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Optimal Power Flow Considering Solar and Wind Energy Systems Via Modified Cuckoo Optimization Algorithm

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Abstract: By considering a variety of objective functions, this paper has created an evolutionary method that is both effective and reliable for resolving the problem of multi-constraint optimal power flow (OPF). It proposes a multiobjective OPF model that considers renewable energy sources in numerous scenarios. This model optimizes fuel costs, emissions, power losses, and voltage fluctuations. The modified Cuckoo optimization algorithm (MCOA) is also suggested for finding optimized and satisfactory load flow solutions. The model is tested against eight scenarios over IEEE 30-bus and IEEE 118-bus networks, considering multiple objective functions. Optimal results demonstrate the effectiveness of MCOA for multiobjective OPF with various constraints compared to other algorithms studied in recent literature.

Keywords: Multi-constraint OPF, Local search, Cuckoo Optimization Algorithm, MCOA, Solar and wind energy units, Non-smooth cost functions

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مستخلص البحث: من خلال النظر في مجموعة متنوعة من الوظائف الموضوعية، أنشأت هذه المقالة طريقة تطورية فعالة وموثوقة لحل مشكلة تدفق الطاقة الأمثل متعدد القيود (OPF). حيث تقترح نموذج OPF متعدد الأهداف الذي يأخذ في الاعتبار مصادر الطاقة المتجددة فى سيناريوهات عديدة . یعمل هذا النموذج على تحسين تكالیف الوقود والانبعاثات وفقدان الطاقة وتقلبات الجهد. تم أيضًا اقتراح خوارزمية تحسين الوقواق (MCOA) المعدلة للعثور علمي حلولّ تدفق الحمل الأمثل والمرضية. تم اختبار النموذج مقابل ثمانية سيناريوهات عبر شبكات IEEE 30-bus وIEEE 118-bus، مع الأخذ في الاعتبار وظائف موضوعية متعددة توضح النتائج المثالية فعالية MCOA ـا OPF لم متحدد الأهداف مع قيود مختلفة مقارنة بالخوارزميات الأخرى التي تمت در استها في الدر اسات الحديثة .

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1. Introduction

In today's engineering world, there is no standard and comprehensive way to address the problematic optimization issues of many sectors. Hence, hundreds of alternative strategies have been created recently, frequently proving their efficacy in handling specific optimization issues. One of the complicated challenges in engineering is optimal power flow (OPF), which is of significant significance in designing power systems (Ghasemi, Ghavidel, Gitizadeh, et al., 2015). The basic topic of OPF has been garnering the attention of researchers in the area of electrical engineering for more than 50 years. The first simplified issue is the OPF problem for vast networks (Ghasemi, Ghavidel, Gitizadeh, et al., 2015). In the past, researchers employed solution strategies based on mathematical methods such as nonlinear programming (NLP) (Alsac & Stott, 1974) to address these difficulties. Heuristic solutions were employed to address the OPF issue in the following. The difficulty of the actual OPF issue (owing to its nonlinear, non-convex and non-derivative character) has motivated academics to develop novel optimization approaches to address the problem in recent years.

Researchers have suggested the teachinglearning-based improvement (TLBO) algorithmic program increased with Lévy mutation (LTLBO) (Ghasemi, Ghavidel, Gitizadeh, et al., 2015), a modified lepidopteron swarm algorithm (MMSA) (Elattar, 2019) to account for indirect, overstated, and underestimated expenses connected with renewable energy systems. This endeavour aims to reduce the financial strain placed on businesses. Multiobjective accommodative guided differential evolution (DE) (Duman et al., 2021), a more effective method for multiobjective optimization of manta hunting (IMOMRFO) is presented in (Kahraman et al., 2022). Multiobjective mayfly algorithm (MOMA) (Kyomugisha et al., 2022), a particle swarm optimization (PSO) (Hazra & Sinha, 2011), Jaya algorithm (Warid et al., 2016), chaotic invasive weed optimization algorithms (CIWO) (Ghasemi, Ghavidel, Akbari, et al., 2014), and an algorithm for identifying new bacteria (MBFA) (Panda et al., 2017). At the level (Shi et al., 2011), a newly developed hybrid algorithmic program for the protection of OPF required the utilization of wind and heat generators. An new improved adaptive DE (Li et al., 2020), adaptive cluster search

optimization (AGSO) (Daryani et al., 2016), ant lion algorithm (Maheshwari et al., 2021), the multiobjective First State algorithmic program (Elattar & ElSayed, 2019), the enhanced colliding bodies improvement (ICBO) (Bouchekara et al., 2016), BAT search algorithmic program (Venkateswara Rao & Nagesh Kumar, 2015), and the salp swarm algorithmic program (SSA) (Kamel et al., 2021). Improved artificial bee colonies (IABCs) (Khorsandi et al., 2013), multiobjective dynamic OPFs (Ma et al., 2019), the Harris hawks improvement (HHO) technique (Islam et al., 2020), a hybrid of phasor PSO (PPSO), and attraction search (PPSO-GSA) (Ullah et al., 2019) are also examples of recent developments in this field.

A novel hybrid firefly-bat algorithmic program with a constraints-priority object-fuzzy sorting approach has been developed and named gray wolf improvement (GWO) (Khan et al., 2020). This program is based on the firefly, and the bat (HFBA-COFS) (Chen et al., 2019), a hybrid PSO-GWO (Riaz et al., 2021) algorithmic program is created by combining the particle swarm optimization (PSO) method with the gray wolf optimization (GWO) algorithm. An anticipated security value dynamic OPF (ESCDOPF) with a hybrid system that makes use of both star resources and flexible resources (Kumari & Vaisakh, 2022), a bird swarm algorithmic program (BSA) (Ahmad et al., 2021), a chaotic Pan troglodytes optimizer (CBO) (Hassan et al., n.d.). Tunicate swarm algorithm (TSA) (El-Sehiemy, 2022), a modified flow of a water-based optimizer (TFWO) (Sarhan et al., 2022), and an improved hybrid PSO and GSA (PSOGSA) integrated with chaotic maps (CPSOGSA) for OPF with random alternative energy and FACTS devices (Duman, Li, et al., 2020). A new cross entropy-cuckoo search algorithm (CE-CSA) (Sarda et al., 2021), and a hybrid PSO and shuffle frog leap algorithmic program (SFLA) (Narimani et al., 2013).

Program with an improved algorithm for maximizing Pareto efficiency outlined in (Yuan et al., 2017) is three significant enhancements that have been made to the preliminary version of the algorithmic software for the Pareto organic process. To get things started, the population size of the external archive is just the number of persons who have a subordinate position in the choice operator of the surrounding environment. Second, the population of the external archive is maintained up to date by using the geometer

distance between the elite and their *k*-th closest neighbours. This keeps the population of the external archive accurate. Thirdly, the native search approach is included in the algorithmic program that makes up the strong Pareto organic process. The two-point estimation methodology (TPEM) (Saha et al., 2019), the social spider improvement algorithms (SSO) (Nguyen, 2019), and sine-cosine algorithm (SCA) (Attia et al., 2018; Dasgupta et al., 2020). The cuckoo optimization algorithm (COA) (Rajabioun, 2011) is a powerful and frequently used evolutionary optimization technique. It was invented by Ramin Rajabion in 2011 and is named after its namesake. This idea, which was first inspired by the cuckoo's habit of laying eggs and subsequently evolved to encompass the practice of stealing eggs from one's neighbours, has found application in a variety of industries like increasing lagrangian relaxation unit commitment (Zeynal et al., 2014), optimum coordination of directed overcurrent relays in microgrids (Dehghanpour et al., 2016), and electrical power system forecasting (Xiao et al., 2017), extreme learning machine for categorization of medical data (Mohapatra et al., 2015), etc.

It has been shown, however, that when used in complicated nonlinear circumstances, the technique risks being trapped in a local solution and losing the ability to optimize the solution (Dalali & Kazemi Karegar, 2016). The literature review shows that an efficient version of the COA has yet to be proposed for optimizing the various kinds of OPF problems. Also, some other optimization algorithms reviewed require improvements in robustness, finding better solutions, avoiding local optimal solutions, and improving convergence properties. Thus, this paper employs a new migration operator to balance the exploration-exploitation process strategically and improve the quality of optimal solutions through COA. The analysis of eight cases with different objectives on the IEEE 30 bus and IEEE 118-bus networks illustrated the cost-emission-effective scheduling of thermal power plants using renewable energies. Moreover, the simulation results demonstrate the MCOA's effectiveness and validity compared with other recently published algorithms for solving OPF problems. This study employs one of the effective strategies that has been applied in the past to maximize various load dispatch challenges in the two solar-and-wind-powered combined power systems.

Here are the main contributions of this paper:

- 1) Introducing a novel, efficient, and robust version of conventional cuckoo optimization algorithms, namely modified cuckoo optimization algorithms (MCOA), for optimizing optimal power flow (OPF) problems involving conventional thermal power plants and renewable energy sources, including solar photovoltaics and wind power distributed generation systems.
- 2) To address the uncertainties of renewable generations, in this work, the Weibull probability density function models the wind distribution, whereas the lognormal probability density function models the solar irradiation.
- 3) As part of the OPF problem, fuel costs, emissions, power losses, and voltage deviations are considered. These functions are constrained by economic, technical, and safety factors. Aside from the production cost of thermal power units, this study also considered reserve, direct, and penalty costs.
- 4) The amount of carbon tax is linked to the goal function to examine the potential effects of renewable energies on the optimal scheduling of thermal power plants in a cost-emission-effective manner.
- 5) Comparing the proposed MCOA and other recently published algorithms on the IEEE 30-bus and IEEE 118-bus networks to illustrate their effectiveness and validity.

This research continues in the following four sections: section 2, in which we discuss the formulation of OPF issues; section 3, in which we explain the concepts and structure of COA; and sections 4 and 5, in which we offer the proposed MCOA algorithm to solve OPF in the IEEE 30 bus and IEEE 118-bus networks, respectively. We will display and debate the simulation's results in the fourth part. In the concluding part, labelled "Conclusions," 6 will summarize the study's findings.

2 . OPF Problem Formulation

Solving the OPF problem involves determining and controlling a set of control variables to optimize the objectives in the operation of an electric network (while balancing all practical constraints). A primary goal is to minimize production costs while satisfying electrical demands.

A multiobjective OPF with different constraints is presented in this study as an alternative to other algorithms studied in the recent literature. The

following expression is used to create a typical OPF problem (Ghasemi, Ghavidel, Gitizadeh, et al., 2015):

$$
MinF(u, x) \tag{1}
$$

$$
h(u, x) \le 0 \tag{2}
$$

$$
g(u,x) = 0 \tag{3}
$$

Within these associations, *u* and *x* represent, respectively, the independent and the control variables.

In addition, the objective function consists of a collection of equality requirements and a set of inequality constraints that pertain to the issue.

2.1 Control variables

The following are examples of control variables that are involved in OPF issue relationships (Ghasemi, Ghavidel, Gitizadeh, et al., 2015):

1. $P_{G_2}, \ldots, P_{G_{NG}}$ The active power generated in the PV bus, except for the slack bus

2 . $V_{G_1}, \ldots, V_{G_{NG}}$ Voltage range in PV buses

3 . $Q_{C_1}, \ldots, Q_{C_{NC}}$ Compensation of parallel reactive amperes

4 . T_1, \ldots, T_{NT} Adjustment of tap transformers According to the control variables, *u* is included:

$$
u^{T} = [Q_{C_1}, \dots, Q_{C_{NC}}, V_{G_1}, \dots, V_{G_{NG}}, P_{G_2}, \dots, P_{G_{NG}}, T_1, \dots, T_{NT}]
$$
\n(4)

Where *NG*, *NC* and *NT* show the number of generators, reactive power compensators and tapchanger transformers.

2.2 State variables

The set of state variables in OPF problem relationships include the following (Ghasemi, Ghavidel, Gitizadeh, et al., 2015):

1. P_{G_1} : Active production power in slack bass

2. $V_{L_1}, \ldots, V_{L_{NPQ}}$ Voltage range in load buses

3. $Q_{G_1}, \ldots, Q_{G_{NG}}$ Output reactive power of production units

4. $S_{l_1}, \ldots, S_{l_{NTL}}$ Power loading in the lines So, *x* is included:

$$
x^{T} = \left[S_{l_1}, \dots, S_{l_{NTL}}, Q_{G_1}, \dots, Q_{G_{NG}}, V_{L_1}, \dots, V_{L_{NPQ}}, P_{G_1} \right]
$$
 (5)

where the numbers represent the bus bars, network lines, and total lines (*NPQ*, *NTL*, and *NG*).

2.3 Equality constraints

The problem's insistence on equality places restrictions on how we may approach it, as discussed in this section. The technical status of the power network, as defined by OPF relations, is described by the parity constraints, also known as physical constraints, in OPF. This may convey these restrictions through the majority of the following links (Ghasemi, Ghavidel, Gitizadeh, et al., 2015):

$$
P_{Gi} - P_{Di} - V_i \sum_{j=1}^{NB} V_j [B_{ij} \sin (\delta_i - \delta_j)
$$

\t\t\t\t $+ G_{ij} \cos (\delta_i - \delta_j)$]
\t\t\t\t $= 0$
\n $Q_{Gi} - Q_{Di} - V_i \sum_{j=1}^{NB} V_j [G_{ij} \sin(\delta_i - \delta_j)$
\t\t\t\t $- B_{ij} \cos(\delta_i - \delta_j)$]
\t\t\t\t $= 0$ (7)

Let's break this issue down into its component components to make things clearer:

"*i*" and "*j*" are bus number indices; "*Vi*" and "*Vj*" are voltage magnitudes; "*PGi*" and "*QGi*" are real and reactive power outputs from the generator; and "*QDi*" and "*PDi*" are real and reactive power

demands from the load. Let's begin with "i" and
"j" as these are the array indices. The following
table details the susceptible *Bij* and conductance
Gij of the branch connecting bus *i* and bus *j*, as
well as the phase angle
$$
(\delta_i - \delta_j)
$$
 between the
voltages of the buses and the total number of
buses in the system.

2.4 Inequality constraints

The following are some technical limitations put on generators for *i*=1, 2, …, *NG* (Ghasemi, Ghavidel, Gitizadeh, et al., 2015):

$$
V_{Gi}^{min} \le V_{Gi} \le V_{Gi}^{max} \tag{8}
$$

$$
P_{Gi}^{min} \le P_{Gi} \le P_{Gi}^{max} \tag{9}
$$

$$
Q_{Gi}^{min} \le Q_{Gi} \le Q_{Gi}^{max} \tag{10}
$$

In this equation, V_{Gi}^{min} and V_{Gi}^{max} represent the minimum and maximum magnitudes of voltage for the *i*th unit, P_{Gi}^{min} and P_{Gi}^{max} represent the minimum and maximum values of real power for the *i*th unit, and Q_{Gi}^{max} and Q_{Gi}^{min} represent the maximum and minimum allowable values of reactive generation for the *i*th generator.

Furthermore, the following connections illuminate the technical limitations of transformers and parallel VAR compensators:

$$
T_i^{min} \le T_i \le T_i^{max}
$$
\n
$$
Q_{Ci}^{min} \le Q_{Ci} \le Q_{Ci}^{max}
$$
\n(11)\n(12)

where T_i^{max} and T_i^{min} are the maximum and lowest taps of transformers for $i = 1, \ldots, NT$ that may be used to change the tap of the ith transformer. The range of VAR of the compensating compensators for $i = 1, \ldots, NC$ is denoted by Q_{Ci}^{min} and Q_{Ci}^{max} .

Finally, the following are some of the limitations of network security:

• The bus bar voltage constraints

As stated in (13), the voltage of system bus bars must be selected between the upper V_{Li}^{min} and lower V_{Li}^{max} limitations.

$$
V_{Li}^{min} \le V_{Li} \le V_{Li}^{max}; i = 1, 2, ..., NPQ
$$
 (13)
• Power in transmission lines

The power in the network lines for $i =$ $1,2,...,NTL$ should fulfill the relation (14):

$$
S_{li} \leq S_{li}^{max} \tag{14}
$$

 S_{li} and S_{li}^{max} signify the apparent power through *i*th transmission line and its higher range.

2.5 Control constraints

In order to consider the violation of the constraints of a penalty function, it is considered as follows (Ghasemi, Ghavidel, Gitizadeh, et al., 2015):

$$
J = \sum_{i=1}^{NG} F_i (P_{Gi}) + \lambda_S \sum_{i=1}^{NTL} (S_{li} - S_{li}^{\text{lim}})^2 + \lambda_V \sum_{i=1}^{NPQ} (V_{Li} - V_{Li}^{\text{lim}})^2
$$

+ $\lambda_Q \sum_{i=1}^{NG} (Q_{Gi} - Q_{Gi}^{\text{lim}})^2 + \lambda_P (P_{G1} - P_{G1}^{\text{lim}})^2$ (15)

where x^{lim} is a variable that is specified in the following equation as an auxiliary variable, where

 $\lambda_{\rm S}$, $\lambda_{\rm V}$, $\lambda_{\rm O}$, and $\lambda_{\rm P}$ are the punishment factors (Ghasemi, Ghavidel, Gitizadeh, et al., 2015):

$$
x^{\lim} = \begin{cases} x & x^{\min} \leq x \leq x^{\max} \\ x^{\max} ; & x > x^{\max} \\ x^{\min} ; & x < x^{\min} \end{cases}
$$
 (16)

3 The Proposed Optimizer 3.1 COA overview

The key phases of the cuckoo bird optimization technique may be broken down (Rajabioun, 2011):

Stage 1: We'll randomly specify where the cuckoos are staying.

Stage 2: Distribute eggs among the cuckoos.

Stage 3: Calculate how far apart each cuckoo nest is.

Stage 4: The egg-laying by the cuckoo in the host bird's nest.

Stage 5: If host birds find eggs, they will be destroyed.

Stage 6: An incubator is used to grow eggs that have yet to be recognized.

Stage 7: Evaluate the cuckoos' new home.

Stage 8: After the maximum number of cuckoos for a specific area has been established, any cuckoos found in the wrong locations will be removed.

Stage 9: Cuckoos are sorted into groups using the k-means algorithm. The optimal cuckoo cluster is selected as the destination.

Stage 10: Transport the newly established cuckoo population to the designated area.

Stage 11: Verify the stop condition; if it has not been set, go to Step 2.

Production of cuckoo nesting areas (initial population solutions)

The habitat in this approach is an array whose elements are the values of the problem variables. The following is an example definition of a habitat for a *D*-dimensional optimization problem:

$$
Habitator X_i = [x_1, x_2, \dots, x_D] \tag{17}
$$

The degree of suitability (or amount of profit) in the current habitat is obtained by evaluating the profit function *f* in the habitat:

$$
f(HabitatorX_i) = f([x_1, x_2, \dots, x_D]) \quad (18)
$$

It is sufficient to increase the cost function by a negative sign to use COA when finding solutions to minimization situations. Each of these environments is given a certain number of eggs to work with. In the wild, a cuckoo will lay anywhere from 5 to 20 eggs in one location. Throughout several iterations, these values are utilized to determine the top and lower boundaries of the egg allotment given to each cuckoo.

The maximum laying range, also known as *ELR*, is a function of several factors, including the total number of eggs, the present number of cuckoo eggs, and the upper and lower bounds of the issue variables. In light of this, the *ELR* may be understood to refer to the following relationship:

$$
ELR = \sigma \times \frac{\text{Number of current cuckoos eggs}}{\text{Total number of eggs} (Xmin_{max})}
$$
 (19)

 σ The setting factor of the maximum radius is *ELR*.

Cuckoos have been seen to nest in the ELR of the host bird.

Then, after each round of egg-laying, the *p*% of eggs (often 10%) with the lowest objective function value or profit is destroyed.

Cuckoo habitats

K-means classification puts the cuckoos into groups, and *k*-values between 3 and 5 are generally enough. We can determine where a given community would be best served by averaging everyone's aims. Then the group whose average value of the goal function or profit is most significant is chosen as the target, and the other groups begin to move in that direction. Each cuckoo in this migration takes a detour *φ* from the best possible route, covering just δ % of the total distance between the origin and destination.

The cuckoo can better investigate its surroundings with these two variables. An angle *φ* between -π/6 and π/6, and *δ* a random value between 0 and 1, respectively. When all the cuckoos have arrived at their destination, and their new homes have been identified, they will each have a clutch of eggs. Each cuckoo is assigned an *ELR* based on its egg production, and laying starts afterward. The cuckoo optimization method uses a migration operator defined by the following formula:

$$
X_i^{new} = X_i + F \times (X_{best} - X_i)
$$
 (20)

The parameter determines the level of divergence, denoted by *F*, and *Xbest* indicates the best solution the algorithm has produced to this point.

To keep the population from fluctuating too much, a maximum number of cuckoos, or algorithms, known as *Nmax*, has been established.

If the cuckoo population surpasses this barrier, any birds found to be residing in areas where they are not welcome will be eradicated.

Convergent optimization with the use of COA

This method repeats itself until all cuckoo populations have the highest possible degree of egg likeness to their host birds and are situated such that they are close to the greatest number of food sources. This position will optimize revenues, or the function sought while lowering the number of eggs harmed.

3.2 The proposed method

The Cuckoo search algorithm has been updated to make local searches more effective in terms of their efficiency. In practice, the solutions in the COA move very quickly toward *Xbest* and a position equal to what they obtain with *Xbest*. In other words, they become trapped in the optimal local solution, and the COA loses its ability to optimize, as shown by equation (20) and the simulations performed in this article. In addition, the COA loses its optimization power. Because of this, it is necessary to improve the algorithm's capability to do local searches. Because of this, we have suggested the usage of a new operator in the fundamental movement equation of the cuckoo optimization strategy. This operator is written as $\textit{--}rand*(X_{worst} - X_i)$. Whenever members of the population move very quickly to the *Xbest* value and the value of $(X_{best} - X_i)$ tends to zero, the new operator $-rand*(X_{worst} - X_i)$ tends to zero much more slowly due to the utilization of *Xworst*. This is the case regardless of whether the value of $(X_{best} - X_i)$ tends to zero. Therefore, members keep up their efforts to search and migrate around the country in the expectation that the outcomes of our simulation will illustrate the efficacy of the new search vector in the proper context. The *F* parameter of the modified COA (MCOA) is removed in favor of a random integer in this

method, which reduces the technique's overall complexity. The migration operator formula may be represented as a relation when using the

modified cuckoo optimization approach, which is as follows:

$$
X_i^{new} = X_i + rand \times (X_{best} - X_i) - rand \times (X_{worst} - X_i)
$$
\n
$$
(21)
$$

Here, *rand* represents the random values are numbers between 0 and 1.

3.3. Time Complexity

It is worthwhile to remember that MCOA's computational complexity is determined by three processes: initialization, fitness evaluation, and updating of the algorithm population. Consequently, the computational complexity of the initialization process is *O*(*Npop*). As a result, the computational complexity of the updating mechanism is *O*(*Itermax* + *Npop*)+*O*(*Itermax* + $Npop + D$, in which the aim is to find the most optimal location and update the location vector of all populations. The maximum number of iterations *itermax* is determined by the dimension of the problem, and *D* is the maximum number of iterations. MCOA, like the original COA

algorithm, has a computational complexity of $O(Npop\times(Iternax + Iternax \times D + 1)).$

4. MCOA for Solving the Various OPF Problems in the IEEE standard 30-bus system In this section, the proposed MCOA algorithm is implemented in MATLAB 2014a. And for load distribution analysis, MATPOWER (Zimmerman et al., n.d.) software is used. All cases are executed on the IEEE standard 30-bus system (Mohamed et al., 2017), which is used in many articles, as shown in Figure 1. For all investigated cases, a population of 60 and a number of repetitions of 400 were used in both COA and MCOA algorithms. In order to make the proposed MCOA method effective and compare it with COA, eight OPF scenarios have been considered and simulated.

Figure 1: The layout of the IEEE 30-bus network.

In the supplemental material, Table 1 summarizes MCOA's conclusive findings for the 30-bus

power system under six different OPF scenarios that do not use stochastic renewable energy.

Table 1:The ideal values for the variables that MCOA found for OPF without using stochastic renewable energy.

4.1 Case 1: Minimizing the fuel cost

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Several aspects of the objective function were considered while working on the OPF issue for this research. The first component of this goal function of minimizing fuel costs is resources, which is the same as the conventional cost function in that it has the same meaning.

$$
J_1 = \sum_{i=1}^{N_G} (\alpha_i + b_i P_{Gi} + c_i P_{Gi}^2)
$$
 (22)

where the coefficients *ai*, *bi,* and *ci* (Mohamed et al., 2017) show the costs associated with the *i*th unit.

Table 2 compares testified findings from recent works such as MSA (Mohamed et al., 2017), MGBICA (Ghasemi, Ghavidel, Ghanbarian, et al., 2015), MRFO (Guvenc et al., 2020), MPSO-SFLA (Narimani et al., 2013), EP (SOOD, 2007), IEP (Ongsakul & Tantimaporn, 2006), PSOGSA

(Radosavljević et al., 2015), GWO (Niknam, Narimani, Aghaei, et al., 2011), FPA (Mohamed et al., 2017), ARCBBO (Ramesh Kumar & Premalatha, 2015), JAYA (Warid et al., 2016), MICA-TLA (Ghasemi, Ghavidel, Rahmani, et al., 2014), PPSOGSA (Ullah et al., 2019), DE (Sayah & Zehar, 2008), MHBMO (El-Fergany & Hasanien, 2015), MFO (Mohamed et al., 2017), TS (Abido, 2002), AGSO (Hazra & Sinha, 2011), SFLA-SA (Niknam, Narimani, Jabbari, et al., 2011), SKH (Pulluri et al., 2018), ABC (Abaci & Yamacli, 2016), and AO (Khamees et al., 2021) on the OPF of COA and MCOA algorithms.

According to Table 2, the provided algorithm outperformed the others in attaining the lowest potential fuel cost. The convergence properties of the COA and MCOA algorithms are shown in Figure 2. From this diagram, it is easy to see that in case 1, the algorithms reach a correct final solution at the right moment.

Table 2: The optimal solutions for case 1.

4.2 Case 2: Minimizing piecewise quadratic fuel cost functions.

Thermal generators can operate on a wide range of fuels depending on the requirements of the

network. Consequently, we may consider the theoretical analysis of the *F* curve for these units (1 and 2) to be a collection of constraints.

$$
F(P_{Gi}) = \begin{cases} \n\alpha_{i1} + c_{i1} P_{Gi}^2 + b_{i1} P_{Gi} & P_{Gi}^{\min} \le P_{Gi} \le P_{Gi1} \\ \n\ldots & \n\alpha_{ik} + c_{ik} P_{Gi}^2 + b_{ik} P_{Gi} & P_{Gik-1} \le P_{Gi} \le P_{Gi}^{\max} \n\end{cases} \tag{23}
$$

For the *k*th kind of fuel, the cost coefficients of generator *i* are indicated by the notation *aik*, *bik*, and *cik,* respectively.

As a direct consequence of this, the goal function for modeling the features of fuel costs may be shown as follows:

$$
J_2 = \left(\sum_{i=1}^{NG} \alpha_{ik} + c_{ik} P_{Gi}^2 + b_{ik} P_{Gi}\right) \quad (24)
$$

Table 3 compares these results to the outcomes that have been reported in the most recent research, such as MDE (Sayah & Zehar, 2008), MPSO-SFLA (Narimani et al., 2013), MSA (Mohamed et al., 2017), IEP (Ongsakul &

Tantimaporn, 2006), SSA (Jebaraj & Sakthivel, 2022), SSO (Nguyen, 2019), GABC (Roy & Jadhav, 2015), FPA (Mohamed et al., 2017), MICA-TLA (Ghasemi, Ghavidel, Rahmani, et al., 2014), MFO (Mohamed et al., 2017), and LTLBO (Ghasemi, Ghavidel, Gitizadeh, et al., 2015). The fuel that costs the least per hour (\$/h), produces the fewest emissions (\$/ton), wastes the least amount of power (MW), and has the lowest *V.D.* (p.u.) is the one that wins. This table demonstrates that the MCOA approach described here performs better than the other algorithms that were taken into consideration. Figure 3 illustrates the convergence characteristic curve of the two algorithms that were investigated for this work to find the optimum solution.

Table 3: The optimal solutions for case 2.

Figure 3: Convergence for case 2.

4.3 Case 3: Considering valve point effects (VPEs)

The quadratic cost function achieves a higher degree of accuracy and realism as a direct result of the influence of tap point loading. When steam

units open, which results in rapid increases in losses and causes ripples in the cost function curve. This causes VPEs. The effect of this is that the cost function may be expressed as follows (Biswas et al., 2018):

is introduced, the valves on thermal generating

$$
J_3 = \sum_{i=1}^{NG} \left| d_i \sin \left(e_i \left(P_{Gi}^{\min} - P_{Gi} \right) \right) \right| + \sum_{i=1}^{NG} \alpha_i + b_i P_{Gi} + c_i P_{Gi}^2 \tag{25}
$$

where *di* and *ei* are the *i*th generator's price and efficiency factors (Biswas et al., 2018).

Results from SP-DE (Biswas et al., 2018), PSO (Bouchekara et al., 2016), COA, and MCOA algorithms are shown in Table 4. It is clear from

the data presented in this table that the MCOA is an algorithm that is well-suited to the complex OPF. It is also clear from the algorithm convergence graph in Figure 4 that the MCOA can achieve good and acceptable optimal solutions.

Table 4: The optimal solutions for case 3.

Figure 4: Convergence for case 3.

4.4 Case 4: Minimizing the fuel cost and real power loss

$$
J_4 = \lambda p * P_{Loss} + J_1 \tag{26}
$$

Engineers strive to minimize energy loss in the transmission of electricity. Therefore, we want to lessen network fuel and losses in this case. The correct form of the objective function is as follows:

Network loss (*PLoss*) can be modeled as the following average (Biswas et al., 2018):

The value of factor λp has been chosen as equal

$$
P_{Loss} = \sum_{\substack{k=1 \ k=(i,j)}}^{NTL} g_k (V_i^2 + V_j^2 - 2 V_i V_j \cos \delta_{ij})
$$
 (27)

to 40 (Biswas et al., 2018).

As seen above, the conductance of the kth branch is denoted by the symbol *gk*.

In Table 5, we provide the optimal answers to this instance, as determined by the algorithms explored in this research and the techniques analyzed in the relevant prior literature. The results show that the approach put forth in this MCOA paper is the best option. Figure 5 below displays the convergence characteristics of the examined methods for the top 30 run-average solutions.

Table 5: The optimal solutions for case 4.

Figure 5: Convergence for case 4.

4.5 Case 5: Minimizing the fuel cost and voltage deviation.

The voltage specification is the most important of all the factors considered when determining a network's dependability. This may be modified by reducing the voltage gap between the load and

the bus to a value closer to unity. An acceptable solution is found when the cost alone is used as the target function; however, the voltage variations associated with this solution are undesirable. Therefore, the objective function of the optimum load distribution in scenario 5 of this article is described below to minimize both voltage deviations (V.D.) and fuel costs.

$$
J_5 = \lambda v * \sum_{i=1}^{NPQ} |V_i - 1.0| + J_1 \tag{28}
$$

where the value of the component λv is set to 100 (Biswas et al., 2018).

Table 6 presents the best results that could be achieved for case 5 using the techniques

Table 6: The optimal solutions for case 5.

discussed in this article, as well as findings from more recent investigations. MCOA has produced the lowest and best values for this objective function in comparison to other approaches shown in Table 6. Figure 6 presents the characteristic convergence curves of the various methods.

Figure 6: Convergence for case 5.

4.6 Case 6: Minimizing the fuel cost, voltage deviation, emissions, and losses

This function models fuel cost, voltage deviation, active power loss and emission with $\lambda v = 21$, λp $= 22$ and $\lambda e = 19$ (Biswas et al., 2018):

$$
J_6 = J_1 + \lambda v * \sum_{i=1}^{NPQ} |V_i - 1.0| + \lambda e * \sum_{i=1}^{NG} F_{Ei}(P_{Gi}) + \lambda p * P_{Loss}
$$
(29)

 $\sum_{i=1}^{NG} F_{Ei}(P_{Gi})$ is expressed as follows:

$$
F_E = \sum_{i=1}^{NG} (\alpha_i + \xi_i \exp(\lambda_i P_{Gi}) + \beta_i P_{Gi} + \gamma_i P_{Gi}^2)
$$
 (30)

where F_{E_i} signifies the emission, γ_i , β_i , ξ_i and λ_i show the emission coefficients of *i*th generator.

Table 7 summarizes the findings of the algorithms investigated in this study compared to the most successful results of more recent papers. This table makes it abundantly evident that the MCOA

optimization technique is the superior choice among these other optimization approaches for the sixth ideal load distribution scenario. Figure 7 depicts, after that, the convergence characteristic of the COA and MCOA algorithms used in this example.

Table 7: The optimal solutions for case 6.

Figure 7: Convergence for case 6.

4.7 OPF solutions, including stochastic solar and wind power. Wind Power

In order to construct a work optimization strategy to deal with OPF challenges, a future wind energy profile prediction is required. These forecasts are calculated with the use of the Weibull probability distribution function. The first stage in finding a solution to a problem is to estimate how much energy can be generated from the wind, which may be done independently. Wind speed is a common input into models of wind power generation. Here, the Weibull probability distribution function is used to create and simulate the wind speed $f_v(v)$, where *k* and c are dimensionless form factors and step sizes, respectively, in the following equations (Biswas et al., 2018):

$$
f_{\nu}(\nu) = \frac{k}{c} \left(\frac{\nu}{c}\right)^{k-1} \times e^{-\left(\frac{\nu}{c}\right)^k} \tag{31}
$$

According to formula (33), [22] the average of the Weibull probability distribution (*Mwbl*) is mainly determined by $\Gamma(x)$ (32) (Biswas et al., 2018):

$$
M_{wbl} = c * \Gamma(1 + K^{-1})
$$
 (32)

$$
\Gamma(x) = \int_0^\infty e^{-t} t^{x-1} dt \tag{33}
$$

A wind turbine is a device that generates electricity from the kinetic and potential energy of the wind. The relation between wind velocity and the electrical power generated by a wind turbine is given by equation (34) (Biswas et al., 2018).

$$
P_w(\nu)
$$

=
$$
\begin{cases} 0; \ \nu \le \nu_{in} \text{and} \nu > \nu_{out} \\ P_{wr} \left(\frac{\nu - \nu_{in}}{\nu_r - \nu_{in}} \right); \ \nu_{in} < \nu \le \nu_r \\ P_{wr}; \ \nu_r < \nu \le \nu_{out} \end{cases}
$$
 (34)

where P_{wr} is the wind turbine's rated power, wind turbine's cut-in wind rate is *vin*, and *vout* is the cutout wind rate and v_r is the valued wind speed.

Equation (43) describes the total cost of wind power generation in (USD/h), which includes three main items: direct wind turbine, storage, and penalty costs (Biswas et al., 2018).

$$
C_W^T = \sum_{j=1}^{N_W} \left[C_{w,j} (P_{ws,j}) + C_{Pw,j} (P_{wav,j} - P_{ws,j}) + C_{Rw,j} (P_{ws,j} - P_{wav,j}) \right]
$$
(35)

Suppose the power production from the wind turbine is less than the value anticipated. In that case, a storage charge will be levied to compensate for the forecasted value. A fine is imposed on the company if the actual consumption of wind energy is higher than the predicted figure. Because of this, having a system that provides an accurate assessment of the wind power profile is of the utmost importance. The costs are broken down into USD per hour using the methodology outlined in (Biswas et al., 2018). **Solar power units**

It is difficult to forecast how much energy can be harvested from the sun because of atmospheric variables like clouds and solar radiation. Since solar radiation is a known quantity, it may be used to calculate the maximum power generated by solar systems (*G*).

In this section, the lognormal probability distribution function $f_G(G)$ (Biswas et al., 2018):

$$
f_G(G) = \frac{k}{G\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} \times e^{-\left(\frac{(\ln x - \mu)}{2\sigma^2}\right)} \text{ for } G > 0 \tag{36}
$$

The conversion of solar energy into usable power is the final goal of a solar energy system.

In equation (36), the estimated solar radiation is utilized to describe the output power of this system, which is denoted by the function $P_s(G)$ as a function (Biswas et al., 2018):

$$
P_s(G) = \begin{cases} P_{sr} \frac{G^2}{G_{std} R_c}; & 0 < G < R_c \\ P_{sr} \frac{G}{G_{std_c}}; & G \ge R_c \end{cases}
$$
(37)

The cost of producing energy from solar sources is broken down into three distinct categories, much as the cost of producing electricity from wind sources, to mitigate the effects of the inherent uncertainty in the cost estimate.

Equation (38) determine the following sum of all components in terms of their respective (USD/h) values (Biswas et al., 2018):

$$
C_{S}^{T} = \sum_{k=1}^{N_{S}} \left[C_{s,j} \left(P_{ss,k} \right) + C_{Rs,k} \left(P_{ss,k} - P_{sw,k} \right) + C_{Ps,k} \left(P_{sw,k} - P_{ss,k} \right) \right]
$$
(38)

wind/solar integrated OPF constraints and variables

To incorporate the variables associated with the wind and solar power generations into the conventional OPF problem, some modifications and additional constraints should be considered. So, the equality constraints (6) and (7) are expressed as given in (39) and (40).

$$
P_{Gi} + P_{ws,i} + P_{ss,i} - P_{Di} - V_i \sum_{j=1}^{NB} V_j [B_{ij} \sin (\delta_i - \delta_j) + G_{ij} \cos (\delta_i - \delta_j)] = 0
$$
 (39)

$$
Q_{Gi} + Q_{ws,i} + Q_{ss,i} - Q_{Di} - V_i \sum_{j=1}^{NB} V_j [G_{ij} \sin(\delta_i - \delta_j) - B_{ij} \cos(\delta_i - \delta_j)] = 0 \qquad (40)
$$

Also, the voltage magnitude, active and reactive power generations at the installed locations of the wind and solar power generation units are restricted using the constraints (41) to (46).

$$
V_{ws,i}^{min} \le V_{ws,i} \le V_{ws,i}^{max} \tag{41}
$$

$$
P_{ws,i}^{min} \le P_{ws,i} \le P_{ws,i}^{max} \tag{42}
$$

$$
Q_{ws,i}^{min} \le Q_{ws,i} \le Q_{ws,i}^{max} \tag{43}
$$

$$
V_{ss,i}^{min} \le V_{ss,i} \le V_{ss,i}^{max} \tag{44}
$$

$$
P_{ss,i}^{min} \le P_{ss,i} \le P_{ss,i}^{max} \tag{45}
$$

$$
Q_{ss,i}^{min} \le Q_{ss,i} \le Q_{ss,i}^{max} \tag{46}
$$

In the wind/solar integrated OPF problem, the control variables, *u* is defined as follows:

$$
u = [Q, V_G, V_w, V_s, P_w, P_s, P_G, T],
$$

\n
$$
Q = [Q_{C_1}, ..., Q_{C_{NC}}],
$$

\n
$$
V_G = [V_{G_1}, ..., V_{G_{NG}}],
$$

\n
$$
V_w = [V_{ws,1}, ..., V_{ws, Nw}],
$$

\n
$$
V_s = [V_{ss,1}, ..., V_{ss, Ns}],
$$

\n
$$
P_w = [P_{ws,1}, ..., P_{ws, Nw}],
$$

\n(47)

$$
J_7 = J_1 + \sum_{k=1}^{N_S} \left[C_{s,j} \left(P_{ss,k} \right) + C_{P_{S,k}} \left(P_{sav,k} - P_{ss,k} \right) + C_{Rs,k} \left(P_{ss,k} - P_{sav,k} \right) \right]
$$

+
$$
\sum_{j=1}^{N_W} \left[C_{w,j} \left(P_{ws,j} \right) + C_{P_{W,j}} \left(P_{wav,j} - P_{ws,j} \right) + C_{R_{W,j}} \left(P_{ws,j} - P_{wav,j} \right) \right]
$$

$$
P_{s} = [P_{ss_{1}}, \dots, P_{ss_{NS}}],
$$

\n
$$
P_{G} = [P_{G_{2}}, \dots, P_{G_{NG}}],
$$

\n
$$
T = [T_{1}, \dots, T_{NT}].
$$

Besides, the state variables, *x* is represented as follows:

$$
x = [S, Q_w, Q_s, Q_G, V_l, P_{G_1}],
$$

\n
$$
S = [S_{l_1}, ..., S_{l_{NTL}}],
$$

\n
$$
Q_w = [Q_{ws,1}, ..., Q_{ws, N_w}],
$$

\n
$$
Q_s = [Q_{ss,1}, ..., Q_{ss, N_s}],
$$

\n
$$
Q_G = [Q_{G_1}, ..., Q_{G_{NG}}],
$$

\n
$$
V_l = [P_{ws,1}, ..., P_{ws, N_w}].
$$
\n(48)

4.7.1 Case 7: Minimizing generation costs considering the variable nature of renewable sources

According to (39), case 7 minimizes and maximizes the overall cost of generating electricity by thermal and renewable energy sources (Biswas et al., 2018). The PDF parameters are outlined in (Biswas et al., 2018), and the cost coefficients are unchanged from case 1.

$$
(49)
$$

Table 8 displays the best possible answers obtained from each algorithm tested in this research after 30 iterations. *Pws1* shows the expected output from *WG1*, and so on, for each successive wind generator. According to this table, the proposed MCOA algorithm has successfully located optimal solutions that are both of a higher quality and perform much better than the original COA approach. The convergent behavior of the two algorithms is shown in Figure 8 for case 7 of the research.

Table 8: The optimal variables for case 7.

Figure 8: Convergence for case 7.

4.7.2 Case 8: Minimizing generating costs while accounting for the cost of carbon and the variable output of renewable sources

The threat of climate change has led some nations to raise their demands that the whole energy sector cut carbon emissions. *Ctax*, or carbon taxes, are charged on emissions of greenhouse gases.

This tax is intended to encourage financial investments in renewable energy sources like wind and solar power. The following is a breakdown, in USD per hour, of the cost of publishing (Biswas et al., 2018):

$$
Emission cost: C_E = C_{tax}E
$$
 (50)

$$
J_8 = J_7 + C_{tax}E \tag{51}
$$

As a way of reducing the total costs associated with the generation of electrical power, the concluding case study of this article suggests imposing a financial penalty in the form of a carbon tax on the emissions of greenhouse gases by traditional thermal energy producers. The anticipated total cost of Equation (51) is what needs to be maintained at the lowest feasible level. It is anticipated that the rate of the carbon tax will be twenty dollars per ton.

Table 9 presents the results of a simulation conducted using these two methods to determine the ideal load distribution. The result produced by the proposed adjusted version of the algorithm is superior to that produced by the original method. More specifically, the pace of development of energy production programs based on renewable energy production will be decided by the volume of emissions and the degree of pricing and taxes on carbon. The convergent behavior of the two algorithms is shown in Figure 9 for case 8 of the research.

Table 9: The optimal variables value for case 8.

Figure 9: Convergence for case 8.

4.8 Discussions on the IEEE 30-bus network

In this section, we comprehensively compare between the suggested MCOA and the basic COA, and also, three modern powerful recent algorithms, arithmetic optimization algorithm (AOA) (Abualigah et al., 2021), weighted mean of vectors (INFO) (Ahmadianfar et al., 2022) and wild geese algorithm (WGA) (Ghasemi et al., 2021), over all of the scenarios covered in this article on the IEEE 30-bus network. Best, average, and worst results from 30 runs, as well as standard deviation and average running time, are shown in Table 10. An in-depth examination of this table demonstrates that the suggested MCOA method has triumphed over the original COA algorithm and three modern powerful recent algorithms, AOA, INFO and WGA in every situation tested and that it has done so without increasing the time it takes to execute the original algorithm or the complexity of the computations it conducts.

It is, therefore, evident that the suggested MCOA performs statistically differently from its

competitors. According to these quantitative and qualitative findings, the proposed MCOA can produce challenging and competitive results at faster convergence speeds. Adopting a revolutionary hybrid optimization approach for the MCOA algorithm is proposed. This enhances its global search capability while balancing exploration and exploitation to achieve highquality solutions. The algorithm can achieve better search efficiency by leveraging this approach and avoiding local optima. As part of the evaluation of the performance of the MCOA algorithm, it has been compared with the AOA, the INFO, the WGA, and the basic COA algorithms. As a result of the results, the suggested MCOA is superior and effective. The proposed algorithm has the advantage of fast convergence to global optima, making it suitable for solving complex real-world power system problems. We expect that as time progresses, the OPF problem will include emergency events, large-scale testing systems, and the penetration of electric vehicles.

Table 10: Statistical results of MCOA and COA.

5. OPF in the IEEE 118-Bus large-scale test System

In this part, the IEEE 118-bus test system (Meng et al., 2021) is used to evaluate the efficiency of the proposed MCOA in solving a larger power system. This test system has 54 generators, 186

branches, 9 transformers, 2 reactors, and 12 capacitors. It has 129 control variables considered for 54 generator active powers and bus voltages, 9 transformer tap settings, and 12 shunt capacitor reactive power injections. All buses have voltage limitations between 0.94 and 1.06 p.u. Within the range of 0.90–1.10 p.u., the transformer tap settings are evaluated. Shunt capacitors have

available reactive powers ranging from 0 to 30 MVAR (Duman, Rivera, et al., 2020).

5.1. Case 1: OPF problem with quadratic cost function for traditional generators without the solar and wind energy sources

In Tables 11 and 12, the result is compared to the results of other algorithms under investigation and some other techniques reported in the literature, including CS-GWO (Meng et al., 2021); MSA (Mohamed et al., 2017), FPA (Mohamed et al., 2017), MFO (Mohamed et al., 2017), PSOGSA (Mohamed et al., 2017), IABC (Bai et al., 2017), MCSA (Shaheen et al., 2021), MRao-2 and Rao algorithms (Hassan et al., 2021), SSO (Hassan et al., 2021), ICBO (Bouchekara et al., 2016), GWO (El-Fergany & Hasanien, 2015), and EWOA (Nadimi-Shahraki et al., 2021). According to this table, the MCOA outperforms various optimization techniques used to solve the large-scale OPF. According to the obtained simulation data, the minimum cost obtained from MCOA is 129517.37 \$/h, which is less comparing to result of other algorithms. Also, Figure 10 depicts, after that, the convergence characteristic of the studied algorithms used in this case.

Table 11: Optimal decision variables settings for case 1.

 Table 12: Optimal results for case 1.

Figure 10: Convergence for case 1.

5.2. Case 2: OPF problem with quadratic cost function for traditional generators including the solar and wind energy sources.

Similar to the previous case system, wind energy sources are located in buses 18, 32, 36, 55, 104, and 110. Also, solar energy generation units are in nodes 6, 15 and 34. The best solution for this case is obtained by the proposed MCOA algorithm, as shown in Table 13. In addition, Table 14 represents a comparative study between the results of the algorithms studied in this article and the solutions obtained in the reference (Duman, Rivera, et al., 2020). From these results, the MCOA is a very powerful algorithm for optimizing and distributing optimization in large and real power systems. The characteristic of the convergence of the algorithms studied in this case is shown in Figure 11, demonstrating the good convergence performance of the proposed optimization algorithm.

In the case of the 118-bus system, OPF's superiority over MCOA is demonstrated as the system dimensions increase.

Table 14: Optimal results for case 2.

Figure 11: Convergence for case 2.

6 . Conclusion

The OPF problem, among various goals, is quickly becoming one of the most in-demand optimization problems in today's modern power networks. This article investigates multiple multiobjective OPF challenges, including renewable energy. A wide range of possible scenarios are considered considering power systems' complexities and constraints. These concerns include power loss, fuel expense, environmental effects, and voltage deviation values. In addition, a modified version of the Cuckoo optimization algorithm (COA) (MCOA) is built. A variety of algorithms have been developed for optimal multiobjective OPF under a variety of circumstances. Studies have demonstrated the efficiency and reliability of the MCOA algorithm in solving OPF problems in the presence of renewable DG resources.

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