ANALYSIS OF ENERGY EFFICIENCY OF OPERATING MODES OF ELECTRICAL SYSTEMS WITH THE Traction LOADS

Innovative scenarios of reliable energy supply of transportation process aimed at reducing the specific energy consumption and increase energy efficiency of the systems of electric traction. The paper suggests innovative energy saving directions in traction networks of railways and new circuit solutions accessing traction substations in energy systems networks, ensure energy security of the transportation process. To ensure the energy security of rail transport special schemes were developed to propose the concept of external power traction substations, which would increase the number of connections to the networks of 220 – 330 kV, as well as the creation of transport and energy corridors, development of its own supply of electric networks of 110 kV substations and mobile RP-110 kV of next generation. Therefore, the investment program of the structures owned by the Ukrainian Railways (Ukrzaliznytsia) need to be synchronized in their technological characteristics, as well as the criteria of reliability and quality of power supply with the same external energy investment programs. It is found that without any load on left or right supplying arm one of two less loaded phases of traction transformer begins generating specific modes in the supplying three-phase line. Thus, modes of mobile substation cause leakage in one of the phases of the supply line of traction transformers of active-capacitive current, and as a result generating energy in the main power line of 154 kV, which is fixed and calculated by electricity meters. For these three phase mode supply network is necessary to use 1st algorithm, i.e. taking into account the amount of electricity as the energy in all phases. For effective application of reactive power compensation devices in the AC traction power supply systems it is proposed to develop regulatory documentation on necessity of application and the order of choice of parameters and placement of compensation systems taking into account operation mode of power systems and the use of software systems with imitation of instantaneous interrelated schemes of transport loads. References 15, tables 3, figures 4.

Key words: energy security; railway transport; the process of transportation; networks of power systems; efficiency of modes; mobile traction substations.

In Ukraine since 1950-s on the AC system 25 kV, 50 Hz electrified 5.5 thousand km (53 % landfill) of railways. World experience confirmed the undeniable advantages of the AC system before electrification system DC 3 kV. Currently, the share of electrified portions of the total operational length of railways is 47.3 %, while the share of electric traction in the overall turnover equal to 91.2 %. However, the effects of the economic crisis significantly reduced the rate of electrification of railways in 2014-2016. As a result, the most important electrified line Kharkiv – Poltava – Kremenchug – Znamenka works internally powered modes of traction network from mobile substations [5-8].

One of the most urgent issues of energy transport process is the effective implementation of the traction electricity reserve capacity power supply of electrified railways AC roads. Ways of realization of reserve capacity are different. If the main focus of the railways of the advanced economies is placing on the traction substations stationary traction reserve units, the railways of Ukraine, this problem is solved by the mobile reserve of traction substations. Recently put into operation during the period of sustained growth in traffic. In the fall of traffic they may be involved in other areas which are expected to increase in traffic. Naturally, such a «flexible» reservation system must be linked in circuit and regime system with external power supply.

In order to reduce costs for the electricity industry all the railways of Ukraine carried out the supply of electricity to consumers at regulated tariffs, which saves hundreds of million UAH the procurement of electricity (in 2014 – 631 million UAH). Advantages of the wholesale electricity market, electricity purchases are obvious, but there are some features of payment for electricity in conditions of forced modes of electric traction networks with mobile traction substations [2-5].

The pace of aging power units at the existing funding gap continues to outpace reconstruction. The length of electrified lines of the landfill, which operated over the average period of time (40 years) increased to 6393 km or 62.3 % in 2012, and today this figure is closer to 6,820 km or 67 %. With a lifetime of over 30 years...
232 stationary (78% of the total) and 10 mobile traction substations are working. At the present time requires a complete reconstruction of more than 50% of the expanded length of the catenary and traction substations. To stabilize the situation need to increase the pace of renovation of the traction power supply units in the period from 2016 to 2020 every year at least 600-670 km of catenary and traction substations 10-15, with an average financing needs for one substation about 50 million UAH [1, 7, 8].

Reasons of the low efficiency of power lie in the technical, economic, organizational processes: the degraded state of electrical networks due to wear and tear; unbalance load lines phases; unbalance modes of transmission lines; the impact of energy flows in the common elements of the network (the effect of the loss of non-linearity) uncompensated reactive power flows.

Therefore, the question of the substantial increase in the volume of works on modernization, improve the reliability and efficiency of the traction power supply, as well as the electrification of new railway lines belongs now to the most important priorities of development of the railway energy of Ukraine.

The goal of the paper is analysis and development of ways to improve the energy efficiency of modes of electrical systems with traction loads and the rationale for the calculation of traction substations for the vector method of three-phase energy consumption from substations of the National Energy Company «Ukrenergo».

1. Energy efficiency analysis of traction and external power supply for electrified line Poltava – Kremenchug – Alexandria. The general lack of circuit connections of traction substations (TS) of electrified areas for the period 1993-2011 lies in the fact that virtually all substation joined the network of 110 kV of regional power companies and a number of them to such networks 110 kV which connect different energy system.

The choice of external power supply scheme of TS (Fig. 1) is made in accordance with the «Standards for technological design of energy systems and electric networks of 35 kV and above» and new chart-technical solutions join the TS to the power system networks, which proved in [5, 9] used in railway electrification.

The source of external power supply of traction substation is a substation of 330 kV North and Dnieper power systems. 330/110 kV substations Poltava was introduced into operation in 1964 and 1997. Currently, the substation is equipped with 4 auto-transformer, two 125 MVA and two 200 MVA. Outdoor switchgear (OSG) 330 kV substations Poltava performed under the scheme 330-10 «transformer – bus lines with the connection by two switches». At this voltage are due to Zmiev thermal power plant, substations with 750/330 kV Severoukrainskaya and 330/154 kV Kremenchug.

110 kV OSG Poltava has four sections, two sectional and two co-located with the bypass section switch. The distribution of electrical power from the TS Poltava 110 kV voltage is carried to consumers of Poltava city and the Poltava region, and traction substations.

OSG 154 kV traction substation Alexandria has three sections 154 kV bus on which power is supplied from the substation «North» and the substation Znamenka. The distribution of electrical power from the TS Alexandria on voltage 154 kV, substation Konstantinovka made to consumers, the substation «Neftianik» and substation Morozivka.

At TS Alexandria in 2009 it was put into operation three continuously adjustable settings transverse capacitive compensation (CS) (manufacturer ČRD ELEKTROTEXNIKA), with total capacity of 18.4 Mvar. In the phase A and phase B included adjustable installation CTK with capacitors type CUEFS 23–8.7/600/ WF and compensating reactors and decompensating respectively KTL-182/155 and KTL-192/210 with 7609 of $Q_C=7609$ kvar and $Q_R=7565$ kvar. Unregulated installing KU with capacitors KOK1-1.05-63-1Y1 and reactor ФРОМ-3200/35Y1, capacity $Q=5699$ kvar is included in the phase A or B. To ensure the compensation (decompensation) of reactive power and filtering of higher harmonic components of voltage and current general scheme applies dynamic compensation, in which the converter COMPACT system provides adjustment of the value of the phase current of decompensating reactors. The basis of this system is the semiconductor converter unit which includes optophotorysts with protective resistor-capacitor elements and signaling unit.

Before installing CS average daily electricity consumption of traction substation in 2009 was $S = 7565 	ext{ kvar}$ capacity capacitors thyristors fully open permanently. It is interesting to know their real condition and mode of operation. Analyzing the state of the CS in the evaluation of energy losses in the first place should pay attention to the installation of the filter with oil-filled reactors ФРОМ-3200/35Y1. In addition to the increased complexity of the maintenance of these reactors, they are characterized by higher energy losses. In particular, only the power loss in the steel reactor cores is 10.5 kW.

Technical and economic calculations show that in the current application smoothly regulated CS plants due to the large capital investment that determines the large payback period (10-15 years) for the traction network of national railways.

In general, the following measures can be applied to improve the efficiency of the heterogeneous network: division of low voltage network, the use of longitudinal capacitive compensation in high-voltage lines, inclusion of booster transformers in the branch networks of different nominal voltages. The most advantageous solution is determined by the feasibility study on the simulation models based on modes of supply of power systems [3-5]. Currently, the contact area network Kobelyaki – Kremenchug – Alexandria partitioned neutral accents and is a long cantilever sections with single feed.
Parallel running electrical traction networks 27.5 kV and the network 110, 154, 330 kV (Fig. 1) are heterogeneous and power transmission it happens when you increase the value of active power and energy losses, that is, at a reduced cost-network operation as a whole. Heterogeneity of traction power systems and supply chains leads to an increase in the equivalent resistance \( R_{eq} \) at the power transmission path. Thus, if for a homogeneous network, active equivalent resistance \( R_{eq0} \) will be equal \( R_{eq0} = \frac{r_1 + r_2}{r_1 + r_2} = \frac{r}{2} \), than for inhomogeneous one which graph is presented in Fig. 1,b

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R_{eq} = R_{eq0} \frac{Z_1 \cdot Z_2}{Z_1 + Z_2}
\]

and increase of the active resistance can be determined by the following expression

\[
\frac{R_{eq} - R_{eq0}}{R_{eq0}} = \frac{\left(\xi_1 - \xi_2\right)^2}{2 + \left(\xi_1 + \xi_2\right)^2}.
\]  

where \( \xi_1, \xi_2 \) are the ratios of reactance to active resistance of the corresponding graph branches.

Calculations with real values of resistance by the expression (1) lead to the conclusion that, in parallel to the network 110 and 27.5 kV, 154 kV and 27.5 kV have to expect an increase in the equivalent resistance.
by 15-20 %. Consequently, at 15-20 % power loss will be large.

The main load of the network is the system load $J_1$ and $J_{10}$, loads of traction substations $J_6$, $J_7$, $J_9$ have significantly less value. Count circuit branches, the reduced voltage to one have different ratios of reactance to active resistance $\xi = x/r$. For a given circuit condition heating low voltage network wires limit the capacity of the network. Part of the network of higher voltage (330 kV, 154 kV) underload, as part of a network with a lower voltage is overloaded. The flow of power is on the branches 6 and 10 of the graph circuit.

Heterogeneity of parallel networks 330, 154, 110, 27.5 kV, the specific modes of operation minimizes the benefits of closed networks, is the large power supply reliability, better quality of electricity and if you can not take into account for traction network power flow in fee, will inevitably use console power circuits.

Traction substations Kobelyaki and Kremenchug are powered by the North energy system and Alexandria – from the Dnieper energy system. The scheme of parallel operation and partitioning traction network is shown in Fig. 2. The inclusion of traction substations for parallel operation will inevitably lead to power flows on the network even when the traction according to the normalized values of primary voltage due to differences in their capacities.

Taking into account that the total power consumption of traction substation consists of the consumption of electricity for traction power, losses and power flows on the traction network, we can offer a formula for determining the flow

$$W_{over} = W - \Delta W - W_{ts} = \sum_{i=1}^{n} (I_{shi}U_{ti} - \Delta S_i) - W_{ts},$$

where $W$ is the comprehensive energy consumption of traction substation; $W_{ts}$ is the electricity consumption for train traction; $\Delta W$ is the power loss in the traction networks; $I_{shi}$ is the conjugate complex of instant currents in shoulders of power traction substation; $U_{ti}$ is the instantaneous voltage on the tires traction substation; $n$ is the number of solved instant schemes in simulations electrotraction networking modes.

A preliminary assessment of the scheme traction power network and the selection of the scheme, which allows to approach the power-saving mode of the traction power supply system is determined by modeling power flow and energy loss. At the same time the implementation of the automated system of commercial electric power accounting on all railways of Ukraine allows today to use these energy meters traction substations and implement the actual definition of the electricity costs for various power schemes. Last modification counters at traction substations (with appropriate software), and can measure power loss in the zone between substations. By analyzing this information, power dispatcher can select an energy-saving power supply circuit [5].

2. Forced modes of mobile traction substations and power system supply lines. Reality today is such that, almost without reserve, mobile substation for a long time working instead of fixed-to-congested areas, and some super-long cantilever sections loaded with only one arm power, which leads to a sharp current unbalance traction transformers phases (least loaded are two phases) and finally to increased energy losses [5, 6].
In May 2014 it was put into operation a mobile substation «Traction Kremenchug» which is attached directly to the main power grids of North Grid, namely the PS-330 «Kremenchug». Modes of her work defined the technical specifications, including power and modes with long cantilever sections one shoulder power («lagging» or «advanced» phase). [8] It is necessary for the implementation of the transportation process on the condition of ensuring the minimum level of tension in the electric rolling limiting sections \( U = 21 \, \text{kV} \). As shown below, such mobile substation modes cause flow in a single phase traction supply line transformers active-capacitive current and as a result, the generation of energy in the mains power line 154 kV, which is fixed and the calculated electricity meters. According to the theory of electrical networks and the existing rules of electric power metering, for such modes of three-phase mains supply requires the use of a vector method, i.e., metering of electricity as the amount of energy in all phases, taking into account the sign.

It is known that on the roads of single-phase AC power traction network is usually carried out by a three-phase transmission line through transformers connected to this or that scheme [3]. Of all the possible connection scheme of the three-phase transformers, the most widely used on the railways of Ukraine got a scheme in which the traction winding is connected in a triangle. When connecting the traction windings delta loading, though not identical, but all three phases of high voltage lines. It is possible to power district load from a third transformer, which is fixed and the matrix of traction winding. In this case, much less disturbing effect of high-voltage line on the communication line. These circumstances had a decisive influence on the fact that the traction winding three-phase transformer is connected in delta. A more uniform load three-phase transmission line phases is achieved when powered traction substations of all three phases of the transmission line. In this case, the traction network section of the left and right of the substation fed by various transmission line phase and consequently have a voltage out of phase with each other.

When considering schemes of traction substations for the positive direction of the currents \( I_1, I_2, I_3 \) to the transmission line, branches from the transmission line to the substation, and also in the feeders that feed a power train \( I_1, I_2, I_3 \), will take direction from the feeding center to the consumer. The positive direction of currents in electric locomotives will take direction from the conductor to the contact rail. For the power supply circuit (Fig. 3) combined vector diagram of voltages and currents in the particular case (the least loaded are two phases) shown in Fig. 4. When constructing diagrams accept transformation ratio equal to one and neglect the idling current and voltage losses in the windings. Then, the voltages \( U_{ab}, U_{bc} \) and \( U_{ca} \) and, accordingly, voltages \( U_{ac}, U_{ba} \) and \( U_{cb} \) will be provided and the same vectors (Fig. 4). The current vector \( I_L \) (left side) received the voltage should be oriented with respect to the voltage vector \( U_{ac} \). In the vector diagram shows the current \( I_L \) shifted from «their» voltage at a certain angle \( \varphi_L \). The current vector \( I_L \) (coming from the substation to the right) in the direction shown in Fig. 3, focused on the vector of «their» voltage \( -U_{cb} \) opposite to the voltage \( U_{cb} \) shown on the diagram (Fig. 4). Laying voltages on the chart \( -U_{cb} \) (shown in dotted line), it can relatively displaced by a certain angle \( \varphi_L \) applied \( I_L \) current vector. Knowing \( I_L \) and \( I_R \) it is easily find the current \( I_C \) in the wire attached to the rail as the magnitude of the counterbalance (as well \( I_L + I_R + I_C = 0 \), and the phase current transformer [3]:

\[
I_a = \frac{1}{3} I_L + \frac{1}{3} I_R; I_b = \frac{1}{3} I_R - \frac{1}{3} I_L; I_c = -\frac{1}{3} I_R - \frac{1}{3} I_L.
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Fig. 3. Feeding diagram of the traction power supply of single-phase current using three-phase transformer connected according to the scheme Y/Δ-11

Left feeder zone to the current \( I_L \) powered by voltage \( U_{ac} \). This voltage is generated in the winding ah and windings yhzc (where it is obtained by adding the voltages of the two geometric windings by and c2). But ax winding resistance is half the resistance of the other two windings connected in series. Therefore, the current \( I_L \) is
divided between generating voltage \( U_{ac} \) windings in the ratio of 2:1. Similarly, current \( I_k \) is shared. It can be noted (Fig. 3) which is the least loaded phase is the phase of the triangle, which is not directly connected to the rails. In this case, when one of the loads, \( I_l \) or \( I_r \), equal zero, two phases are loaded least.

![Vector diagram to determine phase currents of the three-phase transformer for the particular case:](image)

Let us consider in more detail the special case where the least loaded are two phases, for example, when powered traction load only the left shoulder «lagging» phase (Fig. 4, a) or only the right shoulder «advanced» phase (Fig. 4, b). When powered load left shoulder \( I_L \) «lagging» phase (Fig. 4, a) the angles of phase shift between the currents \( I_A \), \( I_B \), and \( I_C \) and the voltages \( U_A \), \( U_B \), \( U_C \) is significantly increased. Note that \( \varphi_A = \varphi_L \), current \( I_B \) lags the voltage \( U_B \) by an angle \( \varphi_B \), and \( I_C \) leads the voltage \( U_C \) by an angle \( \varphi_C \). Thus, one of the least-loaded traction of transformer phase begins to generate current in the supply network. When powered right shoulder load \( I_k \) «advanced» phase (Fig. 4, b) \( \varphi_C = \varphi_R \), \( I_B \) current leads the voltage \( U_B \), and now this phase traction transformer generates a current in the supply network.

In the presence of the load on the district may not have the traction substations and low thrust loads this mode, but for mobile substations (10 kV for regional consumers are not always designed) are inevitable.

Experimental investigations were carried out for normal and forced modes of electric traction network. Forced (provisional) mode in a mobile operating conditions traction substation considered mode where plot Kremenchug – Ozera supply voltage of 27.5 kV phase \( A \) and phase \( B \) is in an idle mode. Normal mode will assume a mode in which the traction substation feeds Kremenchug – Ozera (phase \( A \)) and Kremenchuk – Kobelyaki (phase \( B \)). It was found that the power of the mobile traction substation «Traction Kremenchug» 20 MW does not allow transportation process on the console section of traction network length of 39.5 km Kremenchug – Ozera normally due to the need to ensure the minimum level of 21 kV voltage on the pantograph of electric rolling of limiting haul.

The presented results confirm that in the reverse direction of energy in the least loaded phase \( B \) from the higher voltage is the result of bias currents in the winding of a traction transformer \( yb \) forced mode mobile substation «Traction Kremenchug».

Experimental investigations have confirmed the cause of the generation mode in phase \( B \) of the OL 154 kV and traction load requirements of GOST 13109-97 «Power quality limits in public electrical networks».

The absence of power generation by the traction load is confirmed by experimental measurements at the input of 27.5 kW traction transformer substation mobile «Traction Kremenchug» under different loads on the feeder zone Kremenchug – Ozera (Table 1). Thus, the experimental research results confirm the theoretical study on the use of the vector algorithm, taking into account the amount of electricity when powered mobile traction substations of backbone electric grids of the National Energy Company «Ukrenergo».

3. Evaluation of electric energy in the traction substations. It is known that at the traction substations of electrified railways of commercial electric power accounting devices should be installed at the boundary equipment accessories, i.e. at the level of the power supply traction transformers. However, the majority of traction substations of electric energy accounting is conducted at low and medium voltage. In this case the loss of electrical energy in traction and step-down transformers are determined by calculation.
The unit of electric energy at levels low and medium voltage due to the lack of measuring transformers of current and voltage at a high voltage transformer substations with the old type of stationary, mobile and on they do not provide even a project.

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Note. 9-13 – short-term connections of the phase B to feed traction network of the feeder zone Kremenchug – Kobelyaki (current transformer coefficient – 1000/5, account ratio – 55000).

Payment points with wholesale electricity market for electricity placed in cell No. 2 of OSG-154 kV of substation PS-330 «Kremenchug». Current account for traction feeders mounted on the contact network and the technical account – on the feeder of 27.5 kV power transformer of the mobile substation «Traction Kremenchug». Comparative analysis of the volume purchased and released electric energy for the period May – November 2014 indicates the presence of imbalance which is more than 10% (Table 2, 3). Analysis of the data (see Table 2, 3) shows that the calculation of flow of electrical energy at the point of calculation intentionally or erroneously on the following principle.

Table 2

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Installed at the design point per phase electricity meters are set to account in both directions, and in determining the amount of flow of electricity accounted for the volume of electricity supplied by each phase separately. Thus, the presence of lasing at any given volume of phase calculation is excluded. As a result of this calculation railroad monthly, starting in May 2014 (after OL 154 kV commissioning and mobile traction substation «Traction Kremenchug»), purchases of electricity by nearly 500 thousand KW·h more than the consumer supplies. With a monthly volume flow on the OL 154 kV 4000-4500 thousand KW·h OL loss exceeds 10 % of normative losses at the rate of class 1 power purchase 3.66-3.86 %. As a result of the imbalance between the amount of electric energy that was allotted to the substation PS-330 «Kremenchug», and the actual amount received by railway on TS «Traction Kremenchug» for the period May–November 2014 amounted to 3771 thousand KW·h. However, it should be noted that in determining the amount of unbalance of tires 154 kV Substation PS-330 «Kremenchug» and substation as a whole calculation is carried out taking into account of the full phase mode electricity flow at all points in the account, including taking into account the phase B of generation in the OL 154 «Traction Kremenchug». Thus, the calculation algorithm in the balance of the substation PS-330 «Kremenchug» is different from the volume calculation algorithm for suppliers of electrical energy connected to this substation, which is contrary to the rules.

Conclusions.

1. Analysis of the electrical system with loads traction shows that to improve their energy efficiency needs a full-scale program of modernization. The investment program included in the structures of JSC «Ukrzaliznytsia» must be synchronized on the technological parameters, as well as the criteria of efficiency and quality of power supply with the same external energy investment programs.

2. In the analysis of risks and threats to energy supply process traffic of railways from the external power supply is suggested to use a system of rating assessments of energy security for all of the following indicators: the measured flow of railways from the external power supply and reduce the cost and time of construction of traction substations new schemes and technical solutions of external power supply are proposed, which are based on joining to networks of the National Energy Company «Ukrenorgo» (220-330 kV) and use of reactive power controlled compensation devices.

4. As a result of theoretical and experimental investigations of forced modes of mobile traction substation «Traction Kremenchug» it is found that in the absence of the left or right shoulder load power of traction network one of the two least-loaded traction transformer phases causes flowing in one phase of the supply line of active-capacitive reverse current that is fixed by calculated electric meters with phase segregated algorithm calculations as generating the least loaded phase. Such modes of power supply systems lines are inevitable due to the need to ensure the minimum level of the voltage of electric rolling on long cantilever sections of the traction network and for them it is necessary usage of the vector method of determining the amount of electricity.

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