

## Fault Section Estimation for Power Systems Based on Adaptive Fuzzy Petri Nets

**Z. Y. He**

*School of Electrical Engineering, Southwest Jiaotong University, Cheng Du,  
Si Chuan, 610031, China  
e-mail: hezy@home.swjtu.edu.cn*

**J.W. Yang**

*School of Electrical Engineering, Southwest Jiaotong University, Cheng Du,  
Si Chuan, 610031, China*

**Q.F. Zeng**

*School of Electrical Engineering, Southwest Jiaotong University, Cheng Du,  
Si Chuan, 610031, China*

**T.L. Zang**

*School of Electrical Engineering, Southwest Jiaotong University, Cheng Du,  
Si Chuan, 610031, China*

Received and accepted 1 June 2011

### Abstract

Due to the advantages of Fuzzy reasoning Petri-nets(FPN)on uncertain and incomplete information processing. It is a promising technique to solve the complex power system fault-section estimation problem. Therefore, we propose a novel estimation method based on Adaptive Fuzzy Petri Nets (AFPN), in this algorithm, the AFPN is used to build a dynamic fault diagnosis fuzzy reasoning model, where the weights in fuzzy reasoning are decided by the incomplete and uncertain alarm information of protective relays and circuit breakers. The validity and feasibility of this method is illustrated by simulation examples. Results show that the fault section can be diagnosed correctly through fuzzy reasoning models for ten cases, and the AFPN not only takes the descriptive advantages of fuzzy Petri net, but also has learning ability as neural network..

**Keywords:** Fault-section estimation, Power system, fault AFPN.

### 1. Introduction

The aim of fault section estimation is identifying faulty components in power system based on the operation information of protective relays and circuit breakers. A section of power system means a power apparatus, a transmission line, bus bars, or a transformer, etc. which can be separated from the rest of the system by breakers. It is of great significance for the real-time fault diagnosis to recover the power system rapidly after fault occurs. In recent years, Expert System (ES) technique [1]-[4], Artificial Neural Networks (ANN) technique [5]-[7], optimization technology such as Boltzman machine [8], Genetic Algorithm (GA) [9]-[11], Tabu Search (TS) [12] and many other methods has been applied to fault diagnosis of electric power system.

In practical applications, a lot of transmission data and detection information from Energy Management System

(EMS) are incomplete, and the tripping of protective relays and circuit breakers are somehow uncertain. At present, what researchers are interested in is how to deal with the uncertainty and incompleteness of fault information, data error and information redundancy. Thus some relevant research efforts are engaged in to seek an effective approach to the fault diagnosis of Electric Power Systems (EPS) in face of the situation with incomplete and uncertain information [13]-[15], in which the fuzzy logic proves its special ability in dealing with such uncertainty and incompleteness. Meanwhile, the Petri net shows the characteristics of parallel information processing and concurrent operating function, and the ability of clearly describing the relation of protective relays, circuit breakers and concurrent operating mechanism can also be got in the Petri net. It is a very suitable and useful modeling tool for fault diagnosis. Hence some methodologies of modeling and analysis for the fault diagnosis of EPS based on Petri nets are presented [16]-[17].

Combining with Petri nets and fuzzy logic, a new type of fault diagnosis model has been proposed [18]. Based on this model, fault section can be estimated correctly, and a satisfactory

---

This work was supported by the National High Technology Research and Development Program (No.2012AA050208), National Natural Science Foundation of China (51207130).

result can also be achieved even in the situation with large amount of incomplete and uncertain alarm information. To search for the optimal design of the structure of FPN diagnosis models and the matrix reasoning execution algorithm, not only a new formal definition of FPN but some discussion about several key issues in implementation of FPN for fault section estimation are given in [19] which proposes a control center implementation solution which is adaptive to changes of input data, power system and protection system configuration.

The fault diagnosis method based on FPN can provide correct diagnostic result, especially, compared with other methods [1]-[6], it can perfectly process the problem of information uncertain and data incompleteness [18]-[19]. However, it has no ability of adjusting its weights and threshold value according to the knowledge updating or the network topology changing. Because of lack of adjustment (learning) mechanism in FPN, it can't cope with potential changes of actual power systems, in [20] introduces the conception "adaptive" into FPN, called Adaptive Fuzzy Petri Nets (AFPNet). AFPNet not only takes the descriptive advantages of fuzzy Petri net, but also has learning ability as neural network. It can be used for knowledge representation and reasoning, and it has the most important advantage that it is suitable for dynamic knowledge.

This paper is structured as follows: A formal definition of AFPNet is given in Section II and its performance is improved by considering characteristics of protective relays. The implementation of AFPNet for fault diagnosis is described in Section III. In Section IV, some cases are studied to validate merits of this method. The conclusions are given in Section V.

## 2. The Definition Of AFPNet and its training method

### 2.1. The Definition of AFPNet

A AFPNet is a 9-tuple<sup>[21]</sup>:

$$AFPNet = \{P, T, D, I, O, \alpha, \beta, Th, W\} \quad (1)$$

Where

$P = \{p_1, p_2, \dots, p_n\}$  set of places;

$T = \{t_1, t_2, \dots, t_n\}$  set of transitions;

$D = \{d_1, d_2, \dots, d_n\}$  set of propositions;

$I(O): T \rightarrow P^o$  input (output) function which defines a mapping from transition to bags of places

$\alpha: P \rightarrow [0,1]$  association function which assigns a real value which defined as the certainty factor of the token in place, between 0 to 1 to each places.

$\beta: P \rightarrow D$  is bijective mapping between the pro-position and place label for each node;

If  $\beta(p_i) = d_i$   $\alpha(p_i) = y_i$   $y_i \in [0,1]$  certainty factor of proposition  $d_i$  is  $y_i$ .  $|P| = |D|$ ,  $P \cap T \cap D = \emptyset$

$Th = \{\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n\}$  is set of a threshold value  $\lambda_i$  from 0 to 1 to transition  $t_i$ ,  $Th(t_i) = \lambda_i$

$W = W_I \cup W_O$  is sets of input weights  $w_i$  and output weights  $\mu_i$  which assign weights value  $w_i$  or  $\mu_i$  from 0 to 1 to all the arcs of a net.

### 2.2. The rules of AFPNet

The rules and reasoning algorithm of AFPNet are given through a simple power network sample, and then adaptive algorithm is introduced base on it.

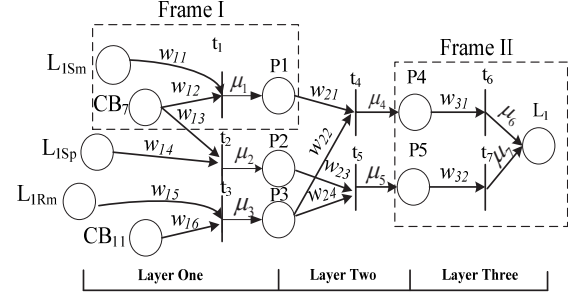


Fig. 1 The sub model of AFPNet of power system fault diagnosis

Fig.1 is a sub model of power system fault diagnosis base on AFPNet, which was used for estimate whether line L1 in Fig.4 is faulty. Only main protective relays, receiving terminal prime backup protective relay and their corresponding circuit breakers are included.

As show in Fig.1 the rules of improved AFPNet are:

A place is called source place if the place only has output transitions, such as place L1sm, place CB7, place L1sp etc., and a place is called sink place if the place only has input transitions like place L1.

A place p is called enable place if it is an input place of a transition, but its corresponding proposition is a precondition for reasoning the corresponding proposition of the output place of the transition, not participate in reasoning it. If p has token and  $\alpha(p) > 0$ , we select  $\alpha(p) = 1$ . Place  $a_3$  is enable place in Fig.2.

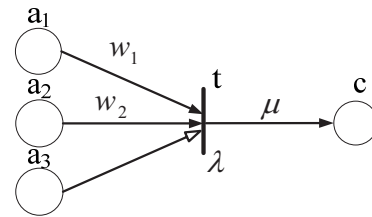


Fig.2 Improved AFPNet graph of condition conjunctive rule

The AFPNet improved model has three fuzzy production rules. In Fig.1 includes two of them.

The first rule is called conjunctive rule such as frame I shows, the mathematic expression is:

$$R: IF a_1 AND a_2 AND \dots AND a_n THEN c$$

$$Th(t) = \lambda, W_O = \mu, W_I = w_i, i = 1, 2, \dots, n$$

The second rule is called disjunctive rule such as frame II shows, the mathematic expression is:

$R: IF \ a_1 \ OR \ a_2 \ OR \ \dots \ OR \ a_n \ THEN \ c$   
 $Th(t_i) = \lambda_i, W_o = \mu_i, W_i = w_i, i = 1, 2, \dots, n$

Moreover, the last rule is called condition conjunctive rule, which is used for the situation that considering bus coupling circuit breaker, the mathematic expression is:

$R: WHEN \ a_3 \ IS \ TURE, IF \ a_1 \ AND \ a_2 \ THEN \ c$   
 $Th(t) = \lambda, W_o = \mu, W_i = w_i, i = 1, 2$

### 2.3. Reasoning algorithm of AFPN

The reasoning algorithm for conjunctive rule is, only if all the input places  $p_j$  of  $t$  have tokens, and the certainty factor of these places are  $\alpha(p_j) > 0, j = 1, 2, \dots, n$ ,  $t$  is enable. When  $t$  is enable,  $t$  can fire and product new tokens with new certainty factor CF ( $t$ ) put into each output places, then all tokens in input places are removed.

$$CF(t) = \begin{cases} (\sum_j \alpha(p_j) * w_j) * \alpha(p_i), & \sum_j \alpha(p_j) * w_j > Th(t) \\ 0, & \sum_j \alpha(p_j) * w_j < Th(t) \end{cases}$$

Where  $p_i$  is enable place, if there is no enable place we select  $\alpha(p_i) = 1$ . We can use a continuous function  $G(x)$  to approximate  $CF(t) * \mu$

$$G(x) = x \cdot \mu \cdot f(x) \quad (2)$$

Where

$$x = \sum_j \alpha(p_j) \cdot w_j \quad (3)$$

And  $f(x)$  is a sigmoid function which approximates the threshold of  $t$

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-b(x-Th(t))}}, \text{ where } b \text{ is a large enough number.}$$

When  $x > Th(t)$ , then  $f(x) \approx 1$ ; and when  $x < Th(t)$ , then  $f(x) \approx 0$ .

For example, in frame I if place  $L_{1sm}$  and place  $CB_7$  have tokens with certainty factors, transition  $t_1$  fire and products a new token with certainty factor  $CF(t_1)$ , the mathematic expression is:

$$\text{If } \alpha(L_{1sm}) > 0, \alpha(CB_7) > 0, \text{ then } t_1 \text{ fire and } \alpha(P) = G(CF(t_1)) = (\alpha(L_{1sm}) \cdot w_{11} + \alpha(CB_7) \cdot w_{12}) \cdot \mu \cdot f(CF(t_1)) \quad CF(t_1) > Th(t_1)$$

Especially, the new token with certainty factor  $CF(t_1)$  cannot put into output place and will be destroyed by  $G(CF(t_1)) = 0$ , when  $CF(t_1) < Th(t_1)$ .

The reasoning algorithm of disjunctive rule is the same, but certainty factor is set to the max one when the output place has more than one input transitions fire.

Such as in frame II, if  $\alpha(P_4) > 0, \alpha(P_5) > 0$ , transitions  $t_6$  and  $t_7$  fire at the same time product new tokens with certainty factors. Use  $G(x_1)$  and  $G(x_2)$  denote respectively, the final result is  $\alpha(P(L_1)) = MAX(G(x_1), G(x_2))$ ,

Where

$$G(x_1) = \alpha(P_4) \cdot w_{31} \cdot \mu \cdot f(\alpha(P_4) \cdot w_{31})$$

$$G(x_2) = \alpha(P_5) \cdot w_{32} \cdot \mu \cdot f(\alpha(P_5) \cdot w_{32})$$

The fuzzy reasoning of AFPN is used to get certainty factor of the set of consequence propositions from certainty factor of the set of antecedent propositions.

The example is shown as follows:

In Fig.1,  $P = \{L_{1sm}, CB_7, L_{1sp}, L_{1rm}, CB_{11}, P_1, P_2, P_3, P_4, P_5, L_1\}$ . If tokens with certainty factors are put into places  $L_{1sm}, CB_7, L_{1sp}, L_{1rm}$  and  $CB_{11}$ , then

(i)  $t_1, t_2, t_3$  are fire

$$x_1 = \alpha(L_{1sm}) w_{11} + \alpha(CB_7) w_{12}$$

$$x_2 = \alpha(L_{1sp}) w_{14} + \alpha(CB_7) w_{13}$$

$$x_3 = \alpha(L_{1rm}) w_{15} + \alpha(CB_{11}) w_{16}$$

then

$$\alpha(p_{L_1}(11)) = x_1 \mu_1 / (1 + e^{-b(x_1 - T_h(t_1))})$$

$$\alpha(p_{L_1}(12)) = x_2 \mu_2 / (1 + e^{-b(x_2 - T_h(t_2))})$$

$$\alpha(p_{L_1}(13)) = x_3 \mu_3 / (1 + e^{-b(x_3 - T_h(t_3))})$$

(ii)  $t_4$  and  $t_5$  are fire

$$x_4 = \alpha(p_{L_1}(11)) w_{21} + \alpha(p_{L_1}(13)) w_{22}$$

$$x_5 = \alpha(p_{L_1}(12)) w_{23} + \alpha(p_{L_1}(13)) w_{24}$$

then

$$\alpha(p_{L_1}(21)) = x_4 \mu_4 / (1 + e^{-b(x_4 - T_h(t_4))})$$

$$\alpha(p_{L_1}(22)) = x_5 \mu_5 / (1 + e^{-b(x_5 - T_h(t_5))})$$

(iii)  $t_6$  and  $t_7$  are fire

$$x_6 = \alpha(p_{L_1}(21)) \mu_6 / (1 + e^{-b(\alpha(p_{L_1}(21)) - T_h(t_6))})$$

$$x_7 = \alpha(p_{L_1}(22)) \mu_7 / (1 + e^{-b(\alpha(p_{L_1}(22)) - T_h(t_7))})$$

Then the adaptive algorithm will be given based on it.

### 2.4. Adaptive Learning Algorithm

Generally, the threshold values  $\lambda$ , input weight values  $w$  in FPN are given by expert experiences with uncertain factors [19]. Output weight values  $\mu$  are not defined in FPN. These values in AFPN may be trained and adaptive updated, and use these updated values will let calculate consequence more approximate real value.

In Fig.1, assume that threshold values and output weight values are known and only input weight values are updated, select the real data of certainty factor of sink place is  $O$ , the output error is  $e = \alpha(L_1) - O$  and the input weight in each layer is updated as

$$W^{(n)}(k+1) = W^{(n)}(k) - \gamma \dot{G}^{(n)} e^{(n)} \Lambda^{(n)} \quad (4)$$

Where,  $\gamma$  is adaptive gain;  $\Lambda^{(n)}$  is input of  $n$ -th layer, for example in Fig.1,

$$\Lambda^{(3)} = [\alpha(P_4), \alpha(P_5)]^T \quad (5)$$

$W(k)$  is weight at the time of  $k$ ;  $G$  is the derivative of the function  $G$

$$\dot{G} = \frac{d}{dx} \left[ \frac{\mu \cdot x}{1 + e^{-b(x-Th(t))}} \right] = \frac{\mu x b e^{-b(x-Th(t))}}{(1 + e^{-b(x-Th(t))})^2} + \frac{\mu}{1 + e^{-b(x-Th(t))}} \quad (6)$$

The adaptive learning will be end, if the error between reasoning results  $\alpha(L_1)$  and real data or expect data  $O$  is an arbitrarily small number, formula is as follow:

$$E = \frac{1}{2} \sum (\alpha(L1) - O)^2 < \varepsilon \quad (7)$$

Where  $\varepsilon$  is an arbitrarily small number which is selected according to expected accuracy.

The AFPN improved model is a three-layer model, the error for each layer is different. There are some more rules about how to calculate the errors of each layer<sup>[20]</sup>:

Firstly, like Layer Three in Fig.1, when the layer has a composite disjunctive rule. We assume  $e_6$ ;  $e_7$  and  $e$  represent the output error of transition  $t_6$ ,  $t_7$ , and the final output error, respectively.

When there is only  $t_6$  fire  $e_6 = e \cdot \mu_6, e_7 = 0$

When there is only  $t_7$  fire  $e_6 = 0, e_7 = e \cdot \mu_7$

When  $t_6$  and  $t_7$  fire at the same time

$$e_6 = e \cdot \frac{\mu_6}{\mu_6 + \mu_7}, e_7 = e \cdot \frac{\mu_7}{\mu_6 + \mu_7}$$

Secondly, if it's a composite conjunctive rule and  $t$  fire, output error

$$e^{(k-1)} = e^{(k)} \cdot \mu^{(k)} \quad (8)$$

The adaptive learning algorithm of AFPN is as follows<sup>[20]</sup>:

- (i) Select a set of initial input weight values.
- (ii) Select  $r$  sets of input data. For one set of input data, according to the reasoning algorithm, calculate the certainty factors of sink places, the final error  $e$  and each layer error  $e^k$ , use these to adjust the input weights and the next set of input data.
- (iii) Assumed there are  $q$  sink places, let output  $O^*$  be approximated except output  $O$ ,  
until  $E = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^r \sum_{j=1}^q (O^* - O)^2 < \varepsilon$ .

For example in Fig.4 (a), the places  $P_i = \{A_{1m}, CB_1, CB_2, CB_3, T_{1s}, T_{2s}, X_s, CB_x\}$ , and transitions  $T = \{t_1, t_2, t_3, t_4, t_5, t_6, t_7, t_8, t_9, t_{10}\}$  which divide into three layers  $T_1 = \{t_1, t_2, t_3, t_4, t_5, t_6\}$ ,  $T_2 = \{t_7, t_8\}$ ,  $T_3 = \{t_9, t_{10}\}$ .

- (i) When  $\alpha(A_{1m}) = \alpha(T_{2s}) = \alpha(CB_1) = \alpha(CB_2) = \alpha(CB_3) = 1 > 0$ ,  $t_1, t_2, t_3, t_5$  are enable

$$x_1 = \alpha(CB_1) \cdot w_1 + \alpha(A_{1m}) \cdot w_2 = 1$$

$$x_2 = \alpha(CB_2) \cdot w_3 + \alpha(A_{1m}) \cdot w_4 = 1$$

$$x_3 = \alpha(CB_3) \cdot w_6 + \alpha(A_{1m}) \cdot w_5 = 1$$

Then for  $x_1 > \lambda_1, x_2 > \lambda_2, x_3 > \lambda_3, x_5 > \lambda_5$ ,  $t_1, t_2, t_3, t_5$  fire, move tokens to places  $p_1, p_2, p_3, p_5$  with certainty factors as follows:

$$\alpha(p1) = x_1 \cdot \mu_1 / (1 + e^{-b(x_1 - \lambda_1)}) = 0.858$$

$$\alpha(p2) = x_2 \cdot \mu_2 / (1 + e^{-b(x_2 - \lambda_2)}) = 0.858$$

$$\alpha(p3) = x_3 \cdot \mu_3 / (1 + e^{-b(x_3 - \lambda_3)}) = 0.858$$

$$\alpha(p5) = x_5 \cdot \mu_5 / (1 + e^{-b(x_5 - \lambda_5)}) = 0.579$$

- (ii) Then,  $t_7$  is enable while  $t_8$  is not

$$x_7 = \alpha(p1) \cdot w_{13} + \alpha(p3) \cdot w_{14} + \alpha(p5) \cdot w_{15} = 1.287$$

For  $x_7 > \lambda_7$ ,  $t_7$  fire, move tokens to places  $p_7$  with certainty factors as follows:

$$\alpha(p7) = x_7 \cdot \mu_7 / (1 + e^{-b(x_7 - \lambda_7)}) = 1.287$$

At last  $t_9$  is enable and fire

$$\alpha(A1) = \alpha(p7) \cdot 1 \cdot \mu_9 / (1 + e^{-b(\alpha(p7) * 0.5 - \lambda_9)}) = 1.287$$

- (iii) Then start adaptive learning algorithm for update input weights, we calculator  $e=0.287$ ,  $e^{(2)}=0.287$ ,  $e^{(1)}=0.246$ .

$$\begin{bmatrix} w13 \\ w14 \\ w15 \end{bmatrix} = W^{(2)}(1) = W^{(2)}(0) - \gamma \dot{G}^{(2)} e^{(2)} \Lambda^{(2)} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.483 \\ 0.483 \\ 0.483 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} w1 \\ w2 \\ w3 \\ w4 \\ w5 \\ w6 \end{bmatrix} = W^{(1)}(1) = W^{(1)}(0) - \gamma \dot{G}^{(1)} e^{(1)} \Lambda^{(1)} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.485 \\ 0.485 \\ 0.485 \\ 0.485 \\ 0.485 \\ 0.485 \end{bmatrix}$$

- (iv) Then use the new input weights in next time fuzzy reasoning calculator and adaptive learning, until  $E = \frac{1}{2} \sum (O^* - O)^2 < \varepsilon$ .

### 3. Implementation of AFPN for Fault Diagnosis

#### 3.1. The improved Fault Diagnosis Model Based on AFPN

As shown in Fig.3 from [18], a local sketch map of operational principle and protection configuration of protective relay system of an EPS is given, in which 28 system elements, 84 protective relays and 40 circuit breakers are included.

28 system elements are listed as:  $A_1, \dots, A_4$ ;  $T_1, \dots, T_8$ ;  $B_1, \dots, B_8$ ;  $L_1, \dots, L_8$ ; and 40 circuit breakers are in turn as:  $CB_1, CB_2, \dots, CB_{40}$ ; for the 84 protective relays, in which 36 main protective relays may be enumerated as  $A_{1m}, \dots, A_{4m}$ ;  $T_{1m}, \dots, T_{8m}$ ;  $B_{1m}, \dots, B_{8m}$ ;  $L_{1Sm}, \dots, L_{8Sm}$ ;  $L_{1Rm}, \dots, L_{8Rm}$ ; and 48 backup protections are in turn as:  $T_{1p}, \dots, T_{8p}$ ;  $T_{1s}, \dots, T_{8s}$ ;  $L_{1Sp}, \dots, L_{8Sp}$ ;  $L_{1Rp}, \dots, L_{8Rp}$ ;  $L_{1Ss}, \dots, L_{8Ss}$ ;  $L_{1Rs}, \dots, L_{8Rs}$ .

Referring to [18] and according to principles of relay protection, topological graph of network and fuzzy production rules of AFPN. We use three layers combined into a fault diagnosis model in each element, e.g. Fig.3, and the same to others.

In Layer One, each transition has two or more input places which input weight, one output place which output weight. Input places are source places which represent operated protective relays or tripped circuit breakers. Output place describes that one protective relay is operated and its corresponding circuit breaker is tripped; it also can be combined with diagnosis criterions according to principles of relay protection. Input weight is an adaptive operator used to make fuzzy reasoning result more accurate (the same in Layer Two and Layer Three), and output weight represents the certainty factors of the event that protective relay and circuit breaker are operated correctly.

In Layer Two, input places are output places in Layer One. Output places represent diagnosis criterions or one of fuzzy reasoning results. Output weight represents the certainty

factors of the diagnosis criteria, it is selected as 1 in our model (the same in Layer Three).

In Layer Three, output place is sink place corresponding with fault diagnosis consequence. If there is one input place for a transaction, the input weight is 1 and not to be adaptive.

These models are show in Fig.4, including four types elements of the power system.

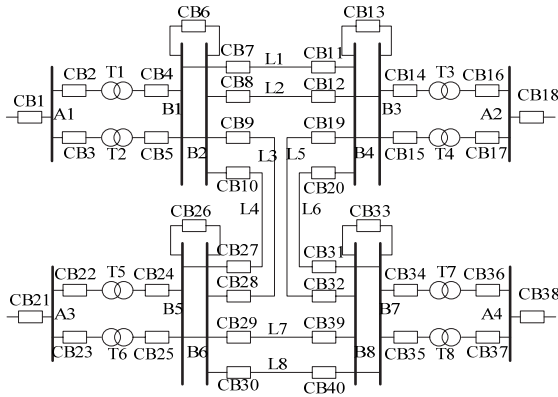
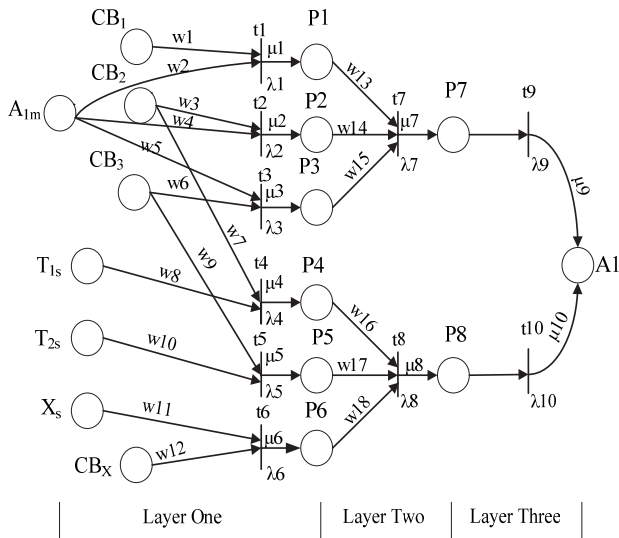
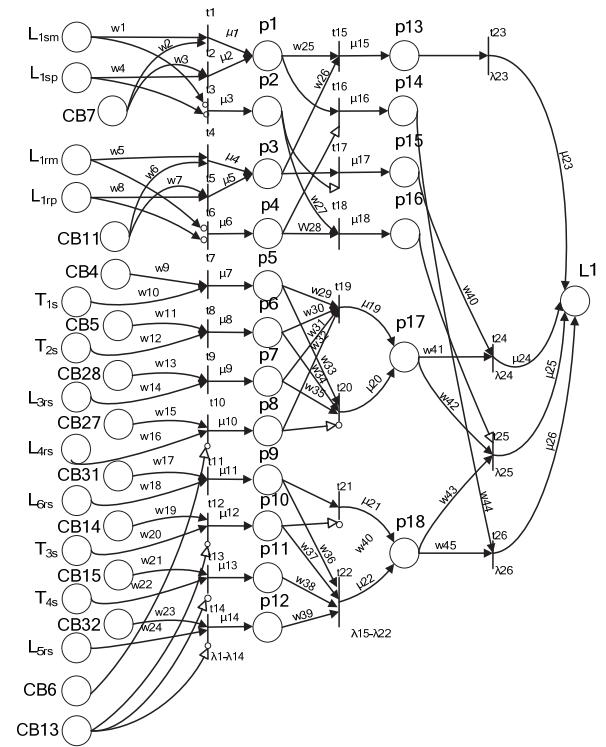


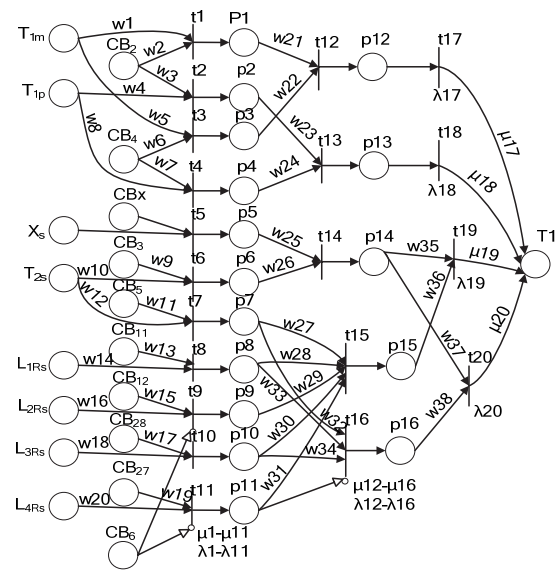
Fig. 3 A sample of power networks



(a)



(b)



(c)



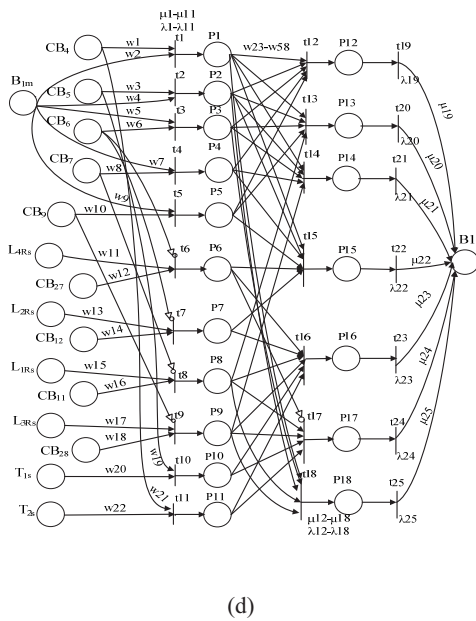


Fig. 4 Improved fault diagnosis model of power system based on AFPN: (a) bus A (b) Line L (c) transform T (d) bus B

### 3.2. Determination of Parameter

The certainty factors of protective relays or circuit breakers that tripped correctly are calculated based on statistic data. As the calculation method shown in [22], the certainty factor of main protective relay operated correctly is ratio of its operated correctly times and total times during the 12 months, and then its average value is got by the formula as follows:

$$R = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^N P_i}{N} \quad (9)$$

Where,  $R$  denotes the certainty factors of main protective relay or circuit breaker which is operated correctly;  $P$  is probability for protective relay or circuit breaker which is operated correctly in one year;  $N$  is number of years.

So, here certainty factor of line main protective relay operated correctly is  $R_L=0.991$ . As the same  $R_T=0.776$ ,  $R_B=0.856$ . Based on statistic data from [24],[25], 275373 times of circuit breakers were triggered in 2004, the number of accident and fault accrued to 392; in 2005, 295101 times of circuit breakers were triggered, while accident and fault happened 654 times. So certainty factor of circuit breaker that is triggered correctly is  $R_{CB}=0.998$ .

Assumed that event A is circuit breaker that is triggered correctly, event B is the protective relay that operates correctly. Then the certainty factor of protective relay that operated correctly is signed as  $P(B)$ . The certainty factor of circuit breaker that is triggered correctly is signed as  $P(A|B)$ , because the circuit breaker is triggered following correspond protective

relay operates. The certainty factor of both protective relay and circuit breaker operated correctly is  $P(AB)=P(A|B)*P(B)$ . Based on calculation results from statistics, we assume that the certainty factor of circuit breaker be triggered correctly is 0.998, the certainty factor of line main protective relay operates correctly is 0.99, the certainty factor of bus main protective relay operates correctly is 0.86, and the certainty factor of transformer main protective relay operates correctly is 0.78. The certainty factor of primary or second backup protective relay is assumed as 0.1 or 0.2 lower than corresponding main protective relay. Calculation results of  $P(AB)$  are shown as Table 1.

**Table 1** Contrast of the Two Methods Applied to Fault Detection

$P(AB)$	MAIN PROTECTIVE RELAYS	PRIMARY BACKUP PROTECTIVE RELAYS	SECOND BACKUP PROTECTIVE RELAYS
LINE	0.988	0.888	0.788
BUS	0.858	0.758	0.659
TRANSFORMER	0.778	0.679	0.579

The output weights in Layer One are selected as Table 1.

Initial values of input weights are selected as 0.5 or 0.3(Bus B). The expected training results of all 28 elements are selected as 1.

Based on characteristics of sigmoid function, here we set  $b=300$ ,  $\gamma = 0.07$ ,  $Th(t)=0.5$ . When power system fault occurs, the information about which protective relays or circuit breakers are triggered will be sent from SCADA to control center. If the information includes CB1 is triggered, the antecedent proposition of place CB1 in Fig.4 (a) model is true. So put token into place CB1, and select the certainty factor of the antecedent proposition of place CB1 is 1. And if there is no information about CB1 is triggered, the antecedent proposition of place CB1 in Fig.4 (a) model is false. So no token put into place CB1, and select the certainty factor of the antecedent proposition of place CB1 is 0.

### 4. Simulation Studies

In order to verify the effectiveness of the method proposed in this paper, the same representative cases from various fault types of the power system shown in Fig.3 are extracted to carry out simulation.

#### Determination of cases

In this paper, all of the 28 element models need training samples for input weights learning. And the cases from 7 to 15 are used for input weights learning of each element model. Each of these cases is combined with no more than four elements' fault data, including one appointed element's and others on random. Fault data set of single element is composed of protective relays and circuit breakers information when fault occur to it. For example, the fault data set of L1 and B1 is shown as Table 2 and Table 3, where“...” represents 1 or 0. One of the cases in L1 model may as Table 4 shown, only has the fault data of L1 and B1, where L1 is appointed element

and B1 is stochastic, “...”represents the state value of protective relay or circuit breaker is 0. The case is the combination of L1 and B1 fault data sets.

#### 4.1. Simulation result

Error curves of line, bus and transformer models are shown in Fig.5, error  $e$  is an arbitrarily small number after 50 times, and the iteration times are less than the times in AFPN model<sup>[26]</sup>. Parts convergence curves of input weights in L1 and B1 models after training are shown as Fig.6. Fig.6(a) shows input weights for main protective relays, prime backup protective relays and their circuit breakers. Fig.6(b) shows input weights of main protective relay and its circuit breakers. All of them tend to convergent.

After training of input weighs for all elements in the system, we can get correct fault diagnosis results from the test of all simple fault cases, then we choose the fault cases from [23] to test, the results are shown in Table 4. The certainty factors value of the result is calculated by the formula below:

$$CF = (1 - |x - 1|) \times 100\% \quad (10)$$

Where,  $x$  is the fuzzy reasoning result.

Compared with results in [23], we can see that the method in this paper can get correct results to complex cases from Table 4. Case 1 to case 7 are calculated by AFPN improved models and FPN models. Compared with results from [18], it expresses that correct and accurate results can be obtained after input weights updating by AFPN improved method in this paper. Especially in case 7, Ref. [18] gives incorrect information of L8 faulted with true value is 0.693. Case 1 to case 5 are used in AFPN improved models and AFPN classical models simulation; the results show that the proposed method can give more accurate results. In case 8 to case 10, we assume that the faulted data is lost or wrong in transmission process. Compared case 5 with case 8, AFPN improved method can get correct result when the data of CB5 is lost. In case 9, it also can give CF of T3 and A2 when the data of CB16 is lost. We assume the circuit breaker CB32 is operated, but the data is lost in transmission process, compared case 7 with case 10, the AFPN improved method can give the result that the CF of bus B8 occurs fault, but cannot get the result that line L5 occurs fault. Case 8 to case 10 show that the data is lost in transmission process, they only has effect to the corresponding elements.

Table 2 Fault Data Set of L1

	L <sub>1sm</sub>	L <sub>1rm</sub>	L <sub>1sp</sub>	L <sub>1rp</sub>	L <sub>3rs</sub>	L <sub>4rs</sub>	L <sub>5rs</sub>	L <sub>6rs</sub>	T <sub>1s</sub>	T <sub>2s</sub>	T <sub>3s</sub>	T <sub>4s</sub>	CB <sub>4</sub>	CB <sub>5</sub>	CB <sub>6</sub>	CB <sub>7</sub>	CB <sub>11</sub>	CB <sub>14</sub>	CB <sub>15</sub>	CB <sub>24</sub>	CB <sub>27</sub>
1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
2	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
n-1	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
n	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0

Table 3 Fault Data Set of B1

	B <sub>1m</sub>	L <sub>1RS</sub>	L <sub>2RS</sub>	L <sub>3RS</sub>	L <sub>4RS</sub>	T <sub>1s</sub>	T <sub>2s</sub>	CB <sub>4</sub>	CB <sub>5</sub>	CB <sub>6</sub>	CB <sub>7</sub>	CB <sub>9</sub>	CB <sub>11</sub>	CB <sub>12</sub>	CB <sub>27</sub>	CB <sub>28</sub>
1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0
2	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	0
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
N-1	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	1
N	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	1

Table 4 One of Fault Data The Paper Use

	B <sub>1m</sub>	...	L <sub>1sm</sub>	L <sub>1rm</sub>	...	L <sub>1sp</sub>	L <sub>2r</sub>	L <sub>3ss</sub>	L <sub>3r</sub>	T <sub>1m</sub>	...	CB <sub>4</sub>	CB <sub>5</sub>	CB <sub>6</sub>	CB <sub>7</sub>	CB <sub>9</sub>	CB <sub>10</sub>	CB <sub>11</sub>	CB <sub>12</sub>	...	CB <sub>27</sub>	...
1	1	...	1	1	...	0	1	0	1	0	...	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	...	1	...

#### 4.2. Fault Classification Tests in Simulation

The system shown in Fig.5 is used for simulation tests. The current as well as the voltage transient of each phase, which is measured in one end, is analyzed in the case of fault classification. Their performances are similar to each other. Therefore, we only illuminate the test results of voltage transient to verify the algorithm. The sampling frequency is set to be 20kHz and we take the 200-sample-long sequence, i.e. half-cycle data after fault inception, as the input of WSE.

In order to test the noise immunity of WSE, different density of white noise has been added of the SNR value of the system in Fig.5 has been varied between 10 and 40. The SNR value would have some influence on the classification results. Take A-phase-to-ground fault as an example, the WSE values and classification results are shown respectively in Fig.10 and Table 3.

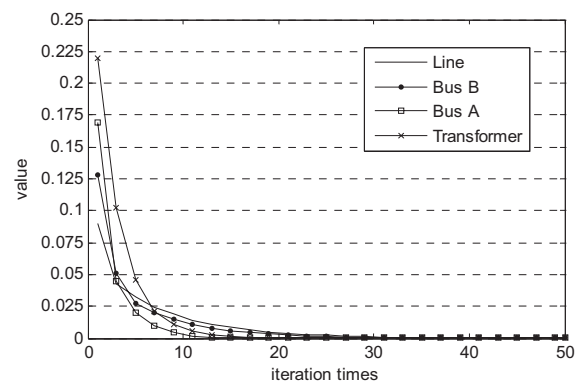
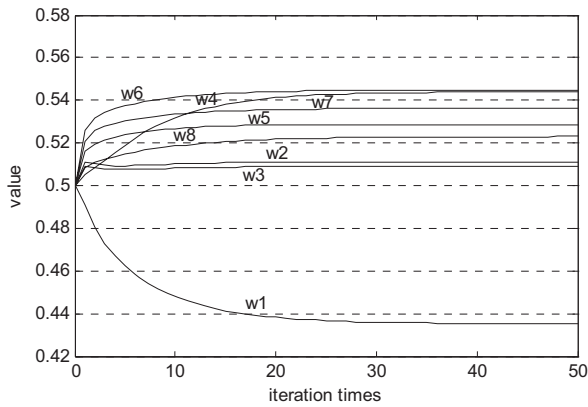
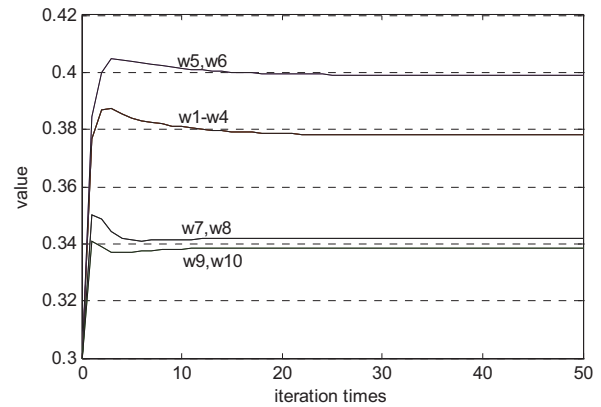


Fig. 5 Error curves of above four models in 50 times training



(a)



(b)

Fig. 6 Parts of input weights learning results of model (a) L1 model (b) B1 model

Table 5 Fault Diagnosis Results of Samples

CASE NUMBER	FAULT DATA	FAULT DIAGNOSIS RESULT	CLASSICAL MODEL RESULT <sup>[26]</sup>	FPN MODEL RESULT <sup>[18]</sup>	FAULT DATA ANALYSIS
1	protective relays B <sub>1m</sub> , L <sub>2Rs</sub> , L <sub>4Rs</sub> are operated and circuit breakers CB4, CB5, CB7, CB9, CB12, CB27 are tripped	B1 CF=100%	B1 CF=99.97%	B1 Truth Value(TV) is 0.703	CB6 refuse operation
2	protective relays B <sub>1m</sub> , B <sub>2m</sub> , L <sub>1Sm</sub> , L <sub>1Rp</sub> , L <sub>2Sp</sub> , L <sub>2Rm</sub> are operated and circuit breakers CB4, CB5, CB6, CB7, CB8, CB9, CB10, CB11, CB12 are tripped	B1,L1,B2,L2 CF are 100%, 99.999%, 100%, 99.999% respectively	B1,L1,B2,L2 CF are 100%, 99.99%, 100%, 99.99% respectively	B1,B2,L1,L2 TV are 0.967, 0.985, 0.972, 0.972, respectively	L <sub>1Rm</sub> , L <sub>2Sm</sub> refuse operation
3	protective relays T <sub>5s</sub> , T <sub>6s</sub> are operated and circuit breakers CB22, CB23, CB24, CB25 are tripped	A3 CF=100%	A3 CF=99.98%	A3 TV is 0.648	A <sub>1m</sub> refuse operation
4	protective relays L <sub>1Sm</sub> , L <sub>1Rp</sub> , L <sub>2Sp</sub> , L <sub>2Rp</sub> , L <sub>7Sp</sub> , L <sub>7Rm</sub> , L <sub>8Sm</sub> , L <sub>8Rm</sub> are operated and circuit breakers CB7, CB8, CB11, CB12, CB29, CB30, CB39, CB40 are tripped	L1,L2,L7, L8 CF are 100%, 100%, 100%, 100% respectively	L1,L2,L7, L8 CF are 99.99%, 100%, 100%, 100% respectively	L1,L2,L7, L8 TV are 0.972, 0.938, 0.972, 0.99, respectively	L <sub>1Rm</sub> , L <sub>2Rm</sub> , L <sub>2Sm</sub> , L <sub>7Sm</sub> refuse operation
5	protective relays B <sub>1m</sub> , L <sub>1Sp</sub> , L <sub>1Rm</sub> are operated and circuit breakers CB4, CB5, CB6, CB7, CB9, CB11 are tripped	B1, L1 CF are 100%, 99.999% respectively	B1, L1 CF are 100%, 99.99% respectively	B1, L1 TV are 0.967, 0.972, respectively	L <sub>1Sm</sub> , refuse operation
6	protective relays T <sub>3p</sub> , L <sub>7Sp</sub> , L <sub>7Rp</sub> are operated and circuit breakers CB14, CB16, CB29, CB39 are tripped	T3, L7 CF are 100%, 99.997% respectively	No this sample	T3, L7 TV are 0.938, 0.938, respectively	T <sub>3m</sub> , L <sub>7Sm</sub> , L <sub>7Rm</sub> , refuse operation
7	protective relays T <sub>7m</sub> , T <sub>8p</sub> , B <sub>7m</sub> , B <sub>8m</sub> , L <sub>5Sm</sub> , L <sub>5Rp</sub> , L <sub>6Ss</sub> , L <sub>7Sp</sub> , L <sub>7Rm</sub> , L <sub>8Ss</sub> are operated and circuit breakers CB19, CB20, CB29, CB30, CB32, CB33, CB34, CB35, CB36, CB37, CB39 are tripped	T7,T8,B7,B8,L5,L7 CF are 100%, 100%, 100%, 100%, 100%, respectively	No this sample	T7,T8,B7,B8,L5,L7,L8 TV are 0.99, 0.938, 0.703, 0.985, 0.972, 0.972, 0.693, respectively	T <sub>8m</sub> , L <sub>7Sm</sub> , L <sub>5Rm</sub> , CB31, CB40, refuse operation
8	protective relays B <sub>1m</sub> , L <sub>1Sm</sub> , L <sub>1Rm</sub> are operated and circuit breakers CB4, CB6, CB7, CB9, CB11 are tripped	B1, L1 CF are 79.391%, 99.999% respectively	No this sample	No this sample	CB5 was lost
9	protective relays T <sub>3p</sub> , A <sub>2m</sub> are operated and circuit breakers CB14, CB17, CB18 are tripped	T3,A2 CF are 75%, 66.667% respectively	No this sample	No this sample	T <sub>3m</sub> refuse operation, CB16 was lost
10	protective relays T <sub>7m</sub> , T <sub>8p</sub> , B <sub>7m</sub> , B <sub>8m</sub> , L <sub>5Sm</sub> , L <sub>5Rp</sub> , L <sub>7Sp</sub> , L <sub>7Rm</sub> , L <sub>8Ss</sub> are operated and circuit breakers CB19, CB29, CB30, CB31, CB33, CB34, CB35, CB36, CB37, CB39 are tripped	T7,T8,B7, L7 CF are 100% , 100%, 100% , 100% , respectively B8 is 81.411%	No this sample	No this sample	T <sub>8m</sub> , L <sub>7Sm</sub> , CB40, refuse operation, CB32 was lost



## 5. Conclusion

With fuzzy petri nets as basic tool, and according to fault diagnosis characteristics, a new improved type of diagnosis analysis method using self-adaptive petri nets with fuzzy logic is presented in this paper. The logical testifying and cases simulation validate the feasibility and effectiveness of this method. Several conclusions can be got as shown below:

- (i) The training times of AFPN improved models are less than AFPN classical models in the same cases, and AFPN improved models can give more accurate results.
- (ii) Output weights are selected based on statistic data describes the right times of protective relays and circuit breakers are operated, by this way a better explanation and realistic basis can be given to the places in Layer Two. Thus, the subjective ness of the proposed method can be reduced.
- (iii) The input weights in AFPN improved models are updated by using BP algorithm which not only increases the accurate of diagnosis result, but also describes the mathematic relations between protective relays, circuit breakers and elements in power networks based on AFPN improved models.
- (iv) The method in this paper has a good capability of fault-tolerance. It can still get diagnosis results even though the fault data lose by various reasons.
- (v) The method has a good ability of parallel processing, simple reasoning procedure, and quick diagnosis speed. It also has such advantages as high flexibility and adaptability.

## 6. References

1. T S. Dillon. Brito, " Expert System Applications in Power Systems," *Prentice Hall*, 1990.
2. Morizet-Mahoudeaux P, " On-Board and Real-Time Expert Control," *IEEE Expert*, vol. 11, pp. 71-81, Aug. 1996.
3. Lee Seung Jae, Yoon Sang Hyun, Yoon Man-Chui, Jong-Keun Jang, " An Expert System for Protective Relay Setting of Transmission Systems," *IEEE Trans. Power Delivery*, vol. 5, pp. 1202-1208, Apr. 1990.
4. M. W Bringmann, F. E Petry, " A Semantic Network Representation of Personal Construct Systems," *IEEE Transactions on Systems, Man and Cybernetics*, vol. 22, pp.1161-1168, Oct,1992.
5. Aygen Z E, Seker S, Bagriyanik M, Bagnyanik, F.G. ,Ayaz, E. " Fault Section Estimation in Electrical Power Systems Using Artificial Neural Network Approach," *IEEE Transmission and Distribution Conference*, New Orleans (LA): 11-16 April,1999,vol. 2, pp. 466-469.
6. Ghendy Cardoso, Jr., Jacqueline Gisèle Rolim, and Hans Helmut Zürn, " Application of Neural-Network modules to electric power system fault section estimation," *IEEE Trans. Power Delivery*, vol. 19, pp. 1034-1038, Jul. 2004.
7. Taishan Yan, Duwu Cu, Yongqing Tao, " A New Evolutionary Neural Network Algorithm Based on Improved Genetic Algorithm and its Application in Power Transformer Fault Diagnosis," *Bio-Inspired Computing: Theories and Applications, 2007 Second International Conference on*, pp. 1-5, Sept. 2007.
8. T. Oyama, "Fault section estimation in power system using Boltzman machine." *ANNPS '93., Proceedings of the Second International Forum on Applications of*, pp. 3-8, April 1993.
9. F.S Wen,Z.X.Han , "A Refined Genetic Algorithm for Fault Section Estimation in Power Systems Using the Time Sequence Information of Circuit Breakers," *Electric Machines and Power Systems*, vol.24, pp. 801-805,1996.
10. F.S Wen,C.S.Chang , "A Probabilistic Approach to Alarm Processing in Power Systems Using a Refined Genetic Algorithm," in *Proceedings of 1996 International Conference on Intelligent Systems Applications to Power Systems, Orlando (USA)*, Jan. 28-Feb. 2 1996, pp. 14-19..
11. Lai L L, Sichanie A G, Gwyn B J. " Comparison Between Evolutionary Programming and a Genetic Algorithm for Fault-Section Estimation," *IEE Proceedings—Generation, Transmission and Distribution*, vol. 145, pp.616-620, Sep. 1998.
12. F.S Wen,C.S.Chang, " Possibilistic-Diagnosis Theory for Fault-Section Estimation and State Identification of Unobserved Protective Relays Using Tabu-Search Method," *IEE Proceedings-Generation, Transmission and Distribution*, vol. 145, pp. 722-730, Sep. 1998.
13. Cho H J, Park J K , " An Expert System for Fault Section Diagnosis of Power Systems Using Fuzzy Relations," *IEEE Trans. Pattern Analysis and Machine Intelligence*, vol. 12, pp. 342-348, Feb. 1997.
14. Monsef H, Ranjbar A M, Jadid S, " Fuzzy Rule-Based Expert System for Power System Fault Diagnosis," *IEE Proceedings-Generation, Transmission and Distribution*, vol. 144, pp. 186-192, Mar.1997.
15. W. H. Chen, C. W. Liu, and M. S. Tsai, " On-line fault diagnosis of distribution substations using hybrid cause-effect network and fuzzy rule-based method," *IEEE Trans. Power Delivery*, vol. 15, pp.710-717, Apr.2000.
16. Lo K L, Ng H S, Trecat J, " Power Systems Fault Diagnosis Using Petri Nets," *IEE Proceedings-Generations, Transmissions and Distributions*, vol. 144, pp. 231-236, May.1997.
17. Lo K L, Ng H S, Grant D M., " Extended Petri Net Models for Fault Diagnosis for Substation Automation," *IEE Proceedings-Generation, Transmission and Distribution*, vol. 146, pp.229-234, May. 1999.

18. J. Sun, S.Y. Qin, Y.H. Song, " Fuzzy Diagnosis of Electric Power Systems Based on Fuzzy Petri Nets," *IEEE Transactions on Power Systems*, vol. 19, pp. 2053-2059, Nov. 2004.
19. X.Luo, Mladen Kezunovic, "Implementing Fuzzy Reasoning Petri-Nets for Fault Section Estimation," *IEEE Trans. Power Delivery*, vol. 23, pp. 676-685, Apr., 2008.
20. X.O.Li, Felipe Lara-Rosano. "Dynamic knowledge inference and learning and learning under adaptive fuzzy net framework," *IEEE Transactions on Systems, Man, and Cybernetics– Part C: Applications and Reviews*, vol. 30, pp.442-450, Nov. 2000.
21. X.O. Li, W. Yu, Sergio Perez. "Adaptive petri nets for supervisory hybrid systems modeling," *15th Triennial world congress*, Barcelona, Spain: 2002.
22. R. Li, X. L. Qiu, " Improvement in fault diagnosis of transmission networks using fuzzy Petri net," *Electric Power*, vol.41 pp. 44-50, May. 2008.
23. F.S.Wen, Z.X.Han, " Fault Section Estimation in Power Systems Using Genetic Algorithm and Simulated Annealing," *Proceedings of the CSEE*, vol. 14, pp. 29-35, 1994.
24. G.Song, J.C.Cui ,D.L.Yuan. "Operation statistics and analysis of high voltage switchgear in 2004," *Electrical Equipment*, vol. 7, pp. 10–14, 2006.
25. G.Song, N.H. Gu. Analysis of operation and fault of HV switchgear. *Distribution & utilization*, vol.24, pp.6-9 2007.
26. Z.Y.He, Q.F. Zeng, J.W. Yang, W. Gao. Fault Section Estimation of Electric Power Systems Based on Adaptive Fuzzy Petri Nets. *The International Conference on Electrical Engineering 2009*, Shenyang China, pp:5-9, 2009