



POWERFACTORY

PowerFactory Intermediate

Course Content

Digsilent Buyisa (Pty) Ltd

POWER SYSTEM SOLUTIONS
MADE IN GERMANY

PowerFactory Intermediate

2 Day Course

Objective:

To provide users working within the planning and operations environment and who are familiar with PowerFactory basic techniques, with additional tools and knowledge of the program. This course covers a broad range of subjects and will be useful to all users wanting to utilise Powerfactory for detailed analysis of power systems. It will also provide the user with the knowledge of built-in tools that will simplify and enhance the analysis of simulated networks.

Pre-requisites:

- **MUST have attended the Powerfactory Basic Course**
- A good working knowledge of the basic techniques used in PowerFactory.

No of participants:

In-house at Customer premises: Minimum: 6; Maximum: 12.

At Digsilent Buyisa Training Centre: Minimum: 10; Maximum: 16.

Online: Minimum 6; Maximum: 16.

ECSA CPD Accredited and Points:

- The course is fully accredited with the Engineering Council of South Africa (ECSA).
- 2 CPD points for completion.

Who Should Attend:

The course is intended for

- Utility engineers
- Power system operators
- Project Developers
- Manufacturers
- Consultants and electrical engineers



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Price per participant:

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- ❖ Prices are exclusive of VAT
 - ❖ Please note that cost excludes your Company's internal administrative costs.
 - ❖ All prices may change without prior notice - please contact Digsilent Buyisa for the latest prices before booking.
 - ❖ **DISCOUNT** is offered if a company sends more than one delegate per course.
 - ❖ Trainings held at Digsilent Buyisa Training Centre includes light breakfast snack, lunch and refreshments.

Training schedule

DAY 1

08:30

Data Management Part 1

Introduction to various Data Management tool which gives an overview over the complete data base as well as detailed information about the parameters of single power system elements or other objects.

Exercise 1.1: Filters

Searching, sorting and creating filters in the network model manager and Data manager.

Exercise 1.2: Data Extensions

Creating and using new data extensions

10:30

Tea/Coffee break

11:00

Data Management Part 2

Introduction to Network Data Elements, such as Zones, Areas, Owners, Operators and Boundaries.

Exercise 1.3: Zones and Areas

How to define and work with Zone and Area elements in PowerFactory.

Exercise 1.4: Boundaries

How to define and work with Boundaries using the Boundary Definition Tool in PowerFactory.

12:00

Operational Library

Introduction to the operational library which is used to store and organise operational data or applications to a number of elements.

Exercise 2: Thermal Ratings

Defining thermal rating objects. Thermal rating objects allow the definition of post-fault operational ratings for certain branch elements, depending on the fault duration and the loading prior to the fault.

Exercise 3: Q Limit Curves

Defining capability curves for generators. Capability curve objects allow different minimum / maximum values of reactive power to be considered at different levels of active power injection.



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12:30 **Lunch break**

13:30 **Parameter Characteristics**

Introduction of parameter characteristics that can be selected by date and time or custom triggers.

Exercise 4.1: Discrete Time Characteristics

Defining a time characteristic

Exercise 4.2 Discrete Characteristics

Defining one-dimensional-vector load characteristics and triggers.

15:00 **Tea/Coffee break**

15:30 **Exercise 4.3: Matrix Characteristics**

Defining matrix characteristics which are based on two variables.

Exercise 4.4 Parameter Characteristic files

Defining and setting up a parameter characteristic from an external file.

Exercise 4.5: Browse in Characteristics Mode

Exploring the characteristics tab, to check and edit the characteristic for whole classes of objects.

16:30 **End of the first day**

DAY 2

08:30 **Quasi-Dynamic Simulation**

Introduction to a dedicated time varying load flow calculation tool and plotting results.

Exercise 5.1: Load and Generation Profiles

Defining and setting up load and generation profiles.

09:00 **Exercise 5.2: Executing a Quasi-Dynamic Simulation**

Performing a time sweep of load flow calculations for a given interval.

Exercise 5.3: Visualising Results

Plot the results for the period specified.



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10:30 **Tea/Coffee break**

11:00 **Feeders and Feeder Load Scaling**

Introduction to Feeder definitions in PowerFactory.

Exercise 6.1: Feeders and Feeder Load Scaling

Defining and setting up a feeder. Scaling a feeder to match a known feeder power or current and viewing the voltage profile for the feeder.

Exercise 6.2: Feeders and Feeder Load Scaling

Defining and setting up a feeder within a feeder.

12:30 **Lunch break**

13:30 **Contingency Analysis**

An overview of contingency analysis that can be used to determine power transfer margins and identify risks of changing load conditions.

Exercise 7.1: Defining Contingency Events

Defining fault cases and groups

14:00 **Exercise 7.2: Execute Contingency Analysis**

Performing a contingency analysis.

Exercise 7.3: Analysing Contingency Results

Analysing and interpreting contingency results

15:00 **Coffee break**

15:30 **Transmission Network Tools**

Analysing the voltage stability of power systems and plotting results. PV and QV curves are essential for analysing the voltage stability of power systems.

Exercise 8.1: PV Curves

Execute PV Curves Calculation and identify the critical busbar.

Exercise 8.2: QV Curves

Execute QV Curves Calculation and identify the critical busbar.

16:30 **End of the second day**