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**INVESTIGATION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF THE FRACTAL PROPERTIES OF ELECTRIC LOAD ON CIVILIAN OBJECTS IN ORDER TO EFFICIENTLY PREDICT AND CONTROL ELECTRICAL CONSUMPTION (p. 6-12)**

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We have investigated the process of constructing the charts of electrical load, as well as electricity consumption, of many-storied apartment houses in a city's neighborhood, taking into consideration the fractal structure and the existence of a long-term dependence, inherent to self-affine stochastic processes. The results from studying daily, weekly, monthly, yearly charts have shown the presence of fractal properties and the existence of short-term and long-term memory. This makes it possible, in order to efficiently predict and control power consumption, to apply a fractal analysis, which establishes the dependence of future values on retrospective information. Feature of the current study is determining a critical value for the Hurst exponent, approaching which leads to that the system loses stability and enters an unstable state under which the parameters are changing rapidly. The Hurst exponent can be transformed into fractal dimensionality, which is a measure for the complexity of a load chart. In the theory of fractal sets and fractal geometry, of significant importance are the self-similar and fractal sets. By using the specified properties of the fractal, this study has proven the existence of a fractal principle in the formation of the dynamics of electrical load on civilian targets using the example of power consumption by many-storied apartment houses within a city's neighborhood. The calculation of the Hurst exponent has made it possible to determine that the series is persistent and suitable for adequate prediction and efficient energy consumption management. The relevance of the current research is predetermined by the application of a fractal analysis to electricity consumption pattern particularly by civilian objects, since the scientific literature analyzes and predicts the processes that form electric load structure on energy systems, at industrial enterprises.

**Keywords:** fractal, self-affinity, persistence, Hurst exponent, trend resistance, forecast model.

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**ANALYSIS AND OPTIMIZATION OF THE REACTIVE POWER COMPENSATION MODES IN A POWER SUPPLY SYSTEM (p. 13-22)**

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The paper reports the study of modes in a single-phase generalized power supply system in terms of improving energy indicators in the system by compensating for the reactive power. We considered three test versions of the power supply system with different ratios of complex load impedance and power lines. We show the drawbacks of the traditional method for calculating the parameters of the compensating device, which provide partial compensation of reactive power consumed only by the load. An analysis of the partial compensation mode indicates that with an increase in the reactivity of the transmission line, the energy indices, which can be obtained as a result of reactive power compensation, deteriorate. Using search engine optimization, it is shown that an increase in the capacity of the compensator is required for full compensation. The method of search engine optimization is implemented in the Mathcad software package using the given-find decision unit. For this purpose, we used the equations of the mathematical model of the power supply system based on component and topological equations. As additional conditions, we used relations that determine the reactive power of the supply source full compensation, as well as the conditions for the physical implementation of the compensating device structure. The optimization variables are the parameters of the mode under study and the parameters of the compensating device. Fragments of texts in the program with numerical solutions are presented, as well as comparative tables of analysis and optimization results of reactive power compensation modes in the studied power supply systems for all variants of their parameters. The quantitative estimates of additional capacity value are given, which is calculated based on the condition for the compensation of reactive power in the transmission line by it. Our study has shown that with an increase in the reactance of the transmission line, full compensation cannot be achieved with the use of shunt compensation and physical interpretation of this phenomenon. It implies that the voltage on the compensating shunt capacitor decreases faster than the reactive power of the transmission line compensated by it increases. It is shown that in the latter case, the full compensation of reactive power can still be achieved by using combined series-shunt compensation.

**Keywords:** power supply system, reactive power, compensation mode, power line, compensating device.

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**STUDYING THE MUTUAL INTERACTION OF HYDRAULIC CHARACTERISTICS OF WATER-DISTRIBUTING PIPELINES AND THEIR SPRAYING DEVICES IN THE COOLERS AT ENERGY UNITS (p. 23-29)**

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This analytical study is based on the results from hydraulic tests of spray nozzles for the mixing (waterjet) steam condenser at a thermal power plant's turbo generator. The work was performed at the stage of launch operations at TPP. Such hydraulic tests were carried out by co-authors at the stage of launch operations at Razdan TPP (Armenia). The TPP is located in a mountainous region with a limited water supply; the plant's features include: dry cooling of circulating water in the radiator cooling towers; a steam condenser of mixing type.

The main tasks of hydraulic tests were: to determine the actual throughput capacity, to find a flow rate coefficient for the nozzles of

a steam condenser, as well as analyze their operation in a vacuum in the condenser.

This study considered the nozzles that have two openings with a diameter of 13 mm and 15 mm for spraying cooling water within the steam space of the condenser.

By exploring the hydraulic characteristics  $Q=f(H)$  of standard nozzles mounted at the end of a water-distributing pipeline, it was found that the diameter of the nozzle opening did not significantly affect the flow rate of water under the same water heads. Such a result is explained by that the pipeline's characteristic was obtained, rather than that of the spraying device.

The further hydraulic study into the nozzles was performed at a special laboratory bench.

The established factor of interrelation between the hydraulic characteristics of a water-distributing pipeline and the nozzles mounted onto it is important for performing similar studies.

The throughput capacity of the nozzles, considering the presence of a vacuum in the steam condenser of a turbo generator will be larger than that under atmospheric conditions. However, in a closed system of water circulation, the overall water flow rate of nozzles will equal the supply of cooling water from pumps into a given system. Therefore, the supply of cooling water to a condenser will not change dramatically, while the water flow rate of a single nozzle will be inversely proportional to their number.

In addition, we investigated a possibility to increase the feed of water to a condenser in order to improve energy performance. Our analysis reveals the impossibility of a substantial increase in the water supply to a condenser by increasing the diameters of spraying nozzles' openings. This does not substantially reduce the overall loss of water head and feed from circulating pumps to the steam cooling system in a turbine's condenser.

**Keywords:** spray device, water-distributing pipeline, water and stem cooler at a power plant, head and flow rate.

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## INFLUENCE OF THE FLOW STRUCTURE FORMATION ON HEAT TRANSFER PROCESSES IN TUBES WITH SPIRAL CORRUGATED INSERTS (p. 29-35)

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In order to enhance heat transfer processes in elements of power equipment with minimal energy consumption, the concept of partial structure formation of the heat transfer surface was developed. To determine the energy efficiency of partial structure formation of the heat transfer surface with transitional Reynolds numbers, the surface in the form of spiral corrugation is considered. Partial spiral corrugation due to a change in the flow structure makes it possible to increase the convective component of heat transfer with a moderate increase in friction loss in a transient flow regime. Based on direct numerical simulation of the three-dimensional non-stationary flow structure in the initial section of the tube with a spiral corrugated insert with the shock inlet and transition Reynolds number, the relationship between the structure of the disturbed non-isothermal flow and heat transfer rate on the tube surface is shown. The influence of temperature head on the growth rate of perturbations of the boundary layer in the tube, in the boundaries of which low-frequency oscillatory flow processes are formed, leading to an increase in convective heat transfer rate, is shown. The flow nature and changes in hydrodynamic and thermal parameters in the corrugated insert are investigated. The degree of influence of the spiral corrugated insert, not blocking the flow area of the tube, on the development of natural oscillations in the tube is determined. The influence of the pitch of spiral corrugation to the tube axis on the thermal and hydrodynamic processes in it is investigated. The resulting heat transfer enhancement (up to 20 %) with a simultaneous increase in friction loss (up to 7.5 %) correlates with the experimental results of other authors with similar corrugations in the given range of Reynolds numbers.

**Keywords:** partial corrugation, spiral corrugation, heat transfer in a tube, heat transfer enhancement, friction loss.

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## FLOW VISUALIZATION OF WATER JET PASSING THROUGH THE EMPTY SPACE OF CROSSFLOW TURBINE RUNNER (p. 36-42)

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Hydropower plants are a form of renewable energy resources, which comes from flowing water. The turbine is used to drive the generator then convert mechanical energy into electrical energy. The turbine wheel is located inside the turbine housing and the turbine wheel rotates the power shaft. One of the most used turbines is a cross-flow turbine. The pattern of water jet flowing throughout the empty space of the runner of the cross-flow turbine is influenced by the number of active runner blades pounded by water from the turbine nozzle. The difference in the flow patterns was believed having a relation to the performance differences of the three turbine models. The flow visual-

izations of water passing through the empty space of the cross-flow turbine runner were taken from the experimental study intended to investigate performance characteristics of three cross-flow turbine models designed on the same value of flow rates, runner diameters and rotational speeds; but each turbine model having different values of runner width as well as nozzle entry arc. Both of the nozzle and runner widths were designed as the function of the nozzle entry arc, therefore the shorter pair of runner-nozzle width the larger nozzle entry arc and vice versa. The flow visualizations of water passing on the turbine were studied using the empty space of the cross-flow turbine. The three models were tested on the same head and the same flow rate at the speed of 50, 100, 150, 250, 300 and 500 rpm. The photos of water flowing through the empty space in the turbine model runners were taken to find out the conditions of flow and the efficiency of the models was calculated to show the performance of the turbine. Images are taken within 10 cm and parallel to the turbine. The cross-flow turbine models were designed with 197 mm runner diameter of each and have the ratio of runner diameter to runner length of 1:2. One side of each turbine model end disk was made from transparent media named perspex facilitating the researcher to observe the water flow condition during flowing through inside the runner. The conditions of the flow of water passing through the empty space of turbine wheels were photographed using a Nikon camera equipped with a hallogen lamp having a power of 1000 watts to capture the difference of flow pattern among the three models of the turbine. The nozzle entry arcs used in this experimental study were 75°, 90° and 120°. In addition, the nozzle of each model has the same cross-sectional area and the roof of each was designed having roof curvature radius centered on the shaft axis. Such nozzle roof curvature was expected to be able to deliver water in the better direction as well as its flow condition as the water enters the turbine runner. The magnitude of the nozzle entry arc determines the number of active vanes pounded by the jet of water coming out of the nozzle, these conditions affect the pattern of water flow at the moment of passing through the empty space of the turbine wheel and then this flow pattern was believed to affect the performance characteristic of the cross-flow turbine. One side of each runner disk was made from Perspex, for the researcher to be able to observe the water flow condition during flowing through inside the runner.

**Keywords:** nozzle entry arc, flow condition, performance characteristic of cross-flow turbine.

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**THERMODYNAMIC ANALYSIS OF THE SCHEMICYCLE DESIGN OF A HEATING-COOLINGMACHINEFOR AN INDIVIDUAL HOUSE (p. 43-49)**

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The direction of the research is the thermodynamic analysis of the scheme-cycle design of a heating and cooling machine for an individual house powered by autonomous solar photovoltaic system of providing private consumers with the year-round heating and cooling in conditions of dry tropical climate.

For the analysis, a single-stage compressor refrigerating machine was used, which operates in two modes: refrigeration for air conditioning and heat pump for heating, covering all rooms in the house. Change of the modes is made seasonally or during the day depending on the ambient temperature. The energy efficiency of the refrigeration cycle (“energy” problem) associated with the properties of the working fluid, and cycle size (“transport” problem) associated with the scheme-cycle design, equipment mass and investment costs, were determined. The study used the working fluids R404a, R134a, R410, R290, R600a, R32, which are neither prohibited nor expired. Calculations were performed separately for each mode. The results showed that the R290, R600a working fluids have a high ef-

efficiency in both modes, R404A, R410, R32 have the same energy efficiency, differing by no more than 10%, R134a is incompetent in the heating mode. Among the cycle sizes, R32, R410 have the advantage with the value half the size of R290, R404A, R600a and R134a are not included in the alternative group. Based on the thermodynamic analysis and monitoring of the market of working fluids, only R32 can be recommended for real projects. A separate thermodynamic analysis of the scheme-cycle designs for CO<sub>2</sub> – the real prospect of refrigeration equipment was carried out.

**Keywords:** refrigerating machine, working fluid, thermodynamic analysis, energy efficiency, cycle size.

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## GEOTHERMAL INVESTIGATION USES A DIPOLE-DIPOLE CONFIGURATION GEOELECTRIC METHODS WITH DELPHI PROGRAMMING (p. 50-56)

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The position of Indonesia which is located at the confluence of three plates (Eurasia, Indies Australia, and the Pacific) causes the formation of a series of volcanoes in some parts of the country and causes the formation of geothermal energy sources around the volcano. Geothermal energy is the energy of natural resources in the form of hot water or steam formed in a reservoir inside the earth through heating of subsurface water by igneous rocks (Team Pertamina, 2010). This geothermal energy can be used directly for drying agricultural production, tourism, and household needs or indirectly as a driver of electricity-generating turbines.

In this study focused in East Java, the author discusses geothermal potential by using geoelectric methods in the never-ending area of fire to contribute manifestation information as one of the answers to the community and government which is expected to provide an idea of how large geothermal potential is using the geoelectric method in the fire area has never been extinguished by Pamekasan Madura. The distance between the 5-meter electrode. The long-term goal of this research is to obtain petroleum fuel energy in the pamekasan area.

Geothermal research has been carried out on fire tours. This research uses the dipole-dipole configuration geoelectric method with the help of Delphi program. The results of this program are

suitable for time-efficient calculations for geoelectric data processing. This program is equipped with Wenner, Schlumberger, dipole-dipole and pole-pole configuration options so that we can choose the configuration we need. the results of this study are Line 1 stretching from North to South. The subsurface line 1 has a low resistivity of 72.3–98  $\Omega\text{m}$ . the resistivity value of this layer is a reservoir carrier with a depth of 12.8–78.8 meters below the soil surface. Line 2 stretches from east to west. The subsurface layer 2 has a low resistivity of 75.5–112  $\Omega\text{m}$ . the resistivity value of this layer is a reservoir carrier with a depth of 2.5–67.5 meters below the soil surface. Line 3 is a line that runs from east to west. The subsurface layer 3 has a low resistivity of 94.2–110  $\Omega\text{m}$ . the resistivity value of this layer is a reservoir carrier with a depth of 10.5–24.9 meters below ground level.

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### ROLE OF SMALL ADDITION OF LIQUEFIED PETROLEUM GAS (LPG) ON LAMINAR BURNING VELOCITY OF HYDROUS ETHANOL (p. 56-62)

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Ethanol is an appropriate substitution for gasoline fuel in spark ignition engines. Ethanol has a high-octane number allowing to use it in the higher compression ratio of the engine. A better understanding of combustion characteristics of ethanol is needed before it is used widely in the spark ignition engine. One of the most important parameters of the replacement fuel is the burning velocity. Therefore, the purpose of the research is to investigate experimentally the effect of the small addition of liquefied petroleum gas (LPG) on the laminar burning velocity of hydrous ethanol. The combustion characteristic of the ethanol and LPG mixture was examined in a cylindrical combustion chamber with a diameter of 10.8 cm and a length of 17 cm. The flame had a spherically expanding shape. Fuel mixture was ignited by sparks inside the cylinder and the flame diameter was measured from the flame image captured by the high-speed camera. The research used two types of ethanol fuel such as anhydrous ethanol and hydrous ethanol containing 0.3 % of water. The percentage of LPG in the fuel mixture was varied from 0 % to 20 %. The results showed that the addition of 10 % LPG in ethanol increases laminar burning velocity. For anhydrous fuels, ethanol burning velocity is higher than for LPG and the highest burning velocity is in ethanol, to which 10 % LPG is added while the lowest is in LPG. Besides, the effect of water content in ethanol fuel causes a decrease in combustion speed significantly. But the addition of LPG up to 10 % makes hydrous ethanol relatively more robust to rising water content due to the combustion reaction is helped by a higher radical concentration in LPG. This is caused by two factors: the partial preheating zone resulted by the hydroxyl group (OH) of ethanol that supplied more heat energy and the high concentration of radicals in LPG that assists the combustion reaction.

**Keywords:** hydrous ethanol, liquefied petroleum gas, cylindrical chamber, laminar burning velocity.

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