

# Frequency Control of Islanded Microgrids Using a Hybrid Grey Wolf and Cuckoo Search Optimized Tilt Integral Derivative Controller

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## ABSTRACT

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This research presents a novel approach for frequency control in an islanded AC Microgrid (MG) system, which integrates multiple renewable energy sources such as solar and wind energy. Variations in the output of these renewable sources can cause fluctuations in both frequency and power within the microgrid. To address these disturbances, a suitable controller is necessary. In this study, a Tilt Integral Derivative (TID) controller is designed for the microgrid, with its parameters optimized and tuned using a novel hybrid Grey Wolf and Cuckoo Search (HGW-CS) algorithm to mitigate these fluctuations. The proposed microgrid consists of various distributed generation (DG) sources, including a Diesel Engine Generator (DEG), Flywheel Energy Storage System (FESS), Battery Energy Storage System (BESS), Micro Turbine (MT), Fuel Cell (FC), and Aqua-electrolyze (AE), all working together to meet the load demand. The performance of the novel HGW-CS-based TID controller is evaluated under different scenarios, demonstrating its robustness and superior performance even in adverse conditions. All simulations were conducted in MATLAB, and the results indicate that the proposed controller outperforms conventional controllers in terms of stability and response to disturbances.

**Keywords:** Tilt Integral Derivative TID, Cuckoo search, Grey Wolf Optimization (GWO), Islanded MG, PID control

## INTRODUCTION

The conventional power system typically comprises generation, transmission, and distribution, relying on energy sources such as coal, water, nuclear, and diesel generators. In contrast, non-conventional generating systems include solar, wind, tidal, and geothermal energy for electrical conversion. Frequency is a key indicator in a power system, reflecting the balance between generation and demand. A drop in frequency signifies an imbalance, indicating the need for frequency control between generators and load demands.

Automatic generation control (AGC) or load frequency control (LFC) are mechanisms used to maintain the scheduled frequency and power interchange. These systems, governed by individual turbine and generator systems, monitor changes in network-wide frequency and adjust the mechanical power input to generators to restore the target frequency. Various controllers, including conventional and non-conventional types, have been proposed, utilizing classical control methods [2-4], modern optimal control [5], and intelligent control techniques [6, 7]. These controllers aim to improve the dynamic response of the system and increase stability by reducing steady-state errors.

However, classical control techniques often fail to provide the desired performance due to increased system complexities and nonlinearities [8, 9]. While modern optimal control can design controllers with performance criteria in mind, the algorithms used to identify model parameters are often complicated and uncertain [10]. These challenges are particularly evident in conventional power generation systems. In remote areas, where conventional power systems are impractical, traditional generation and control methods are often unsuitable for regulating

frequency and voltage.

A Microgrid (MG) is a decentralized network of electricity sources and loads that operates autonomously or in conjunction with the larger grid. It is often used in island mode or connected to the traditional grid, with local energy sources serving areas where long-distance transmission from a centralized source is expensive or unfeasible, such as remote or hilly regions [11]. Although Microgrids offer significant advantages for powering off-grid areas, they face challenges due to their nonlinear structure, dynamic complexity, and instability. These issues can energy sources serving areas where long-distance transmission from a centralized source is expensive or unfeasible, such as remote or hilly regions [11]. Although Microgrids offer significant advantages for powering off-grid areas, they face challenges due to their nonlinear structure, dynamic complexity, and instability. These issues can cause mismatches between load and generation, leading to frequency and voltage deviations, which may result in system blackouts. Therefore, optimization controllers with intelligent systems are crucial to ensure the stability of the system under varying loads and environmental conditions [12].

Abbreviations	
AGC	: Automatic Generation Control
LFC	: Load frequency Control
MG	: Microgrid
WTG	: Wind Turbine Generator
STPG	: Solar Thermal Power Generator
TF	: Transfer Function
TID	: Tilt Integral Derivative Controller
PID	: Proportional Integral Derivative
PI	: Proportional Integral
I	: Integral
PSO	: Particle Swarm Optimization
ISE	: Integral of Squared Error
Nomenclature	
$\Delta P_{DEG}$	: DEG power output
$K_{FC}$	: FC gain
$T_{FC}$	: FC time constant
$\Delta P_{FCk}$	: FC power output
$K_s$	: Solar part STPG gain
$T_s$	: Solar part STPG time constant
$K_T$	: Thermal part STPG gain
$T_T$	: Thermal part STPG time constant
$\Delta P_{STPG}$	: STPG power output
$\Delta P_{sol}$	: STPG power input
$K_{WTG}$	: WTG gain
$T_{WTG}$	: WTG time constant
$K_{DEG}$	: DEG gain
$T_{DEG}$	: DEG time constant
$\Delta P_{WTG}$	: WTG power output
$\Delta P_W$	: WTG power input
$K_{AE}$	: AE gain
$T_{AE}$	: AE time constant
$\Delta P_{AE}$	: AE power output
$\Delta u$	: Control action signal
$K_{FESS}$	: FESS gain
$T_{FESS}$	: FESS time constant
$\Delta P_{FESS}$	: FESS power output
$K_{BESS}$	: BESS gain
$T_{BESS}$	: BESS time constant
$\Delta P_{BESS}$	: BESS power output
$K_{MT}$	: MT gain
$T_{MT}$	: MT time constant
$\Delta P_{MT}$	: MT power output
$M_s$	: Inertia constant (=0.4)
$D$	: Damping constant (=0.03)
$U$	: Input Control Signal
$\Delta P_W$	: Disturbance Signal of Wind
$\Delta P_{sol}$	: Disturbance Signal of Solar
$\Delta P_L$	: Disturbance Signal of Load
$T^{max}$	: Simulation Time Range
$\Delta f$	: Change in frequency
$\vec{A}, \vec{C}$	: Grew Wolf Vectors of Coefficient
$\vec{X}$	: Grew Wolf Position Vector
$t$	: Current Iteration

The Distributed Energy Resources (DERs) such as Diesel Engine Generator (DEG), Wind Turbine Generator (WTG), Battery Energy Storage System (BES), Photovoltaic (PV) systems, Fuel Cells (FC), and Flywheel Energy Storage (FES) are essential components of the Microgrid (MG) structure. In islanded mode, the MG operates with these DERs, where the primary challenges stem from environmental and economic constraints. Power generation from WTG and PV is highly dependent on climate conditions, making them unreliable for secondary frequency control [13]. Meanwhile, Micro Turbines (MT) and Diesel Engine Generators (DEG) can provide electrical energy to meet demand, compensating for energy shortfalls. However, they come with limitations such as slow response

times, inability to effectively manage MG system dynamics, and nonlinearities that complicate controller design, particularly during sudden load or power demand changes. As a result, integrating MT or DEG with energy storage elements becomes crucial to rapidly address these disadvantages and enhance system stability [14].

This paper focuses on designing a robust frequency control system for MGs in islanding mode, specifically targeting the secondary regulation loop. The primary objective is to adjust setpoints to maintain frequency stability [15]. There are two main control structures for secondary regulation in MGs: centralized and decentralized. In the centralized structure, a single Microgrid controller oversees the system, while the decentralized approach allows independent operation of various units within the MG [16, 17]. For islanded MGs, a centralized control structure is preferred, which is the focus of this study. In contrast, decentralized control is more suitable for grid-connected MGs [16].

The integration of various energy resources, including offshore wind, PV, FC, DEG, and energy storage elements like FES and BES, has been explored in the literature [18] to minimize frequency deviations. This integration is often done using a Unit Commitment (UC) strategy, with a Proportional-Integral (PI) controller applied to optimize performance. The popularity of PID controllers in both academic and industry sectors can be attributed to their simplicity, ease of design, robustness, wide applicability, and near-optimal performance [19-23]. However, achieving the desired control performance with PID controllers can be challenging in the presence of unknown nonlinearities, time delays, and model uncertainties.

Recent research has proposed decentralized control strategies [17],  $\mu$ -based controllers using the D-K iteration method [24], and robust  $\mu$ -synthesis controllers [25] to regulate frequency in MGs. While these robust control methods offer solutions, they are often complex and difficult to implement due to the need for accurate model parameter identification. As a result, intelligent control strategies have emerged, offering a flexible and efficient approach to managing complex systems and improving performance under varying conditions.

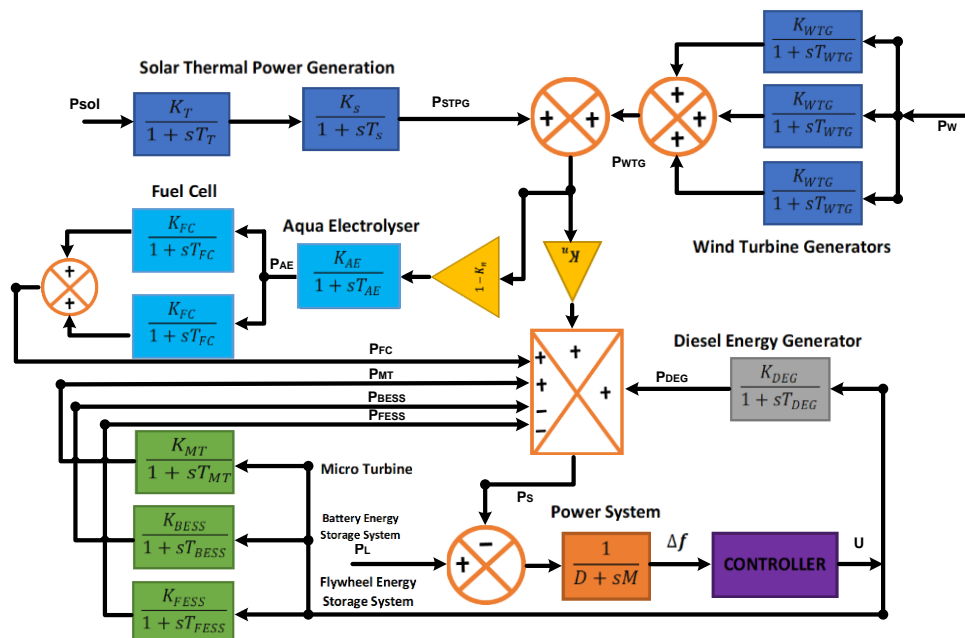


Figure 1. Block Diagram of proposed Islanded Micro Grid System

The fundamental concept behind the fuzzy logic technique is to create a model that mimics the decision-making process of a human operator when designing a controller. Fuzzy logic, based on the concept of fuzzy sets, was first introduced by Professor Zadeh [26]. This work was later expanded by the introduction of linguistic variables, which are variables defined as fuzzy sets [27-29]. One of the most popular applications of fuzzy logic is in control

engineering, which has garnered attention from both scientists and industrial researchers. Mamdani and Assilian [30-33] presented the first successful application of fuzzy logic for controlling a laboratory-scale plant. Additionally, Holmblad and Ostergaard [34] applied fuzzy logic to control cement kilns in an industrial setting. Fuzzy logic has also been employed to develop linguistic controller rules, which simplify the controller to a conventional nonlinear controller, allowing for the application of nonlinear control theory techniques [35]. Various types of fuzzy logic controllers have been proposed in several studies [36-38], including self-tuning fuzzy controllers [39], stable adaptive fuzzy controllers [40], and single-input fuzzy logic controllers [41], among others.

In a related application, Guerrero et al. [14] presented the use of a Hopfield fuzzy neural network algorithm combined with Particle Swarm Optimization (PSO) and fuzzy logic methods for regulating frequency deviations. A Proportional-Integral-Derivative (PID) controller was utilized [42] to enhance frequency control performance, particularly in the presence of system instabilities, and PSO-based mixed  $H_2/H_\infty$  optimization was proposed for tuning the controller parameters. Additionally, a fuzzy-based PID controller for ensuring the stability of an MG system, which includes components such as Micro Turbines (MT), Fuel Cells (FC), and Energy Storage Systems (ES), was described in [43]. While linear control methods have been effective in certain cases, they often exhibit physical limitations and uncertainties. These methods provide successful control for dynamic systems but often propose complex controllers with the same order for both the controller and the system [44]. To address these challenges, several researchers have explored fractional-order controllers, including robust optimization [45], self-tuned fractional-order fuzzy PID controllers using the Cuckoo Search algorithm [46], and Tilt Integral Derivative (TID) controllers using hybrid Dragonfly and Pattern Search algorithms [47].

However, in the existing literature, there is limited research on tuning the TID controller with novel hybrid optimization techniques for frequency control in Microgrids. While many studies have investigated TID controllers with single optimization techniques [42-43], this paper fills the gap by investigating a Microgrid system with a TID controller tuned using the novel hybrid Grey Wolf and Cuckoo Search (HGW-CS) optimization algorithm to address frequency control issues.

The TID controller consists of a tilted component, represented by the transfer function

$$\frac{s}{1 + \frac{1}{n} s^n}$$

combined with integral and derivative components. This controller is essentially an enhancement of the traditional PID controller, improving system stability and enhancing controller response speed. The parameters of the TID controller are estimated by minimizing the performance index ISE (Integral Squared Error). This paper also compares the dynamic response of TID, PID, and PI controllers, optimizing the performance and parameters of each controller using the same HGW-CS optimization technique. The results demonstrate that, in terms of stability and system response, the TID controller outperforms both the PID and PI controllers.

The structure of this paper is as follows: Section II presents the mathematical modeling of the Microgrid, while Section III focuses on the mathematical modeling of the power system. Section IV contains the state-space dynamic model. The design of the TID controller is discussed in Section V, and Section VI explains the novel HGW-CS algorithm. Section VII presents the simulation results and discussions, followed by the conclusion in Section VIII.

## MICROGRID MATHEMATICAL MODELLING

The block diagram of islanded Microgrid system is shown in Fig.1. The mathematical modelling of different

components used in Microgrid [46, 47] is given below. The DEG consists of a generator and diesel engine and different components (CBs, starters, Control Systems) and its model is given in (1)

$$G_{DEG}(s) = \frac{K_{DEG}}{1+sT_{DEG}} = \frac{\Delta P_{DEG}}{\Delta u} \quad (1)$$

FC consists of two electrodes of anode and cathode is used for generation of electric energy taking hydrogen ( $H_2$ ) as the fuel input to it. Numbers of FC stacks are used for the required amount of electricity and its model is given in (2).

$$G_{FC_k}(s) = \frac{K_{FC}}{1+sT_{FC}} = \frac{\Delta P_{FC_k}}{\Delta P_{AE}}, k = 1, 2 \quad (2)$$

STPG is used solar irradiation for generation purposes. The irradiation is used for producing steam on heating the fluid and this steam is used for generation of electricity. The STPG model is given in (3).

$$G_{STPG}(s) = \frac{K_s}{1+sT_s} \cdot \frac{K_T}{1+sT_T} = \frac{\Delta P_{STPG}}{\Delta P_{sol}} \quad (3)$$

WTG uses wind power to rotate the blades and these blades are coupled with the generator and produce the electricity. The WTG model is given in (4).

$$G_{WTG}(s) = \frac{K_{WTG}}{1+sT_{WTG}} = \frac{\Delta P_{WTG}}{\Delta P_W} \quad (4)$$

AE converts the water into  $H_2$  and oxygen and hen, this  $H_2$  is used as the fuel of FC. The  $(1 - K_n)$  amount of power of WTG and STPG is used by the AE for production of  $H_2$  The AE model is given in (5).

$$G_{AE}(s) = \frac{K_{AE}}{1+sT_{AE}} = \frac{\Delta P_{AE}}{(\Delta P_{WTG} + \Delta P_{STPG}) \cdot (1 - K_n)} \quad (5)$$

$$K_n = \frac{P_t}{(P_{WTG} + P_{STPG})} \quad (6)$$

MT is the small gas turbine which used for generation of electricity and its model is given in (7).

$$G_{MT}(s) = \frac{K_{MT}}{1+sT_{MT}} = \frac{\Delta P_{MT}}{\Delta u} \quad (7)$$

**Table 1:** Gain & Time constant of various components as per [46, 47]

Components	Gain(K)	Time Constant(T)
DEG	0.003	2
FC	0.01	4
STPG	1.8, 1	1.8, 0.3
WTG	1	1.5
AE	0.002	0.5
MT	1	2
FESS	- 0.01	0.1
BESS	-0.003	0.1

FESS stores the kinetic energy by rotating the rotor continuously and stored kinetic energy is proportional to square of the rotational speed. The FESS model is given in (8).

$$G_{FESS}(s) = \frac{K_{FESS}}{1+sT_{FESS}} = \frac{\Delta P_{FESS}}{\Delta u} \quad (8)$$

BESS stores the energy and supplies the required energy at the time of the requirement. The BESS model is given in (9).

$$G_{BESS}(s) = \frac{K_{BESS}}{1+sT_{BESS}} = \frac{\Delta P_{BESS}}{\Delta u} \quad (9)$$

### POWER SYSTEM MATHEMATICAL MODELLING

Power system TF in MG as per the Fig.1 is given in (10).

$$G_{PS}(s) = \frac{\Delta f}{\Delta P_e} = \frac{1}{D+M_s} \quad (10)$$

### STATE SPACE DYNAMIC MODEL

The State-Space model of MG system according to [46, 47] is given in (11 – 15)

$$\dot{x} = Ax + B_1w + B_2u \quad (11)$$

$$Y = C\dot{x} \quad (12)$$

Where

$$x^T = \begin{bmatrix} \Delta P_{WTG} & \Delta P_{STPG} & \Delta P_{DEG} & \Delta P_{FC} \\ \Delta P_{AE} & \Delta P_{MT} & \Delta P_{FESS} & \Delta P_{BESS} & \Delta f \end{bmatrix} \quad (13)$$

$$w^T = [\Delta P_w \quad \Delta P_{sol} \quad \Delta P_L] \quad (14)$$

$$y = \Delta f \quad (15)$$

### TID CONTROLLER DESIGN

The TID Controller is similar to PID Controller having three control parameters  $K_T, K_I, K_D$  with tuning parameter  $n$ . In TID controller proportional action is replaced by tilted proportional action with the transfer function  $S^{\frac{-1}{n}}$ . This TF is known as Tilt compensator [47]. Hence the controller is known as TID Controller. It maintains the response of the system stable under different parameter variations. TID controller provides better disturbance rejection ratio as well as simpler tuning. The mathematical derivation of TID is given in (16).

$$TF_{TID} = \frac{K_T}{S^{\frac{1}{n}}} + \frac{K_I}{S} + K_D \quad (16)$$

Where  $n \neq 0$ .

For the design of nature inspired optimization techniques with controller, objective function is necessary. So, it is designed based on the desired constraints and specifications. In this work, integral of squared error (ISE) is considered, where ISE suggested the square of the error over the time period. So, the large errors are improved. ISE based objective function for the islanded MG can be defined as

$$J = ISE = \int_0^{T_{max}} (\Delta f)^2 dt \quad (17)$$

Where  $T^{max} = 250$  s. The controller parameters such as  $K_T$ ,  $K_I$ ,  $K_D$ ,  $n$  are known as constraints. So, the optimization problem can be written as

Minimum  $J$

$$K_{Tmin} \leq K_T \leq K_{Tmax}$$

$$K_{Imin} \leq K_I \leq K_{Imax}$$

$$K_{Dmin} \leq K_D \leq K_{Dmax}$$

$$n_{min} \leq n \leq n_{max}$$

Subjected to

Where  $J$ ,  $K_{Xmin}$  and  $K_{Xmax}$  are objective function, minimum value and maximum value respectively.

### HYBRID GREY WOLF AND CUCK SEARCH ALGORITHM

#### Grey Wolf Optimization (GWO)

The Grey Wolf Optimization (GWO) algorithm, as described by Mirjalili et al. [48], is inspired by the hunting mechanism of grey wolves. Grey wolves live in groups, and within these groups, there are four distinct hierarchies. The first hierarchy is the Alpha ( $\alpha$ ) wolves, who are the leaders responsible for making decisions regarding hunting, sleeping, and other activities. The second group is the Beta ( $\beta$ ) wolves, who assist the Alpha wolves in decision-making and other tasks, essentially acting as subordinates. The third group is the Omega ( $\omega$ ) wolves, which are the lowest-ranked and submit to the authority of the other wolves. Any wolf that does not belong to the Alpha, Beta, or Omega groups is classified as a Delta ( $\delta$ ) wolf. Delta wolves obey the Alpha and Beta wolves but have authority over the Omega wolves. The GWO algorithm mimics the hunting behavior of these wolves in three main stages:

**Tracking and Chasing the Prey:** In the first stage, wolves track and chase the prey. Encircling and Harassing the Prey: During the second stage, the wolves encircle and harass the prey to weaken it.

**Attacking the Prey:** Finally, in the third stage, the wolves launch an attack on the prey.

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$$\vec{D} = |\vec{C} \cdot \vec{X}_p(t) - \vec{X}(t)| \quad (18)$$

$$\vec{X}(t+1) = \vec{X}_p(t) - \vec{A} \cdot \vec{D} \quad (19)$$

$\vec{A}$  and  $\vec{C}$  can be determined as

$$\vec{A} = 2\vec{a} \cdot \vec{r}_1 - \vec{a} \quad (20)$$

$$\vec{C} = 2 \cdot \vec{r}_2 \quad (21)$$

Where the value of  $\vec{C}$  decreased from 2 to 0 linearly at the iteration time  $\vec{r}_1$  and  $\vec{r}_2$  values lies between 0 to 1 randomly.

The (18) and (19) show grew wolf improved its position according to the movement of the prey.  $\vec{r}_1$  and  $\vec{r}_2$  vector helps grew wolf to achieve any positions. Hence grew wolf improved its position at any random point around the prey.

Hunting: - Prey location can be found out by the grew wolf and encircling the prey. Alpha guided the other wolfs for hunting. There are enough

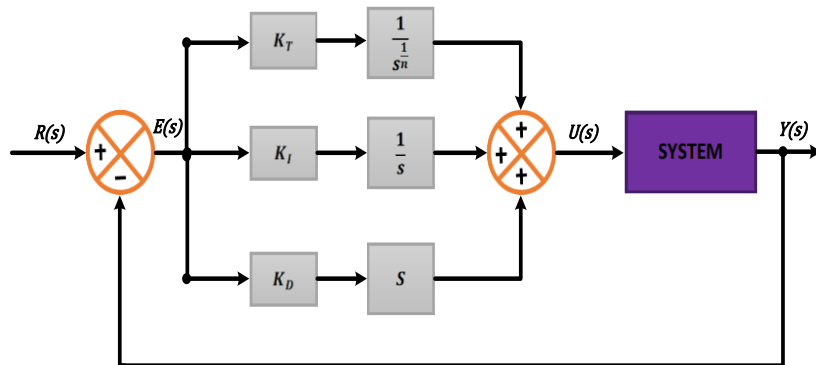


Figure 2. Block Diagram of TID Controller

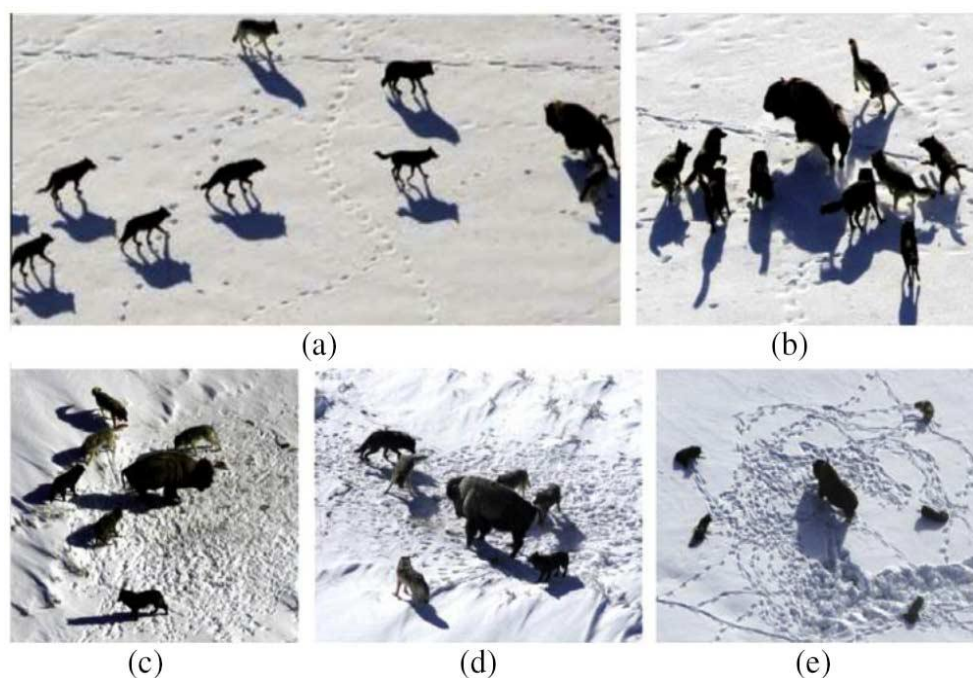
knowledge of beta and delta on the location of prey. So, position is updated by wolfs according to the search agent position. So, mathematical equation is derive given below.

$$\begin{cases} \vec{D}_\alpha = |\vec{C}_1 \cdot \vec{X}_\alpha - \vec{X}| \\ \vec{D}_\beta = |\vec{C}_2 \cdot \vec{X}_\beta - \vec{X}| \\ \vec{D}_\delta = |\vec{C}_3 \cdot \vec{X}_\delta - \vec{X}| \end{cases} \quad (22)$$

$$\begin{cases} \vec{X}_1 = \vec{X}_\alpha - \vec{A}_1 \cdot (\vec{D}_\alpha) \\ \vec{X}_2 = \vec{X}_\beta - \vec{A}_1 \cdot (\vec{D}_\beta) \\ \vec{X}_3 = \vec{X}_\delta - \vec{A}_1 \cdot (\vec{D}_\delta) \end{cases} \quad (23)$$

$$\vec{X}(t+1) = \frac{\vec{X}_1 + \vec{X}_2 + \vec{X}_3}{3} \quad (24)$$

The position of prey is calculated by Alpha, beta and delta. So, other wolfs improved their position around the prey.



**Figure 3.** Hunting behaviour of grey wolves: (a) Tracking the prey, (b) to (d) Harassing and encircling the prey, and (e) Attacking the prey.

*Attacking:* The hunting process concludes when the wolves attack the prey, or in other words, when the prey stops moving. Mathematically, if the value of  $a$  decreases, the range of the vector  $A$  also decreases. This allows the search agent's position to update progressively between its current position and the prey's location. The search agents adjust their positions based on the locations of the Alpha, Beta, and Delta wolves in the GWO algorithm, eventually attacking the prey.

#### Searching:

The search begins from the positions of the Alpha, Beta, and Delta wolves. As seen in Eq. 20, the vector  $A$  forces the search agents to move towards the prey. In other words, the GWO algorithm performs a global search to find the fittest solution. The vector  $C$  contains random values, which assign random weights to the prey. In GWO, the vector  $C$  provides these random values both during the initial iterations and the final iterations, ensuring variability in the search process throughout the algorithm.

#### Cuckoo Search (CS)

The Cuckoos are pretty birds with amazing sounds. The reproduction strategy of Cuckoo is strange. Three rules are followed for describing the CS [49].

- I. One no. of egg is laid by each cuckoo at a time. Nest is chosen randomly for dumping the egg.
- II. The finest nest with very better-quality eggs will proceed for next generation.
- III. The host nests availability is fixed. The host bird found out the cuckoo's egg with probability  $p_a \in [0,1]$ . Hence, the host bird throws away that egg or leave the nest and build a new nest

The new solution  $x^{(t+1)}$  with cuckoo  $i$  and a Lévy flight happened

$$x_i^{(t+1)} = x_i^{(t)} + \alpha \oplus \text{Levy}(\lambda) \quad (25)$$

Where,  $\alpha$  is step size and its value is 1.  $\oplus$  known as entry wise multiplications.

A random walk is produced by Lévy flight when random step size is withdrawn from Lévy distribution.

$$\text{Lévy} \sim u = t^{-\lambda}, \quad (1 < \lambda \leq 3) \quad (26)$$

New solutions are obtained from Lévy walk. Best solution is found out from these solutions, which speed up the local search

### SIMULATION RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

In this section, the frequency response simulation results are obtained from MG system considering various disturbances such as  $\Delta P_W$ ,  $\Delta P_{sol}$  and  $\Delta P_L$ . The proposed hGW-CS algorithm with TID controller is verified. This proposed methodology is used in comparison of PI, PID and TID controllers. The controller parameters  $((K_P, K_I, K_D, K_T))$  are achieved by using this hGW-CS algorithm. Hence, the frequency response of islanded MG system is verified.

The parameters of PID and TID controllers are obtained by using the (17) as an objective function to minimize the fitness values and maximum iteration size 50 is taken in hGW-CS algorithm for iteration purposes.

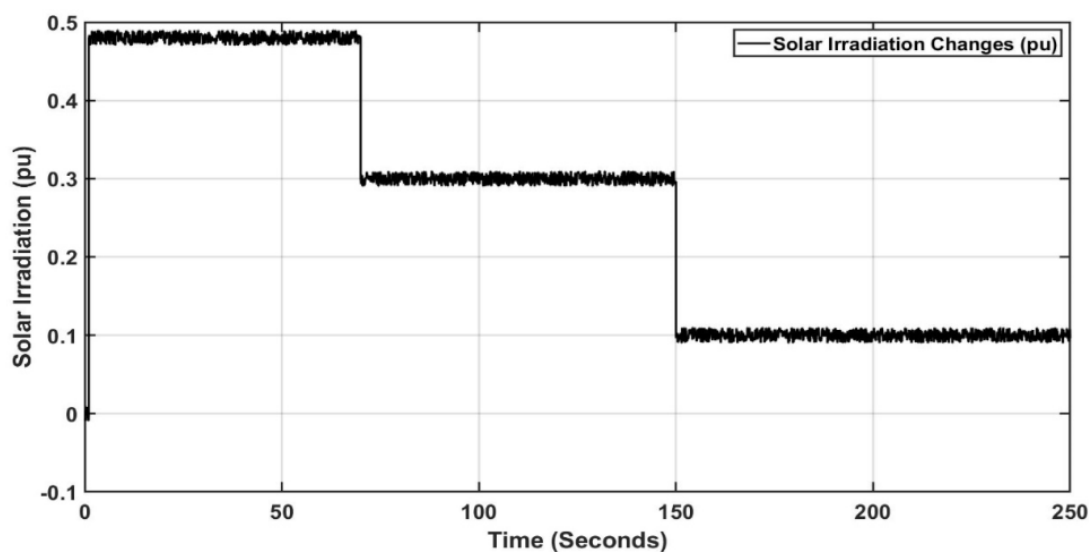
#### Case-I: Fluctuation of Solar Power ( $\Delta P_{sol}$ )

In this case fluctuation of solar power is considered which is shown in Fig. 4 and Fig. 5 shows constant wind and load power with disturbances. Fig. 6 represents the controller's frequency response curve of islanded MG system. Table 2 shows comparison of different optimization techniques at ( $\Delta P_{sol}$ ).

**Table. 2:** Comparison between various optimization techniques at  $\Delta P_{sol}$  as per [46, 47]

Parameters	PSO: PID	GWO: PID	HGW-CS: PID
$K_P$	2.8562	1.5454	2.6783
$K_I$	2.1869	0.3263	0.6348
$K_D$	1.0380	1.5454	1.0637
$ISE$	1.442	1.406	0.9985

The process the work has been done as:



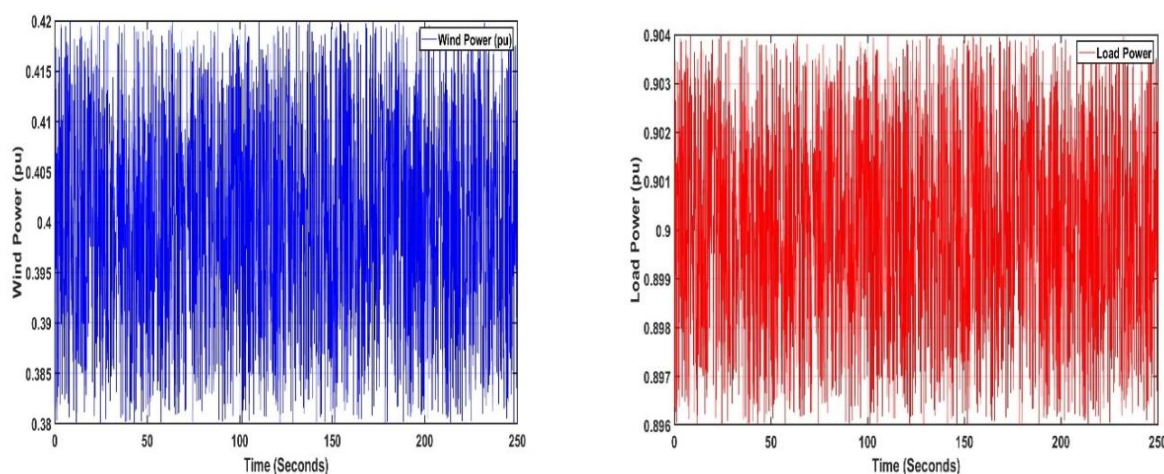
**Figure 4.** Fluctuation of solar power ( $\Delta P_{sol}$ )

- The response of the islanded MG having PI controller with HGW-CS algorithm is written in legend as “HGW-CS Based PI controller”.
- The response of the islanded MG having PID controller with HGW-CS algorithm is written in legend as “HGW-CS Based PID controller”.
- The response of the islanded MG having TID controller with proposed HGW-CS algorithm is written in legend as “Proposed HGW-CS Based TID controller”.

The HGW-CS optimization technique is compared with convectional optimization techniques of PSO, GWO using common PID controller. The tuned parameters of controllers optimized with the help of HGW-CS algorithm are given in Table.3 and Fig. 6 shows the performance analysis of proposed TID controller with other controllers. From the Table. 3, it can be seen that HGW-CS based TID controller is most efficient and stable and this controller improves the MG system performances with less oscillation in comparison with other controllers as shown in Fig.6.

**Table 3.** Parameters of different controllers based HGW-CS technique at  $\Delta P_{sol}$

Parameters	HGW-CS: PI	HGW-CS: PID	HGW-CS: TID
$K_T$	----	----	3.0000
$K_P$	2.8044	2.6783	----
$K_I$	0.1240	0.6348	0.9041
$K_D$	----	1.0637	2.0000
$n$	----	----	0.1282
$ISE$	2.32	0.9985	0.4198



**Figure 5.** Wind and load power

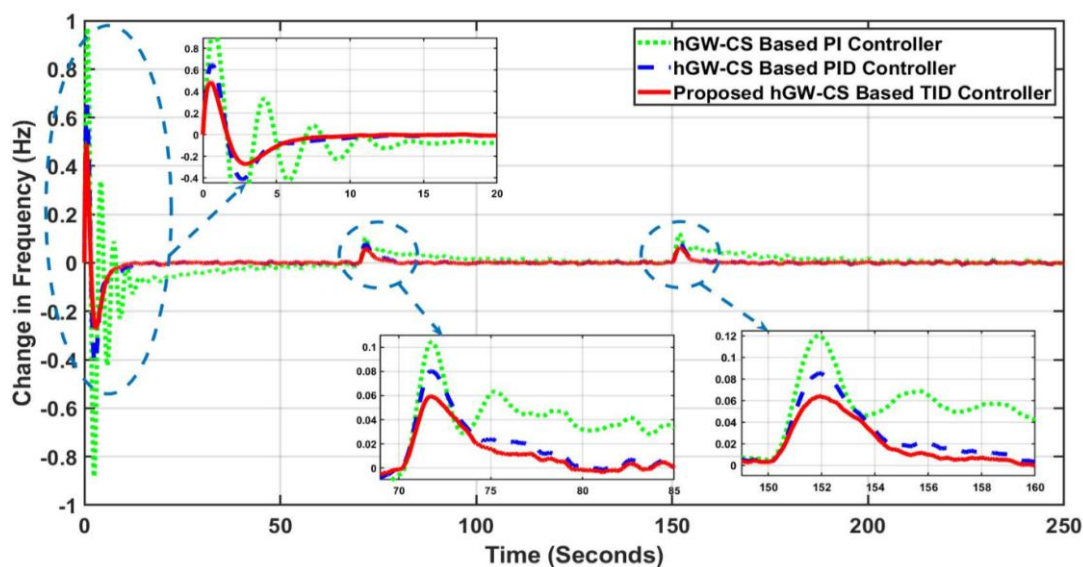


Figure 6. Frequency response curve of Case-I

### Case-II: Fluctuation of wind power $\Delta P_w$

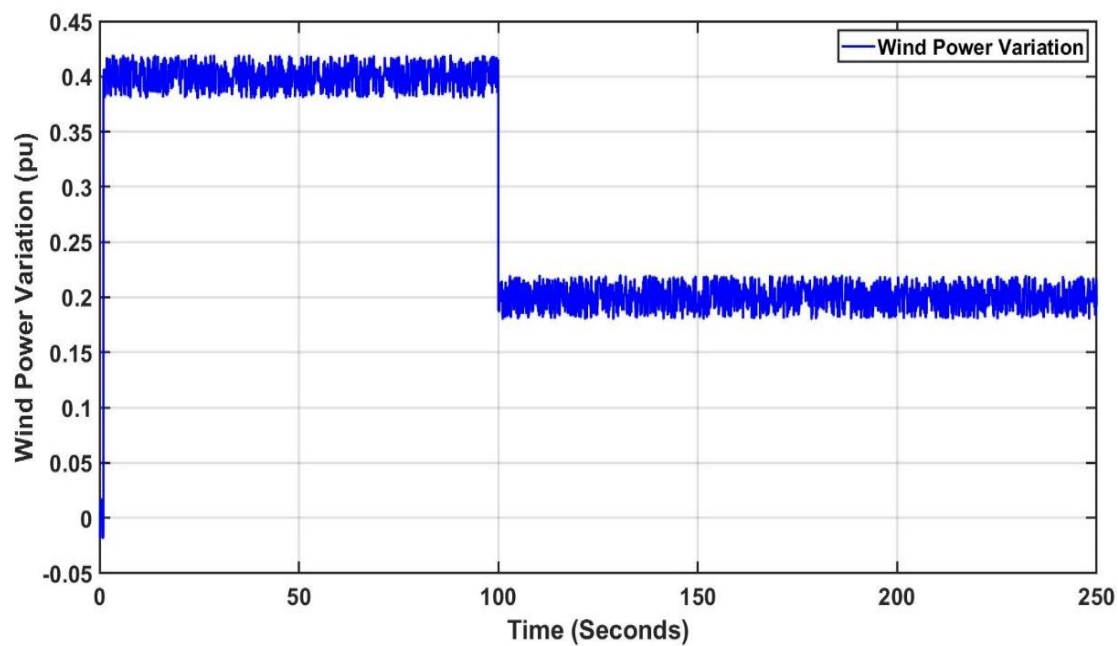
In this case wind power fluctuation is considered as shown in Fig. 7 and Fig. 8 represents constant solar and load power with disturbances. The frequency response curve of controllers of islanded MG system is shown in Fig. 9. Table 4 shows the comparison of different optimization techniques at ( $\Delta P_w$ ). The hGW-CS optimization technique is verified with PSO, GWO techniques using the PID controller and the tuned parameters of PID controller is given in Table 4. The proposed TID controller performance analysis with other controllers is shown in Table 5 and it shows the controller gives better stability response than other controllers and also at the same time the controller gives lesser oscillation of the system than other controllers as depicted in Fig. 9.

**Table 4.** Comparison between various optimization techniques at  $\Delta P_w$

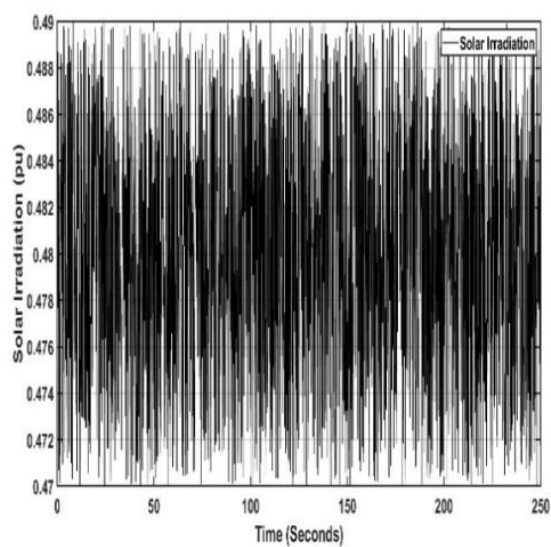
Parameters	PSO: PID	GWO: PID	hGW-CS: PID
$K_P$	4.7071	1.9569	2.8050
$K_I$	0.8750	0.5029	1.2966
$K_D$	0.3711	1.2937	2.0000
ISE	1.444	1.385	0.8888

**Table 5.** Parameters of different controllers based hGW-CS technique at  $\Delta P_w$

Parameters	hGW-CS: PI	hGW-CS: PID	hGW-CS: TID
$K_T$	----	----	2.9985
$K_P$	3.0000	2.8050	----
$K_I$	0.2347	1.2966	0.1618
$K_D$	----	2.0000	0.8373
$n$	----	----	0.4490
ISE	3.118	0.8888	0.5881



**Figure 7:** Fluctuation of wind power  $\Delta P_W$



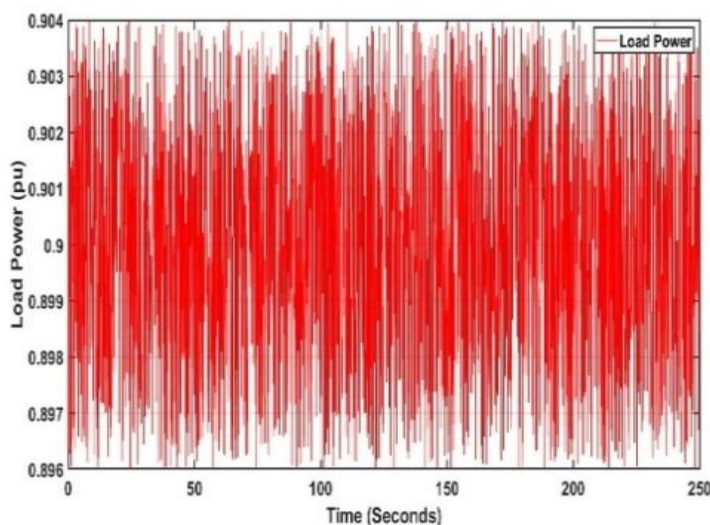


Figure 8. Solar and load power

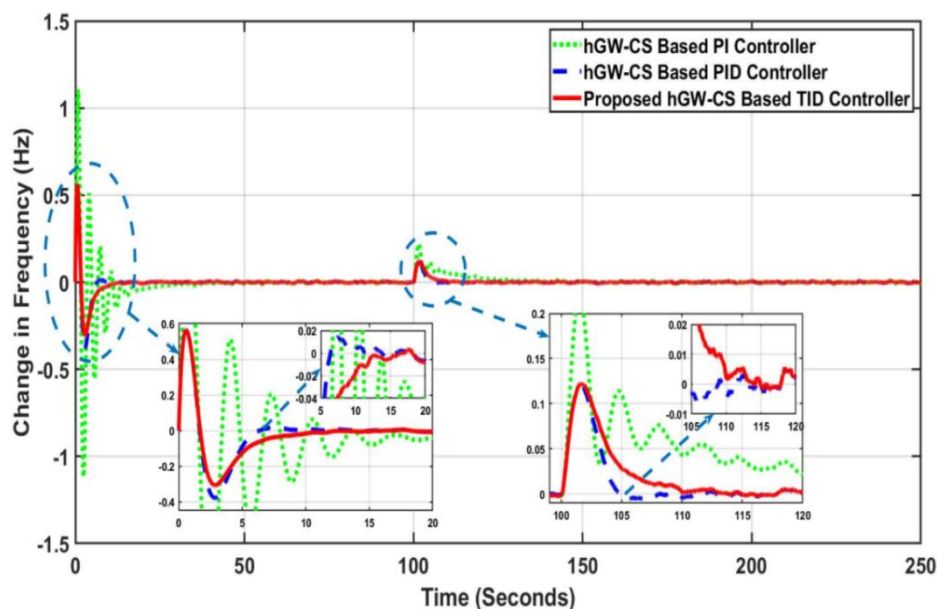


Figure 9. Frequency response curve of Case-II

### Case-III: Load power variation $\Delta P_w$

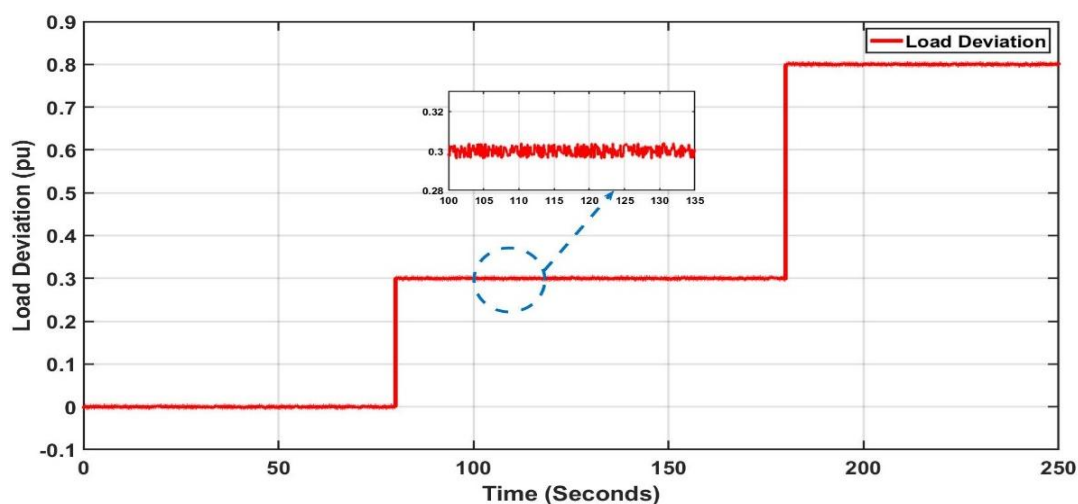
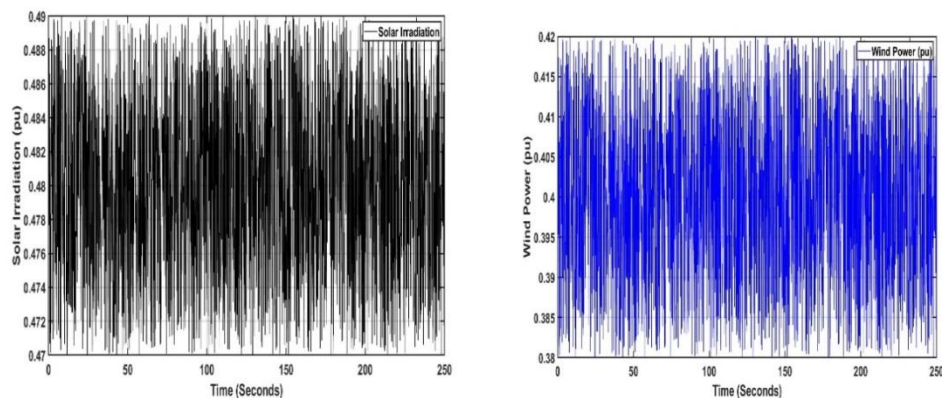
In this case, the fluctuation of load power is considered, as shown in Fig. 10, while Fig. 11 illustrates the constant solar and wind power with disturbances. The frequency response curve of different controllers used in the Microgrid (MG) system is shown in Fig. 12. From Table 6, it is evident that the hGW-CS based PID controller outperforms both the PSO-based PID and GWO-based PID controllers. The Integral Square Error (ISE) for the hGW-CS based PID is lower than that for the other optimization-based PID techniques. From the Table 6, it can be seen that the hGW-CS based PID is compared with PSO based PID and GWO based PID and the ISE of the hGW-CS based PID is less than other optimization technique based PID. Also, Table. 6 represents the tuned values of  $K_p, K_i, K_d$  and Table.7 gives the detailed optimized values of different controllers used in MG system. The TID controller used in hGW-CS algorithm provides better performance and more stable as compared to other controllers.

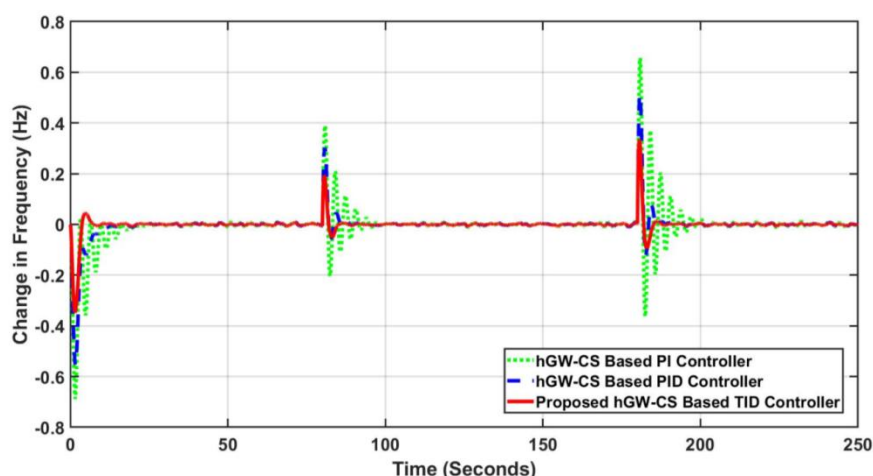
**Table 6:** Comparison between various optimization techniques at  $\Delta P_W$ 

Parameters	PSO: PID	GWO: PID	hGW-CS: PID
$K_P$	1.5161	2.1774	2.7578
$K_I$	1.0740	1.5170	0.7622
$K_D$	1.0851	0.8881	0.6967
$ISE$	1.434	1.11	0.9813

**Table 7.** Parameters of different controllers based hGW-CS technique at  $\Delta P_W$ 

Parameters	hGW-CS: PI	hGW-CS: PID	hGW-CS: TID
$K_T$	----	----	2.9988
$K_P$	3.0000	2.7578	----
$K_I$	0.5394	0.7622	1.9901
$K_D$	----	0.6967	1.9448
$n$	----	----	0.0395
$ISE$	2.0000	0.9813	0.5455

**Figure 10.** Load power deviation  $\Delta P_L$ **Figure 11.** Solar and Wind power



**Figure 12.** Frequency response curve of Case-III

#### Case-IV: Changes in $\Delta P_{sol}$ , $\Delta P_W$ and $\Delta P_L$

The changes in  $\Delta P_{sol}$ ,  $\Delta P_W$  and  $\Delta P_L$  are shown in Fig. 13. The frequency response curve of the different controller using hGW-CS algorithm in MG is shown in Fig. 14. The comparison between different optimization techniques at case-IV condition is given in Table.8 and the ISE is less in hGW-CS based PID controller in comparison with other optimization techniques as shown in Table.9. The hGW-CS based TID controller used in MG provides lesser oscillation and the stability of the system is more as shown in Fig.14.

**Table 8.** Comparison between various optimization techniques at  $\Delta P_W$

Parameters	PSO: PID	GWO: PID	hGW-CS: PID
$K_P$	1.3468	2.9587	2.9930
$K_I$	1.8728	1.0180	0.6687
$K_D$	3.9345	1.4293	1.6671
ISE	1.333	1.133	0.9429

**Table 9.** Parameters of different controllers based hGW-CS technique at

Parameters	hGW-CS: PI	hGW-CS: PID	hGW-CS: TID
$K_T$	----	----	3.0000
$K_P$	2.3851	2.9930	----
$K_I$	0.1629	0.6687	0.7708
$K_D$	----	1.6671	2.0000
$n$	----	----	0.2431
ISE	3.565	0.9429	0.6471

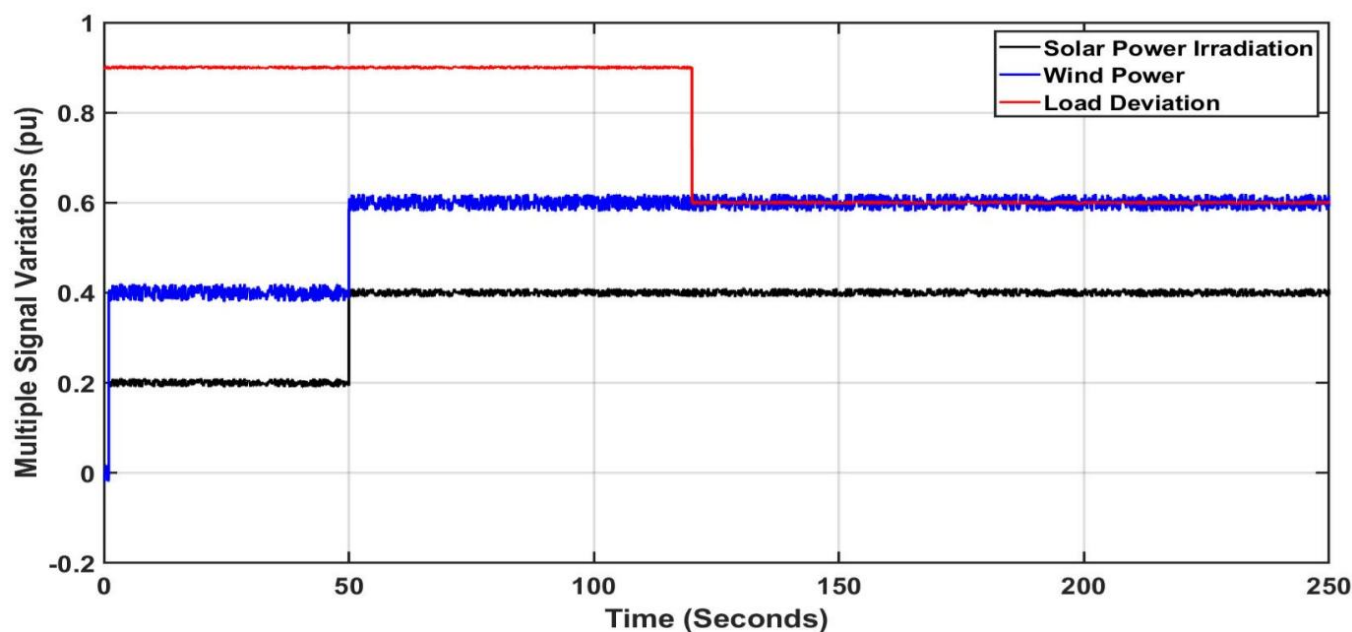


Figure 13: Load power deviation of Case-IV

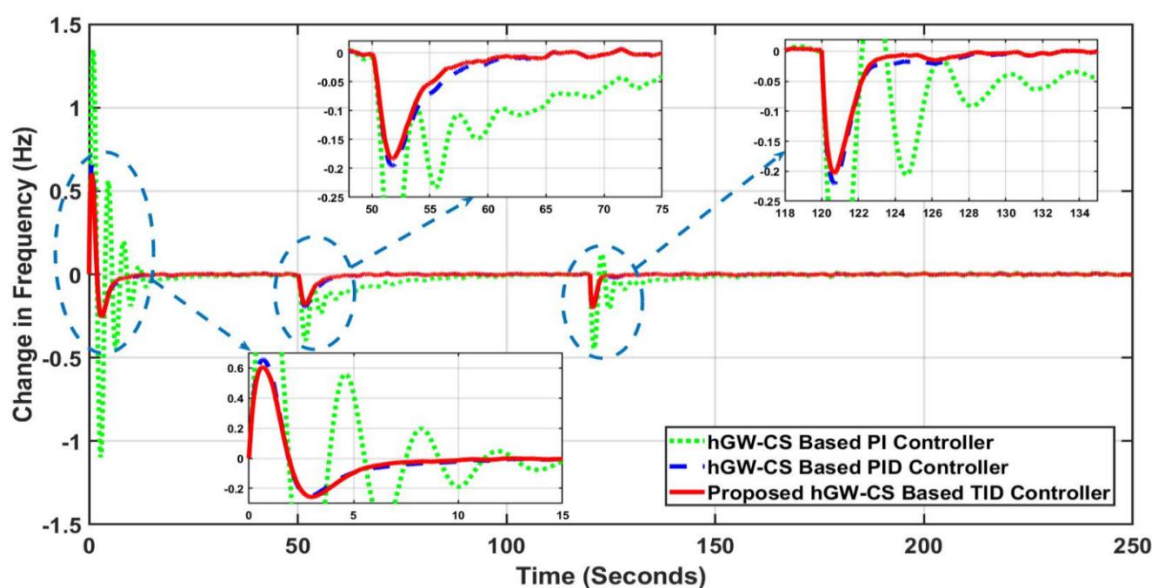
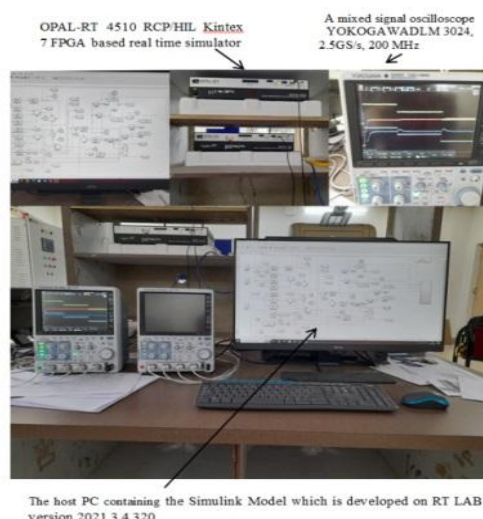


Figure 14. Frequency response curve of Case-I

### VALIDATION OF PROPOSED CONTROLLER IN OPAL-RT HIL PLATFORM

OPAL-RT is a Canadian based company that specializes in real-time simulation technology for power systems, power electronics, and electric drives. The company provides software and hardware solutions to help engineers and researchers design, test, and validate their systems in a virtual environment before implementing them in the real world. OPAL-RT's real-time simulators can replicate complex power systems and control algorithms in real-time, enabling engineers to perform hardware-in-the-loop (HIL) testing of their systems. This allows them to identify potential issues and optimize their designs before deploying them in the field. OPAL-RT's simulators can also be used for research and development purposes, allowing researchers to study the behaviour of power systems under various conditions and scenarios. OPAL-RT offers a range of products and services, including hardware-in-the-loop simulators, software tools for model development and simulation, and consulting and training services. The company serves customers in various industries, including automotive, aerospace, defence, renewable energy, and power electronics. The digital simulator compiles the discrete time model with a fixed step size. The proposed model is validated on OPAL-RT 4510 RCP/HIL Kintex 7 FPGA based real time simulator. The Simulink Model is developed on

RT LAB version 2021.3.4.320 to form three subsystems, i.e. master, slave and console subsystems. The master subsystem is the main subsystem and is prefixed as “SM\_”. The console subsystem is created which contains all the scopes blocks and other necessary components that can be modified during the compiling period. For large and complex model slave subsystem is integrated with main model for faster computation. The model is then executed on the top simulator (OP4510) and the results are captured on a mixed signal oscilloscope YOKOGAWADLM 3024, 2.5 GS/s, 200 MHz is used. The whole laboratory set up of the OPAL-RT system is structured in the Micro-grid research Lab of Department of Electrical Engineering, SOA deemed to be University, Odisha, India. The Figure 15 shows the entire framework of the system and table 10 gives a description of the configuration of each component which is part of the system.



**Figure 15.** shows the OPAL-RT laboratory set up

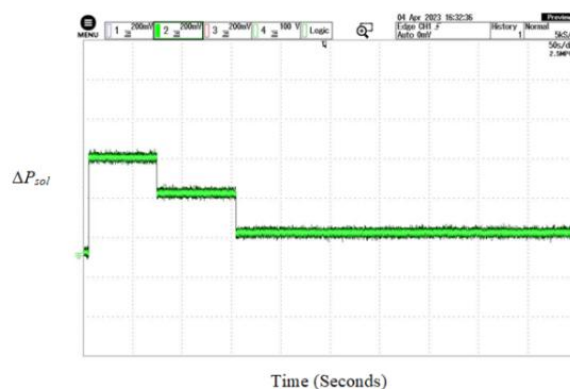
**Table 10.** describes the configuration of each component of the OPAL-RT lab set up.

Parameters	Quantity
Type of Simulation	Real Time
Time step	
Operating System	Redhat v2.6.29.6-opalrt-6.3.0
Simulator	OPAL-RT 4510 RCP/HIL Kintex 7 FPGA
CPU	
Memory	8 GB
FPGA	Kintex 7 FPGA
Software utilized	RT Lab

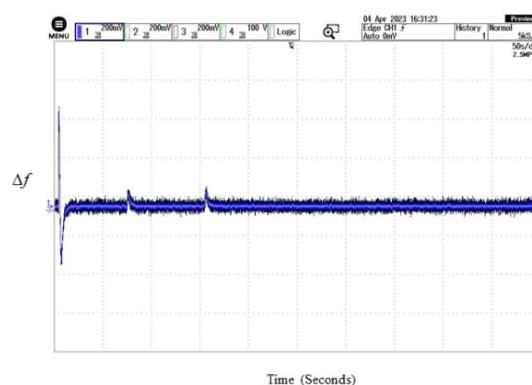
The RTS is used to authenticate the controller for four different cases simulated in MATLAB 2019a.

#### **Case-I: Fluctuation of Solar Power ( $\Delta P_{sol}$ )**

In this case intermittent Solar Power is considered keeping the disturbances owing to load and wind constant. The following results are obtained in real time simulator. Figure 16 shows the fluctuation of solar power. Figure 17 shows change in frequency.



**Figure 16.** Fluctuation of solar power ( $\Delta P_{sol}$ )

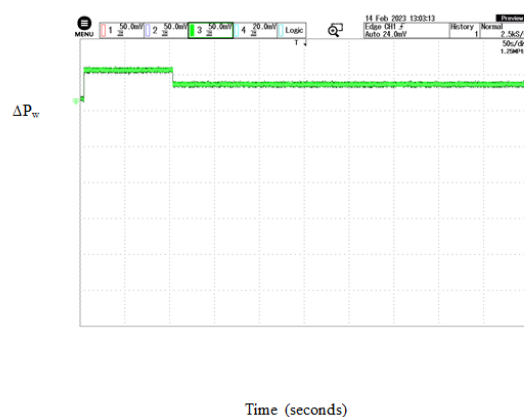


**Figure 17.** Change in Frequency ( $\Delta f$ )

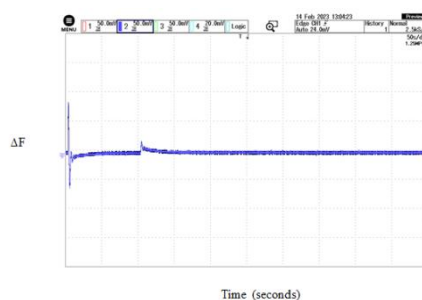
The x-axis represents the time axis, where each division is 50s. The results obtained in the real time simulator shows the frequency deviation in between time period of 50s-100s and 150s -200s, which is same as the graph shown in Fig 6, the results obtained by simulating the model in Matlab Simulink 2019.

#### Case-II: Fluctuation of wind power ( $\Delta P_w$ )

In this case the dynamic nature of wind is considered while keeping the disturbances of load and solar constant. The following results are obtained in OPAL-RT. Figure 18 shows deviation in input wind power. Fig 19 shows the change obtained in frequency curve using OPAL-RT technology, which when compared with the results obtained simulating the Simulink model in matlab to be same.



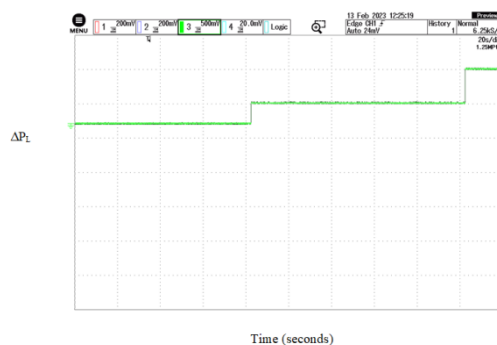
**Figure 18.** Fluctuation of Wind Power ( $\Delta P_w$ )



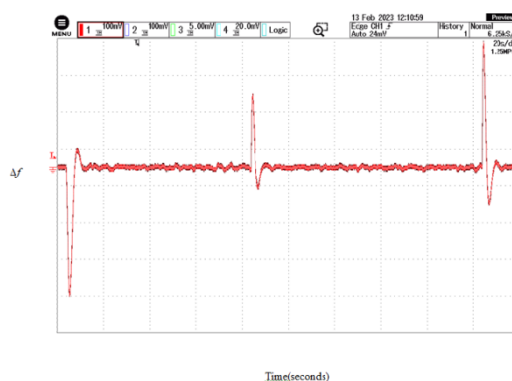
**Figure 19.** Change in Frequency ( $\Delta f$ )

### Case-III: Load power variation ( $\Delta P_L$ )

In this section the varying load demand are taken into consideration while keeping the disturbances of wind and solar constant. The following results are obtained in OPAL-RT. Figure 20 represents the change in load. Figure 21 indicates the change in frequency due to load deviation. Figure 20 shows the change in frequency obtained in real time which is similar with the signal figure 12 acquired by debugging the model in Matlab Simulink 2019.



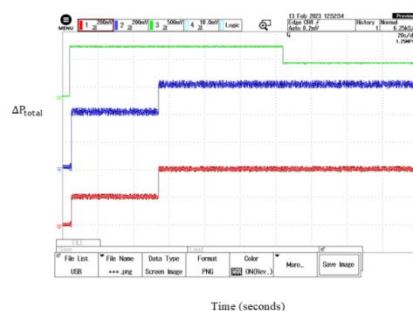
**Figure 20.** Load power variation ( $\Delta P_L$ )



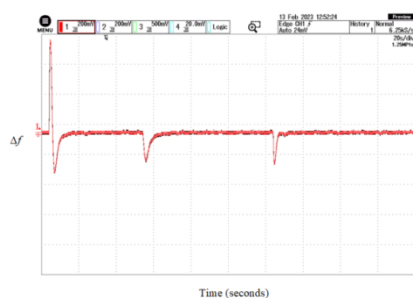
**Figure 21.** Change in Frequency ( $\Delta f$ )

### Case-IV: Changes in $\Delta P_{sol}$ , $\Delta P_W$ and $\Delta P_L$

In this section the non-linear nature of wind and solar is taken into consideration while considering the dynamic behaviour of the load. The following results are obtained in OPAL-RT. Figure 22 shows the total change in power.



**Figure 22.** Change in total power of micro grid system



**Figure 23.** The change in frequency for case 4.

## CONCLUSION

The paper gives the detail explanation about the proposed hGW-CS algorithm for TID controller. This proposed technology is implemented in the islanded MG system for the control of frequency deviation. As described above the state space models of various components of islanded MG such as STPG, WTG, electrolyser, FC, FESS, BESS, MT are described. In the first part paper a comparison is done in between hGW-CS algorithm with some other optimization techniques such as PSO and GWO algorithm. The controller parameters such as  $K_P, K_I, K_D$  are found by using these algorithms and the proposed hGW-CS algorithm provides better results than other above said algorithms. In the second part, the hGW-CS algorithm based TID controller along with other PID and PI controllers is implemented in islanded MG to reduce the impact of  $\Delta P_{sol}, \Delta P_w, \Delta P_L$ . From the research work, it can be concluded that hGW-CS based TID gives better performance than hGW-CS based PID and hGW-CS based PI. Hence, disturbances in islanded MG can be overcome by the use of proposed hGW-CS based TID controller.

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