Synchronized Measurements for Modeling and Control of Inverter-Based Resources

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# The Transition









 $v_g$   $v_{ref}$  Eqn.  $\theta_{ret}$  PLL

 $\frac{Controller}{G_c(s)}$ 

 $\begin{array}{c} S_{H} & S_{L} \\ \uparrow & \uparrow \\ \hline PWM \end{array}$ 







### **Questions to Panelists**

- What are the main challenges for stability and control in low-inertia grids?
- What are the challenges for modeling the behavior of inverter-based resources? What measurements are needed to inform state-of-the-art models?
- What is today's state of the art for inverter control strategies to enhance grid stability? What measurements are needed to inform these purely local?
- Are there systemic functionalities that can be achieved only with synchronized measurements?
- What are the opportunities and challenges for embedding PMUs and UTC synchronized Pointon-wave measurements in inverter hardware, and sharing measurement data?
- What topics are IEC, IEEE and NERC Working Groups currently focused on, what are the main challenges, and how might engagement with the NASPI community be useful?





## Integrating High Levels of Inverterbased Resources into Power Grids

#### Yashen Lin

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# Current Power Systems Operating with Variable Renewable Energy

## (what do we know)





#### Technical Challenges with Higher Inverterbased Resources

#### **Challenges:**

- Frequency Stability (Lower System Inertia)
- Voltage Stability and Regulation
- System Protection
- Grid Forming capability
- Black Start capability
- Control system interactions and resonances
- Cybersecurity

**Source:** B. Kroposki et al., "Achieving a 100% Renewable Grid – Operating Electric Power Systems with Extremely High Levels of Variable Renewable Energy," <u>http://ieeexplore.ieee.org/document/7866938/</u>

Source: Blackstart of Power Grids with Inverter- Based Resources, H. Jain, G. Seo, E. Lockhart, V. Gevorgian, B. Kroposki, 2020 IEEE Power and Energy General Meeting: <u>https://www.nrel.gov/docs/fy20osti/75327.pdf</u>

#### **Stability**



#### **Grid-forming/Blackstart**



#### Protection



#### Control system interactions and resonances



#### Inverter Based Resources can Provide Grid Services





300-MW PV Plant in California (Photo from First Solar)

Demonstrated that PV plants (and wind power plants on next slide) can deliver essential grid services.

NREL/FirstSolar/CAISO experiment: 300-MW plant following Automatic Generator Control (AGC) signal

**Source:** C. Loutan, P. Klauer, S. Chowdhury, S. Hall, M. Morjaria, V. Chadliev, N. Milam, C. Milan, V. Gevorgian, *Demonstration of Essential Reliability Services by a 300-MW Solar Photovoltaic Power Plant*, <u>http://www.nrel.gov/docs/fy17osti/67799.pdf</u>



Operations of a 100% Wind-Solar-Battery Power Grid including Blackstart

- 1.5MW Wind turbine, 450kW PV system, and 1MW/1MWh Battery
- NREL operated a 100% Wind-PV-Battery Grid for 72 Hours during a site outage
- Demonstrating new control techniques for these types of systems

Source: Island Power Systems with High Levels of Inverter-Based Resources: Stability and Reliability Challenges, A. Hoke, V. Gevorgian, S. Shah, P. Koralewicz, R. Kenyon, B. Kroposki, IEEE Electrification Magazine, March 2021





24-hour operation of Wind-PV-Battery System at NREL's Flatiron Campus NREL | 7

# **UNIFI** Consortium

Unifying the integration and operation of inverters and synchronous machines

## Universal Interoperability for Grid-forming Inverters (UNIFI) Consortium

The **UNIFI Consortium** is a forum to address fundamental challenges in seamless integration of grid-forming (GFM) technologies into power systems of the future

Bringing the industry together to <u>unify</u> the integration and operation of inverter-based resources and synchronous machines

Three major focuses:

- Research & Development
- Demonstration & Commercialization
- Outreach & Training

Team includes: 4 National Labs, EPRI, 12 Universities, and 20+ Industry partners



# UNIFI – Standardizing Inverter-Machine Integration

#### **System-level Interoperability Guidelines**

- Promote the coordinated and seamless operation of a plurality of GFM technologies from multiple vendors while ensuring stability and reliability
- Scalable Secondary Control; System-level Stability;
   Frequency and Voltage Regulation Metrics; Black-start Capabilities; Cyber-secure



#### **Unit-level Functional Requirements**

- Establish baseline GFM-IBR/plant/aggregation-level capabilities to comply with Interoperability Guidelines
- Real-time Control with Integrated Dynamic Protection; Autonomous Primary Control; Signal I/O Interface; GFM-IBR/Plant/Aggregation-level Stability; Power-quality and Protection Requirements



#### The Need for Better Measurements

As more inverter-based resources (PV, wind, batteries, EV, smart loads) are integrated into the grid, better, faster measurements of grid conditions will be useful to ensure proper grid operation.

#### **Transmission System**



#### **Distribution System**



### Summary

- The power industry is seeing a shift towards 100% clean energy goals and each region has a variety of resources to tap into to meet these goals
- Inverter-based resources (IBR) are being integrated into power gids at increasing levels
- Several technical challenges exist for integration of IBR at high levels
- Better sensing, measurement, and data analytics can help solve some of these challenges
- All these challenges are solvable and we need to work together to address them





#### For More Information

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# Transforming ENERGY

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# Study of smart inverter functions in Japan

- 1. What is the synthetic Inertia?
- 2. Fundamental problem in Power systems due to DER
- 3. Experimental study on inverter power control functions, grid protection and support
- 4. Experimental study on information exchange to recruit advanced inverter functions (Smart inverter functions)

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## IEC 60050-601 ED2

International Electrotechnical Vocabulary (IEV) - Part 601: Generation, transmission and distribution of electricity - General

601-04-48 synthetic inertia, <in an electric power system> capability of a grid-connected converter to emulate the inertial effect of a synchronous generator to a prescribed level of performance

#### Background (Frequency deviations due to DER)





#### What is the synthetic inertia?





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#### Fundamental problem in power systems

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# Do DER always have to have the synthetic inertia?

Mechanical Input $P_M = \frac{P_L}{2}(6)$		Mechanical Input $P_M = \frac{P_L}{2}(27)$
Electrical output $P_E = P_L \dots (7)$		Electrical output $P_E = P_L \dots (28)$
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#### Fundamental problem in power systems





# In regard to the problem of frequency deviations, it does not matter

# whether generators have the inertia or not



#### Fundamental problem in power systems





# It is just a matter of power control

#### Variable power control methods (Not only VSG)







#### Autonomous control



#### Remote control



	Smart inverter functions	Autonomous	Remote
1	Anti-Islanding detection (Protection)	Y	
2	Fault Ride Through (Immunity)	Y	
3	Voltage-Var Control	Y	Y
4	Frequency-Watt Control (Droop)	Y	Y
5	Voltage-Watt Control	Y	Y
6	Dynamic-reactive current control	Y	Y
7	Virtual synchronous generator	Y	
8	Ramp Rate/Soft Start	Y	Y
9	Constant power factor control	Y	Y
10	Maximum active power control		Y
11	Active power control		Y
12	Reactive power control		Y
13	DER monitoring		Y
14	DER Connect/Disconnect		Y
15	Scheduling function		Y

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#### Future power systems with wide area controllers



From extra high to low voltage networks, power control can be managed by wide are controllers equipped with communication networks.



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#### 4 projects have been implemented for 4 years since 2016 as follows.

Study of parallel controlled PV-PCE with IEC 61850



- PV-PCE: Photovoltaic Power Conversion Equipment
- DERMS: Energy Management System for DER
- CHIL: Controller Hardware In the Loop
- PHIL: Power Hardware In the Loop

- METI: Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry
- NEDO: New Energy and Industrial Technology Development Organization

#### Study of parallel controlled PV-PCE with IEC 61850

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National project under METI

Purpose of the experimental study in 2016

- Verification of remote control with communication interface based on IEC 61850 1
- 2. Evaluation of grid connection requirements (FRT and anti-islanding)
- 3. Investigation of mutual interference of smart inverters



#### 3 prototypes of 3kW PV-PCE

PCE: Power Conversion Equipment

#### Study of smart inverters and DERMS with CHIL



National project under NEDO

Purpose of the experimental study in 2017 and 2018

- 1. Development of smart inverters on the basis of Sunspec information models
- 2. Development of an energy management system for DER based on IEC 61850



DERMS: Energy Management System for DER

#### Study of smart inverters with PHIL



National project under NEDO

Purpose of the experimental study in 2017 and 2018

- 1. Verification of smart inverter functions with an actual product
- 2. Evaluation of the simulation performance of PHIL



500kW 3 phases/3 wires PV-PCE

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## Study of scale downed testing environment



National project under METI

Purpose of the experimental study in 2019

- 1. Evaluation of applicability of scale downed testing environment
- 2. Standardization of requirements for the identification of scale downed PCE



- $\checkmark$  Test results of LVRT showed that two scale downed PCE were identical with the actual PCE
- ✓ Test results showed the applicability of the scale down for functional testing of power control



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#### Experimental study on information exchange in January 2021, in Japan





Experimental study on information exchange in January 2021, in Japan





In parallel with the study of information exchange:

 The prioritization of power control functions which were developed under NEDO project in 2017 and 2018 was verified by referring to IEEE 1547.1-2020.





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#### Monitoring Display for 2 PCE



# Thank you for your attention

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# A devil's advocate view on

# Synchronized Measurements for Modeling and Control of Inverter-Based Resources

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# **openVPP**

#### Synchronized Measurements / WAMS – what for?

#### European System Split of 2006-11-04





#### **Improved Situational Awareness**

European System Split of 2021-01-08





### Everywhere? – No.

- Why not?
- Synchronized Measurements (timestamped)
  - have higher cost
  - cause higher complexity
- Transmission Level
  - Benefit is clearly visible for large interconnections
  - Which density is sufficient for situation awareness?
- Distribution Level
  - What needs to be measured?
  - Observer approach with only a few measurement points



### **Cellular Approach for Distributed Energy Systems**

- Subsidiarity principle
- Self-regulation
- Local control as far as possible
- Emergence of resilient structures
- Communication via grid parameters
- Less is more:
- Avoiding the complexity trap
- VDE Study: The Cellular Approach, 2015
  - https://shop.vde.com/en/vde-study-the-cellular-approach



#### **European Grid Codes**

- Legal Documents: EU Network Codes (NC)
  - Requirements for Generators (RfG)
  - Demand Connection Code (DCC)
- CENELEC Standards: EN 50549 Series
  - Part 1: Low Voltage Generators
  - Part 2: Medium Voltage Generators
  - Part 10: Conformity Assessment
- Grid stability issues
  - Immunity: UVRT, OVRT, ROCOF, under-frequency
  - Local feedback: P(f) control, Q(U) control, P(U) allowed





## **Conflicting Interests: TSO vs DSO**

- Grid stabilizing features vs unintentional islanding
  - Mutual interests in stable and robust network operation
  - But: fear of unwanted electrical island by DSOs
  - Problem: False positive triggering of anti-island protection
- What is an island?
  - Land where water is expected
  - Voltage where no voltage is expected
- Solution for MV islands: voltage presence indicator
  - No automatic protection, but informed decision by DSO
  - 5 rules for electrical safety (cf EN 50110) avoid personal injury

Kerber, Kaestle, Oechsle: Strategies for Coping with Unintentional Islanding as a Result of Robust Grid Connection Rules for Distributed Generation, ETG-Kongress 2013, Berlin. https://www.researchgate.net/publication/263654529\_Strategies\_for\_Coping\_with\_Unintentional \_Islanding\_as\_a\_Result\_of\_Robust\_Grid\_Connection\_Rules\_for\_Distributed\_Generation

#### **Net Power Generating Capacity in Germany**



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Synchronized Measurements

# *openVPP*

## **Redispatch as Application?**

- Renewables are deployed not only next to load centers
- Expansion of transmission networks has a time constant of ca. 20 years
- Balancing network expansion vs deployment of flexibility options
- Role of synchronised measurements?
   None.
- But may be needed to identify oscillations at regional level.



Synchronized Measurements



#### **Further Future Topics**

- Grid-forming inverters
  - Rotating voltage vector
  - Current follows the phase difference between grid and generator
  - Emulation of inertia
- Network control strategies based on nodal voltage angle control
  - Possible without a central time standard
- Damping issues
  - Dissipating characteristics dissapear



Would you like to know more?

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# NERC

# Toward a World of Inverter-Based Resources

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#### **RELIABILITY | RESILIENCE | SECURITY**







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#### **NERC Disturbance Reports and Alerts**





#### Overall SCADA Data – Wide-Area "What Happened"





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#### **RELIABILITY | RESILIENCE | SECURITY**





Figure B.16: Plant Active and Reactive Power Output

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#### **Plant SCADA Data – Tripping**



Figure B.14: Plant Active and Reactive Power Output

## Root Cause Analysis POI Oscillography Data to the Rescue





#### Figure B.13: Current Injection at Time of Trip



### **Root Cause Analysis Walkthrough**



Figure B.13: Current Injection at Time of Trip

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## **Improved Yet Lacking Data**

- Plant SCADA no more than 1 second resolution
- Plant PMU measurements at POI
- Plant DFR measurements at POI
- Inverter SER logging trip and controls
- Inverter oscillography from some inverters





#### Make these interconnection requirements!



# **Questions and Answers**



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