

Impact of the wind and solar energy insertion into the electrical network

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Abstract

A lot of attention is being paid to wind and solar energy due to the focus on renewable energy. Wind and solar resources in Algeria vary from one location to another. Wind speed and solar energy are better in terms of electricity generation, but there are many difficulties in ensuring higher quality power into the grid. In this paper, it propose an importance a study use the renewable energy insertion in the western Algerian network2012 and we will try to see the impact of this insertion to reduce the power losses in order to reduce the production of the slack bus. The choice of this study is justified by simulation in POWER WORLD.

Keywords

Wind energy; Solar; Algerian network 2012; POWER WORLD; Better sit; Power flow; Slack bus; Active losses

Introduction

Wind and solar energy have attracted world-wide attention due to the shrinkage and soaring prices of fossil fuels. With no dependency on fossil fuels and environmental

friendliness, wind and solar energy are playing a major role as an attractive alternative source of energy. Wind and solar energy are considered as most suitable alternative source due to its mature and clean aspects. Wind and solar energy are the most promising and in fact world's largest renewable energy resource among the world [1].

Thermal solar is the most common in the field of renewable energy; it sees an efficiency and sustainability of such power plant. Many concentrators, each of which have been proposed and studied recently, can be broadly categorized as reflective units and refractive units. These can also be cylindrical to focus on a line, or circular to focus on a point [2].

The emergent pace of wind and solar energy projects in various countries around the world has put wind and solar energy at the forefront of the energy destiny. Among the various renewable energy resources, wind and solar power is assumed to have the most favourable technical and economic prospects [3].

Algeria in particular and the countries of Maghreb have an elevated solar potential. The rates of solar irradiation done by satellites by the German space agency (DLR), show levels of sunshine exceptional of the order of 1200 kWh/m²/year in the North of the Big Sahara [4], this countries taking steps to develop large-scale wind and solar markets.

West Algeria has good wind and solar conditions which offer the possibility to greatly extend its current wind and solar utilization.

This work described a study of the impact of the insertion of renewable energy in the Algerian western network 2012, 220Kv. The principal goal was to achieve improved quality of voltage and decreases the power losses by the insertion of wind and solar power with the use of a powerful tool for simulation which is Power world.

Material and method

Model of the wind turbine

Wind speed v , applied to the blades of the wind turbine, involve its setting in rotation and creates a mechanical power on the turbine shaft, noted P_t and expressing by [5-7].

$$P_t = 1/2 \times C_p(\lambda, \beta) \times \rho \times S \times v^3 \quad (1)$$

where λ is defined by:

$$\lambda = (\Omega_t \times R) / v \quad (2)$$

with λ : tip speed ratio representing the relationship between the linear velocity at the end of the blades of the turbine and the speed of the wind; ρ : density of the air (roughly $1,225 \text{ kg/m}^3$ with the atmospheric pressure at 15°C); S : the circular surface swept by the turbine, the ray of the circle described being defined by the length of a blade; Ω_t : rotor speed, R : the rotor-plane radius;

The power coefficient C_p represents the aerodynamic output of the wind turbine and also depends on the characteristic of the turbine. This coefficient presents a theoretical limit, called limit of Betz, equal to 0.593 and which is never reached in practice.

In this paper, it will use an approximate expression of the coefficient of power according to relative speed λ and of the pitch angle β whose expression originates [8-10].

$$C_p(\lambda, \beta) = 0.0174(\beta - 2) \sin((\pi(\lambda + 0.1)) / (14.34 - 0.3(\beta - 2))) \quad (3)$$

Knowing the number of revolutions of the turbine, the torque C_t available on the slow tree of the turbine can thus be expressed by [11]:

$$C_t = P_t / \Omega_t = ((1/2) C_p(\lambda, \beta) \rho S v^3) / ((\lambda v) / R) = (1 / (2\lambda)) C_p(\lambda, \beta) \rho \pi R^3 v^2 \quad (4)$$

Model of the solar power

Solar radiation is a high-temperature and high energy source that may be exploited by using concentrating solar systems which transform solar energy into another type of energy (usually thermal). Solar concentrating systems are classified by their focus geometry as either point-focus concentrators (central receiver systems and parabolic dishes) or line-focus concentrators (parabolic- trough collectors (PTCs) and linear Fresnel collectors) [12].

Concentrator solar power consists of three types of technology: power tower, parabolic trough, and parabolic dish shown in Figure 1. It focused on the power tower and parabolic trough technologies, both of which are now capable of being developed as large-scale power generating facilities (troughs > 100MW and towers > 15MW) [13,14].

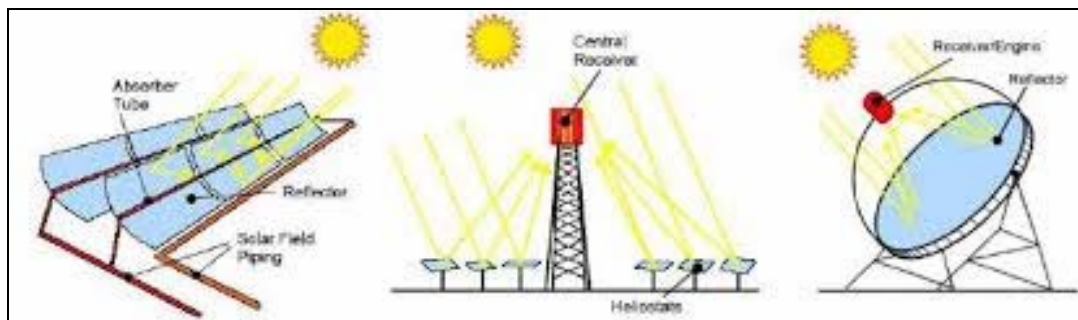


Figure 1. Dishes, towers, troughs and fresnel linear

Solar fields using trough systems capture the sun’s energy using large mirrors shaped like a parabola, or a giant “U,” that are connected together in long lines that track the sun’s movement throughout the day. When the sun’s heat is reflected off the mirror, the curved shape sends most of that reflected heat onto a receiver pipe that is filled with a specialized heat transfer fluid. The thermal energy from the heated fluid generates steam and electricity in a conventional steam turbine. Once the fluid transfers its heat, it is recirculated into the system for reuse. The steam is also cooled, condensed, and reused. Heated fluid in trough systems can also provide heat to thermal storage systems, which can be used to generate electricity at times when the sun is not shining Figure 2 [15-18].

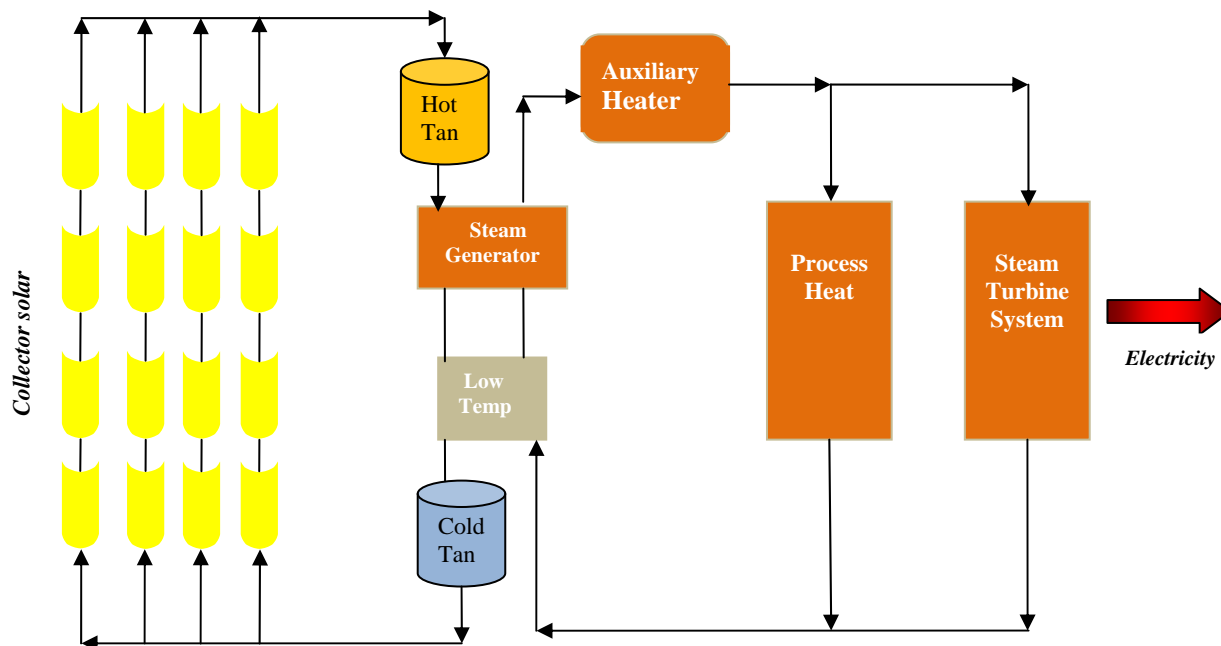


Figure 2. Plant Description

Algerian wind potential

12 identified zones (3 coastal, 4 in the central area and 5 in the south), set out again on

a total surface of 906 200 km² in a twenty Wilaya.

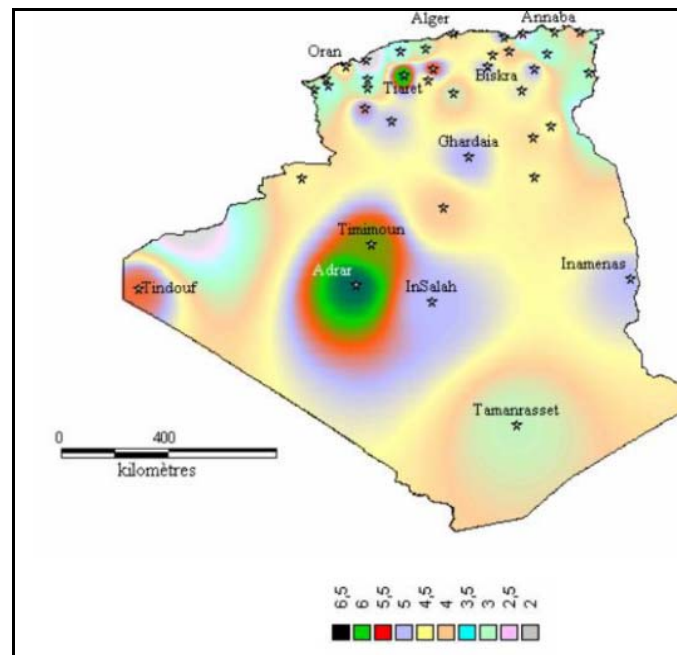


Figure 3. The area windy in Algeria

For establishing a wind power turbine, a site should be chosen where the speed of the wind would provide the necessary energy; thus there should be made speed measurements of the wind in several sites. Figure 4 show an example of the areas which have been windy in Algeria according to the satellite data of the Laboratory of Wind energy CDER in 2011 [19].

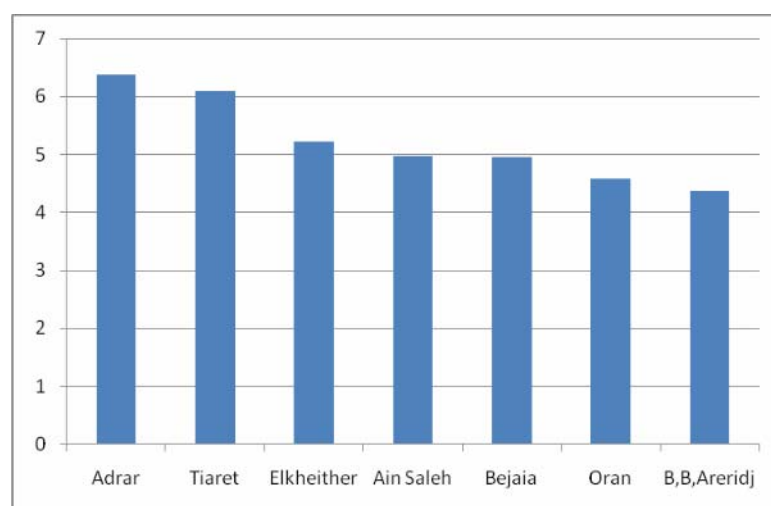


Figure 4. Comparison between the average speeds of windy sites

Algerian solar potential

By its geographical situation, Algeria has huge solar potential especially in the south. Sunshine duration on almost all the national territory exceeds 2,000 hours annually and can reach 3900 hours [20,21].

Application

The principal goal of this article was presented by a test to formulate a model of the western network Algerian 2012 in power world.

In this model, all the power stations used in this area for the production of electrical energy were included, as well as simulations were illustrated by the use of one of the most recent software Power World. This last was applied for such systems complicated without any failure or instability in simulation.

Power world is a very convivial tool for the users of computing and planning system for power systems, for their dynamic simulation.

The network represented by the figure (6) includes:

- 21 bus;
- 05 production bus;
- 02 compensation bus;
- 15 consummation bus;
- 31 lines.

The calculation of the power flow is a stage necessary to be able to compare our results. It is performed first for the determination of the initial conditions of the system before the insertion of the renewable energy. Indeed, it makes it possible to find the voltages in the different nodes and subsequently transmitted powers injected and losses.

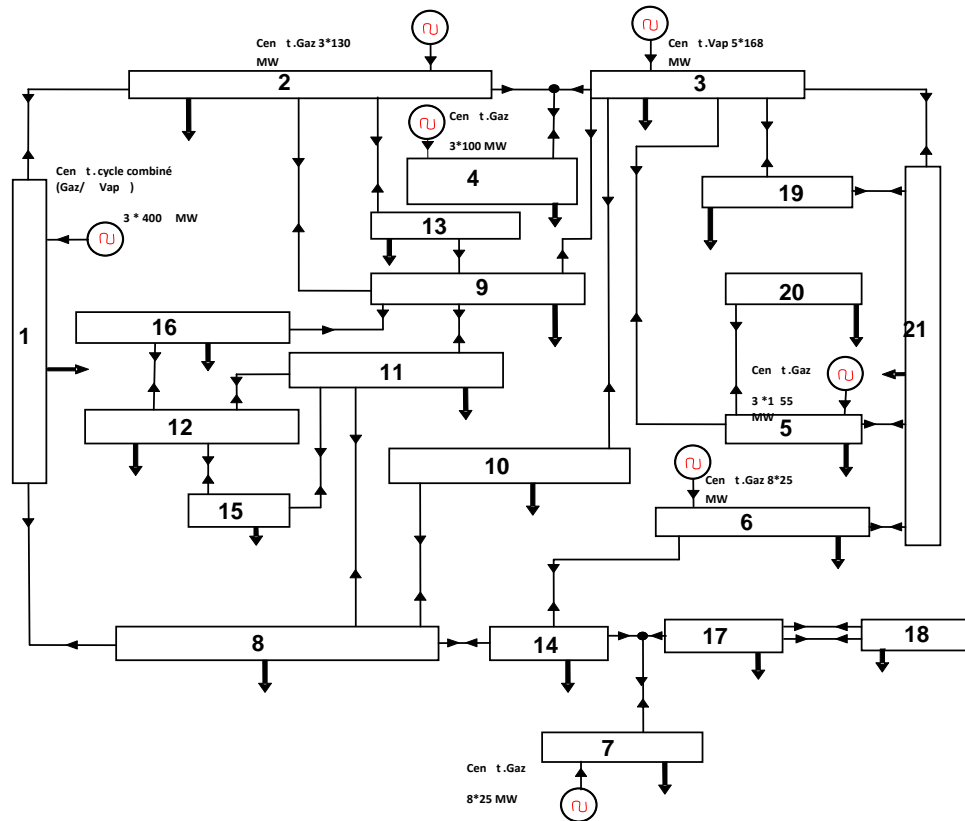


Figure 6. West-Algerian network (2012)

Results and Discussion

Problematic of the network West-Algeria

According to the results of the power flow proceeding as indicated in Table 1 and 2, we can conclude that this network contains two problems, the first it is the power transit especially in the longest lines such as Bechar-Naama and Naama- Saida, the second problem it is the greatest quantity of the active losses. Then it is necessary to solve this problem using the renewable energy. Then we must insert a wind and solar power in the network West-Algeria, but when we will install this device? Which are the parameters of adjustment of this device?

Table 1. Power flow of the western Algerian network

Bus N°	Voltage (pu)	Voltage (Kv)	Angle (Deg)	Load (MW)	Load (Mvar)	Gen (MW)	Gen (Mvar)
1	1	220	0	0	0	193.92	-3.88
2	1	220	0.94	27.47	12.82	328	19.63
3	1	220	0.42	0	0	290	21.31
4	1	220	0.49	0	0	0	-0.78
5	1	220	-3.57	127	0	120	55.1
6	1	220	-2.24	122.31	65.18	212	72.21
7	1	220.001	-7.83	0	0	0	49.02
8	0.9973	219.405	-0.95	0	0	0	0
9	0.9921	218.25	-0.05	51	16	0	0
10	0.9913	218.088	-1.25	93.85	43.83	0	0
11	0.977	214.934	-2.28	77.33	32.89	0	0
12	0.9714	213.702	-2.67	10	5	0	0
13	0.9962	219.169	0.49	37.66	17.58	0	0
14	0.9963	219.18	-4.17	120	6	0	0
15	0.9741	214.297	-2.52	0	0	0	0
16	0.9656	212.436	-2.96	93.38	46.85	0	0
17	0.9996	219.906	-7.85	51.67	44.84	0	0
18	0.9865	217.022	-10.67	20.64	8.73	0	0
19	0.987	217.147	-1.45	61.78	18.9	0	0
20	0.9851	216.719	-4.8	40.16	18.74	0	0
21	0.9794	215.465	-4.32	197	37.7	0	0
TOTAL				1131.3	375.06	1143.9	212.61

Table 2. Power flow in the western Algerian network

From Number	To Number	Pflow (MW)	Qflow (Mvar)	Ploss (MW)	Qloss (Mvar)
2	1	82.6	-21.1	0.12	-27.26
8	1	-276	-32.5	0.46	-30.21
2	3	3.7	-1	0	-1.92
2	4	34.5	-9.3	0.07	-1.41
9	2	-97.3	-18.2	0.46	0.41
13	2	-81.8	-20.4	0.15	-0.69
3	4	-34.5	8.5	0.01	-0.22
3	5	80.4	-17.3	1.39	5.29
3	9	28.6	14.4	0.09	-4.73
3	10	45.7	0.3	0.34	-3.59
3	19	103.2	14.6	0.88	1.05
3	21	70.2	1.7	1.45	3.28

Table 2. (continuation)

From Number	To Number	Pflow (MW)	Qflow (Mvar)	Ploss (MW)	Qloss (Mvar)
20	5	-40.2	-18.7	0.24	-3.03
5	21	31.6	16.8	0.41	-4.02
6	14	32.2	-7.8	0.27	-6.8
6	21	57.5	14.8	0.6	-2.68
7	14	-36.3	6.4	0.6	-10.09
17	7	-36.3	-42.7	0.01	-0.03
10	8	-48.5	-39.9	0.1	-6.61
11	8	-63.2	-37.7	0.47	-3.59
8	14	163.7	-35	1.88	-9.23
9	11	41.1	-1.8	0.57	-5.99
13	9	44.2	2.8	0.15	-1.36
9	16	77.7	27.3	0.61	-3.23
11	12	15.9	6.3	0.04	-3.22
15	11	-10.5	-5.7	0.01	-3
12	15	-10.5	-7.7	0.01	-2.03
16	12	-16.3	-16.3	0.02	-4.01
14	17	36.9	-16.2	0.6	-10.16
17	18	20.9	-8.2	0.26	-16.96
19	21	40.6	-5.4	0.42	-6.39
TOTAL				12.69	-162.4

The emplacement of the devices

The emplacement of the wind and solar power are conditioned by two criteria first is internal related to the problems of this network, and the second related to the climatic condition of the area where we go installed this device.

According to the study of the power flow of the western network Algerian 2012 without the insertion of the renewable energy and as the study of the areas been solar and windy in Algeria, we can say as the ideal site of those devices are on the level of the area of Tiaret or the speed of the wind to reach 6.78 m/s during the month April 2011, and also Naama, for the solar power the ideal site is in Bechar as shown in Figure 7.

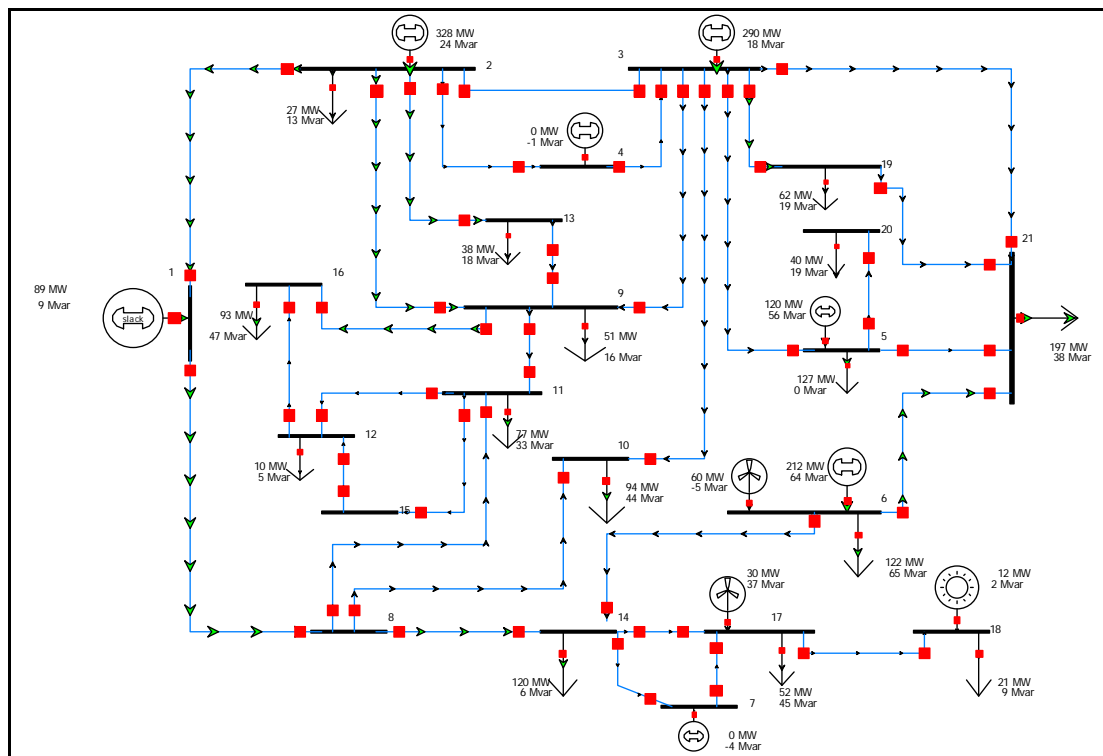


Figure 7. West-Algeria (2012) network with renewable energy

The calculation of the power flow of the system with insertion of devices in the sites chosen, the results obtained are in Table 3 and 4.

Table 3. Power flow of the western Algerian network (2012) with insertion of the renewable energy

Bus N°	Voltage (pu)	Voltage (Kv)	Angle (Deg)	Load (MW)	Load (Mvar)	Gen (MW)	Gen (Mvar)
1	1	220	0	0	0	89.44	8.67
2	1	220	1.26	27.47	12.82	328	24.13
3	1	220	1	0	0	290	18.36
4	1	220	1.04	0	0	0	-0.92
5	1	220	-2.43	127	0	120	56.06
6	1	220	0.84	122.31	65.18	272	59.31
7	1	220	-4.12	0	0	0	-3.92
8	1.00	219.37	-0.68	0	0	0	0
9	0.99	218.25	0.33	51	16	0	0
10	0.99	218.04	-0.93	93.85	43.83	0	0
11	0.98	214.9	-1.97	77.33	32.89	0	0
12	0.97	213.68	-2.34	10	5	0	0
13	1.00	219.16	0.82	37.66	17.58	0	0

Table 3. (continuation)

Bus N°	Voltage (pu)	Voltage (Kv)	Angle (Deg)	Load (MW)	Load (Mvar)	Gen (MW)	Gen (Mvar)
14	1.00	219.21	-2.57	120	6	0	0
15	0.97	214.27	-2.2	0	0	0	0
16	0.97	212.42	-2.62	93.38	46.85	0	0
17	1.00	220	-4.13	51.67	44.84	30	37.42
18	1.00	220	-5.37	20.64	8.73	12	1.87
19	0.99	217.25	-0.65	61.78	18.9	0	0
20	0.99	216.72	-3.66	40.16	18.74	0	0
21	0.98	215.58	-2.73	197	37.7	0	0
				1131.25	375.1	1141.4	200.98

Table 4. Transit of power in the western Algerian network (2012) with insertion of the renewable energy

From Number	To Number	Pflow (MW)	Qflow (Mvar)	Ploss (MW)	Qloss (Mvar)
2	1	110.4	-23.1	0.22	-26.19
8	1	-199.4	-44.1	0.24	-32.37
2	3	1.8	-1	0	-1.94
2	4	17	-5.1	0.02	-1.62
9	2	-91.9	-19.7	0.41	0.23
13	2	-78.8	-21.3	0.14	-0.73
3	4	-17	4.1	0	-0.25
3	5	69.1	-15.2	1.03	3.85
3	9	38.9	12	0.14	-4.53
3	19	92.2	15.6	0.71	0.36
3	21	56	3.7	0.93	1.21
20	5	-40.2	-18.7	0.24	-3.03
5	21	20.7	21.3	0.29	-4.25
6	14	56.2	-12.7	0.82	-4.58
6	21	93.5	6.9	1.48	0.82
7	14	-15.2	0	0.11	-12.04
17	7	-15.2	3.8	0	-0.06
10	8	-41.7	-41.5	0.08	-6.67
11	8	-61.3	-38.1	0.45	-3.68
8	14	95.8	-25.1	0.65	-15.23
9	11	42.2	-2	0.6	-5.9
13	9	41.2	3.8	0.13	-1.42
9	16	78.5	27.3	0.62	-3.14
11	12	15.4	6.4	0.04	-3.22
15	11	-10.1	-5.7	0.01	-3

Table 4. (continuation)

From Number	To Number	Pflow (MW)	Qflow (Mvar)	Ploss (MW)	Qloss (Mvar)
12	15	-10.1	-7.8	0.01	-2.03
16	12	-15.5	-16.4	0.02	-4.02
14	17	15.3	-12	0.11	-12.11
17	18	8.7	-11.2	0.05	-18.05
19	21	29.7	-3.6	0.23	-7.34
				10.22	-174.09

According to the results obtained in Table 5, total losses of the system decreased by 12.69 MW to 10.22 MW, resulting in a profit of 2.47 MW. This reduction is obtained thanks to the site of devices wind and solar in the buses 6, 17 and 18.

Table 5. Results comparison

Results	Without renewable energy	With renewable energy	Better emplacement
Active losses [MW]	12.69	10.22	Wind (Tiaret, Naam) Solar (Bechar)
Production of Slak bus [WM]	193.92	89.44	Wind (Tiaret, Naam) Solar (Bechar)

In addition, it is noticed that the production of slack bus is reduce from 193.92 MW to 89.44 MW, we can won 104.48 MW from the fossil production and equilibrium by the use of the renewable energy.

This work was devoted to the integration of wind and solar, the application of the proposed approach on the real network (the west-Algerian network 2012) yields better results. The results obtained show that the wind and solar can play a very important part in the field of the reduction of the active losses in the electric lines and to decrease the production of slack bus

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