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An intentional controlled islanding strategy considering island frequency stability for power system with wind-power integrated

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As the last defense line to avoid cascading failures, intentional controlled islanding (ICI) is of great significance to maintain the stability of power systems. However, with the increasing penetration of renewable energy, the system inertia and primary frequency regulation capacity have significantly decreased, and the adaptability and effectiveness of ICI have also been significantly reduced. Aiming at the above problems, an ICI strategy considering island frequency stability with wind-power integration is proposed. Firstly, a basic model of ICI is constructed through the collaborative optimization of load shedding, generator tripping, and the optimal intentional islanding boundary. Secondly, a frequency response model of the islanded system considering the primary frequency regulation of wind power is established, and the corresponding linear iterative algorithm is proposed. Finally, the established frequency stability constraints are embedded into the ICI model, forming a mixed integer linear program (MILP) model. The results and the effectiveness of islanding frequency control using the proposed strategy is discussed in the IEEE39 system compared with the traditional ICI strategy.

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1 Introduction

Driven by the shortage of fossil energy, environmental pollution, and the pressure of carbon emissions, the penetration of renewable energy has been increasing (Breyer et al., 2022; Yang B et al., 2022; Xu et al., 2023). The large-scale grid connection of wind power brings new challenges to the safety and stability of the power system (Fang et al., 2022; Yang H et al., 2022). The dynamic characteristics of wind power units are significantly different from traditional synchronous generators, and the power system's rotor angle stability characteristics have been profoundly changed (Agarala et al., 2022; Yadav and Saravanan, 2022). On the one hand, the opening space of traditional synchronous machines is occupied, and the system equivalent inertia is reduced, the risk of power system transient instability under large disturbances and extreme faults is correspondingly

increasing (Tang et al., 2020; Tang et al., 2022). On the other hand, the primary frequency regulation capability of wind power units and their support to the grid is insufficient (Zhang et al., 2022).

Most of the current research on power system stability focuses on traditional power system. Traditional analysis methods including extended equal area criterion (EEAC), transient energy function and so on (Yang et al., 2006; Yan et al., 2011). In addition, artificial intelligence technology is also gradually being widely used (Fu et al., 2023). Yang conducts a pioneer study for SCUC problems that proposes an expanded sequence-to-sequence (E-Seq2Seq) based data-driven SCUC expert system for dynamic multiple-sequence mapping samples (Yang et al., 2021b). Yang further enhances its self-learning ability on the basis of data-driven method (Yang N et al., 2022a). However, the existing emergency control strategies are not effective enough with large-scale wind power integrated (Fotis et al., 2023; Al Masood et al., 2018). Considering the coexistence of traditional fault conditions and new network attacks during the operation of smart grid, it is urgent to propose some new power system stability control strategies (Zhang et al., 2023).

When a large disturbance triggers a transient instability of the system, through the timely implementation of ICI, the unstable system is separated into several disjoint, internally stable islands (Ding et al., 2017). At present, the research on the ICI problem mainly focuses on the appropriate time (when), the optimal boundary (where), and the execution method (how) three aspects (Ahangar et al., 2020). Since the location of the islanding boundary directly determines the stability characteristics of the islanded system, the "where" problem has become a popular research topic. According to the different objective functions in solving the optimal islanding boundary, the objective functions of the ICI strategy can be divided into: minimizing the unbalanced power of the islands, minimizing the power flow disruption, and other objective functions (Ahangar et al., 2020).

The unbalanced power can be expressed as the algebraic sum of the active power on the switched line, reflecting the frequency deviation of the islanded system (Qiao and Ma, 2022). The lower it is, the more beneficial to the recovery and economic operation of the islanded system (Jin et al., 2023). Sun proposes an ICI strategy based on the OBDD method, and verifies the effectiveness of controlled islanding with the minimum unbalanced power as the objective function (Sun et al., 2003). Xu proposes a three-stage ICI strategy based on graph theory with the same objective function. The solving efficiency is accelerated by determining the controlled islanding boundary through adaptive graph simplification, islanding cut-set search, and islanding scheme checking in turn (Xu and Miao, 2018). Kamali establishes a multi-objective function considering the unbalanced power and transient stability of the island, and an ICI strategy based on the MILP model is proposed to ensure the existence of steady-state operating points of the islanded system (Kamali et al., 2020).

The power flow disruption refers to the sum of the absolute values of the power on the disconnected branches, reflecting the effect of the ICI operation on the transient stability of the islanded system (Badal et al., 2019). Jian comprehensively considers the power flow on transmission lines and the electrical connection between nodes and defines the composite active power flow disruption. Then an ICI method is proposed based on a semisupervised clustering algorithm to minimize the active power flow disruption (Jian et al., 2014). Isazadeh additionally considers the effect of reactive power flow disruption on the islanding stability, using the self-tuned online fuzzy factors. And weighted time-varying graph structure of the network is used to obtain islanding boundaries (Isazadeh et al., 2015).

With the increasing complexity of power system operation modes, new objective functions and constraints need to be established to guide the determination of islanding sections (Yang et al., 2021a). For example, Kyriacou pursues the reliability of power supply after ICI, and proposes an ICI method with the objective function of the maximum load-carrying capacity using the MILP model (Kyriacou et al., 2017). Ghamsari-Yazdel considers emerging regulation resources such as energy storage facilities and demand response, and establishes a comprehensive objective of minimizing controlling cost and dispatching costs (Ghamsari-Yazdel et al., 2020). Teymouri and Daniar focus on the frequency stability risk and the corresponding controlling cost after executing ICI in low-inertia power systems. Teymouri establishes an ICI strategy considering low-frequency load shedding control to reduce the controlling cost (Teymouri and Amraee, 2019). Daniar considers emergency load shedding control in ICI, which seeks to minimize load shedding while maintaining the system frequency (Daniar et al., 2021). However, the primary frequency control of wind power and the emergency load shedding control is not taken into consideration when the frequency increases (Li et al., 2023b).

In summary, the current research on ICI strategies is still focused on the power supply reliability and transient stability of the islanded system after executing ICI. The frequency stability characteristics of the islanded system and other emergency control strategies coordination are given less consideration (Zhu et al., 2022; Li et al., 2020). With the large-scale integration of wind power with weak frequency regulation capability, the equivalent inertia and primary frequency regulation capability of the islanding system will change significantly after ICI (Javadi et al., 2021; Yang N et al., 2022b). At this time, the unbalanced power generated by ICI may still exceed the maximum capacity of the islanding system, thus triggering multiple rounds of low-frequency load shedding or overfrequency generator tripping, even leading to frequency collapse (Li et al., 2023a).

In this paper, based on the traditional ICI model, the frequency stability constraints considering the participation of wind power in primary frequency modulation is added. First, the basic model of ICI is established. The islanding section, generator tripping, and load shedding are simultaneously taken as decision variables. The minimum generator tripping and load shedding is the goal. The generator coherency constraints, connectivity constraints, and other basic constraints are considered. At the same time, a frequency response model involving wind power is established, a linearized iterative solution algorithm is proposed, and the frequency stability constraints are formed. Finally, by embedding island frequency stability constraints, an ICI strategy considering island frequency stability is proposed, with practical significance and engineering value. The structure diagram of the modeling process is shown in Figure 1.

The rest of this paper is organized as follows. In Section 2, the ICI model is constructed including the objective function, the basic



constraints, and the method of constructing frequency stability constraint. Case studies and discussions based on the IEEE 39 system are shown in Section 3. The effectiveness of the proposed ICI strategy in maintaining frequency stability and the importance of wind power participation in frequency control are analyzed. Section 4 concludes this study by summarizing the key findings and contributions of this paper.

2 An ICI model considering islanding frequency stability constraints

2.1 Objective function

Since the frequency stability constraints have been considered in the proposed ICI model, it can be assumed that the unbalanced power generated by the execution of ICI will not collapse the island frequency. Therefore, to pursue lower controlling costs, the proposed ICI model takes the minimum load shedding as the objective function:

$$\min \sum_{i \in \Omega_L} \lambda_{L,i} \cdot P_{L,i}^{shed} + \sum_{i \in \Omega_G} \lambda_{G,i} \cdot P_{G,i}^{shed} + \sum_{i \in \Omega_w} \lambda_{w,i} \cdot P_{w,i}^{shed}$$
(1)

Where Ω_L , Ω_G , and Ω_w are respectively a set of load nodes, synchronous generator nodes, and wind farm nodes. $\lambda_{L,i}$, $\lambda_{G,L}$, and $\lambda_{w,i}$ are the penalty coefficients of shedding load *i*, tripping synchronizer *i* and wind farm *i* respectively. To comprehensively consider the influence of various control measures, the value of each penalty coefficient is set as 1. $P_{L,i}^{shed}$, $P_{G,i}^{shed}$, and $P_{w,i}^{shed}$ are respectively the shedding amounts of load *i*, the tripping amounts of synchronizer *i*, and wind farm *i*. This paper argues that only the whole synchronous generator or the whole wind farm can be tripped.

2.2 Basic constraints

2.2.1 Generator coherency constraints

To ensure the transient stability of the islanding system, the nodes of the system should be assigned to different islands according to the generator coherency results. The transmission lines with nodes belonging to different islands on both sides should be disconnected (You et al., 2004). The generator coherency constraints are given by:

$$\sum_{k \in \Omega_K} x_{i,k} = 1, \ i \in \Omega_N \tag{2}$$

$$a_{ij} = \sum_{k \in \Omega_K} x_{i,k} \cdot x_{j,k}, (i, j) \in \Omega_B$$
(3)

$$\begin{cases} t_{ij,k} \le x_{i,k} \\ t_{ij,k} \le x_{j,k} \\ t_{ij,k} \ge x_{i,k} + x_{j,k} - 1 \end{cases}$$
(4)

$$a_{ij} = \sum_{k \in \Omega_k} t_{ij,k}, (i, j) \in \Omega_B$$
(5)

Where Ω_N is the set of system nodes, Ω_K is the set of isolated islands after ICI, and Ω_B is the set of branches. Eq. 2 indicates that a node can only belong to an island. $x_{i,k}$ is a 0–1 variable, indicating that node *i* belongs to island *k* when $x_{i,k} = 1$. Eq. 3 is used to judge the line switching state, and $a_{i,j} = 1$ means the line is in normal operation. Since (3) is a nonlinear form of multiplication of two 0–1 variables, the auxiliary 0–1 variable $t_{ij,k}$ is introduced to linearize (3), as shown in Eqs 4, 5.

2.2.2 Connectivity constraints

After executing the ICI method, all nodes in the island shall be connected to ensure there are no isolated nodes. A common connectivity constraint model is the single-commodity flow model (Ding et al., 2015), which assumes that there is only one virtual source node on the island, and that all other nodes carry a 1 pu virtual load. The balanced virtual power in the island indicates the inner connectivity of the island. The connectivity constraints based on the single-commodity flow model are given by:

$$\sum_{\substack{(i,j)\in\Omega_{i}^{int}}} P_{ij}^{\nu} - \sum_{\substack{(j,i)\in\Omega_{i}^{in}}} P_{ji}^{\nu} = P_{i}^{\nu} - 1, \quad i \in \Omega_{N}$$
$$-M \cdot a_{ij} \leq P_{ij}^{\nu} \leq M \cdot a_{ij}, \qquad i \in \Omega_{N}$$
$$P_{i}^{\nu} \geq 1, \qquad i \in \Omega_{N}^{s}$$
$$P_{i}^{\nu} = 0, \qquad i \in \Omega_{N}^{L}$$

Where, P_{ij}^{ν} is the line virtual power flow from node *i* to node *j*. P_i^{ν} is the virtual generator power on node *i*. When this node is selected as the virtual source node, its value is greater or equal to 1, otherwise the value is 0. Ω_N^s is a set of virtual source nodes. Ω_N^L is a set for other virtual load nodes. *M* is a large number.

2.2.3 Power balance constraints

The power balance of nodes must be ensured first after executing the ICI methods, as shown in Eq. 7.

$$\begin{cases} P_{G,i} + P_{w,i} + \sum_{(j,i)\in\Omega_{i}^{in}} P_{ji} = P_{L,i}^{0} - P_{L,i}^{shed} + \sum_{(i,j)\in\Omega_{i}^{out}} P_{ij}, i \in \Omega_{N} \\ Q_{G,i} + Q_{w,i} + \sum_{(j,i)\in\Omega_{i}^{in}} Q_{ji} = Q_{L,i}^{0} - \varphi_{i} P_{L,i}^{shed} + \sum_{(i,j)\in\Omega_{i}^{out}} Q_{ij}, i \in \Omega_{N} \end{cases}$$

$$(7)$$

Where, Ω_i^{in} and Ω_i^{out} respectively represent the set of branches that starting from or ending in node *i*. *P*,*Q* respectively represent the active power and reactive power of generators, while the subscript *G*,*i* and *w*,*i* respectively represent the synchronous generator *i* and wind farm *i*. *P*_{*ij*}, *Q*_{*ij*} respectively represent the line active and reactive power from node *i* to node *j*. *P*⁰_{*L*,*i*}, *Q*⁰_{*L*,*i*} respectively represents the initial active and reactive load of node *i* before executing ICI. φ_i represents the power factor of the load on node *i*.

2.2.4 Power flow constraints

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To avoid the problem that the calculation result of DC power flow is not accurate enough, the AC power flow model is used in the constraints (Nan et al., 2018). The active and reactive power on a transmission line can be expressed as:

$$\begin{bmatrix} P_{ij} = a_{ij} \cdot \left[V_i V_j (G_{ij} \cos \delta_{ij} + B_{ij} \sin \delta_{ij}) - V_i^2 G_{ij} \right] \\ Q_{ij} = a_{ij} \cdot \left[V_i V_j (G_{ij} \sin \delta_{ij} - B_{ij} \cos \delta_{ij}) + V_i^2 \left(B_{ij} - \frac{B_{ij}^{sh}}{2} \right) \right]$$
(8)

Where V_i , V_j is respectively the voltage amplitude of node *i* and node *j* at both ends of a line. δ_{ij} is the phase angle difference of node *i* and node *j* after executing ICI. G_{ij} , B_{ij} , and B_{ij}^{sh} respectively represents the line's conductance, susceptance and susceptance to ground.

The linearized power flow constraints are given by (Kamali et al., 2020):

$$\begin{cases}
P_{ij}^{f} = G_{ij} (V_{i} + V_{j} - 1) + B_{ij} \delta_{ij} + G_{ij} (1 - 2V_{i}) \\
-M (1 - a_{ij}) \leq P_{ij} - P_{ij}^{f} \leq M (1 - a_{ij}) \\
-P_{ij}^{max} a_{ij} \leq P_{ij} \leq P_{ij}^{max} a_{ij}
\end{cases}$$
(9)

$$\begin{cases}
Q_{ij}^{f} = G_{ij}\delta_{ij} - B_{ij}\left(V_{i} + V_{j} - 1\right) + (2V_{i} - 1)\left(B_{ij} - \frac{B_{ij}^{sh}}{2}\right) \\
-M\left(1 - a_{ij}\right) \le Q_{ij} - Q_{ij}^{f} \le M\left(1 - a_{ij}\right) \\
-Q_{ij}^{max}a_{ij} \le Q_{ij} \le Q_{ij}^{max}a_{ij}
\end{cases}$$
(10)

Where P_{ij}^{f} and Q_{ij}^{f} are the auxiliary variables required for linearization.

2.2.5 Bus voltage amplitude and phase angle constraints

These constraints ensure that the voltage amplitude of each node and the voltage phase Angle difference between the two sides of the line are within the safety limit.

$$\begin{cases}
0.95 \le V_i \le 1.05 \\
\delta_{\min} \le \delta_{ij} \le \delta_{\max}
\end{cases}$$
(11)

2.2.6 Other basic constraints

$$\begin{cases} 0 \leq P_{L,i}^{shed} \leq P_{L,i}^{0} \\ a_{G,i} \cdot P_{G,i}^{min} \leq P_{G,i} \leq a_{G,i} \cdot P_{G,i}^{max} \\ a_{G,i} \cdot Q_{G,i}^{min} \leq Q_{G,i} \leq a_{G,i} \cdot Q_{G,i}^{max} \\ a_{w,i} \cdot P_{w,i}^{min} \leq P_{w,i} \leq a_{w,i} \cdot P_{w,i}^{max} \\ -\varphi_{w,i} \cdot P_{w,i} \leq Q_{w,i} \leq \varphi_{w,i} \cdot P_{w,i} \end{cases}$$
(12)

Where *P*, *Q* respectively represent the active power and reactive power of generators, while the superscript max and min represent the upper and lower limits of power value, the subscripts *G*, *i* and *w*, *i* respectively represent the synchronous generator *i* and wind farm *i*. $Q_{w,i}$ and $\varphi_{w,i}$ are respectively the reactive power output and power factor of wind farm *i*. According to (12), the load shedding amount of node *i* should not be greater than the initial load before executing ICI, and the generator output shall be limited between the upper and lower limits.

2.3 Islanding frequency stability constraints

2.3.1 A frequency response model considering wind power participation

Based on the frequency response model, the frequency stability characteristics of the islanding system with wind power integrated during the ICI process (Javadi et al., 2021; Egido et al., 2009), as shown in Figure 2A. To simplify the analysis, the governor model of the synchronous generator is equivalent to a first-order inertial link, and non-linear links such as output limiting of the governor are retained.

At the same time, virtual inertia control combined with droop control is selected as the primary frequency regulation strategy of wind power units.

In Figure 2, T_{wi} is the time constant of primary frequency regulation, M_{wi} is the virtual inertial constant, K_{wi} is the droop control coefficient, M_G is the total inertia of all operational synchronous generators in the system, D is the load damping coefficient, T_{Gi} is the governor time constant of synchronous generator *i*, K_{Gi} is the first frequency modulation coefficient, ΔP_{dis} is the islanding unbalance power generated during ICI.



Considering that the response speed of the wind power unit is much higher than that of the synchronous machine under the converter control, the response delay of the wind power unit's primary frequency regulation can be ignored. Therefore, $T_{Gi} >> T_{wi} \approx 0$.

After equivalent aggregation of the inertia response of the synchronous generator and the virtual inertia control of the wind power unit, the total inertia of the system is given by:

$$M_{sys} = M_G + \sum_{i=1}^{N} M_{wi}$$
(13)

The frequency response model of the system after simplified aggregation is shown in Figure 2B. Its dynamic equation is shown as:

$$M_{sys}\frac{d\Delta f(t)}{dt} + D\Delta f(t) = \sum_{i=1}^{N_G} \Delta P_{Gi}(t) + \sum_{i=1}^{N_w} \Delta P_{wi}(t) - \Delta P_{dis} \quad (14)$$

Where, N_G and N_w are respectively the number of synchronous generators and wind power units which are not tripped in the islanding system after executing ICI.

2.3.2 Islanding frequency stability constraints

Before establishing the islanding frequency stability constraints, the unbalanced power of the island must be solved first. The calculation process is shown as: $\begin{cases} -M \cdot (1 - x_{i,k}) \leq P_{L,i,k}^{left} - \left(P_{L,i}^{0} - P_{L,i}^{shed}\right) \leq M \cdot (1 - x_{i,k}), i \in \Omega_{L}, k \in \Omega_{K} \\ -M \cdot x_{i,k} \leq P_{L,i,k}^{left} - 0 \leq M \cdot x_{i,k}, \qquad \qquad i \in \Omega_{L}, k \in \Omega_{K} \end{cases}$ (15)

$$\begin{cases} -M \cdot (1 - x_{i,k}) \leq P_{G,i,k}^{left} - a_{G,i} \cdot P_{G,i}^{0} \leq M \cdot (1 - x_{i,k}), i \in \Omega_{G}, k \in \Omega_{K} \\ -M \cdot x_{i,k} \leq P_{G,i,k}^{left} - 0 \leq M \cdot x_{i,k}, & i \in \Omega_{G}, k \in \Omega_{K} \end{cases}$$

$$(16)$$

$$\begin{cases} -M \cdot (1 - x_{i,k}) \leq P_{w,i,k}^{left} - a_{w,i} \cdot P_{w,i}^{0} \leq M \cdot (1 - x_{i,k}), i \in \Omega_{w}, k \in \Omega_{K} \\ -M \cdot x_{i,k} \leq P_{w,i,k}^{left} - 0 \leq M \cdot x_{i,k}, & i \in \Omega_{w}, k \in \Omega_{K} \end{cases}$$

$$(17)$$

$$-\Delta P_k^{short} + \Delta P_k^{sur} = \sum_{i \in \Omega_G} P_{G,i,k}^{left} + \sum_{i \in \Omega_w} P_{w,i,k}^{left} - \sum_{i \in \Omega_L} P_{L,i,k}^{left}, k \in \Omega_K$$
(18)

$$\begin{cases} -M \cdot \left(1 - x_k^{left}\right) \le \Delta P_k^{sur} - \Delta P_k^{short} \le M \cdot x_k^{left}, & k \in \Omega_K \\ -M \cdot x_k^{left} \le \Delta P_k^{sur} \le M \cdot x_k^{left}, & k \in \Omega_K \\ -M \cdot \left(1 - x_k^{left}\right) \le \Delta P_k^{short} \le M \cdot \left(1 - x_k^{left}\right), & k \in \Omega_K \end{cases}$$
(19)

The load shedding condition is shown in Eq. 15, where $P_{L,i,k}^{left}$ is the remaining load of node I in the island k. $x_{i,k}$ is a 0–1 variable, and $x_{i,k} = 1$ indicates that load node *i* belongs to the island k. $P_{G,i,k}^{left}$ and $P_{w,i,k}^{left}$ in (16)-(17) are respectively represent the active power output of synchronous generator *i* and wind power unit *i* in the island k. The power balance equation is shown as (18), where ΔP_k^{short} and ΔP_k^{sur} are respectively the short power and surplus power. According to (19), the power shortage and surplus cannot exist simultaneously on an island, $x_k^{left} = 0$ indicates that there is no power surplus in island k, $x_k^{left} = 1$ indicates that there is no power shortage in island k.

2.3.2.1 Maximum rate of change of frequency (ROCOF) constraints

At the moment of the ICI method execution, due to the frequency regulation dead zone and control delay, the primary frequency regulation control of the wind power units and the synchronous generators are started, and the islanding system can only rely on the inertia of the units to hinder the frequency change. At this time, the primary frequency regulation power $\Delta P_{Gi}(t)$ and $\Delta P_{wi}(t)$ are 0, and the ROCOF reaches the maximum, as given by:

$$|ROCOF_{max}| = \frac{|\Delta P_{dis}|}{M_{sys}} \tag{20}$$

The maximum ROCOF constraints are shown as:

$$\frac{\Delta P_k^{short} + \Delta P_k^{sur}}{ROCOF} \le M_{sys,k}, \quad k \in \Omega_K$$
(21)

$$M_{sys,k} = \frac{\sum_{i \in \Omega_G^K} a_{G,i} \cdot T_{J,i} \cdot S_{G,i} + \sum_{i \in \Omega_w^K} a_{w,i} \cdot T_{w,i} \cdot S_{w,i}}{f_N}, k \in \Omega_K \quad (22)$$

Where $M_{sys,k}$ is the system inertia of island k, as shown in Eq. 22. $T_{j,i}$ and $S_{G,i}$ are respectively the inertial time constant and the unit capacity of the synchronous generator. $T_{w,i}$ and $S_{w,i}$ are respectively the virtual inertia time constant and the capacity of the wind power units. f_N is the rated frequency of the system. Ω_G^K and Ω_w^K are the sets of synchronous generators and wind power units in island k respectively, determined by the coherency results; ROCOF_{max} is set as 2 Hz/s.

2.3.2.2 Transient frequency deviation constraints

Eq. 14 is discretized, and the time step between two adjacent discrete quantities is Δt (typical value is 0.05 s or 0.1 s), (14) can be rewritten as:

$$M_{sys,k} \cdot \Delta f_{k,n+1} = M_{sys,k} \cdot \Delta f_{k,n} + \Delta t$$
$$\cdot \left(\sum_{i \in \Omega_G^K} \Delta P_{Gi,n} + \sum_{i \in \Omega_w^K} \Delta P_{wi,n} + \Delta P_k^{sur} - \Delta P_k^{short} - D\Delta f_{k,n} \right), k \in \Omega_K$$
(23)

Where $\Delta f_{k,n}$ is the frequency deviation of the island *k* relative to the frequency dead zone at number *n* step, $\Delta P_{Gi,n}$ and $\Delta P_{wi,n}$ are the primary frequency regulation power of synchronous generator *i* and the droop control power of wind farm *i* at number *n* step respectively.

Since there is a nonlinear term of the multiplication of two variables in (23), auxiliary variables $A_{G,i,k}^n$ and $A_{w,i,k}^n$ are defined to help linearize:

$$\begin{cases}
-a_{G,i} \cdot M \leq A_{G,i,k}^n - 0 \leq a_{G,i} \cdot M, & i \in \Omega_G^K, k \in \Omega_K \\
-(1 - a_{G,i}) \cdot M \leq A_{G,i,k}^n - \frac{T_{J,i} \cdot S_{G,i}}{f_N} \cdot \Delta f_{k,n} \leq (1 - a_{G,i}) \cdot M, i \in \Omega_G^K, k \in \Omega_K
\end{cases}$$
(24)

$$-a_{w,i} \cdot M \le A_{w,i,k}^n - 0 \le a_{w,i} \cdot M, \qquad \qquad i \in \Omega_w^K, k \in \Omega_K$$

$$\begin{cases} -(1-a_{w,i})\cdot M \le A_{w,i,k}^n - \frac{T_{w,i}\cdot S_{w,i}}{f_N} \cdot \Delta f_{k,n} \le (1-a_{w,i})\cdot M, i \in \Omega_w^K, k \in \Omega_K \end{cases}$$

$$\tag{25}$$

When generators or wind farms are tripped, the respective auxiliary variable is equal to 0. Otherwise, when the generators and wind farms are normally operated, the respective auxiliary variable is equal to the product of unit inertia and frequency deviation.

Based on the above derivations, the linear expressions of (23) are given by:

$$\sum_{k \in \Omega_G^K} A_{G,i,k}^{n+1} + \sum_{k \in \Omega_w^K} A_{w,i,k}^{n+1} = \sum_{k \in \Omega_G^K} A_{G,i,k}^n + \sum_{k \in \Omega_w^K} A_{w,i,k}^n + \Delta t \cdot \left(\sum_{i \in \Omega_G^K} \Delta P_{Gi,n} + \sum_{i \in \Omega_w^K} \Delta P_{wi,n} + \Delta P_k^{sur} - \Delta P_k^{short} - D\Delta f_{k,n} \right), k \in \Omega_K$$
(26)

The primary frequency regulation power of the synchronous generator in Figure 2 can be discretized and modeled as:

$$\begin{cases} \Delta P_{Gi,n+1} = \Delta P_{Gi,n} - \frac{\Delta t}{T_{Gi}} \left[K_{Gi} \left(\Delta f_{k,n} + f_{Gb,k} \right) + \Delta P_{Gi,n} \right], \\ a_{G,i} = 1, P_{G,i}^{min} - P_{G,i}^{0} \leq \Delta P_{Gi,n+1} \leq P_{G,i}^{max} - P_{G,i}^{0} \\ \Delta P_{Gi,n+1} = P_{G,i}^{max} - P_{G,i}^{0}, a_{G,i} = 1, \Delta P_{Gi,n+1} > P_{G,i}^{max} - P_{G,i}^{0} \\ \Delta P_{Gi,n+1} = P_{G,i}^{min} - P_{G,i}^{0}, a_{G,i} = 1, \Delta P_{Gi,n+1} < P_{G,i}^{min} - P_{G,i}^{0} \\ \Delta P_{Gi,n+1} = 0, a_{G,i} = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$(27)$$

Where, $f_{db,k}$ is the frequency regulation dead zone of island k, $P_{G,i}^0$ is the initial active power output of synchronous generator *i*. According to (27), the primary frequency regulation power is determined by the dynamic model of the governor only when the generator is operating normally and the active power does not exceed the limit. When the active power exceeds the limit, the primary frequency regulation power is determined by the output limit. When the generator is tripped, the primary frequency regulation power is 0.

The linear expressions of (27) are given by:

$$\Delta P_{Gi,n+1}^{f} = \Delta P_{Gi,n}^{f} - \frac{\Delta t}{T_{Gi}} \left[K_{Gi} \left(\Delta f_{k,n} + f_{db,k} \right) + \Delta P_{Gi,n}^{f} \right], \ i \in \Omega_{G}^{K}$$

$$(28)$$

$$\begin{cases} -(1-a_{G,i}) \cdot M \leq \Delta P_{G,i}^{max} - \left(P_{G,i}^{max} - P_{G,i}^{0}\right) \leq (1-a_{G,i}) \cdot M \\ -a_{G,i} \cdot M \leq \Delta P_{G,i}^{max} - 0 \leq a_{G,i} \cdot M \\ -(1-a_{G,i}) \cdot M \leq \Delta P_{G,i}^{min} - \left(P_{G,i}^{min} - P_{G,i}^{0}\right) \leq (1-a_{G,i}) \cdot M \end{cases}, i \in \Omega_{G}^{K}$$
$$-a_{G,i} \cdot M \leq \Delta P_{G,i}^{min} - 0 \leq a_{G,i} \cdot M$$

$$\begin{cases} -M \cdot \left(1 - z_{Gi,n}^{up}\right) \leq \Delta P_{Gi,n} - \Delta P_{G,i}^{max} \leq M \cdot \left(1 - z_{Gi,n}^{up}\right) \\ -M \cdot \left(1 - z_{Gi,n}^{dn}\right) \leq \Delta P_{Gi,n} - \Delta P_{G,i}^{min} \leq M \cdot \left(1 - z_{Gi,n}^{dn}\right) \\ -M \cdot \left(1 - z_{Gi,n}^{up}\right) \leq \Delta P_{Gi,n}^{f} - \Delta P_{G,i}^{max} \leq M \cdot z_{Gi,n}^{up} , \quad i \in \Omega_{G}^{K} \\ -M \cdot z_{Gi,n}^{dn} \leq \Delta P_{Gi,n}^{f} - \Delta P_{Gi,n}^{min} \leq M \cdot \left(1 - z_{Gi,n}^{dn}\right) \\ -M \cdot \left(z_{Gi,n}^{up} + z_{Gi,n}^{dn}\right) \leq \Delta P_{Gi,n} - \Delta P_{Gi,n}^{f} \leq M \cdot \left(z_{Gi,n}^{up} + z_{Gi,n}^{dn}\right) \end{cases}$$
(30)

$$\begin{cases} -M \cdot \left(1 - x_k^{left}\right) \le f_{db,k} - f_{db}^{up} \le M \cdot \left(1 - x_k^{left}\right) \\ -M \cdot x_k^{left} \le f_{db,k} - f_{db}^{dn} \le M \cdot x_k^{left} \end{cases} , i \in \Omega_G^K$$
(31)

Where, $\Delta P_{Gi,n}^{f}$ represents the dynamic characteristics of the loworder governor of synchronous generator *i* at the number *n* step without amplitude limits. $\Delta P_{G,i}^{max}$ and $\Delta P_{G,i}^{min}$ are respectively the upper and lower limits of the primary frequency regulation power of synchronous machine *i*. $z_{Gi,n}^{up}$ and $z_{Gi,n}^{dn}$ are both 0–1 variables, $z_{Gi,n}^{up} =$ 1 ($z_{Gi,n}^{dn} = 1$) indicates that the primary frequency regulation power of synchronous machine *i* at the number *n* step exceeds the upper limit (lower than the lower limit). The frequency regulation dead zone is determined according to (31), the upper and lower limits are set as -0.033 Hz and 0.033 Hz respectively.

The droop control characteristics of wind farm are:

$$\begin{cases} \Delta P_{wi,n} = -K_{wi} \left(\Delta f_{k,n} + f_{ab,k} \right), \\ a_{w,i} = 1, P_{w,i}^{min} - P_{w,i}^{0} \leq \Delta P_{wi,n} \leq P_{w,i}^{max} - P_{w,i}^{0}, \\ \Delta P_{wi,n} = P_{w,i}^{max} - P_{w,i}^{0}, \quad a_{w,i} = 1, \Delta P_{wi,n} > P_{w,i}^{max} - P_{w,i}^{0}, \quad i \in \Omega_{w}^{K}, \\ \Delta P_{wi,n} = P_{w,i}^{min} - P_{w,i}^{0}, \quad a_{w,i} = 1, \Delta P_{wi,n} < P_{w,i}^{min} - P_{w,i}^{0}, \\ \Delta P_{wi,n} = 0, \quad a_{w,i} = 0 \end{cases}$$
(32)

Where $P_{w,i}^0$ is the initial active power output of wind farm *i*.

After linearization, the wind farm i droop control power is shown as:

$$\Delta P_{wi,n}^{f} = -K_{wi} \left(\Delta f_{k,n} + f_{db,k} \right) \quad , i \in \Omega_{w}^{K}$$
(33)

$$\begin{cases} -(1-a_{w,i}) \cdot M \leq \Delta P_{w,i}^{max} - \left(P_{w,i}^{max} - P_{w,i}^{0}\right) \leq (1-a_{w,i}) \cdot M \\ -a_{w,i} \cdot M \leq \Delta P_{w,i}^{max} - 0 \leq a_{w,i} \cdot M \\ -(1-a_{w,i}) \cdot M \leq \Delta P_{w,i}^{min} - \left(P_{w,i}^{min} - P_{w,i}^{0}\right) \leq (1-a_{w,i}) \cdot M \end{cases}, i \in \Omega_{w}^{K} \\ -a_{w,i} \cdot M \leq \Delta P_{w,i}^{min} - 0 \leq a_{w,i} \cdot M$$

$$(34)$$

$$\begin{cases} -M \cdot \left(1 - z_{wi,n}^{di}\right) \leq \Delta P_{wi,n} - \Delta P_{w,i}^{min} \leq M \cdot \left(1 - z_{wi,n}^{di}\right) \\ -M \cdot \left(1 - z_{wi,n}^{up}\right) \leq \Delta P_{wi,n} - \Delta P_{w,i}^{max} \leq M \cdot \left(1 - z_{wi,n}^{up}\right) \\ -M \cdot \left(1 - z_{wi,n}^{up}\right) \leq \Delta P_{wi,n}^{f} - \Delta P_{w,i}^{max} \leq M \cdot z_{wi,n}^{up} , \quad , i \in \Omega_{w}^{K} \\ -M \cdot z_{wi,n}^{dn} \leq \Delta P_{wi,n}^{f} - \Delta P_{w,i}^{min} \leq M \cdot \left(1 - z_{wi,n}^{dn}\right) \\ -M \cdot \left(z_{wi,n}^{up} + z_{wi,n}^{dn}\right) \leq \Delta P_{wi,n} - \Delta P_{wi,n}^{f} \leq M \cdot \left(z_{wi,n}^{up} + z_{wi,n}^{dn}\right) \end{cases}$$
(35)

Where, $\Delta P_{wi,n}^{f}$ represents the droop characteristics of wind farm *i* at the number *n* step without amplitude limits. $\Delta P_{w,i}^{max}$ and $\Delta P_{w,i}^{min}$ are respectively the upper and lower limits of droop control power of wind farm *i*. $z_{wi,n}^{up}$ and $z_{wi,n}^{dn}$ are both 0–1 variables, $z_{wi,n}^{up} = 1$ ($z_{wi,n}^{dn} = 1$) means that the droop control power of wind farm *i* exceeds the upper limit (lower than the lower limit) at the number *n* step, and the actual droop control power of wind farm *i* is forced at $\Delta P_{w,i}^{max}$ ($\Delta P_{w,i}^{min}$). $z_{wi,n}^{up}$ and $z_{wi,n}^{dn}$ are both 0 means that the droop control power of wind farm *i*.

The frequency deviation curve of island k can be calculated by using (24)-(26), (28)-(31) and (33)-(35). To ensure that the island frequency meets the requirements, it is only necessary that the frequency deviation of island k at each step time does not exceed the limit, as shown in:

$$\Delta f_{d,\min} \le \Delta f_{k,n} + \Delta f_{db,k} \le \Delta f_{d,\max}, k \in \Omega_K$$
(36)

Where, $\Delta f_{d,max}$ and $\Delta f_{d,min}$ are respectively the upper and lower limits of the transient frequency deviation. In order to avoid triggering the low-frequency load shedding or over-frequency generator tripping, $\Delta f_{d,max}$ and $\Delta f_{d,min}$ are set at -0.75 Hz and 0.6 Hz respectively.

2.3.2.3 Quasi-steady state frequency deviation constraints

In the quasi-steady state stage, the frequency of the island system does not change, then (14) is shown as:

$$D\Delta f_{k,s} = \sum_{i \in \Omega_G^K} \Delta P_{Gi,s} + \sum_{i \in \Omega_w^K} \Delta P_{wi,s} + \Delta P_k^{sur} - \Delta P_k^{short}, k \in \Omega_K$$
(37)

Where, $\Delta f_{d,max}$ is the quasi-steady state frequency deviation of island k, $\Delta P_{Gi,s}$ and $\Delta P_{wi,s}$ are the droop control power of synchronous

generator *i* and wind farm *i* in quasi-steady state stage respectively. The expressions are respectively given by:

$$\begin{cases} \Delta P_{Gi,s} = -K_{Gi}\Delta f_{k,s}, a_{G,i} = 1, P_{Gi}^{min} - P_{G,i}^{0} \leq \Delta P_{Gi,s} \leq P_{G,i}^{max} - P_{G,i}^{0} \\ \Delta P_{Gi,s} = P_{Gi}^{max} - P_{G,i}^{0}, a_{G,i} = 1, \Delta P_{Gi,s} > P_{Gi}^{max} - P_{G,i}^{0} \\ \Delta P_{Gi,s} = P_{Gi}^{min} - P_{G,i}^{0}, a_{G,i} = 1, \Delta P_{Gi,s} < P_{G,i}^{min} - P_{G,i}^{0} \\ \Delta P_{Gi,s} = 0, a_{G,i} = 0 \end{cases}, \quad (38)$$

$$\begin{cases} \Delta P_{wi,s} = -K_{wi}\Delta f_{k,s}, a_{w,i} = 1, P_{w,i}^{min} - P_{w,i}^{0} \le \Delta P_{wi,s} \le P_{w,i}^{max} - P_{w,i}^{0} \\ \Delta P_{wi,s} = P_{w,i}^{max} - P_{w,i}^{0}, a_{w,i} = 1, \Delta P_{wi,s} > P_{w,i}^{max} - P_{w,i}^{0} \\ \Delta P_{wi,s} = P_{w,i}^{min} - P_{w,i}^{0}, a_{w,i} = 1, \Delta P_{wi,s} < P_{w,i}^{min} - P_{w,i}^{0} \\ \Delta P_{wi,s} = 0, a_{w,i} = 0 \end{cases}$$
(39)

The expressions after linearization with auxiliary variables are:

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$$\Delta P_{Gi,s}^f = -K_{Gi} \Delta f_{k,s}, \quad i \in \Omega_G^K \tag{40}$$

$$\Delta P_{wi,s}^f = -K_{wi} \Delta f_{k,s}, \quad i \in \Omega_w^K \tag{41}$$

$$\begin{cases} \Delta P_{Gi,s}^{J} - \Delta P_{Gi}^{min} \ge -M \cdot z_{Gi,s}^{dn} \\ -M \cdot \left(1 - z_{Gi,s}^{dn}\right) \le \Delta P_{Gi,s} - \Delta P_{Gi}^{min} \le M \cdot \left(1 - z_{Gi,s}^{dn}\right) \\ \Delta P_{Gi,s}^{f} - \Delta P_{Gi,s}^{max} \le M \cdot z_{Gi,s}^{up} \\ -M \cdot \left(1 - z_{Gi,s}^{wp}\right) \le \Delta P_{Gi,s} - \Delta P_{Gi,s}^{max} \le M \cdot \left(1 - z_{Gi,s}^{wp}\right) \\ \Delta P_{Gi,s}^{f} - \Delta P_{Gi}^{min} \le M \cdot \left(1 - z_{Gi,s}^{dn}\right) \\ \Delta P_{Gi,s}^{f} - \Delta P_{Gi,s}^{max} \ge -M \cdot \left(1 - z_{Gi,s}^{up}\right) \\ -M \cdot \left(z_{Gi,s}^{up} + z_{Gi,s}^{dn}\right) \le \Delta P_{Gi,s} - \Delta P_{Gi,s}^{f} \le M \cdot \left(z_{Gi,s}^{up} + z_{Gi,s}^{dn}\right) \end{cases}$$

$$(42)$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \Delta P_{wi,s}^{f} - \Delta P_{wi,s}^{mn} \geq -M \cdot z_{wi,s}^{un} \\ -M \cdot \left(1 - z_{wi,s}^{dn}\right) \leq \Delta P_{wi,s} - \Delta P_{wi,s}^{min} \leq M \cdot \left(1 - z_{wi,s}^{dn}\right) \\ \Delta P_{wi,s}^{f} - \Delta P_{wi,s}^{max} \leq M \cdot z_{wi,s}^{lw} \\ -M \cdot \left(1 - z_{wi,s}^{pp}\right) \leq \Delta P_{wi,s} - \Delta P_{wi,s}^{max} \leq M \cdot \left(1 - z_{wi,s}^{wp}\right) \\ \Delta P_{wi,s}^{f} - \Delta P_{wi,s}^{min} \leq M \cdot \left(1 - z_{wi,s}^{dn}\right) \\ \Delta P_{wi,s}^{f} - \Delta P_{wi,s}^{min} \geq -M \cdot \left(1 - z_{wi,s}^{up}\right) \\ -M \cdot \left(z_{wi,s}^{up} + z_{wi,s}^{dn}\right) \leq \Delta P_{wi,s} - \Delta P_{wi,s}^{f} \leq M \cdot \left(z_{wi,s}^{up} + z_{wi,s}^{dn}\right) \end{array}$$

$$\tag{43}}$$

Where, $\Delta P_{Gi,s}^{f}$, $\Delta P_{wi,s}^{f}$, $z_{Gi,s}^{up}$, $z_{Gi,s}^{dn}$, $z_{wi,s}^{up}$, and $z_{wi,s}^{dn}$ are all auxiliary variables to help linearization.

The quasi-steady state frequency deviation of island k can be calculated directly by combining (37) and (40)-(43). Therefore, the quasi-steady state frequency deviation constraint of island k is:

$$\Delta f_{s,\min} \le \Delta f_{k,s} \le \Delta f_{s,\max}, k \in \Omega_K \tag{44}$$

Considering the capacity of the island system after executing ICI may be small, the $\Delta f_{s,min}$ and $\Delta f_{s,max}$ are set as -0.5 Hz and 0.5 Hz respectively. The values of parameters are derived from the power system operation standards.

In summary, the proposed ICI model of wind power integrated system considering frequency stability constraints is a MILP model, which can be quickly solved in MATLAB by using commercial solvers such as GUROBI (Ringkjøb et al., 2018).

3 Simulations

Based on the modified IEEE39 system (Pai, 1989), the accuracy of the frequency response model proposed and its discretized linear iterative solution algorithm is verified. And the effectiveness of the proposed ICI model in maintaining the frequency stability of the islanding system is proved. The modified system model is shown in



TABLE 1 Primary frequen	cv regulation contro	l parameters after	low-order equivalence.

Synchronous generator	H/s	T _G /s	$K_G/MW \cdot s^{-1}$	$\Delta P_{G,\max}/MW$	$\Delta P_{G,\min}/MW$
G01	5	_	_	500	-300
G02	4.32	0.92	56.77	418	-25
G03	4.47	1.31	49.25	430	-50
G04	3.57	1.83	55.07	348	-132
G06	4.35	1.71	54.63	330	-150
G08	3.47	1.69	47.77	155	-290
G09	3.45	1.65	68.30	200	-400
G10	4.2	9.72	341.39	100	-750
Wind farm	H/s	$K_w/\mathrm{MW}\cdot\mathrm{s}^{-1}$	$\Delta P_{w,\max}/MW$	$\Delta P_{w,\min}/MW$	
G05, G07, G11~G13	3	100	30	-12	

Figure 3. There are 14 generators and 50 lines in the system. The total load power is 6,097.1 MW, and the wind power penetration rate of the system reaches 44.2%. Synchronous generator G01 is not configured with a governor, G10 is configured with an IEEEG3 governor, and other synchronous machines are configured with an IEEEG1 governor. The relevant parameters are all typical values in DigSILENT software. All of the six wind farms participate in the primary frequency regulation control. During the simulation, the proposed frequency response discretization algorithm and the ICI model are solved in

MATLAB by using the GUROBI solver, while the dynamic simulation is calculated by DigSILENT.

3.1 Accuracy verification of discrete frequency response algorithm

First, a frequency step disturbance is applied to the speed control system of each synchronous generator, and then the step response of the governor is fitted with a first-order inertia



FIGURE 4

The frequency response curve result based on the proposed frequency response model and time domain simulation, (A) is the result according to Case 1, (B) is the result according to Case 2.



link based on the least square method (Egido et al., 2009) to obtain the low-order model of each speed control system. The primary frequency regulation control parameters of the synchronous machine and the wind farm are shown in Table 1.

The following two disturbance cases are set to simulate some small disturbance scenarios such as load fluctuation and large disturbance scenarios such as line switch.

Case 1. The load on Bus3 generates a 50% power step increase to simulate small disturbances such as load fluctuations during normal operation.

Case 2. Line 1–39, line 3–4, and line 14–15 are tripped at t = 1 s, and the load on Bus4 generates a 50% power step decrease to simulate the large disturbance caused by stable control operations such as ICI and load shedding.

In order to verify the accuracy and effectiveness of the proposed frequency response solving algorithm, the frequency response curves in the two cases are calculated respectively based on the proposed discrete linear iterative algorithm and the time-domain simulation in DigSILENT. The results of the frequency response calculation are shown in Figure 4.

Figure 4A shows the frequency response curve of Case 1, where the calculation result of the proposed algorithm is shown by the

Case	Islanding sections	lsland number	Unbalance power/MW	Power flow disruption/MW	Generator tripping/MW	Load shedding/MW
3	3 1-2, 4-5, 4-14, 17-18, 17-27	1	526.50	821.22	—	—
		2	-474.32		_	_
4	4 1-39, 4-5, 4-14, 16-17	1	526.50	817.36	—	—
		2	-474.32		_	—
5	5 1-39, 4-5, 4-14, 16-17	1	26.50	817.36	500	0
	2	-107.89		0	366.43	
6		1	26.50	818.24	500	0
17–18、17–27	2	-233.05		0	241.27	

TABLE 2 Results of different intentional controlled islanding strategies.



dashed line, and the simulation results of the time domain are shown by the solid line. The amplification part shows the maximum frequency change rate of the system. According to the disturbance setting of Case 1, the system will generate a power shortage of 134.95 MW at t = 1 s. Therefore, at the initial disturbance stage, the maximum ROCOF is 0.105 Hz/s, which is slightly less than the average ROCOF obtained by the time domain simulation (0.118 Hz/s). In the stage of primary frequency regulation, according to the calculation results of the proposed frequency response algorithm, the lowest frequency of the system is 49.847 Hz, and the steady frequency is 49.894 Hz. Compared with the time-domain simulation results, the deviation is 0.003 Hz and 0.005 Hz respectively, and the relative error is 2.28% and 4.85%, meeting the 5% error of engineering application. The accuracy of the proposed frequency response model and its solving algorithm are verified in small disturbance scenarios.

Figure 4B shows the system frequency response curve of Case 2, where the calculation result of the proposed algorithm is shown by the dashed line, and the simulation result of the time domain is shown by the solid line. The amplification part shows the maximum frequency deviation between the frequency response curve and the time-domain simulation results. According to the disturbance setting of Case 2, the system is separated into two islands due to



line switching. Island 1 contains {G01, G02, G03, G12, G14}, and the other generators are contained in island 2. In addition, island 1 has a power shortage of 141.15 MW, and island 2 has a power surplus of 425.33 MW. According to the calculation results of the proposed frequency response algorithm, the lowest frequency and steady frequency of island 1 are 49.211 Hz and 49.257 Hz respectively, while the lowest frequency and the steady frequency obtained by time domain simulation are both 49.235 Hz. The deviations are 0.024 Hz and 0.022 Hz, and the relative errors are 3.1% and 2.9% respectively, meeting the engineering application errors. In island 2, the frequency peak and steady state frequency calculated based on the proposed frequency response algorithm are 51.621 Hz and 50.688 Hz respectively, while the results obtained by time domain simulation are 51.564 Hz and 50.665 Hz respectively. Compared with the time-domain simulation results, the deviations of the lowest frequency and the steady-state frequency calculated based on the frequency response model are 0.057 Hz and 0.023 Hz respectively, and the relative error is 3.64% and 3.46% respectively, which meets the 5% error of engineering application. The accuracy of the proposed frequency response model and its solving algorithm are verified in large disturbance scenarios.

Based on the above analysis, the proposed discrete linear iterative algorithm for frequency response has relatively accurate calculation results in both small disturbance scenarios and large disturbance scenarios. The relative errors of transient frequency deviation, steady frequency deviation, and maximum ROCOF meet the requirements of engineering applications. The accuracy of the proposed algorithm is proved.

3.2 Validation of an ICI model considering island frequency stability

A three-phase fault is created on Bus3 at t = 1 s and the fault is removed at t = 1.6 s. After clearing the fault, the rotor angle of each unit (the wind farm is replaced by the voltage phase angle of the grid-connected bus) and the voltage curve of the grid-connected bus are shown in Figure 5.

After the system is disturbed, the rotor angle of synchronous generators G08, G09, and G10, as well as the grid-connected bus voltage phase angle of wind farms G11 and G13 continue to increase. The bus voltage fluctuates periodically in a wide range and over 180° at t = 1.73 s. The system is unstable and separated into two groups {G08~G11 and G13} (island 1) and {G1~G7, G12 and G14} (island 2). It is necessary to implement the ICI method to separate the original system into two islands.

Four different ICI strategies are shown as follows:

Case 3. Regardless of the load shedding, generator tripping, and frequency stability constraints, the minimal unbalance power of the island is used as the objective function.



Case 4. Regardless of the load shedding operation and frequency stability constraints, the minimal power flow disruption is used as the objective function.

Case 5. Considering the load shedding, generator tripping, and frequency stability constraints, the primary frequency regulation control of wind power is not activated, and the minimal unbalance power of the island is used as the objective function.

Case 6. Based on Case 5, considering the primary frequency regulation control of the wind farm, and the minimal unbalance power of the island is used as the objective function. The virtual inertia time constant of all wind farms is 3 s, the droop control coefficient is 100 MW/Hz, and the upper and lower limits of active power change are \pm 30 MW.

The results of the four cases are shown in Table 2. The locations of the islanding sections are shown in Figure 6. Case 3 and Case 4 are the traditional ICI strategies aiming at minimum unbalanced power and minimum active power flow disruption, respectively. The islanding sections obtained in Case 3 and Case 4 are slightly different. In Case 3, five lines are tripped. The unbalanced power of island1 and island2 is 525.50 MW (surplus) and -474.32 MW (shortage), respectively, and the power flow disruption is 821.22 MW. In Case 4, four lines are tripped, the unbalanced power is the same as that in Case 3, and the power flow disruption is 817.36 MW.

The proposed ICI model is adopted in Case 5 and Case 6. The islanding section of Case 5 is similar to that of Case 3, with the exception of wind farm G11 being tripped and resulting in a load shedding of 366.43 MW. The unbalanced power of island 1 and 2 is reduced to 26.50 MW (surplus) and -107.89 MW (shortage), thus avoiding the instability of island frequency. However, Case 6 takes a step further by considering the primary frequency regulation of wind power on top of Case 5, resulting in only 241.27 MW load shedding in island 2, which is 125.16 MW less than what was observed in Case 5. Meanwhile, the unbalanced power of island 2 in Case 6 increases to 233.05 MW, which is 125.16 MW more than Case 5. The unbalanced power that each island can withstand is increasing, and the anti-disturbance ability is stronger when wind power participates in primary frequency regulation. Therefore, it is necessary for renewable energy units such as wind power to which participate in the frequency control, could improve the anti-disturbance ability of the system in the face of serious faults.

According to the islanding section results of Case 3 and Case 4 the dynamic response of the system calculated by DigSILENT are shown in Figure 7. Each island can maintain transient stability, and the bus voltage can return to normal quickly. Due to the existence of a large unbalance of power, the frequency of island 1 increases rapidly and is far higher than the safe upper limit of 50.6 Hz for a long time and cannot be recovered. Similarly, the frequency of island 2 also continues to decrease due to the existence of power shortage, and remains near 48.9 Hz for a long time, which is far below the safe lower limit of transient frequency. Therefore, only optimizing the location of the islanding section can ensure the transient stability of the island system, but there is still the risk of frequency instability on each island.

The dynamic response of the system after executing ICI according to Case 5 and Case 6 is shown in Figure 8. The system also maintains transient stability and the node voltage quickly returns to normal value. However, different from Case 3 and Case 4, the frequency fluctuation of each island is within the limit value, and the frequency change speed and amplitude are much smaller. The steady-state frequency of Case 5 is about 49.52 Hz, and the steady-state frequency of Case 6 is about 49.51 Hz. Therefore, the effectiveness of the proposed ICI model in maintaining the frequency stability of the islanding system with wind power integrated is verified.

4 Conclusion

In this paper, a controlled islanding strategy considering frequency stability is proposed. The proposed model reduces the unbalanced power of islands and reduces the risk of frequency out-of-limit. It is beneficial to the safety and stability of isolated islands and improves the anti-disturbance ability of the power system with large-scale wind power integrated. The main conclusions are as follows:

- Taking the load shedding, generator tripping, and islanding section as decision variables, the minimum amount of load shedding and generator tripping as the objective, the basic controlled islanding model is constructed. The coherency constraints, connectivity constraints, together with other basic constraints are taken into consideration.
- 2) A frequency response model of the island system considering wind power is established. And a linear iterative algorithm is proposed based on the idea of discrete modelling, from which the maximum ROCOF constraints, transient frequency deviation constraints, and quasi-steady state frequency deviation constraints are established. The simulation results show that when the system is subjected to small disturbances such as load fluctuation or large disturbances such as line disconnection, the linear iterative algorithm of the frequency response model proposed in this paper is close to the calculation results of the time domain simulation, and can satisfy the error of 5% in engineering application.
- 3) By embedding the frequency stability constraints, the controlled islanding MILP model for power systems with large-scale wind power integrated is formed. The modified IEEE 39 system

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simulation results show that compared with other methods, the proposed model can limit the frequency of each island to 49.5 Hz–50.5 Hz, and the load shedding is reduced by 125.16 MW. The unbalanced power that each island can withstand is increasing.

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