

Virtual Inertia Emulation and Placement in Power Grids

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Control at Large Scales: Energy Markets & Responsive Grids

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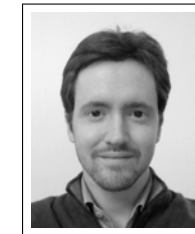
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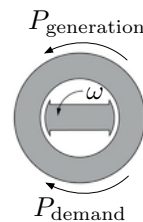
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At the beginning was the **synchronous machine**:

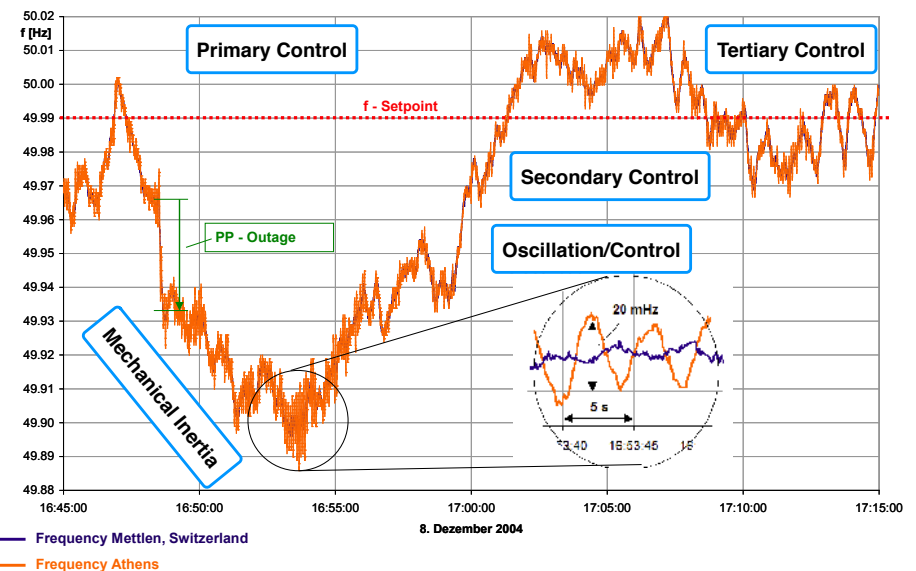
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change of kinetic energy = instantaneous power balance



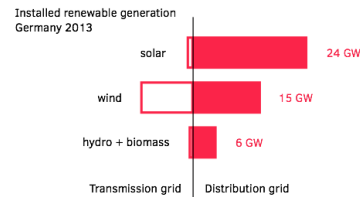
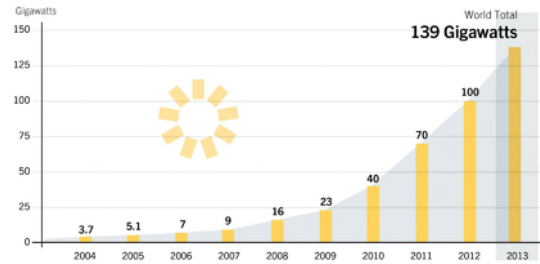
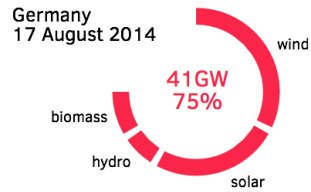
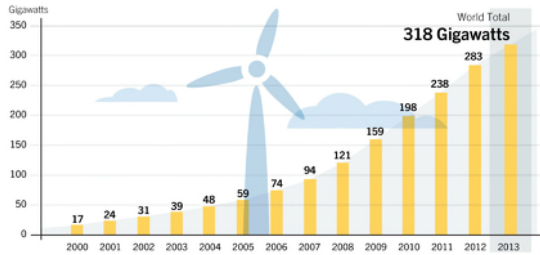
Fact: the AC grid & all of power system operation has been designed around synchronous machines.

Operation centered around bulk synchronous generation



Source: W. Sattinger, Swissgrid

Distributed/non-rotational/renewable generation on the rise



Source: Renewables 2014 Global Status Report

A few (of many) game changers ...

synchronous generator



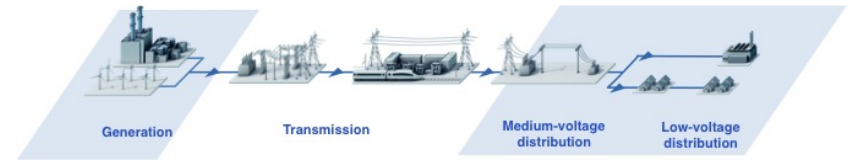
new workhorse



scaling



location & distributed implementation



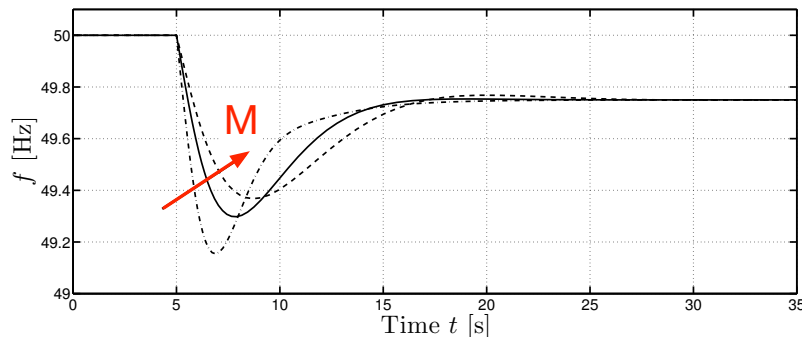
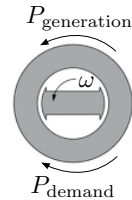
Almost all operational problems can principally be resolved ... **but one (?)**

Fundamental challenge: operation of low-inertia systems

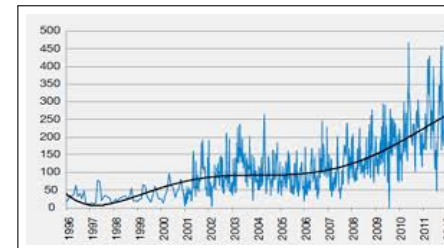
We slowly lose our giant electromechanical low-pass filter:

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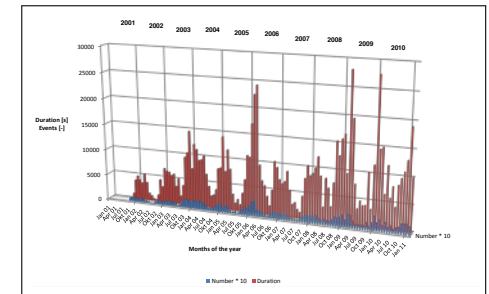
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Low-inertia stability: # 1 problem of distributed generation



frequency violations in Nordic grid
(source: ENTSO-E)



same in Switzerland (source: Swissgrid)

inertia is shrinking, time-varying, & localized, ... & increasing disturbances

Solutions in sight: none really ... other than **emulating virtual inertia** through fly-wheels, batteries, super caps, HVDC, demand-response, ...

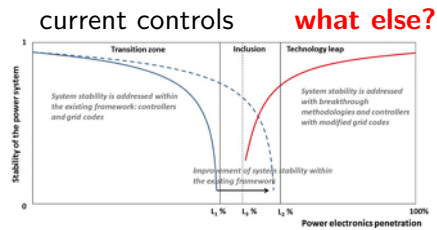
Low inertia issues have been broadly recognized

by TSOs, device manufacturers, academia, etc.

Massive **InteGRAT**ion of power **Electronic** devices



"The question that has to be examined is: how much power electronics can the grid cope with?" (European Commission)



all options are on the table and keep us busy ...

Virtual inertia emulation

devices commercially available, required by grid-codes, or incentivized through markets

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Improvement of Transient Response in Microgrids Using Virtual Inertia
Nimish Soni, Student Member, IEEE, Suryanarayana Doolla, Member, IEEE, and Mukul C. Chandorkar, Member, IEEE

Implementing Virtual Inertia in DFIG-Based Wind Power Generation
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Virtual synchronous generators: A survey and new perspectives
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Dynamic Frequency Control Support: a Virtual Inertia Provided by Distributed Energy Storage to Isolated Power Systems
Gauthier Delille, Member, IEEE, Bruno François, Senior Member, IEEE, and Gilles Malarainge

Inertia Emulation Control Strategy for VSC-HVDC Transmission Systems
Jiebei Zhu, Campbell D. Booth, Grain P. Adam, Andrew J. Roscoe, and Chris G. Bright

Grid Tied Converter with Virtual Kinetic Storage
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$$M \frac{d}{dt} \omega(t) = P_{\text{generation}}(t) - P_{\text{demand}}(t) \dots \text{essentially D-control}$$

- ⇒ plug'n'play (decentralized & passive), grid-friendly, user-friendly, ...
- ⇒ **today:** where to do it? how to do it properly?

Outline

Introduction

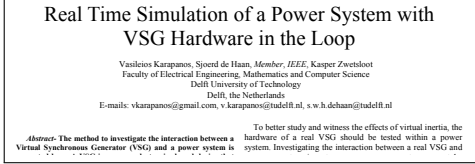
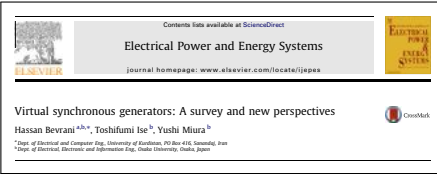
Novel Virtual Inertia Emulation Strategy

Optimal Placement of Virtual Inertia

Conclusions

inertia emulation

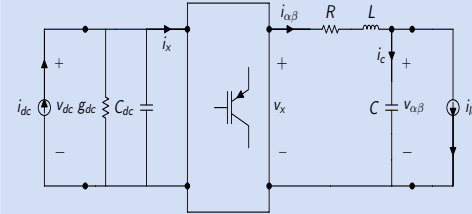
Challenges in power converter implementations



- 1 **delays** in measurement acquisition, signal processing, & actuation
- 2 **accuracy** in AC measurements (need averaging)
- 3 **constraints** on currents, voltages, power, etc.
- 4 **guarantees** on stability and robustness

today: use DC measurement, exploit analog storage, & passive control

Averaged inverter model



DC cap & AC filter equations:

$$C_{dc} \dot{v}_{dc} = -G_{dc} v_{dc} + i_{dc} - \frac{1}{2} m^T i_{\alpha\beta}$$

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$$L \dot{i}_{\alpha\beta} = -R i_{\alpha\beta} + \frac{1}{2} m v_{dc} - v_{\alpha\beta}$$

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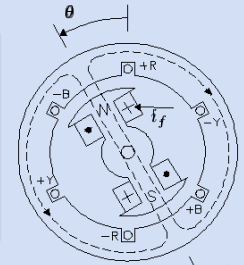
model of a synchronous generator

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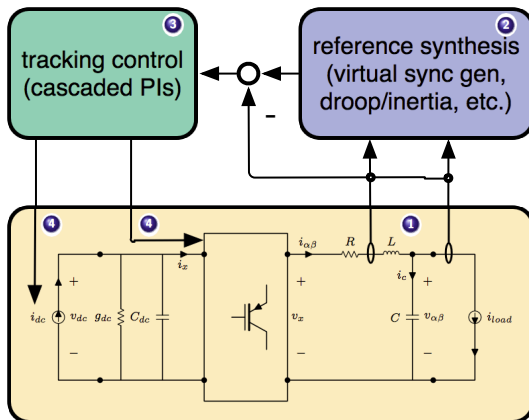
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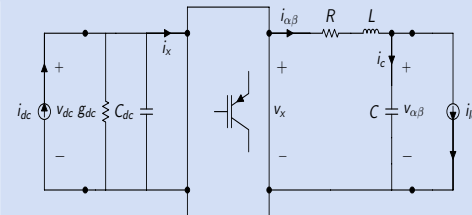
A standard power electronics control would continue by



- 1 acquiring & processing of **AC measurements**
- 2 synthesis of **references** (voltage/current/power)
- 3 **track** references at converter terminals
- 4 **actuation** via emulation (inner loop) and/or via DC source (outer loop)

let's do **something different** (smarter?) today ...

See the similarities & the differences ?



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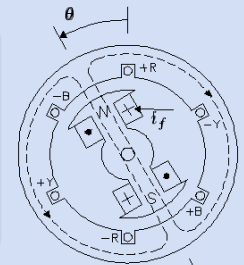
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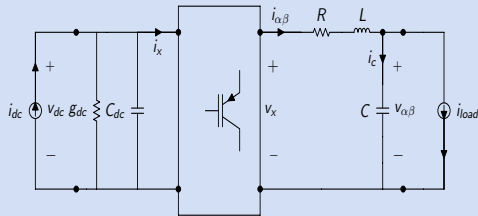
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Model matching (\neq emulation) as inner control loop



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matching control: $\dot{\theta} = \eta \cdot v_{dc}$, $m = \mu \cdot \begin{bmatrix} -\sin(\theta) \\ \cos(\theta) \end{bmatrix}$ with $\eta, \mu > 0$

\Rightarrow **pros:** is balanced, uses natural storage, & based on DC measurement

\Rightarrow **virtual machine** with $M = \frac{C_{dc}}{\eta^2}$, $D = \frac{G_{dc}}{\eta^2}$, $\tau_m = \frac{i_{dc}}{\eta}$, $i_f = \frac{\mu}{\eta L_m}$

\Rightarrow base for **outer controls** via i_{dc} & μ : virtual governor, PSS, & inertia

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Further properties of machine matching control

1 quadratic **nose curves:**
stationary P vs. $(|V|, \omega)$

$$\Rightarrow P \leq P_{\max} = i_{dc}^2 / 4G_{dc}$$

$$\Rightarrow (P, \omega)\text{-droop} \approx 1/\eta$$

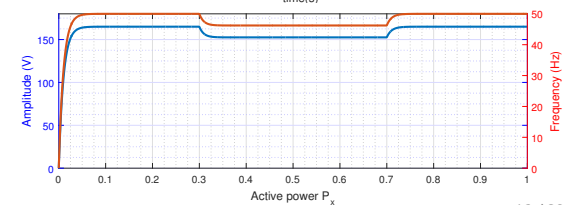
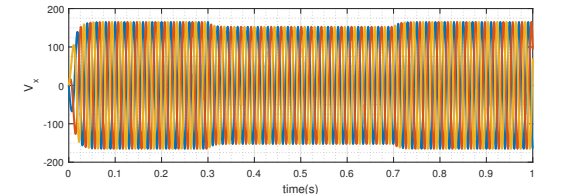
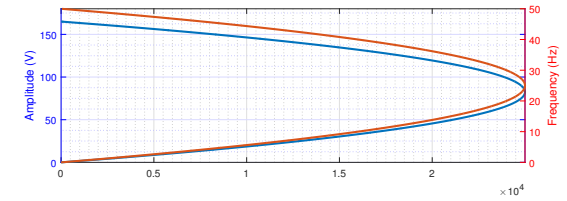
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2 **eye candy:** load step

3 remains **passive:**

$$(i_{dc}, i_{load}) \rightarrow (v_{dc}, v_{\alpha\beta})$$

4 solid **plug'n'play** base
for outer control loops



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optimal placement of virtual inertia

Linearized & Kron-reduced swing equation model

$$m_i \ddot{\theta}_i + d_i \dot{\theta}_i = p_{in,i} - p_{e,i}$$

generator swing equations

$$p_{e,i} \approx \sum_{j \in \mathcal{N}} b_{ij} (\theta_i - \theta_j)$$

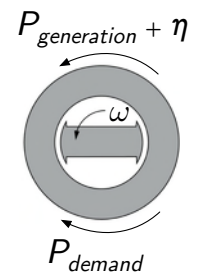
linearized power flows

likelihood of **disturbance** at $\#i$: $t_i \geq 0$

state space representation:

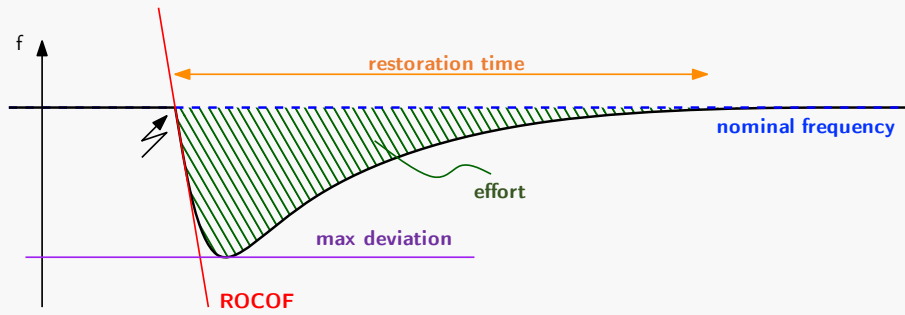
$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{\theta} \\ \dot{\omega} \end{bmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 0 & I \\ -M^{-1}L & -M^{-1}D \end{bmatrix}}_A \begin{bmatrix} \theta \\ \omega \end{bmatrix} + \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ M^{-1} \end{bmatrix}}_B T^{1/2} \eta$$

where M , D , & T are diagonal & $L = L^T$ (Laplacian)



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Performance metric for emulation of rotational inertia



System norm:

amplification of

disturbances: impulse (fault), step (loss of unit), white noise (renewables) to

performance outputs: integral, peak, ROCOF, restoration time, ...

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Coherency performance metric & \mathcal{H}_2 norm

Energy expended by the system to return to synchronous operation:

$$\int_0^{\infty} \sum_{\{i,j\} \in \mathcal{E}} a_{ij} (\theta_i(t) - \theta_j(t))^2 + \sum_{i=1}^n s_i \omega_i^2(t) dt$$

\mathcal{H}_2 norm interpretation:

① associated **performance output:**

$$y = \begin{bmatrix} Q_1^{1/2} & 0 \\ 0 & Q_2^{1/2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \theta \\ \omega \end{bmatrix}$$

② **impulses** (faults) \rightarrow output energy $\int_0^{\infty} y(t)^T y(t) dt$

③ **white noise** (renewables) \rightarrow output variance $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{E} (y(t)^T y(t))$

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Algebraic characterization of the \mathcal{H}_2 norm

Lemma: \mathcal{H}_2 norm via observability Gramian

$$\|G\|_2^2 = \text{Trace}(B^T P B)$$

where P is the observability Gramian $P = \int_0^{\infty} e^{A^T t} C^T C e^{A t} dt$

► P solves a Lyapunov equation: $P A + A^T P + Q = 0$

► A has a zero eigenvalue \rightarrow restricts choice of Q

$$y = \begin{bmatrix} Q_1^{1/2} & 0 \\ 0 & Q_2^{1/2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \theta \\ \omega \end{bmatrix} \quad Q_1^{1/2} \mathbf{1} = 0$$

► P is unique for $P [\mathbf{1} \ 0] = [0 \ 0]$

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Problem formulation

minimize $\|G\|_2^2 = \text{Trace}(B^T P B)$ \rightarrow performance metric

subject to $\sum_{i=1}^n m_i \leq m_{\text{bdg}}$ \rightarrow budget constraint

$\underline{m}_i \leq m_i \leq \bar{m}_i, \quad i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ \rightarrow capacity constraint

$P A + A^T P + Q = 0$ \rightarrow observability Gramian

$P [\mathbf{1} \ 0] = [0 \ 0]$ \rightarrow uniqueness

Insights

- ① m appears as m^{-1} in system matrices A, B
 - ② product of $B(m)$ & P in the objective
 - ③ product of $A(m)$ & P in the constraint
- } \Rightarrow large-scale & non-convex

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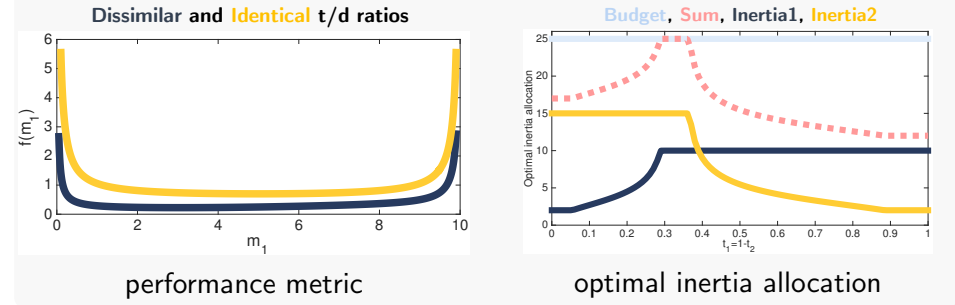
where would you place the inertia?

uniform, max capacity, near disturbance?

Building the intuition: results for two-area networks

Fundamental learnings

- 1 explicit closed-form solution is rational function
- 2 sufficiently uniform $(t/d)_i \rightarrow$ strongly **convex** & fairly **flat** cost
- 3 non trivial in the presence of capacity constraints



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Closed-form results for cost of primary control

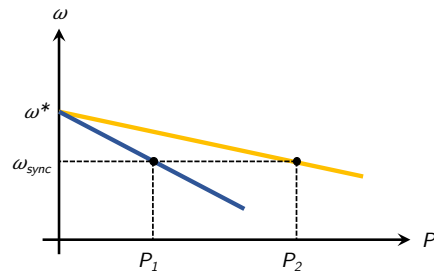
$P/\dot{\theta}$ primary droop control

$$(\omega_i - \omega^*) \propto (P_i^* - P_i(\theta))$$

\Updownarrow

$$D_i \dot{\theta}_i = P_i^* - P_i(\theta)$$

(can also model effect of PSS control)



Primary control effort \rightarrow accounted for by integral quadratic cost

$$\int_0^\infty \dot{\theta}(t)^T D \dot{\theta}(t) dt$$

which is the \mathcal{H}_2 performance for the penalties $Q_1^{1/2} = 0$ and $Q_2^{1/2} = D$

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Primary control ... cont'd

Theorem: the primary control effort optimization reads equivalently as

$$\begin{aligned} & \underset{m_i}{\text{minimize}} && \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{t_i}{m_i} \\ & \text{subject to} && \sum_{i=1}^n m_i \leq m_{\text{bdg}} \\ & && \underline{m}_i \leq m_i \leq \bar{m}_i, \quad i \in \{1, \dots, n\} \end{aligned}$$

Key take-aways:

- ▶ optimal solution independent of network topology
- ▶ optimal allocation $\propto \sqrt{t_i}$ or $m_i = \min\{m_{\text{bdg}}, \bar{m}_i\}$

Location & strength of disturbance are **crucial** \Rightarrow suggests min max

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numerical method for the general case

Taylor & power series expansions

Key idea: expand the performance metric as a power series in m

$$\|G\|_2^2 = \text{Trace}(\mathbf{B}(m)^T \mathbf{P}(m) \mathbf{B}(m))$$

Motivation: scalar series expansion at m_i in direction μ_i :

$$\frac{1}{m_i + \delta \mu_i} = \frac{1}{m_i} - \frac{\delta \mu_i}{m_i^2} + \mathcal{O}(\delta^2)$$

Expand system matrices as **Taylor series** in direction μ :

$$\mathbf{A}(m + \delta \mu) = \mathbf{A}_{(m,\mu)}^{(0)} + \mathbf{A}_{(m,\mu)}^{(1)} \delta + \mathcal{O}(\delta^2)$$

$$\mathbf{B}(m + \delta \mu) = \mathbf{B}_{(m,\mu)}^{(0)} + \mathbf{B}_{(m,\mu)}^{(1)} \delta + \mathcal{O}(\delta^2)$$

Expand the observability Gramian as a **power series** in direction μ :

$$\mathbf{P}(m + \delta \mu) = \mathbf{P}_{(m,\mu)}^{(0)} + \mathbf{P}_{(m,\mu)}^{(1)} \delta + \mathcal{O}(\delta^2)$$

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Explicit gradient computation

Expansion of system matrices & Gramian \Rightarrow **match coefficients** ...

Formula for gradient at m in direction μ

① nominal Lyapunov equation for $\mathcal{O}(\delta^0)$:

$$\mathbf{P}^{(0)} = \text{Lyap}(\mathbf{A}^{(0)}, \mathbf{Q})$$

② perturbed Lyapunov equation for $\mathcal{O}(\delta^1)$ terms:

$$\mathbf{P}^{(1)} = \text{Lyap}(\mathbf{A}^{(0)}, \mathbf{P}^{(0)} \mathbf{A}^{(1)} + \mathbf{A}^{(1)T} \mathbf{P}^{(0)})$$

③ expand objective in direction μ :

$$\|G\|_2^2 = \text{Trace}(\mathbf{B}(m)^T \mathbf{P}(m) \mathbf{B}(m)) = \text{Trace}(\dots) + \delta(\dots) + \mathcal{O}(\delta^2)$$

④ gradient: $\text{Trace}(2 * \mathbf{B}^{(1)T} \mathbf{P}^{(0)} \mathbf{B}^{(0)} + \mathbf{B}^{(0)T} \mathbf{P}^{(1)} \mathbf{B}^{(0)})$

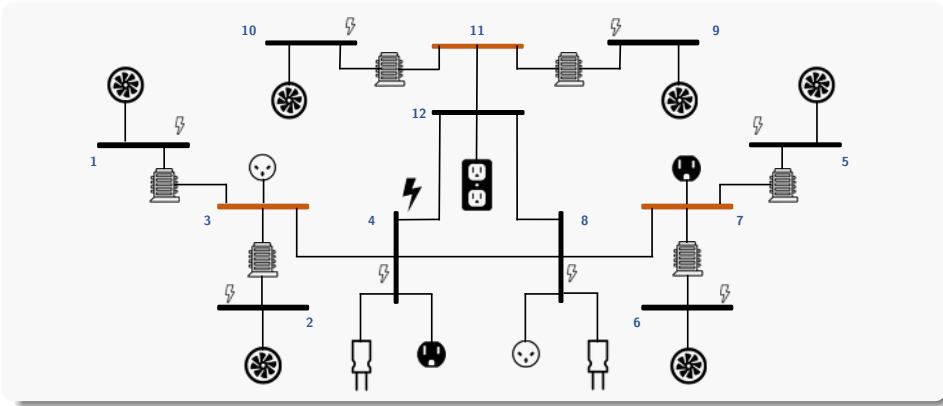
\Rightarrow use favorite method for reduced optimization problem

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results

Modified Kundur case study: 3 regions & 12 buses

transformer reactance 0.15 p.u., line impedance (0.0001+0.001i) p.u./km



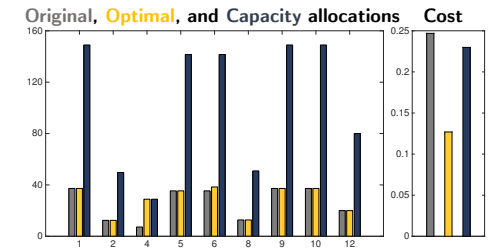
uniform deviation from sync as **performance metric**: $Q = \begin{bmatrix} I_n - \frac{1}{n} \mathbf{1}\mathbf{1} \\ I_n \end{bmatrix}$

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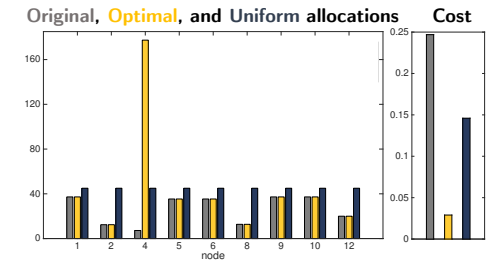
Heuristics outperformed by \mathcal{H}_2 - optimal allocation

Scenario: disturbance at #4

- ▶ locally optimal solution **outperforms heuristic** max/uniform allocation
 - ▶ optimal allocation \approx **matches disturbance**
 - ▶ inertia emulation at all undisturbed nodes is actually **detrimental**
- \Rightarrow **location** of disturbance & inertia emulation matters



allocation subject to capacity constraints

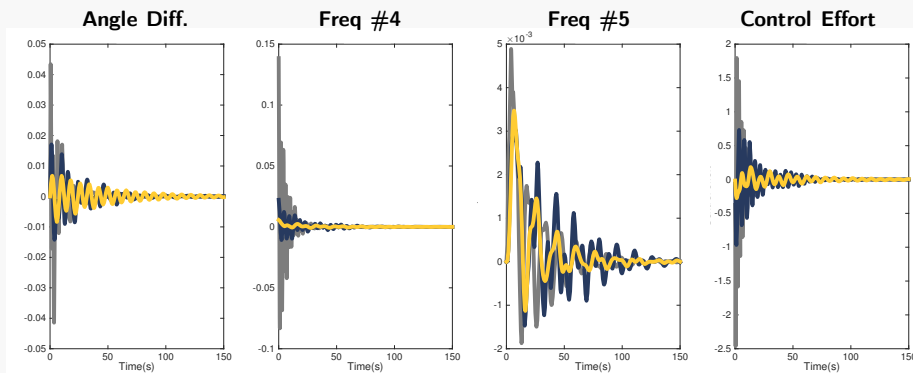


allocation subject to the budget constraint

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Eye candy: time-domain plots of post fault behavior

Original, **Optimal**, and Uniform allocations



Take-home messages:

best oscillation performance smallest peak frequency at #4 undisturbed sites are irrelevant minimal control effort $m_i \cdot \ddot{\theta}_i$

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conclusions

Conclusions on virtual inertia emulation

Where to do it?

- 1 \mathcal{H}_2 -optimal (non-convex) allocation
- 2 closed-form results for cost of primary control
- 3 numerical approach via gradient computation

How to do it?

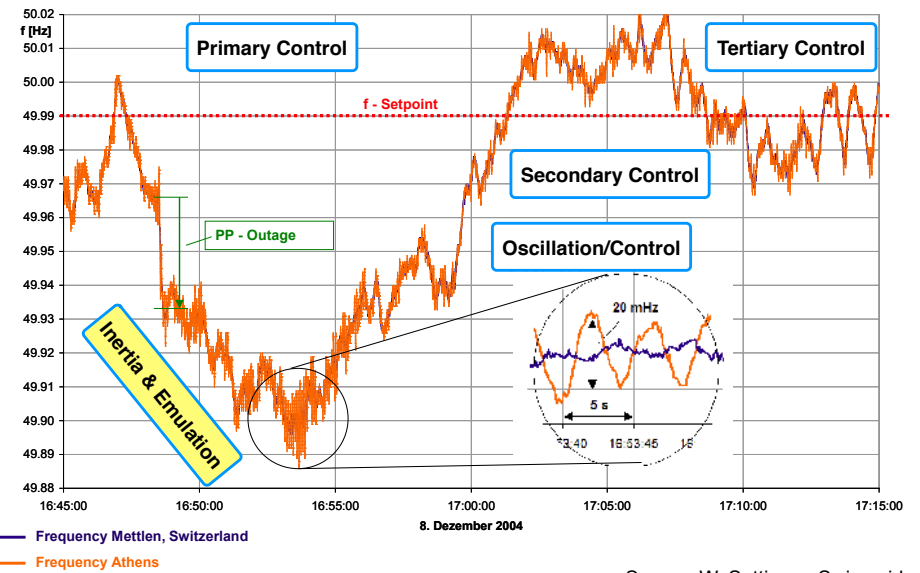
- 1 down-sides of naive inertia emulation
- 2 novel machine matching control

What else to do? Inertia emulation is ...

- 😊 decentralized, plug'n'play (passive), grid-friendly, user-friendly, ...
- 😞 suboptimal, wasteful in control effort, & need for new actuators

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Recall: operation centered around (virtual) sync generators



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A control perspective of power system operation

Conventional strategy: **emulate generator physics & control**

$$\underbrace{M\dot{\omega}(t)}_{\text{(virtual) inertia}} = \underbrace{P_{\text{mech}}}_{\text{tertiary control}} - \underbrace{D\omega(t)}_{\text{primary control}} - \underbrace{\int_0^t \omega(\tau) d\tau}_{\text{secondary control}} - P_{\text{elec}}$$

Essentially all **PID + setpoint control** (simple, robust, & scalable)

$$\underbrace{M\dot{\omega}(t)}_D = \underbrace{P}_{\text{set-point}} - \underbrace{D\omega(t)}_P - \underbrace{\int_0^t \omega(\tau) d\tau}_I - P_{\text{elec}}$$

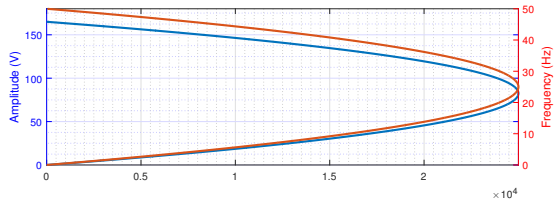
Control engineers should be able to do better ...

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appendix

Some properties & different viewpoints

1 quadratic **nose curves**:
stationary P vs. $(|V|, \omega)$



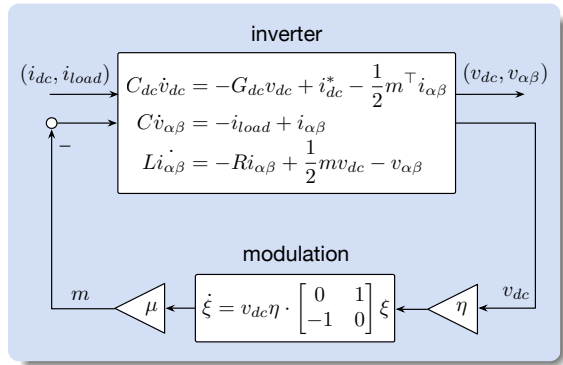
$$\Rightarrow P \leq P_{\max} = i_{dc}^2 / 4G_{dc}$$

\Rightarrow reactive power not directly affected

$$\Rightarrow (P, \omega)\text{-droop} \approx 1/\eta$$

$$\Rightarrow (P, |V|)\text{-droop} \approx 1/\mu$$

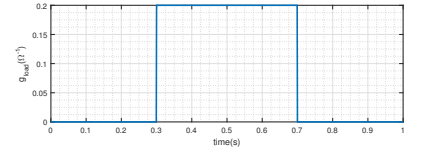
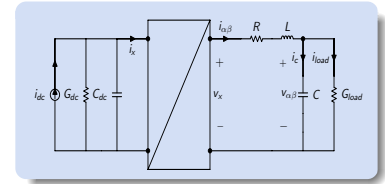
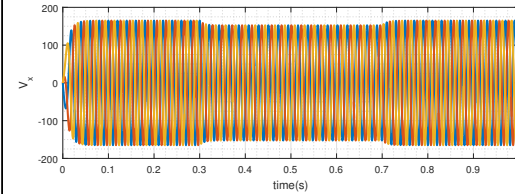
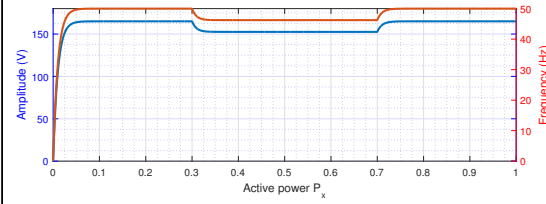
2 reformulation as virtual & adaptive **oscillator**



3 remains **passive**:

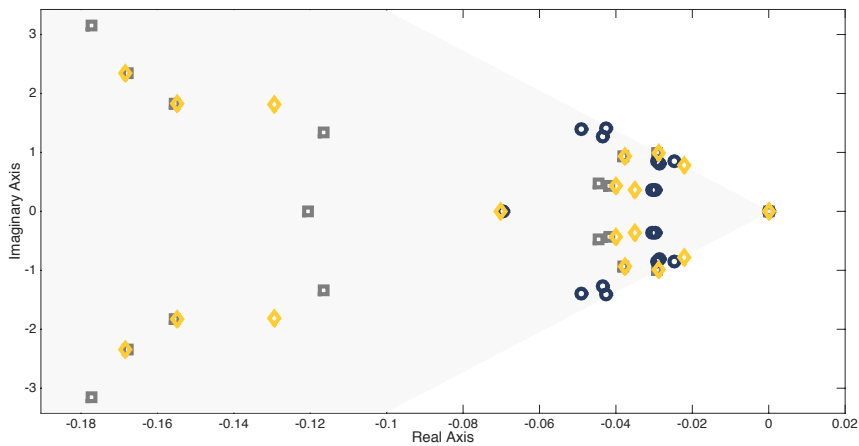
$$(i_{dc}, i_{load}) \rightarrow (v_{dc}, v_{\alpha\beta})$$

Eye candy: response to a load step



Spectral perspective on different inertia allocations

Cone, Original, Optimal, and Uniform allocations



- $\mathbf{m} = \underline{\mathbf{m}}$ \rightarrow best damping asymptote & best damping ratio
- Spectrum holds only **partial information !!**

The planning problem

sparse allocation of limited resources

ℓ_1 -regularized inertia allocation (promoting a sparse solution):

$$\text{minimize}_{P, m_i} \quad \mathbf{J}_\gamma(\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{P}) = \|\mathbf{G}\|_2^2 + \gamma \|\mathbf{m} - \underline{\mathbf{m}}\|_1$$

$$\text{subject to} \quad \sum_{i=1}^n m_i \leq m_{\text{bdg}}$$

$$\underline{m}_i \leq m_i \leq \overline{m}_i \quad i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$$

$$\mathbf{P}\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{A}^T\mathbf{P} + \mathbf{Q} = 0$$

$$\mathbf{P}[1 \ 0] = [0 \ 0]$$

where $\gamma \geq 0$ trades off sparsity penalty and the original objective

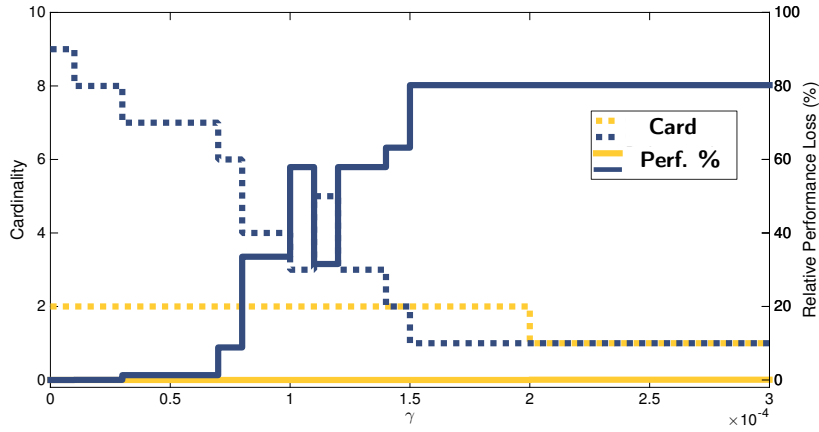
Highlights:

- 1 regularization term is linear & **differentiable**
- 2 gradient computation algorithm can be used with some tweaking

Relative performance loss (%) as a function of γ

0% → optimal allocation, 100% → no additional allocation

Localized and Uniform disturbances



- 1 uniform disturbance $\Rightarrow \exists \gamma$ 1.3% loss $\equiv (9 \rightarrow 7)$
- 2 localized disturbance $\Rightarrow (2 \rightarrow 1)$ without affecting performance

Uniform disturbance to damping ratio

power sharing $\rightarrow \mathbf{d} \propto P^*$, assuming $\mathbf{t} \propto$ source rating P^*

Theorem: for $t_i/d_i = t_j/d_j$ the allocation problem reads equivalently as

$$\begin{aligned} & \underset{m_i}{\text{minimize}} && \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{s_i}{m_i} \\ & \text{subject to} && \sum_{i=1}^n m_i \leq m_{\text{bdg}} \\ & && \underline{m}_i \leq m_i \leq \bar{m}_i, \quad i \in \{1, \dots, n\} \end{aligned}$$

Key takeaways:

- optimal solution independent of network topology
- allocation $\propto \sqrt{s_i}$ or $m_i = \min\{m_{\text{bdg}}, \bar{m}_i\}$

What if **freq. penalty** \propto **inertia**? \rightarrow norm **independent** of inertia

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Key idea: expand the performance metric as a power series in m

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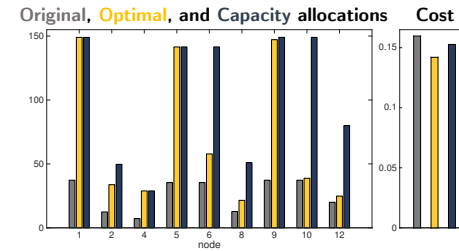
Algorithm: Gradient computation & perturbation analysis

Input → current values of the decision variables \mathbf{m}_i

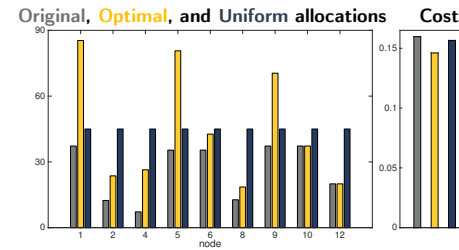
Output → numerically evaluated gradient ∇f of the cost function

- 1 Evaluate the system matrices $\mathbf{A}^{(0)}$, $\mathbf{B}^{(0)}$ based on current inertia
- 2 Solve for $\mathbf{P}^{(0)} = \text{Lyap}(\mathbf{A}^{(0)}, \mathbf{Q})$ using a Lyapunov routine
- 3 For each node- obtain the perturbed system matrices $\mathbf{A}^{(1)}$, $\mathbf{B}^{(1)}$
- 4 Compute $\mathbf{P}^{(1)} = \text{Lyap}(\mathbf{A}^{(0)}, \mathbf{P}^{(0)}\mathbf{A}^{(1)} + \mathbf{A}^{(1)\top}\mathbf{P}^{(0)})$
- 5 Gradient $\Rightarrow \text{Trace}(2 * \mathbf{B}^{(1)\top}\mathbf{P}^{(0)}\mathbf{B}^{(0)} + \mathbf{B}^{(0)\top}\mathbf{P}^{(1)}\mathbf{B}^{(0)})$

Heuristics outperformed also for uniform disturbance



allocation subject to capacity constraints



allocation subject to the budget constraint

Scenario: uniform disturbance

Heuristics for placement:

- 1 **max** allocation in case of capacity constraints
- 2 **uniform** allocation in case of budget constraint

Results & insights:

- 1 locally optimal solution **outperforms** heuristics
- 2 optimal solution \neq **max** inertia at each bus