

Characterisation Of Reliability Indices For A Case Study Power Distribution Network In The South Eastern Nigeria

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Abstract— In this paper, characterisation of reliability indices for a case study power distribution network in the South Eastern Nigeria is presented. Specifically, the computation of distribution power transformer failure related reliability indices are presented along with modelling and forecasting of the yearly reliability indices based on the available dataset for a case study distribution power network in Aba, Abia State Nigeria. The reliability indices computed and modelled are the System Average Interruption Duration Index (SAIDI), the System Average Interruption Frequency Index (SAIFI), the Customer Average Interruption Duration Index (CAIDI) and the Average Service Availability Index (ASAI). The requisite data on the connected transformers and number of customers on the various injection substations on the network as well as transformer power outage historical data, the data on the customer hours and frequency due to the power outage histories are obtained for the case study electricity power distribution network for the years ranging from 2016 to 2020. The reliability indices were individually modelled using two period lagged dependent variable quadratic regression model. The study in this paper utilised the results of the yearly network wise reliability indices for year 2016 to 2020 to determine the model constants and hence develop the regression models that are used to forecast the values of each of the reliability indices for the years ahead of the available dataset, namely 2021, 2022 and 2023. The results of forecast using the models show that at the end of 2023, the SAIDI value would have increased to value of 462.6984 which amounts to 189.2504 % of the value of SAIDI on the base year, 2016, the SAIFI value

would have increased to 5.907975 which amounts to 259.1217% of the base year, the CAIDI value would have decreased to 62.8498 which amounts to 90.95485 % of the base year and the ASAI value would have decreased to 90.74365 which amounts to 93.34903 % of the base year, 2016. In all, the forecast results show that the values of SAIDI and SAIFI keep increasing while the values of CAIDI and ASAI keep decreasing with time and these trends are all indication of increasing transformer failure. Hence, there is need to take proper steps in the power distribution network to address the issues.

Keywords— *Reliability Indices, Transformer Failure, Power Distribution Network, System Average Interruption Duration Index (SAIDI), the System Average Interruption Frequency Index (SAIFI),*

1. Introduction

Effective and sustained functioning of power distribution network components is essential for sustainable power supply. However, there are numerous failures in many of the power distribution networks across Nigeria and this has worsened the problem in the Nigerian power sector [1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9]. Notably, the generated electric power from the national grid is far below the demand across the nation [10,11,12,13,14,15,16,17,18,19]. As such, any failure on the distribution network aggravates the already existing power problem in the country. Moreover, there is growing dependence of human beings on electricity due to the growing technology-driven solutions upon which our daily activities depend on [20,21, 22,23, 24,25, 26,27, 28,29, 30,31, 32,33, 34,35, 36]. As such, the electric energy demand will continue to grow into the far future.

Nowadays, the electric power supply across Nigeria comprises of the supply from the national grid along with individual and institutional installed alternative power supply systems which includes diesel and fossil fuel electric power generating systems, wind energy systems, biomass energy supply systems, solar photovoltaic power systems, mini and micro hydro power systems, and hybrid combinations of the different energy sources [37,38,39,38,39,40,41, 42,43, 44,45, 46,47,48,49,50,51,52,53,54,55,56,57]. While these alternative sources do serve their purposes, they are expensive when compared with the energy from the national grid. As such, many energy consumers still prefer to use the national grid supply whenever it is available [58,59]. Consequently, reliability assessment of the power distribution network from the national grid is essential [60,61,62,63,64]. Accordingly, in this paper, characterisation of reliability indices for a case study power distribution network in Nigeria is presented. Specifically, the computation of distribution power transformer failure related reliability indices are presented along with modelling and forecasting of the yearly reliability indices based on the available dataset for the case study distribution power network [65,66]. The reliability indices computed and modelled are the System Average Interruption Duration Index (SAIDI), the System Average Interruption Frequency Index (SAIFI), the Customer Average Interruption Duration Index (CAIDI) and the Average Service Availability Index (ASAI). The ideas presented in this study is relevant for the power distribution management and enhancement decision.

2. Methodology

2.1 The power distribution transformer reliability indices

Reliability indices are analytical tools that generally used to quantify and monitor the reliability of a system and also for tracking the improvements or failures in the system reliability. In this paper, four key power distribution transformer reliability indices are considered and they include;

- i. System Average Interruption Duration Index (SAIDI)
- ii. System Average Interruption Frequency Index (SAIFI)
- iii. Customer Average Interruption Duration Index (CAIDI)
- iv. Average Service Availability Index (ASAI)

The four reliability indices are computed in terms of the following feeder and injection substation parameters;

- i. the duration of power outage (in Hours) caused by transformer faults in feeder, i in the power injection substation (denoted as Df_i)
- ii. the number of customers which are connected and hence affected by the fault in feeder, i in the power injection substation (denoted as N_i)
- iii. the number of power outages caused by transformer related faults in feeder, i in the power injection substation (denoted as λf_i).

- iv. the total number of customers which are connected to all the feeders in an injection substation (denoted as N_t)

System Average Interruption Duration Index (SAIDI) is used to quantify the duration of time the costumers in a power distribution network stay without power supply because of fault that occurred on the feeder and it is computed as follows:

$$SAIDI = \frac{\sum(Df_i * N_i)}{N_t} \quad (1)$$

System Average Interruption Frequency Index (SAIFI) is used to quantify the frequency with which the power distribution network consumers experience power outages and it is computed as follows:

$$SAIFI = \frac{\sum N_i}{N_t} = \frac{\sum \lambda f_i * N_i}{N_i} \quad (2)$$

Customer Average Interruption Duration Index (CAIDI) is used to quantify the average power outage duration which would be experienced by any given customer and it is computed as follows:

$$CAIDI = \frac{SAIDI}{SAIFI} \quad (3)$$

Average Service Availability Index (ASAI) is used to quantify the customer expected duration of power availability or uninterrupted supply within a year or a given period and it is computed as follows:

$$ASAI = 1 - \frac{SAIDI}{8760} \quad (4)$$

2.2 The case study power distribution transformer dataset

In the power distribution network, the injection substations serves as the point from which power is fed to the various final consumer substations. In this paper, the 33 kV input and 11 kV output voltage class injection substations are considered for a case study Aba District Electricity Distribution Network, in Abia State Nigeria. The single line diagram of Aba Area Electricity Distribution Network is shown in Figure 1.

Specifically, the reliability indices considered are those associated with power distribution transformer at the injection substations which are installed to service the final consumers and they have capacities in the range of 11kV and 33kV feeders. Accordingly, requisite data on the connected transformers and number of customers on the various injection substations on the network as well as transformer power outage historical data, the data on the customer hours and frequency due to the power outage histories are obtained for the case study electricity power distribution network for the years ranging from 2016 to 2020. A sample feeder wise transformer outage summary for the 2016 dataset is presented in Table 1. The injection substations wise transformer outage summary for year 2016 to 2020 are presented in Table 2.

Specifically, in this paper, the results of the yearly network wise reliability indices for year 2016 to 2020 are used to determine the time series regression model constants values

and hence develop the regression models that are used to forecast the values of each of the reliability indices for the

years ahead of the available dataset, namely 2021, 2022 and 2023.

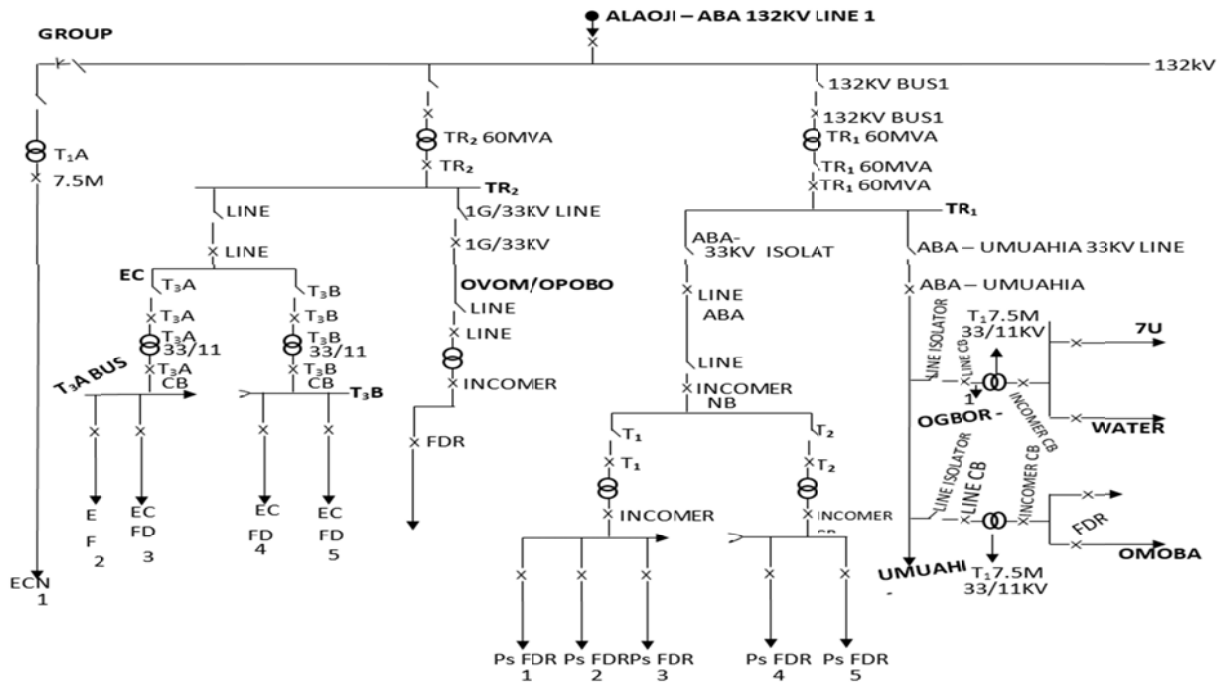


Figure 1 The single line diagram of the case study Aba Area Electricity Distribution Network

Table 1 The feeder wise transformer outage summary for 2016

S/No	Feeder Name and injection substation	Voltage level	No. of Trfs	No of Customers (Ni)	Outage due to Trf Fault ($\lambda.f$)	Outage Duration due to Trf Fault (Df)	Customer Hrs due to Trf Fault ($Ni \cdot Df$)	Customer Frequency due to Trf Fault ($Ni \cdot \lambda.f$)
1	Feeder: PS FDR-1 Injection substation: Power Station	11KV	27	5,002	0	0	0	0
2	Feeder: PS FDR-2 Injection substation: Power Station	11KV	59	8,814	7	302	2,661,828	61,698
3	Feeder: PS FDR-3 Injection substation: Power Station	11KV	27	3,251	6	134	435,634	19,506
4	Feeder: PS FDR-4 Injection substation: Power Station	11KV	70	7,530	8	385	2,899,050	60,240
5	Feeder: PS FDR-5	11KV	62	5,535	7	284	1,571,940	38,745

	Injection substation: Power Station							
6	Feeder: ECN FDR-1 Injection substation: ECN	11KV	21	3,300	0	0	0	0
7	Feeder: ECN FDR-2 Injection substation: ECN Injection substation: ECN	11KV	82	16,546	17	1,160	19,193,360	281,282
8	Feeder: ECN FDR-3 Injection substation: ECN	11KV	33	6,204	2	150	930,600	12,408
9	Feeder: ECN FDR-4 Injection substation: ECN	11KV	72	7,656	12	902	6,905,712	91,872
10	Feeder: ECN FDR-5 Injection substation: ECN	11KV	28	5,940	0	0	0	0
11	Feeder: 7UP FDR Injection substation: Ogbor Hill	11KV	81	8,316	12	1,560	12,972,960	99,792
12	Feeder: WATERSIDE Injection substation: Ogbor Hill	11KV	40	7,261	2	198	1,437,678	14,522
13	Feeder: IGI FDR Injection substation: 33KV (IGI & Aba/Umuahia)	33KV	30	13,850	4	128	1,772,800	55,400
14	Feeder: ABA/UMUAHIA Injection substation: 33KV (IGI & Aba/Umuahia)	33KV	104	13,150	9	806	10,598,900	118,350
15	Feeder: OVOM FDR Injection substation: Ovom	11KV	18	8,440	3	900	7,596,000	25,320
16	Feeder: OMOBA	11KV	18	4,550	0	0	0	0

	FDR Injection substation: Omoba							
17	Feeder: OVUOJI FDR Injection substation: Omoba	11KV	58	4,153	13	1,970	8,181,410	53,989
	TOTAL		830	129,498	102	8,879	77,157,872	933,124

Table 2 The Injection substations wise transformer outage summary for year 2016 to 2020

TOTAL	No. of Transformer	No of Customers (Ni)	Outage due to Transformer Fault (λf)	Outage Duration due to Transformer Fault (Df)	Customer Hrs due to Transformer Fault (Ni*Df)	Customer Frequency due to Transformer Fault (Ni* λf)	Transformer failure percentage (%)
2016	830	129,498	102	8,879	77,157,872	933,124	15.4
2017	830	130,516	101	7,798	63,306,989	859,568	15.0
2018	835	131,637	109	8,745	77,197,952	1,013,876	13.9
2019	853	134,778	123	8,889	85,156,308	1,140,322	19.6
2020	885	135,098	162	10,990	96,008,136	1,522,318	28.3

2.3 Development and prediction performance evaluation of the regression model

The reliability indices are individually modelled as $R_{a(t)}$ using two period lagged dependent variable quadratic regression model which is expressed as follows;

$$R_{a(t)} = a(t^2) + b(t) + c + d(R_{a(t-1)}) \quad (5)$$

Where $R_{a(t)}$ and $P_{a(t-1)}$ are the reliability index values estimated at time t and t-1. Also the, b, c and d denote constants values that are determined in this paper using Microsoft Excel Solver optimization tool. The error, $e_{(t)}$ resulting for the model prediction and the average of $P_{a(t)}$ computed for $t = 1, 2, 3, \dots, n$ are determined as follows;

$$e_{(t)} = R_{a(t)} - R_{p(t)} \quad (6)$$

$$\bar{R}_a = \left(\frac{1}{n}\right) \left(\sum_{t=1}^n (R_{a(t)})\right) \quad (7)$$

In addition, the model prediction performance are evaluated using the following parameters;

$$MSE = \left(\frac{1}{n}\right) \left(\sum_{t=1}^n (e_{(t)})^2\right) \quad (8)$$

$$RMSE = \sqrt{\left[\left(\frac{1}{n}\right) \left(\sum_{t=1}^n (e_{(t)})^2\right)\right]} \quad (9)$$

$$MAPE = \left(\frac{1}{n}\right) \left(\sum_{t=1}^n \left(\frac{R_{a(t)} - R_{p(t)}}{R_{a(t)}}\right)\right) \quad (10)$$

$$MPE = \left(\frac{100}{n}\right) \left(\sum_{t=1}^n \left(\frac{R_{a(t)} - R_{p(t)}}{R_{a(t)}}\right)\right) \quad (11)$$

$$MAD = \left(\frac{1}{n}\right) \left(\sum_{t=1}^n |R_{a(t)} - \bar{R}_a|\right) \quad (12)$$

Where MSE denotes the Mean Squared Error, RMSE denotes the Root Mean Squared Error MAPE denotes the Mean Absolute Percentage Error, MPE denotes the Mean Percentage Error and MAD denotes the Mean Absolute Deviation.

3. Results and Discussion

Notably, in this paper, the feeder wise transformer outage dataset for year 2016 to 2020 were used to compute the yearly feeder wise and network wise values for the four reliability indices considered in this paper. The study in this paper utilised the results of the yearly network wise reliability indices for year 2016 to 2020 to determine the model constants and hence develop the regression models that are used to forecast the values of each of the reliability indices for the years ahead of the available dataset, namely 2021, 2022 and 2023.

Table 3 Results of the feeder wise reliability indices for year 2016

S/No	Feeder Name	SAIDI Transformer Fault	SAIFI Transformer Fault	CAIDI Transformer Fault	ASAI Transformer Fault (%)	CAIDI Transformer Fault
1	PS FDR-1	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	0
2	PS FDR-2	88.34	2.05	43.14	98.99	43.14
3	PS FDR-3	14.46	0.65	22.33	99.83	22.33
4	PS FDR-4	96.21	2.00	48.13	98.90	48.13
5	PS FDR-5	52.17	1.29	40.57	99.40	40.57
6	ECN FDR-1	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	0
7	ECN FDR-2	484.12	7.09	68.24	94.47	68.24
8	ECN FDR-3	23.47	0.31	75.00	99.73	75
9	ECN FDR-4	174.18	2.32	75.17	98.01	75.17
10	ECN FDR-5	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	0
11	7UP FDR	832.83	6.41	130.00	90.49	130
12	WATERSIDE	92.29	0.93	99.00	98.95	99
13	IGI FDR	65.66	2.05	32.00	99.25	32
14	ABA/UMUAHIA	392.55	4.38	89.56	95.52	89.56
15	OVOM FDR	900.00	3.00	300.00	89.73	300
16	OMOBA FDR	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	0
17	OVUOJI FDR	940.07	6.20	151.54	89.27	151.54
	Average	244.49	2.28	69.10	97.21	69.1

Table 4 Results of the yearly network wise reliability indices for year 2016 to 2020

OPERATION YEAR	SAIFI TRANSFORMER FAULT	SAIDI TRANSFORMER FAULT	ASAI TRANSFORMER FAULT (%)	CAIDI TRANSFORMER FAULT
2016	38.68	4,156.35	1,652.55	1,174.67
2017	37.79	3,334.43	1,661.94	1,319.18
2018	40.02	3,711.24	1,657.63	1,259.30
2019	48.12	3,927.06	1,655.17	1,026.72
2020	65.65	4,975.33	1,643.20	1,123.65
TOTAL	230.26	20,104.41	8,270.50	5,903.52

The results of the actual and predicted values of the System Average Interruption Duration Index (SAIDI) transformer fault reliability index are shown in Table 5 and Figure 2 which shows the model constants values and the SAIDI forecast values for the years 2021 to 2023. The resulting two period lagged dependent variable quadratic regression model for SAIDI is given in Equation 13. The results of SAIDI forecast using the model in Equation 13 show that at the end of 2023, the SAIDI value would have increased to

value of 462.6984 which amounts to 189.2504 % of the value of SAIDI on the base year, 2016.

$$\text{SAIDI}_{a(t)} = 0.32t^2 + 37.15638t + 0.13 + 0.333563(\text{SAIDI}_{a(t-1)}) \quad (13)$$

Table 5 The Actual and predicted values of the System Average Interruption Duration Index (SAIDI) Transformer Fault

Year	Year index, t	Actual SAIDI Transformer Fault, SAIDI _{a(t)}	a	b	c	d	Predicted SAIDI Transformer Fault, SAIDI _{p(t)}	Percentage relative to the base year value	
2016	1	244.49	0.32	37.156	0.13	0.333563	244.49	100	
2017	2	196.14	0.32	37.156	0.13	0.333563	196.14	80.22414	
2018	3	218.31	0.32	37.156	0.13	0.333563	218.8403	89.5089	
2019	4	231	0.32	37.156	0.13	0.333563	242.7509	99.28868	
2020	5	292.67	0.32	37.156	0.13	0.333563	288.9521	118.1857	
2021	6		0.32	37.156	0.13	0.333563	338.3585	138.3936	
2022	7		0.32	37.156	0.13	0.333563	402.0253	164.4343	
2023	8		0.32	37.156	0.13	0.333563	462.6984	189.2504	
		MSE: 30.4375				MAD: 3.19982			MAPE: 0.01320
		RMSE: 5.517022						MPE: -0.00812	

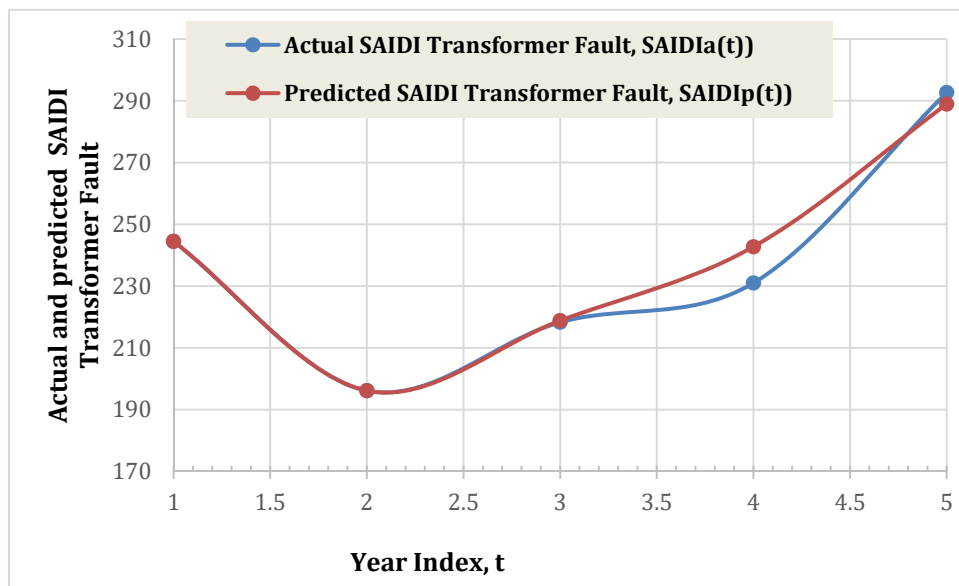


Figure 2 The graph of the actual and predicted values of the System Average Interruption Duration Index (SAIDI) Transformer Fault

The results of the actual and predicted values of the System Average Interruption Frequency Index (SAIFI) transformer fault reliability index are shown in Table 6 and Figure 3 which shows the model constants values and the SAIFI forecast values for the years 2021 to 2023. The resulting two period lagged dependent variable quadratic regression model for SAIFI is given in Equation 14. The results of

SAIFI forecast using the model in Equation 14 show that at the end of 2023, the SAIFI value would have increased to a value of 5.907975 which amounts to 259.1217% of the value of SAIFI on the base year, 2016.

$$SAIFI_{a(t)} = 0.13t^2 + 0.645284t + 0.14(SAIFI_{a(t-1)}) \tag{14}$$

Table 6 The Actual and predicted values of the System Average Interruption Frequency Index (SAIFI) Transformer Fault

Year	Year index, t	Actual SAIFI Transformer Fault, SAIFI _{a(t)}	a	b	c	d	Predicted SAIFI Transformer Fault, SAIFI _{p(t)}	Percentage relative to the base year value
2016	1	2.28	0.13	0.645284	0	0.14	2.28	100
2017	2	2.22	0.13	0.645284	0	0.14	2.22	97.36842
2018	3	2.35	0.13	0.645284	0	0.14	2.385051	104.6075
2019	4	2.83	0.13	0.645284	0	0.14	3.021935	132.541
2020	5	3.86	0.13	0.645284	0	0.14	3.685418	161.6411
2021	6	4.397902	0.13	0.645284	0	0.14	4.397902	192.8904
2022	7	5.187385	0.13	0.645284	0	0.14	5.187385	227.5169
2023	8	5.907975	0.13	0.645284	0	0.14	5.907975	259.1217
		MSE: 0.0137	MAD: 0.08031			MAPE: 0.0256		
		RMSE: 0.1171				MPE:- 0.0075		

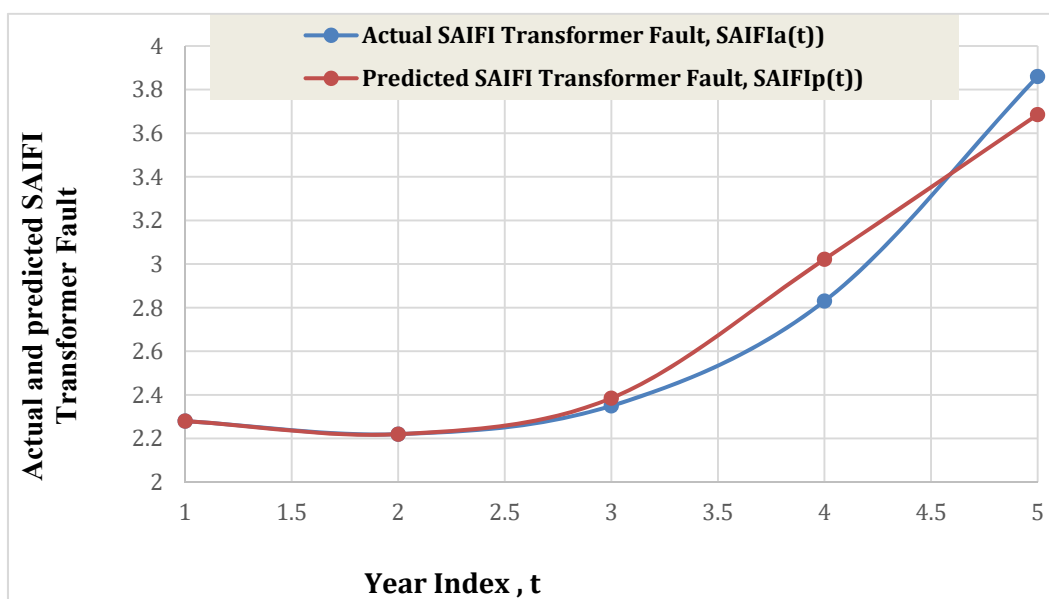


Figure 3 The graph of the actual and predicted values of the System Average Interruption Frequency Index (SAIFI) Transformer Fault

The results of the actual and predicted values of the Customer Average Interruption Duration Index (CAIDI) transformer fault reliability index are shown in Table 6 and Figure 3 which show the model constants values and the CAIDI forecast values for the years 2021 to 2023. The resulting two period lagged dependent variable quadratic regression model for CAIDI is given in Equation 15. The results of CAIDI forecast using the model in Equation 15 show that at the end of 2023, the CAIDI value would have

decreased to a value of 62.8498 which amounts to 90.95485 % of the value of CAIDI on the base year, 2016.

$$CAIDI_{a(t)} = 96.655t^2 + 0.1t + 0.6 + 0.07(CAIDI_{a(t-1)}) \tag{15}$$

Table 6 The Actual and predicted values of the Customer Average Interruption Duration Index (CAIDI) Transformer Fault

Year	Year index, t	Actual CAIDI Transformer Fault, $R_{a(t)}$	a	b	c	d	Predicted CAIDI Transformer Fault, $R_{p(t)}$	Percentage relative to the base year value
2016	1	69.1	96.655	0.1	0.6	0.07	69.1	100
2017	2	77.6	96.65513	0.1	0.6	0.07	77.6	112.301
2018	3	74.08	96.65513	0.1	0.6	0.07	55.23213	79.93073
2019	4	60.4	96.65513	0.1	0.6	0.07	58.03913	83.99296
2020	5	66.1	96.65513	0.1	0.6	0.07	66.10073	95.65953
2021	6	61.82313	96.65513	0.1	0.6	0.07	61.82313	89.46908
2022	7	64.88825	96.65513	0.1	0.6	0.07	64.88825	93.90485
2023	8	62.8498	96.65513	0.1	0.6	0.07	62.8498	90.95485
		MSE: 72.163189		MAD: 4.2419			MAPE: 0.058705	
		RMSE: 8.494899					MPE: 0.0587	

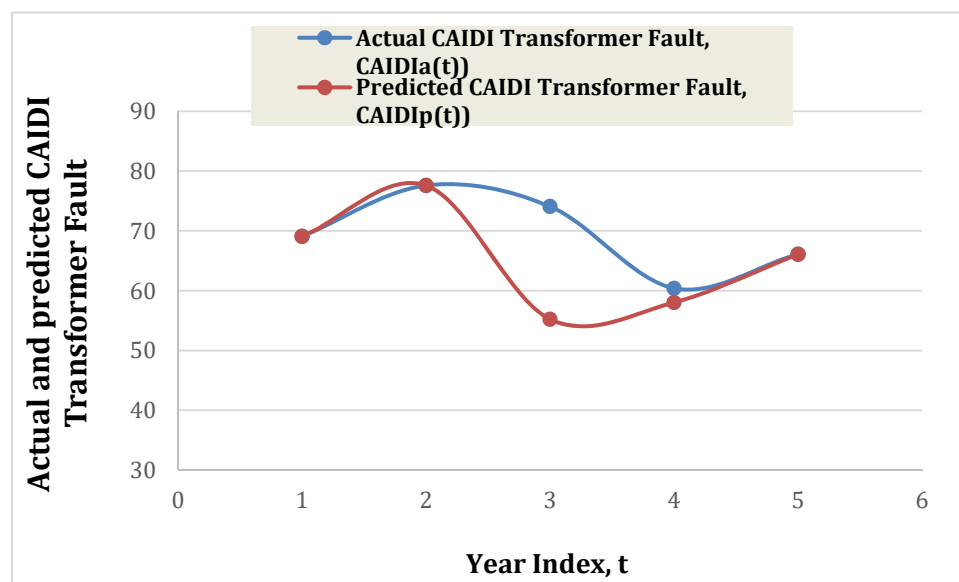


Figure 4 The graph of the actual and predicted values of the Customer Average Interruption Duration Index (CAIDI) Transformer Fault

The results of the actual and predicted values of the Average Service Availability Index (ASAI) transformer fault reliability index are shown in Table 6 and Figure 5 which show the model constants values and the ASAI forecast values for the years 2021 to 2023. The resulting two period lagged dependent variable quadratic regression model for ASAI is given in Equation 16. The results of ASAI forecast using the model in Equation 16 show that at the end of 2023, the ASAI value would have decreased to a value of 90.74365 which amounts to 93.34903 % of the value of ASAI on the base year, 2016.

$$ASAI_{a(t)} = 1.61E - 07t^2 + 0.050355t + 1.00556(ASAI_{a(t-1)}) \quad (16)$$

In all, the forecast results show that the values of SAIDI and SAIFI keep increasing while the values of CAIDI and ASAI keep decreasing with time and these trends are all indication of increasing transformer failure. Hence, there is need to take proper steps in the power distribution network to address the issue.

Table 6 The actual and predicted values of the Average Service Availability Index (ASAI) Transformer Fault

Year	Year index, t	Actual ASAI Transformer Fault, $R_{a(t)}$	a	b	c	d	Predicted ASAI Transformer Fault, $R_{p(t)}$	Percentage relative to the base year value
2016	1	97.209	1.61E-07	0.050355	0	1.00556	97.209	100
2017	2	97.7609	1.61E-07	0.050355	0	1.00556	97.54811	100.3488
2018	3	97.5079	1.61E-07	0.050355	0	1.00556	97.8513	100.6607
2019	4	97.363	1.61E-07	0.050355	0	1.00556	97.24441	100.0364
2020	5	96.6591	1.61E-07	0.050355	0	1.00556	96.64551	99.42033
2021	6	95.38379	1.61E-07	0.050355	0	1.00556	95.38379	98.12238
2022	7	93.44677	1.61E-07	0.050355	0	1.00556	93.44677	96.12975
2023	8	90.74365	1.61E-07	0.050355	0	1.00556	90.74365	93.34903
		MSE: 0.03549	MAD: 0.1377			MAPE: 0.00141		
		RMSE: 0.188389				MPE: 2.69751E-06		

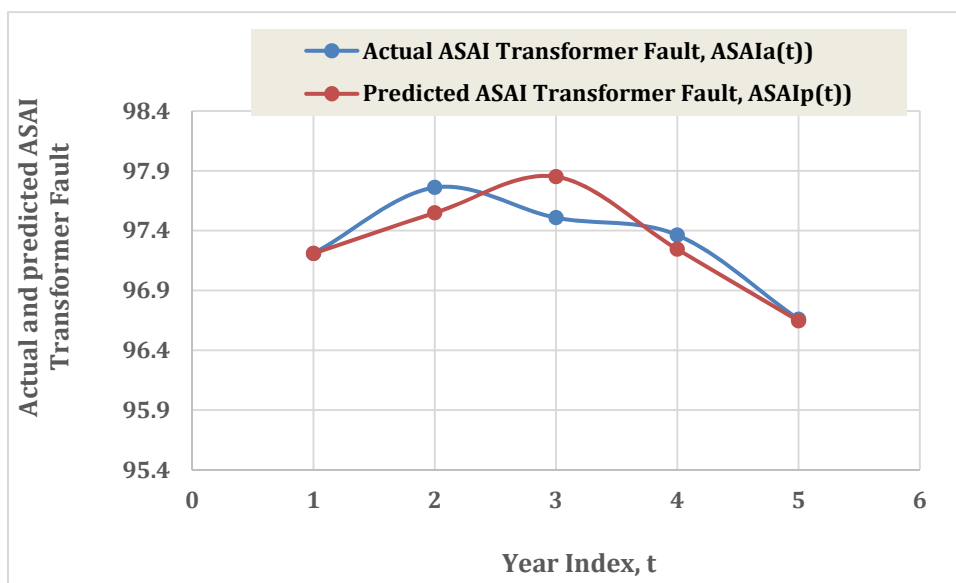


Figure 5 The graph of the actual and predicted values of the Average Service Availability Index (ASAI) Transformer Fault

4. Conclusion

In the paper, the computation of distribution power transformer failure related reliability indices are presented along with modelling and forecasting of the yearly reliability indices based on the available dataset for a case study distribution power network in Aba, Abia State Nigeria. The reliability indices computed and modelled are the System Average Interruption Duration Index (SAIDI), the System Average Interruption Frequency Index (SAIFI), the Customer Average Interruption Duration Index (CAIDI) and the Average Service Availability Index (ASAI). In all, the forecast results show that the values of SAIDI and SAIFI keep increasing while the values of CAIDI and

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