

Comparative Study: Electric Distribution Optimization with Loss Minimization Algorithm and Particle Swarm Optimization

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Abstract: Power systems are very large and complex, it can be influenced by many unexpected events this makes power system optimization problems difficult to solve, hence methods for solving these problems ought to be an active research topic. This review presents an overview of important mathematical comparison of loss minimization algorithm and particle swarm optimization algorithm in terms of the performances of electric distribution.

Keywords: Cost benefit ratio, electric distribution, electric consumption, loss minimization algorithm, particle swarm optimization.

1. INTRODUCTION

Electric power distribution is the final stage in the delivery of electricity. Electricity is carried from the transmission system to individual consumers. Distribution substations connects to the transmission system and lower the transmission voltage to medium voltage ranging between 2 kV and 33 kV with the use of transformers.

Power system planning and operation offers multitudinous opportunities for optimization methods. In practice, these problems are generally large-scale, non-linear, subject to uncertainties, and combine both continuous and discrete variables.

In recent years, a number of complementary theoretical advances in addressing such problems have been obtained in the field of applied mathematics. The paper introduces a selection of these advances in the fields of non-convex optimization, in mixed- integer programming, and in optimization under uncertainty. The practical relevance of these developments for power systems planning and operation are discussed, and the opportunities for combining them, together with high-performance computing and big data infrastructures.

In this article, we are going to study the difference between the loss minimization algorithm and the particle swarm optimization in terms of performance and stability.

First, the modelisation of electric distribution will be presented. After, we are going to present the loss minimization algorithm. Later, particle swarm optimization will be advanced. Finally, we will present the results of comparison between the performance of two methods and a brief conclusion.

2. METHODS

2.1. Modelisation of Electric Distribution

2.1.1. Network Infrastructure

The GRD infrastructure is all the electrical components of its network, namely the nodes and links (lines, cables and transformers).

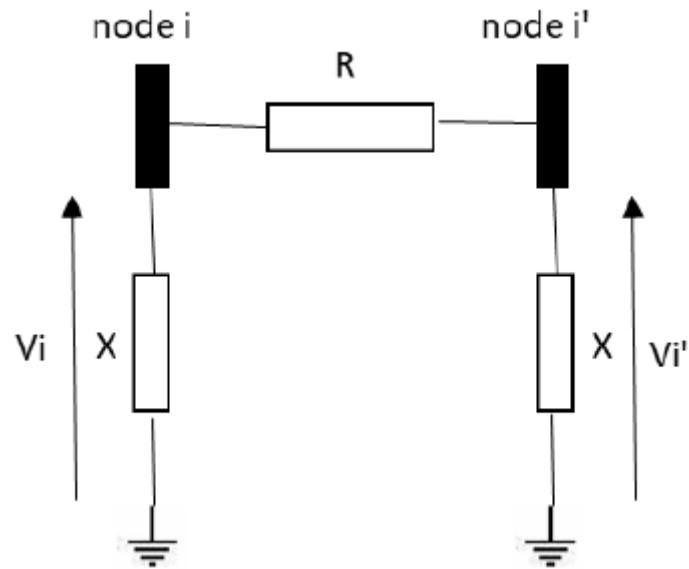


Figure1. Representation in π of a link connecting nodes i and j

2.1.2. Operational Limits

The operational limits represent a set of constraints, in voltage at the nodes and in current in the links, which must be respected so as not to compromise the operation of the network.

- Voltage constraint

$$V_{min} \leq V_i \leq V_{ma} \quad (1)$$

Where:

V_i The voltage of the node i .

V_{min} The minimum voltage.

V_{max} The maximum voltage.

- Intensity limit

$$I_i \leq I_{li} \quad (2)$$

Where:

I_i The current intensity of the node i .

I_{lim} The current intensity limit.

Conservation of intensity (law of nodes).

The intensity used depends on the power.

2.1.3. Electrical Devices

The set D of electrical devices consists of elements which are connected to nodes $n \in N$ of the network and which exchange electrical energy with it. They can be differentiated into two distinct subsets:

- the set $C \subset D$ of loads, they draw power from the network because they consume electrical energy.

- the set $G \subset D$ of generators, they inject power into the network by producing electrical energy.

Where:

D Electrical devices.

C Consumer devices.

G Generators devices.

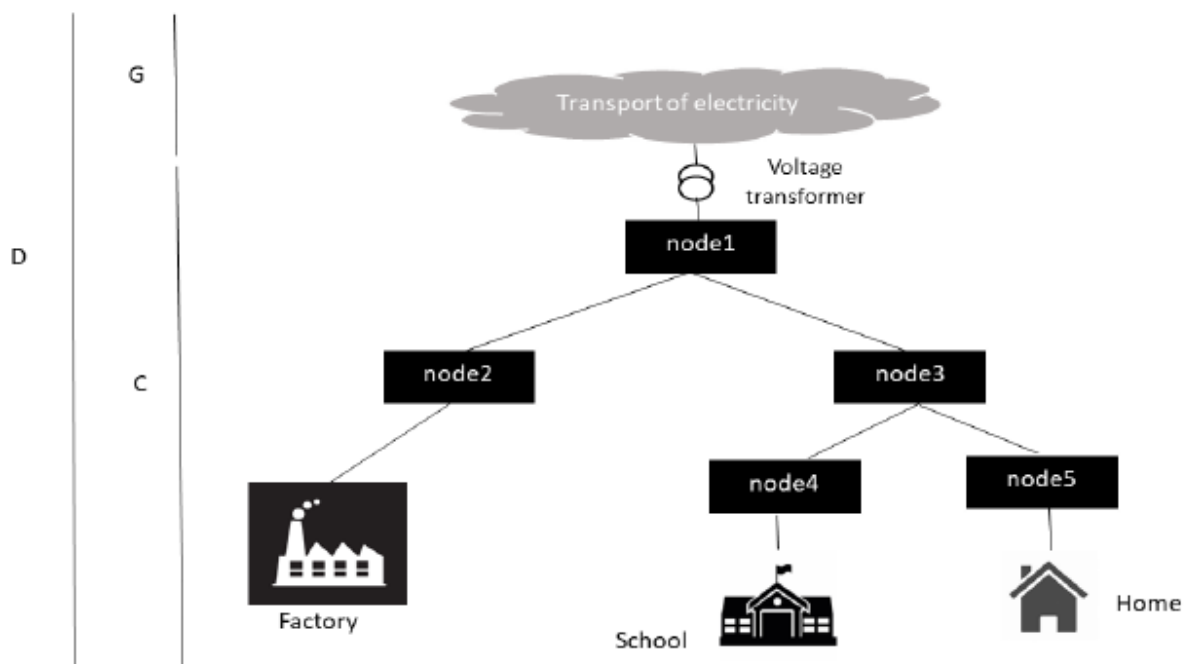


Figure2. System modelisation

2.1.4. Power Losses

- Power dissipated by Joule effect

$$P_{Joule} = R \times I^2 \quad (3)$$

Where:

P_{Joule} Power dissipated by the Joule effect.

R Resistance of the line.

I The current intensity.

- The total power dissipated by Joule effect on an entire network is the sum of all the powers dissipated by Joule effect

$$P_{Joule,t} = P_{Joule,1} + P_{Joule,2} + \dots + P_{Joule,5} + \dots \quad (4)$$

Where:

$P_{Joule, ot}$ The total power dissipated by the joule effect.

$P_{Joule, i}$ The power dissipated by the joule effect in i node.

- Power of a device

$$P = U \times I \quad (5)$$

Where:

P The power of the device.

U The voltage of the device.

I The intensity of the device.

- Power dissipated by Iron effect

$$P_{focault}, P_{hystérésis} \quad (6)$$

Where:

$P_{focault}$ The power dissipated by Foucault effect.

Phystérésis The power dissipated by Hysteresis effect.

- Power dissipated by charge

$$Q_{loss} = \frac{U^2}{X} \tag{7}$$

Where:

Q_{loss} The reactive loss power.

U The voltage of the charge.

X The reluctance of the charge.

- Reactive power compensation

$$C = \frac{Q}{U^2 \times \omega} \tag{8}$$

Where:

Q The reactive power compensation.

C The capacity of distribution.

U The voltage of the distribution.

ω The pulsation of the distribution.

2.2. Loss Minimization Algorithm

2.2.1. Structure of the Proposed Algorithm

Although there are many loss reduction technical strategies in the current distribution network, there is little research on loss reduction optimization based on a combination of multiple types of loss reduction strategies.

The current loss reduction strategies are relatively simple and lack pertinence. Thus, a framework of combined loss reduction strategy optimization in the distribution network is proposed in this paper, which is mainly divided into three stages: weak point analysis of power loss, generation of loss reduction strategy, and combined loss reduction strategy optimization.

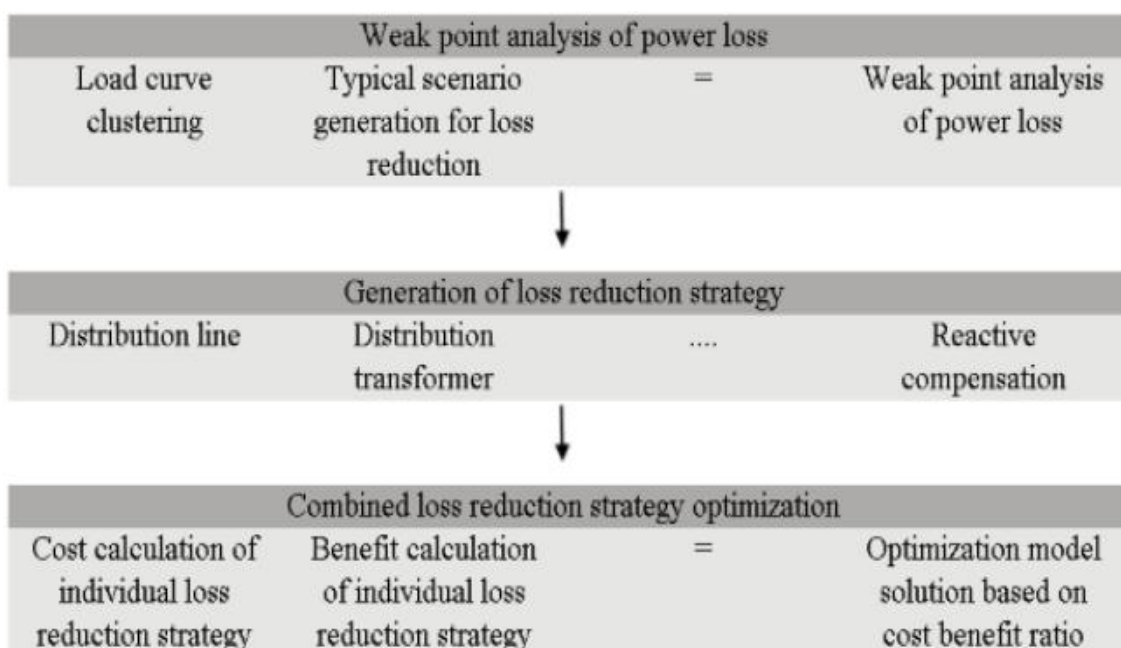


Figure3. Loss minimization algorithm

2.2.2. Combined Loss Reduction Strategy Optimization Model

The loss reduction modification scheme of the distribution network is composed of different types of loss reduction strategies. Each type of loss reduction strategy has a variety of specific implementation situations for choice.

When formulating a loss reduction modification scheme, it is necessary to consider the loss reduction effect of the distribution network feeder after the loss reduction modification and to analyze the economy of the loss reduction modification.

Distribution line	Replace severely aged lines
	Replace base overhead lines with insulated overhead lines or cables
	Increase the cross section of the distribution line
Distribution transformer	Replace severely aging distribution transformer
	Retrofit high loss distribution transformers
	Use low loss distribution transformers
Reactive compensation	Centralized substation compensation
	Centralized compensation for low voltage side of distribution transformer
	Reactive power compensation on tower
	User terminal dispersed compensation

Figure4. Strategy optimization model

- Objective Function

This paper mainly generates loss reduction strategies from distribution transformer, distribution line, and reactive power compensation of distribution network.

Thus, the cost of power loss, the replacement cost of distribution lines, the replacement cost of distribution transformers, and the cost of reactive power compensation are needed to be considered. To optimize the comprehensive benefits of loss reduction, the objective function of the combined loss reduction strategy optimization model is established as shown in the following equation:

$$\min C = C_i^{loss} + C_{vc}^{loss} + C_t^{loss} + C_l^{loss} \tag{9}$$

Where:

C The total capacity.

C_i^{loss} The loss capacity of node i .

C_{vc}^{loss} The loss capacity distribution.

C_t^{loss} The loss capacity of transformer.

C_l^{loss} The loss capacity of line.

- Power Loss Rate Constraint

Based on the development goals of the electric power development plan, power supply enterprises usually set the target value of the power loss rate after loss reduction modification.

$$P_{loss} \% = \frac{P_{sup} - P_{sales}}{P_{sup}} \times 100\% < \eta \tag{10}$$

Where:

P_{loss} The active power loss.

P_{sup} The active power supplements.

P_{sales} The active power sales.

η The yield.

- Power Flow Constraint

$$P_i = U_i (G_{ij} \cos \delta_{ij} + B_{ij} \sin \delta_{ij}) \quad (11)$$

$$Q_i = U_i (G_{ij} \sin \delta_{ij} + B_{ij} \cos \delta_{ij}) \quad (12)$$

where:

P_i represents the active power injected into the bus i.

Q_i represents the reactive power injected to the bus i.

U_i represents the voltage of bus i.

δ_{ij} denotes the phasor between bus i and j.

G_{ij} denotes the conductance between bus i and j.

B_{ij} represents the susceptance between bus i and j.

- Branch Transmission Capacity Constraint

The actual transmission capacity of the branch usually cannot exceed the maximum transmission capacity of the branch. In order to make the current operate within the normal range, the branch transmission capacity constraint is expressed in the following equation:

$$I_{min} \leq I_i \leq I_{max} \quad (13)$$

I_i The current intensity of the node i.

I_{min} The minimum current intensity.

I_{max} The maximum current intensity.

- Node Voltage Constraint

In order to make the node voltage operate within the normal range, the node voltage constraint is expressed as shown in the following equation:

$$U_{min} \leq U_i \leq U_{max} \quad (14)$$

Where:

U_i The voltage of the node i.

U_{min} minimum voltage.

U_{max} The maximum voltage.

- Reactive Power Compensation Capacity Constraint

The constraint of reactive power compensation capacity is shown in the following equation:

$$Q_{min} \leq Q_i \leq Q_{max} \quad (15)$$

Where:

Q_i The reactive power of node i.

Q_{min} The minimum reactive power.

Q_{max} The maximum power.

- Solution Method Based on Cost-Benefit Ratio

The cost-benefit ratio, μLR , represents the ratio of the cost of loss reduction, CLR, to the benefit of loss reduction, BLR. CLR consists of the replacement cost of distribution lines, the replacement cost of distribution transformers, and the cost of reactive power compensation. BLR is the cost corresponding to the loss reduction electricity after the loss reduction modification. It can be seen

when the CLR is lower and BLR is higher, the corresponding μ_{LR} is smaller, which means that the corresponding loss reduction strategy should be selected.

$$\mu_{LR} = \frac{C_{LR}}{B_{LR}} \quad (16)$$

$$C_{LR} = C_{vc} + C_l + C_t \quad (17)$$

$$B_{LR} = C_{loss1} - C_{loss2} \quad (18)$$

Where:

μ_{LR} The cost benefit ratio.

C_{LR} The cost of transport of the distribution.

C_{vc} The capacity of reactive power compensation.

C_l The capacity of the line.

C_t The capacity of transformer.

B_{LR} The benefit of the transport of the distribution.

C_{loss1} The loss capacity after optimization.

C_{loss2} The loss capacity before optimization.

2.3. Particle Swarm Optimization

2.3.1. Definition

The process of finding optimal values for the specific parameters of a given system to fulfill all design requirements while considering the lowest possible cost is referred to as an optimization. Optimization problems can be found in all fields of science.

Conventional optimization algorithms (Deterministic algorithms) have some limitations such as: Single-based solutions, Converging to local optima, Unknown search space issues.

To overcome these limitations, many scholars and researchers have developed several metaheuristics to address complex/unsolved optimization problems. Example: Particle Swarm Optimization, Grey wolf optimization, Genetic algorithm.

The Introduction to Particle Swarm Optimization (PSO) article explained the basics of stochastic optimization algorithms and explained the intuition behind particle swarm optimization (PSO).

2.3.2. Advantages and Disadvantages

Advantages of PSO:

- Insensitive to scaling of designs variables, derivative free, very few algorithm parameters, very efficient global search algorithm and easily parallelized for concurrent processing.

Disadvantages of PSO:

- Slow convergence in the refined search stage (Weak local search ability).

2.3.3. Flowchart Model

The proposed solution strategy can be explained with the help of flow chart. We need to maintain the voltage magnitude unchanged while minimizing the real power loss we can minimize the fuel cost via optimal adjustment of control variables.

After cost is minimized, the reactive power subproblem minimizes the total transmission loss by keeping PV bus voltage magnitude constant. Thus the total cost also decreases after second objective minimization.

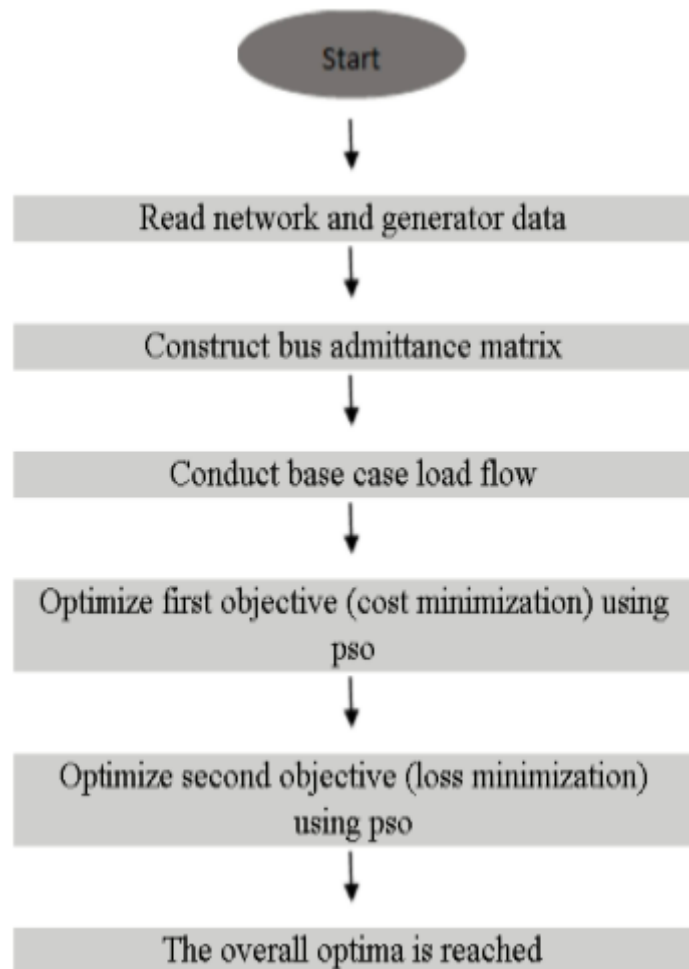


Figure5. Flow chart of proposed method

2.3.4. Mathematical Model

- Each particle in particle swarm optimization has a position, velocity, fitness and value.
- Each particle keeps track of the particle_best Fitness_value particle_bestFitness_position.
- A record of global_bestFitness_position and global_bestFitness_value is maintained.

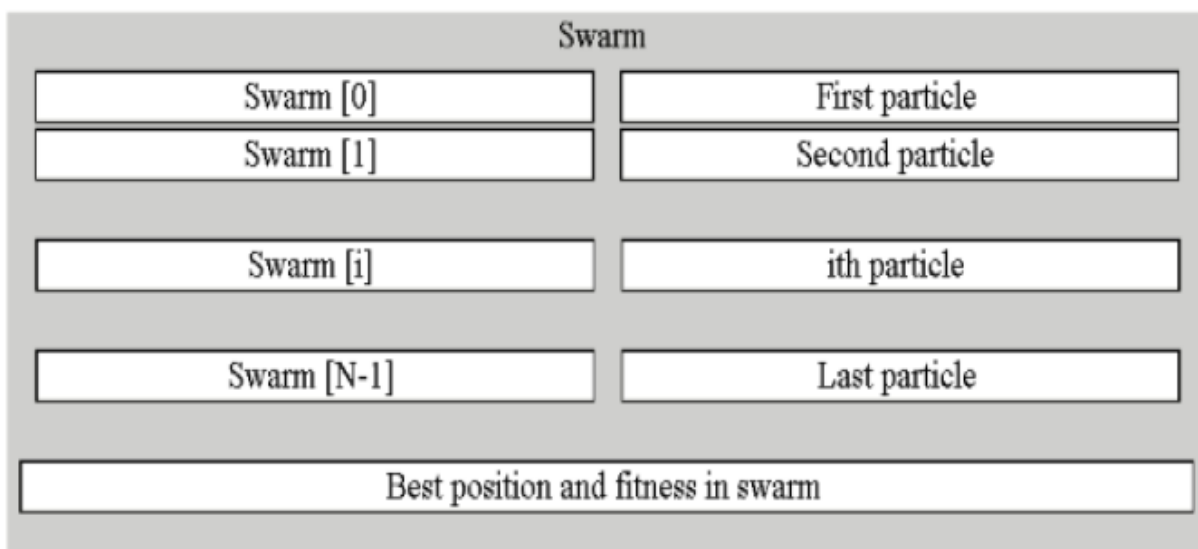


Figure6. Data structure to store Swarm population

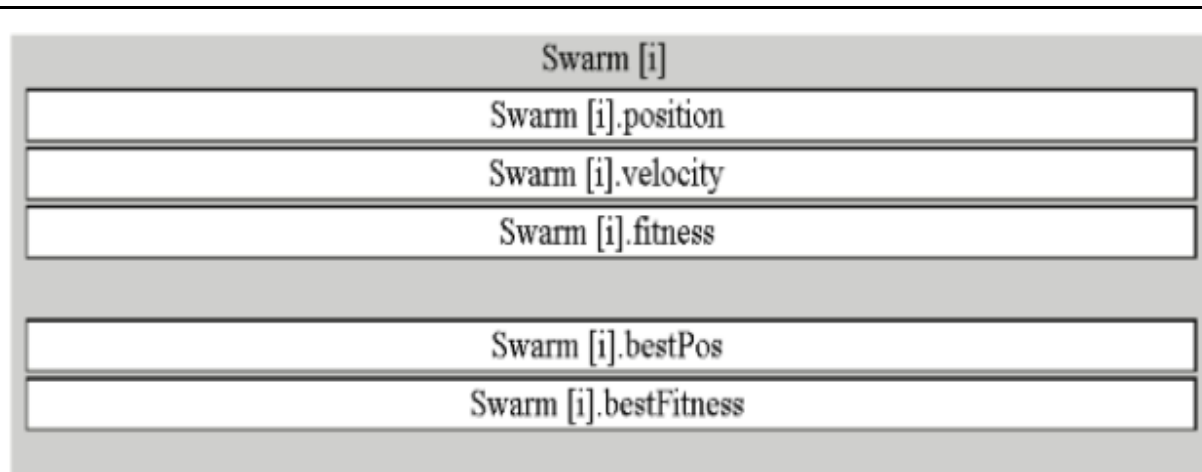


Figure7. Data structure to store *i*th particle of Swarm

2.3.5. Algorithm

Step1: Randomly initialize Swarm population of N particles X_i ($i=1, 2, \dots, n$)

Step2: Select hyperparameter values w , c_1 and c_2

Step3: For Iter in range(max_iter): # loop max_iter times

For i in range(N): # for each particle

a. Compute new velocity of i th particle

$$\text{swarm}[i].\text{velocity} = w * \text{swarm}[i].\text{velocity} + r_1 * c_1 * (\text{swarm}[i].\text{bestPos} - \text{swarm}[i].\text{position}) + r_2 * c_2 * (\text{best_pos_swarm} - \text{swarm}[i].\text{position})$$

b. Compute new position of i th particle using its new velocity

$$\text{swarm}[i].\text{position} += \text{swarm}[i].\text{velocity}$$

c. If position is not in range [minx, maxx] then clip it

if $\text{swarm}[i].\text{position} < \text{minx}$:

$$\text{swarm}[i].\text{position} = \text{minx}$$

elif $\text{swarm}[i].\text{position} > \text{maxx}$:

$$\text{swarm}[i].\text{position} = \text{maxx}$$

d. Update new best of this particle and new best of Swarm

if $\text{swarm}[i].\text{fitness} < \text{swarm}[i].\text{bestFitness}$:

$$\text{swarm}[i].\text{bestFitness} = \text{swarm}[i].\text{fitness}$$

$$\text{swarm}[i].\text{bestPos} = \text{swarm}[i].\text{position}$$

if $\text{swarm}[i].\text{fitness} < \text{best_fitness_swarm}$

$$\text{best_fitness_swarm} = \text{swarm}[i].\text{fitness}$$

$$\text{best_pos_swarm} = \text{swarm}[i].\text{position}$$

End-for

End -for

Step4: Return best particle of Swarm

2.4. Problem Formulation

In this article, we are going to compare the performances of two algorithms of electrical distribution such as loss minimization algorithm and particle swarm optimization. For this, the study will use a dataset of electric consumptions of a Morocco during the period of 01/01/2006 to 31/12/2006.

The columns of this article are as follows: Date, Time, Active power, Reactive power, voltage and current.

The article will try to draw the performances of the first method, the second method and in the discussion, a comparison between the two methods.

3. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

3.1. Results

3.1.1. Dataset: Profile of Consumption

Dataset summary

To visualize the dataset, we use this code.

```
import pandas as pd
data= pd.read_csv ('data.txt', sep=';')
data
```

Table1. Dataset

Date	Time	Active power	Reactive power	Voltage	Intensity
16/12/2006	17:24:00	4.216	0.418	234.84	18.4
16/12/2006	17:25:00	5.360	0.436	233.63	23.0
16/12/2006	17:26:00	5.374	0.498	233.29	23.0
16/12/2006	17:27:00	5.388	0.502	233.74	23.0
...
27/12/2006	18:42:00	1.592	0.124	238.78	6.6
27/12/2006	18:43:00	1.510	0.000	238.21	6.2
27/12/2006	18:44:00	1.502	0.000	237.64	6.2
27/12/2006	18:45:00	1.656	0.000	237.71	7.0
27/12/2006	18:46:00	1.688	0.000	238.2	NaN

Global active power

To plot the global active power, we use this code.

```
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import numpy as np
e1=11[1:20]
plt.xlabel ('Time')
plt.ylabel ('Active power')
plt.plot (e1, color='b', label='active power (W)')
plt.legend()
plt.show ()
```

As a result, we obtain the following plot.

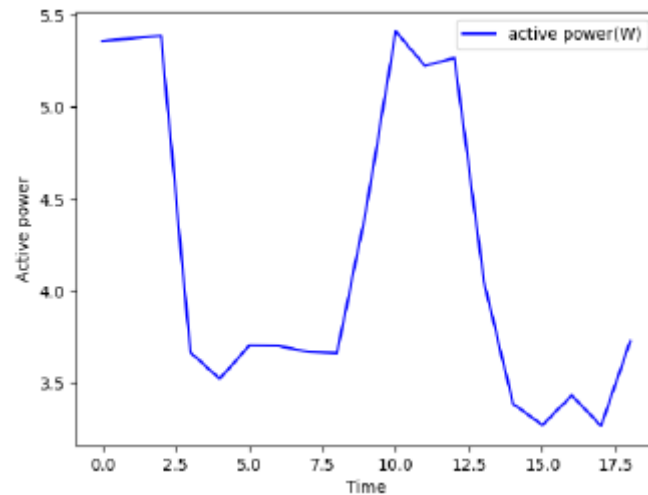


Figure8. Active power

Global reactive power

To plot the global active power, we use this code.

```
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import numpy as np
e2=12[1:20]
plt.xlabel('Time')
plt.ylabel('Reactive power')
plt.plot(e2, color='b', label='reactive power (VAR)')
plt.legend()
plt.show ()
```

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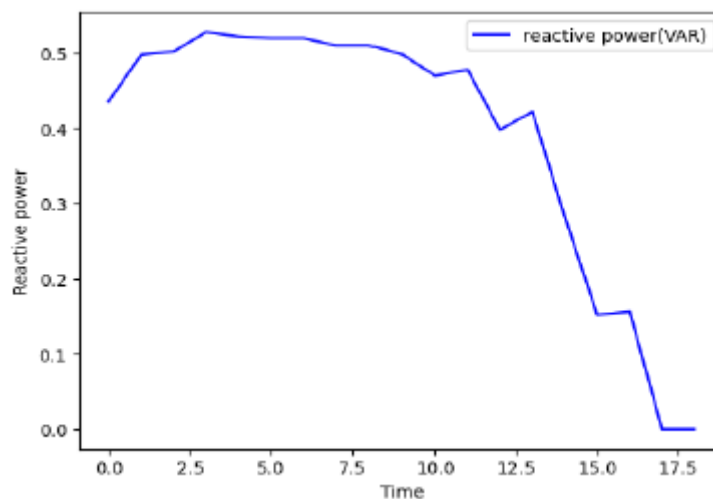


Figure9. Reactive power

Global intensity

To plot the global active power, we use this code.

```
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import numpy as np
```

```
e3=l3[1:20]
plt. xlabel ('Time')
plt. ylabel ('Global intensity')
plt. plot (e3, color='b', label='current intensity (A)')
plt.legend()
plt. show ()
```

As a result, we obtain the following plot.

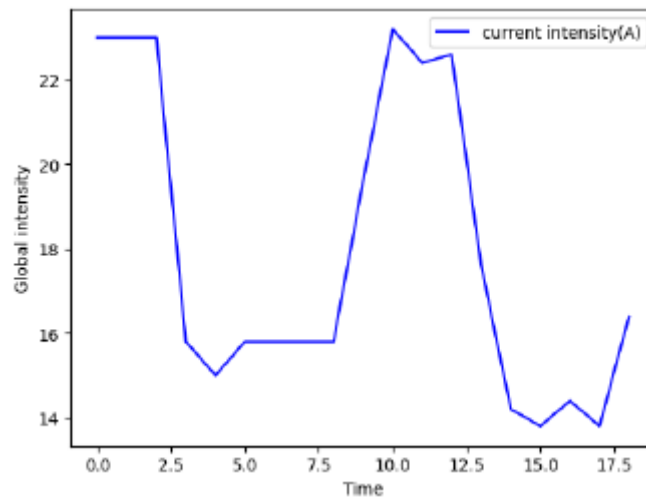


Figure10. Global intensity

3.1.2. Results of Loss Minimization Algorithm

In this algorithm, the research will turn the values of active power and reactive power to find the best values of capacitors and to show the value of yield.

When the algorithm is running based on the data of the dataset, we obtain the following results.

Table2. Dataset after loss minimization algorithm

Date	Time	Active power	Reactive power	Voltage	Intensity
16/12/2006	17:24:00	4716	0.368	234.84	18.4
16/12/2006	17:25:00	5860	0.386	233.63	23.0
16/12/2006	17:26:00	5874	0.448	233.29	23.0
16/12/2006	17:27:00	5888	0.452	233.74	23.0
...
27/12/2006	18:42:00	2092	0.074	238.78	6.6
27/12/2006	18:43:00	2010	0.000	238.21	6.2
27/12/2006	18:44:00	2002	0.000	237.64	6.2
27/12/2006	18:45:00	2156	0.000	237.71	7.0
27/12/2006	18:46:00	2188	0.000	238.2	NaN

We compare the first the active power before and after optimization.

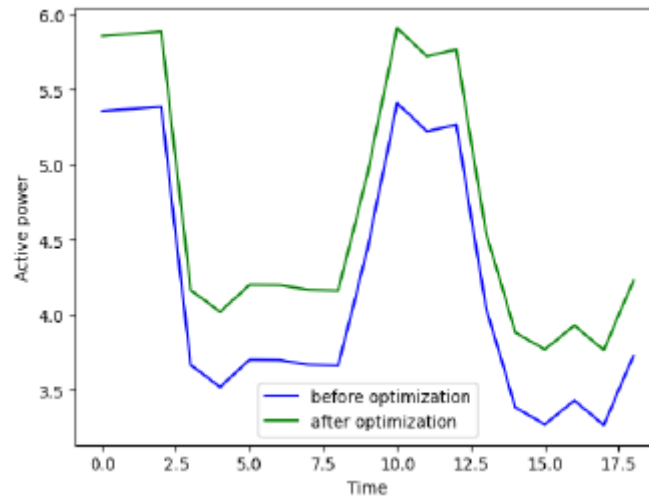


Figure11. Active power comparison before and after optimization

And we compare the reactive power before and after optimization.

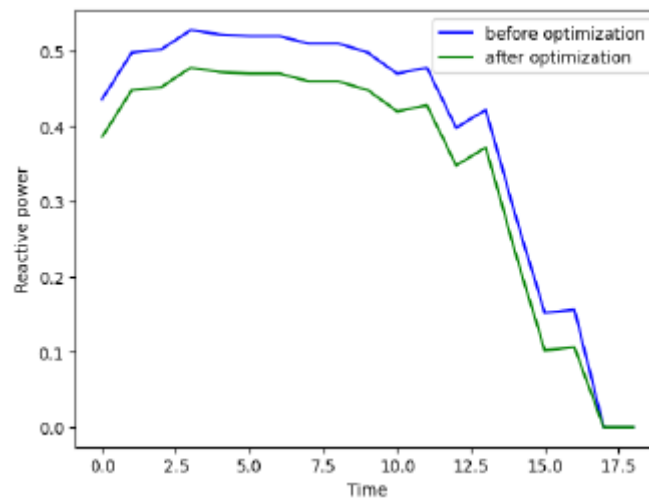


Figure12. Reactive power comparison before and after optimization

ULR is the cost benefit ratio to view the beneficity of electric equipments for the electric distribution.

for i in range(20):

CLR= sum(l1[i:i+20])

BLR= sum(l2[i:i+20])

CLR=[]

BLR=[]

ULR=[]

for i in range(20):

CLR.append(sum(l1[i:i+20]))

BLR.append(sum(l2[i:i+20]))

ULR.append(CLR[i]/BLR[i])

The following is about the power lost cost.

import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

import numpy as np

```
plt.xlabel("Time")
plt.ylabel("Power Loss Cost")
plt.plot(CLR, color='b', label='power loss cost (W)')
plt.show()
```

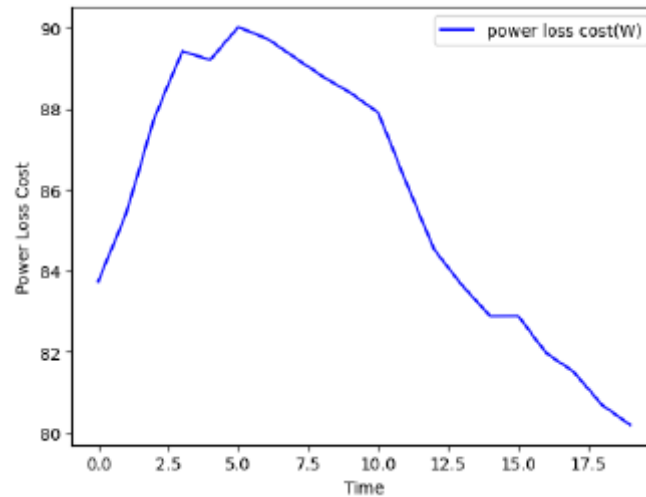


Figure13. Power lost cost

Then, we will visualize the cost benefit ratio.

```
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import numpy as np
plt.xlabel("Number")
plt.ylabel("Performances")
plt.plot(BLR, color='r', label='BLR (%)')
plt.plot(CLR, color='g', label='CLR (%)')
plt.plot(ULR, color='b', label='ULR (%)')
plt.legend()
plt.show()
```

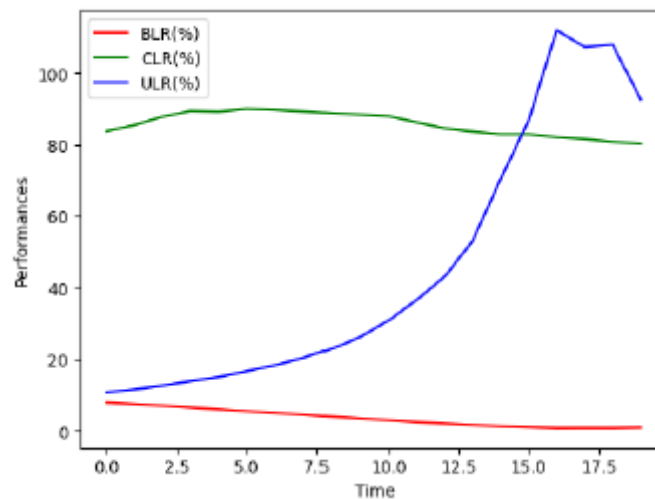


Figure14. Performances of loss minimization algorithm

3.1.3. Results of Particle Swarm Optimization

Turning the algorithm

In this algorithm, the research will turn the values of capacitors with swarm algorithm to find the best swarm configuration for the compensation of reactive power.

When the algorithm is running based on the data of the dataset, we obtain the following results.

Table3. Dataset after particle swarm optimization

Date	Time	Active power	Reactive power	Voltage	Intensity
16/12/2006	17:24:00	2510	0.137	234.84	18.4
16/12/2006	17:25:00	2315	0.156	233.63	23.0
16/12/2006	17:26:00	2212	0.176	233.29	23.0
16/12/2006	17:27:00	2412	0.195	233.74	23.0
...
27/12/2006	18:42:00	2310	0.124	238.78	6.6
27/12/2006	18:43:00	2208	0.000	238.21	6.2
27/12/2006	18:44:00	2109	0.000	237.64	0.0
27/12/2006	18:45:00	2113	0.000	237.71	0.0
27/12/2006	18:46:00	2011	0.000	238.2	0.0

Fitness is the ability of the data value of capacitors for reactive power.

Begin particle swarm optimization on rastrigin function

Goal is to minimize Rastrigin's function in 200 variables Function has known min = 0.0 at (Setting num_particles = 10 Setting max_iter = 100

Starting PSO algorithm

Iter = 5 best fitness = 195.882

Iter = 10 best fitness = 176.540

Iter = 15 best fitness = 169.292

Iter = 20 best fitness = 169.292

Iter = 25 best fitness = 169.292

Iter = 30 best fitness = 165.916

Iter = 35 best fitness = 165.916

Iter = 40 best fitness = 162.998

Iter = 45 best fitness = 160.412

Iter = 50 best fitness = 158.921

Iter = 55 best fitness = 156.970

Iter = 60 best fitness = 146.125

Iter = 65 best fitness = 145.721

Iter = 70 best fitness = 140.158

Iter = 75 best fitness = 126.345

Iter = 80 best fitness = 123.098

Iter = 85 best fitness = 119.881

Iter = 90 best fitness = 111.329

Iter = 95 best fitness = 110.468

PSO completed

Best solution found: ['0.048813', '0.950382', '-0.080204', '0.072667', '0.197269', '0.003676', '-0.100668', '-0.027871', '0.919538', '0.065172', '0.094082', '-0.127899', '0.040985', '0.050443', '-0.097652', '0.040515', '0.044928', '0.000075', '0.000000', '0.000000', '0.000000', '0.000000', '0.000000', '0.000000', '0.000000', '0.000000', '0.000000', '0.000000', '0.000000', '0.000742', '-0.012201', '0.000000', '0.063907', '0.046526', '0.070804', '-0.075356', '0.008491', '0.028560', '-0.020775', '-0.055102', '0.138241', '0.083133', '0.012301', '-0.170155', '0.074332', '-0.004839', '0.105315', '0.083135', '-0.117491', '-0.016693', '0.004117', '0.071149', '0.000000', '0.000000', '0.000000', '0.000000', '0.000000', '0.000000', '0.000000', '0.000000', '0.000000', '0.000000', '0.000000', '0.000000', '0.017794', '0.042155', '-0.040874', '0.012950', '0.000000', '0.000000', '0.000000', '0.003064', '0.052019', '-0.011069', '-0.011891', '-0.001604', '-0.012865', '0.122345', '0.021783', '-0.012144', '0.075668', '-0.018821', '-0.012039', '0.079587', '-0.053287', '0.000000',

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Fitness of best solution = 107.060385

End particle swarm for rastrigin function

The code is completed without any errors with the best swarm configuration.

We compare the first the active power before and after optimization.

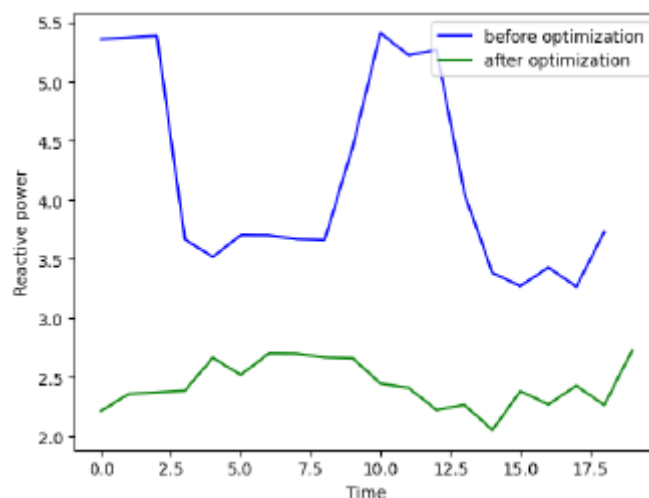


Figure15. Reactive power comparison before and after optimization

Fitness is the ability of the data value of capacitors for the compensation of active power.

Begin particle swarm optimization on rastrigin function

Goal is to minimize Rastrigin's function in 200 variables Function has known min = 0.0 at (Setting num_particles = 10 Setting max_iter = 100

Starting PSO algorithm

Iter = 5 best fitness = 2599.217

Iter = 10 best fitness = 2599.217

Iter = 15 best fitness = 2599.217

Iter = 20 best fitness = 2599.217

Iter = 25 best fitness = 2570.804

Iter = 30 best fitness = 2570.804

Iter = 35 best fitness = 2570.804

Iter = 40 best fitness = 2511.640

Iter = 45 best fitness = 2447.251

Iter = 50 best fitness = 2447.251

Iter = 55 best fitness = 2354.132

Iter = 60 best fitness = 2282.404

Iter = 65 best fitness = 2263.765

Iter = 70 best fitness = 2261.912

Iter = 75 best fitness = 2261.912

Iter = 80 best fitness = 2198.497

Iter = 85 best fitness = 2198.497

Iter = 90 best fitness = 2198.063

Iter = 95 best fitness = 2194.678

PSO completed

Best solution found: [-2.183467, '0.953548', '-1.391651', '3.265416', '2.391669', '-1.864360', '-0.604359', '-2.877062', '-2.301748', '3.842722', '-0.222927', '0.669589', '-0.781776', '1.076682', '-2.221679', '-1.130106', '-2.003562', '-2.458907', '-0.506874', '-0.816786', '0.012080', '-1.110548', '1.896282', '1.863231', '0.829427', '0.093193', '-0.128719', '0.893509', '-0.895500', '0.002228', '0.178787', '-0.162760', '-2.159304', '0.231979', '-2.620145', '1.695631', '0.663011', '-1.048289', '-2.440579', '2.033472', '4.203047', '1.918726', '6.824284', '-0.689263', '1.167084', '-5.000215', '4.670019', '1.990537', '2.073411', '1.660184', '-0.909954', '-2.645651', '-0.332943', '-2.839466', '2.219205', '1.923027', '-2.642269', '1.083379', '3.816709', '-0.187519', '1.025116', '1.250896', '4.331597', '2.906166', '-0.226219', '0.690826', '0.469869', '1.742865', '0.131248', '-2.039961', '-4.012813', '0.296230', '0.950066', '-1.060328', '-0.642453', '1.840690', '0.185719', '1.013282', '0.135256', '0.730176', '1.300194', '-0.088173', '-3.761053', '1.371650', '0.114503', '1.001887', '1.966248', '-2.053022', '0.346632', '-0.655002', '-0.109072', '1.788866', '-1.500318', '-1.946222', '1.186794', '0.608686', '1.159922', '1.097523', '2.308782', '-0.356571', '1.731363', '-2.454526', '0.855709', '1.958047', '0.137743', '3.672530', '-0.143978', '1.998084', '-0.933176', '1.195352', '4.671388', '0.642276', '3.273142', '0.840626', '0.002979', '-0.958490', '1.775999', '-0.947570', '0.144036', '0.890622', '1.747463', '0.199109', '2.764243', '-4.273229', '3.769598', '0.751971',

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Fitness of best solution = 2160.720835

End particle swarm for rastrigin function

The code is completed without any errors with the best swarm configuration.

And we compare the reactive power before and after optimization.

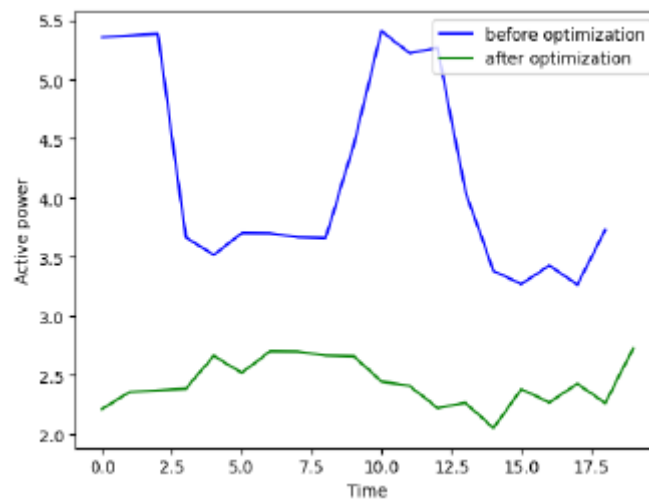


Figure16. Active power comparison before and after optimization

Visualizing the results

The fitness of the swarm of our dataset is declining when augmenting the iterations.

We found the following plot.

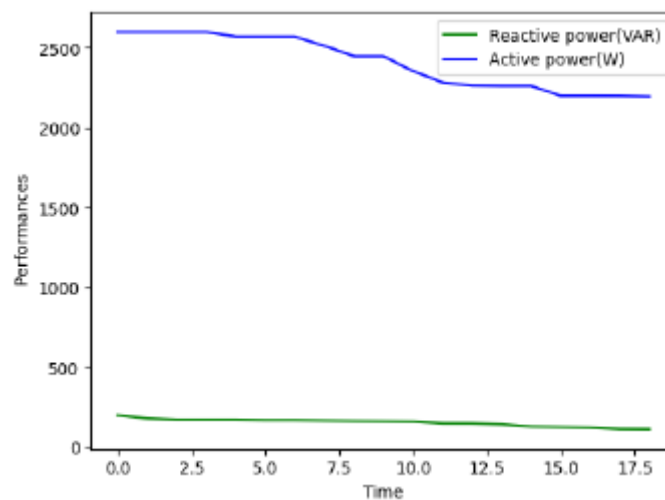


Figure17. Fitness of the swarm

The best solution is visualizing in the following graph.

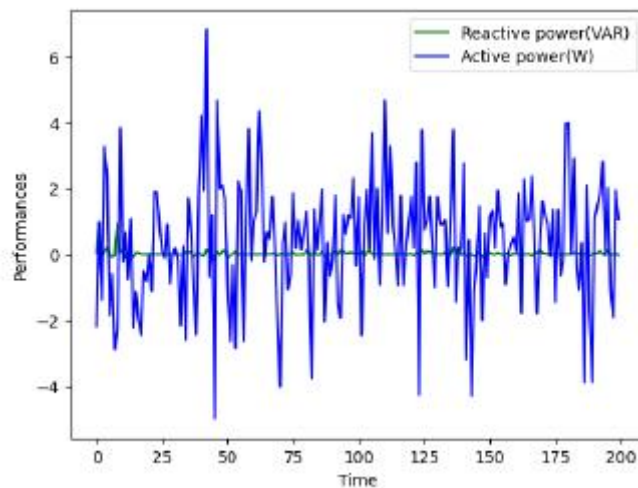


Figure18. Swarm best solution

The figure is visualizing the capacitors value value in order to find the best value for the compensation of reactive power.

3.2. Discussion

Concerning loss minimization algorithm, the power loss algorithm is declining when applying the iterations due to the consumption of power.

The cost benefit ratio is very high because the reactive power compensation is in the norm.

Concerning the particle swarm optimization, the active power is more fluctuating than the reactive power when applying the algorithm.

In addition, the active power is higher than the reactive power.

When comparing the two algorithm, the loss minimization algorithm is more performing than the particle swarm algorithm, as we can see in the figure.

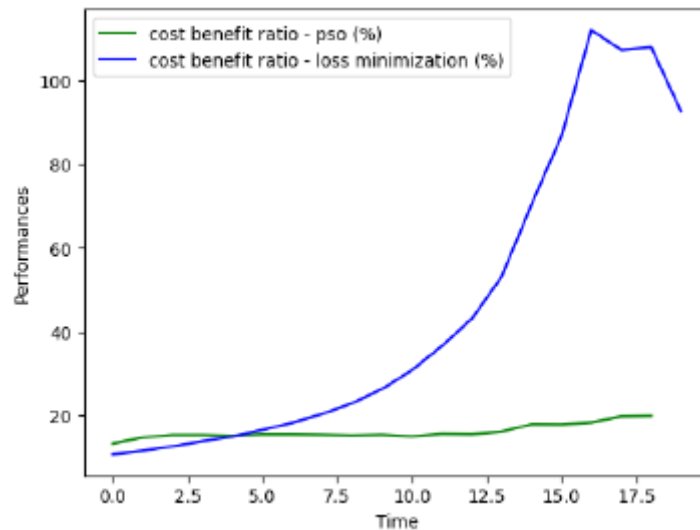


Figure19. Comparison of cost benefit ratio

4. CONCLUSION

The electric distribution optimization is a serious problem that can be treated with different techniques such as loss minimization algorithm and particle swarm optimization.

In this article, we make a comparison between the two algorithms.

Power loss minimization is an algorithm that compensates the reactive power and minimizes the lost in active power.

Particle swarm optimization is a method that tried to optimize the electric distribution considering the final consumers as a swarm and tried to optimize the weights of the swarm.

Comparing the two algorithms, we find that the loss minimization is more performing than the particle swarm optimization regarding the performances of electric distribution (cost benefit ratio).

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