



Impedance Methods for Analyzing Stability Impacts of Inverter-Based Resources

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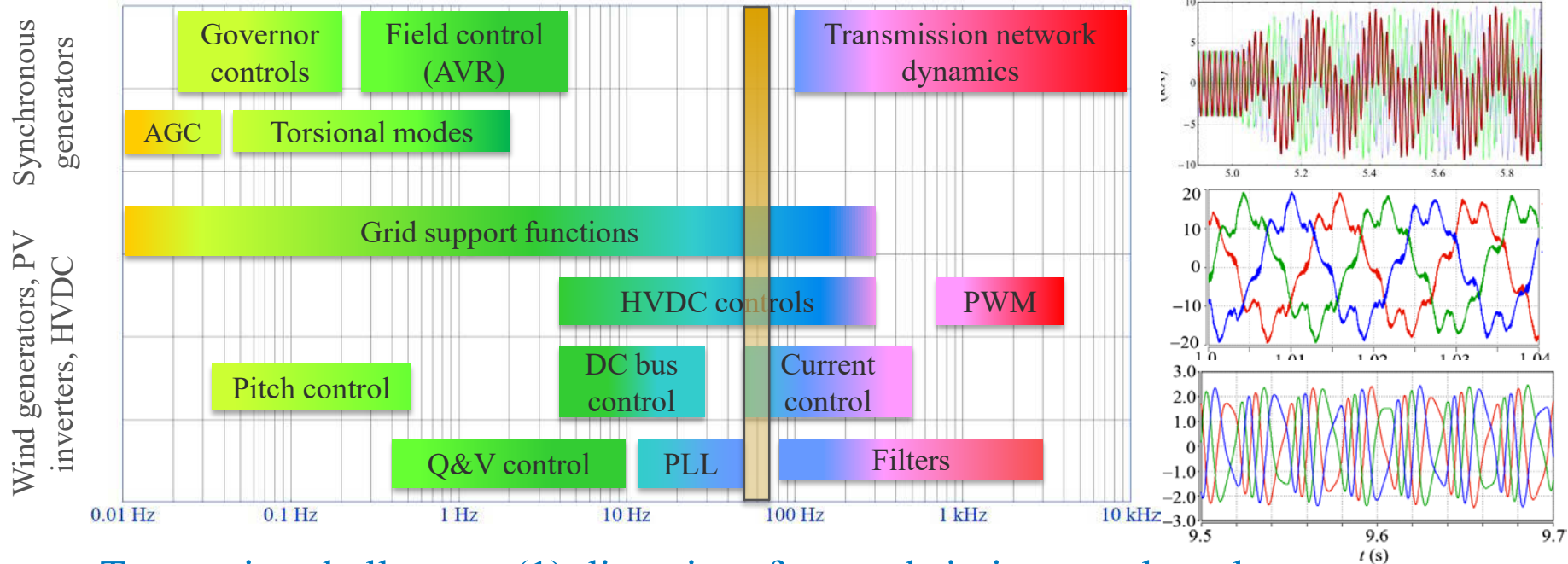
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Outline

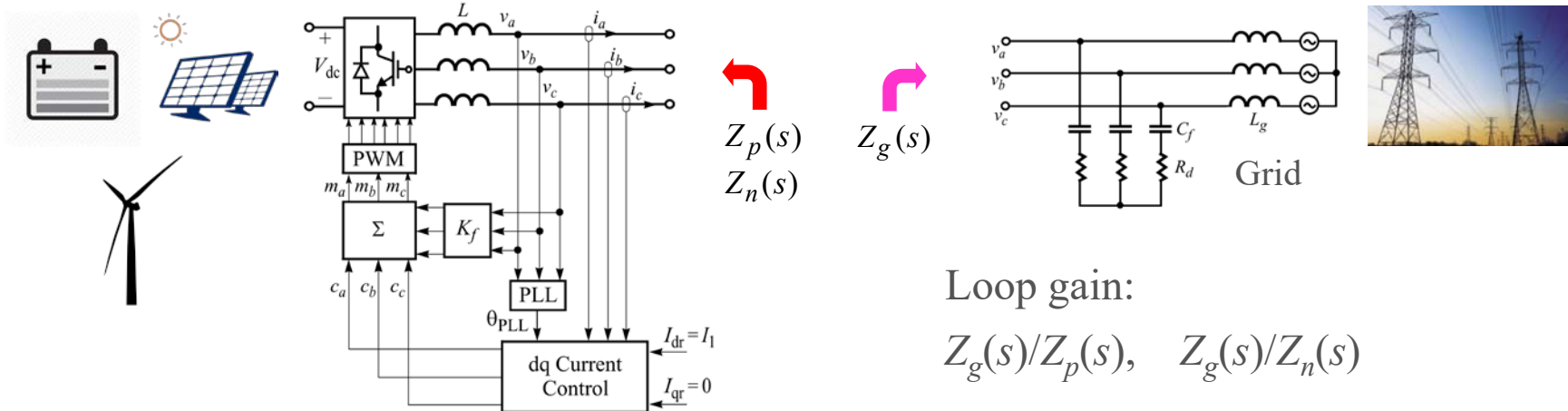
- Control interactions and resonance in power electronics systems
- Impedance-based stability analysis:
 - Impedance modeling
 - Measurement
 - Applications.
- Extension to other stability problems in modern power systems
- Future development.

Control Interactions



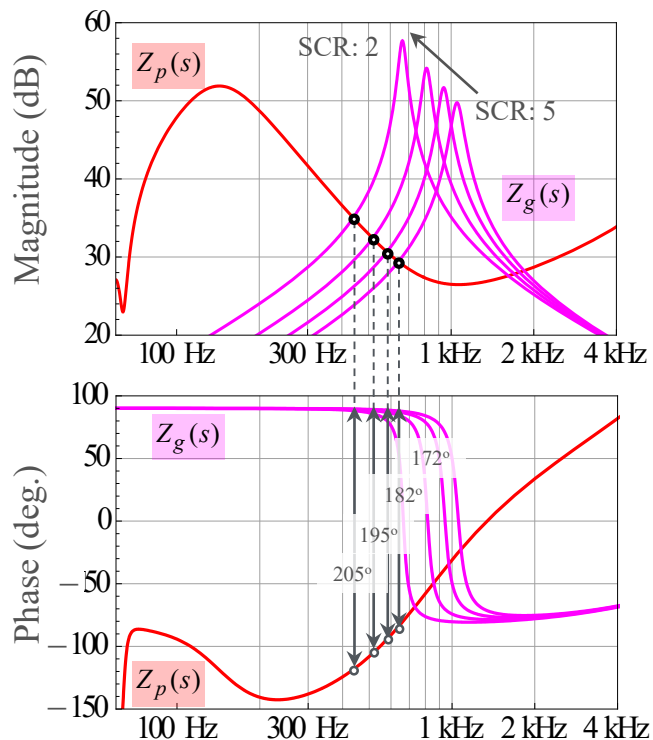
- Two major challenges: (1) diversity of controls in inverter-based resources; (2) unavailability of high-fidelity dynamic models

Impedance-Based Stability Analysis



- Impedance responses of two subsystems are compared:
 - Magnitude response intersection points give frequencies of resonance modes.
 - Phase difference at intersection points gives damping.

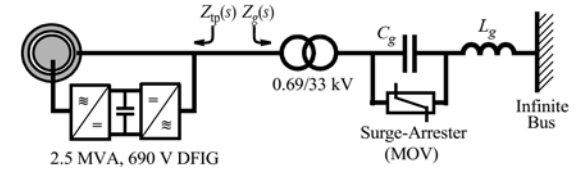
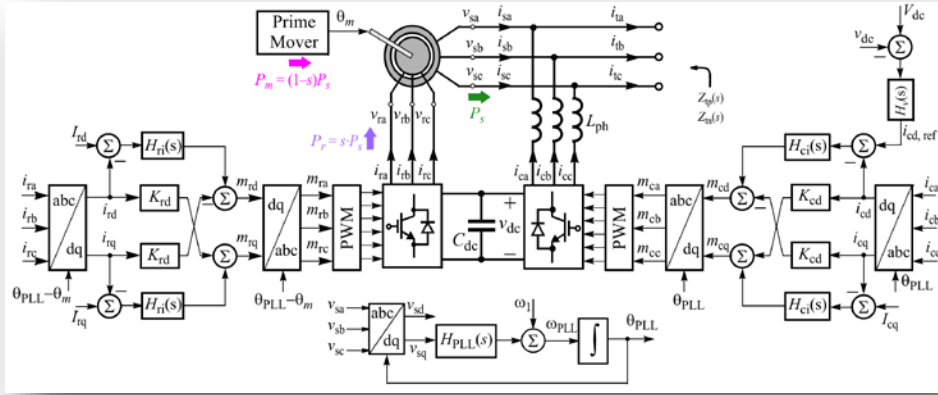
Resonance: Frequency and Damping



SCR	Grid Inductance, L_g	Resonance Frequency	Phase Margin
5	4.6 mH	641 Hz	+8°
4	5.7 mH	584 Hz	-2°
3	7.6 mH	512 Hz	-15°
2	11.5 mH	441 Hz	-25°

- Unstable resonance for weak grids:
 - Unstable for $SCR < 5.0$
 - Resonance frequency decreases with SCR and its “severity” increases.

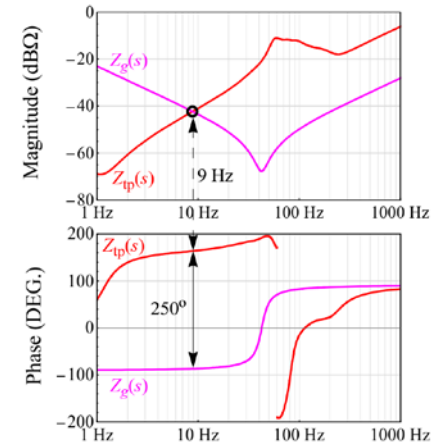
Impedance Modeling (e.g., Type III Wind Turbine)



$$Z_{tp}(s) = \frac{Z_{sp}(s) \cdot Z_{cp}(s)}{Z_{sp}(s) + Z_{cp}(s)}$$

$$Z_{sp}(s) \equiv -\frac{V_{sp}(s)}{I_{sp}(s)} = \frac{R_s + \frac{R_r'}{\sigma_p(s)} + s(L_{ls} + L_{lr}') + k_m V_{dc} \left(\frac{N_s}{N_r}\right)^2 \left[\frac{H_{ri}(s - j\omega_1) - jK_{rd}}{\sigma_p(s)} \right]}{1 - \frac{T_{PLL}(s - j\omega_1) k_m V_{dc} N_s}{2 \sigma_p(s) N_r} \left\{ \frac{\mathbf{M}_{r1}}{V_1} + [H_{ri}(s - j\omega_1) - jK_{rd}] \frac{\mathbf{I}_{r1}}{V_1} \right\}}$$

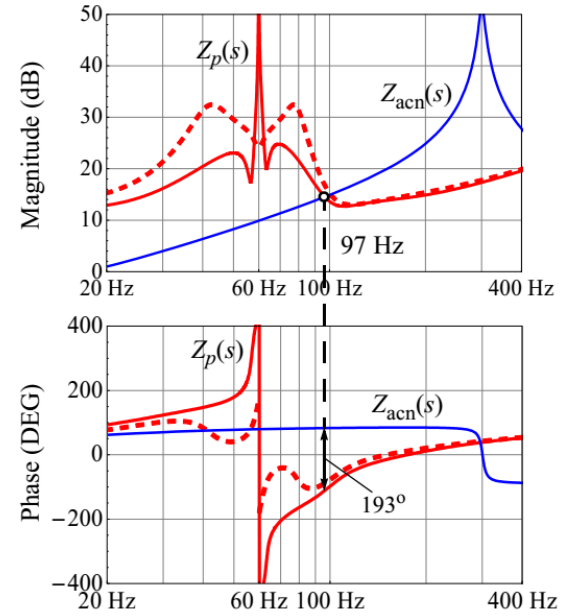
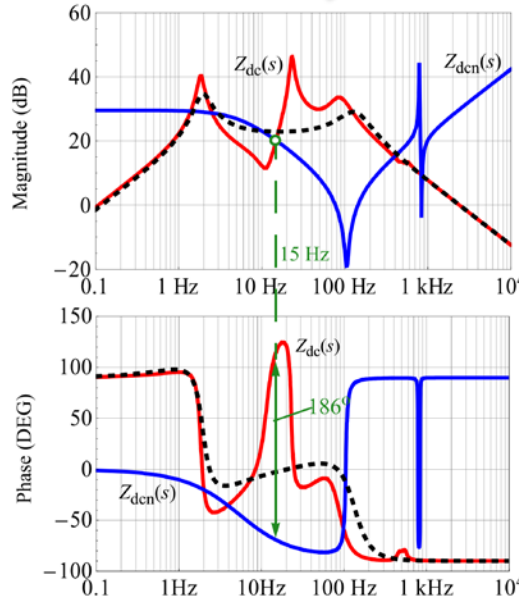
$$Z_{cp}(s) \equiv -\frac{V_{sp}(s)}{I_{cp}(s)} = \frac{sL_{ph} + k_m V_{dc} [H_{ci}(s - j\omega_1) - jK_{cd}]}{1 - \frac{T_{PLL}(s - j\omega_1)}{2} \left[1 + \frac{\mathbf{I}_{c1}}{V_1} k_m V_{dc} H_{ci}(s - j\omega_1) \right]}$$



Offshore Wind with HVDC Transmission

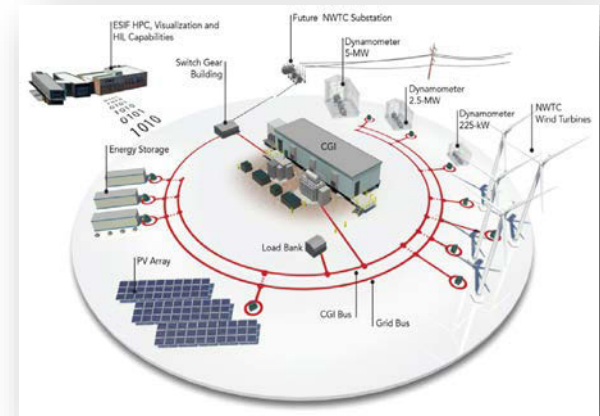


- Impedance analysis is performed at different interface points.



Impedance Measurement at NREL

- 7-MVA grid simulator for perturbation injection
- Turbine nacelle coupled to a dynamometer
- GPS-synchronized medium-voltage measurements.



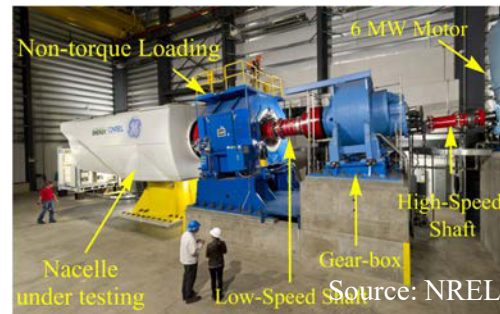
7-MVA grid simulator



Source: NREL

Grid-side transformer Output transformer ARU + 4 NP-VSC in parallel

5-MW dynamometer



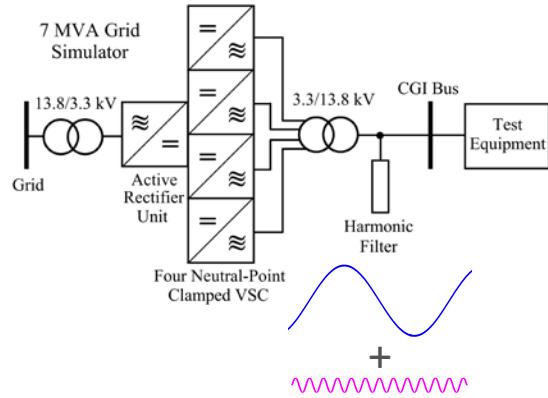
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Medium-voltage measurements



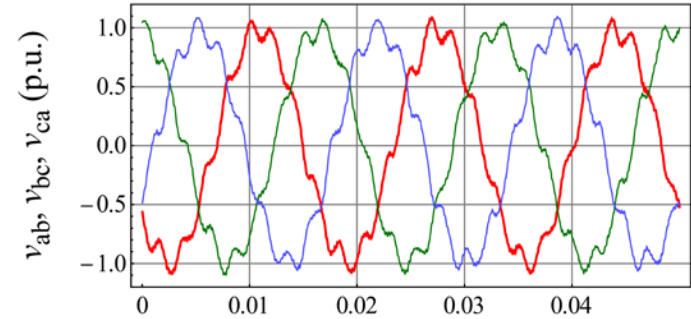
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Injection of +ve and -ve Sequence Perturbations

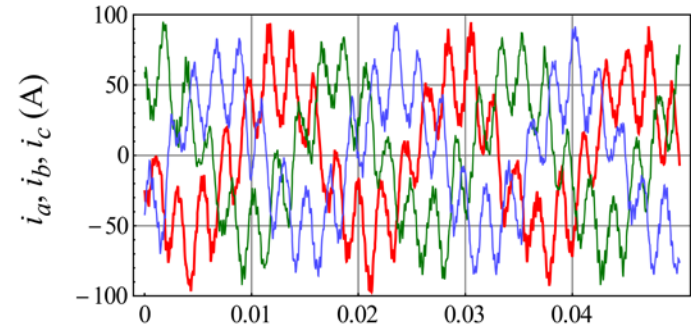


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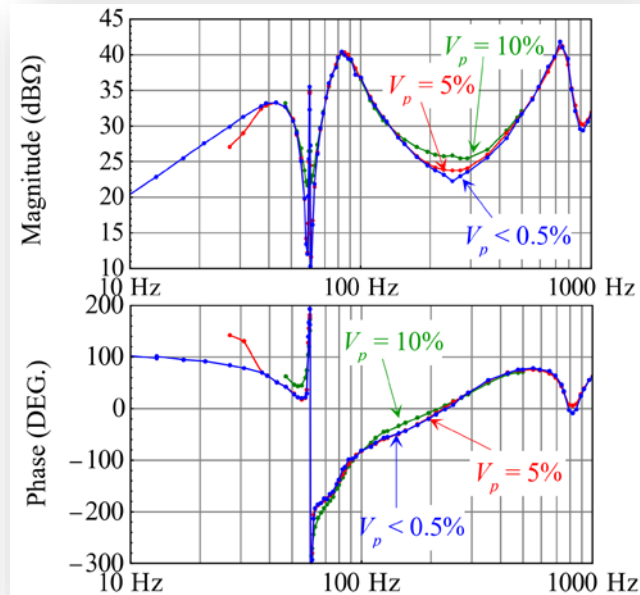
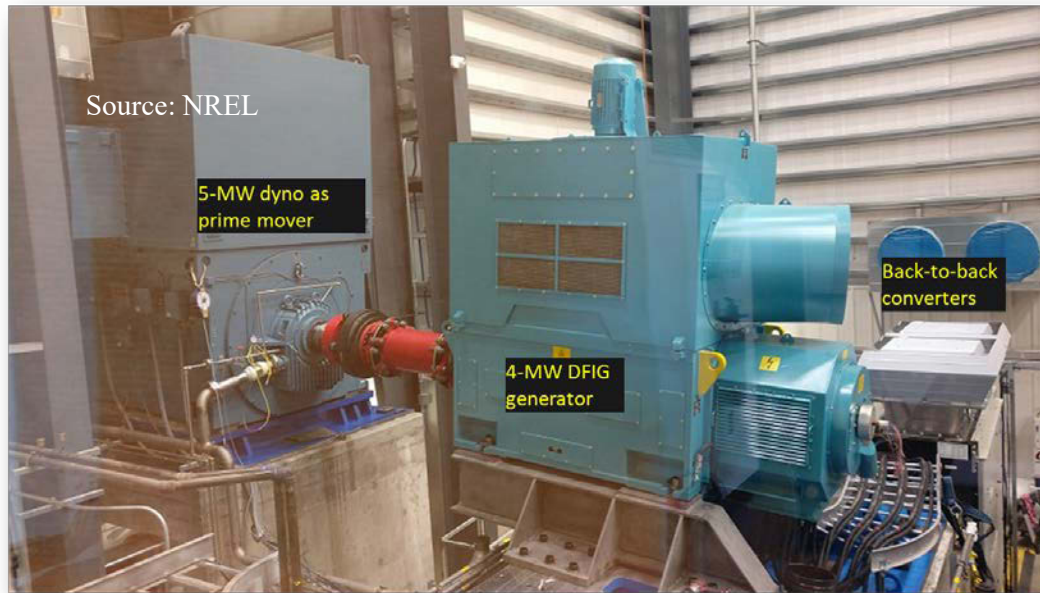
- Perturbed voltages



- Response currents



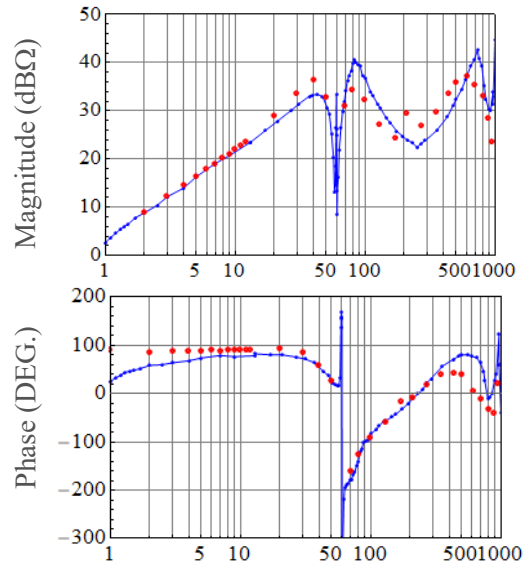
Positive-Sequence Impedance of a 4-MW Turbine



- Automated sequence impedance measurement by grid simulator for different operation conditions

Applications

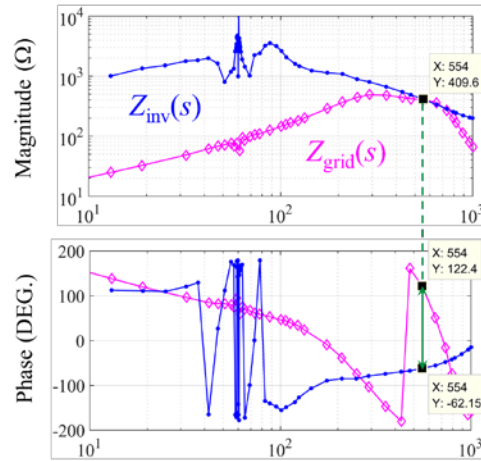
- Model validation



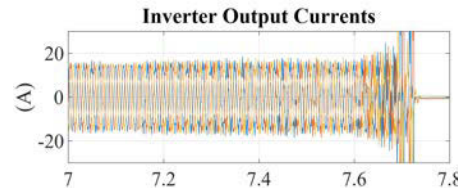
Blue: Measurements of 4-MW DFIG
Red: PSCAD model from OEM

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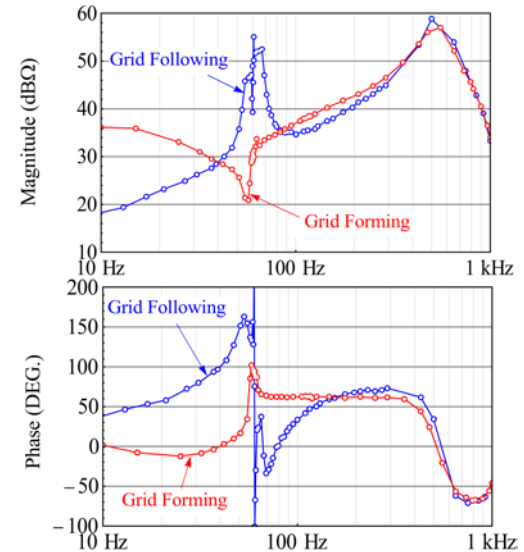
- Resonance analysis



Res. Freq.: 554 Hz Phase Margin: -4.5°

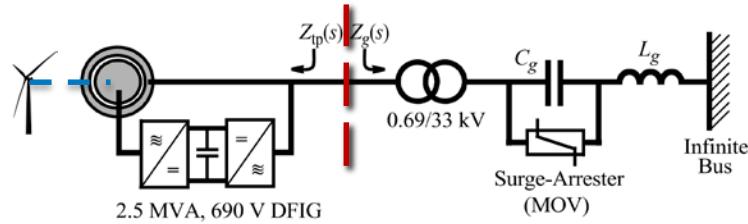


- Grid-forming inverters

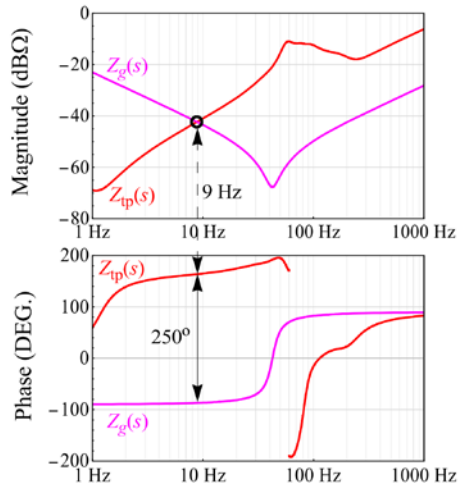


*Solve resonance problems,
control design, grid codes*

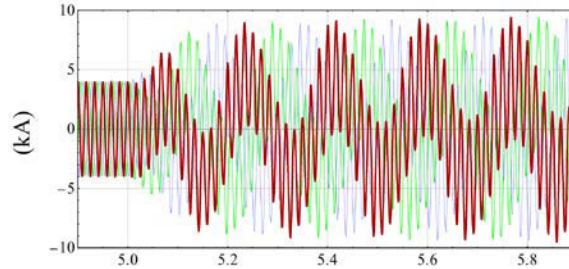
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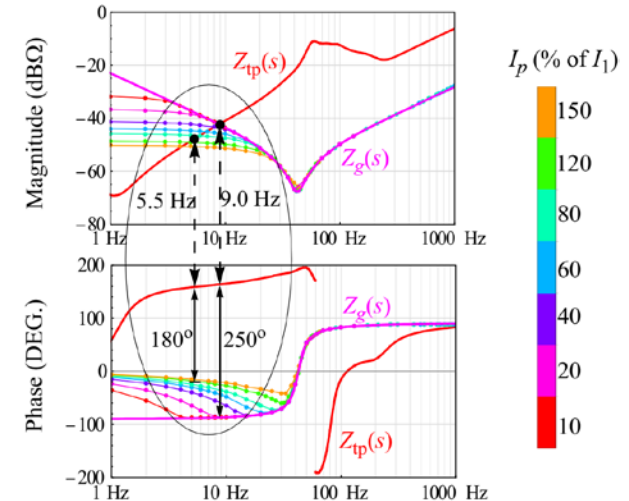
- Impedance analysis



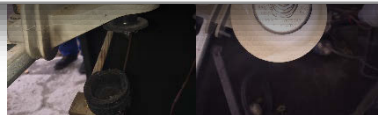
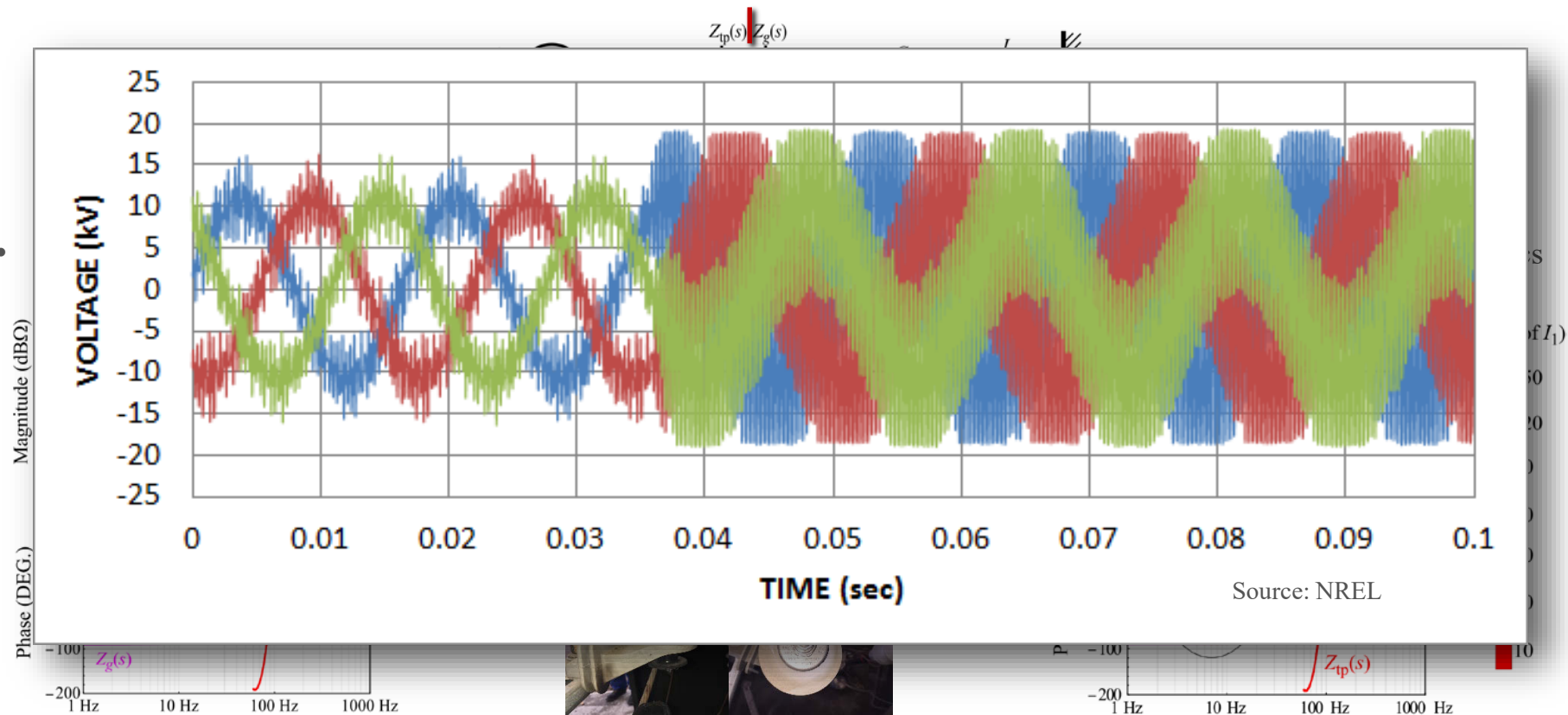
- DFIG output currents



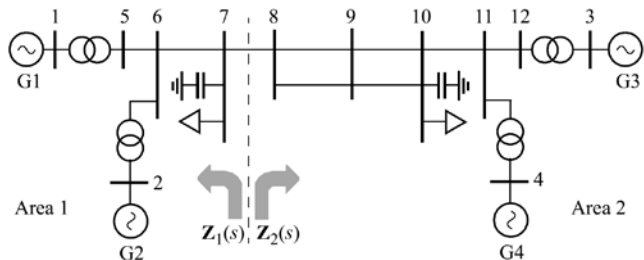
- Prediction of SSR-generated harmonics



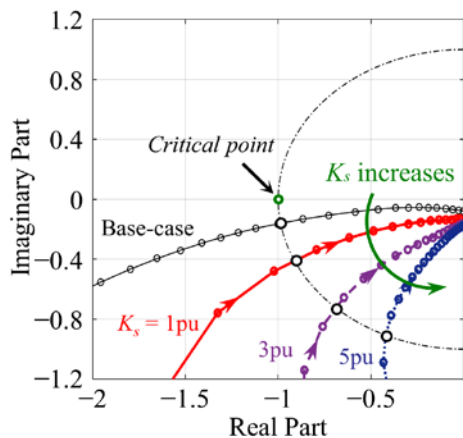
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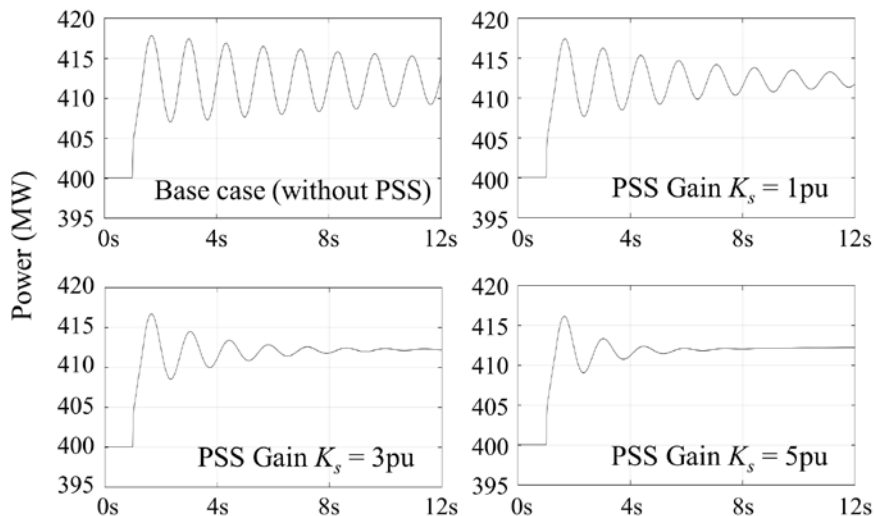
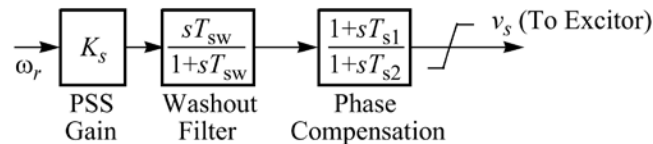
Impedance Analysis of Power System Oscillations



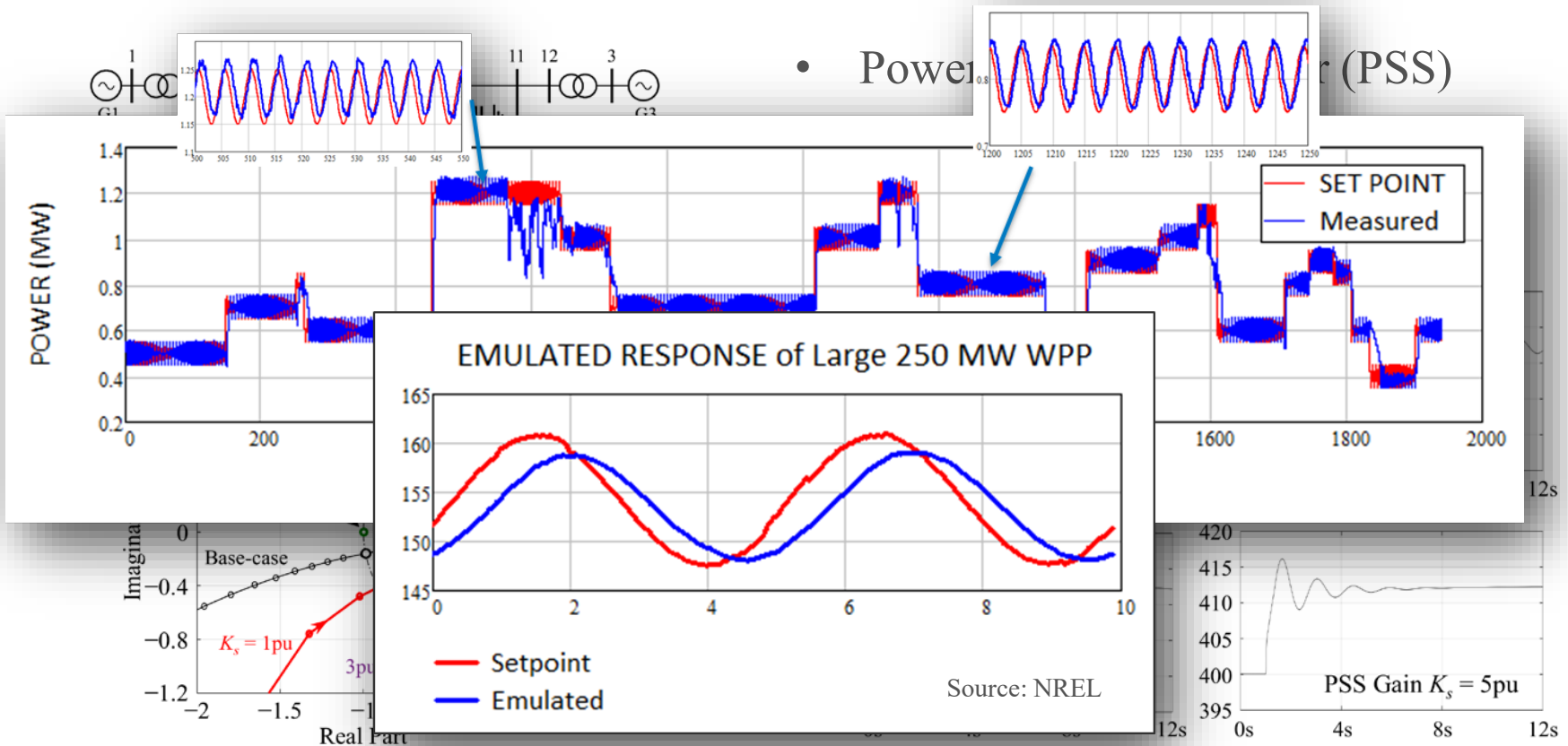
- Impedance analysis



- Power system stabilizer (PSS)



Power Modulation from a GE 1.5-MW Turbine



Online Monitoring of Frequency Response

- Transfer function from active power to frequency



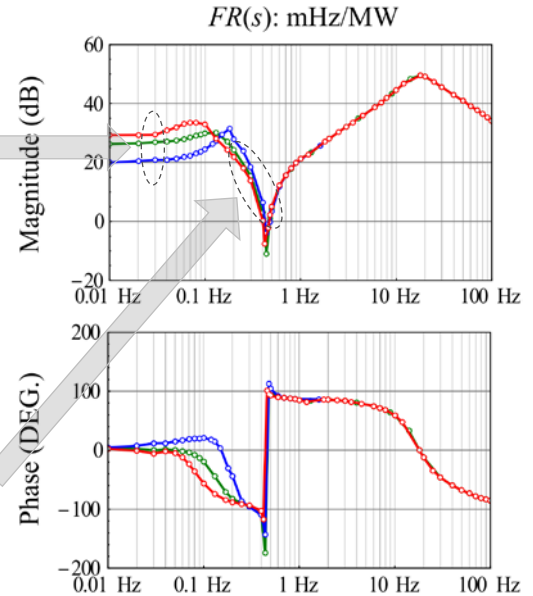
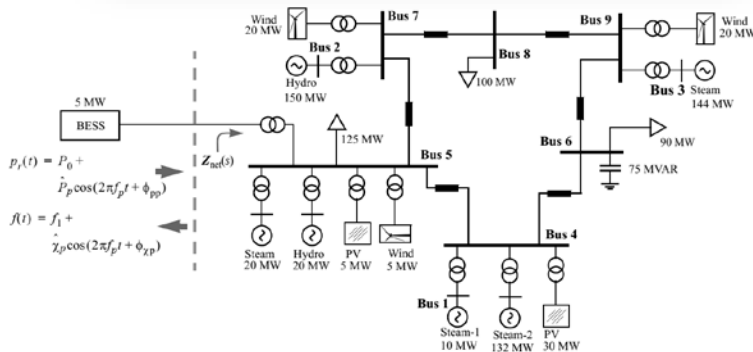
- Prediction of primary frequency response and inertia

MW/0.1 Hz
 3.1 MW/0.1Hz
 4.6 MW/0.1Hz
 10 MW/0.1Hz

Inertia

$$\frac{f(s)}{P(s)} = \frac{1}{sC_H} 2H \frac{df}{dt} = \Delta\bar{P}$$

1974 MW·s



Future Development

- New impedance-based tools for stability analysis of modern power systems
 - State-space modal analysis: mainstream tool for stability analysis of traditional power systems
 - Impedance-based analysis: established as the main tool for stability analysis of power electronics systems.
- Impedance as platform for comparing advanced control methods, e.g., grid-forming inverters
- Impedance-based grid codes:
 - Agnostic to internal controls
 - Easy to characterize and understand
 - Supports system stability analysis.
- **Standardized controls and models for inverter-based resources.**

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