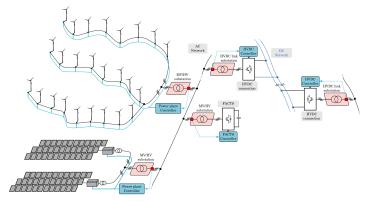




## Control of power-electronics-dominated power systems

Course description: Electrical power systems are undergoing transformations at generation, transmission, distribution and demand levels. The massive penetration of renewable energy, the proliferation of storage systems, electric vehicle, Flexible AC Transmissions Systems (FACTS) and DC interconnectors in combination with the phase-out of conventional generation, is leading to a power electronics dominated power system. Although Power Electronics (PE) devices increase the network controllability, it is clear that they are substantially different compared to synchronous generators, fact that poses relevant challenges both at network operation and control levels. The course covers modelling, analysis and control design of Voltage Source Converter (VSC) controllers for future power electronics dominated networks, providing a practical view on their implementation, showing relevant examples and discussing practical cases. Specific topics covered in the course include:

- Future power electronics-dominated power systems. Main applications and challenges.
- Voltage source converter review.
  Different structures 2L, 3L, Modular
  Multilevel Converters (MMCs).
- 2L/3L VSCs: Main control blocks. Usual transformations.
- Grid forming converters. Concept definition and main structures. Different control options.



- MMC applications. Control design and implementation.
- Power electronics-dominated system stability and interaction analysis. Linearization of converter and power system dynamics. Eigenvalue analysis. Participation factors.
- Trends in research/industry. New controllers. New interaction analysis methods.

## Lecture / exercise times & locations

Lectures: Tuesday 8:00 to 10:00 CAB G52 Exercises: Tuesday 10:00 to 12:00 CAB G52

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## **Prerequisites**

Basic knowledge on power electronics, power systems and control systems. Basic Matlab skills as well as sufficient mathematical maturity.

## Grading

The class is based on three homework assignments [project oriented] (50%) and a final oral exam (50%).