

Switching Device-Cognizant Sequential Distribution System Restoration

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Abstract—This paper presents an optimization framework for sequential reconfiguration using an assortment of switching devices and repair process in distribution system restoration. Compared to existing studies, this paper considers types, capabilities and operational limits of different switching devices, making it applicable in practice. We develop a novel multi-phase method to find the optimal sequential operation of various switching devices and repair faulted areas. We consider circuit breakers, reclosers, sectionalizers, load breaker switches, and fuses. The switching operation problem is decomposed into two mixed-integer linear programming (MILP) subproblems. The first subproblem determines the optimal network topology and estimates the number of steps to reach that topology, while the second subproblem generates a sequence of switching operations to coordinate the switches. For repairing the faults, we design an MILP model that dispatches repair crews to clear faults and replace melted fuses. After clearing a fault, we update the topology of the network by generating a new sequence of switching operations, and the process continues until all faults are cleared. To improve the computational efficiency, a network reduction algorithm is developed to group line sections, such that only switchable sections are present in the reduced network. The proposed method is validated on the IEEE 123-bus and 8500-bus systems.

Index Terms—Distribution system, integer programming, fault isolation, service restoration.

NOMENCLATURE

Sets and Indices

i/j	Indices for buses and bus blocks
k/l	Index for distribution line connecting i and j
s	Index for step number
φ	Index for phase number
Ω_B, Ω_{BL}	Set of buses and set of bus blocks
Ω_{CB}	Set of circuit breakers and reclosers
Ω_{DB}	Set of bus blocks that contain damaged components

$\Omega_F, \Omega_{F(i)}$	Set of faulted lines and set of faulted lines in bus block i	39 40
Ω_{FS}	Set of lines with fuses	41
Ω_{MF}	Set of fuses that need replacement	42
Ω_{MS}	Set of manual sectionalizing switches	43
Ω_{SW}	Set of all switches including fuses	44
Ω_{Sub}	Set of buses connected to substations or generators	45
Ω_K	Set of lines	46
$\Omega_{K(.,i)}$	Set of lines with bus i as the to bus	47
$\Omega_{K(i.,)}$	Set of lines with bus i as the from bus	48
Ω_{LBS}	Set of load breaker switches	49
Ω_{Sec}	Set of sectionalizing switches	50

Parameters

ET_k	Repair time of line k	51 52
\tilde{I}_k / \hat{I}_k	Making/breaking current capacity of switch k	53
$p_{k\varphi}$	Binary parameter indicating the presence of phase φ at line k	54 55
$P_{i\varphi}^D / Q_{i\varphi}^D$	Active/reactive demand at bus i and phase φ	56
$\tilde{P}_{i\varphi}^D / \tilde{Q}_{i\varphi}^D$	Aggregated active/reactive demand at bus block i and phase φ	57 58
\bar{S}_k	Maximum apparent power for line k	59
$\bar{P}_i^G / \bar{Q}_i^G$	Maximum active/reactive power for generator i	60
\mathcal{T}_k^S	Operation time of switch k	61
tr_{kl}	Travel time between manual switches k and l	62
\hat{tr}_{ij}	Travel time between bus blocks i and j	63
$\bar{w}, \bar{\gamma}$	Maximum waiting time and number of switching actions	64 65

Γ_k^0 / Γ_k^F	Binary parameter representing the initial/final state of switch k	66 67
Z_k	The impedance matrix of line k	68
ρ_i^D, ρ_k^{SW}	The cost of shedding per unit load at bus i and the cost of switching	69 70
ρ_{ij}^T	Cost of traveling from location i to j	71
ρ^R	Penalty cost for total switching operation time	72

Decision Variables

α_{kc}	Arrival time at manual switch k for crew c	73 74
$\tilde{\alpha}_{ic}$	Arrival time at bus block i for crew c	75
\mathcal{O}_s	The time elapsed after switching step s	76
$P_{k\varphi} / Q_{k\varphi}$	Active/reactive power flowing on line k and phase φ	77 78
$P_{i\varphi}^G / Q_{i\varphi}^G$	Active/reactive power generated at bus i and phase φ	79 80
γ_{ks}	Binary variable indicates whether switch k is operated in step s	81 82
\mathcal{R}_i	The time when all damaged components in bus block i are repaired	83 84

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85	w_k	Crew wait time at manual switch k
86	x_{klc}	Binary variable equal to 1 if crew c travels from switch k to l
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88	\hat{x}_{ijc}	Binary variable equal to 1 if crew c travels from bus block i to j
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90	x_{is}^F	Binary variable equal to 1 if bus i is in a faulted area in step s
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92	x_{is}^E	Binary variable equal to 1 if bus i can be served by a generator
93		
94	u_{ks}	Binary variable indicating the status of line k
95	\mathcal{W}_{kc}	Binary variable equal to 1 if crew c is assigned to damaged component k
96		
97	y_{is}	Connection status of the loads at bus i and step s
98	$S_{k\varphi,s}$	Apparent power of each phase for line k at step s
99	$U_{i\varphi}$	The squared voltage magnitude at bus i for phase φ
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101	\mathcal{X}_{it}	Binary variable equal to 0 if bus i is in an outage area at time t
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I. INTRODUCTION

DISTRIBUTION networks are experiencing major changes with the development of smart grid technologies. Advanced control and measurement devices are being introduced to the network in order to have a resilient and more controllable system. The integration of automatic and remotely controllable switches with communication technologies allows the distribution system operator to quickly recover from anomalies and reduce the outage duration for the customers.

A. Motivation

Once a distribution system is damaged, the faults in the system are isolated automatically using protective devices (e.g., reclosers and circuit breakers), and repair crews are then sent to clear the permanent faults. Meanwhile, some customers will likely lose power while the crews are repairing the faults. During this process, the distribution system operator will reconfigure the topology of the system through a sequence of switching operations, in order to restore service to as many customers as possible while keeping the faults isolated. Once a damaged section is repaired, the switches are operated again in order to restore the area. The switching operation in distribution systems involves the coordination of different switching devices such as circuit breakers (CB), reclosers (REC), sectionalizers (SEC), and load breaker switches (LBS). Due to the diverse kind of switching devices in the network and their different characteristics and limitations, the switches must be coordinated and operated in a specific sequence. CBs and RECs can be operated at any time. SECs can be operated at no-load only. LBSs can be operated under load (with specified current rating), but cannot make or interrupt fault currents. In addition, some switches can be controlled remotely, while others must be operated manually by field crews. Manually operated switches must be de-energized before crews can operate them to ensure their safety. Therefore, it is critical to develop an effective and fast method to find the sequence of switching operations.

B. Literature Review

There has been considerable progress in power system restoration techniques in distribution systems [1]. A variety of methods on distribution system restoration have been proposed, including microgrid formation [2], network reconfiguration using dynamic programming [3], and utilizing mobile resources [4]. Network reconfiguration is one of the most commonly used methods to restore a power distribution system. The authors in [5] developed a reconfiguration formulation using a variation of the fixed charge network problem for service restoration. In [6], the authors developed an algorithm and a price-based mixed-integer linear program (MILP) model for co-optimizing the repair and operation of the distribution system, while considering energy storage and flexible loads. In [7], a MILP was formulated to maximize the critical loads to be served by operating remotely controlled switches to form microgrids. However, these methods consider network reconfiguration as a single step problem, where only the final topology is obtained. Multi-time step sequential methods are presented in [8]–[14]. In [8], the authors developed a rule-based expert system for finding the switching actions required to restore customers affected by an outage. Restoration was accomplished by heuristically finding a plan to restore as many customers as possible following a set of predefined rules. The authors in [9] used a two-step approach for post-fault restoration. The first-step used Genetic Algorithm to find the optimal topology, and the second step used Dynamic Programming to find the sequence of operations. In [10], the authors developed a graph-theoretic method for restoring unbalanced distribution systems with distributed generators. The authors used the spanning tree search algorithm to find the sequence of switching operations, where the objective was to minimize the number of switching steps and maximize the restored load. The paper in [11] developed mixed-integer nonlinear programming (MINLP) and MILP models for solving the restoration problem and obtain the switching sequence. The authors included constraints on the maximum current through a switch, but did not consider the breaking and making capacities of the switches. Reference [12] developed a multi-time-step MILP formulation for service restoration. The authors continued their work in [13], where the sequential operation was applied considering unbalanced power operations. However, [12] and [13] assumed all switches and loads are disconnected in the initial step. In [14], the authors presented a study for optimizing the operation of manual and remotely controlled switches, in addition to optimizing the repair process of the damaged components in balanced distribution networks.

C. Contribution

The previous studies assumed switching devices were uniform in distribution grids and neglected their different operational capabilities, which does not reflect the behaviour of the switches in distribution system restoration and could lead to infeasible switching operations. Sequential service restoration with the coordination of different types of switches is a challenging problem. The difficulties lie partly in modeling the intricate coordination between switches and their interactions

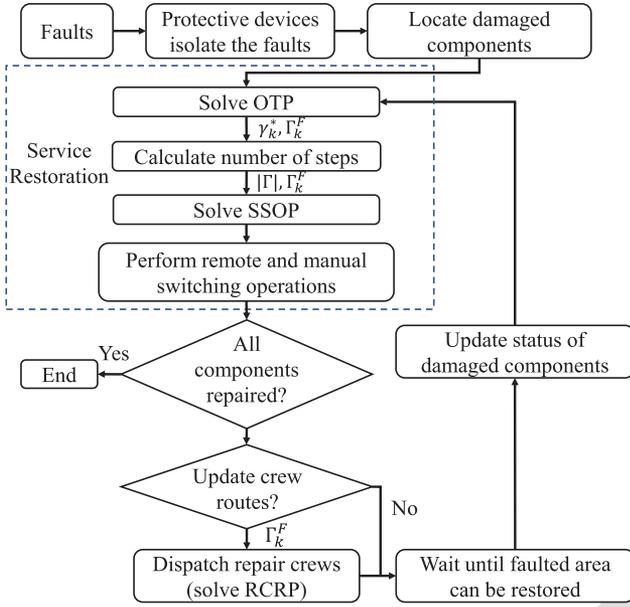


Fig. 1. Flowchart of the service restoration approach.

with other components in the distribution system. Moreover, the required number of switching operations to reach the final optimal topology is unknown beforehand; addressing this challenge by brute-force trials or dynamic programming is infeasible since the problem must be solved in a short time. To the best of our knowledge, the proposed methodology is the first to consider the characteristics of switches and derive feasible sequence of operations in a systematic and mathematically rigorous manner. The contributions of this paper are listed below:

- We develop an optimization framework that assists decision makers to repair and restore distribution systems after permanent faults.
- We develop a new MILP model to solve the sequential switching problem in distribution system restoration.
- We model the characteristics and behaviour of different types of switches and their interactions in the sequential switching operation.
- We exploited the special problem structure and developed preprocessing techniques and problem simplifications tailored for the sequential restoration problem, such as using the concept of bus block, and estimating the maximum number of switching operations.

The rest of this paper is organized as follows. Section II presents the proposed methodology and problem formulation. Section III presents the simulation results and Section IV concludes this paper.

II. SWITCHING DEVICE-COGNIZANT RESTORATION

In this paper, we develop a multi-time step methodology to find the optimal sequential switching operation. Fig. 1 depicts the methodology we employ for repair and service restoration.

When a distribution system experiences faults, protective devices will operate automatically to isolate the faults (readers can refer to [15] for a study on distribution system protection

TABLE I
TYPES OF SWITCHING DEVICES FOR RESTORATION

Type	Capabilities	Switches
1	A switching device capable of making, carrying and breaking currents under normal and abnormal circuit conditions.	CB, REC
2	Switches that can make or break current under normal load conditions, but cannot make or break fault currents.	LBS
3	Switches that can be operated only under no-load conditions.	SEC

and relay coordination). Damage assessors are then dispatched to locate the exact location of the damaged components and assess the damage. We then perform service restoration by solving two MILP subproblems, the optimal topology problem (OTP) and the sequential switching operation problem (SSOP). OTP determines the final optimal network topology using a single time step model, and outputs the operation status γ_k^* ($\gamma_k^* = 1$ if switch k is operated) and the on/off status Γ_k^F for each switch. We use the results obtained from OTP to estimate an upper bound for the number of switching operations ($|\Gamma|$). Selecting the number of switching steps before solving SSOP is critical in order to avoid infeasibility and long computation times [9], [13]. After setting the number of steps to $|\Gamma|$, we solve SSOP to generate the optimal sequence of switching operations for remotely and manually operated switches. The next step is the repair crew routing problem (RCRP). RCRP obtains the status of each switch (Γ_k^F) from OTP and SSOP, and then dispatches crews to clear faults and replace melted fuses. Once crews repair a section of the network, the operator updates the operation and topology of the network by solving OTP and SSOP again. The process continues until all lines are repaired and all loads are restored.

A. Switching Devices Modeling and Coordination

The switching devices in the distribution network can be categorized into three groups when it comes to restoration, the properties of which are summarized in Table I. In addition, each switch will have current breaking and making capacities. We use CB, REC, LBS, and SEC, as examples of the different types of switches. RECs differ from CBs in that they are capable of automatically resetting if the excessive current ceases, in addition to being less expensive, lighter, and have lower short circuit ratings. In this paper, RECs are treated similarly to CBs since we tackle the restoration problem which is after the automatic operation of switches (fault isolation).

An example is given that demonstrates the switching operations involved in the service restoration process. Consider the distribution system shown in Fig. 2, where (a) is the default state of the network and (b) is the initial state of switches after a fault near bus 4 occurs and REC 1 is operated automatically to isolate the fault.

The aim of the operator is to minimize the area that is affected by the fault through a sequence of switching operations. Therefore, SEC 1 and REC 2 should be opened, and all other switches closed to serve as many loads as possible. The steps

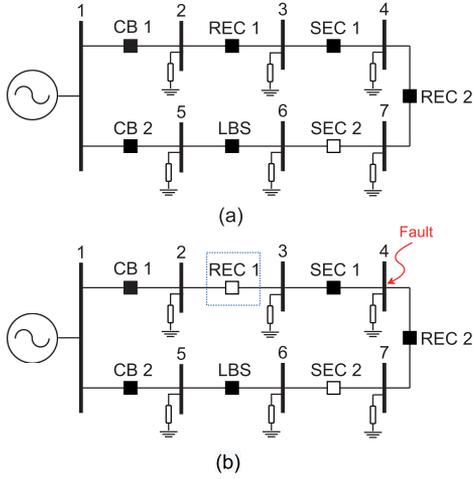


Fig. 2. 7-bus distribution system, where (a) is the default state and (b) is the initial state of switches after a fault near bus 4.

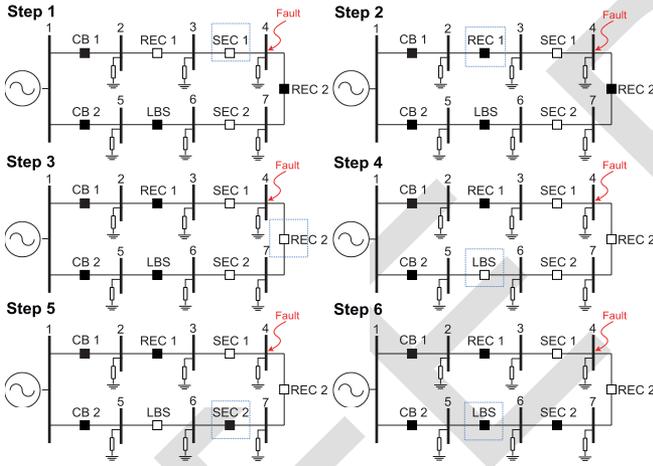


Fig. 3. Optimal sequential switching for distribution system restoration.

269 taken to achieve the optimal topology are shown in Fig. 3. SEC 1
 270 is opened in the first step and REC 1 is closed in the second step.
 271 Once REC 1 is closed, the load at bus 3 can be served. In Step 3,
 272 REC 2 is opened to isolate bus 4. Next, SEC 2 must be closed to
 273 serve the load at bus 7, however, SEC 2 cannot be closed since
 274 bus 6 is energized. Therefore, the LBS is first opened and SEC
 275 2 can then be closed. Finally, the LBS can then be closed in
 276 the final step. Subsequently, all loads can be served except the
 277 load at bus 4. It is seen that the entire process involves six steps
 278 even though only two switches change their statuses in the final
 279 topology. Multiple operation of the same switch may occurs due
 280 to limitations of some of the switches. However, a sectionalizer
 281 will not operate more than once in a switching sequence due to
 282 its limited operation capability. In this paper, we assume that all
 283 CBs, RECs, and LBSs are remotely controllable, while some of
 284 the SECs are manual.

285 B. Calculating Final Optimal Topology

286 Before modeling the sequential switching problem, we first
 287 estimate the required number of switching steps. The study

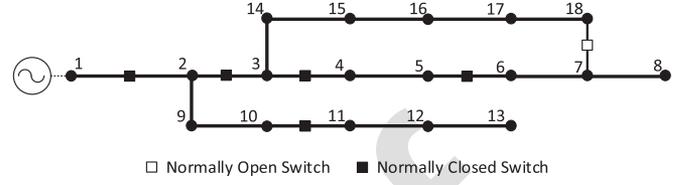


Fig. 4. 18-bus distribution network with 6 controllable switches.

in [13] selected the number of steps randomly and showed that 288
 by increasing it, the computation time rises exponentially. On 289
 the other hand, selecting a low number of steps could lead to 290
 an infeasible problem. In this paper, we first determine the 291
 final optimal topology by solving a single time step model, and 292
 then derive an equation for selecting the number of steps. The 293
 mathematical model for OTP is given as follows: 294

$$\min\{\text{loadsheddingcosts} + \text{switchingcosts}\}$$

$$\text{subject to} \begin{cases} \text{Unbalanced power flow} \\ \text{Switching and fault isolation} \\ \text{Radiality constraints} \end{cases}$$

The detailed formulation can be found in Appendix A. The status 296
 of lines and switches are represented by a binary variable u_k . 297
 If a switch changes its status from open to close or vice versa, 298
 we use the binary variable γ_k to represent this change of status. 299
 After solving OTP, we obtain the status of each switch u_k^* and 300
 their operation status γ_k^* . The status of each switch is stored in 301
 $\Gamma_k^F = u_k^*$. Next, we calculate an upper bound ($|\Gamma|$) on the number 302
 of steps using γ_k^* . For each step, only one switching operation 303
 is made. The variable γ_k is equal to 1 if switch k is operated. 304
 CBs and RECs can be operated directly, however, SECs and 305
 LBSs require three switching operations at most (open CB/REC, 306
 open/close SEC/LBS, close CB/REC). Therefore, the maximum 307
 number of steps is calculated using the following equation: 308

$$|\Gamma| = \min \left(\sum_{\forall k \in \Omega_{CB}} \gamma_k^* + 3 \sum_{\forall k \in \Omega_{Sec} \cup \Omega_{LBS}} \gamma_k^*, \bar{\gamma} \right) \quad (1)$$

where γ_k^* is obtained from the optimal topology model, and $\bar{\gamma}$ is 309
 the maximum number of switching operations. 310

311 C. Problem Formulation

In this subsection, we formulate SSOP as a MILP model. 312
 Since we are only concerned with switches in SSOP, the size 313
 of the network can be reduced such that only switchable lines 314
 are present. Therefore, we use a network reduction method to 315
 ease the modeling procedure and increase the computational 316
 efficiency of SSOP, without affecting the solution. The idea is to 317
 combine all the buses between switchable lines to form a “bus 318
 block” [13]. Consider the 18-bus distribution network shown 319
 in Fig. 4. We first remove all switchable lines and create the 320
 subset $\bar{\Omega}_K = \Omega_K \setminus \Omega_{SW}$, which contains non-switchable lines 321
 only. Subsequently, Fig. 4 is converted to the network shown in 322
 Fig. 5. Once all bus blocks are identified, the switchable lines are 323

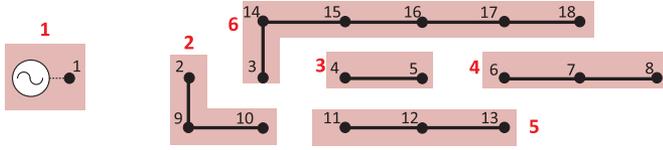


Fig. 5. 18-bus distribution network with 6 controllable switches removed.

324 reinstated, and the reduced network will contain the bus blocks
325 Ω_{BL} and switchable lines Ω_{SW} .

326 Next, we formulate the MILP model for SSOP as follows:

327 1) *Objective Function*:: The objective of the SSOP model is
328 formulated using the following equation:

$$\max \sum_{\forall s} \left(\sum_{\forall i \in \Omega_{BL}} y_{is} \rho_i^D \sum_{\forall \varphi} \tilde{P}_{i\varphi}^D - \sum_{\forall k \in \Omega_{SW}} \rho_k^{SW} \gamma_{ks} - \rho^R O_s \right) \quad (2)$$

329 The objective of the proposed model is to jointly maximize the
330 number of restored loads, minimize the number of switching
331 operations, and minimize the operation time of the switching
332 operations. A penalty price ρ^R is imposed on the total operation
333 time; i.e., penalizing the time it takes to complete the switching
334 operations. The costs, represented by ρ , can be considered as
335 weighting factors for the multi-objective equation in (2).

336 2) *Identify Faulted and Energized Areas*: The variable x_{is}^F is
337 used to identify which bus is in a faulted area and x_{is}^E identifies
338 the bus blocks that are energized. A bus block is considered to
339 be damaged if one line in the bus block is faulted. The following
340 constraints identify the energized and faulted bus blocks:

$$x_{is}^F = 1, \forall i \in \Omega_{DB}, s \quad (3)$$

$$x_{is}^E = 1, \forall i \in \Omega_{Sub}, s \quad (4)$$

$$-(1 - u_{ks}) \leq x_{is}^F - x_{js}^F \leq (1 - u_{ks}), \forall k(i, j) \in \Omega_{SW}, s \quad (5)$$

$$-(1 - u_{ks}) \leq x_{is}^E - x_{js}^E \leq (1 - u_{ks}), \forall k(i, j) \in \Omega_{SW}, s \quad (6)$$

$$y_{is} \leq x_{is}^E, \forall i \in \Omega_{BL}, s \quad (7)$$

$$y_{is} \leq 1 - x_{is}^F, \forall i \in \Omega_{BL}, s \quad (8)$$

341 Constraint (3) sets the value of x_{is}^F to 1 if there is a fault in bus
342 block i . Constraint (4) sets x_{is}^E to 1 if bus block i is connected
343 to a substation or generator. If bus j is connected to bus i by
344 switch $k(i, j)$, then the values of x_{is}^E and x_{is}^F should be the same
345 for buses i and j , this is enforced in (5) and (6). Therefore,
346 the status (energized/faulted) is propagated around the network
347 based on the connection status of the switches u_{ks} . Loads cannot
348 be served if they are not energized (7), and the same applies if
349 the bus is in a faulted area (8).

350 3) *Power Operation Constraints*: Since the objective of this
351 model is to find the optimal switching sequence, we do not consider
352 detailed distribution system operation constraints. Instead,
353 simplified power flow equations are considered to ensure that a
354 path is available between generators and loads, and that switches

operate within their current breaking and making capacities. The
constraints are formulated as follows:

$$0 \leq P_{i\varphi s}^G \leq \bar{P}^G, \forall i \in \Omega_{BL}, \varphi, s \quad (9)$$

$$-\bar{Q}^G \leq Q_{i\varphi s}^G \leq \bar{Q}^G, \forall i \in \Omega_{BL}, \varphi, s \quad (10)$$

$$P_{i\varphi s}^G + \sum_{\forall k \in K(.,i)} P_{k\varphi s} = y_{is} \tilde{P}_{i\varphi}^D + \sum_{\forall k \in K(i,.)} P_{k\varphi s}, \forall i \in \Omega_{BL}, \varphi, s \quad (11)$$

$$Q_{i\varphi s}^G + \sum_{\forall k \in K(.,i)} Q_{k\varphi s} = y_{is} \tilde{Q}_{i\varphi}^D + \sum_{\forall k \in K(i,.)} Q_{k\varphi s}, \forall i \in \Omega_{BL}, \varphi, s \quad (12)$$

$$P_{k\varphi s}^2 + Q_{k\varphi s}^2 \leq u_{kt} P_{k\varphi} \bar{S}_k^2, \forall k \in \Omega_{SW}, \varphi, s \quad (13)$$

$$P_{k\varphi s-1}^2 + Q_{k\varphi s-1}^2 \leq \gamma_{ks} U_{i\varphi}^n \hat{I}_k^2 + (1 - (u_{ks-1} - u_{ks})) M, \forall k \in \Omega_{SW}, \varphi, s \quad (14)$$

$$P_{k\varphi s}^2 + Q_{k\varphi s}^2 \leq \gamma_{ks} U_{i\varphi}^n \check{I}_k^2 + (1 - (u_{ks} - u_{ks-1})) M, \forall k \in \Omega_{SW}, \varphi, s \quad (15)$$

357 Constraints (9) and (10) limit the active and reactive power of the
358 generators. The active and reactive power balance equations are
359 modeled in (11) and (12). Constraint (13) limit the power flow
360 on the lines. The current magnitude on line k equals $S_{k\varphi}/V_{i\varphi}$,
361 where $S_{k\varphi}$ is the apparent power magnitude and $S_{k\varphi}^2 = P_{k\varphi}^2 +$
362 $Q_{k\varphi}^2$. We estimate the voltage $V_{i\varphi}$ by using the voltage obtained
363 from OTP, which we denote as $V_{i\varphi}^n$. Then, we enforce constraint
364 (14) so that if a switch is opened ($u_{ks-1} - u_{ks} = 1$), the squared
365 current flow $S_{k\varphi}^2/U_{i\varphi}$ through the switch must be less than the
366 squared breaking current \hat{I}_k^2 in the previous time step. Similarly,
367 constraint (15) states that the squared current flow through the
368 switch must be less than \check{I}_k^2 once it is closed. Constraints (13)-
369 (15) can be linearized using the circular constraint linearization
370 method [16].

371 4) *Switching Constraints*: The next set of constraints are
372 related the status of switches and the operating logic of SECs
373 and LBSs.

$$u_{k0} = \Gamma_k^0, \forall k \in \Omega_{SW} \quad (16)$$

$$u_{k|\Gamma|} = \Gamma_k^F, \forall k \in \Omega_{SW} \quad (17)$$

$$u_{ks} = \Gamma_k^0, \forall k \in \Omega_{FS}, s \quad (18)$$

$$\gamma_{ks} \geq u_{ks} - u_{ks-1}, \forall k \in \Omega_{SW}, s, s > 0 \quad (19)$$

$$\gamma_{ks} \geq u_{ks-1} - u_{ks}, \forall k \in \Omega_{SW}, s, s > 0 \quad (20)$$

$$\sum_{\forall k \in \Omega_{SW}} \gamma_{ks} \leq 1, \forall s, s > 0 \quad (21)$$

$$\sum_{\forall k \in \Omega_{SW}} \gamma_{ks} \leq \sum_{\forall k \in \Omega_{SW}} \gamma_{ks-1}, \forall s, s > 1 \quad (22)$$

$$\gamma_{ks} \leq 1 - x_{i's-1}^E, \forall k(i, j) \in \Omega_{Sec}, i' \in \{i, j\}, s, s > 0 \quad (23)$$

$$\gamma_{ks} \leq 2 - x_{is-1}^E - x_{js-1}^F, \forall k(i, j) \in \Omega_{LBS}, s, s > 0 \quad (24)$$

$$\gamma_{ks} \leq 2 - x_{is-1}^F - x_{js-1}^E, \forall k(i, j) \in \Omega_{LBS}, s, s > 0 \quad (25)$$

374 Constraints (16) and (17) define the initial and final status of
 375 each switch, respectively. The final status of each switch, Γ_k^F ,
 376 is determined by solving OTP. Constraint (18) indicates that
 377 the status of a line with a fuse does not change. Melted fuses
 378 are replaced manually by the repair crews. Constraints (19) and
 379 (20) are used to calculate the value of γ_{ks} , which equals 1 if
 380 switch k is opened or closed in step s . There can only be one
 381 switching operation in each step, as enforced by (21). Constraint
 382 (22) ensures that the switching operations are not delayed to the
 383 last steps. SECs cannot operate if they are energized, which
 384 is realized by constraint (23). Constraints (24) and (25) ensure
 385 that an LBS can only be operated if it is not in an energized and
 386 faulted area at the same time, i.e., fault current is not running
 387 through the LBS.

388 5) *Manual Switches*: Operating a manual switch when it is
 389 energized can be life-threatening. Distribution system operators
 390 must ensure that manual switches are de-energized before special-
 391 ized field crews operate them. Coordinating remotely control-
 392 lable switches and manual switches can be challenging due
 393 to the difference in operation times [17]. Operating a remotely
 394 controllable switch requires a few seconds, while a manually
 395 operated switch takes several minutes or hours. In this paper,
 396 we model the operation of manual switches by incorporating
 397 the Vehicle Routing Problem (VRP) [18] in SSOP. The variable
 398 x_{klc} represents the path a crew takes, if crew c travels from switch
 399 k to switch l , then $x_{klc} = 1$. The constraints are formulated as
 400 follows:

$$\sum_{\forall k \in \Omega_{MS}} \sum_{\forall c} x_{klc} = \sum_{\forall s} \gamma_{ls}, \forall l \in \Omega_{MS} \quad (26)$$

$$\sum_{\forall k \in \Omega_{MS}} x_{0kc} = 1, \forall c \quad (27)$$

$$\sum_{\forall k \in \Omega_{MS}} x_{k0c} = 1, \forall c \quad (28)$$

$$\sum_{\forall l \in \hat{\Omega}_{MS} \setminus \{k\}} x_{klc} - \sum_{\forall l \in \hat{\Omega}_{MS} \setminus \{k\}} x_{lkc} = 0, \forall c, k \in \Omega_{MS} \quad (29)$$

$$\alpha_k + w_k + \mathcal{T}_k^S + tr_{kl} - \left(1 - \sum_{\forall c} x_{klc}\right) M \leq \alpha_l, \forall k \in \hat{\Omega}_{MS}, l \in \Omega_{MS}, k \neq l \quad (30)$$

$$\alpha_k + w_k + \mathcal{T}_k^S + tr_{kl} + \left(1 - \sum_{\forall c} x_{klc}\right) M \geq \alpha_l, \forall k \in \hat{\Omega}_{MS}, l \in \Omega_{MS}, k \neq l \quad (31)$$

$$0 \leq w_k \leq \bar{w}, \forall k \in \Omega_{MS} \quad (32)$$

$$\mathcal{O}_s \geq \alpha_k + w_k + \mathcal{T}_k^S - M(1 - \gamma_{ks}), \forall k \in \Omega_{MS}, s \quad (33)$$

$$\alpha_k + w_k \geq \mathcal{O}_{s-1} - M(1 - \gamma_{ks}), \forall k \in \Omega_{MS}, s \quad (34)$$

$$\mathcal{O}_s \geq \mathcal{O}_{s-1} + \sum_{\forall k \in \Omega_{SW} \setminus \Omega_{MS}} \mathcal{T}_k^S \gamma_{ks}, \forall s \quad (35)$$

401 Constraint (26) states that a crew visits a manual switch if it is
 402 scheduled to be operated. The set $\hat{\Omega}_{MS}$ is the union of Ω_{MS}
 403 and $\{0\}$, where $\{0\}$ represents the depot (starting location of
 404 the crews). Constraints (27)–(28) define the starting and ending
 405 locations for the crews. Equation (29) represents the path-flow
 406 constraint for the routing problem. The arrival time is calcu-
 407 lated in (30) and (31), where $\alpha_k + w_k + \mathcal{T}_k^S + tr_{kl} = \alpha_l$ if a
 408 crew travels from k to l . The waiting time w_k represents the
 409 time between arrival and start of switching operation, which
 410 is constrained by (32). We assume the maximum wait time is
 411 30 minutes in this study. In order to calculate the time elapsed
 412 between the switching operations, we define the variable \mathcal{O}_s . For
 413 manual switches, \mathcal{O}_s equals the arrival time plus the operating
 414 time of a manual switch and waiting time, as defined in (33),
 415 where the constraint is applied only if switch k is operated in
 416 step s . If switch k is to be operated in step s , then the arrival
 417 time added to the waiting time at k should be higher or equal to
 418 \mathcal{O}_{s-1} , which is represented in (34). Constraint (35) calculates
 419 the elapsed time by adding the operation time of the automatic
 420 switches.

421 D. Fault Repair

422 After performing the switching operations, we dispatch the
 423 repair crews to the faulted lines in the system. The repair
 424 crew routing problem is solved separately from OTP and SSOP
 425 due to the difference in time scale, however, we still consider
 426 distribution system constraints when dispatching crews. RCRP
 427 is modeled by coupling constraints from OTP and VRP. The
 428 problem can be defined by a complete undirected graph \mathcal{G}
 429 with nodes (\mathcal{N}) and edges (\mathcal{E}). In previous work [19], VRP
 430 was combined with distribution system operation constraints,
 431 creating the distribution system repair and restoration problem
 432 (DSRRP). In this paper, we leverage the bus blocks concept
 433 to design the graph \mathcal{G} . Instead of routing the crews to each
 434 damaged component, we route the crews to bus blocks so that
 435 the nodes are equal to the set of damaged bus blocks Ω_{DB} .
 436 Crews that travel to bus blocks are then assigned to the damaged
 437 components inside the bus blocks. The idea is that the travel
 438 time between components inside a bus block is small, compared
 439 to the repair times and the travel times between the bus blocks,
 440 and therefore can be neglected. The crew routing problem is
 441 depicted by Fig. 6. A description for the mathematical model is
 442 given below:

$$\begin{aligned} & \min\{\text{load shedding costs} + \text{travel costs}\} \\ & \text{subject to} \begin{cases} \text{Routing to bus blocks and assignment} \\ \text{Arrival and repair times} \\ \text{Distribution system constraints} \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

443 The mathematical model for RCRP can be found in Appendix
 444 B. Once crews repair a section of the network, we solve OTP
 445 and SSOP again to update the topology of the network.

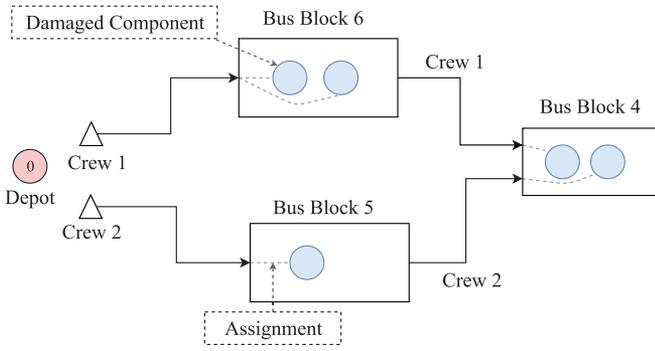


Fig. 6. Vehicle routing problem converted from Fig. 5 with 5 damaged lines.

III. SIMULATION AND RESULTS

Modified versions of the IEEE 123-bus distribution system and the IEEE 8500-bus system are used as test cases in this paper. The operation times of manual and remotely-controllable switches are set to 15 and 1 minutes, respectively. We assume the breaking and making current capacities are the same. LBSs are rated at 500 A. CBs and RECs are rated to interrupt fault currents. SECs cannot make or break currents, therefore, they are rated at 0 A. Also, we assume the maximum number of switching operations is 25. The simulated problems are modeled in AMPL and solved using GUROBI 9.0 on a PC with Intel Core i7-8550 U 1.8 GHz CPU and 16 GB RAM. Five test cases are simulated in this section. The first four test cases are conducted on the IEEE 123-bus distribution system, and the fifth test is conducted on the IEEE 8500-bus system.

A. Test Case I

The modified IEEE 123-bus network contains 6 CBs, 11 RECs, 4 LBSs, 17 SECs, and 14 Fuses. The initial status of each switch is shown in Fig. 7. SECs 54-94, 60-160, and 78-80 are assumed to be manual switches (must be operated by a crew), while all CBs, RECs, and LBSs are remotely controllable. The power supplied by the substations are limited to 2 MW and 1 Mvar per-phase. The network reduction algorithm is used to reduce the system, the reduced network has 51 bus blocks.

A permanent fault is assumed to have occurred on line 18-21, and REC 25-28 was opened to clear the fault. To test the operation of the LBSs, we simulate the problem with the LBSs rated at 500 A, and then decrease the rating to 50 A. OTP is first solved to obtain the optimal final state of each switch. SSOP is then solved to find the optimal sequence of operations to reach the desired topology obtained from OTP. The solutions are shown in Table II. The computation time is 0.2 s for OTP, and 3.23 s for SSOP. OTP finds that LBS 23-25 and SEC 18-135 must be opened, while REC 25-28 and SEC 44-47 should be closed. However, it is not possible to directly operate these switches due to their characteristics. If the LBSs are rated at 500 A, the switching sequence starts by opening SEC 18-135 to isolate buses 35-46 from the fault. The next step is to open LBS 49-50 in order to close SEC 44-47 in the following step. In the fourth step, LBS 49-50 is closed and buses 35-46 are

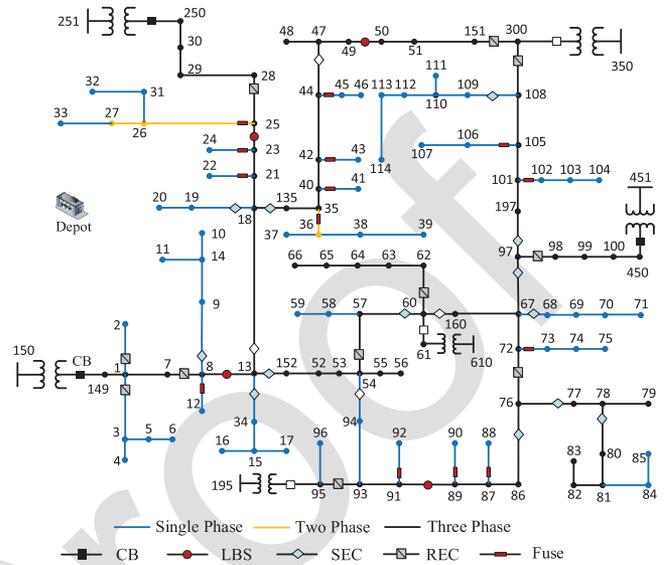


Fig. 7. Modified IEEE 123-bus distribution system. A shaded switch indicates that the switch is closed.

TABLE II
SWITCHING OPERATIONS FOR TEST CASE I

Stage	Switching Operations
Fault Clearance	↑ REC 25-28
OTP	↑ SEC 18-135, ↓ SEC 44-47, ↑ LBS 23-25, ↓ REC 25-28
SSOP LBS: 500 A	↑ SEC 18-135, ↑ LBS 49-50, ↓ SEC 44-47, ↓ LBS 49-50, ↑ LBS 23-25, ↓ REC 25-28
SSOP LBS: 50 A	↑ SEC 18-135, ↑ REC 108-300, ↓ SEC 44-47, ↓ REC 108-300, ↑ LBS 23-25, ↓ REC 25-28

↑: open switch, ↓: close switch.

energized. In step 5, LBS 23-25 is opened, which isolates buses 25-33 from the fault on line 18-21. Finally, buses 25-33 are energized by closing REC 25-28. After changing the rating of the LBSs to 50 A, the sequence remains the same except for the operation of LBS 49-50. The LBS cannot be operated due to its low current capacity. Instead of operating LBS 49-50, REC 108-300 is opened and closed in steps 2 and 4, respectively. On the other hand, LBS 23-25 can be opened as buses 23 and 25 are not energized.

B. Test Case II

In the second test case, lines 28-29, 51-151, 99-100, and 105-108 are assumed to be damaged. The initial state of the network after the damage is given in Fig. 8, where the shaded portion indicates energized lines. The purpose of this test case is to compare the proposed method with the common approach in the literature, which assumes a uniform type of switches without operational constraints (i.e., all switches have the capabilities of CBs/RECs) [9], [10], [12], [13].

The sequence of switching operations are shown in Table III, where invalid operations are highlighted in bold. With uniform

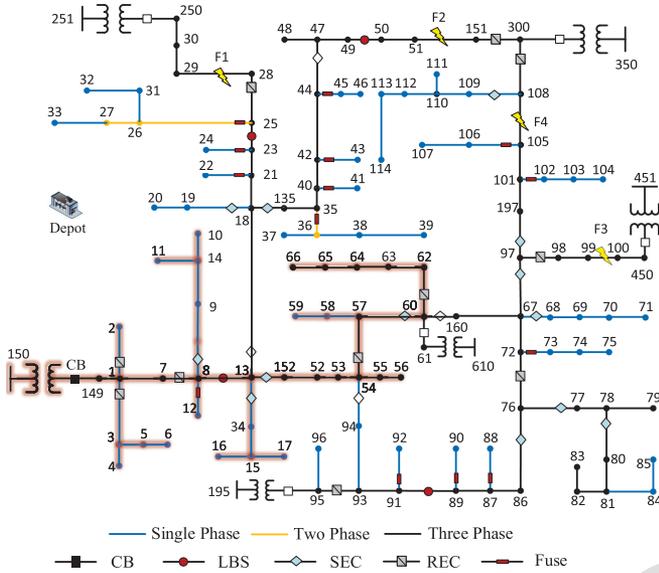


Fig. 8. Initial state of the IEEE 123-bus network in after 4 lines are damaged.

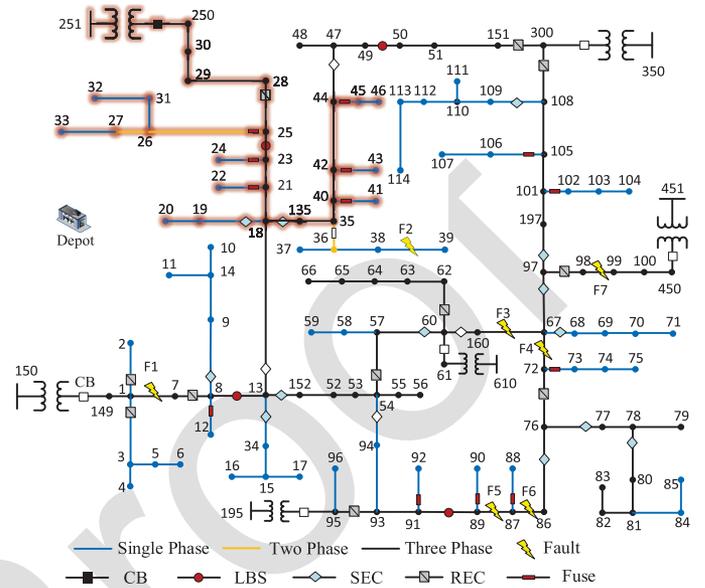


Fig. 9. Initial state of the IEEE 123-bus network after 7 lines are damaged.

TABLE III
SWITCHING OPERATIONS FOR TEST CASE II

Method	Switching Operations	Comp. Time
Uniform switches	↑ SEC 67-97, ↓ CB 95-195, ↑ REC 25-28, ↓ SEC 13-18, ↑ LBS 49-50, ↓ SEC 44-47	11 s
Proposed Method	↑ SEC 67-97, ↓ CB 95-195, ↓ SEC 44-47, ↑ REC 25-28, ↑ LBS 49-50, ↑ LBS 8-13, ↓ SEC 13-18, ↓ LBS 8-13	19 s

↑: open switch, ↓: close switch.

switches, SEC 67-97 is opened to isolate F2–F4 from the substation 195. The CB at substation 195 is then closed to supply loads 67–96. Next, REC 25-28 is opened to isolate F1 and SEC 13-18 is closed to restore loads 18–27 and 31–33. However, closing SEC 13-18 at this stage is not possible in practice, as bus 13 is energized and SECs can only operate under no-load condition. The LBS 49-50 is then opened and SEC 44-47 is closed to restore loads 35–46. Again, this last SEC operation is invalid since bus 44 is energized. Neglecting the capabilities of different switches leads to switching steps that are inapplicable.

Next, we show the correct sequence of switching operations using the proposed method. The first two operations are the same, where SEC 67-97 is opened and CB 95-195 is closed. SEC 44-47 is then closed and both REC 25-28 and LBS 49-50 are opened. Subsequently, loads 18–27, 32–33, and 35–49 can receive energy from substation 150 if SEC 13-18 is closed. However, LBS 8-13 must be opened first before closing SEC 13-18 to de-energize bus 13, and LBS 8-13 is then closed in the final step. The results show the importance of including device-specific constraints to achieve solutions that can be applied in practice.

C. Test Case III

In the third test case, we simulate 7 damaged lines on the IEEE 123-bus system and solve the service restoration problem using

TABLE IV
SWITCHING OPERATIONS FOR TEST CASE III

Repair	Switching Operations	Comp. Time
–	↑ SEC 97-197, ↓ CB 300-350, ↑ REC 7-8, ↑ LBS 23-25, ↓ SEC 13-18, ↓ LBS 23-25, ↑ LBS 89-91, ↓ CB 95-195	8 s
F2	Replace Fuse 35-36	NA
F3, F4	↑ SEC 76-86, ↑ SEC 67-97, ↑ REC 54-57, ↓ SEC 60-160, ↓ REC 54-57	3 s
F1	↓ REC 7-8	0.2 s
F5, F6, F7	↓ LBS 89-91, ↑ REC 108-300, ↓ SEC 97-197, ↓ REC 108-300	0.45 s

↑: open switch, ↓: close switch.

the process shown in Fig. 1. The simulated damage and initial status of each switch (Γ_k^0) are shown in Fig. 9. The numbers of operation crews (for operating manual switches) and line crews are assumed to be 2 and 3, respectively. Travel times are estimated using the Euclidean distances, we scale the travel times so that they range between 5 to 30 minutes. The repair times, which are determined by the damage assessors, are assumed to be between 30 minutes to 3 hours.

There are 5 damaged bus blocks in the simulated test case. For example, the bus block containing buses 86–89 is damaged by F5 and F6. OTP is initially solved to obtain Γ_k^F , which represents the target topology before conducting any repairs. SSOP is then solved to obtain the sequence of switching operations. RCRP is solved to route the repair crews. Once a section (bus block) in the network is repaired, we solve OTP and SSOP again to update the topology. The sequential operations of the switches, before and after the repairs, are presented in Table IV, while the change in number of served loads is shown in Fig. 10. The routing solution and the topology before the repairs are shown in Fig. 11. The first step is to open SEC 97-197 to isolate substation 350 from

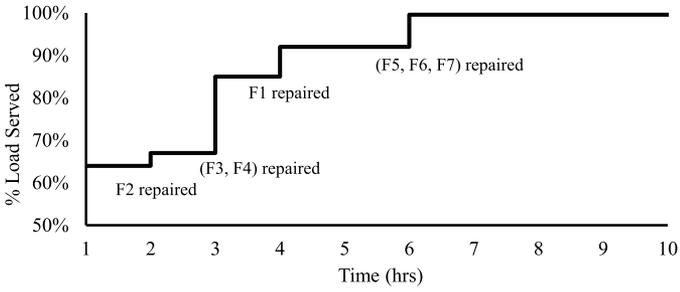


Fig. 10. Change in percentage of restored load with time for test case III.

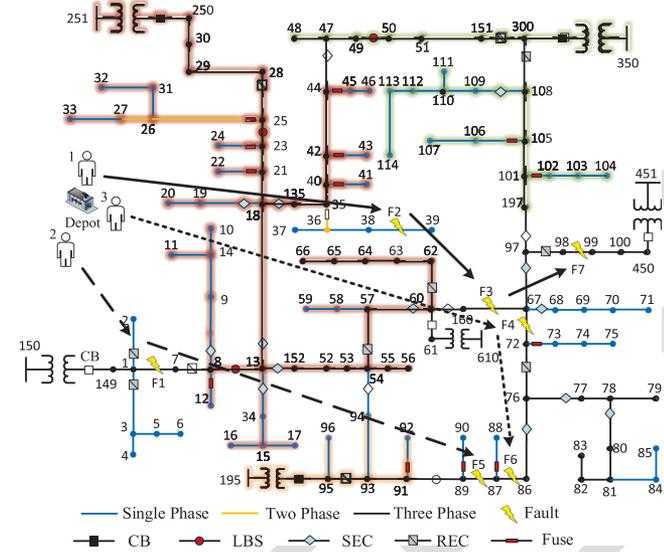


Fig. 11. First sequential switching operation and crew routing for test case II.

550 F3–F7, and then CB 300–350 is closed, which allows substation
 551 350 to supply the loads at buses 47–51 and 101–114. Next, REC
 552 7-8 is opened to isolate F1. SEC 13-18 cannot be closed since
 553 bus 18 is energized, therefore, LBS 23-25 is first opened and
 554 then closed after closing SEC 13-18. By closing SEC 13-18, a
 555 path is provided for substation 251 to supply some of the loads,
 556 as shown in Fig. 11. LBS 89-91 is then opened to isolate F5
 557 and F6 from substation 195, which supplies buses 91–96 after
 558 closing CB 95-195.

559 After crew 1 repairs F2, the crew replaces fuse 35-36 and no
 560 switching operation is required. The next switching operation
 561 occurs after crews 1 and 2 repair F3 and F4. Without the two
 562 faults, we are able to serve buses 67–85. To achieve that, SECs
 563 76-86 and 67-97 are opened to isolate faults F5–F7. Before
 564 operating the manual switch SEC 60-160, REC 54-57 must
 565 be opened to de-energize bus 60. REC 54-57 is closed after
 566 operating SEC 60-160, which provides a path for substation
 567 251 to supply buses 67–85. At this point, around 85% of the
 568 loads are served (see Fig. 10). REC 7-8 is closed after clearing
 569 F1, subsequently, all loads on the left side of the network can
 570 be served. Once all lines are repaired, LBS 89-91 is closed and
 571 substation 195 restores buses 86–90. The next step is to serve
 572 buses 98–100. REC 108-300 is opened to de-energize bus 197,

TABLE V
PERFORMANCE OF REPAIR CREW ROUTING FOR TEST CASE II

Method	Buses	Routing Var.	Comp. Time	ES (kWh)
DSRRP [19]	129	192	38 min	80,390
RCRP	51	75	75 s	80,390

Routing Var.: number of routing variables \hat{x}_{ijc} , ES: energy served.

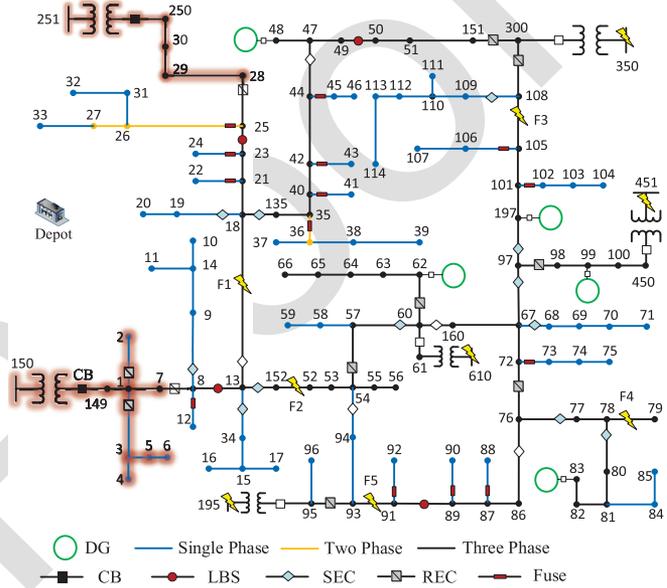


Fig. 12. Initial state of the modified IEEE 123-bus system with five damaged lines in test case IV.

and SEC 97-197 is then closed. Finally, REC 108-300 is closed and all loads are restored.

For the routing solution, we compare the route obtained using RCRP to DSRRP from [19]. The proposed crew routing method considers less routing variables and a simplified distribution system operation model. By using network reduction, the number of buses and routing variables are reduced by more than half, as shown in Table V. The methods achieved the same solution, where the total energy served is 80 390 kWh. However, the computation time for RCRP is 75 seconds, which is significantly less than DSRRP (38 minutes).

D. Test Case IV

In this test case, we modify the IEEE 123-bus distribution system by including five 800 kW dispatchable distributed generators (DGs) and demonstrate how microgrids can be formed around the DGs. Each DG is equipped with a CB, and we assume the CBs are initially open. Moreover, we compare SSOP with two benchmark methods, which are adapted from [11] and [12]. The modified system, with its initial status after four lines are damaged, is shown in Fig. 12. For this test case, we assume that only substations 150 and 251 can supply power. The switching operations for SSOP, benchmark method A [12], and benchmark method B [11] are shown in Table VI. The first two switching actions in SSOP is to open SEC 18-135 and 108-300 to isolate faults F1 and F3 from DG 48. SEC 44-47 is then closed and

TABLE VI
SWITCHING OPERATIONS FOR TEST CASE IV

Method	Switching Operations	Comp. Time
SSOP	↑ SEC 18-135, ↑ SEC 108-300, ↓ SEC 44-47, ↓ CB 48, ↑ REC 54-57, ↓ CB 62, ↑ SEC 97-197, ↑ SEC 76-77, ↑ LBS 89-91, ↓ SEC 76-86, ↓ CB 99, ↑ SEC 13-152, ↓ REC 7-8, ↑ SEC 78-80, ↓ CB 83, ↑ LBS 23-25, ↓ REC 25-28	30 s
Method A [12]	↑ SEC 18-135, ↑ SEC 108-300, ↓ CB 48 , ↓ SEC 44-47 , ↑ REC 54-57, ↓ CB 62, ↑ SEC 97-197, ↑ SEC 76-77, ↑ LBS 89-91, ↓ CB 99 , ↓ SEC 76-86 , ↑ SEC 13-152, ↓ REC 7-8, ↑ SEC 78-80, ↓ CB 83, ↑ LBS 23-25, ↓ REC 25-28	18 s
Method B [11]	↑ SEC 18-135, ↑ SEC 108-300, ↓ CB 48 , ↓ SEC 44-47 , ↑ REC 54-57, ↓ CB 62, ↑ SEC 97-197, ↑ SEC 76-77, ↑ LBS 89-91, ↓ CB 99 , ↓ SEC 76-86 , ↑ SEC 13-152, ↓ REC 7-8, ↑ SEC 78-80, ↓ CB 83, ↑ LBS 23-25, ↓ REC 25-28	67 s

↑: open switch, ↓: close switch.

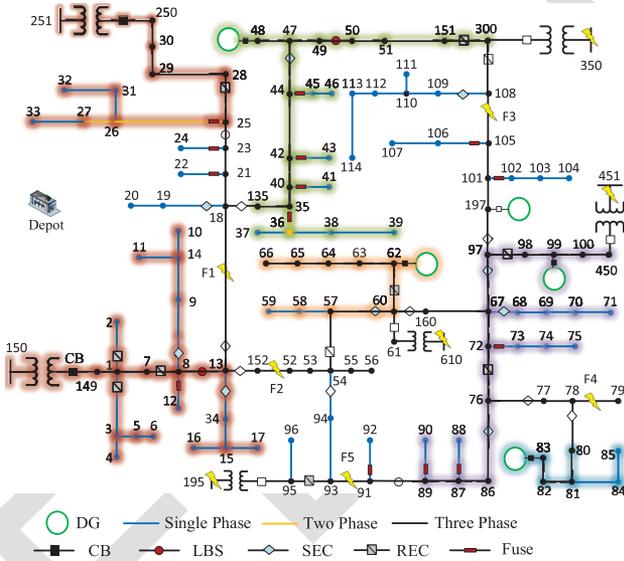


Fig. 13. Final state of the network after sequential switching operations in test case IV.

598 the DG at bus 48 is connected to serve the loads on buses
599 37–51, creating a microgrid in the area, as shown in Fig. 13.
600 Next, REC 54-57 is opened to isolate F2 and the DG at bus 62
601 is connected to serve loads 57-66. SEC 97-197, SEC 76-77,
602 and LBS 89-91 are opened to isolate faults F3, F4, and F5,
603 respectively. Before connecting DG 99, SEC 76-86 is closed
604 since it can only operate under no-load condition, and then CB
605 99 is closed to create another microgrid. SEC 13-152 is opened
606 to isolate F2 and REC 7-8 is closed in order to connect buses
607 8-17 and 34 to substation 150. SEC 78-80 is opened and CB 83
608 is closed to serve load 80-85. Finally, LBS 23-25 is opened
609 to isolate F1 and REC 25-28 is closed to serve 25-33. The final
610 circuit is shown in Fig. 13. For the benchmark methods, both
611 achieve the same switching solution. The differences between

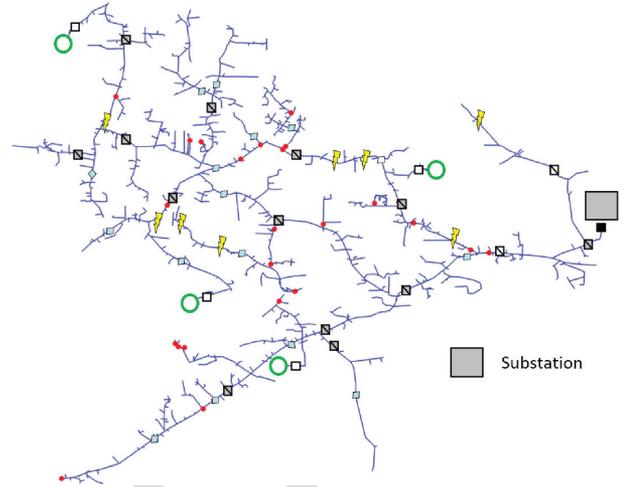


Fig. 14. Initial state of the modified IEEE 8500-bus network with 8 damaged lines.

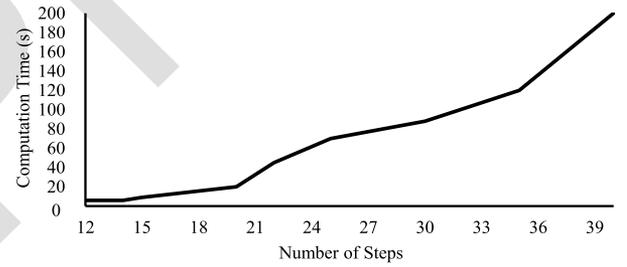


Fig. 15. Sensitivity of the SSOP computation time with the change in number of steps for the IEEE 8500-bus system.

the benchmark methods and SSOP is given in bold in Table VI, 612
613 where CB 48 and CB 99 are closed before closing SEC 44-47 and
614 SEC 76-87, respectively. Notice that after closing CBs 48 and 99,
615 buses 47 and 76 will be energized, therefore, we cannot operate
616 SECs 44-47 and 76-87 since they do not have current making
617 capabilities. Compared to SSOP, the benchmark methods do not
618 always provide feasible sequential switching operations. The
619 computation time is 30 s for SSOP, 18 s for method A, and 67 s
620 method B. Method B has a higher computation time due to a
621 more complex optimization model. SSOP is marginally slower
622 than method A since we consider the interactions between the
623 switches and their characteristics.

E. Test Case V

624
625 The final test case is conducted on the IEEE 8500-bus distri-
626 bution system. The purpose of this case is to test the scalability
627 of SSOP and its sensitivity to the number of steps. We modified
628 the IEEE 8500-bus distribution system by adding switches and 4
629 DGs. A test case is simulated with 8 randomly selected damaged
630 lines, as shown in Fig. 14. The simulation is conducted with
631 varying number of steps, starting from 0 to 40 steps. The result
632 of the simulation is shown in Fig. 15, where the selected value
633 for $|\Gamma|$ is 24 (using (1)) and the computation time with $|\Gamma| = 24$
634 is 60 s. Therefore, the proposed method can be employed for
635 large systems effectively. However, it is critical to select a proper

number of steps. The problem is infeasible for $|\Gamma|$ less than 12 in this test case, and the computation time increases considerably with large numbers of steps, as shown in Fig. 15.

F. Discussion

As seen in the presented test cases, after faults are isolated, some of the unfaulted areas in the distribution network will experience an outage. The goal of the restoration problem is to reconfigure the network in order to supply these areas. The diversity of the switches, however, imposes a major challenge to this problem as the switches must be coordinated based on their characteristics. The results show that SSOP can perform sequential switching operations effectively, while adhering to the characteristics of the switches. Moreover, the model obtains the sequence of operation in an efficient time. Previous research assumed a uniform type of switch without limitations, which leads to infeasible solutions as shown in Table III and Table VI. The test case on the IEEE 8500-bus system confirmed the scalability of the presented method, in addition to the importance of selecting a proper number of steps. The models presented in this paper can be important tools to assist distribution system operators in power restoration.

IV. CONCLUSION

We proposed an optimization strategy for distribution repair and restoration, while considering the characteristics of switching devices. Switches with constrained operational capabilities, such as SECs and LBSs, require special considerations when modeling network reconfiguration problems. Once repair crews clear some of the faults, switches are operated to restore the cleared area while also isolating the remaining faults. Simulation results showed that the proposed method can effectively and efficiently find the required sequence of switching operations. The resulting switching operations highlight the importance of including the characteristics of the switches, as without them the switching sequence would be inapplicable in practice. The proposed SSOP model can be incorporated in future distribution network studies such as resilience and reliability planning.

APPENDIX A OPTIMAL TOPOLOGY MODEL

The mixed-integer linear programming formulation for the optimal topology problem is detailed below.

$$\min \sum_{\forall i \in \Omega_B} \left((1 - y_i) \rho_i^D \sum_{\forall \varphi} P_{i\varphi}^D \right) + \sum_{\forall k \in \Omega_{SW}} \rho_k^{SW} \gamma_k \quad (\text{A.1})$$

$$(P_{k\varphi})^2 + (Q_{k\varphi})^2 \leq (u_k, p_k)(S_k)^2, \forall k \in \Omega_K, \varphi \quad (\text{A.2})$$

$$0 \leq P_{i\varphi}^G \leq \bar{P}_i^G, \forall i \in \Omega_B, \varphi \quad (\text{A.3})$$

$$0 \leq Q_{i\varphi}^G \leq \bar{Q}_i^G, \forall i \in \Omega_B, \varphi \quad (\text{A.4})$$

$$\sum_{\forall k \in \Omega_{K(i,i)}} P_{k\varphi} + P_{i\varphi}^G = \sum_{\forall k \in \Omega_{K(i,i)}} P_{k\varphi} + P_{i\varphi}^D, \forall i \in \Omega_B, \varphi \quad (\text{A.5})$$

$$\sum_{\forall k \in \Omega_{K(i,i)}} Q_{k\varphi} + Q_{i\varphi}^G = \sum_{\forall k \in \Omega_{K(i,i)}} Q_{k\varphi} + Q_{i\varphi}^D, \forall i \in \Omega_B, \varphi \quad (\text{A.6})$$

$$U_j - U_i + \bar{Z}_k S_k^* + \bar{Z}_k^* S_k \leq (2 - u_k - p_k)M, \forall k \in \Omega_K \quad (\text{A.7})$$

$$U_j - U_i + \bar{Z}_k S_k^* + \bar{Z}_k^* S_k \geq -(2 - u_k - p_k)M, \forall k \in \Omega_K \quad (\text{A.8})$$

$$\mathcal{X}_i \underline{U} \leq U_{i\varphi} \leq \mathcal{X}_i \bar{U}, \forall i \in \Omega_B, \varphi \quad (\text{A.9})$$

$$2u_k \geq \mathcal{X}_i + \mathcal{X}_j, \forall k(i, j) \in \Omega_F \quad (\text{A.10})$$

$$\mathcal{X}_i \geq y_i, \forall i \in \Omega_B \quad (\text{A.11})$$

$$u_k = 1, \forall k \in \Omega_K \setminus \{\Omega_{SW} \cup \Omega_F\} \quad (\text{A.12})$$

$$u_k = \Gamma_k^0, \forall k \in \Omega_{FS} \quad (\text{A.13})$$

$$\gamma_k \geq u_k - \Gamma_k^0, \forall k \in \Omega_{SW} \quad (\text{A.14})$$

$$\gamma_k \geq \Gamma_k^0 - u_k, \forall k \in \Omega_{SW} \quad (\text{A.15})$$

The first term in objective (A.1) minimizes the cost of load shedding, while the second term minimizes the cost of operating the switches. The limits on the line-flow constraints in (A.2) is multiplied by u_k so that if a line is damaged or a switch is opened, there will be no power flowing on it. If line $k(i, j)$ connecting buses i and j is two-phase (e.g., phases a and b), then power can only flow on these two phases, which is realized by including $p_{k\varphi}$. Constraint (A.2) is linearized using the circular constraint linearization method presented in [16]. Constraints (A.3) and (A.4) represent the active and reactive power limits for the generators/substations, respectively. The power balance constraints are formulated in (A.5) and (A.6). We adapt the formulation in [20] to model the unbalanced power flow equations. Constraints (A.7)–(A.8) represent Kirchhoff's voltage law (KVL), where U_i is a vector representing the three-phase voltages ($[|V_i^a|^2, |V_i^b|^2, |V_i^c|^2]^T$), and \bar{Z}_k is the impedance of line k multiplied by a phase shift matrix [20]. The big M method is used to decouple the voltages between lines that are disconnected or damaged in (A.7) and (A.8). Constraint (A.9) ensures that the voltage is within a specified limit, and 0 if the bus is in an outage area. Constraint (A.10) sets the values of \mathcal{X}_i and \mathcal{X}_j to 0 if line k is damaged. Constraint (A.11) states that if bus i is de-energized, then the load must be shed. Constraint (A.12) defines the default status of the lines that are not damaged or not switchable and constraint (A.13) sets the status of the fuses. Constraint (A.14)–(A.15) determine the switching operation status (γ_k). In addition to the above constraints, we impose radiality using the formulation in [21].

APPENDIX B REPAIR CREW ROUTING MODEL

In RCRP, crews are dispatched to the distribution system in order to repair the damaged components. A crew's path is determined by the variable \hat{x}_{ijc} , $i \in \hat{\Omega}_{DB}$, $j \in \hat{\Omega}_{DB}$, where $\hat{x}_{ijc} = 1$ if crew c travels from bus block i to j . Once a crew reaches a bus block, it is assigned to the damaged components

711 inside the bus blocks using $\mathcal{W}_{kc}, k \in \Omega_{F(i)}$, where $\Omega_{F(i)}$ is
 712 the set of damaged lines in bus block i . The RCRP model is
 713 formulated below:

$$\min \sum_{\forall i \in \Omega_{BL}} \left((1 - y_i) \rho_i^D \sum_{\forall \varphi} \tilde{F}_{i\varphi}^D + \rho_{ji}^T \sum_{\forall j \in \Omega_{BL}} \sum_{\forall c} tr_{ji} \hat{x}_{jic} \right) \quad (\text{B.1})$$

$$\sum_{\forall i \in \hat{\Omega}_{DB}} \sum_{\forall c} \hat{x}_{ijc} \geq 1, \forall j \in \Omega_{DB} \quad (\text{B.2})$$

$$\sum_{\forall i \in \hat{\Omega}_{DB}} \hat{x}_{0ic} = 1, \forall c \quad (\text{B.3})$$

$$\sum_{\forall i \in \hat{\Omega}_{DB}} \hat{x}_{i0c} = 1, \forall c \quad (\text{B.4})$$

$$\sum_{\forall j \in \Omega_{DB} \setminus \{i\}} \hat{x}_{ijc} - \sum_{\forall j \in \hat{\Omega}_{DB} \setminus \{i\}} \hat{x}_{jic} = 0, \forall c, i \in \Omega_{DB} \quad (\text{B.5})$$

$$\sum_{\forall c} \mathcal{W}_{kc} = 1, \forall i \in \Omega_{DB}, k \in \Omega_{F(i)} \quad (\text{B.6})$$

$$\sum_{\forall k \in \Omega_{F(i)}} \mathcal{W}_{kc} \leq |\Omega_{F(i)}| \sum_{\forall j \in \Omega_{DB}} \hat{x}_{ijc}, \forall i \in \Omega_{DB}, c \quad (\text{B.7})$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \hat{\alpha}_{ic} + \sum_{\forall k \in \Omega_{F(i)}} ET_{kc} \mathcal{W}_{kc} + tr_{ij} - (1 - \hat{x}_{ijc}) M \\ & \leq \hat{\alpha}_{jc}, \forall i \in \hat{\Omega}_{DB}, j \in \Omega_{DB}, i \neq j, c \end{aligned} \quad (\text{B.8})$$

$$\mathcal{R}_i \geq \hat{\alpha}_{ic} + \sum_{\forall k \in \Omega_{F(i)}} ET_{kc} \mathcal{W}_{kc}, \forall i \in \Omega_{DB}, c \quad (\text{B.9})$$

$$t(1 - x_{it}^F) + Mx_{it}^F \geq \mathcal{R}_i, \forall i \in \Omega_{DB}, t \quad (\text{B.10})$$

$$u_{kt} = (1 - x_{it}^F), \forall k \in \Omega_{MF}, i \in \Omega_{DB(k)}, t \quad (\text{B.11})$$

$$u_{k0} = \Gamma_k^F, \forall k \in \Omega_{SW} \quad (\text{B.12})$$

$$-(1 - u_{kt}) \leq x_{it}^F - x_{jt}^F \leq (1 - u_{kt}), \forall k(i, j) \in \Omega_{SW}, t \quad (\text{B.13})$$

$$y_{it} \leq 1 - x_{it}^F, \forall i \in \Omega_{BL}, t \quad (\text{B.14})$$

$$0 \leq P_{i\varphi t}^G \leq \bar{P}^G, \forall i \in \Omega_{BL}, \varphi, t \quad (\text{B.15})$$

$$-\bar{Q}^G \leq Q_{i\varphi t}^G \leq \bar{Q}^G, \forall i \in \Omega_{BL}, \varphi, t \quad (\text{B.16})$$

$$P_{i\varphi t}^G + \sum_{\forall k \in K(.,i)} P_{k\varphi t} = y_{it} \tilde{P}_{i\varphi}^D + \sum_{\forall k \in K(i,.)} P_{k\varphi t}, \forall i \in \Omega_{BL}, \varphi, t \quad (\text{B.17})$$

$$Q_{i\varphi t}^G + \sum_{\forall k \in K(.,i)} Q_{k\varphi t} = y_{it} \tilde{Q}_{i\varphi}^D + \sum_{\forall k \in K(i,.)} Q_{k\varphi t}, \forall i \in \Omega_{BL}, \varphi, t \quad (\text{B.18})$$

$$P_{k\varphi t}^2 + Q_{k\varphi t}^2 \leq u_{kt} p_{k\varphi} \bar{S}_k^2, \forall k \in \Omega_{SW}, \varphi, t \quad (\text{B.19})$$

714 The first and second terms in (B.1) minimize load shedding
 715 and the distance traveled by the crews, respectively. Constraint
 716 (B.2) indicates that each damaged bus block must be visited by

at least one crew. Constraints (B.3)–(B.4) define the starting and
 ending locations for the repair crews. Equation (B.5) represents
 the path-flow constraint for the routing problem.

Each damaged component is assigned to one crew in con-
 straint (B.6). For $k \in \Omega_{F(i)}$, crew c is assigned to damaged
 component k only if the crew visits bus block i , this is enforced
 by (B.7). Constraint (B.8) defines the arrival time of each crew
 at the damaged bus blocks, such that $\hat{\alpha}_{jc}$ equals the sum of $\hat{\alpha}_{ic}$,
 travel time between i and j , and the time spent at the bus block.
 Constraint (B.9) defines the time when the bus block is repaired.
 A bus block is repaired once all damaged components in the
 area are repaired. The value of x_{it}^F (damage state) is determined
 in (B.10), where $x_{it}^F = 0$ for $t \geq \mathcal{R}_i$. For a bus block that is
 connected to a melted fuse, the last crew to leave the bus block
 will replace the fuse. The statuses of fuses are determined by
 (B.11), where $i \in \Omega_{DB(k)}$ is the bus block protected by fuse k .
 Constraint (B.12) defines the initial state of the switches, where
 the initial state of RCRP is the final state of OTP (Γ_k^F). Constraint
 (B.13) models the propagation of faults between connected bus
 blocks. Constraint (B.14) states that a faulted bus block cannot
 be served. The combination of (B.13) and (B.14) ensures that
 the faults must be isolated to serve the loads. The active and
 reactive power generation limits are given in (B.15) and (B.16),
 respectively. The power balance constraints are given in (B.17)
 and (B.18). Constraint (B.19) models the line thermal limit. In
 addition, radiality is enforced using the spanning tree constraints
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