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Optimal Routing an Ungrounded Electrical Distribution System based on Heuristic Method with Micro Grids Integration

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Abstract: This paper proposes a three-layer model to find the optimal routing of an underground electrical distribution system, employing the PRIM algorithm as graph search heuristic. In the algorithm, the first layer handles transformer allocation and medium voltage network routing, the second layer deploys the low voltage network routing and transformer sizing, while the third presents a method to allocate distributed energy resources in an electric distribution system. The proposed algorithm routes an electrical distribution network in a georeferenced area, taking into account the characteristics of the terrain, such as streets or intersections, and scenarios without squared streets. Moreover, the algorithm copes with scalability characteristics, allowing the addition of loads in the time. The model analysis discovers that the algorithm reaches a node connectivity of 100%, satisfies the planned distance constraints, and accomplishes the optimal solution of underground routing in a distribution electrical network applied in a georeferenced area. Simulating the electrical distribution network tests that the voltage drop is less than 2 % in the farthest node.

Keywords: Electrical Distribution System; Graph Theory; Micro grids; Heuristic; Optimization; Planning

1. Introduction

The unpredictable increasing in electricity demand has made challenging the design and planning of any electrical system in transmission or distribution level. The population growth, migration and city planning had reduced the performance of the Electric Distribution Systems (EDS) in large cities, especially in third world countries. The main reason for that is the conventional deployed EDS was designed without formal considerations of planning or projected demand. Consequently, the regular EDS are mainly unplanned and the electricity service throughout the networks are unsatisfactory with problems in the entire system for instance reliability, and stability.

Electricity transportation seriously concerns designers due to the large distance from generation to the final customer. Conversely, the generation in MG with DER is close to end-user or is in the same LV network, therefore avoiding the power transmission [1]. Biomass, solar or wind power, and small hydro generators are some examples of DERs. Through those alternatives are boosting the local generation, increasing the continuous electrical service, decreasing the fossil fuel dependency and can be achieved a clean ecosystem by reducing emissions [2–4].

Nowadays, modern EDS must satisfy optimization, security, reliability, and energy efficiency requirements, which are considered as fundamental requirements in the design and implementation

31 process. For instance, Micro Grid (MG) is the integration of optimal EDS with Distribute Energy
 32 Resources (DER). In order to implement a Smart Grid (SG), firstly the EDS should reach security
 33 and, reliability requirement via technical planning. Moreover, the EDS must be optimal and
 34 technically adequate because the end customer is close to that system, and due to its investment cost is
 35 considerable compared to the entire network [5–7].

36 Furthermore, DERs are a promising solution for the implementation of Low Carbon (LC) Technologies
 37 in a conventional electrical system. Considering that the power generation industry is a considerable
 38 source of CO_2 , therefore a growing number of EDS has connected to DER in order to follow the
 39 LC policies [8]. The LC policies suggest countries adopt clear and measurable objectives to reduce
 40 emissions. There are some research, which proposes an acceptable level of reduction, it is the case of
 41 [9], which proposed a model to reduce 80% of CO_2 emissions taking as based line 1990, and introduced
 42 the implementation of mitigation technologies, including DER in EDS.

43 The Figure 1 shows the percentages contributions of each technology in the reduction of emissions.
 44 Special attention is focused on the electricity decarbonisation, smart growth and rooftop PV. The
 45 first technology is mainly the integration of renewable energy, which is composed of 90% CO_2 free
 46 technologies. The second involves the optimal planning of EDS and the transportation systems. The
 47 third constitutes of rooftop PV implementation in residential and commercial buildings considering
 48 10% of electricity demand should be reduced by the implementation of rooftop PV [9].

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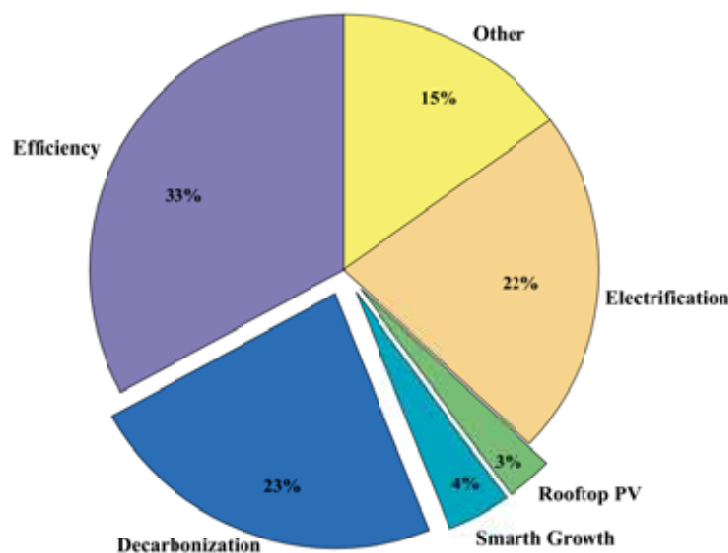


Figure 1. Percentage of CO_2 reduction contribution of DER implemented in an EDS [9].

50 The mathematical model proposes in this paper achieve the entire connectivity, in order to cope
 51 with this objective the minimum expansion tree algorithm was applied, and the radial topology of a
 52 georeferenced EDS was obtained. By this methodology, the power balance in the network is achieved
 53 automatically and guaranteed, as well as, the scalability, including the case whether further residential
 54 or industrial loads would be connected to the system. The model performance test was developed in a
 55 Geographic Information System (GIS), where all the elements of the network are represented as nodes.
 56 Aside from the map information like streets, roads, and natural features, this representation includes
 57 homes, LV transformers and substations of the selected region.

58 Several researchers have developed models to find the best topology for an optimal EDS planning. For
 59 instance, [10] is one of the first to have presented a detailed overview of expansion planning models,
 60 compared the different mathematical techniques describing the objective functions, constraints, the
 61 programming technique, and the pros and cons associated with the model. On the other hand, the

62 approach is commonly used in wireless communication, Inga et al. [6,7,11,12] proposed a hybrid
63 wireless mesh network infrastructure considering a multi-hop system which is planned for electric
64 consumption metering in a metropolitan area network, thereby performing an advanced metering
65 infrastructure for use in MG.

66 Lavorato et al. [13] proposed a critical analysis to integrate the radially as a constraint in an
67 optimization model of an EDS, and [14] proposed a mathematical procedure for modelling the radial
68 networks. Both studies recognize that the radially constraint is a heavy burden to implement in
69 any model. Other researches have proposed that the problem can be solved using a combination
70 of algorithms, including heuristics to find a good initial solution and then apply the result to a
71 deterministic mathematical optimization, [14]. In [15–18] proposed implementation of Minimal
72 Spanning Tree (MST) to minimize the energy supplied by Medium voltage (MV) in an EDS. In [15]
73 algorithm allowed graphing compression, leading to savings in computing time. [19] also tackled the
74 active power loss minimizing problem using MST.

75 The optimization algorithm for determining the route for MV feeders was developed using simulated
76 annealing algorithm in [20], who proposed a three stages methodology. Additionally, researchers
77 in [21] describe a heuristic with the objective of minimizing the loss of power applying EDS
78 reconfiguration. [22] used the complex network analysis and graph theory to explain the properties
79 and exposed the mathematical representation of the electrical topology that are implemented in the
80 real EDSs. In [23] describes the network design problem using the cooperative Tabu research that is
81 the first level of the capacitated multicommodity. [24] proposed a model, using the adapted genetic
82 algorithm, to minimize the voltage drop in distribution transformers, considering size, quantity, and
83 siting.

84 There are several heuristics methods that can be used to solve an optimisation problem, in the
85 paper [25] a scheme is explained the pros and cons of the "best solvers", based on the analysis of a
86 considerable amount of articles. The efficiency and closeness to the global optimum solution of some
87 heuristic solvers are tested in [26], where implemented a Home Energy Management solved through
88 five heuristic algorithms.

89 The heuristics methods applied GIS are investigated in several technological areas, for instance,
90 the introduction of more flexible technologies in urban areas [27]. Whilst, [28] and [29] study the
91 DER penetration in an implemented photo-voltaic systems. The problem in [30] is solved through a
92 modified Particle Swarm Optimization (PSO), which included a new mutation method to improve
93 the global searching thereby avoiding the local optimum. In [31] applied the local search heuristics
94 representing the EDS as a spanning forest problem. The proposed algorithms are based on the research
95 of the shortest spanning sub tree and connection network, originally proposed by [32,33].

96 Based on the extensive bibliographic research, a model of DER planning with MG integration deployed
97 in a GIS is hardly resolved by linear programming, because it implies a large computational time due
98 to the complexity and the massive amount of involved variables. The proposed problem represents
99 a combinatorial problem, which includes the routing cost minimization as objective function and
100 constraints of connectivity, radial, distance and voltage profiles. In conclusion, the problem is
101 NP-Complete and as a result, lacks a globally optimal solution [30].

102 For the reasons exposed above, the raised problem is not trivial and it must be solved applying
103 heuristic models. The solution of the mathematical model of the EDS planning is proposed as a routing
104 problem which is approached through a complex network analysis and graph theory [34]. Hence, it is
105 necessary to perform a heuristic model that can reach a near optimal solution or sub-optimal solution.
106 The present paper presents a mathematical model that applied graph theory as multi-layer algorithm;
107 one of them addresses the problem of routing of Medium Voltage (MV), the second the Low Voltage
108 (LV) network, and the third allocate the DER in the EDS.

109 The remainder of this article is organised as follow, in the 2 the problem formulation is presented, the
110 simulation results are presented in section 3. Finally, in section 4 the conclusions, recommendations

111 and future works.

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113 2. Problem Formulation

114 The Optimal Routing of Electrical Distribution Networks is defined as a NP-complete problem, to
 115 deal with it is used a heuristic model. The model is divided into three algorithms, the algorithm 1
 116 solves the problem in MV network, while the algorithm 2 works with the resolution in LV network,
 117 and the algorithm 3 determines the allocation of the rooftop PV in the scenario. In the Table 1 are
 118 presented the variables used in the model.

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Table 1. Parameters and variables

Nomenclature	Description
X	Latitude element coordinate point or points
Y	Longitude element coordinate point or points
ij	Point to point search variables
X_s, Y_s	Residential customer location
X_{np}, Y_{np}	Street nearest point to any customer
X_{se}, Y_{se}	Substation location
X_{be}, Y_{be}	Streets intersection or candidate sites location
X_{tr}, Y_{tr}	MV to LV transformer final location
XL_{st}, YL_{st}	Member Points of L street
SH	End user location
Ind	Optimal transformer index
N	Number of residential customers
M	Number of LV transformers
S	Number of substations
P	Total Number of subscribers $N+M+S$
$demN_N$	Individual customer demand
$demM_M$	Individual LV transformer demand
G	PxP connectivity matrix
$dist$	PxP distance matrix
$dist_N$	Distance from N customer to corresponding transformer
Cap	Number capacity constraint for all LV transformer
R	Distance constraint (m) for all LV connections
$Path$	Network connectivity route
$Pred$	Association end-user transformer
PVs	PV amount in the network
PVC	PV rooftop location
PVP	PV power assignation
C	Total customer connectivity in percentage
$CostMV$	Total distance (m) cost of designed LV network
$CostLV_M$	Distance (m) cost of M tranformer
$CostLV$	Total distance (m) cost of desgined low voltage network
$Comp_E$	Computational cost (seg) for each experiment
i,j,k	Counter variables for control loops
$flag, used, z$	Temporal variables
$Loc1, Loc2$	Temporal variables

120 The mathematical model accomplishes in the algorithm are represented by the next equation
 121 exposed below. The objective function 1 finds the minimum length of path feeder, where C is the cost
 122 of distances and X represents the activation or deactivation in each node connections. The equations 2
 123 and 3 represent the radial nature for the network where the numbers of connections must be n-1, n is
 124 the number of nodes. Finally, the equation 4 demonstrates that the connections have two states, like 0

125 or 1, whether there is disconnections or connection, respectively.

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$$\text{Minimize } \sum_{ij \in E} C_{ij} X_{ij} \quad (1)$$

$$\text{Subject to } \sum_{ij \in E} X_{ij} = n - 1 \quad (2)$$

$$\sum_{ij \in E: i \in S, j \in S} X_{ij} \leq |S| - 1 \quad \forall S \subseteq V \quad (3)$$

$$X_{ij} \in \{0, 1\} \quad \forall ij \in E \quad (4)$$

127 The algorithm 1 has five steps. The first declares the variables, distance R and the capacity
128 number Cap restriction, to zero or receives the georeference information from map, including the
129 latitude and longitude of end-user, candidate sites and substation location. The information was taken
130 from an OpenStreetMap (OSM) file, including the georeferenced information about the houses' shape,
131 main routes, streets, public spaces, and more. The step 2 determines the optimal transformer selection
132 using prim algorithm, which returns the number and transformer index of optimal configuration.
133 The step 3 is responsible to find the nearest street point to customer, it is done tough the distance
134 calculation of each end-user to the each constituted point street, and determining the closest point
135 to each home, this solution has the same number as end existing users. The fourth step searches
136 the optimal routing of MV grid, which used the haversine distance calculation to determine the
137 distance between all elements in the network, after that, the connectivity matrix is calculated with the
138 model restrictions, next the prim minimal spanning tree is applied to find the minimum rout. the
139 fifth step determine the cost, that correspondent to the total distance of the elements of the MV network.

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Algorithm 1 Optimal location and routing a MV grid network

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1: procedure
2: Step: 1 Variables
3:    $P, distN, X, Y, Cap, R$ 
4: Step: 2 Optimal transformer selection
5:    $used \leftarrow prim(X, Y);$ 
6:    $Ind \leftarrow find(sum(used) == 1);$ 
7:    $X_{tr} \leftarrow X_{be}(Ind);$ 
8:    $Y_{tr} \leftarrow Y_{be}(Ind);$ 
9: Step: 3 Find nearest street point to customer
10:   $Loc1 \leftarrow [X_s Y_s];$ 
11:   $Loc2 \leftarrow [X_{Lst} Y_{Lst}];$ 
12:  for  $i \rightarrow 1 : N$  do
13:    for  $j \rightarrow 1 : length(X_{Lst})$  do
14:       $dist_{i,j} \leftarrow haversine(Loc1, Loc2);$ 
15:       $z \leftarrow find(dist_{i,j} == min(min(dist_{i,j})));$ 
16:    EndFor
17:  EndFor
18:   $X_{np} \leftarrow Loc2(z, 1);$ 
19:   $Y_{np} \leftarrow Loc2(z, 2);$ 
20: Step: 4 Optimal Routing MV grid
21:   $X \leftarrow [X_{np} X_{tr} X_{se}];$ 
22:   $Y \leftarrow [Y_{np} Y_{tr} Y_{se}];$ 
23:   $dist_{i,j} = haversine(X, Y);$ 
24:   $G(dist_{i,j} \leq R) \leftarrow 1;$ 
25:   $path \leftarrow prim_{mst}(sparse(G));$ 
26: Step: 5 Determine the final cost of MV
27:  for  $i \rightarrow 1 : length(X)$  do
28:    for  $j \rightarrow 1 : length(X)$  do
29:       $costMV \leftarrow costMV + dist_{i,j}(path);$ 
30:    EndFor
31:  EndFor
32: End procedure

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141 The algorithm 2 determines the optimal routing of the LV grid network, which approaches the
 142 problem dividing the network in pieces of the transformer that serves to the end user customer. The
 143 solution is proposes in 5 steps as follow. Step 1 is similar as the algorithm 1 and aim the initialization or
 144 complete the needed information. The step 2 determines the distance between each end user with all
 145 solution transformer of algorithm 1. After that, the connectivity matrix is calculated, which considers
 146 the connectivity between the transformer and the substation is already done, and the connection from
 147 the substation to end-user is non available. Step 3 implement the dijkstra algorithm calculation, which
 148 find the optimal LV connections. Step 4 calculates the optimal rout of the corresponded elements to
 149 the transformer, the step individually considers the LV connections. Finally, the step 5 calculates the
 150 final cost that correspond with the final distance of conductor in LV network.

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Algorithm 2 Optimal routing a LV grid network

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1: procedure
2: Step: 1 Variables
3:    $P, distN, X, Y, Cap, R$ 
4: Step: 2 Determine the distance end user, transformer
5:    $dist_{i,j} = haversine(X, Y);$ 
6:    $G(dist_{i,j} \leq R) \leftarrow 1;$ 
7:    $G(1 : N, N + M + 1 : N + M + S) \leftarrow inf;$ 
8:    $G(N + M + 1 : N + M + S, 1 : N) \leftarrow inf;$ 
9:    $G(N + 1 : N + M + S, N + 1 : N + M + S) \leftarrow inf;$ 
10: Step: 3 Applying Dijkstra
11:    $Pred \leftarrow dijkstra(G, P);$ 
12: Step: 4 Optimal Routing LV grid
13:   for  $Trans \rightarrow 1 : N$  do
14:      $X \leftarrow [X_{np}(Pred)X_{Trans}];$ 
15:      $Y \leftarrow [Y_{np}(Pred)Y_{Trans}];$ 
16:      $dist_{i,j} = haversine(X, Y);$ 
17:      $G(dist_{i,j} \leq R) \leftarrow 1;$ 
18:      $path \leftarrow prim_{mst}(sparse(G));$ 
19:   EndFor
20: Step: 5 Determine the final cost of LV
21:   for  $i \rightarrow 1 : length(X)$  do
22:     for  $j \rightarrow 1 : length(X)$  do
23:        $costLV \leftarrow costLV + dist_{i,j}(path);$ 
24:     EndFor
25:   EndFor
26: End procedure
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152 Finally, the algorithm 3 allows to determine allocation of the rooftop photo-voltaic panels in the
153 houses, the houses percentage chosen is 10 %, based in the contribution of PV in MG. The algorithm
154 gather, in the step 1, the end user coordinates in one array, after the PV amount is determining with
155 the researched criteria and is stored in PVs, in the step 2. In the step 3 the center of mass is calculated
156 though kmedoids algorithm, the scenario is divided into PVs variable clusters. In the step 4, the
157 electrical power is assigned for each end user, the power for each rooftop is 10KV, the same for all the
158 scenario.

Algorithm 3 Allocation of DER PV generator

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1: procedure
2: Step: 1 Inizialization
3:    $X \leftarrow [X_s];$ 
4:    $Y \leftarrow [Y_s];$ 
5:    $SH \leftarrow [XY];$ 
6: Step: 2 Determining PV amount
7:    $PVs \leftarrow floor(length(SH) * 0.1);$ 
8: Step: 3 Determining the center of mass
9:    $PVC \leftarrow kmedoids(SH, PVs);$ 
10: Step: 4 Power assignation
11:    $PVP \leftarrow 10KV;$ 
12: End procedure
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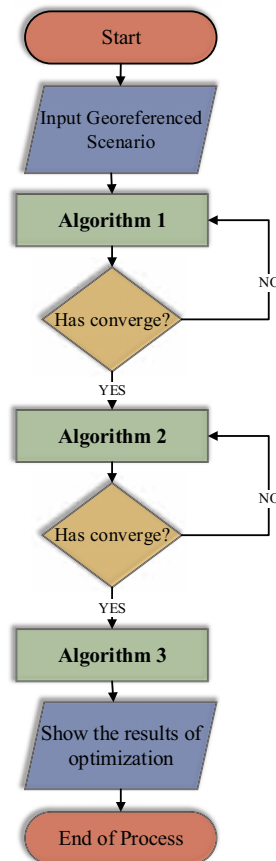


Figure 2. The flowchart of the ordinal interaction of the three algorithms proposed for the authors

159 3. Analysis of Results

160 The case study is part of the EDS of the area of Tytherington in the north of Macclesfield in
 161 Cheshire, England. The limits in longitude in the present study are -2.1360 to -2.1270, meanwhile, the
 162 latitude starts from 53.2730 to 53.2810, the total area is 1.15 Km^2 . In the scenario, there are 813 loads
 163 with a total power of 5.4 MW. The presented model deploys the EDS, including the network planning
 164 expansion. Therefore, the model designs an efficient and reliable EDS, with the lowest investment cost.
 165 The network planning expansion allows to use the initial configuration and expanding the EDS with a
 166 short and medium time period. The model was developed with the algorithms one and two presented
 167 below, which was implemented in Matlab.

168 In the Table 2 are presented the simulation parameters used in the implementation. The selected area
 169 has a density of 700 end users per kilometer square, which is considered lower in comparison with the
 170 average density in the cities in Europe. The deployment requires a maximum distance of 100 meters
 171 from an end user to transformer, with a coverage of 100 % in the entire network. The installation type
 172 in both networks is under grounded and the configuration is radial in order to accomplish with the
 173 EDS requirements. The number of main feeders from the substation is one. Whilst, the voltage in the
 174 MV installation, between the substation and the transformers, is 11 KV, and the LV network voltage is
 175 400V. Finally, the concentrated load is balanced in all the experimental procedure.

176 The studied georeferenced scenario is shown in figure 2. First, in order to analyze the designed
 177 network performance, the scenario was divided into six different clusters, the homes in the same
 178 cluster were outlining with the same colors. The division by clusters was made with the K-medoids
 179 algorithm, but any clustering algorithm could be used. The clusters are numbered from 1 to 6 in

Table 2. Parameter of Model Simulation Model

Item	Parameter	Value
End user information	Density	700 per square kilometer
	Amount in study	813 in all study
	Location	Georeference
Deployment	Max transformer distance	100 meters
	MV Network transformer coverage	100 %
	LV Network end users coverage	100 %
MV network parameters	Installation type	Undergrounded
	Network configuration	Radial
	Number of primary feeders number	1
	Voltage level	11 KV
LV network parameters	Total power demand	5.4 MVA
	Installation type	Undergrounded
	Network configuration	Radial
	Voltage level	400 V
	Concentrated load	balanced

180 clockwise, starting with the left upper with the number 1 and the located in the middle left is the 6.
 181 The power consumption of each home depends on the cluster membership, in the cluster 1 the average
 182 consumption is 300 KVA, whilst the average power in the cluster 2 is 400 KVA and the houses of
 183 cluster 6 the consumption is 800 KVA, correspondingly. The power assignment is random normally
 184 distributed, depending on the cluster membership.

185 The substation location is aleatory, where must exist enough space for the implementation of this
 186 building. It can be changed, and the optimum substation allocation is proposed for future work.
 187 The transformer candidate sites are shown in the graph as well. These sites are called manhole or
 188 checkup points. To find these points are considered all the corners or bifurcation points in any street,
 189 in total there are 314 checkup points. These points are the input of the prim algorithm with the desired
 190 maximum distance, therefore the prim algorithm output is the final transformer allocation.

191 A constraint in the model is the maximum distance between the end user and their corresponding LV
 192 transformer. The distance restriction is an input parameter in the prim algorithm, that decided the
 193 final transformer allocation. Thus, based on this distance parameter two scenarios are proposed, the
 194 first scene takes the restriction of 80 meters and the second 100 meters, and are called A and B scenario,
 195 correspondingly.

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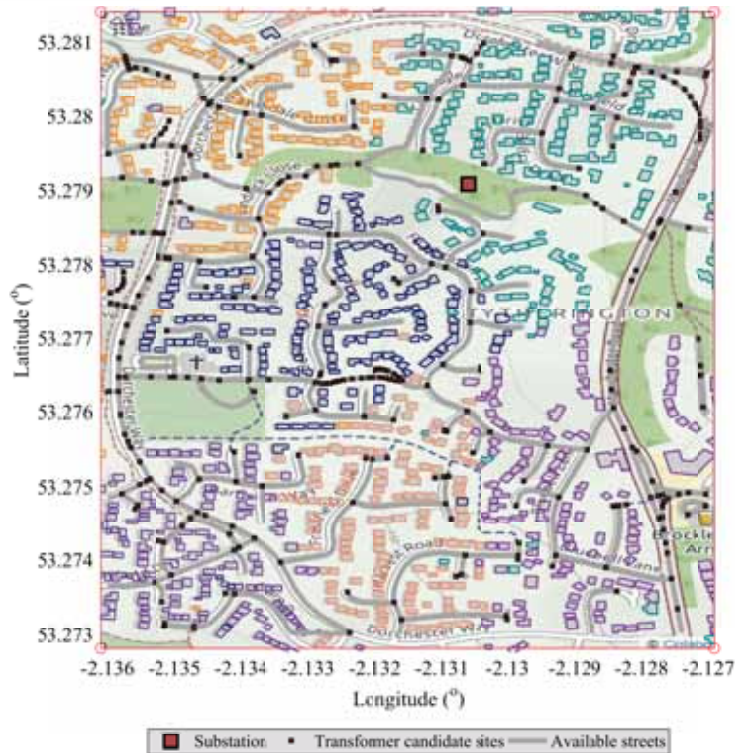


Figure 3. Studied scenario with the transformer candidate cites and substation localization. The end user power consumption is represent with different colors depending on the cluster.

197 The optimization applying graph theory is based on the connectivity matrix. The connectivity
 198 matrix of the presented A scenario is shown in figure 3, where is seen a symmetrical square matrix of
 199 $N+M+S$ elements. Where N is the number of end users, M is the number of activated transformers and
 200 S is the substations number. In order to find the connectivity matrix, the distance matrix is calculated,
 201 which shows in the graph represents the distance between homes to homes, homes to transformers,
 202 homes to the substation and finally transformers to the substation. The color in the matrix represents
 203 the distance, for instance, a dark color means a closer distance compared with a light color. Moreover,
 204 the white dots illustrates the possible connections between nodes, the white dots are located whether
 205 the restriction distance is accomplished. The number nz in the bottom of the figure is 8426, that
 206 represents the number of total connections in the studied scenario. There are two extreme fringes in
 207 the figure, the right and the bottom one, those fringes represent the connection between transformers
 208 and end users, notice that the form of the fringes changed respect from rest of the figure, mainly there
 209 are more white dots that means the higher connection possibility between transformers and end users,
 210 it is due the optimal transformer allocation. Besides, the principal diagonal consideration must be
 211 considered, because it represents the distance between the same node, and it must be changed for a
 212 greater distance in order to do not obtain erroneous model results.

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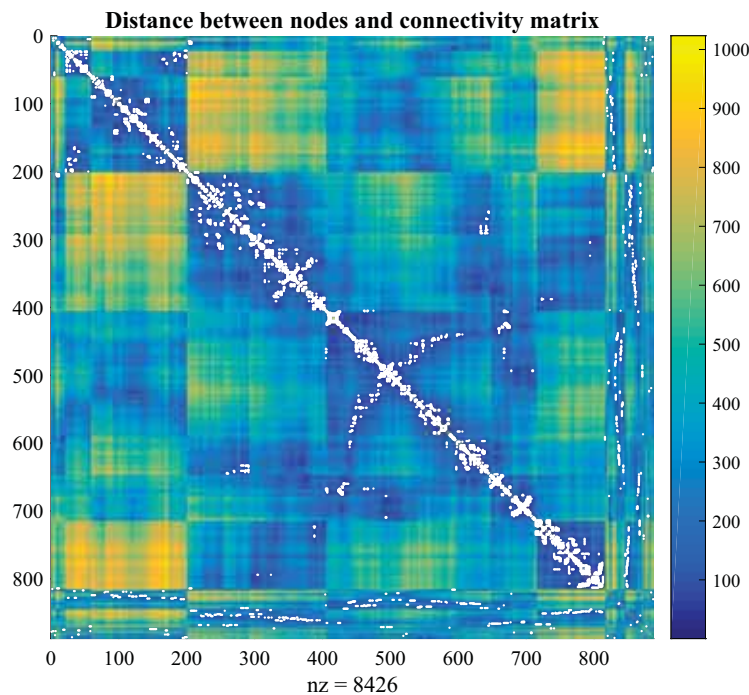


Figure 4. Distance and connectivity matrix of A scenario.

214 The obtained result with the algorithm 1 is the sub optimal MV network routing of A scenario is
 215 shown in figure 4, which was generated with a distance constraint of 80 meters and a connectivity of
 216 100%. In this scenario, there are 76 transformers located in the candidate sites using the prim algorithm.
 217 Therefore, the distance and connectivity constraints are accomplished through the transformers
 218 location. Moreover, initially, the MV network route origins in the substation and by means of one
 219 feeder deliveries power to all the MV transformers. The planned routing is radial, following the routes
 220 of the streets, consequently, the MV network can be implemented as an underground network. The
 221 MV network length is 14.05 kilometers, connected by one conductor all the transformers through MST.
 222 The planned routing is an alternative method for resilience network in order to the designer can be
 223 planned optional routes in case of adverse operating conditions, this topic is proposed as future work.
 224 The scenario B is shown in figure 5, which was generated with a distance and connectivity constraints
 225 of 100 meters and 100%, correspondingly. In the present scenario, there are 55 transformers located
 226 in the candidate sites, accomplishing the desired constraints. As well as the previous scenario, the
 227 planned routing is radial, following the routes of the streets, consequently, the MV network can be
 228 implemented as an underground network. The MV network length is 12.15 kilometers, connected
 229 by one conductor all the transformers through MST. In B scenario, there are 21 transformers and
 230 2 kilometers of conductor less than the last analyzed scenario. However, those savings affects the
 231 LV distribution network design because the reduction in the transformers amount represents the
 232 overloading of them. Moreover, the transformers power capacity must be raised by reason of the
 233 corresponding demand will be higher. Under those circumstances, the scenario A henceforth will be
 234 called as the suboptimal solution of the presented model. The presented results in Table 3 compared
 235 the data obtained from those A and B scenario.

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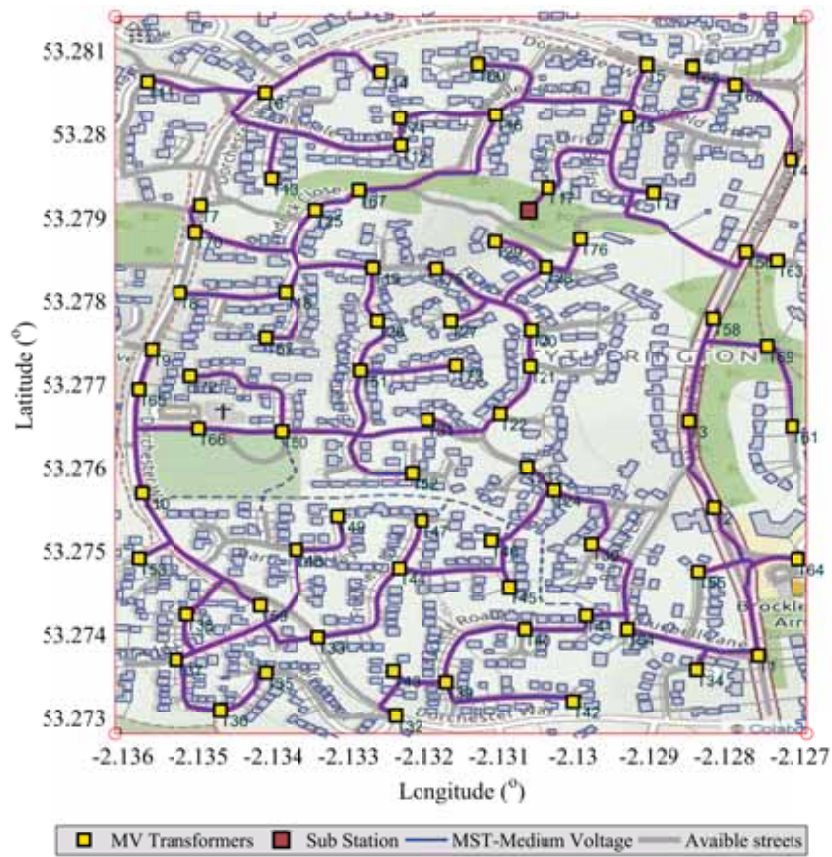


Figure 5. Sub optimal Routing of MV Network. Scenario A.

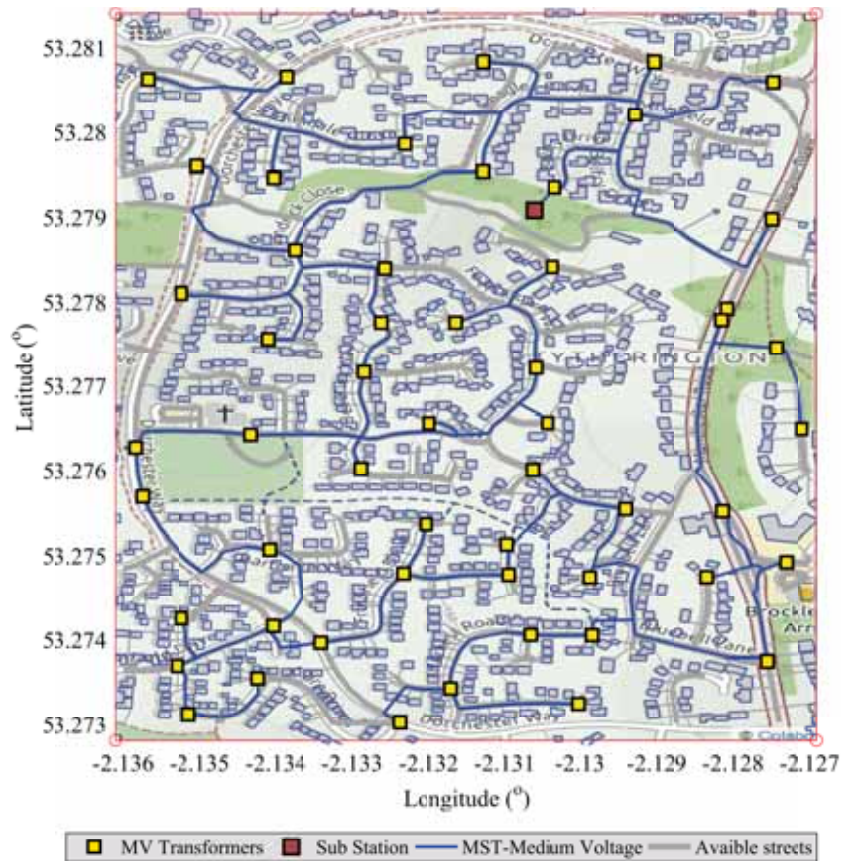


Figure 6. Sub optimal Routing of MV Network. Scenario B.

237 The LV network was designed through algorithm 2, optimal routing an LV grid network,
 238 explained in the sections below. The obtained result is presented in figure 6, there is shown the
 239 georeferenced scenario with LV network implementation and irregular polygons sketched in the graph,
 240 delimiting the transformers area of service. The end users with 100 % connectivity are connected to
 241 the LV network through the operator service cable. Those cables connect the home nearest point to
 242 the corresponding nearest street point, this calculation is included in the model. The distance in the
 243 LV network included the length from house to the street and from that point down the street to the
 244 transformer. The model for the LV network design is subject to the application of distance restriction.
 245 The connection representation between the transformer with their end users are shown in the figure
 246 through the irregular polygons, those indicate the service area of each activated transformer. The
 247 mentioned polygons gather the elements belonging of the individual LV EDS, the transformer
 248 normally is inside the polygon, but can be in the edge, the polygon join all the connection house points
 249 including the transformer. Whether the transformer does not belong to any polygon, it means that it
 250 just delivery power to one end user, normally the closest one. There are some houses in the study that
 251 are not considered as nodes of the network, especially they are located within the map end limits. The
 252 end users connect to the corresponding transformer via under grounded electrical installation.

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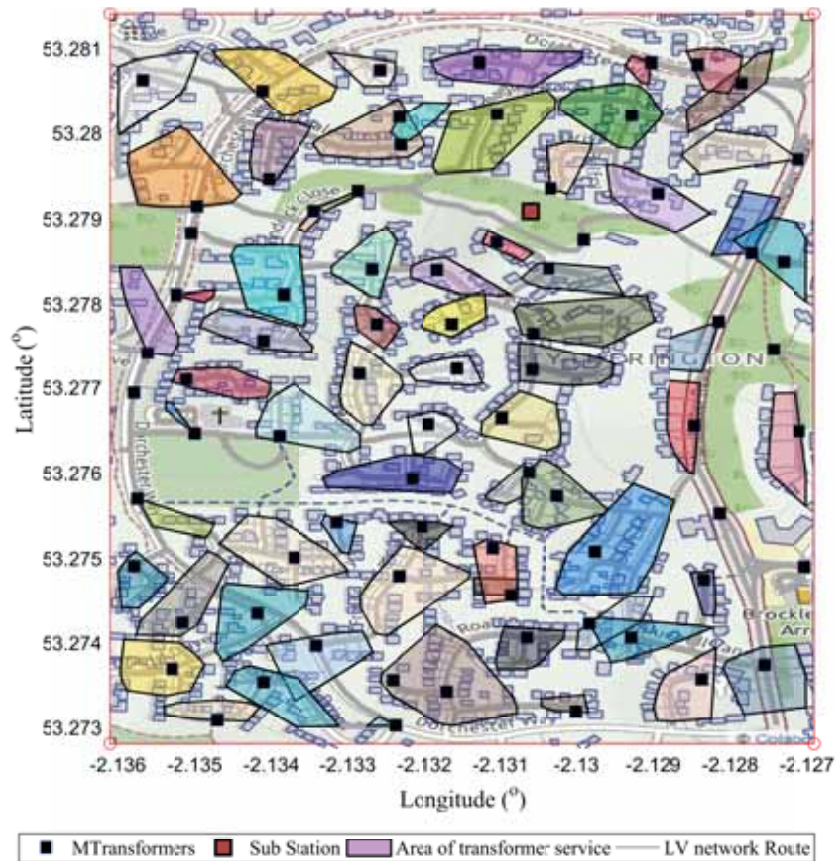


Figure 7. Suboptimal LV Network Routing. Transformer correspondence with end users.

254 The result implementation of algorithm 3 is shown in the figure 7, the allocation of rooftop PV
 255 is . All the PV panels have a power of 10 KVA. The percentage of houses with PV panels are the 10
 256 % of all the scenario, in total are 79 houses, with a total power of 790 KV. As a result, the rooftop PV
 257 panels contribute to the 14.5% to the total power deman. Notice, that the distribution of the rooftop
 258 PV are in all the maps, showing the practical allocation of the PV panels. The PV will reduce the
 259 power consumption of the power delivered from the substation in approximately the 10 %. The MV
 260 transformer should be bidirectional for the implementation. And the design should planned the
 261 protection and control of the network.

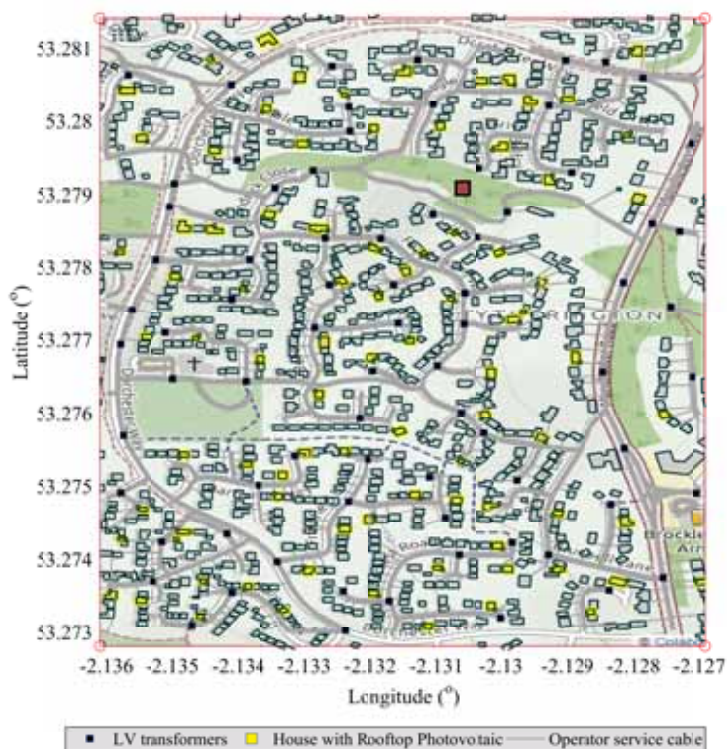


Figure 8. PV rooftop on Distributed generation, considering the 10% of end users.

262 The results of the three algorithms together are shown in the figure 8, where is displayed two
 263 bar graphs. The first shows the power in [KVA] compared with the corresponding transformer. The
 264 lower bar is the transformer power consumption, the red one is the power contribution of the installed
 265 rooftop PV and the upper bar indicates the assigned MV transformer, having an integer power value
 266 for sizing the transformer to be installed. The average power consumption of the 76 transformers
 267 are 71.6 [KVA], the maximum value is 280 [KVA] The second, while the lower assigned transformer
 268 is 10 [KVA]. The second graph considers the number of end users connected to each transformer,
 269 where the maximum number is 32 end users, and the minimum is 1 end users, the average is 11
 270 connected end users to each transformer. It is demonstrated that exists a direct relationship between
 271 the number of transformers and the end user, however, this is not totally linear. As a result, the
 272 proposed model allows to planning an MV and LV network in a georeferenced area, maintaining
 273 under defined constraints or technical specifications with the minimal cost. The figure 9 represents the
 274 transformers assignation according to the closest integer transformer power, there are 9 transformers
 275 of 10 [KVA], 4 of 20 [KVA]. The higher number of transformers is 10 transformers with a power of 80
 276 [KVA]. While the transformers of 120 [KVA] and 170 [KVA] are the less with 1 transformer per each
 277 one. There are two transformers of high power assigned with 280 [KVA], this demonstrate that there
 278 are sites in the scenario with high density, this characteristic is specific of the transformers 30 and 39.
 279 The achieved model results were tested in an electrical simulation software the implementation
 280 is presented in the figure 10, while the model results are summarized in Table 3. Comparing the
 281 scenario A and B the maximum distance constraint specification between whichever end user to the
 282 corresponding transformer is 80 and 100, to the scenario A and B. The coverage is 100% and the %
 283 of drop voltage is less than 2% for both scenarios. The number of activated transformers for the scenario
 284 a is 76 with an MV grid length of 14.05 [Km], thus the average transformer distance to the user is 33
 285 [m]. Compared with the scenario B, which has 55 transformers with a MV grid length of 12.15%, but

Table 3. Implemented Results

Specification	Scenario A	Scenario B
Max distance model constraint [m]	80	100
MV and LV Coverage [%]	100	100
Distribution transformers [number]	76	55
MV grid length [Km]	14.05	12.15
Voltage drop in [%]	Max. 2%	Max. 2%
LV Transformer to end user average distance [m]	33m	40m

286 the distance of the transformer to the end user is 40 [m], higher than the case A. Finally, for this reasons
 287 the scenario A was selected for the sub-optimum scenario and the selected design to be implemented.
 288 The implementation in an electrical is presented in the 11, the 76 transformers are in the resulting
 289 location that the algorithm has calculated. The simulation was development taking on account the real
 290 distance of the feeders. As result, the electrical analysis is close to the real implementation. Moreover,
 291 in the 12 is shown the the End user voltage compared in terms of distance from the sources, where it
 292 can see that the farthest have the higher drop voltage, but they are less than the 2% compared with the
 293 source.

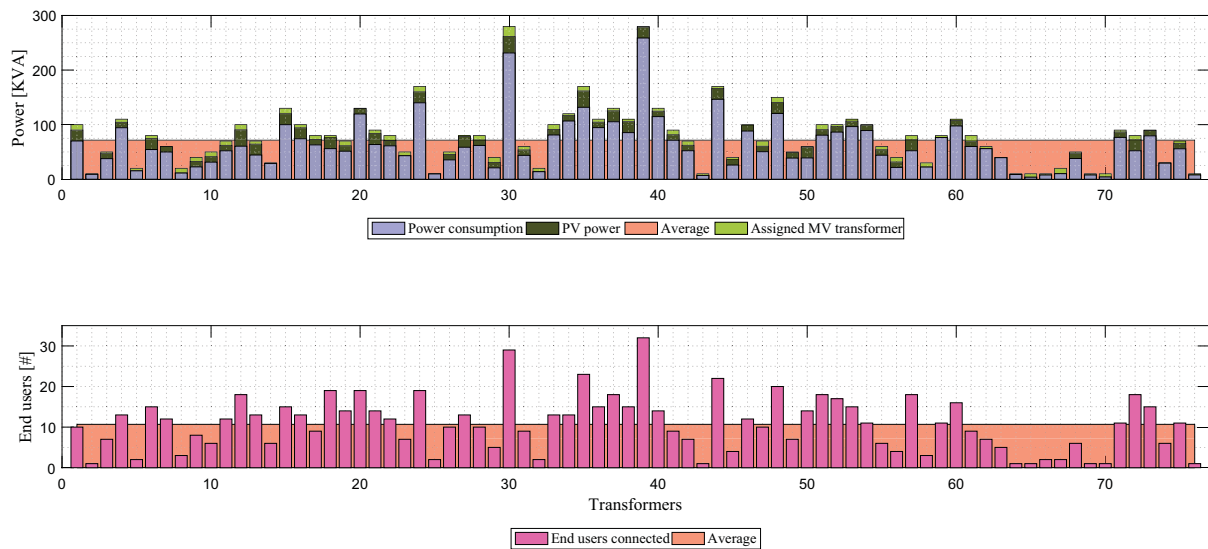


Figure 9. Obtained model results, power consumption and end users for each MV transformer. Cite: Author

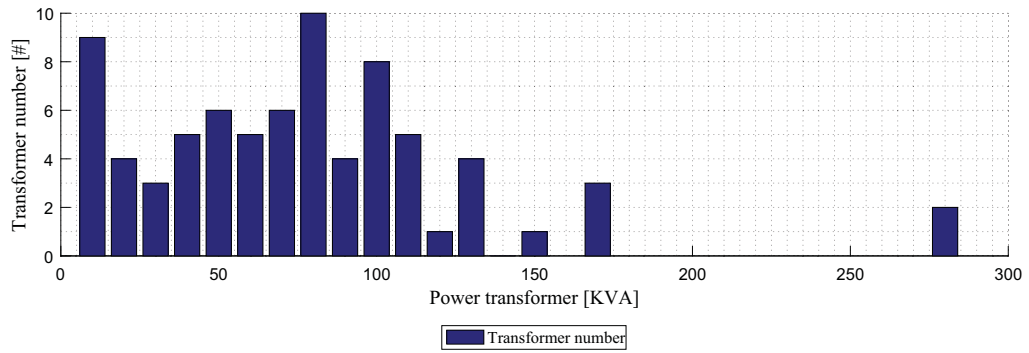


Figure 10. Transformer number for the designed scenario. Cite: Author

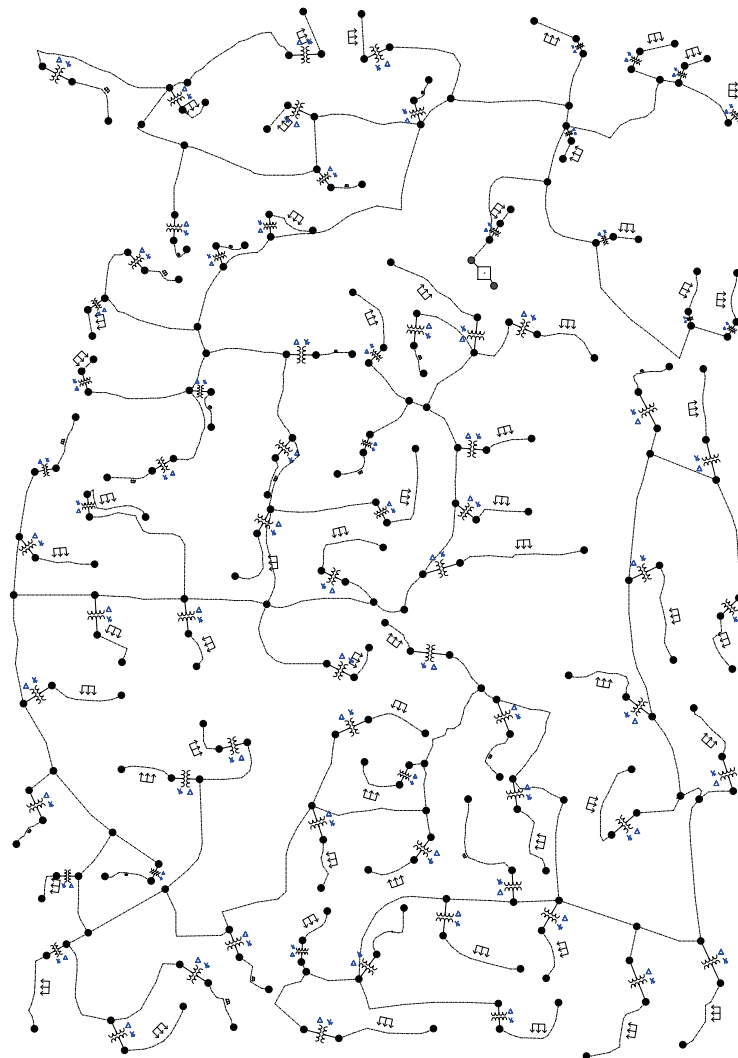


Figure 11. The implemented MV network applied in electrical simulation software.

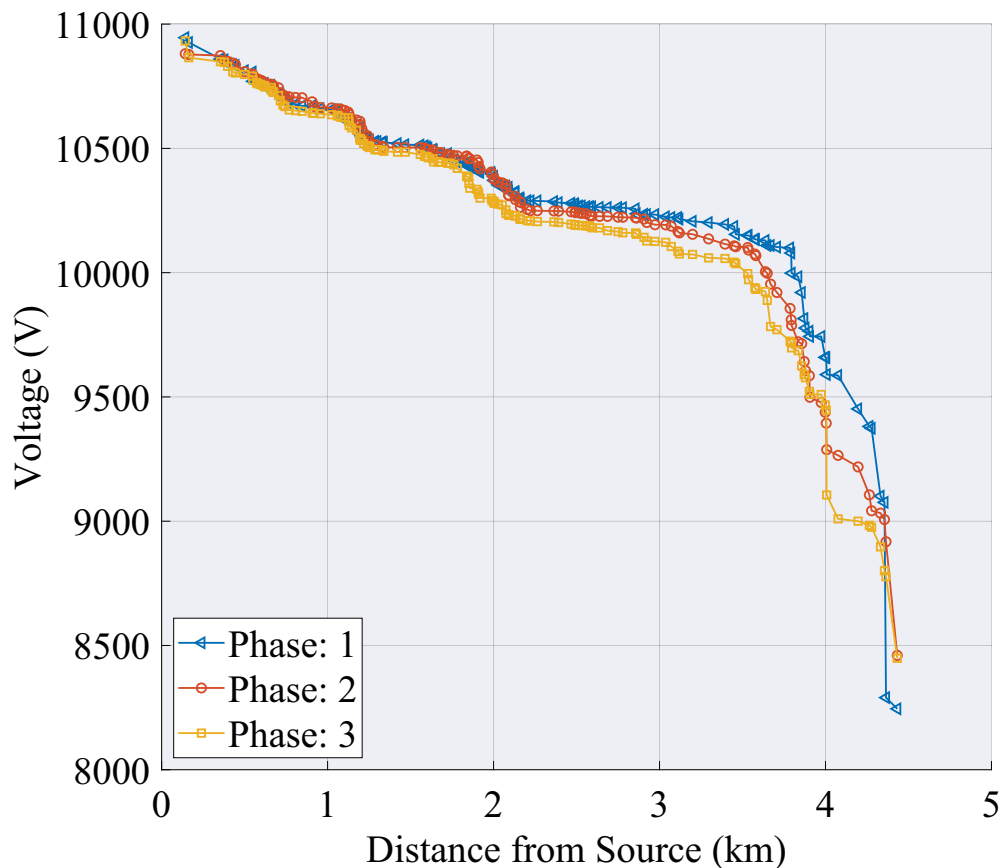


Figure 12. End user Voltage [V] compared in terms of Distance from the source [m]

294 4. Conclusions and Future Works

295 This paper proposed a heuristic algorithm based model to solve the routing underground
 296 electrical networks problem in a georeferenced area. The model proposed of a three layered algorithm;
 297 the first handles transformer allocation and routing of MV network, the second algorithm works
 298 out the LV network and transformer sizing and the third presents a method to allocate DER in an
 299 EDS. In this research, an array of rooftop photovoltaic panels with a specific criteria was allocated.
 300 The modelled networks were implemented in an electrical simulation software to demonstrate the
 301 feasibility of the proposed topology.

302 The proposed algorithm is capable of routing a network in a georeferenced area, taking into account
 303 the characteristics of the terrain, such as streets or intersections, including scenarios without squared
 304 streets. The modelled network achieves distance, and end user number constraints.

305 The suboptimal routing underground electrical networks were obtained, minimizing the
 306 implementation cost and maximizing the quality of electrical services and the reliability in
 307 the network, with a farthest node voltage drop of maximum 2 %. The MV grid length of 14.05 [Km],
 308 with 76 activated transformers as a total number, an average of 71.6 [KVA] and 11 connected end users.
 309 While the allocated rooftop PV panels contribute of 14.5% of the total demand of the network.

310 The optimum substation allocation and an alternative method for resilience network design in order
 311 to accommodate optional routes in case of adverse operating conditions, the application of control
 312 techniques and electrical protection in the EDS and the integration of the demand curve in the
 313 implementation of PV generation are proposed as future work.

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