



Early Warning and Prevention of System Stability Problems

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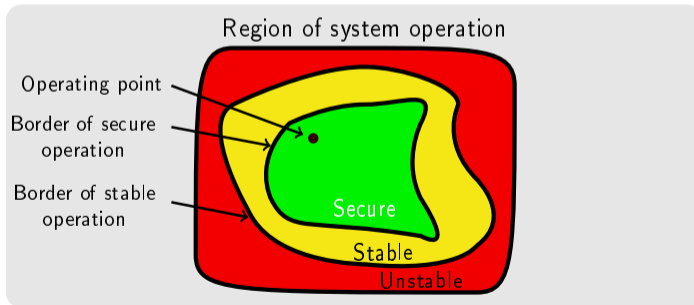
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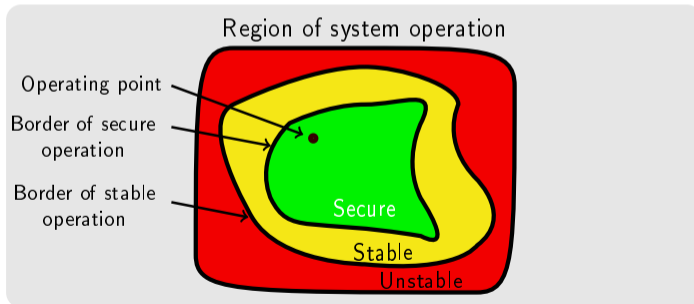
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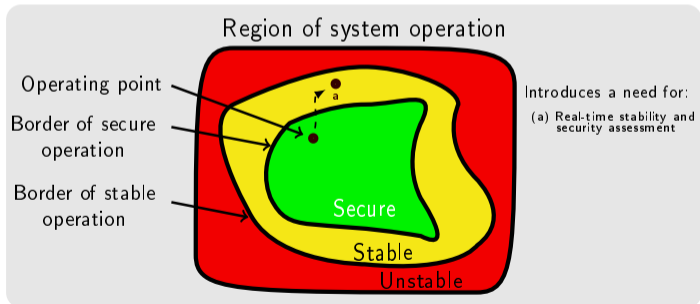


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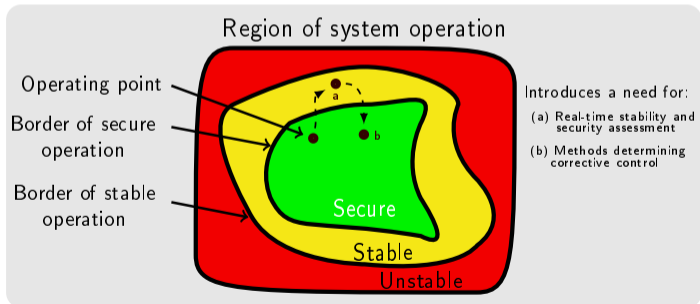
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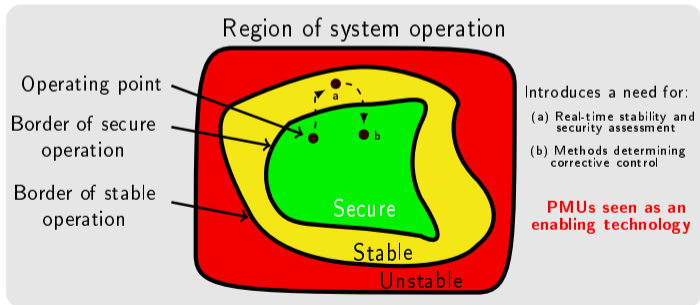


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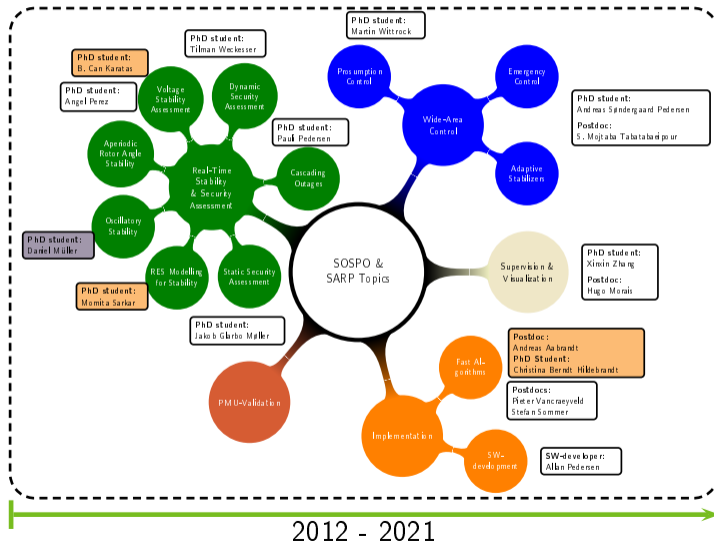
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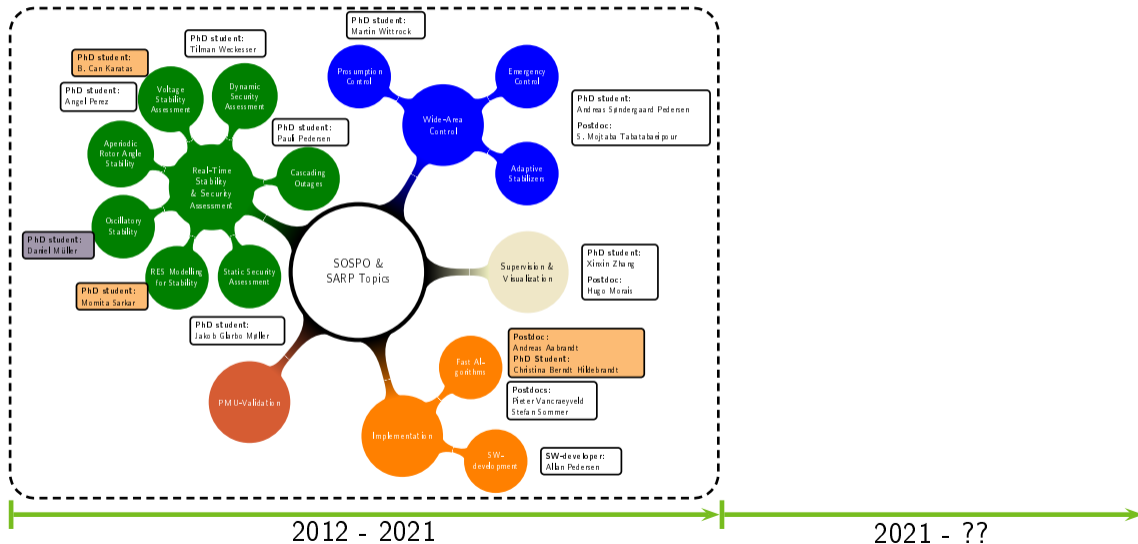
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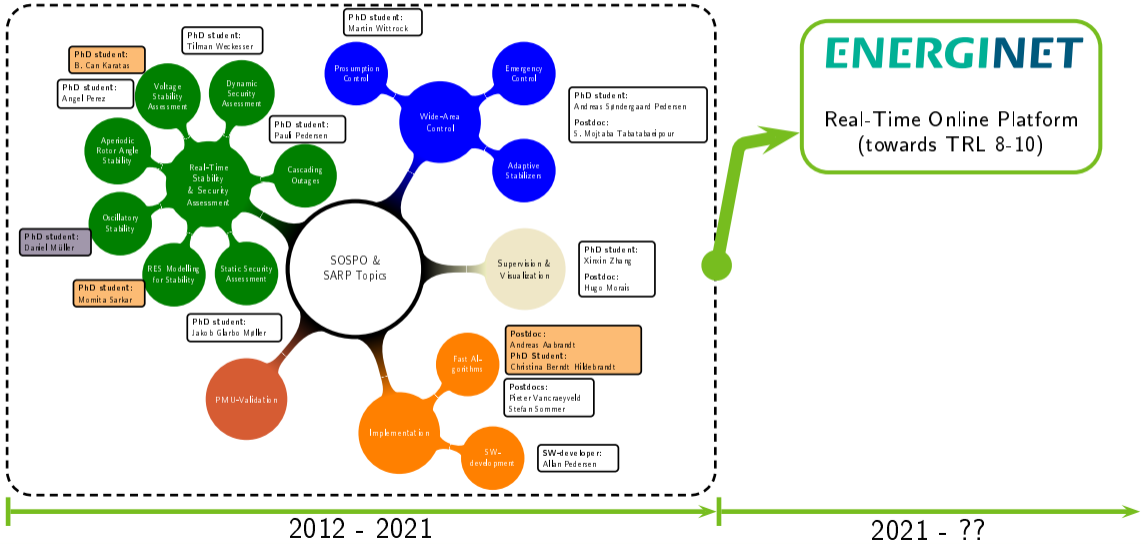
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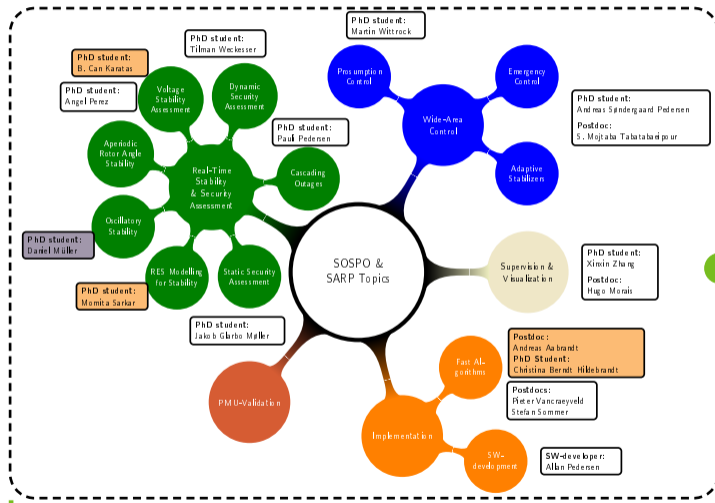
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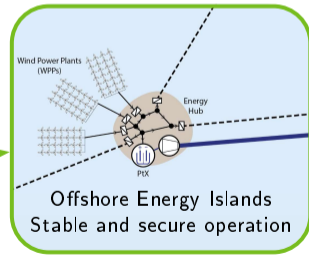
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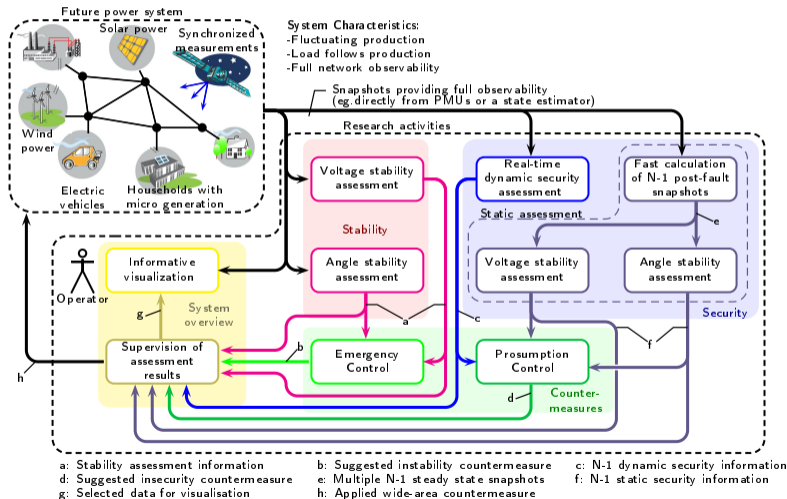
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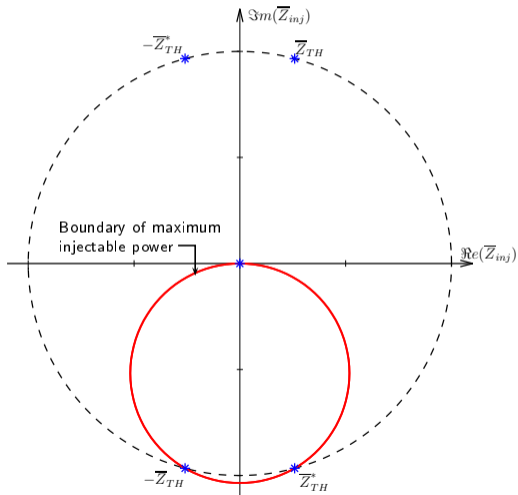
Early Warning & Early Prevention System

Envisioned approach for secure and stable operation of high RES systems



The ASSRAS Assessment Method - Early Warning

Assessment of Aperiodic Small Signal Stability: Stability Boundary



Boundary:

$$\bar{Z}_{inj} = -\frac{Z_{th} \sin \theta}{\sin \phi_{th}}$$

The ASSRAS Assessment Method: Assessment Criteria

Assessment of Aperiodic Small Signal Stability

Assessment Criteria:

$$\left| \frac{\bar{Z}_{inj} \cdot (2 \sin \phi_{th}) + j \cdot Z_{th}}{Z_{th}} \right| \begin{cases} > 1 & \text{Stable operation} \\ = 1 & \text{On the stability boundary} \\ < 1 & \text{Unstable operation} \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

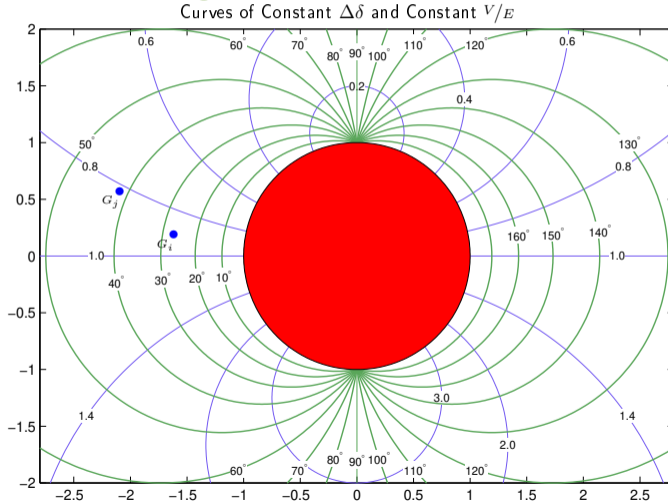
Outline of Aperiodic Small Signal Stability Assessment:

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foreach System PMU-Snapshot do
  | foreach Generator  $j = 1 : K$  do
  | | Determine the injection impedance  $\bar{Z}_{inj,j}$  seen from  $G_j$ ;
  | | Determine the Thevenin impedance  $\bar{Z}_{th,j}$  seen from  $G_j$ ;
  | | Apply (1) to assess the generator aperiodic small signal stability;
  | end
end
  
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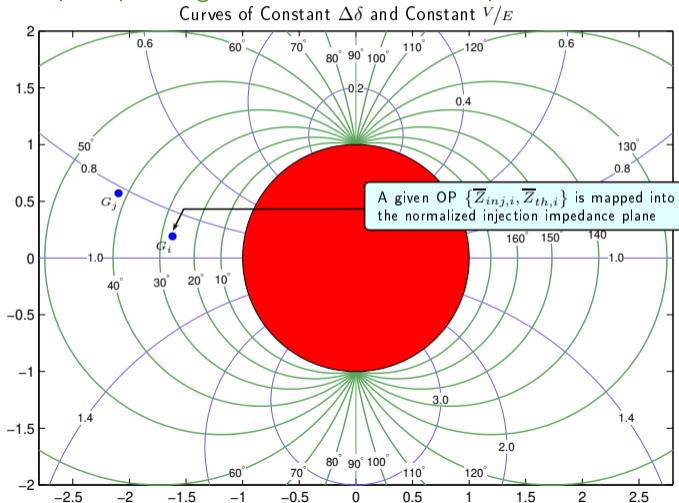
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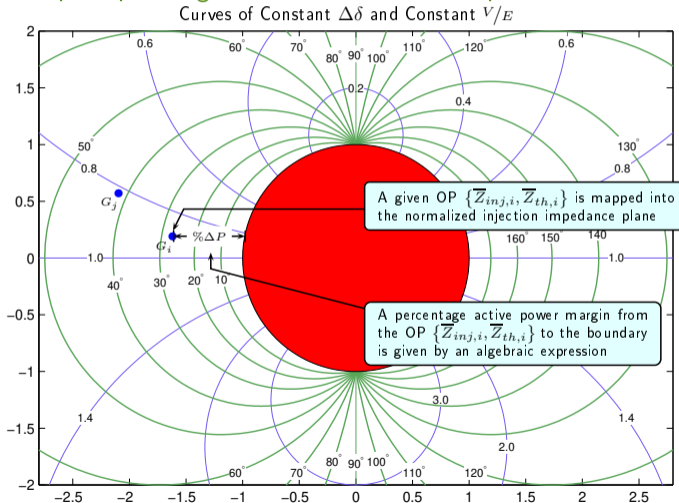
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Early Warning for the 2003 DK-SW Blackout

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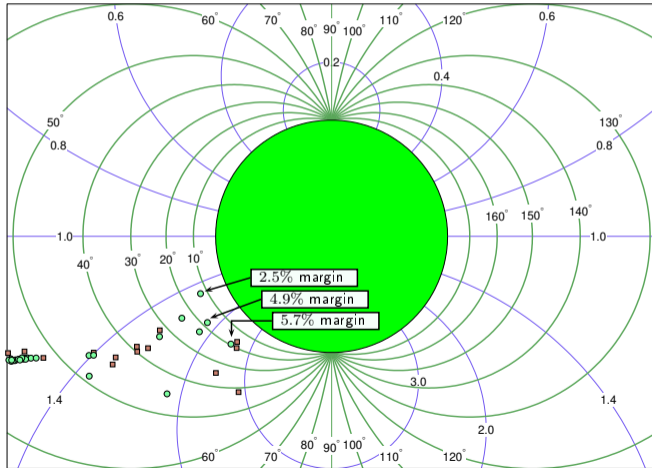
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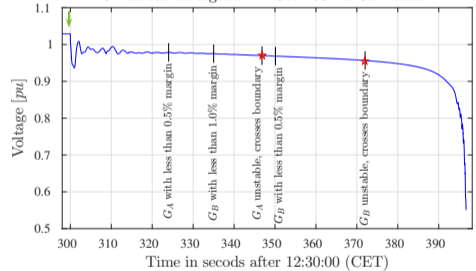
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Snapshot I at $t=298.65$ s

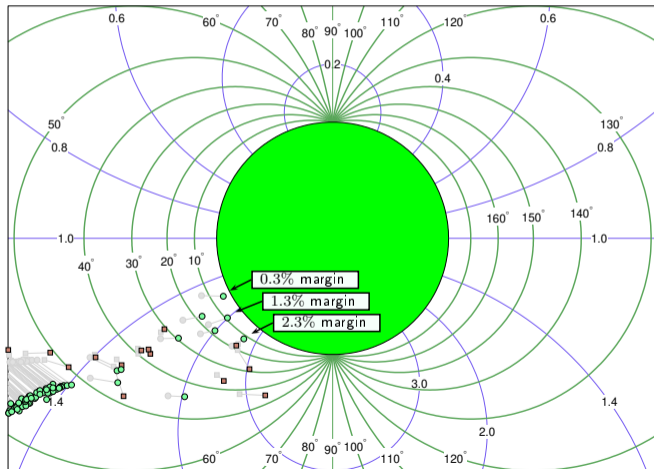


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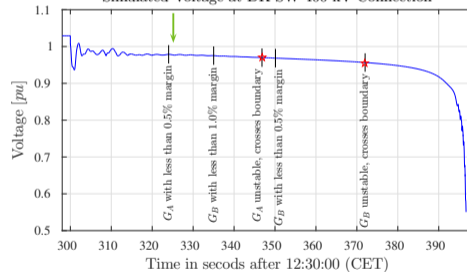


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Snapshot II at $t=324.78$ s

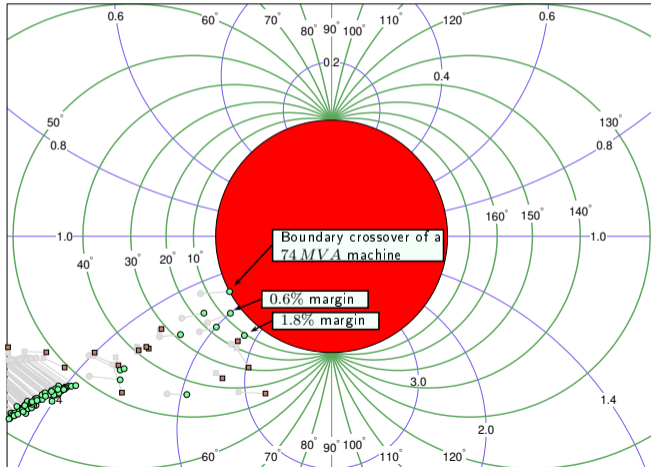


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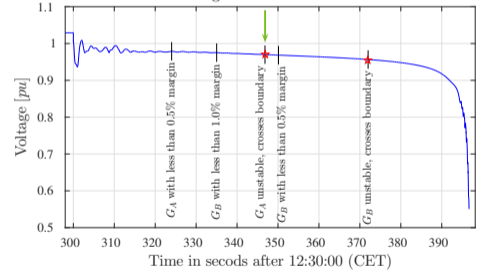


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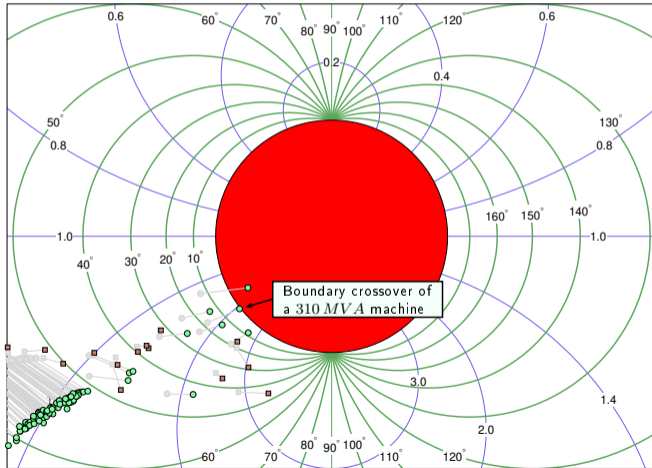


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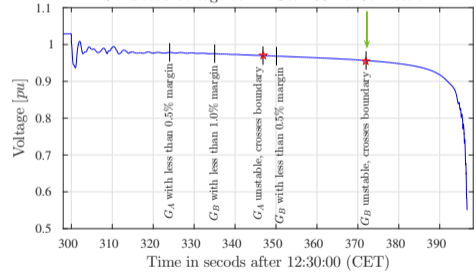


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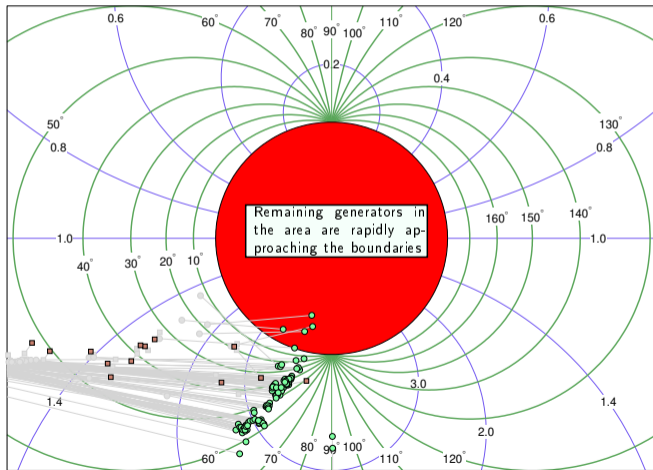


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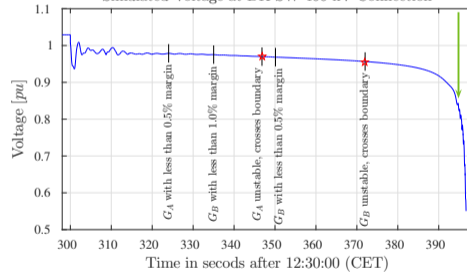


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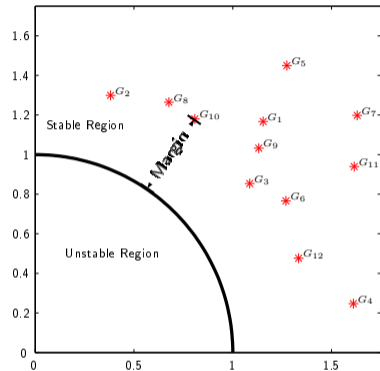
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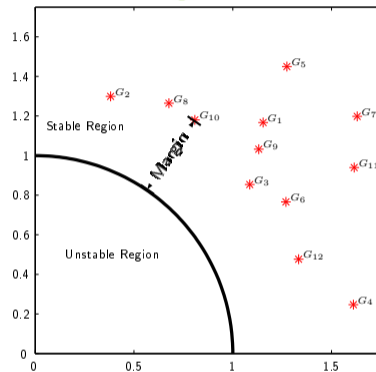
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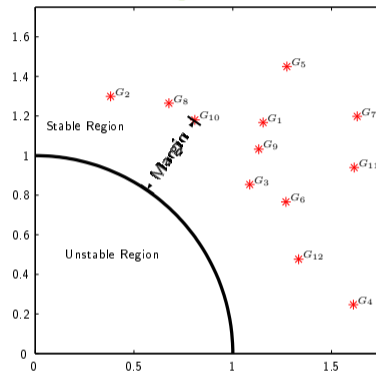
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- ASSRAS: margin to maximum injectable active power
 - obvious countermeasure to reduce generator's active power output

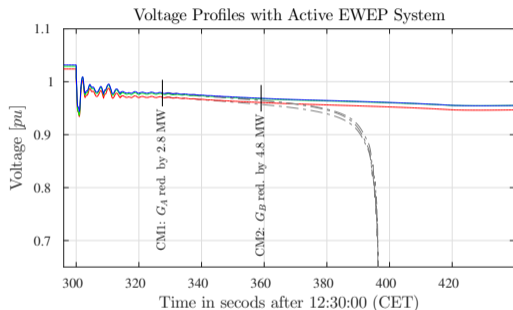


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(Play Video)

Test Case: 2003 Blackout in E-DK and S-SW

Summary of results - effect on voltages and messages issued by the EWEP system



322s	EW: Margin for G_A below 0.5%
327s	EW: G_A below trigger margin
327s	EP: G_A reduced by 2.8 MW, G_C increased by 2.8 MW
335s	EW: Margin for G_B below 1.0%
351s	EW: Margin for G_B below 0.5%
358s	EW: G_B below trigger margin
358s	EP: G_B reduced by 4.8 MW, G_D increased by 4.8 MW

Figure: System response with activated EWEP system. Two countermeasures are applied which stabilize the system. The grey dashed lines represent the original system response leading to instability.

Table: Early warning (EW) messages and early prevention (EP) countermeasures issued by the EWEP system

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- Extremely fast assessment due to algebraically derived criteria and effective algorithms
 - Assesses 1325 generators in ≈ 10.000 bus system in less than $2ms$
- provides proximity to, location and the nature of the emerging instability

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- Determines necessary remedial actions against ASSRAS instability (voltage collapse)
 - Very fast identification - purely algebraic approach
 - Introduction of a minimum security margin
 - Stability restoration through power generation re-dispatch

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