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# **Influence of HVDC control on the transient stability of synchronous machine**

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- 2. SWEEPING TOOLBOX FOR TRANSIENT STABILITY ANALYSES**
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# Study background



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## Network evolution

### **THE SHARE OF PED\* IS INCREASING IN THE NETWORK**

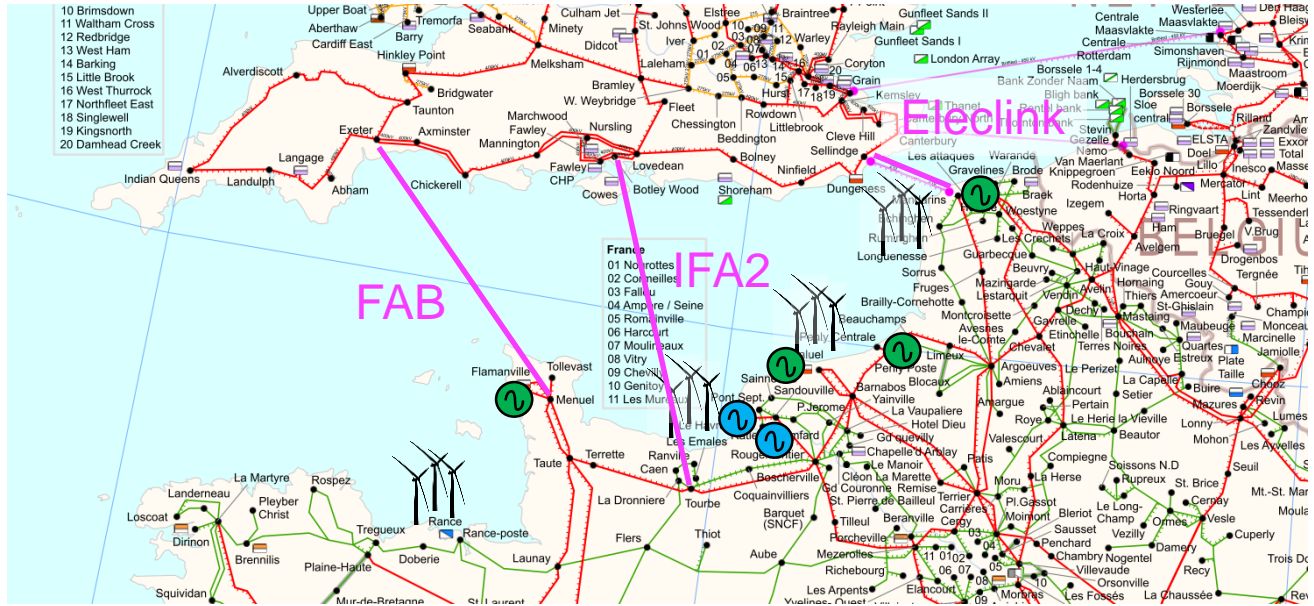
- More and more HVDC interconnections
- Increase of PE based renewable energy (Wind + Solar)
- Storage

### **PEDS AFFECT THE BEHAVIOUR OF THE POWER SYSTEM DURING TRANSIENT.**

### **WHAT IS THE IMPACT ON SYNCHRONOUS MACHINE?**

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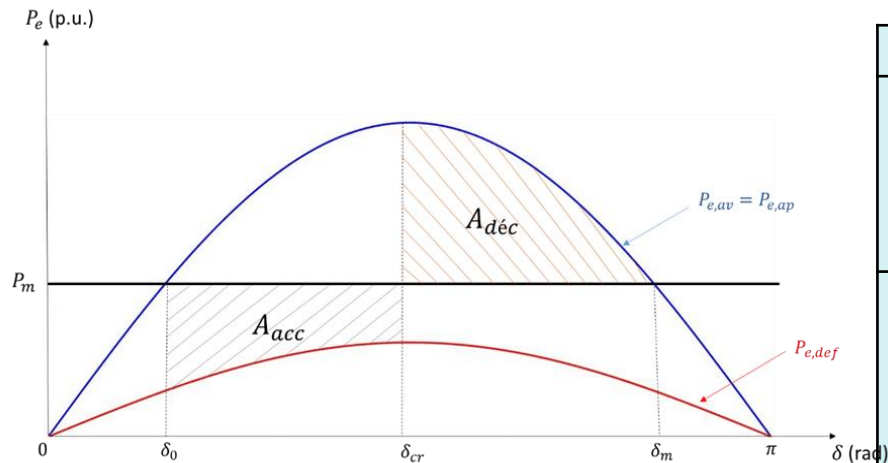
## North of France – Power System is moving



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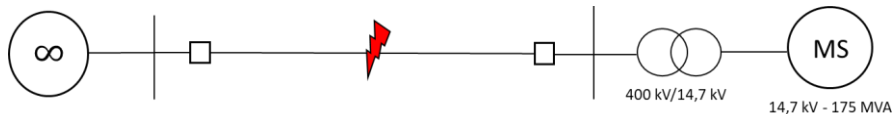
## Determination of $\delta_{cr}$

### ➤ Illustration of the area theory



### ➤ The critical clearing time = stability limit

- $A_{acc} = A_{dec}$
- $\delta_m = \pi - \delta_0$

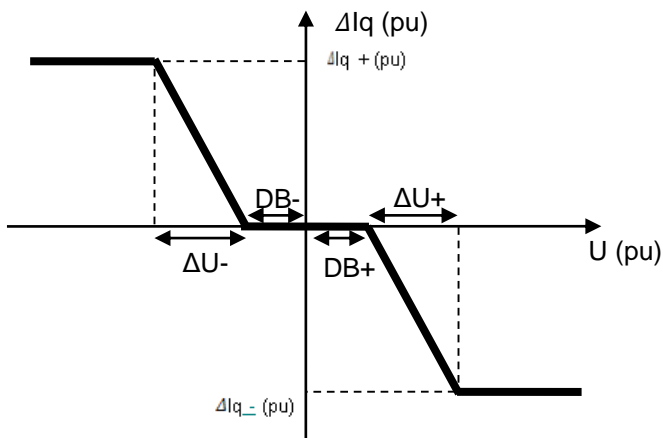


$P_m$	Mechanical power of the turbine (p.u.), before the fault
$P_{e,def}$	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Electrical power (p.u.) during the fault</li> <li>▪ <math>P_{e,def} = \frac{3 E'   V_{bus\ eq\ def} }{ Z_{eq,def} } \sin\delta</math></li> </ul>
$P_{e,ap}$	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Electrical power after the fault (p.u.) after the fault clearance</li> <li>▪ <math>P_{e,ap} = \frac{3 E'   V_{bus\ eq\ ap} }{ Z_{eq,ap} } \sin\delta</math></li> </ul>
$A_{acc}$	Speed up Area
$A_{dec}$	Speed down Area
$\delta_0$	Angle of the SM before the fault
$\delta_m$	Maximal angle at the fault clearance

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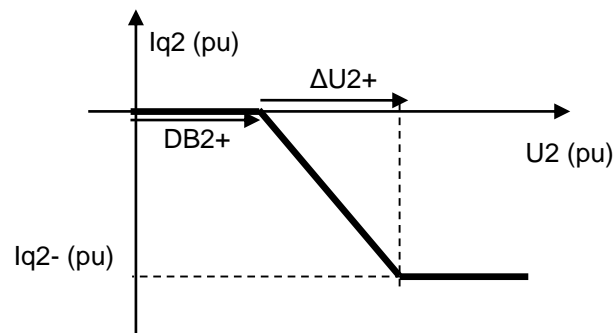
## Grid Code: FRT control functions

### Positive sequence current



- Positive sequence reactive current is injected to support the positive sequence voltage

### Negative sequence current



- Negative sequence current is injected to reduce negative sequence voltage



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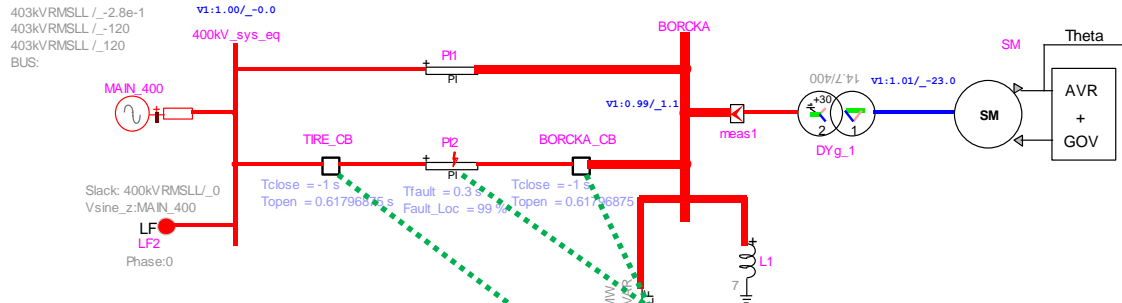
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## Illustration with the EMTP example

- Example 1: find the critical clearing time for a simple case



- Synchronous machine
  - 14.7 kV
  - 175 MVA
  - AVR + Governor
- 2 overhead lines in parallel (0.19 H / 3.75Ω )
- Load (100 MW 50 Mvar)
- Reactor (7 H)
- Network equivalent (25 GVA)

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tfault = oGlobalData.Tfault; //s
Fault_duration = oGlobalData.Fault_duration //s
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D=oGlobalData.Fault_Loc // fault location in %
Tfault = oGlobalData.Tfault // Fault instant
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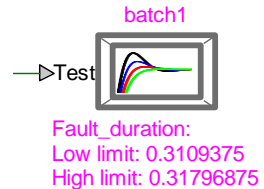
## Configuration of the sweeping parameter mask

Name of the global variable to be updated (fault duration)

Choose Bisection as optimisation method

Define limits  
 Low limit: SM is stable  
 High limit: SM is unstable

Convergence criterion

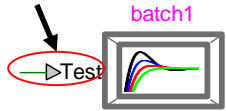




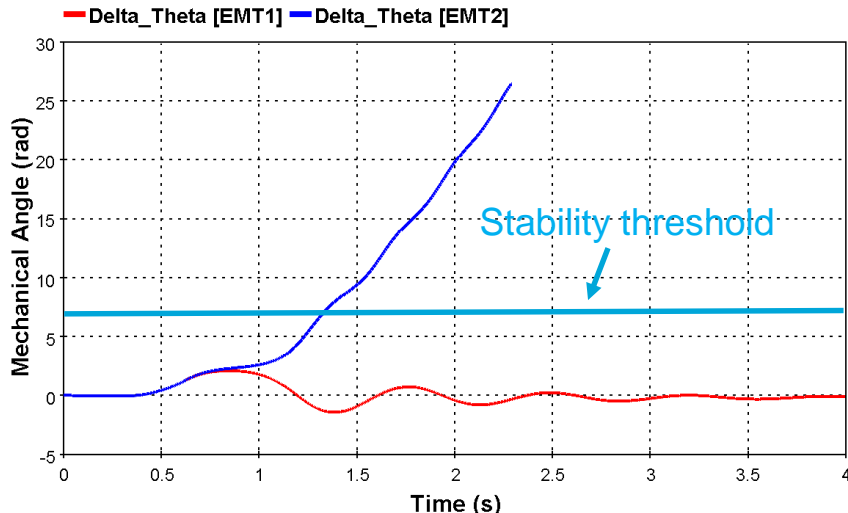
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Stability criteria (Binary)

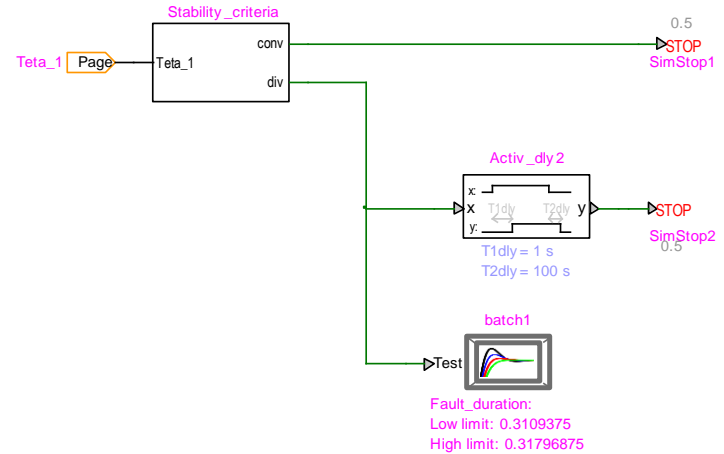
## Find stability criteria



Normalized mechanical angle of the turbine-generator set (rotor shaft vs stator)



$2\pi$

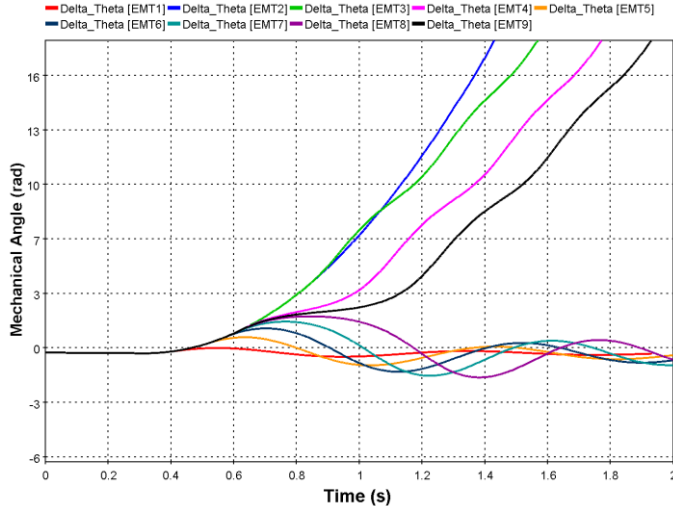




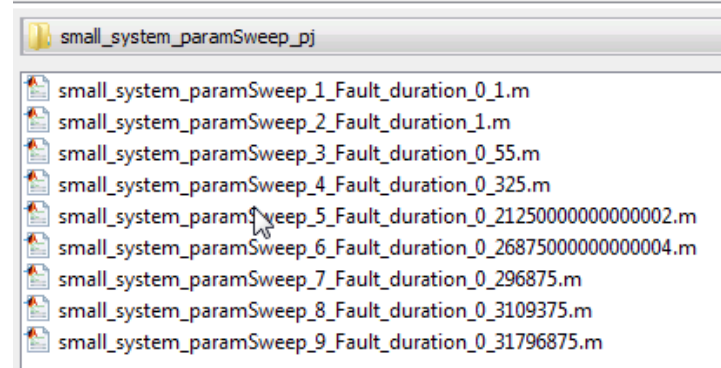
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## Simulation results

Fault duration  
Low limit : 0.1 s  
High limit : 1 s

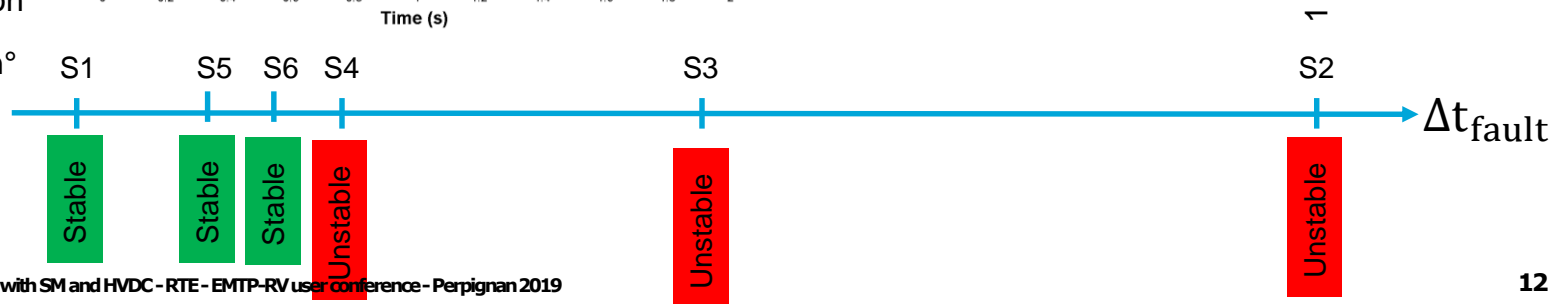


2π



Fault duration

Simulation n°





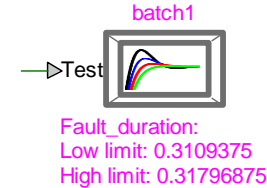
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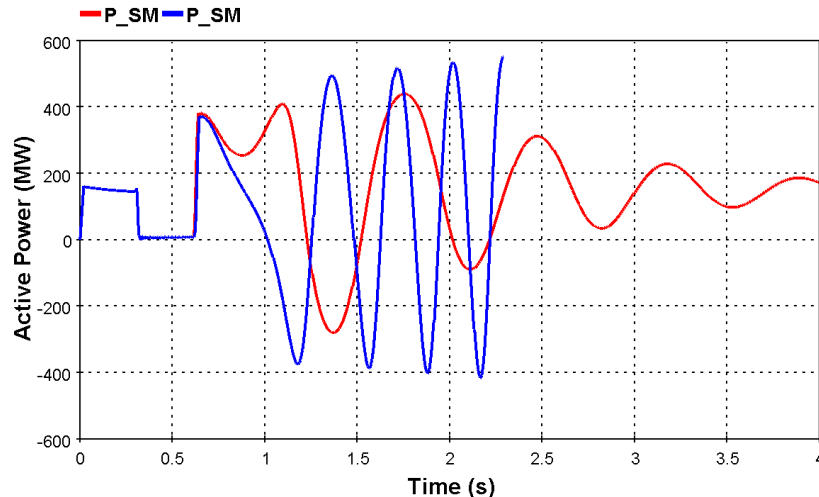
*Fault duration*

*Low limit : 0.3109375 s*

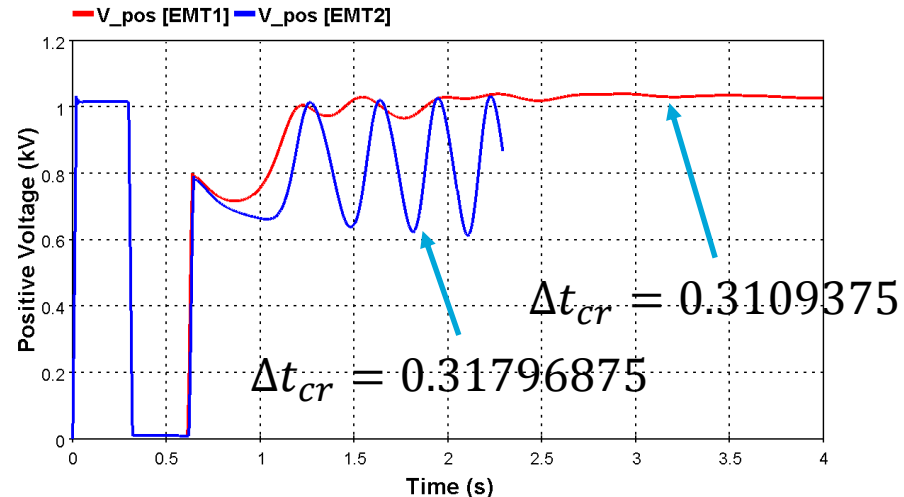
*High limit : 0,31796875 s*



### SM active power

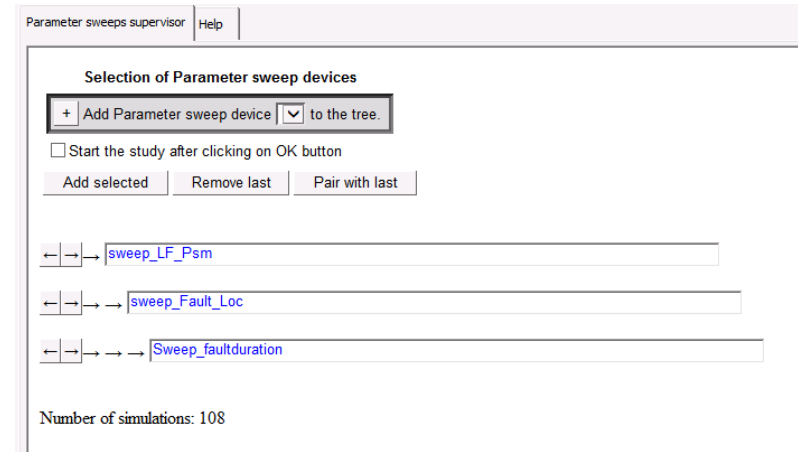
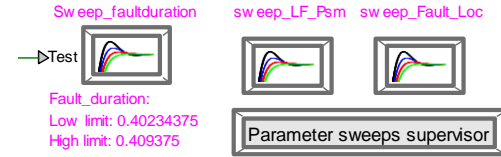
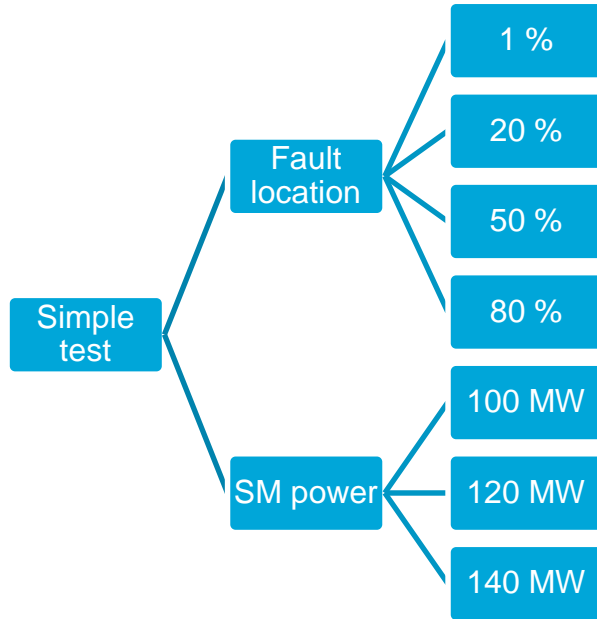


### Substation positive voltage



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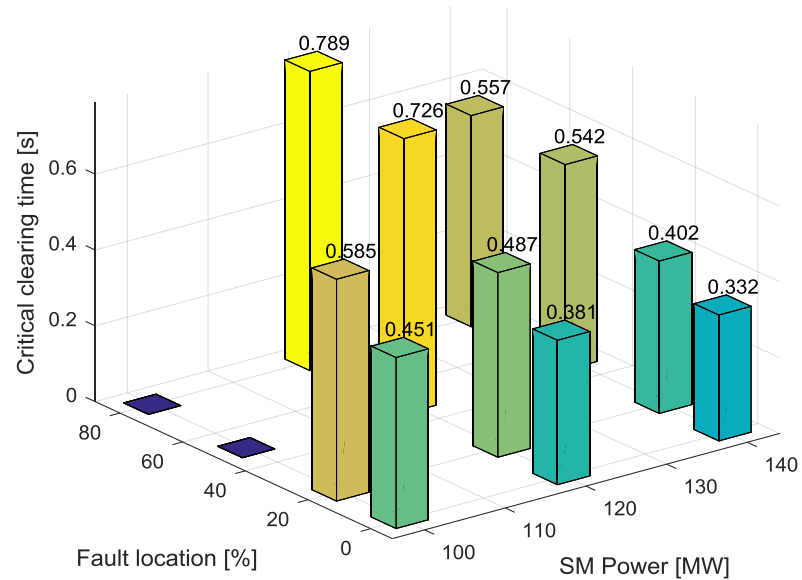
## Parametric case



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## Parametric case

LF_P [MW]	Fault Loc [%]	Critical clearing time [s]
100	1	0.452
100	20	0.585
100	50	0.726
100	80	0.789
120	1	0.381
120	20	0.487
120	50	0.451
120	80	0.542
140	1	0.332
140	20	0.402
140	50	0.543
140	80	0.557





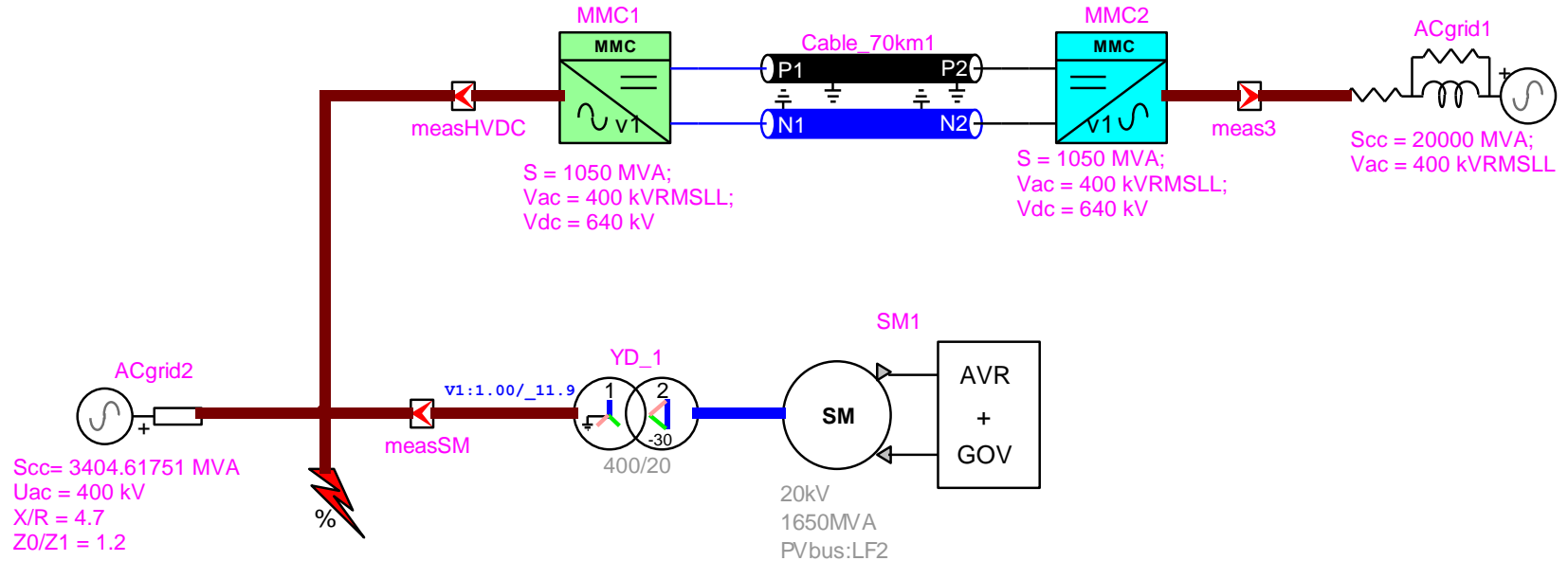
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# Study on a benchmark for transient stability with HVDC



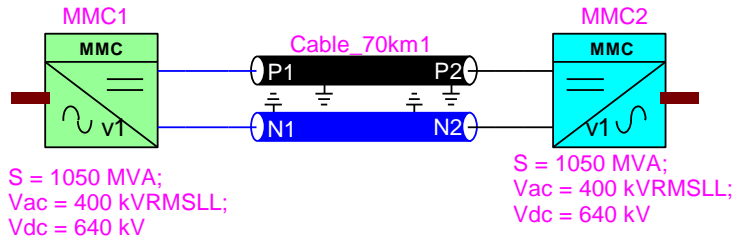
# Benchmark for transient stability with HVDC

## Benchmark description - EMTP



# Benchmark for transient stability with HVDC

## HVDC Link



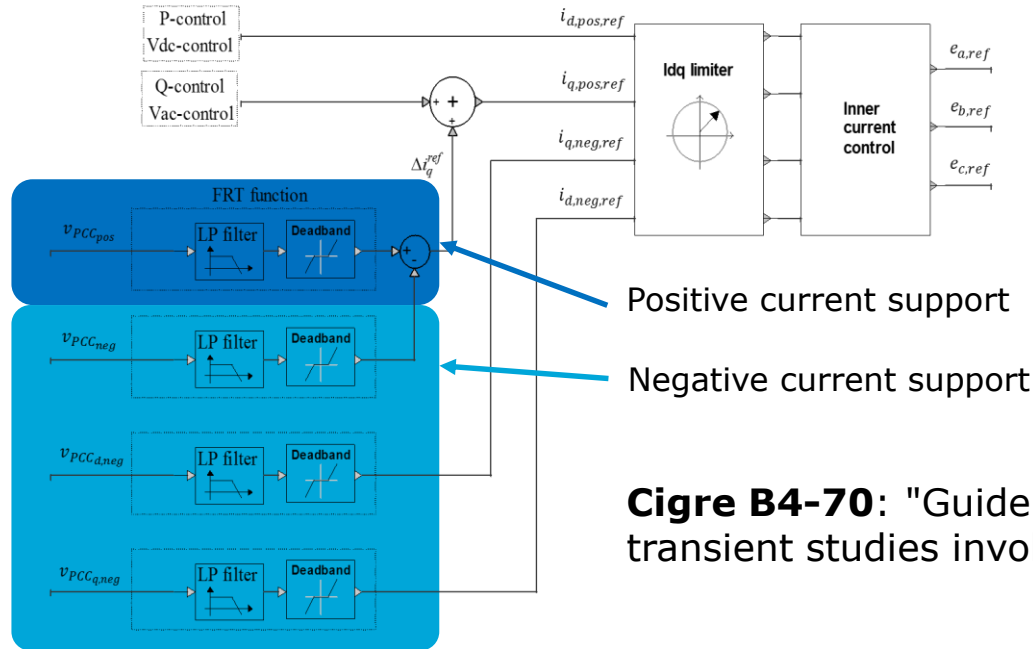
MMC characteristics	
Converter type	MMC / symmetrical monopolar
Rated power	1050 MVA
AC voltage	400 kV
Frequency	50 Hz
Converter bus voltage	320 kV
DC voltage	$\pm 320 \text{ kV}$
Number of SM	400

MMC characteristics	
Transformer leakage reactor	0.18 pu
Arm reactor	0.15 pu
SM energy	33 kJ/MVA

**Cigre TB604: "Guide for the Development of Models for HVDC Converters in a HVDC Grid", 2014**

# Benchmark for transient stability with HVDC

## HVDC Link – reactive current support



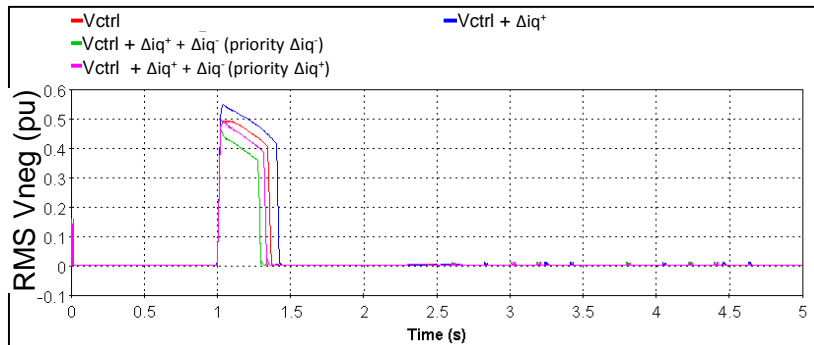
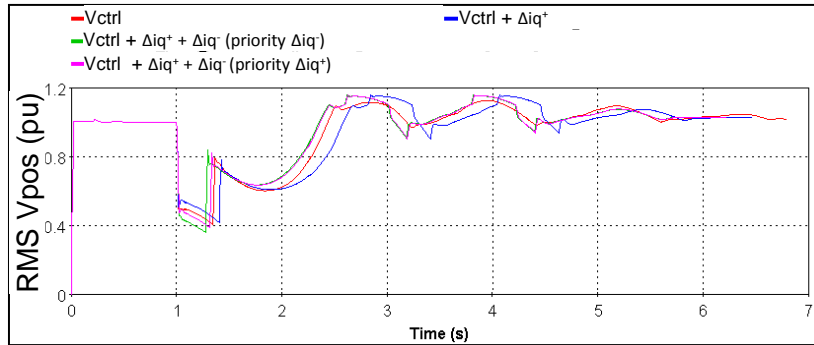
**Cigre B4-70:** "Guide for electromagnetic transient studies involving VSC converters"

[1] S. Beckler et al "On Dynamic Performance Analysis for MMC-HVDC Systems during AC faults", Cigre symposium, Aalborg, 2019

# Benchmark for transient stability with HVDC

## Phase to phase faults

### Voltage at the HVDC point of common coupling



Fault type	Remaining voltage (%)	Control	Critical clearing time (s)
2-phase	0%	Vctrl	0.346 s
		<b>Vctrl + Δiq<sup>+</sup></b>	<b>0.402s</b>
		Vctrl + Δiq <sup>+</sup> + Δiq <sup>-</sup> (priority Δiq <sup>-</sup> )	0.275 s
	10%	Vctrl + Δiq <sup>+</sup> + Δiq <sup>-</sup> (priority Δiq <sup>+</sup> )	0.312 s
		Vctrl	0.402 s
		<b>Vctrl + Δiq<sup>+</sup></b>	<b>0.487 s</b>
	20%	Vctrl + Δiq <sup>+</sup> + Δiq <sup>-</sup> (priority Δiq <sup>-</sup> )	0.346 s
		Vctrl + Δiq <sup>+</sup> + Δiq <sup>-</sup> (priority Δiq <sup>+</sup> )	0.393 s
		Vctrl	0.493 s
		<b>Vctrl + Δiq<sup>+</sup></b>	<b>0.606 s</b>
		Vctrl + Δiq <sup>+</sup> + Δiq <sup>-</sup> (priority Δiq <sup>-</sup> )	0.451 s
		Vctrl + Δiq <sup>+</sup> + Δiq <sup>-</sup> (priority Δiq <sup>+</sup> )	0.493 s

➤ For unbalanced fault, injection of negative reactive current deteriorate slightly the transient stability

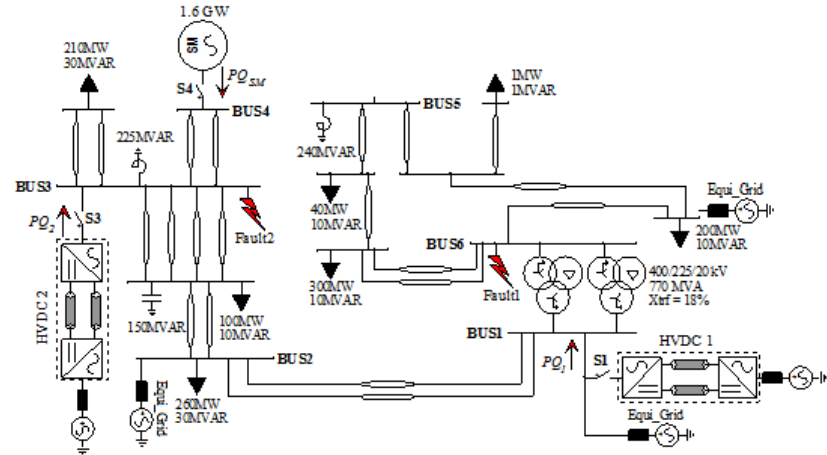


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# Study on the northern France Network

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**Objective: "Evaluate the impact of HVDC project on existing power plant stability"**



## EMTP Model:

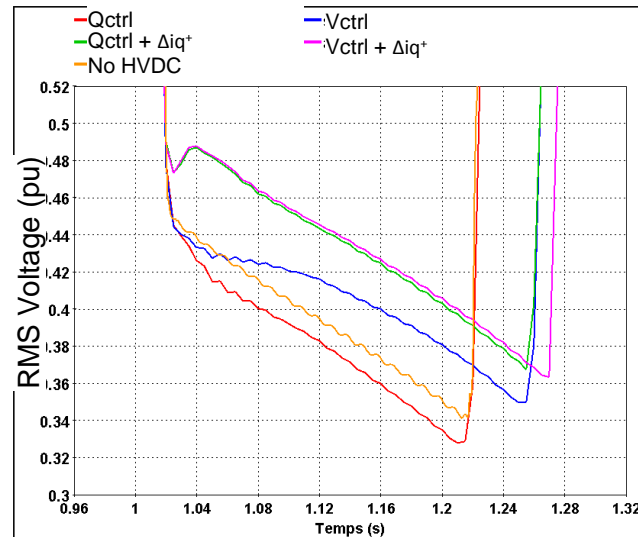
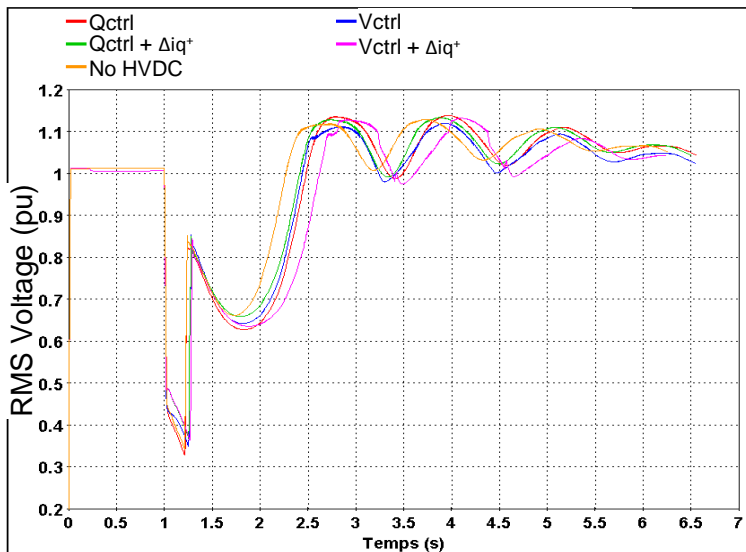
- One part of the 400 et 225 kV are modelled
- 4 Thevenin equivalent represent the rest of the network.
- The HVDC is connected at different locations according to the current projects
- The HVDC inject the maximum power into the AC grid
- Faults is simulated at different substation or line with protection relay activation

[2] H. Saad et al, "AC Fault dynamic studies of islanded grid INCLUDING HVDC links operating in VF-control", IET ACDC, Coventry, 2019

# Study on the Northern France network

3-phase fault

## Voltage at the HVDC point of common coupling



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3-phase fault

HVDC	reactive current support	Reactive controller of the HVDC	Critical clearing time
No HVDC	-	-	0.21 s
With HVDC	NO	Q control	0.212 s
		Vac control	0.25 s
	YES	Q control	0.256 s
		Vac control	0.269 s

➤ For balanced fault, injection of positive reactive current improve slightly the stability





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# CONCLUSIONS



# Conclusions

## **Transient stability studies with HVDC and Synchronous Machines**

- Realistic synchronous machine data and control
- Accurate modelling in EMT tool
- Detail MMC-HVDC with sequence control
- Investigation on the different FRT strategy and parameters

## **Preliminary results**

- VSC-HVDC does not deteriorate the transient stability of SMs
- Positive reactive current support improve slightly the transient stability
- Negative current support might slightly degrade the transient stability

## **Perspectives**

- Analyse the impact of temporary valve blocking



**Thanks for your attention**



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