which requires initial information about the problem. This may cause premature convergence and may confine to local optimum. To solve these problems, the meta-heuristic based optimization techniques are introduced which don't require initial set point to process the problem. But it may take time if more than one objective functions are optimized. To overcome this problem, hybrid optimization technique and Pareto optimal front are produced. In Pareto optimal front solution, two objectives are combined into one objective in order to save computational time. Hybrid optimization techniques can deal with more difficulties with the help of two or more different optimization techniques in single framework. As the future work, the effect of renewable energy over cost and emission objective will be analyzed and difficulty in handling controlling variables or constraints while optimizing renewable energy sources based cost and emission functions.

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