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Primary Frequency Controller with Prediction-Based Droop Coefficient for Wind-Storage Systems under Spot Market Rules

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Abstract: Increasing penetration levels of asynchronous wind turbine generators (WTG) reduce the ability of the power system to maintain adequate frequency responses. WTG with the installation of battery energy storage systems (BESS) as wind-storage systems (WSS), not only reduce the intermittency but also provide a frequency response. Meanwhile, many studies indicate that using the dynamic droop coefficient of WSS in primary frequency control (PFC) based on the prediction values, is an effective way to enable the performance of WSS similar to conventional synchronous generators. This paper proposes a PFC for WSS with a prediction-based droop coefficient (PDC) according to the re-bid process under real-time spot market rules. Specifically, WSS update the values of the reference power and droop coefficient discretely at every bidding interval using near-term wind power and frequency prediction, which enables WSS to be more dispatchable in the view of transmission system operators (TSOs). Also, the accurate prediction method in the proposed PDC-PFC achieves the optimal arrangement of power from WTG and BESS in PFC. Finally, promising simulation results for a hybrid power system show the efficacy of the proposed PDC-PFC for WSS under different operating conditions.

Keywords: primary frequency control; wind storage system; droop coefficient; Kalman filter; spot market

1. Introduction

The use of wind energy has grown rapidly in the past decade, as wind turbine generators (WTG) are fuel-free and emissions-free [1]. Dramatically different from conventional synchronous generators, WTG output relies significantly on random wind speed, and the rotor speed of dominant type WTG is decoupled from the system frequency with no inertial capability [2]. These factors limit the further penetration of WTG in the power system. Also, primary frequency control (PFC) for synchronous generators is inappropriate for WTG. Thus, WTG with PFC abilities have become a topic of interest in the WTG research field.

Initially, WTG had no PFC function, due to the maximum power point tracking (MPPT) operation. Authors such as [3–5] have proposed the concept of virtual inertia, in which kinetic energy stored in the spinning rotor of WTG is released depending on frequency deviations. However, the accessible kinetic energy is limited, and may lead to secondary frequency drops in some cases. On the other



enable WTG to perform better in PFC. For example, the authors in [4] propose a PFC strategy by controlling the generator torque and the pitch angle using the real-time reference values, but without exploring a way to obtain them. Although promising, the de-loaded operation of WTG results in the loss of green energy due to a sub-optimal operation point, and makes it difficult for WTG to avoid unexpected issues in the longer term unless some dramatic steps are taken in this direction.

Realizing these dangers, several grid operators have embarked on storage technologies. For example, large scale energy storage systems (ESS) are being installed in California and a similar proposal has been made by the Australian Energy Market Operator (AEMO) [11]. Meanwhile, ESS have been utilized in PFC for WTG in the research field, such as [12–14]. This research shows that generally, with the support of ESS, wind-storage systems (WSS) become more reliable in PFC, but the large capacity of ESS cannot be avoided as WTG operate on the maximum power point. Thus, to combine the advantages of both sides, de-loaded WTG operation with the assistance of ESS has become the typical way for WSS in load frequency control (LFC), as mentioned in [15,16]. Also, the authors in [17] suggested a PFC method using variable droop coefficients, which reduces the stress on WTG and battery energy storage systems (BESS), especially when wind speed is low. Similarly, variable droop coefficients were applied in [18–20] to enable WSS to undertake the proper frequency regulation responsibility according to their real-time capability. In particular, a dynamic schedule and control strategy for WSS in LFC is proposed in [21], and a simple wind power prediction method is used to improve the frequency regulation performance of WSS. The authors in [22] also mention that short-term forecasting is the key to supporting unit commitment and economic dispatch.

Currently, the best way to dispatch WSS in the PFC has not been agreed upon by transmission system operators (TSOs) worldwide. Whether WSS is dispatch-friendly from the perspective of TSOs has become a major issue, which can be addressed with two improvements.

On the one hand, a proper and accurate prediction method must be selected. In previous research, the models that have been popularly applied to wind power prediction can be classified into three categories: physical models, statistical models and hybrid models. Specifically, physical methods, such as numerical weather prediction (NWP), are appropriate for long-term predictions [23]. Statistical models, including linear models and non-linear models are trained using historical data and usually outperform NWP models in short-term forecasting. Linear models such as auto regressive (AR), autoregressive moving average (ARMA), and autoregressive integrated moving average (ARIMA) are most widely used in [24–26]. Those methods perform well especially in short-term predictions. Furthermore, artificial neutral network (ANN) as a kind of most popular non-linear method in wind power prediction is shown in [27–29]. Typically, the back propagation neural network (BPNN), as shown in [27], is used to approximate the time series method, but is highly reliant on experience. Similarly, [28] proposes a lower upper bound estimation (LUBE) method to overcome the instability of neural network because it gives more freedom and flexibility. Also, [29] develops a forecasting engine wavelet ANN with a stochastic search technique for training the forecasting engine, capturing highly non-linear patterns in the data. Lastly, hybrid models combine different prediction methods. For example, a hybrid multi-model methodology is developed in [30], which combines multiple different machine learning algorithms including ANN, support vector machine (SVM), gradient boosting machine, and random forest, is relevant for different time horizons in short-term predictions. As shown in [31], another hybrid model is proposed for very short-term wind power ensemble forecasting when NWP is unavailable. Additionally, Kalman filter (KF) as a post-processing method can be combined with prediction methods to improve the performance. Weather research and forecasting

with KF are combined as a prediction system in [32] for short-term wind power prediction. In [33], KF is used to support an SVM to improve the accurate of short-term wind speed prediction.

On the other hand, from the perspective of TSOs, taking full advantage of the current electricity market rules is an effective way to make WTG more dispatchable, which prevents WTG with real-time variable droop coefficients. Therefore, to make WSS more dispatchable, a PFC with prediction-based droop coefficient (PDC) for a utility-scale WSS is proposed in this paper. Specifically, the possible WTG output power and the trend of frequency deviations are forecasted, then this evidence is used to update the equivalent droop coefficient (R_{WSS}) of WSS every short time intervals. Various signals such as historical frequency (f^H) , WTG output (P^H_{WTG}) data and real-time system frequency deviations (Δf) , wind speed (v_W) are considered to ensure the WSS provide power output (P_{WSS}) following Δf continuously. Additionally, compared with the control strategy in [21], two improvements are highlighted in PDC-PFC. First of all, WSS are more easily dispatched by the TSO, as the droop coefficients of WSS stay constant in every bidding interval. Meanwhile, KF-AR is selected as an accurate and proper method to make wind power prediction because AR performs well when the weather conditions are stable, especially in very short-term prediction. Also, the state matrix and measurement matrix form of KF are easier to combine with AR. In addition, although AR reflects less characteristics of WTG historical data than ANN, with the support of BESS that drawback can be addressed.

In summary, the rest of the paper is organized as follows: the existing re-bids mechanism in the real-time spot market is introduced in Section 2, and the proposed PDC-PFC for WSS is introduced in Section 3. Section 4 provides the simulation results followed by the conclusions in Section 5.

2. Bidding and Operation Mechanism of WSS under Spot Market Rules

A typical hybrid power system includes thermal generators and WSS, physically connected to the grid and dispatched by the TSO. To guarantee the stability of the system, the TSO dispatches generators according to their bids of supply and supply reserve. Thus, PFC ability is one of the compulsory considerations when the TSO dispatches the renewables.

Generally, the spot market bidding mechanism is very similar in many countries, including Australia's National Electricity Market. The responsibility of the bidding mechanism is to balance the electricity demand and supply by dispatching the generated power through the spot market [34]. In detail, the complete bidding mechanism includes the daily bid process, the re-bid process, and the default bid process [35]. The daily bid process is for both conventional generators and WTG submitting their bids day-ahead. The re-bid process allows generators to update their bids according to the real-time conditions, to match the supply and demand more instantaneously. Normally, generators are allowed to submit their re-bids up until approximately five minutes prior to the TSO without changing the offer price [35]. Authors have noticed that WTG are price-insensitive generators but suffer noticeable errors in the daily bids [36], which can be effectively reduced in the re-bid process. Additionally, the default bid process reduces the prediction period effectively, benefiting the prediction accuracy.

The operation loop of WSS in the re-bid process proposed in this paper is expressed in Figure 1. For example, WSS tend to be dispatched in the operational period between 4:05 p.m. and 4:10 p.m. WSS should submit their re-bids (P_{WSS}^{ref} and R_{WSS}) 5~10 min earlier, and the TSO can re-schedule the generators' bids in the market pool during the scheduling period and decide the generation combinations at 4:05 p.m. Before, WSS also spare 2~3 min as a prediction period to decide the re-bid submission. The time taken from the prediction period to the operation period is defined as the prediction time interval (PTI) and is typically 15 min.



Figure 1. Operation loop of WSS in the re-bid process.

In the existing re-bid process, renewables are still regarded as generators with a lower degree of operation control. In other words, the re-bid process alone does not enable WSS to perform well in the PFC. Therefore, PDC-PFC, as seen in Figure 2 is proposed in this paper, by which WSS always aim at the preferable P_{WSS}^{ref} and R_{WSS} in every bidding interval through the re-bid process, and provide corresponding P_{WSS} , which is the sum of supply power (P_{WSS}^{ref}) and supply reserve power (ΔP_{WSS}).



Figure 2. PDC-PFC for WSS under spot market rules.

3. Primary Frequency Control with Prediction-Based Droop Coefficient for WSS

Dramatically different from conventional generators, R_{WSS} is set by considering specific cases highly related to wind speed, instead of the inherent characteristics. PDC-PFC is utilized to determine the constant bidding power (P_{WSS}^{ref}) and droop coefficient (R_{WSS}) of WSS for every bidding interval, which enables WSS to follow the market commitment and be more dispatchable.

The dynamic model of a typical hybrid power system control area can be summarized as in Figure 3, in which the same type of generators are equivalent to one [37] with parameters as in Appendix A. Specifically, thermal generators contribute system inertia *M* with fixed droop coefficient R_T , and WSS contribute no system inertia with R_{WSS} decided by PDC-PFC. Variables in *s* domain have relationships as in Equations (1)–(5), and the transfer function of Δf and ΔP_L is shown in Equation (6). Furthermore, the rate of change of the frequency (RoCoF), which is irrelevant to R_{WSS} indicates the slope of the frequency drop at the beginning of the load disturbance as in Equation (7), and R_{WSS} can

finally increase the steady state of the frequency value, as in Equation (8). Thus, proper PFC from WSS can mitigate the frequency nadir, after load disturbances.



Figure 3. Dynamic model of a hybrid power system in load frequency control.

$$\Delta P_{WSS}(s) = -\Delta f(s) \cdot \frac{1}{R_{WSS}} \cdot G_{WSS}(s) \tag{1}$$

$$\Delta P_T(s) = -\Delta f(s) \cdot \frac{1}{R_T} \cdot G_T(s)$$
⁽²⁾

$$\Delta P_T(s) + \Delta P_{WSS}(s) - \Delta P_L(s) = \frac{1}{(M \cdot s + D)} \Delta f(s)$$
(3)

$$G_T(s) = \frac{F_{hp} \cdot T_{rh} \cdot s + 1}{(T_g \cdot s + 1)(T_{ch} \cdot s + 1)(T_{rh} \cdot s + 1)}$$
(4)

$$G_{WSS}(s) = \frac{1}{(T_{WSS} \cdot s + 1)} \tag{5}$$

$$\frac{\Delta f(s)}{\Delta P_L(s)} = \frac{-1}{M \cdot s + D + \frac{1}{R_T} \cdot G_T(s) + \frac{1}{R_{WSS}} \cdot G_{WSS}(s)}$$
(6)

$$\frac{df}{dt} = \lim_{s \to \infty} s \cdot s \cdot \text{TF}(s) \cdot \Delta P_L(s) = \frac{-\Delta P_L(s)}{M}$$
(7)

$$\Delta f_{SS} = \lim_{s \to 0} s \cdot \mathrm{TF}(s) \cdot \Delta P_L(s) \frac{-\Delta P_L(s)}{D + \frac{1}{R_T} + \frac{1}{R_{\mathrm{wss}}}}$$
(8)

where, $\Delta P_{WSS}(s)$ and $\Delta P_T(s)$ are frequency response from WSS and thermal generators in PFC; R_{WSS} and R_T are the droop coefficients of WSS and thermal generators; $\Delta P_L(s)$ represents the load disturbance and $\Delta f(s)$ is the system frequency deviation; M and D are equivalent system inertia and damping; $G_{WSS}(s)$ and $G_T(s)$ are transfer functions of WSS and thermal generators; df/dt and Δf_{SS} are RoCoF and steady state of the frequency deviation after PFC.

Obviously, smaller R_{WSS} is beneficial to the frequency stability, but WSS cannot guarantee enough reserved power in real time. PDC-PFC considers the uncertainty of WTG output, the limitation of the BESS capacity, and always decides the proper R_{WSS} for every short-time interval.

Last, the complete PDC-PFC as shown in Figure 2, contains the "Prediction-based R_{WSS} decision block" and "WSS primary frequency control block". In detail, the "KF modified auto regressive (KF-AR) prediction" part is used to forecast the WTG output power and the trend in frequency deviation for the coming WSS operation period, and the " R_{WSS} decision" part decides the de-loaded level and the re-bid parameters for TSOs in KF modified auto regressive prediction. Meanwhile, in the WSS primary frequency control block, the "WTG operation" part and "BESS operation" part execute the control signals from the "Comparison control part" responding to the frequency regulation and wind speed fluctuations by absorbing and releasing power from the WTG and BESS. Generally, the inputs of PDC-PFC include historical frequency (f^H), WTG output power (P^H_{WTG}), real-time wind speed (v_W) from the WTG, frequency deviations (Δf), and the output is P_{WSS} , which is the sum of P_{WSS}^{ref} and ΔP_{WSS} consisting of P_W and P_B .

3.1. Prediction-Based R_{WSS} Decision Block

The Prediction-based R_{WSS} decision block consists of two parts, the Kalman filter modified auto regressive (KF-AR) prediction part and the R_{WSS} decision part, which operate in sequence. According to the time-scale in Figure 1, PTI covers the "WSS prediction period", "TSO scheduling period" and WSS operation period", and a reasonable PTI is defined as 15 min.

3.1.1. KF-AR Prediction Part

Prediction of WTG output power P_W^{KF} is taken as an example to show the process of KF-AR Prediction, which has been fully summarized in Figure 2. First, historical WTG output power P_W^H was collected as training data in Equation (9). The training data of WTG is from real-time recording and local memory without the process of data collection. Meanwhile, a 2~3 min prediction period was reserved for KF-AR prediction, as shown in Figure 1.

Furthermore, the AR model is a kind of a time-series analysis model that is regarded as a forecasting method for short-time intervals (such as 15 min in this paper). The boundary between AR, ARMA and ARIMA is not rigid, and the AR prediction process may use either of those methods. In detail, the historical values must pass the augmented Dickey–Fuller test (ADF = 1), because only stable data can be applied in the time-series analysis model. If P_W^H fails to pass the ADF test (ADF = 0), a differential process is applied. As shown in Equation (10), *p* terms of historical data with coefficients $\varphi(i)$ are used. Specifically, the Akaike information criterion (AIC) and least square method are used to calculate *p* and $\varphi(i)$ respectively. However, AR prediction is normally with some forecast errors, which are further modified by KF as per Equations (11)–(16). In detail, *p* terms of $\varphi(i)$ compose the state transmission matrix *F* as in Equation (11), and the forecasted WTG output $P_W(t+1|t)$ is calculated by Equation (12), which is similar to Equation (10). Last, $P_W(t+1|t)$ is further modified to be $P_W^{KF}(t+1|t+1)$ by Equation (13) as the output.

$$\boldsymbol{P}_{\boldsymbol{W}}^{\boldsymbol{H}} = \begin{bmatrix} P_{\boldsymbol{W}.1}^{\boldsymbol{H}} & \dots & P_{\boldsymbol{W}.k}^{\boldsymbol{H}} & \dots & P_{\boldsymbol{W}.n}^{\boldsymbol{H}} \end{bmatrix}, k \in [1, n]$$
(9)

$$P_{W}^{AR} = \sum_{i=1}^{p} \varphi(i) \cdot P_{W}^{H}(k-i), k \in [1, n], p \le 15$$
(10)

$$\boldsymbol{F} = \begin{bmatrix} \varphi(1) & \dots & \varphi(p) \end{bmatrix}, p \le 15$$
(11)

$$P_{W}(t+1|t) = F \begin{bmatrix} P_{W,n-p}^{H} & \dots & P_{W,n}^{H} \end{bmatrix}^{T}$$
(12)

$$P_{W}^{KF}(t+1|t+1) = P_{W}(t+1|t) + P_{\Delta}$$
(13)

$$P_{\Delta} = K_{g}(t+1) \left[P_{M}(t+1) - H P_{W}(t+1|t) \right]$$
(14)

$$\boldsymbol{K}_{\boldsymbol{g}}(t+1) = \boldsymbol{C}(t+1|t)\boldsymbol{H}^{T} \left[\boldsymbol{H}\boldsymbol{C}(t+1|t)\boldsymbol{H}^{T} + \boldsymbol{R}(t+1)\right]^{-1}$$
(15)

$$\boldsymbol{C}(t+1|t) = \boldsymbol{F}\boldsymbol{C}(t/t)\boldsymbol{F}^{T} + \boldsymbol{Q}(t)$$
(16)

$$C(t+1|t+1) = C(t+1|t) \left[I - K_g(t+1)H \right]$$
(17)

where, P_W^H is a matrix consisting of recorded WTG output power $P_{W,k}^H$ for the last prediction time interval; *n* represents the quantity of the historical data; *F* is the state transmission matrix; $P_W(t + 1|t)$ is the forecasted value of t + 1 without the KF modification; $P_W^{KF}(t + 1|t + 1)$ is the optimal value of WTG output by KF prediction; P_Δ is used to link Equations (12) and (13); $P_M(t + 1)$ is with the measurement values based on forecasted wind speed; C(t + 1|t) co-variances matrix of forecast error from t to t + 1; C(t|t) and C(t+1|t+1) are co-variances state estimation at t and t+1; H is the observation matrix (=1); $K_g(t+1)$ represents Kalman gain; Q(t) and R(t+1) are co-variance matrix of process noise and measurement noise, and both values are based on experience.

Similarly, the same prediction process is used for f_{max}^{KF} , which is another important parameter to calculate R_{WSS} . As the frequency data is often recorded every 4 s in current power systems, historical frequency data (f^{H}) for the past several minutes is shown as Equation (18). Meanwhile, as PFC of WSS focuses more on the under-frequency situation, the maximum under frequency excursion (f^{H}_{max}) in every minute is chosen as per Equation (19). Finally, KF-AR prediction is applied to obtain f^{KF}_{max} for PTI.

$$f^{H} = \begin{bmatrix} f_{1,1} & f_{1,2} & \cdots & f_{1,15} \\ f_{2,1} & f_{2,2} & \cdots & f_{2,15} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ f_{m,1} & f_{m,2} & \cdots & f_{m,15} \end{bmatrix}$$
(18)
$$f^{H}_{max} = \text{MIN}\left(f^{H}[i,:]\right)i = 1, 2 \dots m$$
(19)

where, f^{H} is a matrix including 15 min frequency value, and each row represents a one-minute time interval; MIN is a function used to calculate the minimum frequency values.

3.1.2. R_{WSS} Decision Part

 R_{WSS} is determined by P_W^{KF} and f_{max}^{KF} in the R_{WSS} decision part. Referring to conventional generators, the aim of WSS is 5% of supply power P_{WSS}^{ref} as a supply reserve power for PFC. However, the randomness of wind speed, P_{WSS}^{ref} is not a constant value. Thus, based on human understanding, when the fluctuation of the WTG output power is high, WSS should bid a smaller supply power P_{WSS}^{ref} with more reserved power for WSS in PFC and vice versa.

In detail, the standard deviation of P_W^{KF} indicates the fluctuation of WTG output, and the corresponding D_W is calculated in Equation (20), which is further used to calculate proper P_{WSS}^{ref} as per Equation (21). Last, R_{WSS} is obtained in Equation (22), and the state of the BESS is also involved. In this way, P_{WSS}^{ref} and R_{WSS} keep updating every bidding interval, which enables WSS to be dispatched and to follow their commitment in PFC more easily.

$$D_W = K_W \times \sigma \left(\boldsymbol{P}_W^{KF} \right) \tag{20}$$

$$P_{WSS}^{bid} = P_{WSS}^{ref} = \mu \left(\boldsymbol{P}_{\boldsymbol{W}}^{\boldsymbol{KF}} \right) \times (1 - D_{\boldsymbol{W}})$$
(21)

$$\frac{1}{R_{WSS}} = K_B \frac{5\% \times P_{WSS}^{bid}}{\mu(f_{max}^{KF})}$$
(22)

$$K_B = \frac{Num(DI < DI_{th})}{Num(DI)}$$
(23)

where, D_W is the de-loaded level of WTG, K_W is the coefficient which shows the influences of WTG output power fluctuations on D_W ; P_{WSS}^{bid} is the proposed re-bid power of WSS; R_{WSS} is the reciprocal value of the droop coefficient; DI is the principle of "shallow cycle operation profile" of batteries; DI_{th} is its threshold; K_B shows the proportion of the moments that BESS operates on shallow cycle operation profile mode. Additionally, σ and μ are functions to calculate the standard deviation and the average values; *Num* is a counter. Positively, R_{WSS} keeps constant within every WSS operation period in Figure 1. From the perspective of TSOs, WSS can be dispatched similar to a conventional generator in that particular period. Also, by considering the characteristics of WTG, R_{WSS} varies every

prediction time interval to remain optimized. Thus, WSS can always be regarded as conventional generators by PDC-PFC, and easier to dispatch.

In conclusion, the prediction-based R_{WSS} decision block decides P_{WSS}^{ref} and R_{WSS} of WSS for the next operation period through two processes. In particular, KF is applied to improve the accuracy of the prediction. Also, R_{WSS} is a convincing value, because of the consideration of the states of WTG, BESS and system frequency deviations.

3.2. WSS Primary Frequency Control Block

Once P_{WSS}^{ref} and R_{WSS} is confirmed by the TSO, the WSS Primary Frequency Control Block is applied to make sure the WSS ensures the reference power P_{WSS}^{ref} and respond to frequency deviation ΔP_{WSS} by adjusting the output of WTG (P_W) and BESS (P_B). The complete WSS Primary Frequency Control Block is comprised of the "WTG operation" part, "BESS operation" part and "Comparison control" part, as already shown in Figure 2.

3.2.1. Comparison Control

Comparison control is the connection between the KF-based R_{WSS} decision block and the WSS primary frequency control block. As shown in Figure 2, the demand signals (P_{WSS}^{ref} and ΔP_{WSS}) from the grid and available power (P_W^{MPPT} and P_B^{max}) are compared to decide the P_W^{ref} and P_B^{ref} signals. Taking the under-frequency situation $\Delta P_{WSS} \ge 0$ as an example, three scenarios may happen in

real-time operation. Details of the WTG and BESS energy management are shown in (24)–(26).

Scenario #1: WTG with its reserved power supply the demand, if $P_{WSS}^{ref} + \Delta P_{WSS,t} \leq P_{W,t}^{MPPT}$.

$$\begin{cases} P_{W.t}^{ref} = P_{WSS}^{ref} + \Delta P_{W.t}^{ref} \\ P_{B.t}^{ref} = 0 \end{cases}$$
(24)

Scenario #2: WTG with its reserved power and BESS supply the demand, if $P_{WSS}^{ref} + \Delta P_{WSS} \leq$ $P_W^{MPPT} + P_B^{max}$.

$$\begin{cases} P_{W,t}^{ref} = P_{W,t}^{MPPT} \\ P_{B,t}^{ref} = P_{WSS}^{ref} + \Delta P_{W,t}^{ref} - P_{W,t}^{MPPT} \end{cases}$$
(25)

Scenario #3: WTG with its reserved power and BESS supply all their power, but cannot meet the demand, if $P_W^{ref} + \Delta P_{WSS} \ge P_W^{MPPT} + P_B^{max}$. The chance of **Scenario #3** is extremely low in the proposed PDC-PFC, because of the dynamic P_{WSS}^{ref} and R_{WSS} .

$$\begin{cases}
P_{W.t}^{ref} = P_W^{MPPT} \\
P_{B.t}^{ref} = P_B^{max}
\end{cases}$$
(26)

3.2.2. WTG Operation

MPPT is the basics of WTG operation, and the maximum output power of WTG is directly related to wind speed (v_W). Moreover, DFIG as the dominant type of WTG, can operate on de-loaded mode, in which rotor speed can be accelerated up to 130% [1] to make WTG output power less than the maximum power point. Thus, WTG operation aims to achieve P_W^{ref} by releasing and absorbing power in a typical range, when the fluctuations of wind speed and frequency deviations happen. Particularly, the de-load level of WTG varied in real time, according to the predicted weather conditions and frequency performance in Equation (20), as a fixed de-load level results in either energy spilled or shortage. In addition, the dynamic model of WTG, including MPPT and de-loaded operation are

shown in Figure 2, and the values of the parameters are listed in Appendix A. More details of the de-loaded operation block can be referred to in [21].

3.2.3. BESS Operation

Because of the randomness of wind speed, BESS are compulsory for dealing with unexpected issues to fulfil the bid commitment. As long as state of charge (SoC) of BESS is within the typical range, such as [0.2, 0.8], BESS respond to P_B^{ref} . Otherwise, BESS are switched off.

To extend BESS operation life and to avoid the occurrence of **Scenario #3**, the principle of shallow cycle operation profile for BESS is proposed in the BESS operation. The shallow cycle operation profile index is expressed in Equation (27), and SoC can be further expressed as a function of P_B^c and P_B^d in Equation (28).

$$DI_{B,t} = \left(P_{B,t}^{c}{}^{2} + P_{B,t}^{d}{}^{2}\right) + C_{B}{}^{2}\left(SoC_{t} - SoC^{0}\right)^{2}$$
(27)

$$SoC_t = SoC_{t-1} - \frac{\left(\eta^c P_{B,t}^c + \frac{P_{B,t}^d}{\eta^d}\right) \cdot \Delta t}{C_B}$$
(28)

where $DI_{B,t}$ is the shallow cycle operation profile index at moment t; $P_{B,t}^c$ and $P_{B,t}^d$ are the charging and discharging power of BESS, and either $P_{B,t}^c$ and $P_{B,t}^d$ equals 0 at every t moment; SoC_t is the state of charge of BESS at t moment; SoC^0 is the reference value; $\eta^c = 0.9$ and $\eta^d = 0.95$ are the charging and discharging efficiency of BESS, respectively.

Figure 4 is a more intuitive way to show the principle of shallow cycle operation profile. The light colored area represents the moment BESS belongs to the shallow cycle operation profile mode, and the warm colored area represents the opposite mode. The proportion of the moments of $DI_{B.t}$ in the light colored area of all $DI_{B.t}$ in the operation period affects the R_{WSS} in Equation (22), which avoids the overuse of BESS.



Figure 4. Principle of shallow cycle operation profile for battery energy storage systems.

In conclusion, PDC-PFC is achieved by the combination of KF-AR prediction and R_{WSS} decision. In this way, WSS can perform very similarly to conventional generators in PFC. Specifically, P_{WSS}^{bid} and R_{WSS} are carefully chosen in every bidding interval, and the power from WTG and BESS is well organized.

4. Simulation and Discussion

In the first part of this section, the performance of the proposed prediction-based R_{WSS} decision block and WSS primary frequency control block are simulated. Also, the efficacy of the proposed PDC-PFC is investigated and compared with other conventional control strategies.

4.1. Performance of Prediction-Based R_{WSS} Decision Block

The PTI in Figure 1 is assumed to be 15 min in the simulation by covering three periods of PDC-PFC. The values of P_{WSS}^{ref} and R_{WSS} for the corresponding period is determined by (20)–(22), which in turn are based on the WTG output P_W^H and f^H from the past 15 min. Moreover, WTG often record their output power every minute in practice, n in P_W^H equals 15 in (9), and m in f^H also equals 15 in (18). The results of the predicted WTG output power and system frequency in PTI #1 is shown in Tables 1 and 2, respectively. Other combinations of different wind speed situations and frequency excursions are created to represent typical time intervals and marked as PTI #2 and PTI #3, and the results are shown in Appendix B in Tables A1–A4.

Based on the process in Figure 2, the terms of AR model *p* of WTG and frequency excursion are both decided to be 10, according to the results of the ADF test and AIC algorithm. The least square method is applied to determine the coefficients of each term, and the transmission matrix *F* is obtained. The values of P_W^{KF} and f_{max}^{KF} are generated by KF-AR prediction, whereas P_W^{AR} and f_{max}^{AR} are calculated by AR prediction. Also, the KF-AR prediction values in PTI #1 (dotted black curve) are compared with the AR prediction values (dotted red curve) and the real values (dotted blue curve) in Figure 5a,b. Also, the errors between AR prediction, KF-AR prediction and the real values are listed in the third and fifth columns of Tables 1, 2, and A1–A4. In the comparisons, values of $\overline{AR \ error}$ are larger than $\overline{KF} - AR \ error$ in all those six tables. For example, in Table 1, $\overline{AR \ error}$ of WTG output in PTI #1 equals 2.1605, while $\overline{AR \ error}$ is 1.5680. In conclusion, KF-AR prediction values are very close to the real values, and much better than the AR prediction values, especially for the prediction of WTG output power.



Figure 5. (a) Comparison between prediction data and real data of WTG output; (b) Comparison between prediction data and real data of system frequency deviations.

Finally, according to the analysis of the prediction data listed in Tables 1, 2, and A1–A4, the parameters of PDC-PFC in three PTI are shown in Table 3. Typically, as the average wind speed is medium with light fluctuations during PTI #1, the WTG has a 5.25% de-loaded value. By considering the possible maximum frequency excursion, the droop coefficient is set to be 22.34. Similarly, the WTG has a high de-loaded level of 19.49% because of heavy wind speed fluctuations during PTI #2. The corresponding droop coefficient is smaller at 14.45, which means that the WSS undertake less PFC responsibility, and avoid the unexpected issues. Also, during PTI #3, the WSS is under normal weather conditions, but the droop coefficient is set to be only 3.9 because of the large frequency excursion. To sum up, the WSS parameters chosen by PDC-PFC accord with human understanding, and the rationality of PDC-PFC has been partly proved.

	P^R_W	P_W^{AR}	AR Error	P_W^{KF}	KF-AR Error		
-	32.420	32.420	0.000	32.420	0.000		
	31.176	32.420	1.244	32.420	1.244		
	29.444	29.972	0.528	31.335	1.891		
	24.870	27.713	2.843	29.613	4.743		
	26.202	20.406	-5.796	25.431	-0.771		
	25.714	27.359	1.645	25.519	-0.195		
	24.514	25.477	0.963	25.516	1.002		
PTI #1	24.026	23.314	-0.712	24.654	0.628		
	26.513	23.481	-3.032	24.035	-2.478		
	25.580	28.744	3.164	25.943	0.363		
	25.492	24.911	-0.581	25.823	0.331		
	26.380	25.110	-1.270	25.581	-0.799		
	26.557	27.285	0.728	26.217	-0.340		
	26.291	27.055	0.764	26.580	0.289		
	26.335	26.000	-0.335	26.429	0.094		
	<i>p</i> = 10	AR error	$\bar{r} = 2.1605$	$\overline{KF - AR \ error} = 1.5680$			
	F = [0.96755, 0.04472, -0.03152, -0.01465, -0.00503, 0.04098, -0.02613, 0.04021, 0.01432, -0.02613, 0.02613, 0.02614, 0.						

Table 1. Comparison of KF-AR prediction and AR prediction for WTG output.

Table 2. Comparison of KF-AR prediction and AR prediction for frequency prediction	on
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	f_{max}^{R}	f_{max}^{AR}	AR Error	f_{max}^{KF}	KF-AR Error
_	49.827	49.827	0.000	49.827	0.000
	49.853	49.827	-0.026	49.827	-0.026
	49.888	49.847	-0.041	49.848	-0.040
	49.969	49.866	-0.103	49.879	-0.090
	49.906	49.918	0.012	49.949	0.043
	49.880	49.848	-0.032	49.902	0.022
	49.864	49.863	-0.001	49.876	0.012
PTI #1	49.883	49.886	0.003	49.863	-0.020
	49.917	49.908	-0.009	49.884	-0.033
	49.919	49.910	-0.009	49.912	-0.007
	49.959	49.901	-0.058	49.915	-0.044
	49.954	49.928	-0.026	49.945	-0.009
	49.840	49.933	0.093	49.943	0.103
	49.835	49.817	-0.018	49.859	0.024
	49.844	49.893	0.049	49.842	-0.002
_	<i>p</i> = 10	AR error	$\bar{r} = 0.0445$	KF	$T - AR \ error = 0.0429$
	F = [-0.21334,	0.54803, 0.54861, 0.29	9915, 0.096370, 0.10164	4, 0.04971, 0.06464,	0.15160, 0.18462]

Table 3. Parameters of WSS in PDC-PFC for three PTI.

	$D_{W}\left(\% ight)$	$P_{WSS}^{ref}\left(\mathbf{MW} ight)$	$1/R_{WSS}$
PTI #1	5.26	25.74	22.34
PTI #2	19.49	52.04	14.45
PTI #3	7.08	44.33	3.9

4.2. Performance of WSS Primary Frequency Control Block

An open-loop control is used to simulate the performance of the WSS primary frequency control block, as shown in Figure 2. Taking PTI #1 as an example, the target power of WSS is the sum of $P_{WSS}^{ref} = 25.74$ MW and $\Delta P_{WSS} = 22.34 \times \Delta f$ MW, and the available power is the sum of P_W^{MPPT} and $P_B^{rated} = 2$ MW. In particular, P_W^{MPPT} fluctuate in real-time in the same way as the values of P_W^R in Table 1. Meanwhile, two cases as shown in Table 4, are used to verify the control block, by which the

power output of WSS can achieve the target value. Additionally, BESS are assumed to be totally under the shallow P-SoC limitation before PTI #1, and K_B is equal to 1 in this part.

Table 4. Performance of WSS Primary Frequency Control Block for Two Different Cases.

Case #	Content
Case #1 Case #2	fluctuating v_W with no load deviations fluctuating v_W with no load deviations

In Figure 6, the black and red lines representing the block can respond to the system demand P_{WSS}^{ref} and ΔP_{WSS}^{ref} in those two cases, and the occurrences of the three scenarios are also marked. At the same time, WTG takes responsibility for the system demand for most of time, because the blue dotted line as the target value is nearly overlapped by the black (Case #1) and red (Case #2) lines. Moreover, the output power of WTG and BESS in Case #1 and Case #2 is compared with P_W^{MPPT} and P_B^{rated} as shown in Figure 7. Although P_W^{ref} is more than P_W^{MPPT} at the beginning of the interval, BESS compensate for the power shortage, and the system demand is still satisfied. In summary, PDC-PFC can manage the power of WTG and BESS to mitigate the fluctuations in WTG in Case #1 and respond to the system frequency deviations in Case #2.



Figure 6. Power output of WSS in two cases.



Figure 7. (a) WTG output in Case #1 and Case #2; (b) BESS output in Case 1 and Case 2.

4.3. Performance of PDC-PFC in Hybrid Power System

The performance of WSS equipped with PDC-PFC was simulated in the dynamic model of a hybrid power system, as in Figure 3 with parameters in Appendix A, and PDC-PFC was compared

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with two other cases (listed in Table 5). Specifically, the bidding power of two thermal generators P_{T1}^{ref} , P_{T2}^{ref} were 200 MW, 50 MW, and WSS P_{WSS}^{ref} 25.74 MW in PTI #1, feeding 250 MW demand.

The control performance in those three cases with the same v_W fluctuations and load deviations are shown in Figure 8. Specifically, the frequency deviations in those three cases are shown in Figure 8a, the contribution of each generator including WSS is shown in Figure 8b, and the output power of WTG and BESS are shown in Figure 8c. Moreover, as the penetration of WTG replaces equivalent conventional generator and reduces the effective inertia of the system, Case #3 (blue dotted curve) has a lower frequency nadir in PFC than Case #2 (green dotted curve). However, the proposed WSS utilizes its droop coefficient combined with the fast response speed of WTG and BESS increases the frequency nadir in PFC in Case #1 (black curve). In conclusion, the proposed PDC-PFC in Case #1 demonstrated the best control performance, and WSS have a similar response as that of conventional coal-based synchronous generators.



Table 5. Comparison of frequency response considering three different cases.

Figure 8. The control performance of PDC-PFC in three cases: (**a**) Frequency deviations in three cases; (**b**) Contribution of each generator in PFC; (**c**) Output power of WTG and BESS in PDC-PFC.

4.4. Advantages of the Application of PDC-PFC

Further analysis of PDC-PFC is included in this part, and PDC-PFC is compared with several fixed de-loaded droop coefficients using AR prediction, as shown in Table 6. Also, three operation periods PTI #1–PTI #3 based on the values from Tables 1, 2, and A1–A4 are used to show the adaptability and advantages of PDC-PFC. The following results show PDC-PFC enables WSS to operate similarly to conventional generators with proper combination of P_{WSS}^{bid} and R_{WSS} , by considering real wind speed fluctuations and load deviations.

The performance of each strategy shown in Table 6 was evaluated in terms of frequency response with the utilization of WTG and BESS. As the details show in Figure 9a, S#2 (dotted blue curve) worsens the WSS performance in the frequency response because WSS bid the largest P_{WSS}^{bid} by replacing the equivalent amount of synchronous inertia, leaving the hybrid power system with the least inertia and WTG reserve with insufficient power for PFC. Meanwhile, WTG and BESS operate on P_W^{MPPT} and P_B^{max} for most of the operation period, as shown in Figure 9b,c. Although the wind energy is fully utilized, a large part of the BESS capacity is also required with a bad shallow cycle operation profile index, which affects the sustainable use of BESS.

On the contrary, S#4 (dotted green curve) hash the highest de-loaded level, which leads to the lowest wind energy penetration as the smallest P_{WSS}^{bid} . It is clear the frequency performance (green curve) is satisfactory, as shown in Figure 9a, similar to S#2 and S#3. However, the highest de-loaded level with an inappropriate value of P_{WSS}^{bid} leads to a huge amount of wind energy spillage and abandonment to the use of BESS as in Figure 9b,c. Finally, S#3 (dotted red curve) is a relatively better choice than S#2 and S#4 for WSS in PTI #1, and S#1 (black curve) is the best choice on the basis of more accurate prediction data.

Table 6.	Comparisor	of frequency	response considering	three different cases.
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PTI	Parameters	S#1: PDC-PFC	S#2: ARP-PFC	S#3: ARP-PFC	S#4: ARP-PFC
	D _W (%)	5.26	0	6	12
PTI #1	P_{WSS}^{ref} (MW)	25.74	26.78	25.17	22.15
	$1/R_{WSS}$	22.34	23.23	21.85	19.23
	D _W (%)	19.49	0	6	12
PTI #2	P_{WSS}^{ref} (MW)	52.04	63.89	60.05	52.85
	$1/R_{WSS}$	14.45	17.75	16.68	14.68
	D _W (%)	7.08	0	6	12
PTI #3	P_{WSS}^{ref} (MW)	44.33	47.74	43.08	37.91
	1/R _{WSS}	3.90	4.20	3.95	3.70



Figure 9. The control performance of PDC-PFC in three cases: (**a**) Frequency deviations of the hybrid system by four control strategies; (**b**) Output power of WTG in four strategies; (**c**) Output power of BESS in four strategies.

Furthermore, to highlight the efficacy of PDC-PFC and its ability to always find the proper combination of P_{WSS}^{bid} and R_{WSS} , two more PTI were examined, and the results are summarized in Table 7. The results of Figure 9 are further verified by the concrete data of wind energy spillage and BESS capacity requirement in PTI #1. Also, it is obvious in PTI #2, PDC-PFC makes WTG with the largest de-loaded level, as wind speed fluctuates violently. The frequency performance of S#1 is much better than S#2 and S#3 and also better than S#4. Although, S#1 suffers the largest amount of wind energy spillage, less BESS capacity is required. Similarly, S#1 has the best control performance according to our comprehensive assessments, and balances the spilled wind energy and BESS capacity requirement. In conclusion, PDC-PFC can always decide the most suitable value of P_{WSS}^{bid} and R_{WSS} for every short time interval according to the real-time conditions by using accurate prediction method. Also, PDC-PFC enables WSS to perform similarly to synchronous generators by dispatching WTG and BESS wisely.

PTI	PTI Parameters		S#2	S#3	S#4
PTI #1	Δf Performance	Best	Bad	Good	Bad
	Spilled Wind Energy (kWh)	26.2	0	75.2	376.5
	Energy from BESS (kWh)	7.80	85.1	1.1	0
PTI #2	Δ <i>f</i> Performance	Best	Bad	Bad	Good
	Spilled Wind Energy (kWh)	47.8	0	24.7	35.5
	Energy from BESS (kWh)	10.4	290.4	104.4	40.8
PTI #3	Δf Performance	Best	Bad	Good	Bad
	Spilled Wind Energy (kWh)	24.0	0	85.7	240.5
	Energy from BESS (kWh)	5.7	64.4	3.3	1.4

Table 7. Comparison of frequency response considering three different PTI.

5. Conclusions

If future power systems with high levels of renewables are to maintain acceptable levels of frequency response, all new and existing generators should be asked to contribute to the system frequency response. The participation of WTG in frequency response, especially in under-frequency situations is very necessary to ensure system stability. In this paper, PDC-PFC ensures that the performance of WSS is similar to conventional generators in a short time frame, which makes WSS more dispatchable from the perspective of TSOs.

Here, two innovations were considered in PDC-PFC. On the one hand, the spot market rule has been fully considered in PDC-PFC, and thus, from the perspective of TSOs, WSS can be regarded as conventional generators and are easier to dispatch. In detail, WSS joins the re-bid process of the spot market with constant P_{WSS}^{bid} and R_{WSS} by the prediction-based R_{WSS} decision block. Meanwhile, as P_{WSS}^{bid} and R_{WSS} varies every re-bid interval according to real-time wind speed fluctuations and load deviations, WSS can always operate on the optimal operational conditions.

On the other hand, an accurate and proper method, KF-AR was used to improve the wind power prediction. Although AR reflects less characteristics of WTG historical data than ANN, the involvement of BESS can overcome that drawback. Moreover, AR has stable performance for the short-term prediction without the aid of experience, and KF further improves the prediction accuracy level.

In summary, with the application of AR-KF in PDC-PFC, WSS can satisfy the system frequency requirement, avoiding wind energy spillage and the excessive use of BESS in the current spot market rules. The simulation results show that WSS can guarantee smooth output power and the frequency response in every PTI under the control of PDC-PFC.

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Abbreviations

Augmented Dickey–Fuller test
Akaike information criterion
Auto regressive
Autoregressive moving average
Back propagation neural network
Kalman filter
Maximum power point tracking
Rate of change of the frequency
Primary frequency control
Prediction time interval
Wind storage systems
Australian Energy Market Operator
Artificial neural network
Autoregressive integrated moving average
Battery energy storage systems
Energy storage systems
Lower upper bound estimation
Numerical weather prediction
Prediction-based droop coefficient
Transmission system operator
Support vector machine
Wind turbine generators

Appendix A

For Thermal generator: $R_1 = 0.04$; $k_1 = 0.03$; $T_g = 0.2$; $T_{ch} = 0.3$; $F_{hp} = 0.3$; $T_{rh} = 7$. For WTG: $H_{wt} = 5.19$; $K_{pt} = 3$; $K_{it} = 0.6$; $V_{wt} = 1$; $T_{con} = 0.02$; $T_f = 5$; $T_p = 0.01$; $K_{pp} = 114$; $K_{ip} = 76$; $K_{pc} = 3$; $K_{ic} = 30$; $K_{pfreq} = 3.5$; $K_{ifreq} = 1.4$; $T_{pc} = 0.05$.

Appendix B

Table A1. Comparison of AR prediction and KF-AR for WTG output in PTI #2.

	P_W^R	P^{AR}_W	AR Error	P_W^{KF}	KF-AR Error		
	86.112	86.112	0.000	86.112	0.000		
	73.099	86.112	13.013	86.112	13.013		
	65.372	75.254	9.882	77.129	11.757		
	54.314	69.202	14.888	69.746	15.432		
	61.819	59.927	-1.892	60.472	-1.347		
	54.580	65.397	10.817	62.899	8.319		
	57.778	58.661	0.883	58.617	0.839		
PTI #2	43.478	58.841	15.363	59.230	15.752		
	40.813	45.497	4.684	49.954	9.141		
	54.536	42.566	-11.970	44.731	-9.805		
	72.611	55.479	-17.132	51.877	-20.734		
	42.234	69.294	27.060	65.349	23.115		
	45.432	42.533	-2.899	49.628	4.196		
	43.522	46.618	3.096	47.082	3.560		
	46.631	43.291	-3.340	45.418	-1.213		
	<i>p</i> = 8	AR error	$\bar{f} = 11.6654$	$\overline{KF - AR} e$	error = 11.7365		
	F = [-0.16564, -0.19595, -0.17420, -0.10053, -0.12672, 0.04684, 0.0975, -0.04684, 0.0975, -0.04684, 0.0468, 0.0468, 0.						

	P_W^R	P_W^{AR}	AR Error	P_W^{KF}	KF-AR Error
	48.274	48.274	0	48.274	0
	47.297	48.274	0.977	48.274	0.977
	46.009	47.047	1.038	47.484	1.475
	45.165	46.016	0.851	46.341	1.176
	45.743	45.104	-0.630	45.561	-0.182
	45.343	45.981	0.638	45.761	0.418
	44.943	45.051	0.108	45.424	0.481
PTI #3	45.609	45.332	-0.277	45.068	-0.540
	46.631	45.712	-0.919	45.557	-1.074
	52.848	46.606	-6.242	46.366	-6.482
	50.406	54.365	3.959	51.206	0.800
	50.228	47.829	-2.399	50.389	0.161
	49.962	52.653	2.690	50.140	0.178
	49.517	48.073	-1.444	50.207	0.690
	49.828	49.752	-0.076	49.564	-0.264
	<i>p</i> = 14	AR erro	$\bar{r} = 2.2245$	$\overline{KF - AR}$	error = 1.8195

Table A2. Comparison of AR prediction and KF-AR for WTG output in PTI #3.

Table A3. Comparison of AR prediction and KF-AR for frequency prediction of PTI #2.

	f_{max}^{R}	f_{max}^{AR}	AR Error	f_{max}^{KF}	KF-AR Error		
	50.002	50.002	0	50.002	0		
	49.950	50.002	0.052	50.002	0.052		
	49.896	49.955	0.059	49.959	0.063		
	49.851	49.924	0.073	49.910	0.059		
	49.898	49.893	-0.005	49.868	-0.030		
	50.014	49.943	-0.071	49.903	-0.110		
	50.014	50.005	-0.009	49.999	-0.015		
PTI #2	49.996	49.958	-0.038	50.004	0.008		
	50.003	49.946	-0.057	49.983	-0.012		
	49.978	49.982	0.004	49.990	0.012		
	49.982	49.985	0.003	49.977	-0.005		
	49.984	49.987	0.003	49.982	-0.002		
	49.928	49.970	0.042	49.985	0.057		
	49.962	49.942	-0.020	49.938	-0.024		
	49.918	50.009	0.091	49.960	0.042		
	<i>p</i> = 10	AR erro	$\bar{r} = 0.0445$	$\overline{KF - AR \ error} = 0.0461$			
	F = [0.09677, 0.43163, 0.26816, 0.30061, 0.10312, 0.02442, 0.01091, 0.06579, 0.25277, 0.02572, 0.025277, 0.025272, 0.025272, 0.025272, 0.025272, 0.025272, 0.025272, 0.025272, 0.025272, 0.025272, 0.025272, 0.025272, 0.025272, 0.025272,						

 Table A4. Comparison of AR prediction and KF-AR for frequency prediction of PTI #3.

	f_{max}^{R}	f_{max}^{AR}	AR Error	f_{max}^{KF}	KF-AR Error
	49.927	49.927	0.000	49.927	0.000
	49.860	49.927	0.067	49.927	0.067
	49.822	49.872	0.050	49.869	0.047
	49.848	49.855	0.007	49.834	-0.014
	49.867	49.880	0.013	49.853	-0.014
	49.878	49.853	-0.025	49.868	-0.010
	49.913	49.858	-0.055	49.876	-0.037
PTI #3	49.891	49.896	0.005	49.902	0.011
	49.841	49.866	0.025	49.889	0.048
	49.839	49.853	0.014	49.849	0.010
	49.873	49.877	0.004	49.844	-0.029
	49.931	49.886	-0.045	49.871	-0.060
	49.975	49.911	-0.064	49.919	-0.056
	49.913	49.935	0.022	49.956	0.043
	49.876	49.880	0.004	49.912	0.036
	<i>p</i> = 13	$\overline{AR \ error} = 0.0362$		$\overline{KF - AR \ error} = 0.0347$	

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