SEISMIC VULNERABILITY ASSESSMENT OF SUBSTATIONS AND POWER TRANSMISSION NETWORK

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COMPLEX SYSTEM

"As complexity rises, precise statements lose meaning and meaningful statements lose precision."

LOTFI ZADEH





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Klir and Yuan (1995)

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Source of figure: <u>http://www.dpandl.com/education/electricity-information/how-electricity-gets-</u> to-you/

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Seismicity of Canada







Figure taken from

http://www.bchydro.com/energy in bc/projects/substation.html





Multi-fidelity pipe vulnerability assessment



Cornell University Test Setup





High-fidelity Model

Dey, S., **Chakraborty**, S. and Tesfamariam, S. 2020. Structural performance of buried pipeline undergoing strike-slip fault rupture in 3D using a non-linear sand model. *Soil Dynamics and Earthquake Engineering*, 135, 106180.



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Regional seismic vulnerability assessment of pipelines





Motivation

Losses during Northridge EQ, 1994

- Power disruption lasted about 3 hours (max)
- Direct economic losses \$138 million to Los Angeles department of water and power



Motivation

 A key component of substations is the transformer (60% of the total investment)

• Methods that enable large transformer vulnerability assessment in a practical and rigorous way are scarce

• Study proposes risk assessment using BBN which combines most of the critical failure modes



Transformer failure





TOPOLOGICAL VULNERABILITY ASSESSMENT OF POWER TRANSMISSION NETWORK

Buriticá Cortés, J.A., Sánchez-Silva, M. and Tesfamariam, S., 2015. A hierarchy-based approach to seismic vulnerability assessment of bulk power systems. Structure and Infrastructure Engineering, 11(10), pp.1352-1368.

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Topological importance: Hierarchical representation

• The use of recursive clustering is proposed to: detect Communities and Communities of communities until the network consists of a single unit.









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Electrical importance: Drop in net-ability

• Net-ability is a capacity measure of power flow in a power network. The drop in net-ability constitutes the relative electrical importance:

where

- K(j) = drop in net-ability
- A = global electrical efficiency (net-ability)
- A(j) = efficiency after the removal of element j
- NG = number of generation nodes
- ND = number of transmission and load nodes
- C_{ij} = power transmission capability
- Z_{ij} = equivalent impedance

$$K(j) = rac{A - A(j)}{A}$$

$$A = \frac{1}{N_G N_D} \sum_{i \in G} \sum_{j \in D} \frac{C_{ij}}{Z_{ij}}$$



Electrical importance: Drop in net-ability









scenario shake map - PGA at grid









Vulnerability





Prioritization



BAYESIAN BELIEF NETWORK (BBN)

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Bayesian belief network

BBN is an acyclic directed graph composed by:

• A set of nodes (i.e., variables), with a finite set of states

• A set of directed edges between nodes, that represent probability relations



Design consideration and deterioration



Variable	Variable A ₂	Variable B ₃		
A ₁		Probability		
		L	Μ	н
L	L	$P(B_3=L A_1=L, A_2=L)$	$P(B_3=M A_1=L, A_2=L)$	$P(B_3=H A_1=L, A_2=L)$
Н	М	$P(B_3=L A_1=H,A_2=M)$	$P(B_3=M A_1=H, A_2=M)$	$P(B_3=H A_1=H, A_2=M)$
Н	Н	$P(B_3=L A_1=H,A_2=H)$	$P(B_3=M A_1=H, A_2=H)$	$P(B_3=H A_1=H, A_2=H)$

Conditional probability table (CPT)



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Bayesian belief network

Employs Bayes' theorem:

$$P(H_{J}|E) = \frac{P(E|H_{j}) \times P(H_{j})}{\sum_{i=1}^{n} P(E|H_{I}) \times P(H_{i})}$$

• H is a hypothesis, E is evidence and P() are probabilities





Tesfamariam, S., Bastidas-Arteaga, E. and Lounis, Z. 2018. Seismic retrofit screening of existing highway bridges with consideration of chloride-induced deterioration: A Bayesian belief network model. *Frontiers in Built Environment: Bridge Engineering*, 4(67), 1-11, doi: 10.3389/fbuil.2018.00067.

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Franchin, P., Lupoi, A., Noto, F., and Tesfamariam, S. 2016. Seismic fragility of reinforced concrete girder bridges using Bayesian belief network. *Earthquake Engineering & Structural Dynamics*, 45(1), 29–44.









BBN FOR SUBSTATION VULNERABILITY ASSESSMENT

Siraj, T., Tesfamariam, S. and Duenas-Osorio, L. 2015. Seismic risk assessment of high-voltage transformers using Bayesian belief networks. *Journal of Structure and Infrastructure Engineering*, 11(7), 929-943.

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Causes	Effects
 Seismic vibration Soil instability Rocking response Interaction coming from conductors 	-Foundation failure -Anchorage failure -Component failure





Foundation failure Source : ASCE (1999)

Anchorage failure Source : Markis and Black (2001)

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Motivation

Component failure

- Radiator failure
- Internal parts malfunctioning
- Conservator failure
- Lightning arrester and tertiary bushing failure
- Porcelain bushing failure, etc.





Component failure: Broken transformer bushing Source: Christchurch EQ damage report



Component failure: Damaged tertiary bushing

Source: ASCE (1999)





Component failure: Conservator support failure



Component failure: Damaged control cables of a transformer

Source: ASCE (1999)



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Proposed framework







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Ground motion intensity measure





Liquefaction







Interaction coming from conductors (IC)

Required conductor length



Existing conductor length





Interaction coming from conductors (IC)





Interaction coming from conductors (IC)

Conditional probability table

(EC, RC)	Conductor failure (Unlikely, Likely, Very likely)
(VL ₁₋₁₅₀ , VL ₁₋₁₅₀)	(80, 20, 0)
•	•
(M ₃₀₀₋₄₅₀ , L ₁₅₀₋₃₀₀)	(80, 15, 5)
(VH ₇₀₀₋₁₀₀₀ , H ₄₅₀₋₇₀₀)	(75, 20, 5)





Rocking response of transformer (RT)



Boundaries of rest, slide, and rock modes, for H/B=2 (based on Shenton (1996))



Rocking response of transformer (RT)





Vulnerability of transformer







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Sensitivity analysis

Node	Normalized percent contribution
Site to fault distance, d	67.00%
Earthquake magnitude, M _w	16.12%
Soil type, S _T	15.12%
Existing conductor length, ECL	0.76%
Total vertical overburden pressure, σ_{vo}	0.44%
CPT tip resistance, q_c	0.24%
Anchorage	0.22%
Width to height ratio of transformer, B/H	0.11%
Average grain size, D ₅₀	0.007%





- ---- Liu et al. (2003), transformer (500kV)
- • Shinozuka et al. (2007), transformer (not enhanced)
- •••••• Eidinger and Ostrom (1994), 165-350kV transformer (unanchored)
- Eidinger and Ostrom (1994), 500kV and higher transformer (unanchored)
- O Obseved probability of failure based on Anagnos (1999) damage data
- BBN based framework



- --- Shinozuka et al. (2007), transformer (50% enhancement)
- • Shinozuka et al. (2007), transformer (100% enhancement)
- •••••• Eidinger and Ostrom (1994), 165-350kV transformer (anchored)
- Eidinger and Ostrom (1994), 500kV and higher transformer (anchored)
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PARADOX OF RISK MANAGEMENT

"You always got to be prepared, but you never know for what."





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