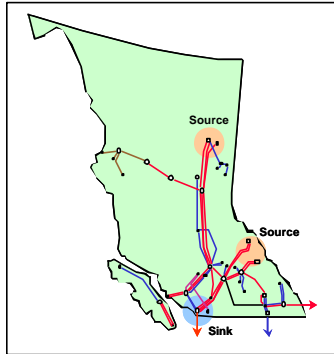


Transfer Limits Monitoring

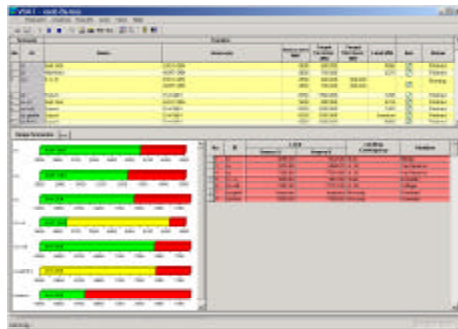
A power transfer limit is the maximum power that can be transferred in a power transaction without violating a set of security criteria. This is also referred to as the Total Transfer Capability (TTC), from which the Available Transfer Capability (ATC) can be determined using appropriate rules.



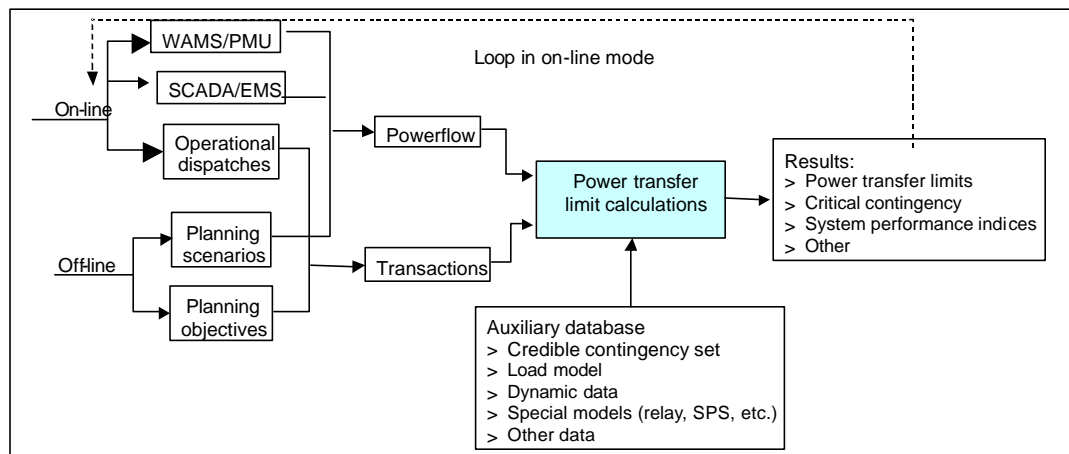
A power transaction specifies a way in which the system load and/or generation changes according to a set of rules. In our software, a power transaction is specified using the source/sink concept, and flexible load/generation scaling and scheduling options are provided to define dispatches for the source/sink.

The power transfer limits determined can be subject to any or all of the following security criteria:

- Thermal overload
- Steady-state voltage violations
- Transient voltage violations
- Transient frequency violations
- Voltage stability margin
- Active and reactive power reserve

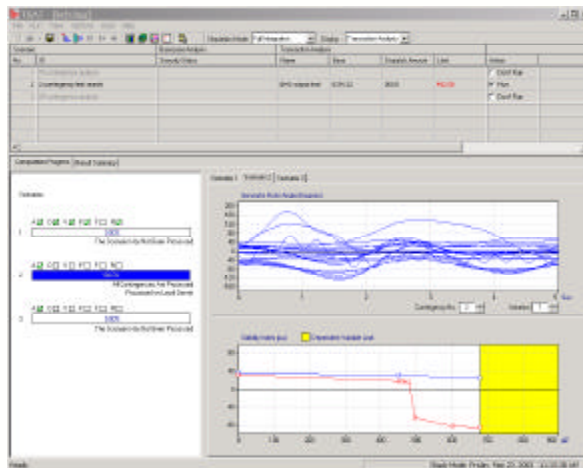


The software package can be used online, planning studies, and operational planning studies.



The software package is designed to provide necessary functionalities for the online and planning applications, with the following major computational features:

- Capability to process multiple computation scenarios, multiple transactions, and multiple contingencies
- Application of programs can be customized to allow either off-line interactive operation or on-line integration with an EMS system



Computations for large systems can be automatically distributed among designated computers to ensure computation performance.

A power transfer limit calculation process starts with a given system condition (power flow) and the transactions to be analyzed. Depending on the security criteria to be considered, additional data (support can be provided as requested) is required:

- Credible contingency set
- Load model
- Dynamic data
- Special models and data (relay, SPS, generator capabilities, AGC, preventive control measures, negative and zero sequence network data, FACTS and HVDC etc.)
- Other data (such as result monitoring, technical solution parameters, etc.)

Once the calculations are completed, results returned include:

- Power transfer limits for the given system condition and transactions
- Critical contingency
- System performance indices
- Other detailed results (such as suggested preventive control measures, P-V curves, time-domain simulation results, etc.)