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**Novel methods to assess secure power
transfer capabilities**

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Introduction

Why need for novel assessment methods of secure power transfer?

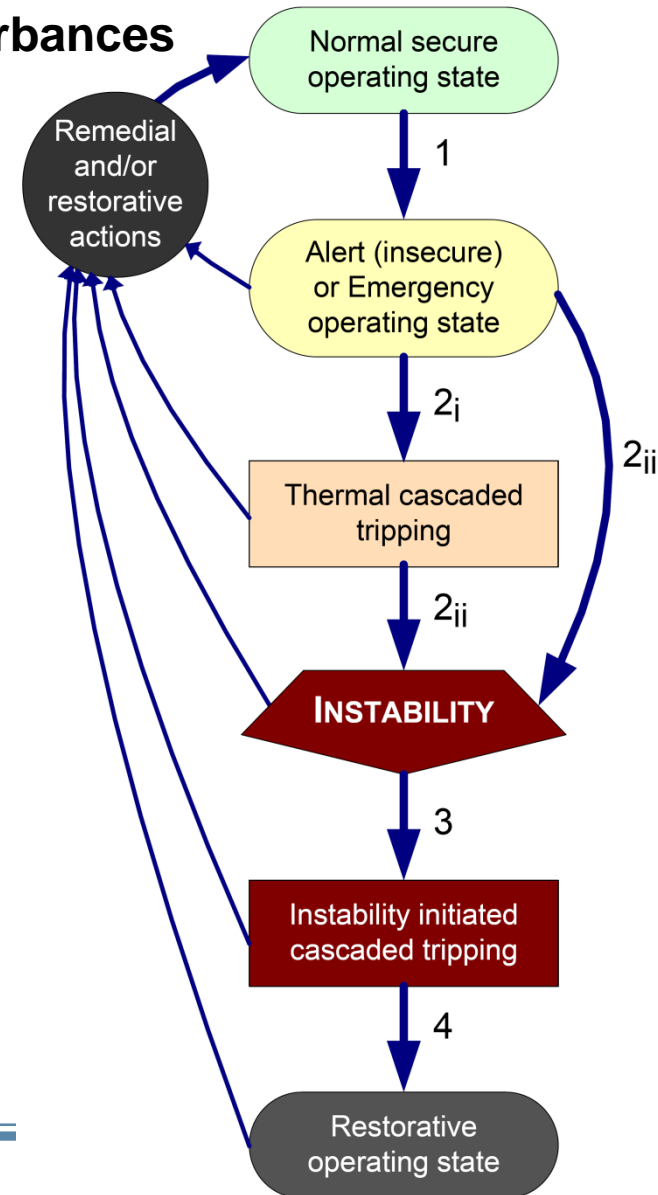
- Large disturbances –
Extraordinary events –
High Impact
Low Probability
- High impact on society:
 - SE 2003: 2 billion SEK
 - US 2003: 10 billion USD
- Difficult to predict extent and frequency - many uncertainties
- Difficult to prevent the unpredictable



Introduction

Generic sequence of Large disturbances

1. Trigger: failure with unforeseen impact. Actions needed to prevent deterioration.
2. Depending on limiting factors, the next phase is:
 - i. Thermal overloading. Actions required to prevent instability.
 - ii. Instability. Actions imperative to regain control.
3. Instability initiated cascade. Very fast. Widespread impact. Automatic actions may limit the extent.
4. Restorative state. Unsynchronised islands. Blackout. Restoration needed to regain normal operation.



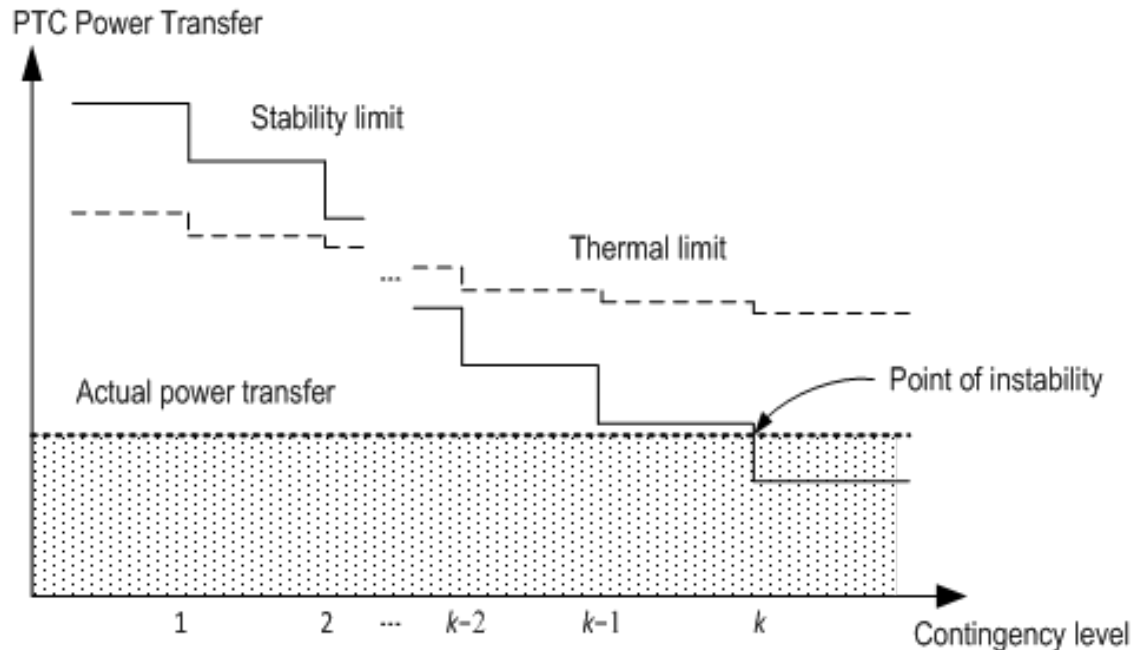
Novel indicators of secure transfer

k_{\min} indicator

Quantifying risk of large disturbances using critical contingency level:

$$k_{\min} = \min(s_i), \text{ all } i$$

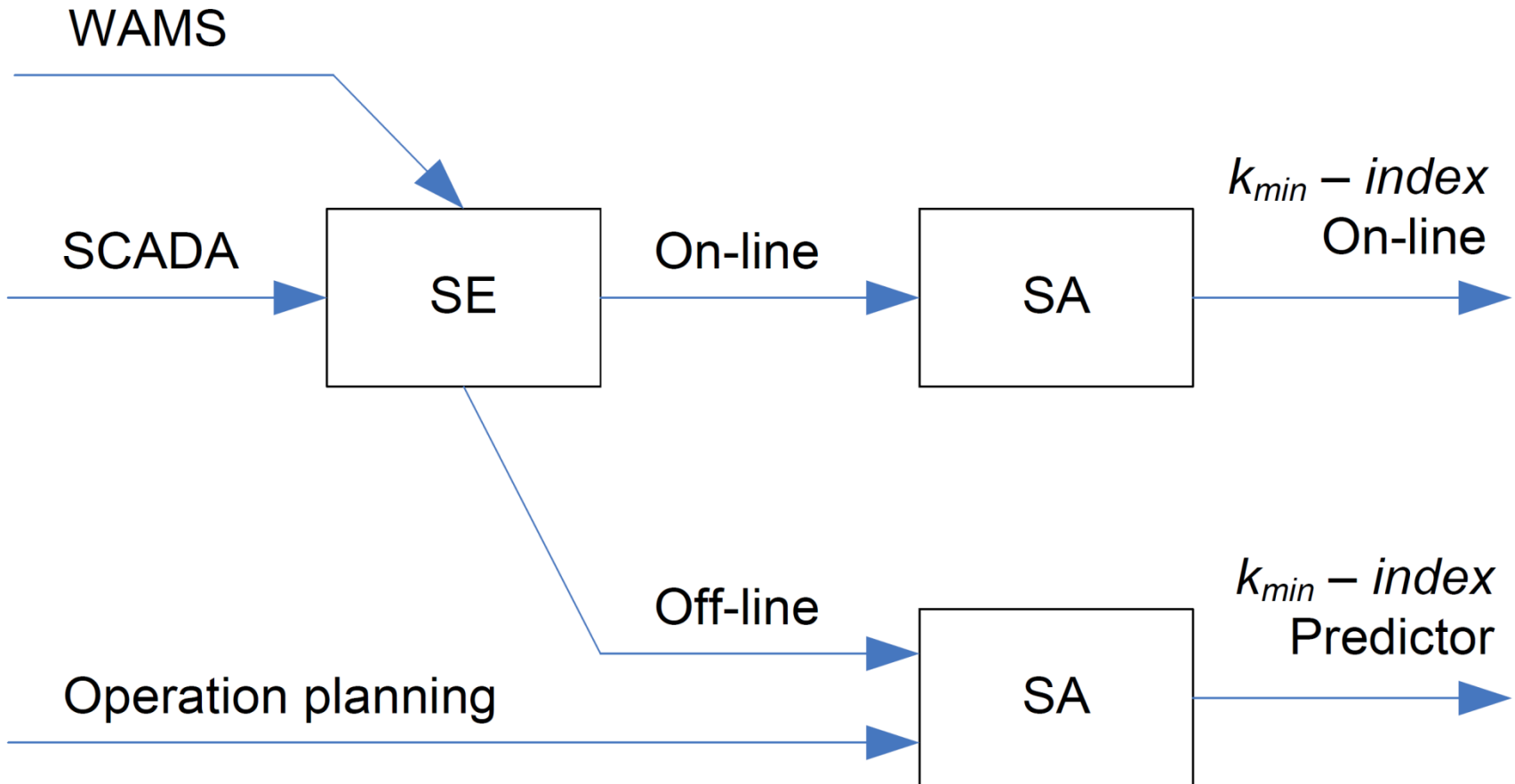
with i : the set of contingencies that lead to an unstable state
 s : the contingency level of each i



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k_{\min} indicator

Utilisation in power system operation:



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k_{min} indicator

Case study of historical events:

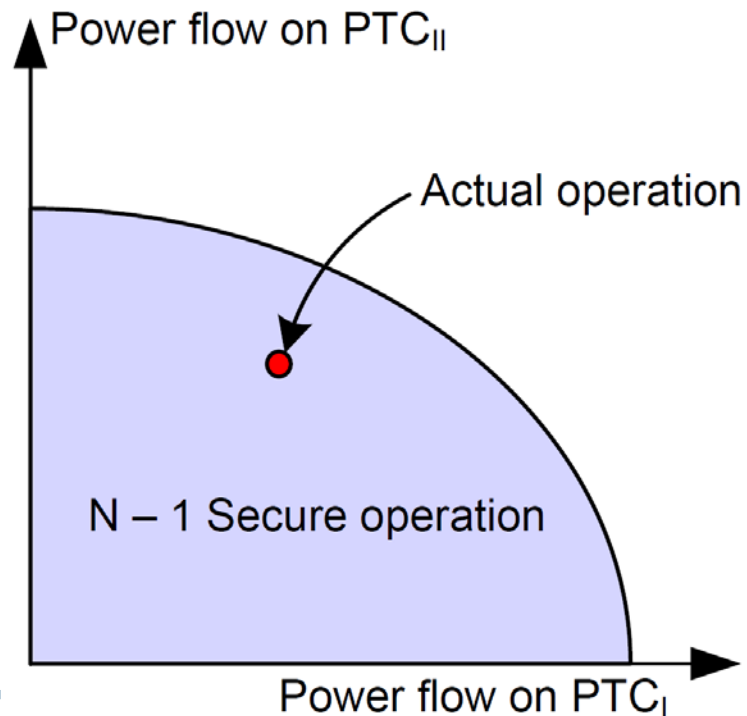
- Blackout in Sweden and Denmark 23 September 2003
 - Independent faults, $k_{min} \leq 3$
- Blackout of Italy 28 September 2003
 - Thermal overload, $k_{min} \leq 2$
- Disturbance in Europe 4 November 2006
 - Manual operation, $k_{min} \leq 3$
- Blackout in Brazil 10 November 2009
 - Extreme weather, $k_{min} \leq 3$

Novel indicators of secure transfer

N-k secure operating region

Assessment and visualisation of a secure operating domain

I: Secure operating area
and actual operating point



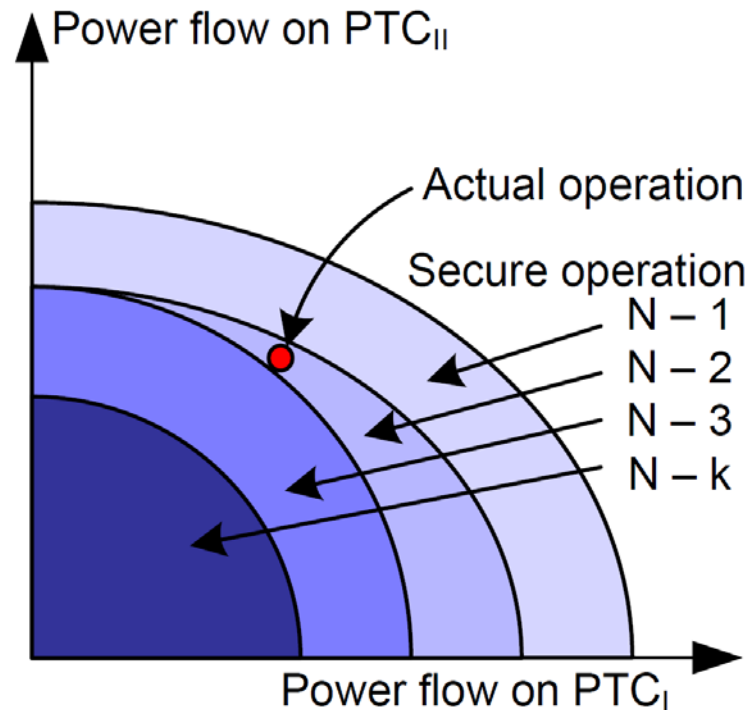
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II: *N-k* security



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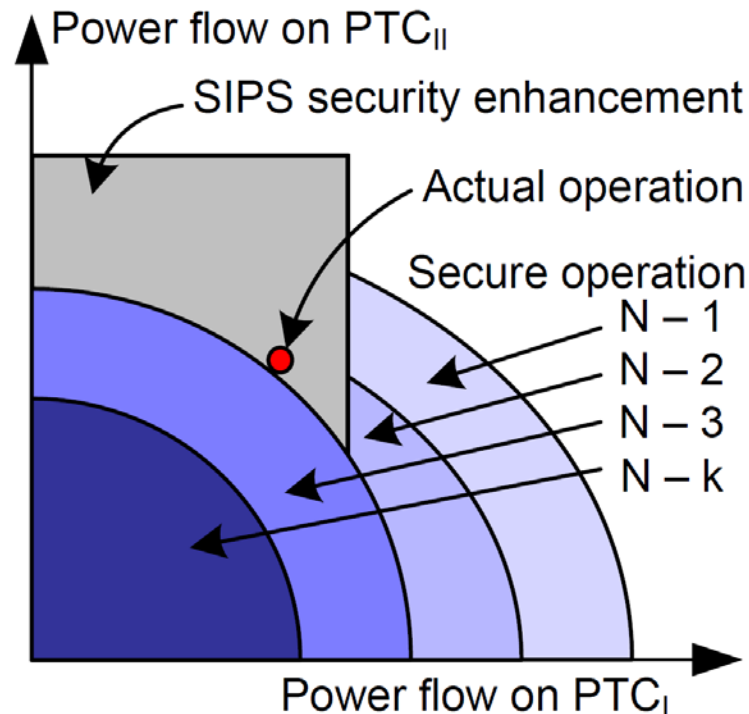
N-k secure operating region

Assessment and visualisation of a secure operating domain

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II: $N-k$ security

III: Security enhancement by automatic actions



Novel methods to assess secure transfer

EAC on PTC concept

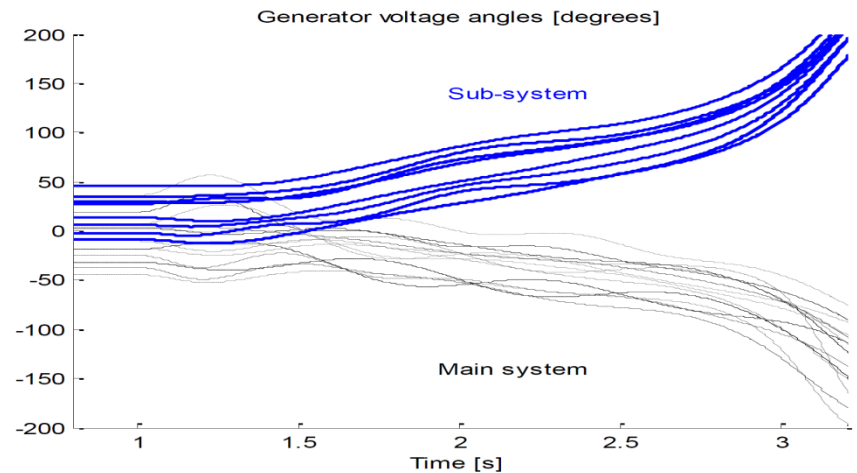
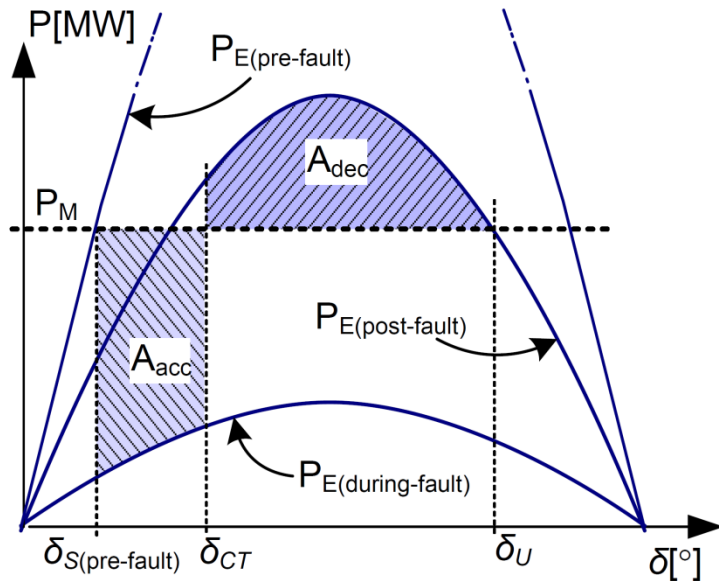
- Development of the EAC on PTC concept
 - Based on the Equal-Area Criterion (EAC)
 - Applied on Power Transfer Corridors (PTC)
 - Utilising power flow and angle over the PTC (assuming PMU installations)
- Development of SIPS design procedure using the EAC on PTC concept
 - Proof of concept based on case study of the IEEE RTS
 - Identification of complexities regarding the assessment of mechanical power

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EAC on PTC concept

Equal-Area Criterion

Cluster of critical machines

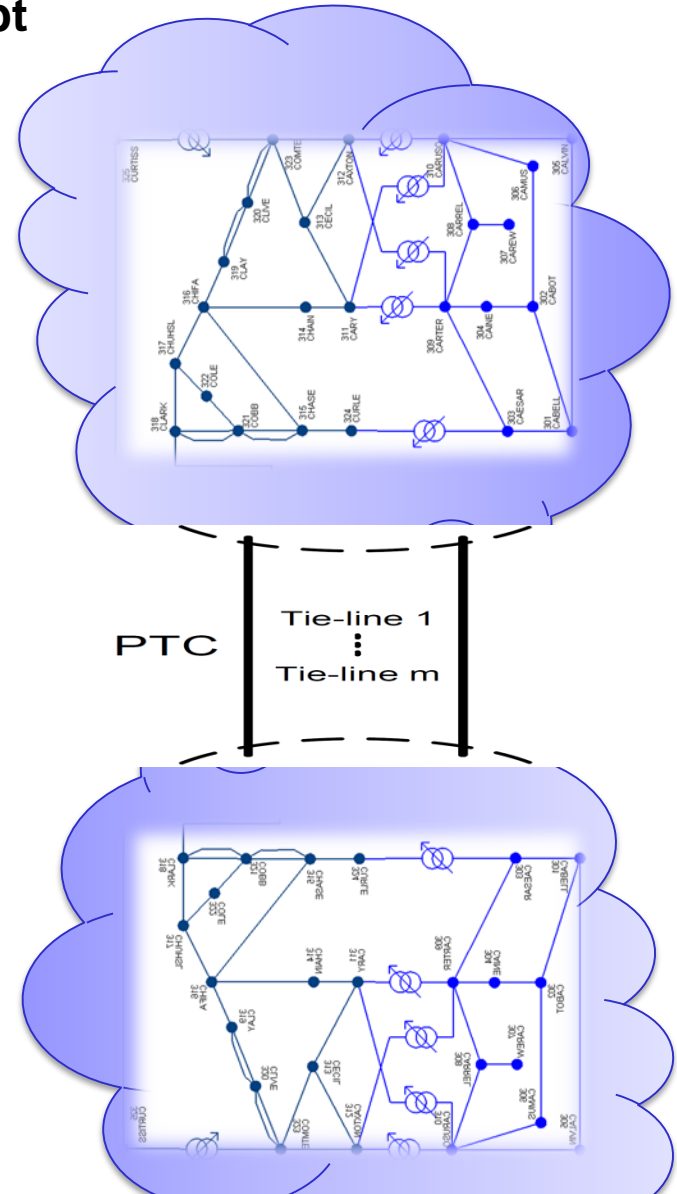
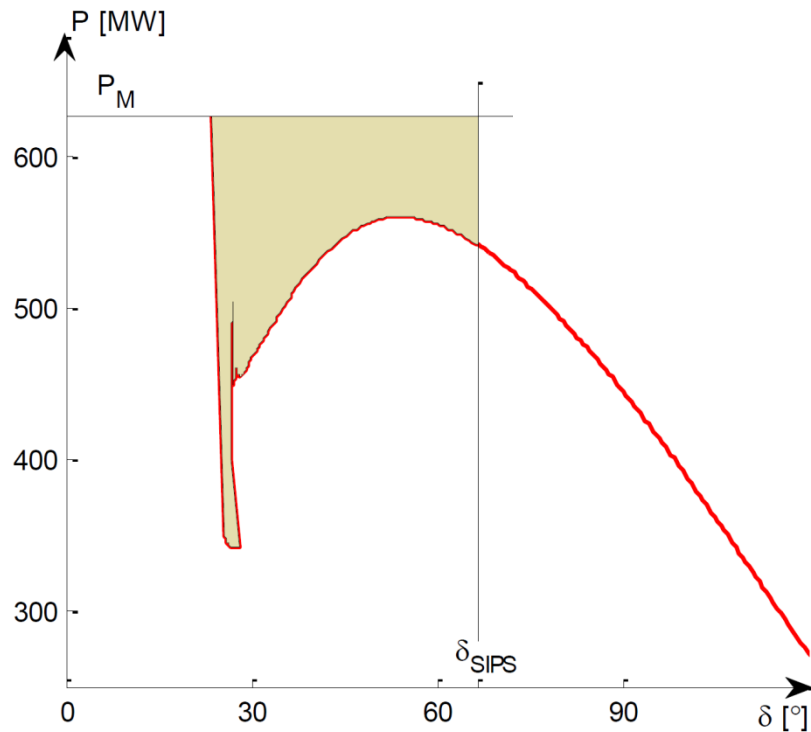


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Cluster of critical machines
within one sub-system

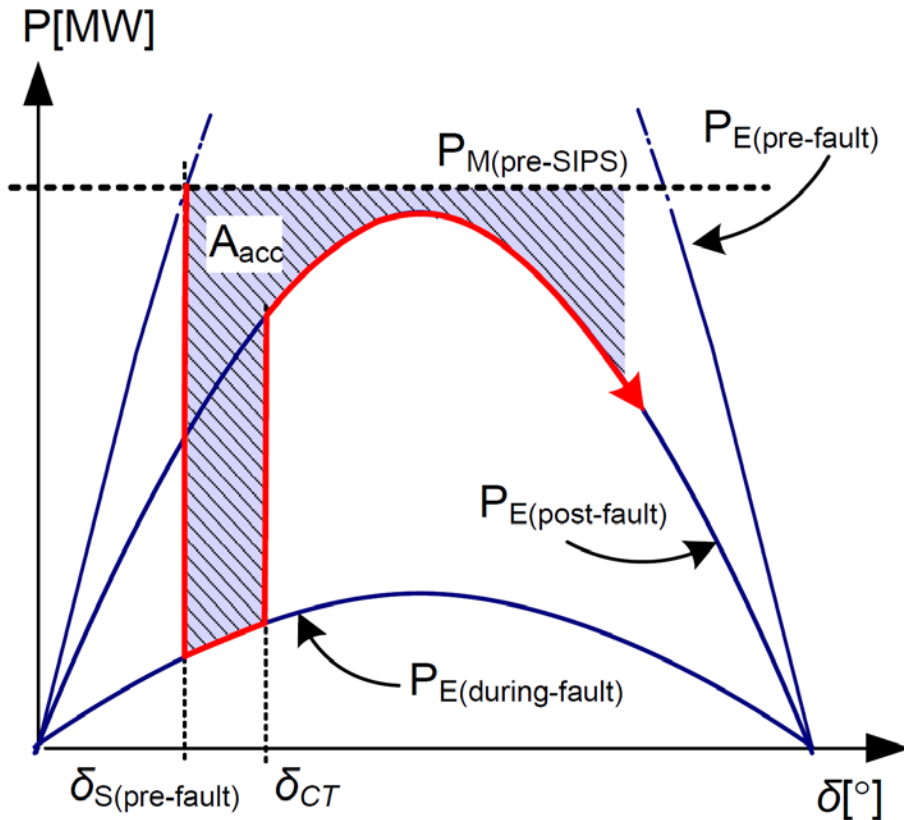
PTC P- δ characteristics



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SIPS design using the EAC on PTC concept

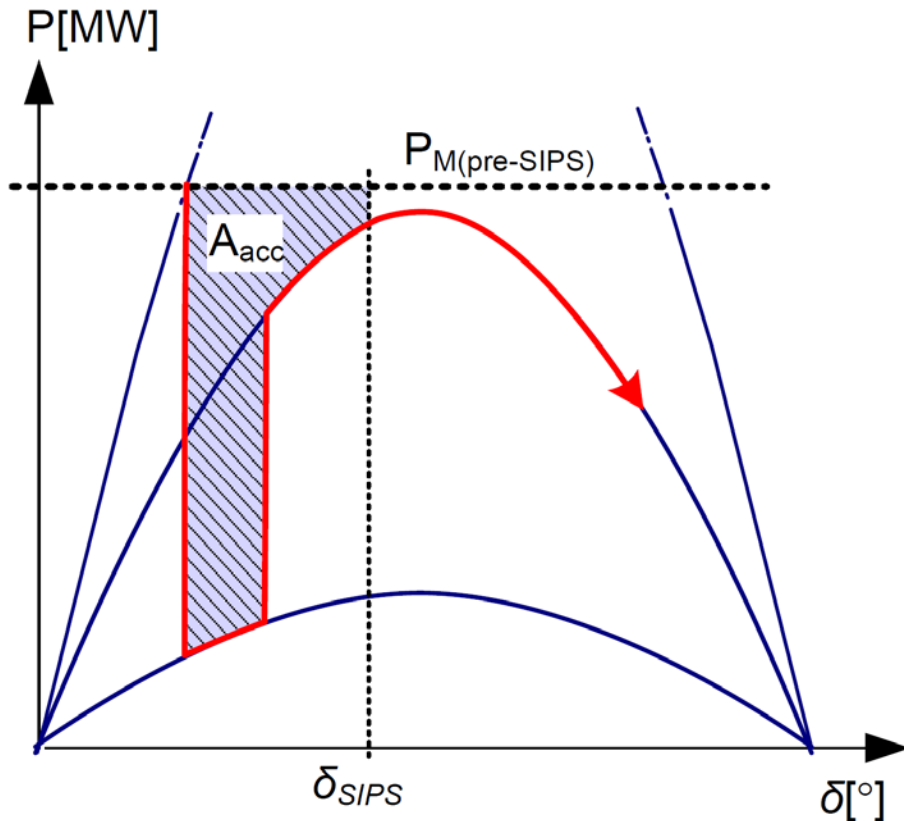


Critical contingency
without SIPS

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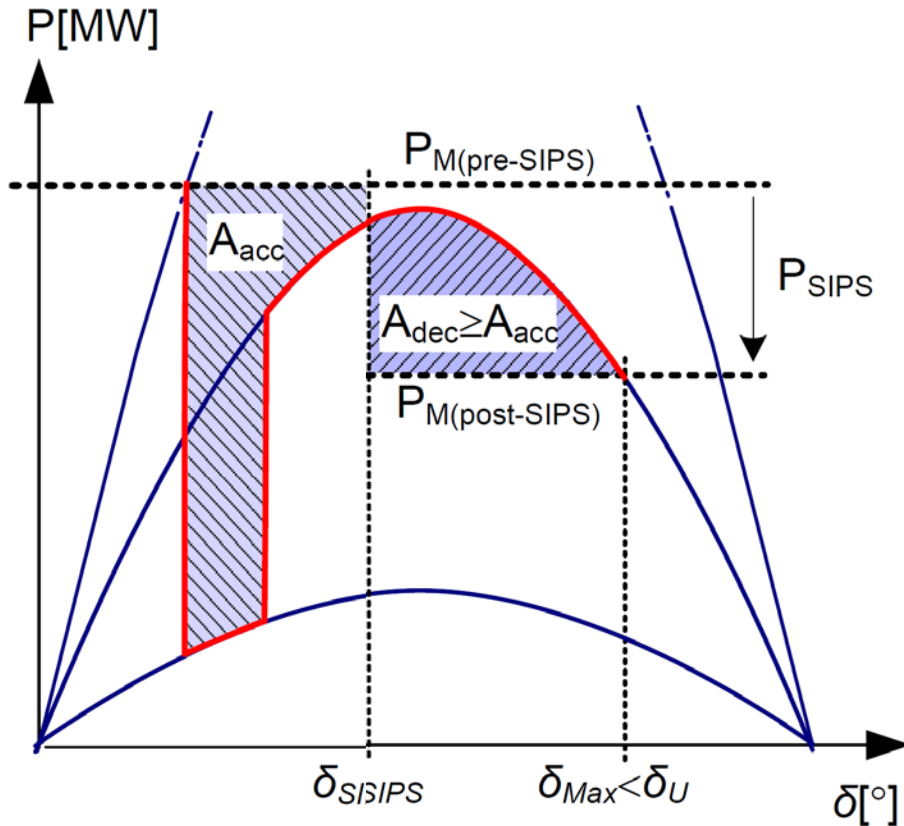


Identification of SIPS
action time and angle

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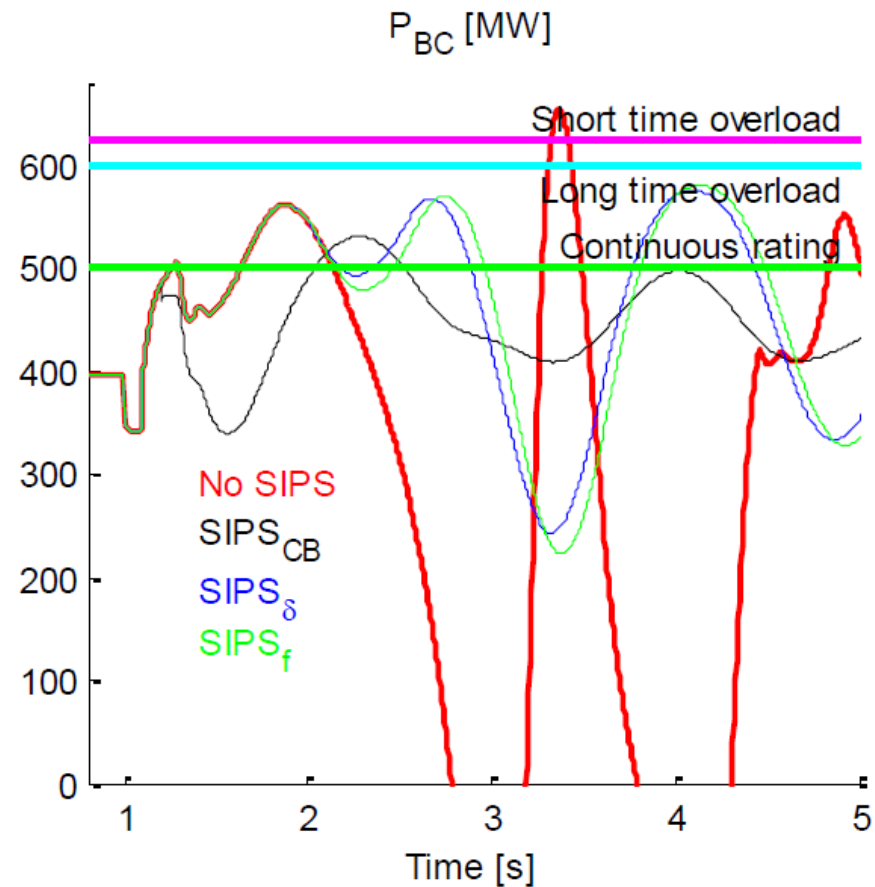
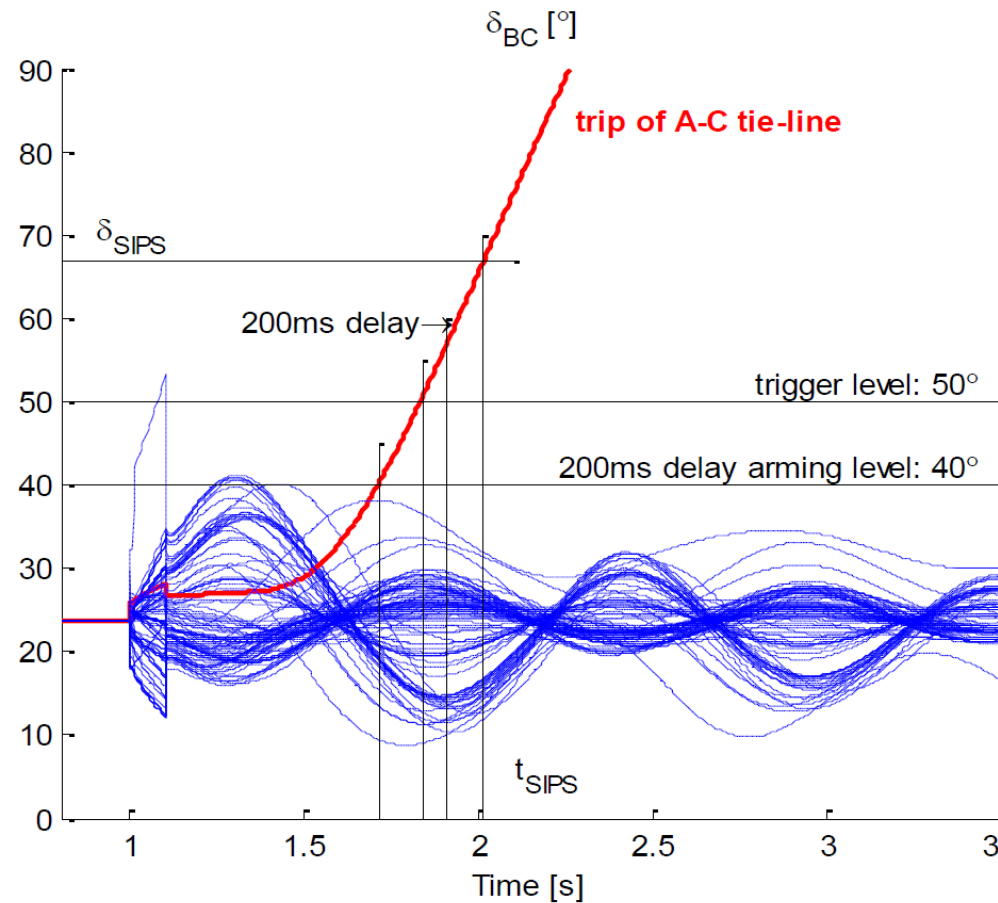


Identification of SIPS
impact requirements

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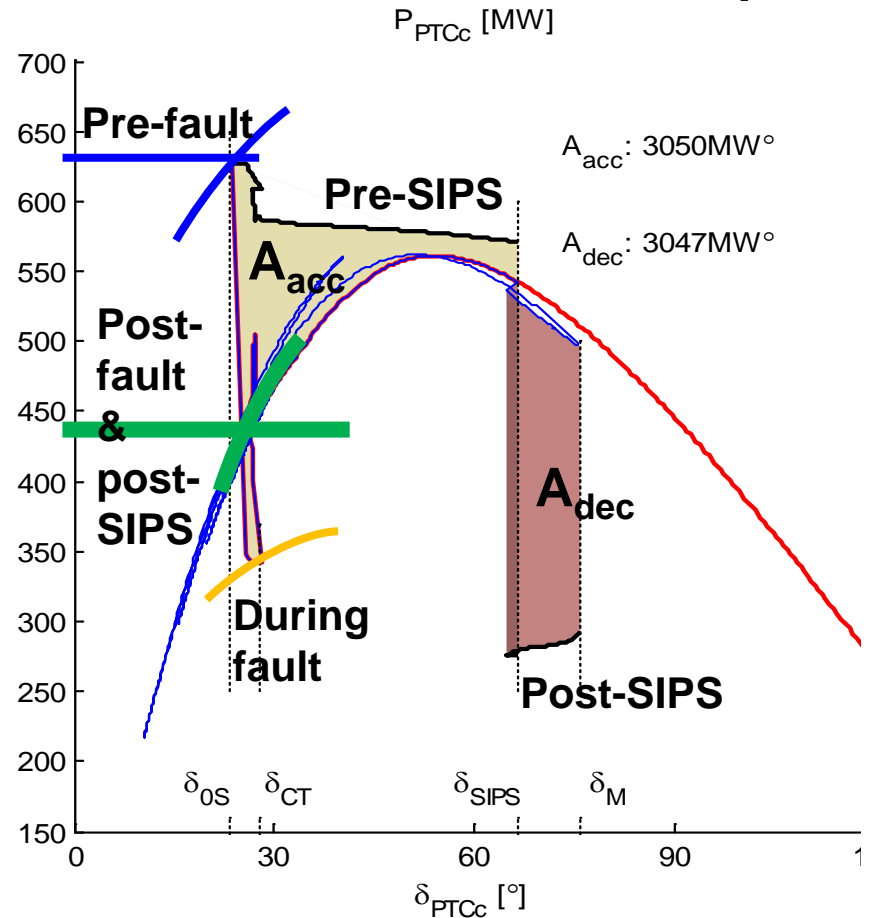
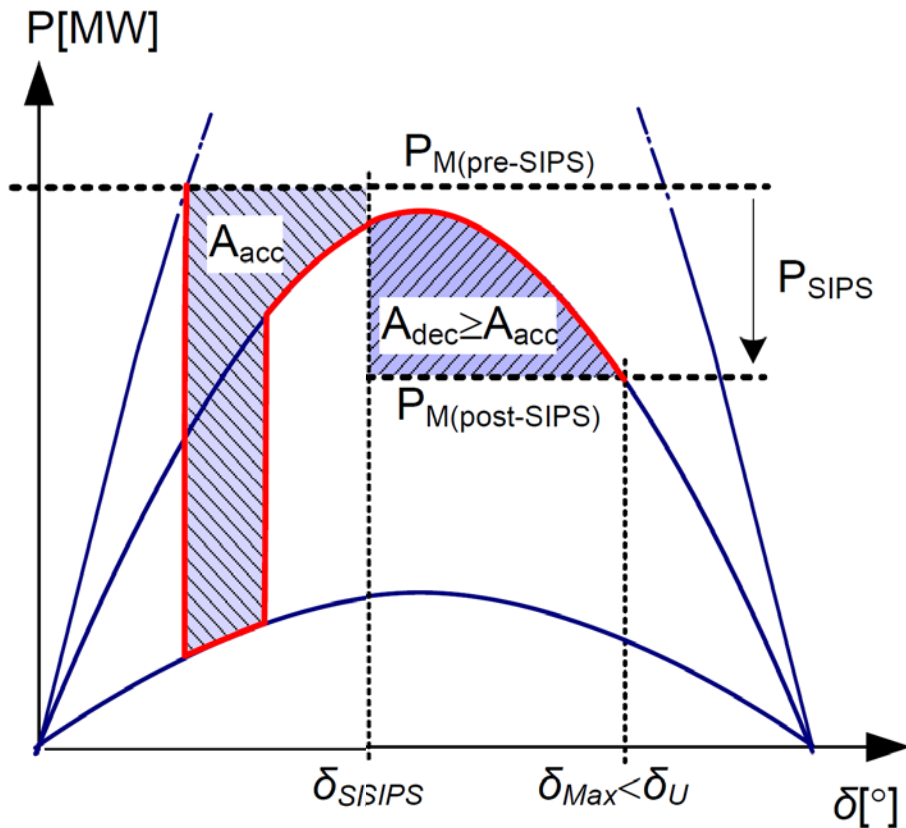
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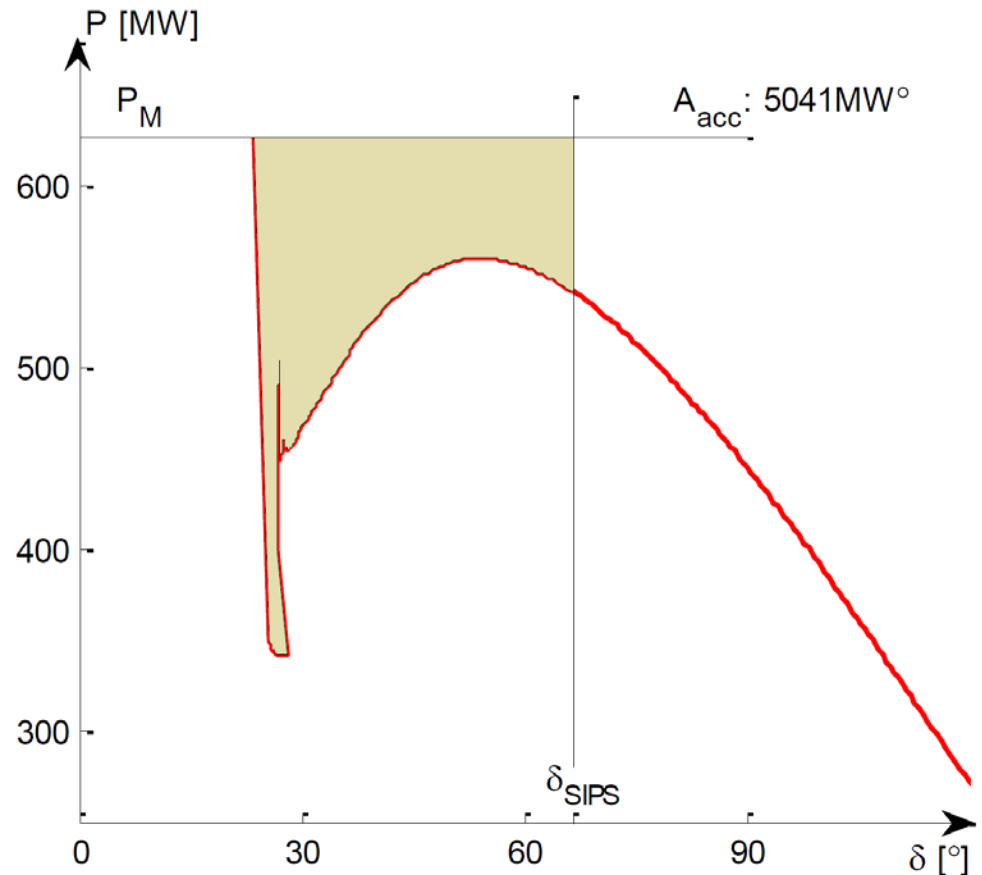


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Complexity of the P_M assumption

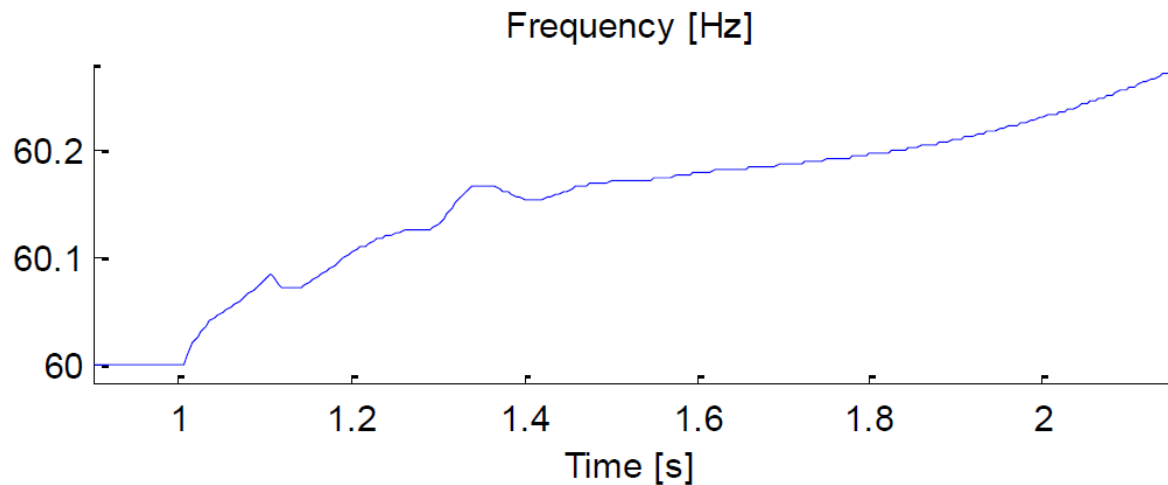
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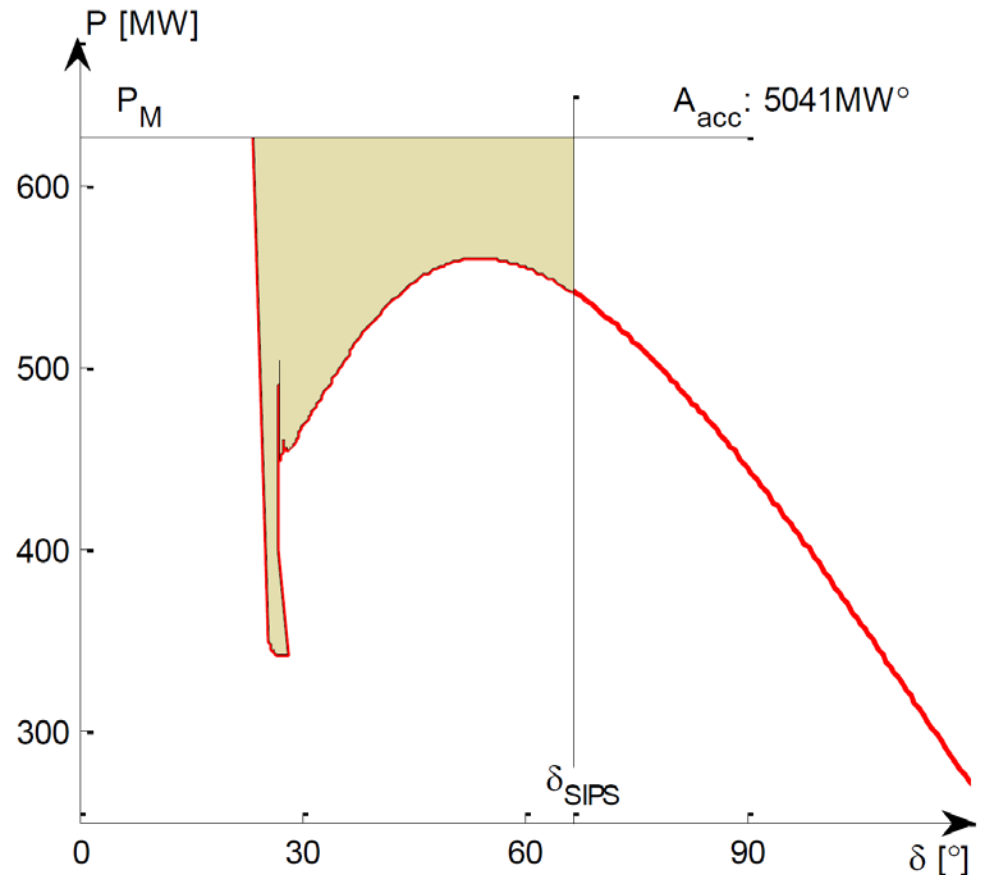


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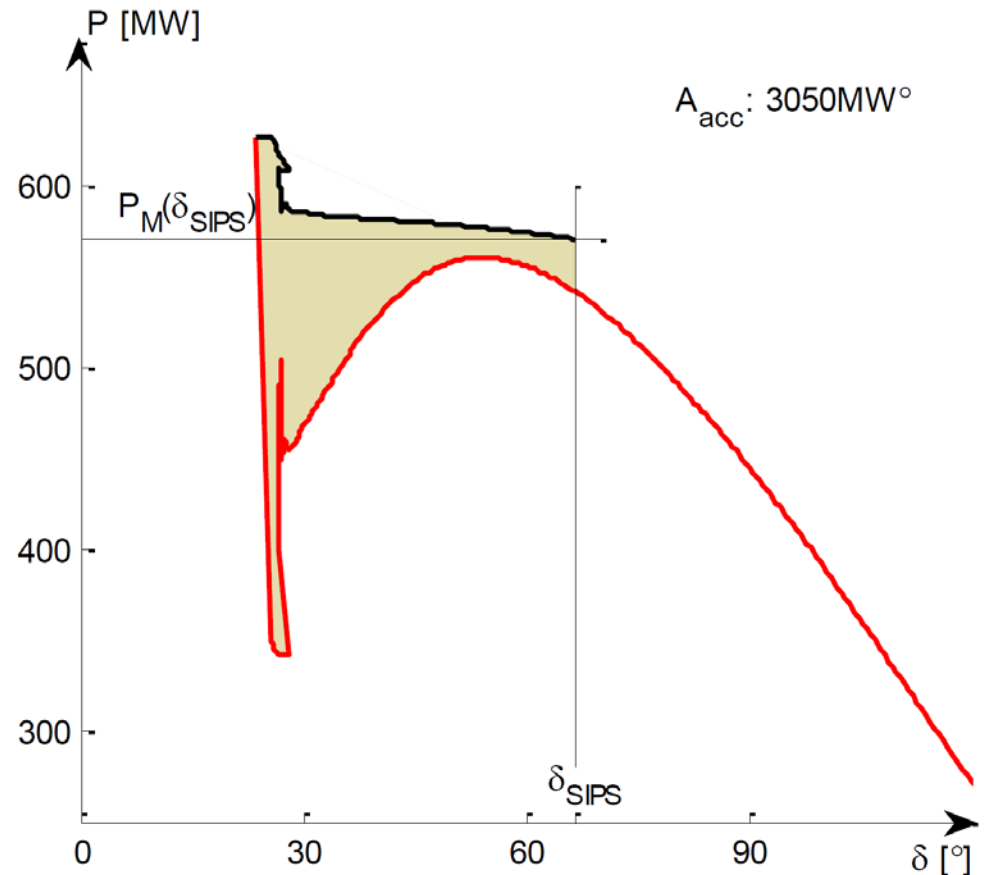
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Assumption 2:

$$P_M(\Delta\omega)$$

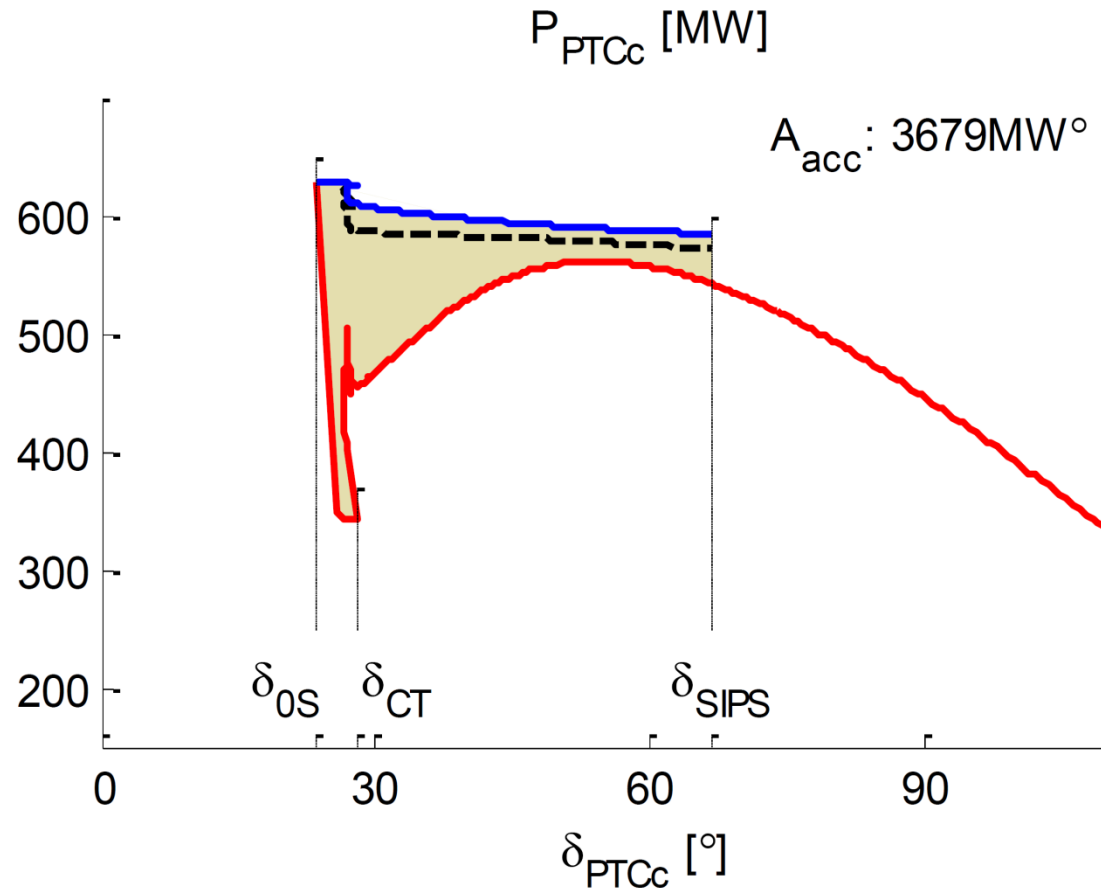


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Assumption 3:
Scalable from
measured P_M



Summary

This work has provided new insights into and perceptions of the behaviour and characteristics of extraordinary events

Novel solutions for prediction of large disturbances include development of

- k_{\min} vulnerability indicator and
- $N - k$ secure operating region.

Novel methods for assessment of secure power transfer capability to prevent large disturbances

- The EAC on PTC concept.

Summary

This work propose conceptual solutions for decreasing risk of extraordinary events.

Development of tools and techniques is needed for these solutions to support operation of the power system, e.g.:

- Tools for online multi-level dynamic contingency analyses
- Solutions to limit the no. of simulations to identify critical contingencies.
- Novel operating criteria, considering risk of extraordinary events?

Further reading

Doctoral theses at NTNU, 2016:10

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Perception, Prediction and
Prevention of Extraordinary
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