

I'll have a battery system, please!



About integrating battery systems: Sizing, ROI, AC vs DC and Power Quality

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'Wie nu een thuisbatterij koopt, komt niet uit de kosten'

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Lucas van Cappellen: "Het huidige beleid staat de thuisbatterij in de weg." (foto: NPF Photography)

Why a battery?

- Expensive
 - Battery cost
 - Converter cost
 - Integration cost
- Relatively big
- Electrical losses
- Dead within 2 years

Introduction

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- Modelling/Simulation
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7. Filter design & power quality
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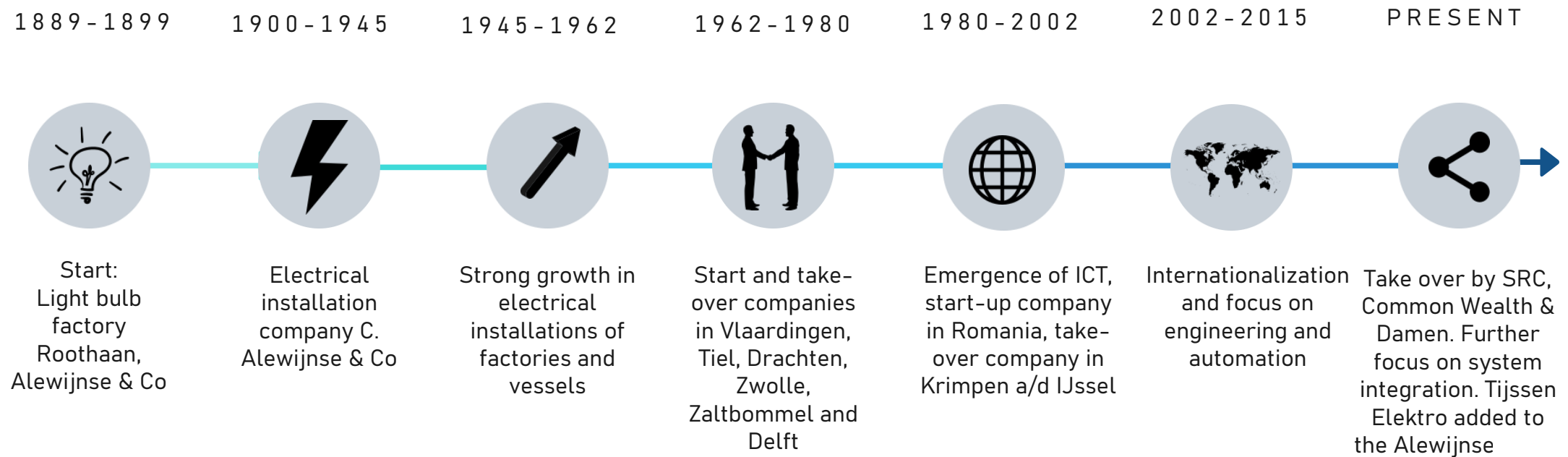


Alewijnse

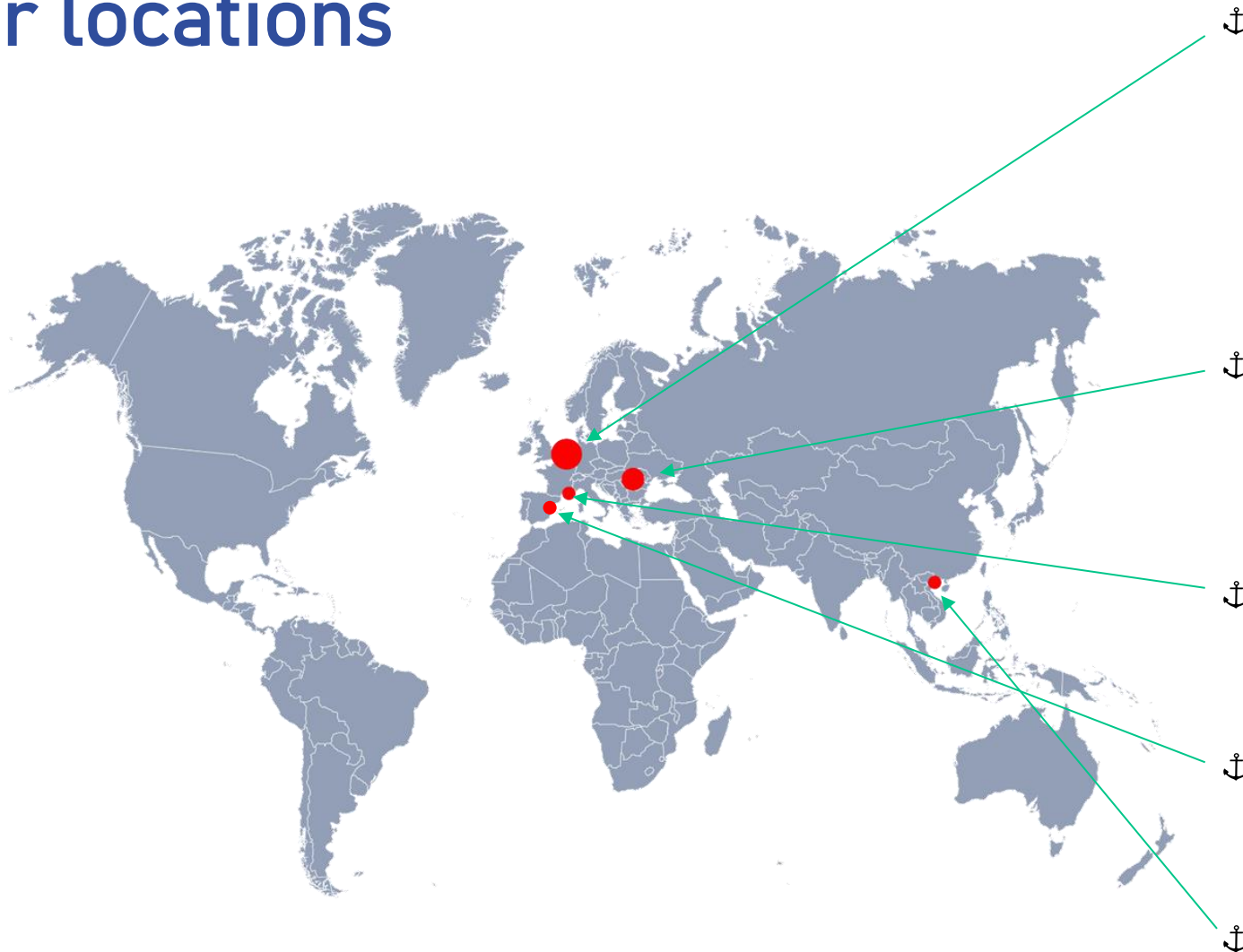
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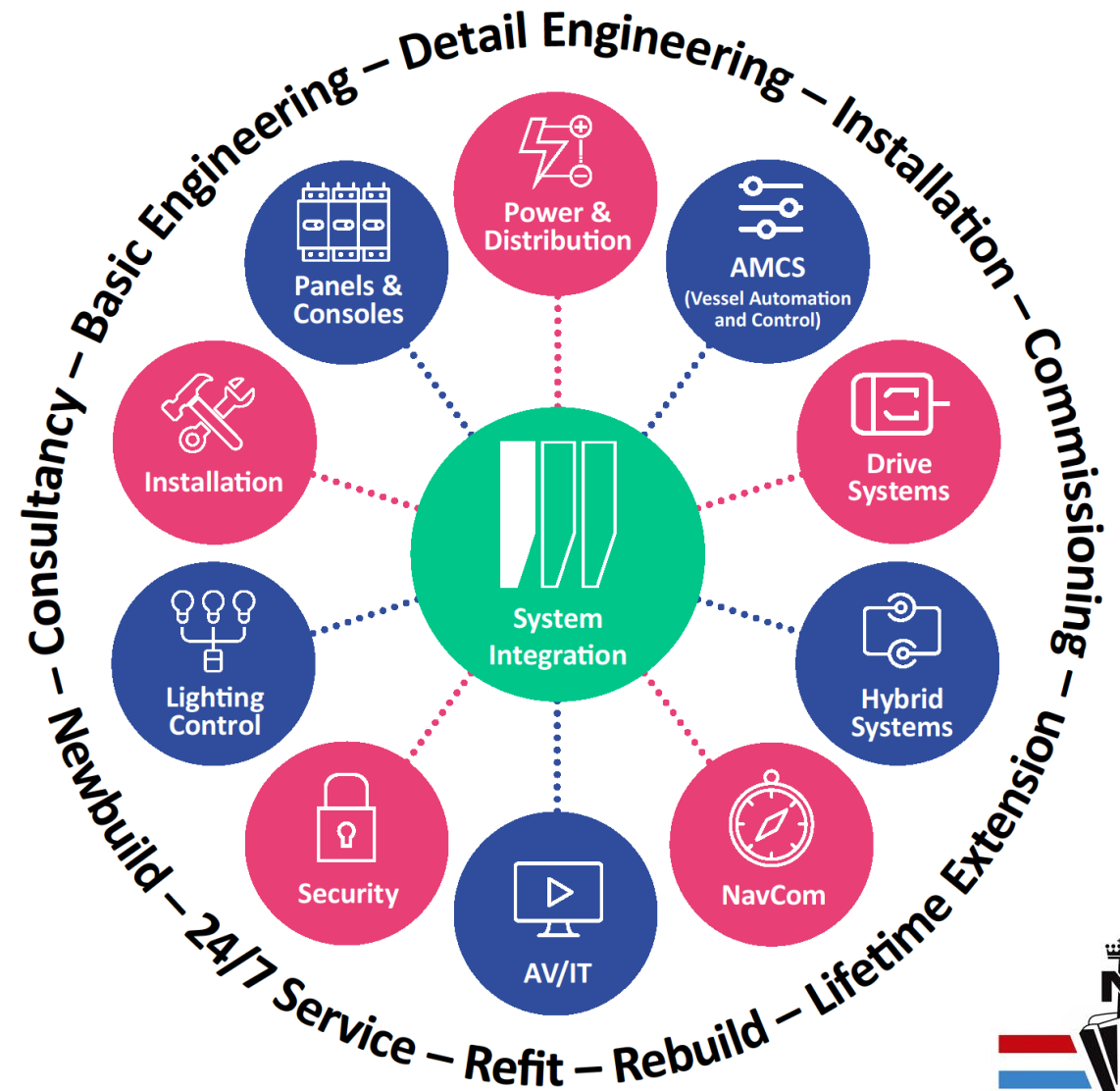
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 A study on Power Quality, Short-Circuit Currents and Protection & Coordination
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Energy Efficient Operation of Vessels
 Analysis of Potential Hybrid Solutions with Li-Ion Battery System
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Hardware-In-Loop (HIL) platform for Electric Hybrid Power System Testbeds in the Maritime Industry
 A Real Time Simulation Study of the Proposed Marine Hybrid Ship
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Let's do the math

- Battery price €500,-/kWh
- Converter cost
- Integration/EMS cost
- Losses
- Limited lifetime

200kWh battery:	€100.000
400kW converter:	€150.000
	= €250.000

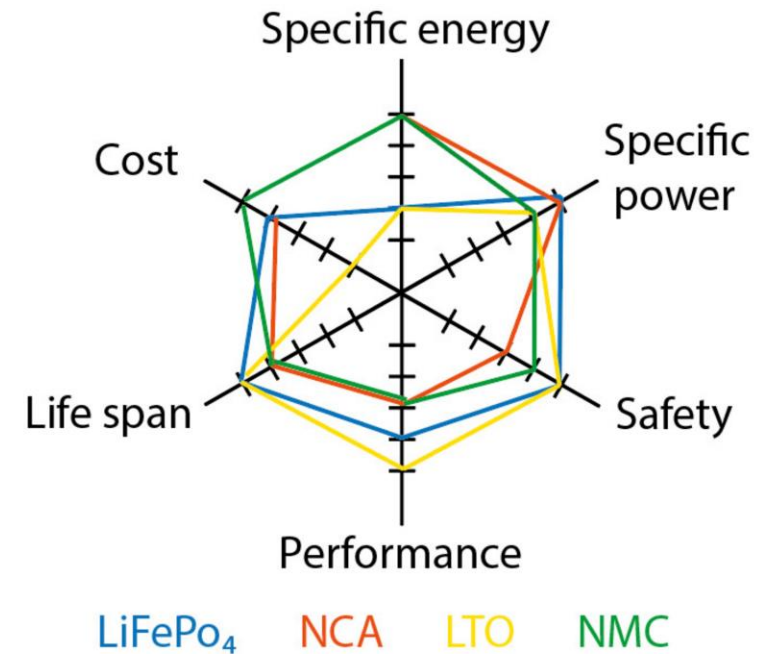
Fuel price:	€750/mt
Fuel amount:	333mt
Fuel price:	€500/mt
Fuel amount:	500mt

Battery specifications

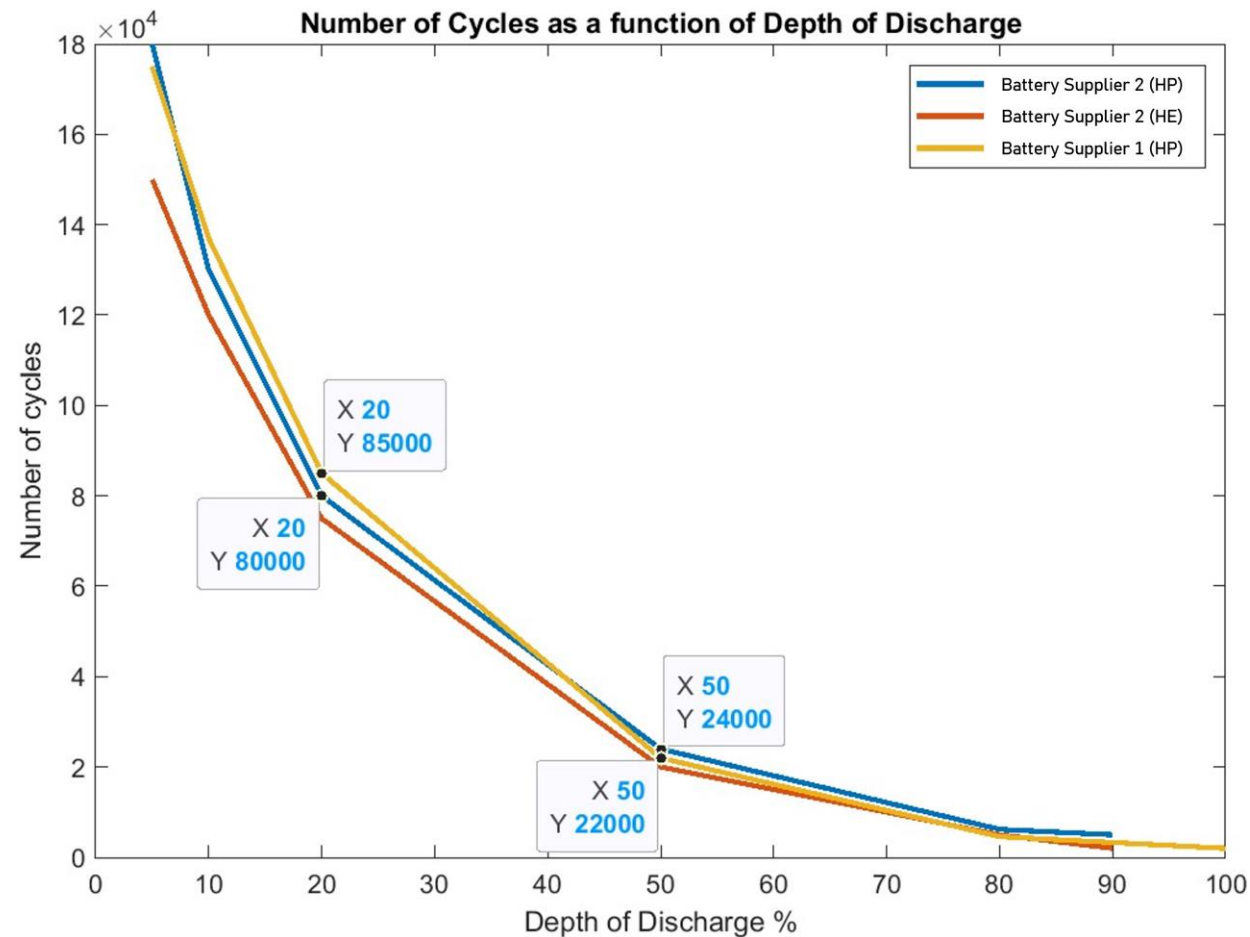
- High power
- High energy
- Chemistry
- Ageing

$$\text{C-rate} = \frac{\text{power (kW)}}{\text{energy (kWh)}}$$

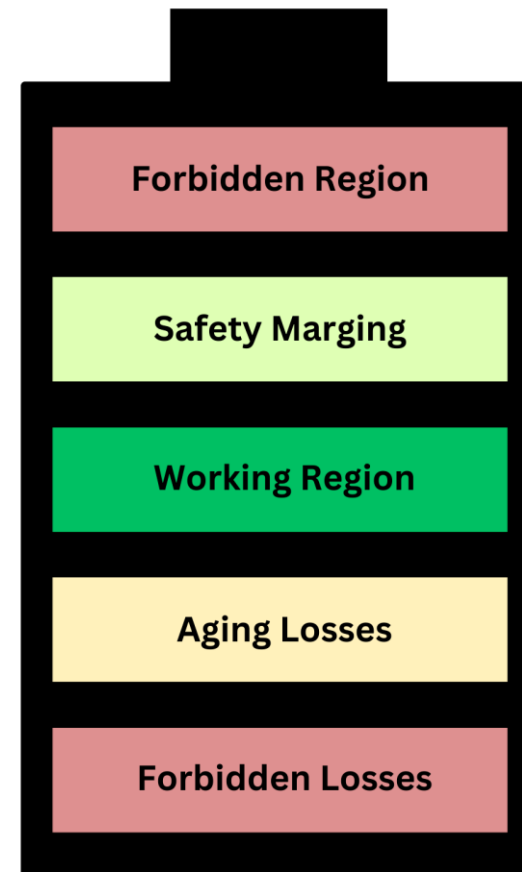
C-rate < 0,8: high energy
C-rate > 0,8: high power



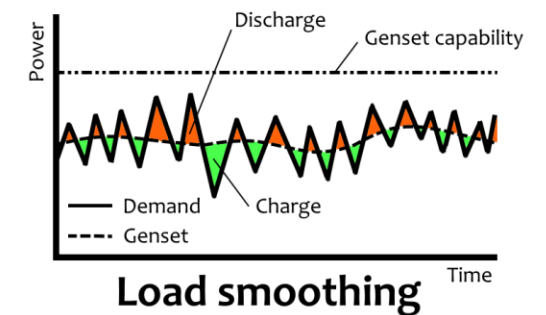
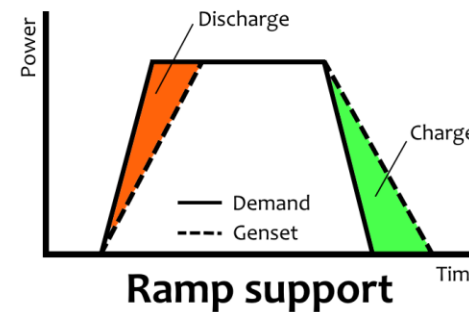
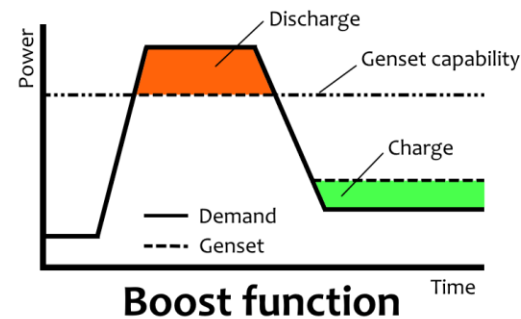
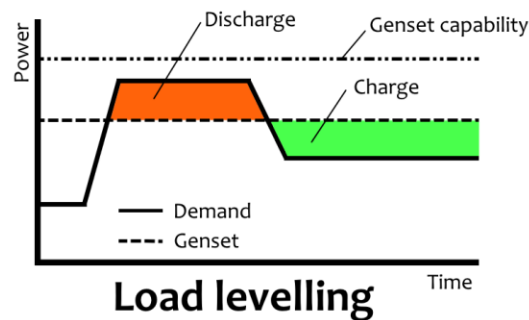
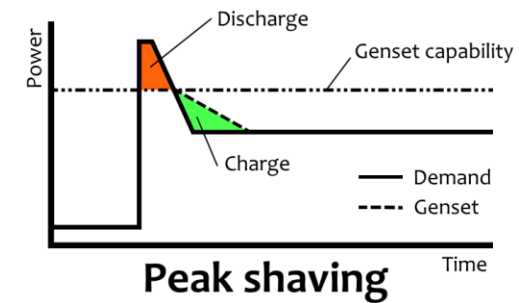
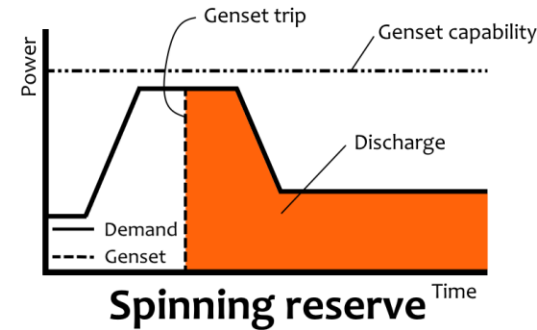
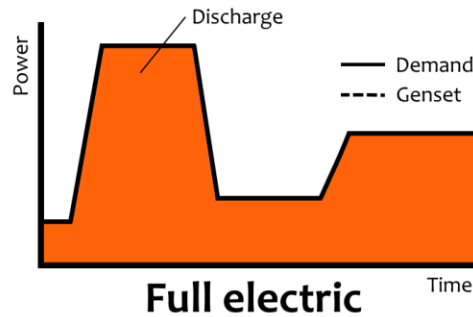
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How do you use the battery?



Operational profile

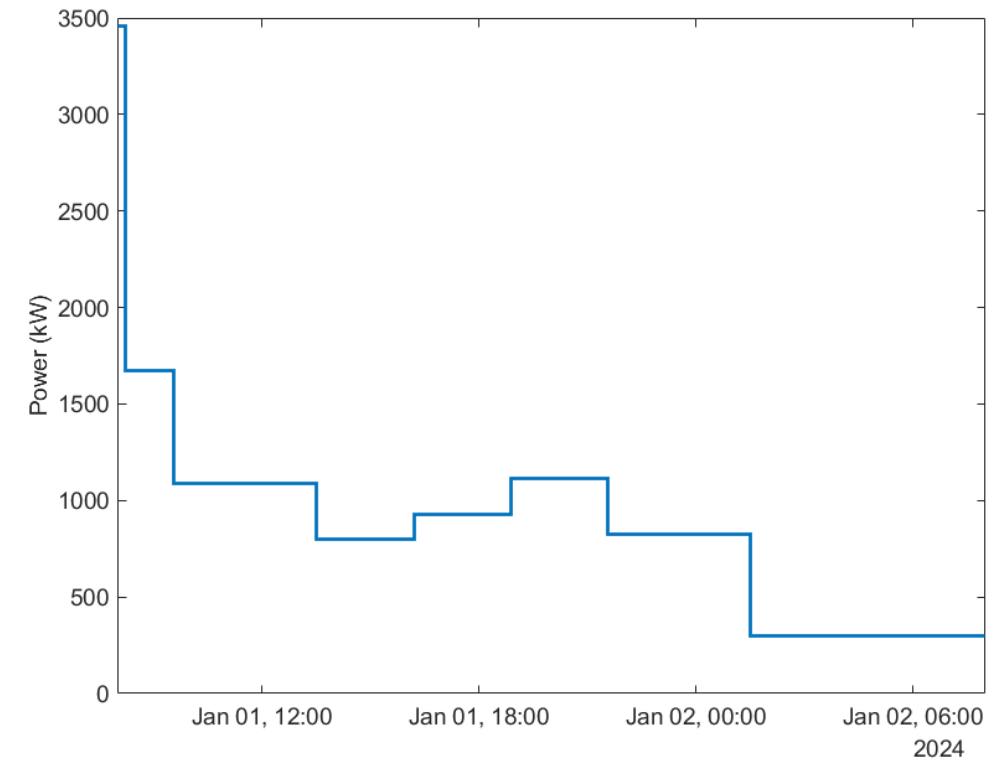
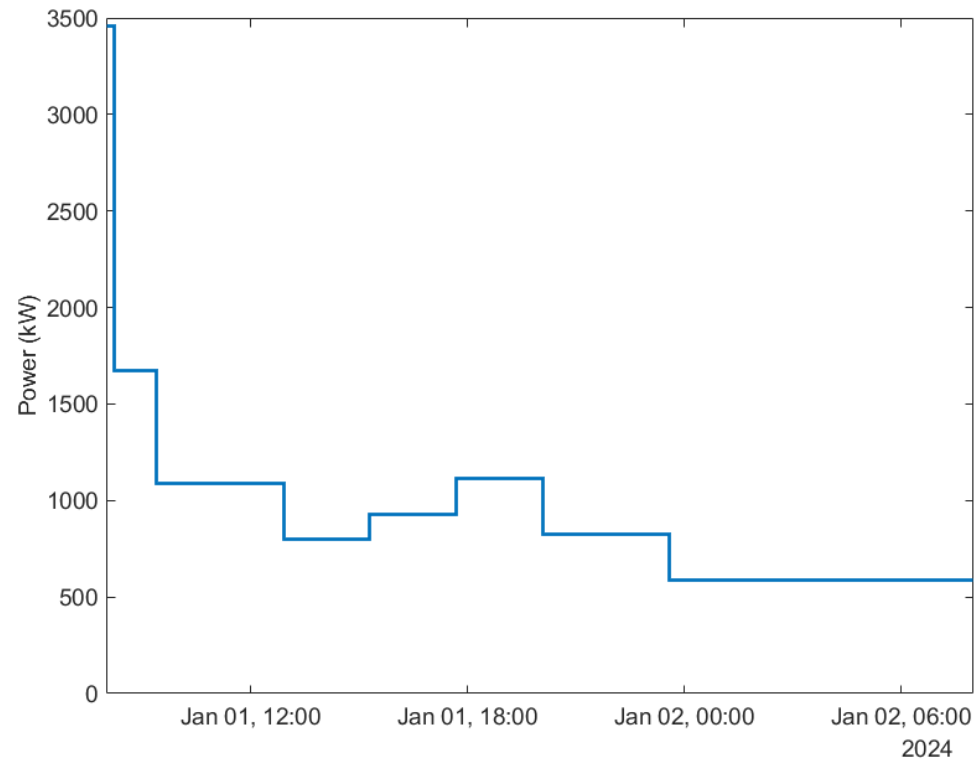
Less than ideal case

- Create operational based on operating mode power and time
- Example for an '80 percent full-electric vessel'

	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5	Day 6	Day 7	Day 8	Day 9	Day 10	Day 11	Day 12	Day 13	Day 14	
Operating mode 1	0,21	0,21	0,21	0,21	0,21	0,21	0,24	0,21	0,21	0,21	0,21	0,21	0,21	0,24	3
Operating mode 2	1,19	1,19	1,19	1,19	1,19	1,19	1,34	1,19	1,19	1,19	1,19	1,19	1,19	1,34	17
Operating mode 3	3,51	3,51	3,51	3,51	3,51	3,51	3,94	3,51	3,51	3,51	3,51	3,51	3,51	3,94	50
Operating mode 4	2,39	2,39	2,39	2,39	2,39	2,39	2,68	2,39	2,39	2,39	2,39	2,39	2,39	2,68	34
Operating mode 5	2,39	2,39	2,39	2,39	2,39	2,39	2,68	2,39	2,39	2,39	2,39	2,39	2,39	2,68	34
Operating mode 6	2,39	2,39	2,39	2,39	2,39	2,39	2,68	2,39	2,39	2,39	2,39	2,39	2,39	2,68	34
Operating mode 7	3,51	3,51	3,51	3,51	3,51	3,51	3,94	3,51	3,51	3,51	3,51	3,51	3,51	3,94	50
Operating mode 8	8,42	8,42	8,42	8,42	8,42	8,42		8,42	8,42	8,42	8,42	8,42	8,42		101
Operating mode 9							6,5							6,5	13
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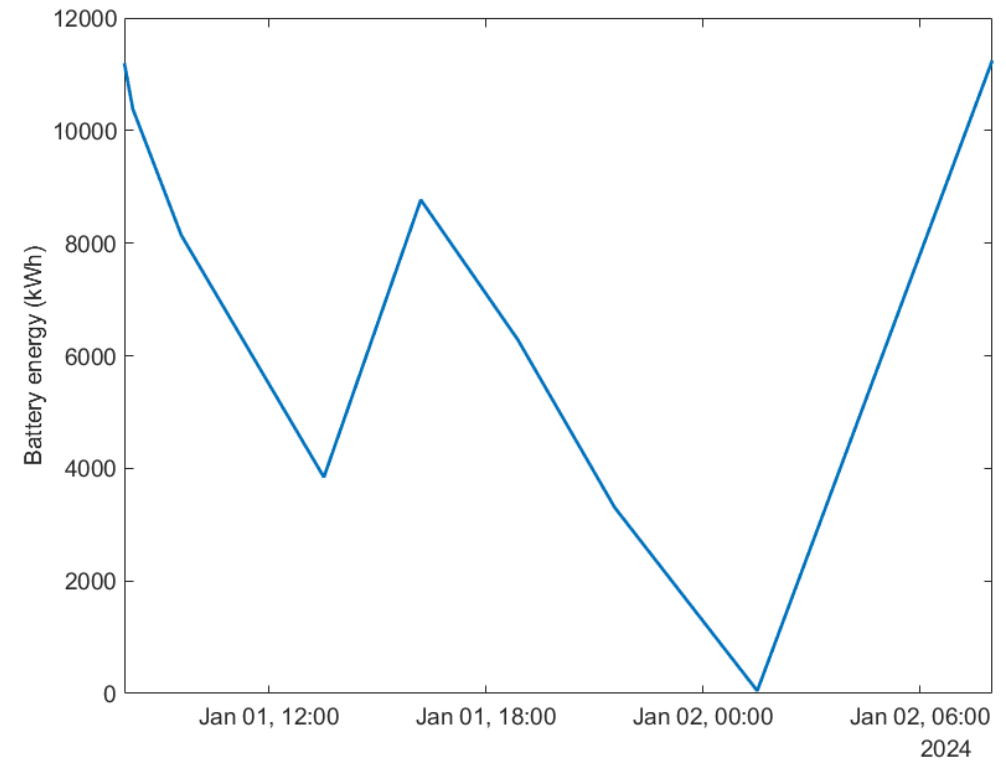
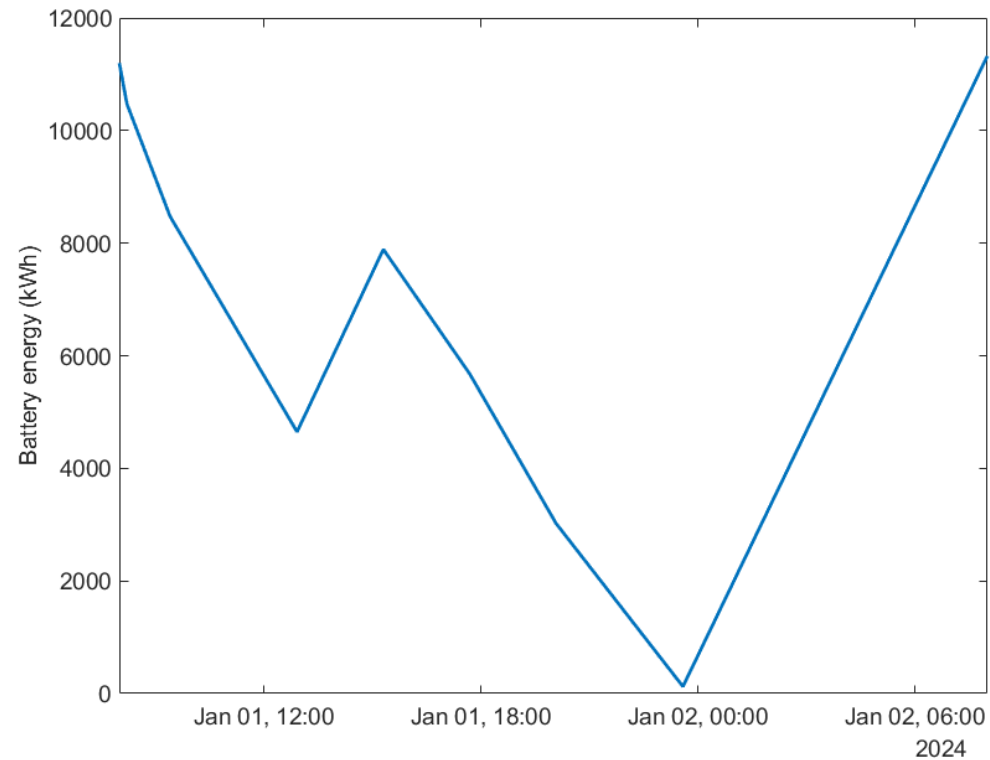
Operational profile

Less than ideal case



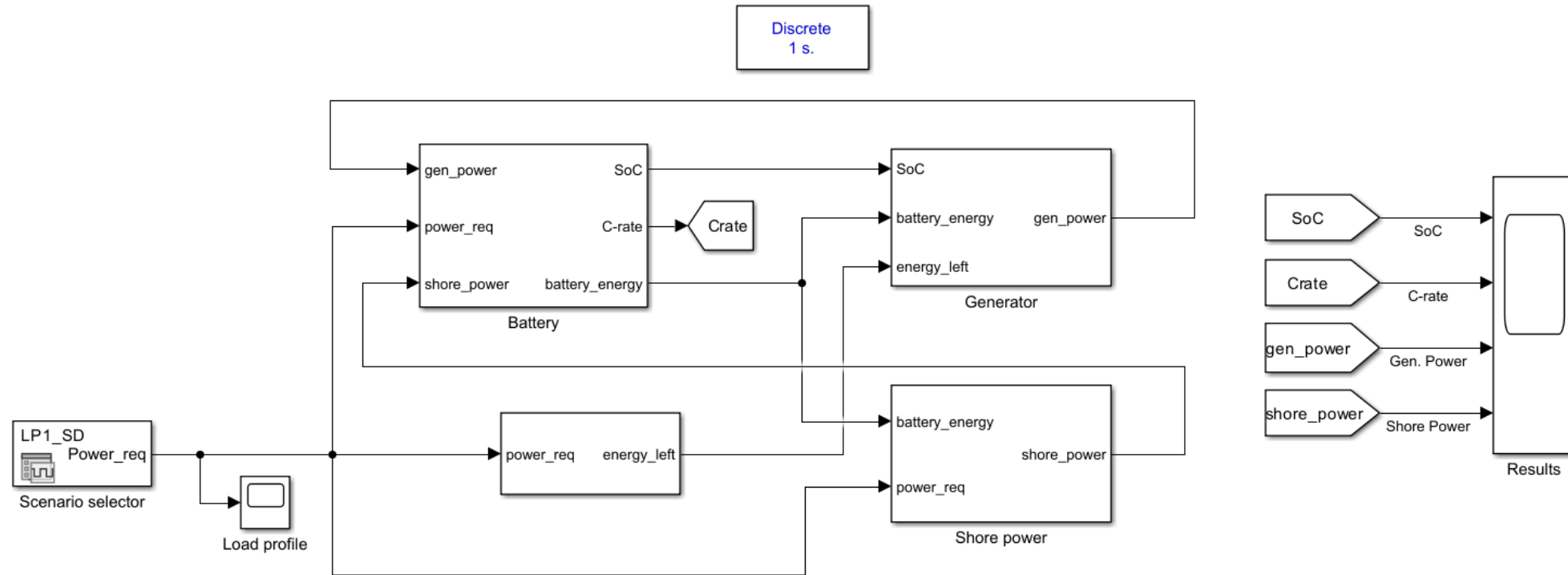
Battery energy

Simulation of operational profile



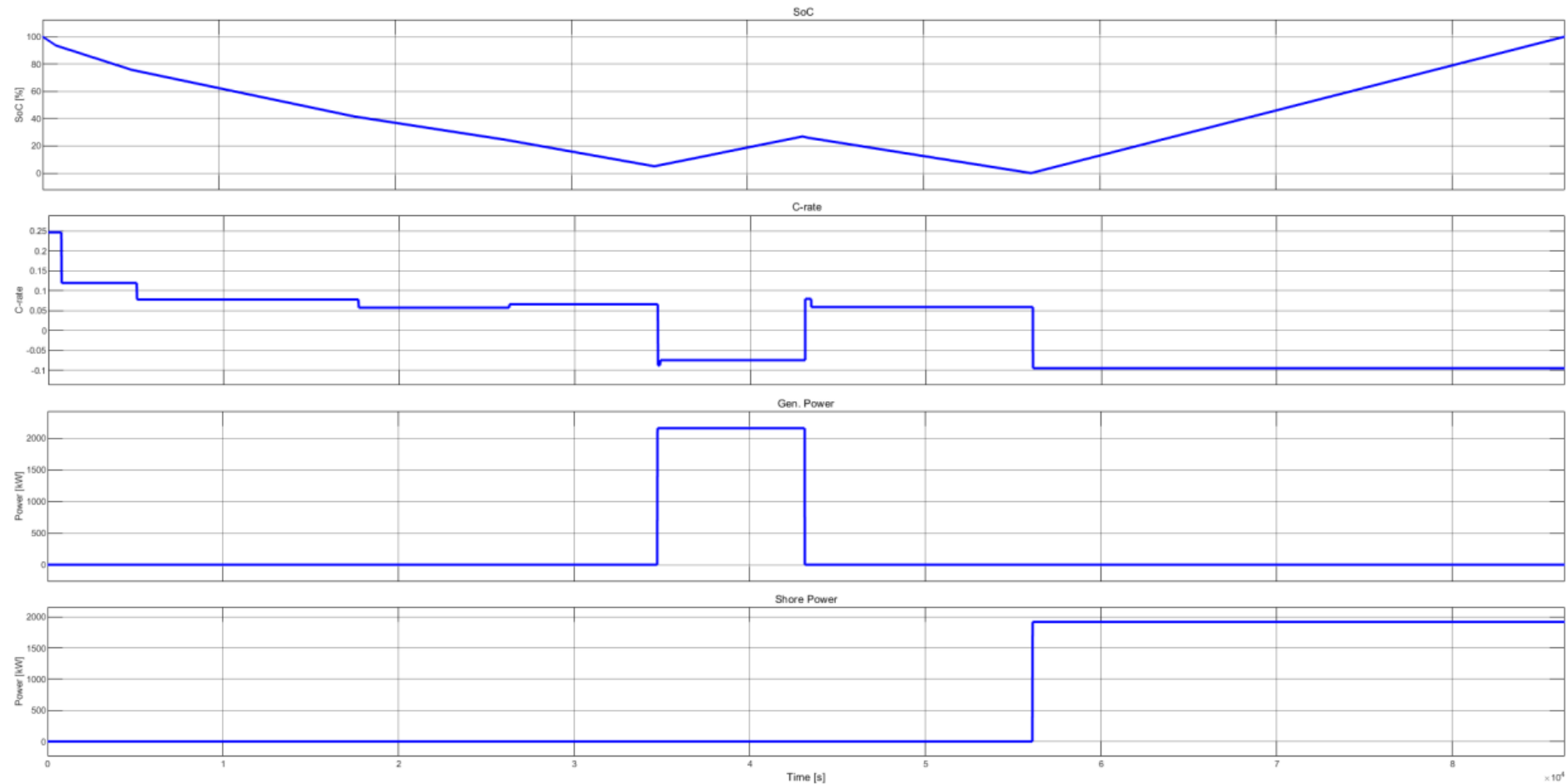
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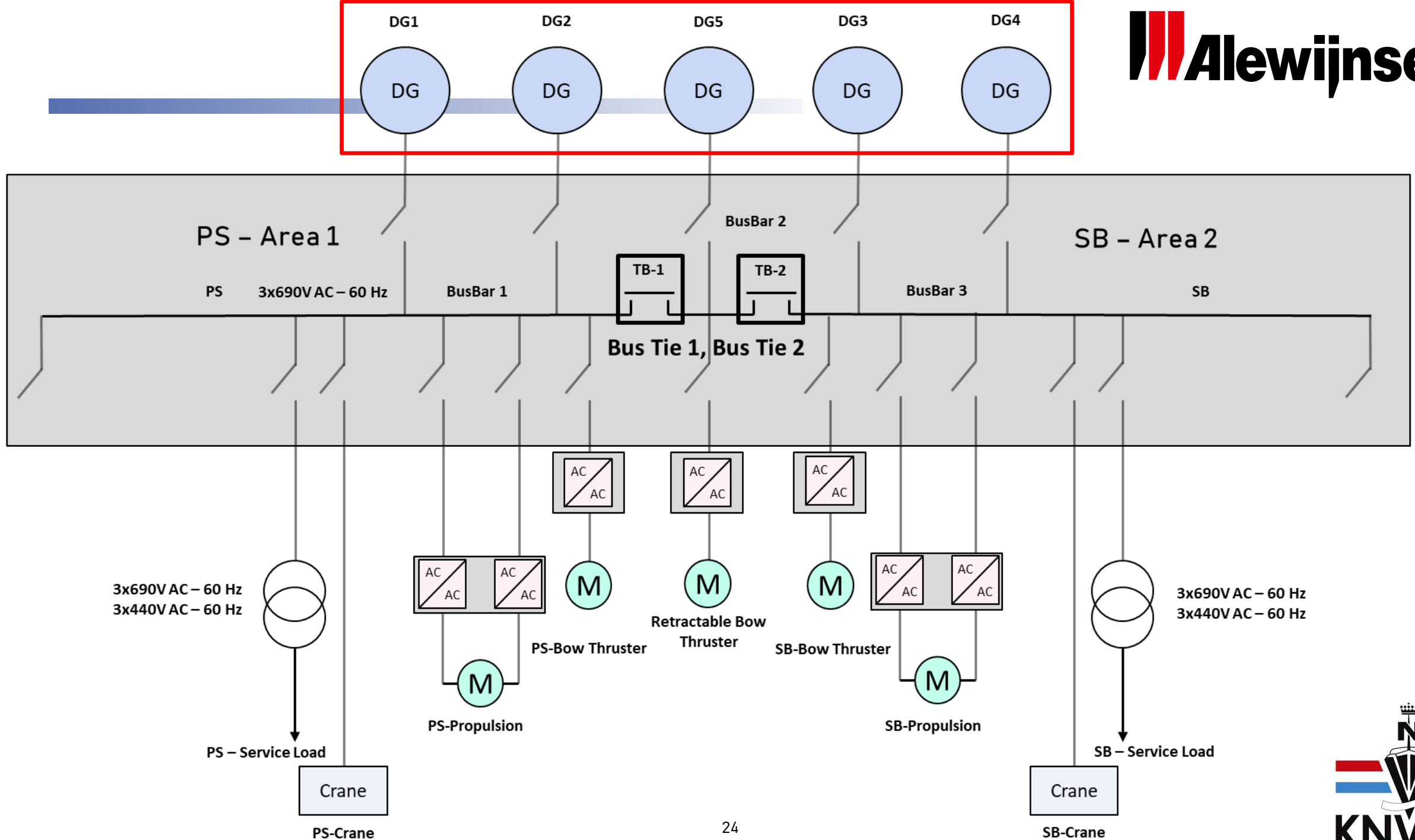
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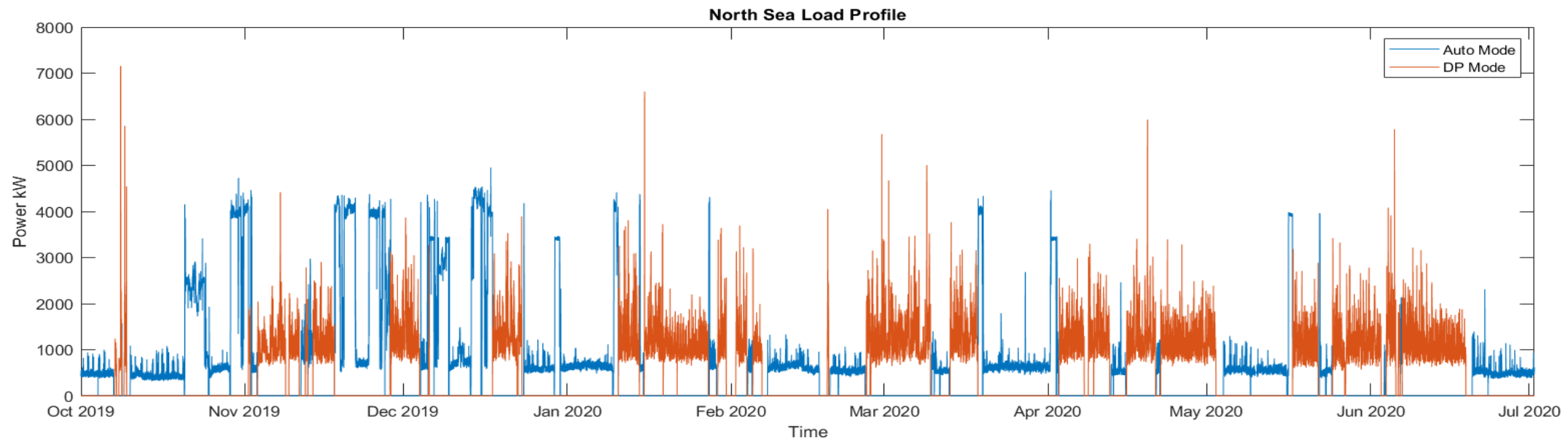
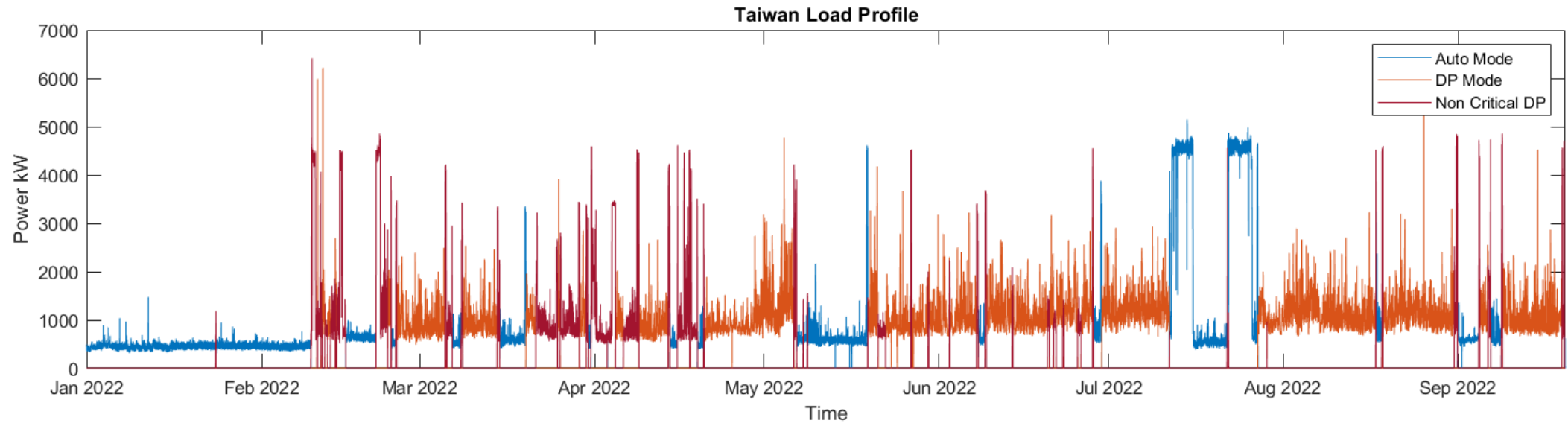


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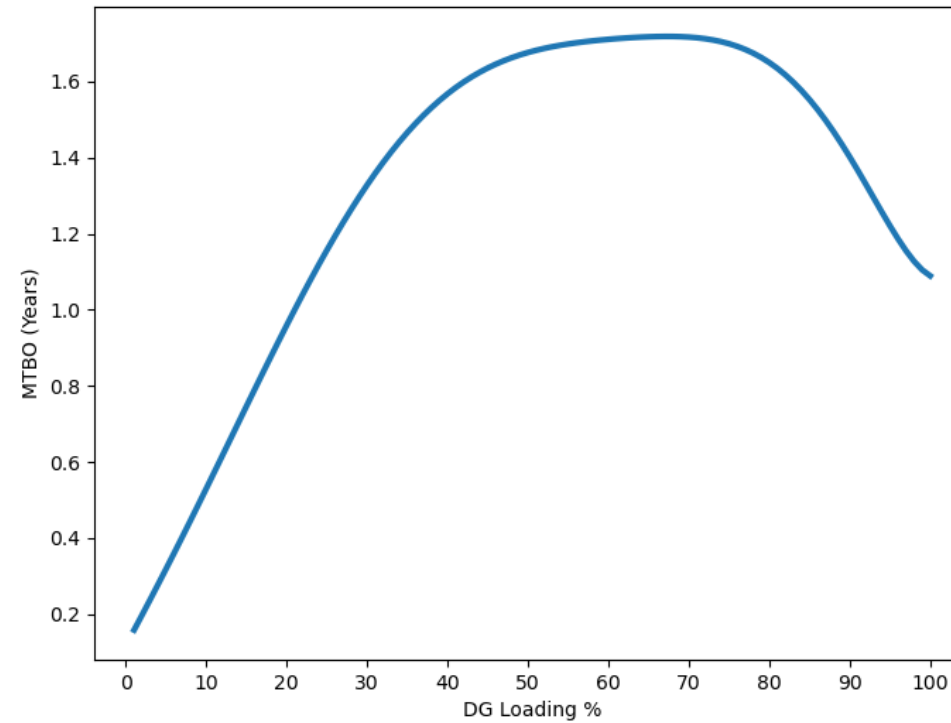
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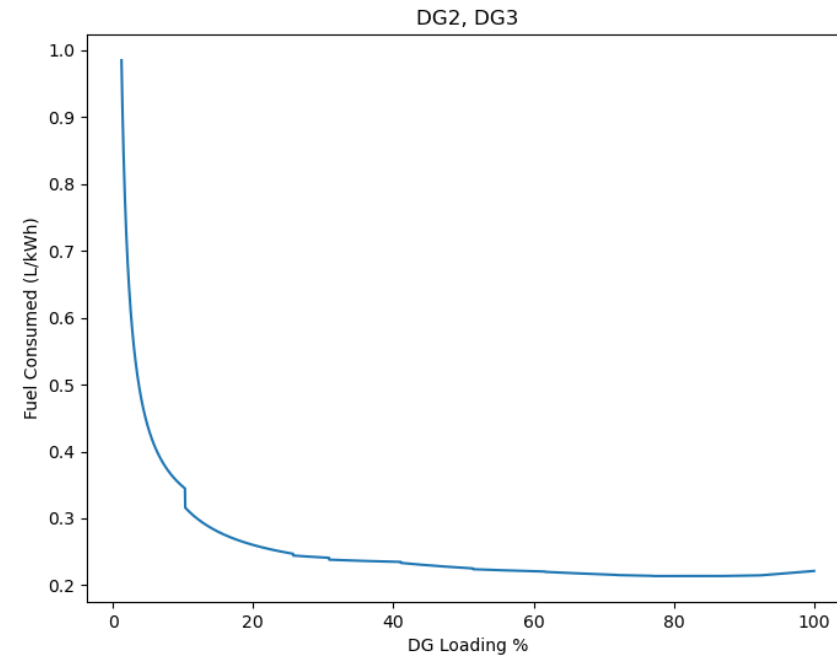
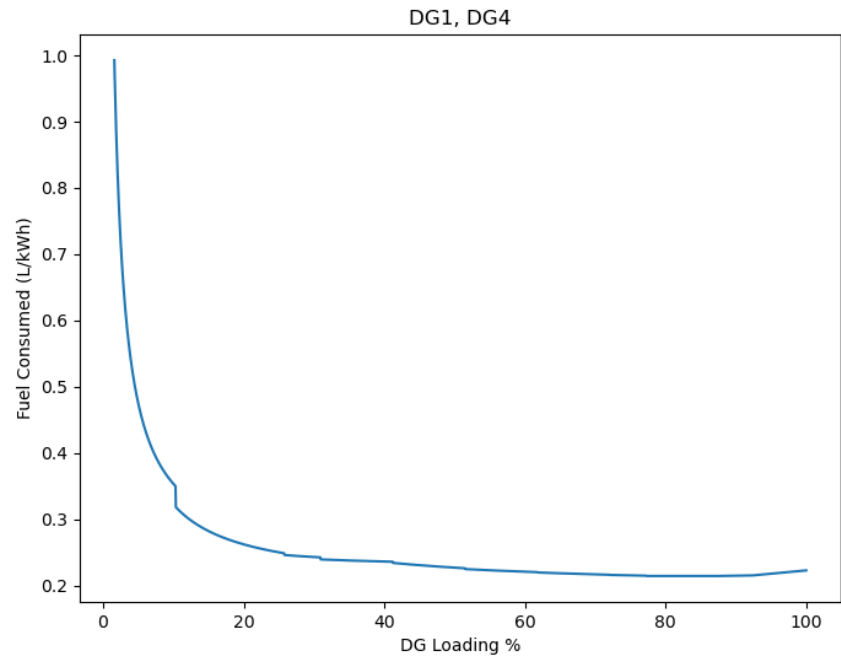


Generator maintenance



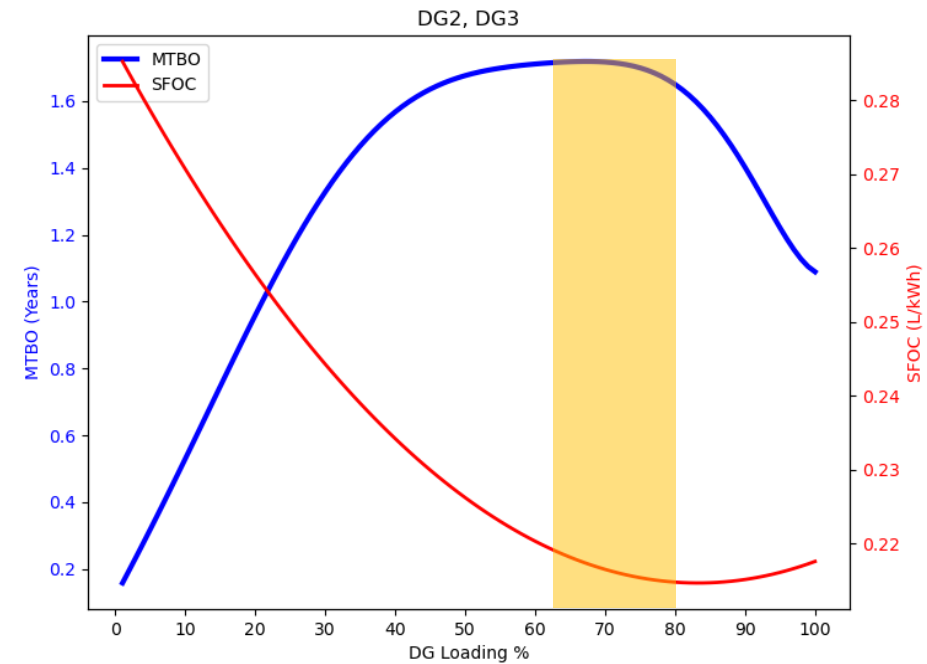
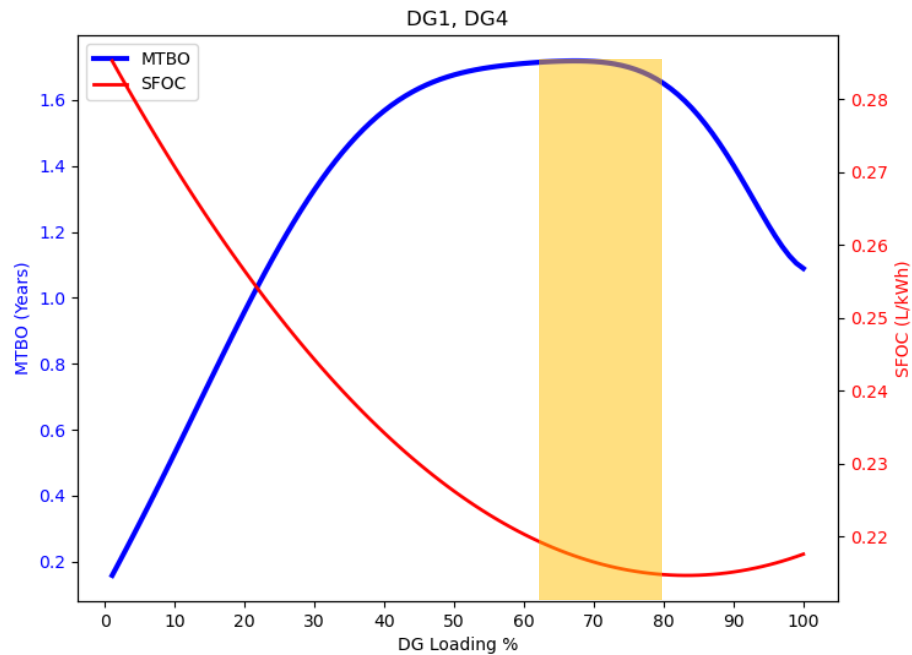
[1] Carlos Frederico Matt et al. "Optimization of the Operation of Isolated Industrial Diesel Stations"

Fuel consumption



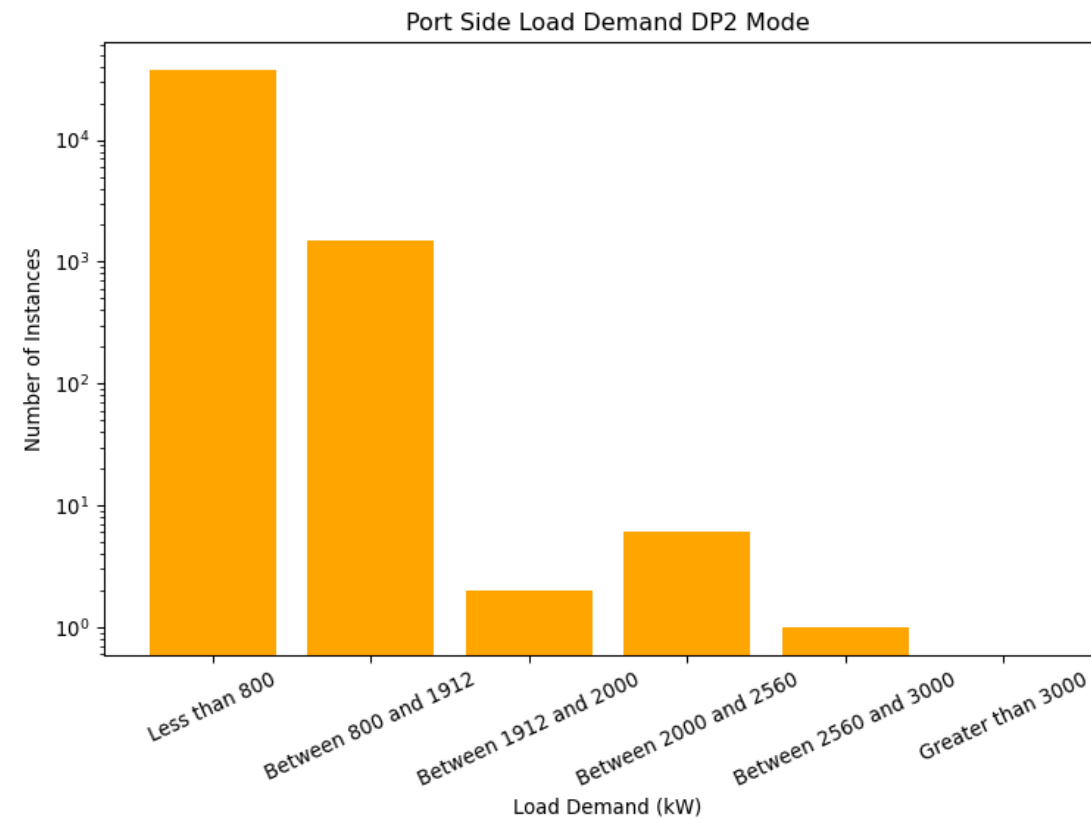
Source: Vessel Owner

Generator maintenance



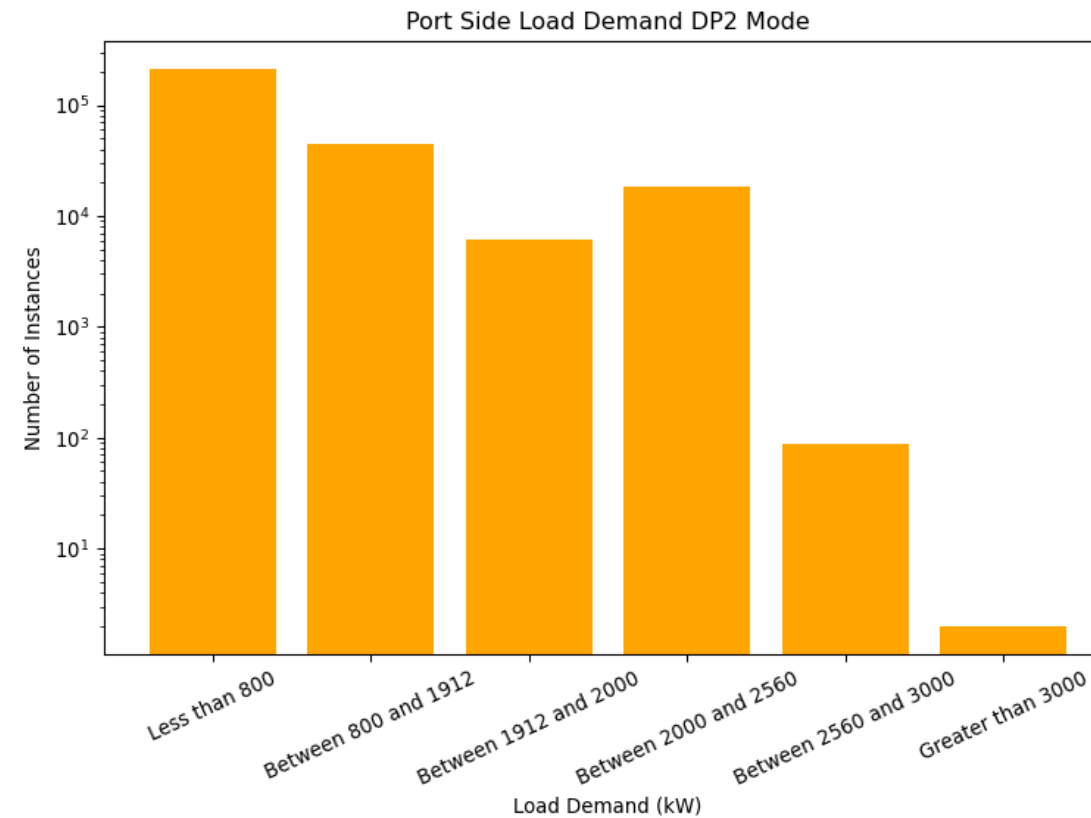
Event analysis

Taiwan Strait load profile



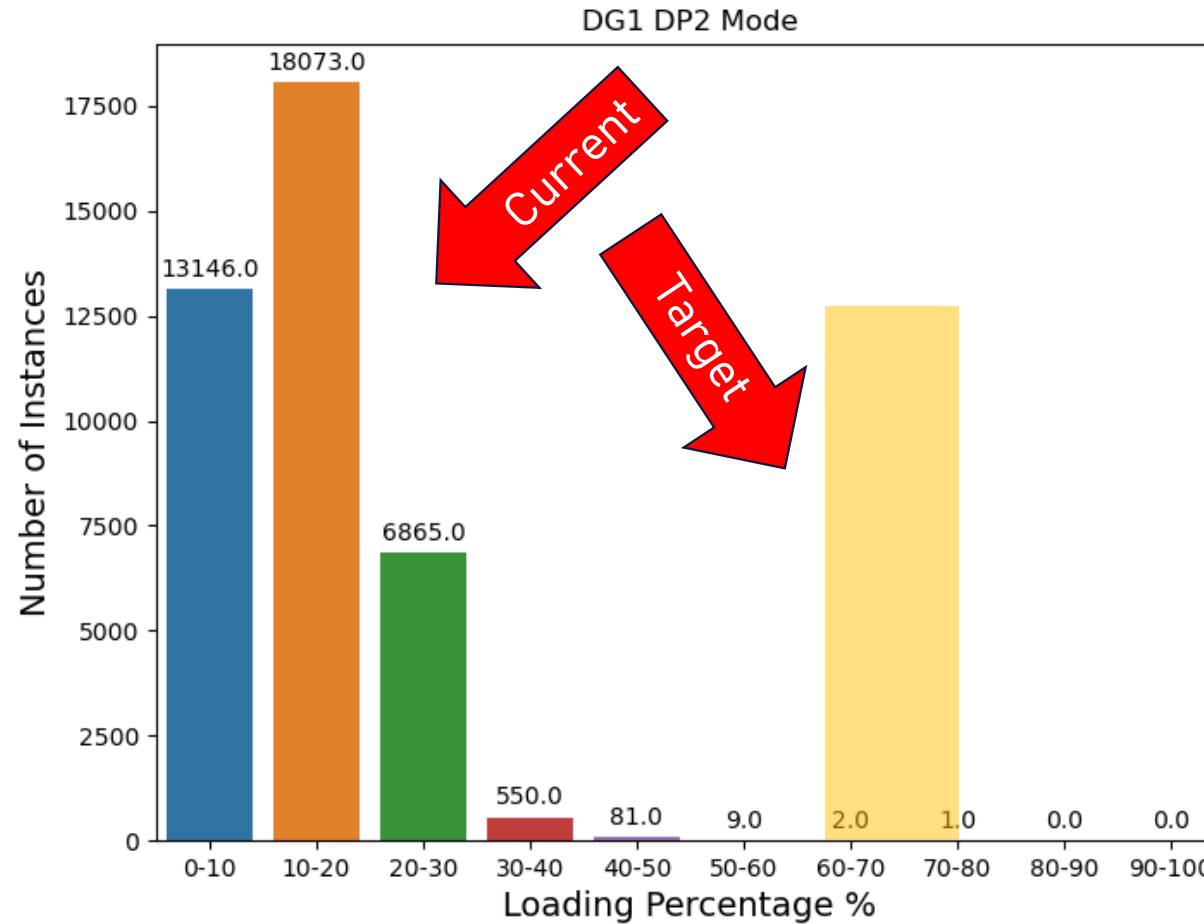
Event analysis

North Sea load profile



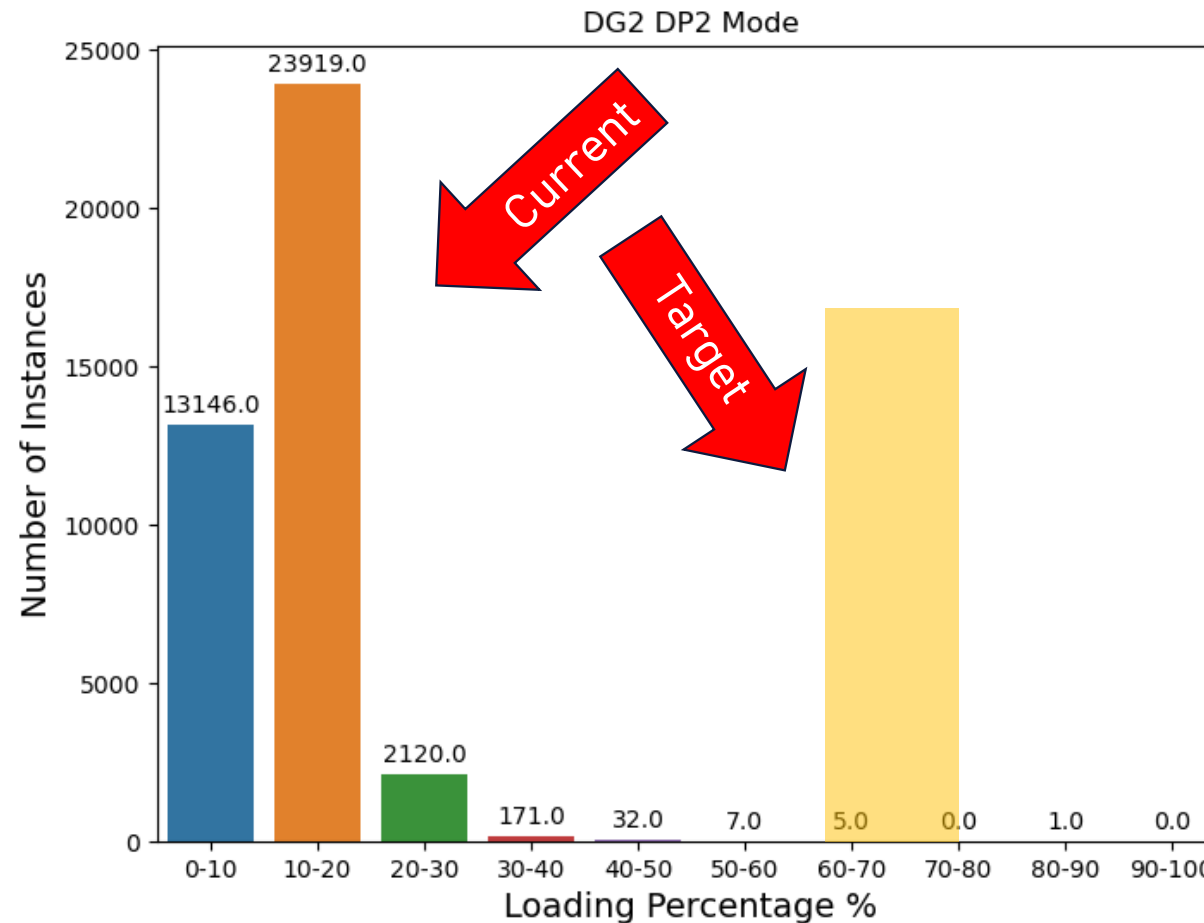
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Taiwan load profile



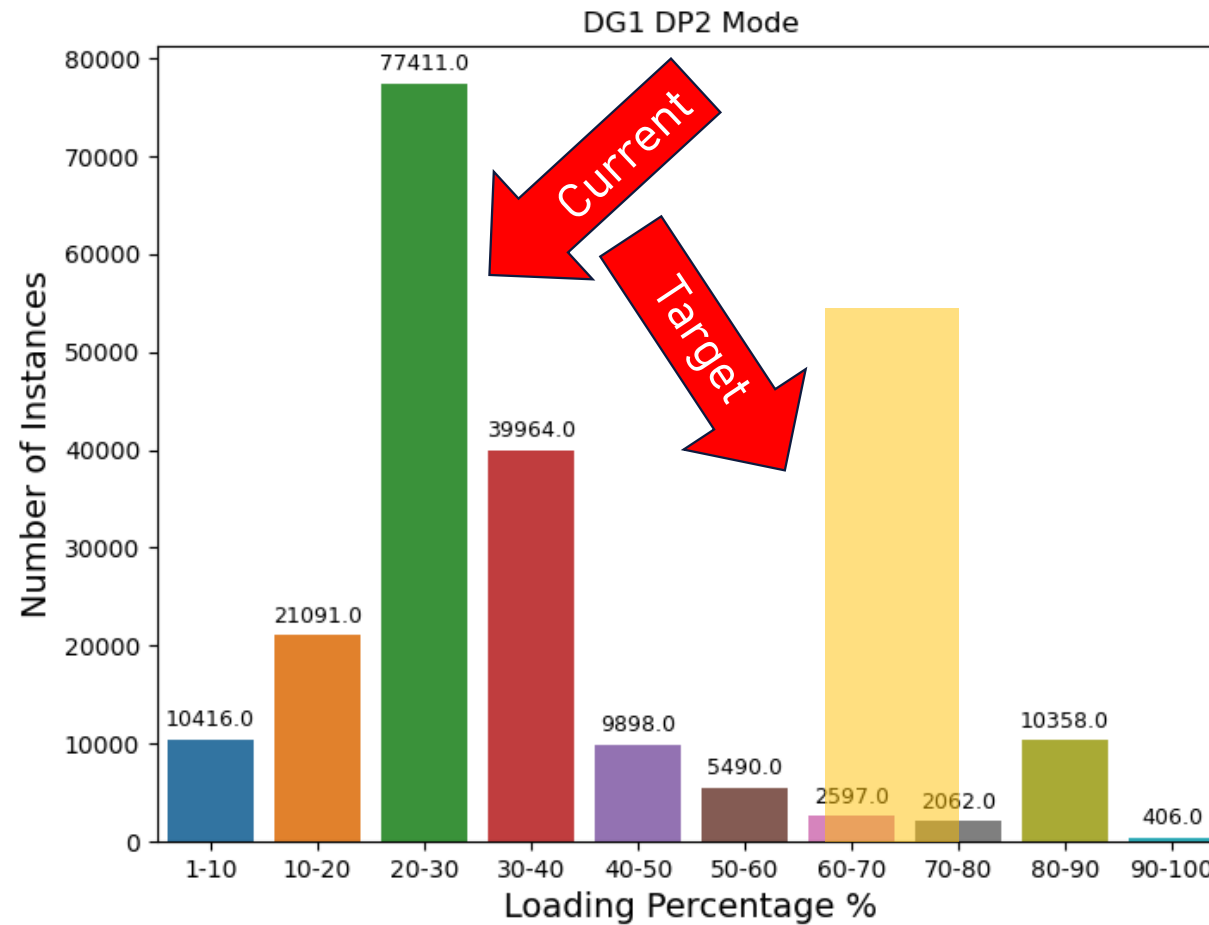
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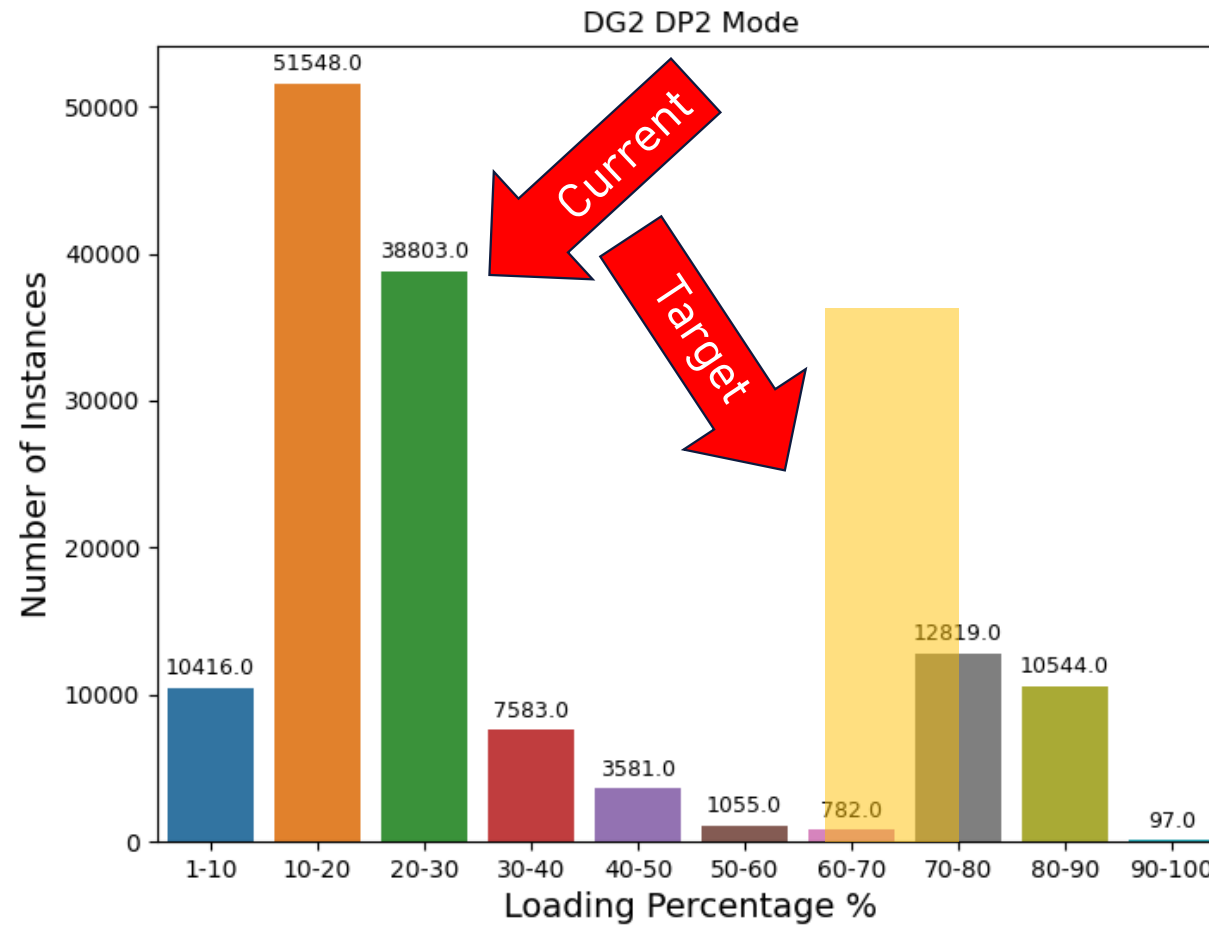
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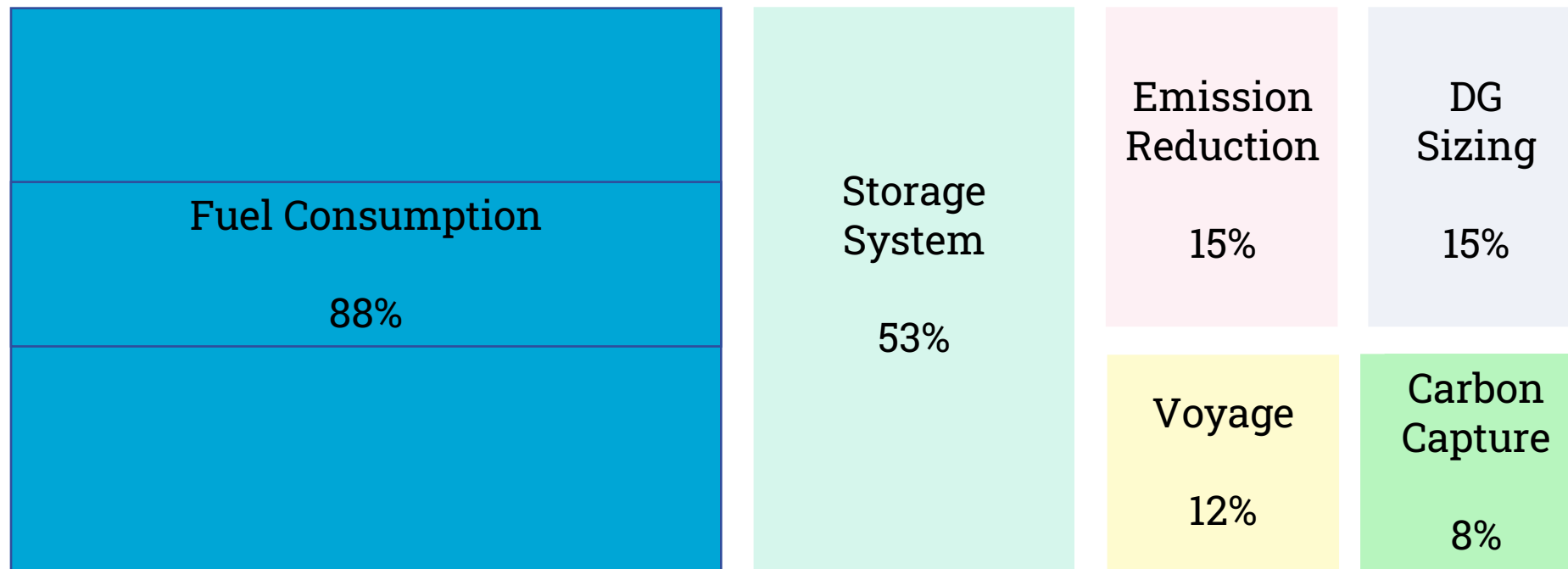
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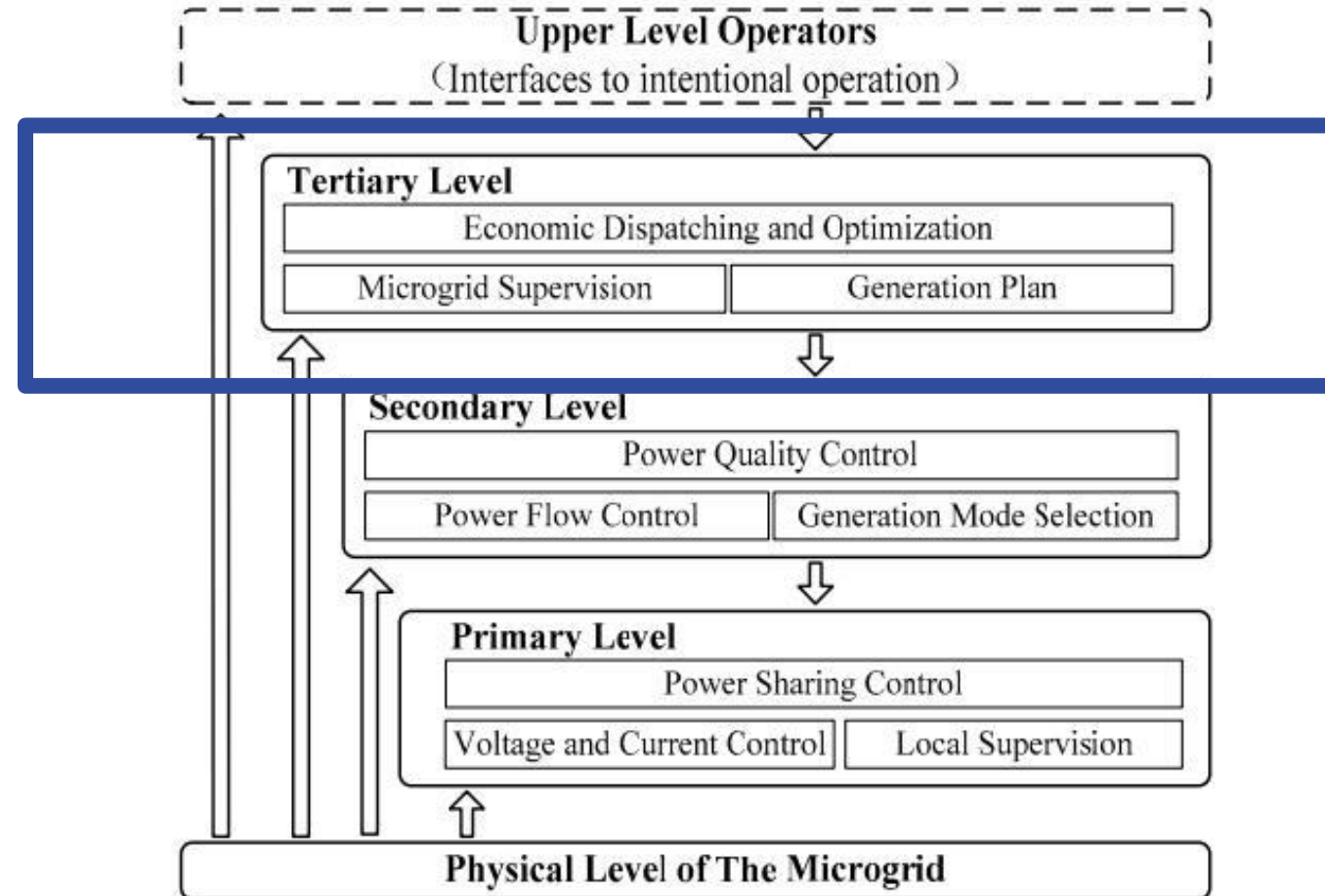


Optimizing fuel consumption & MTBO

- What are studies optimizing?

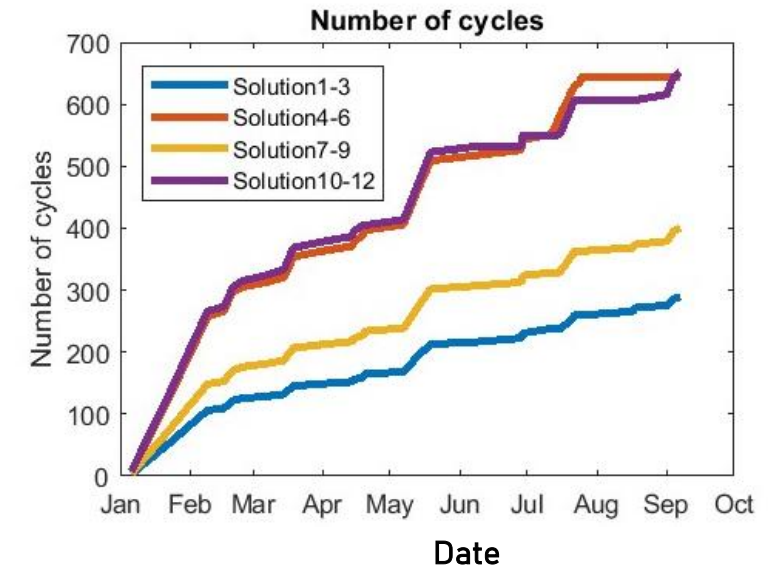
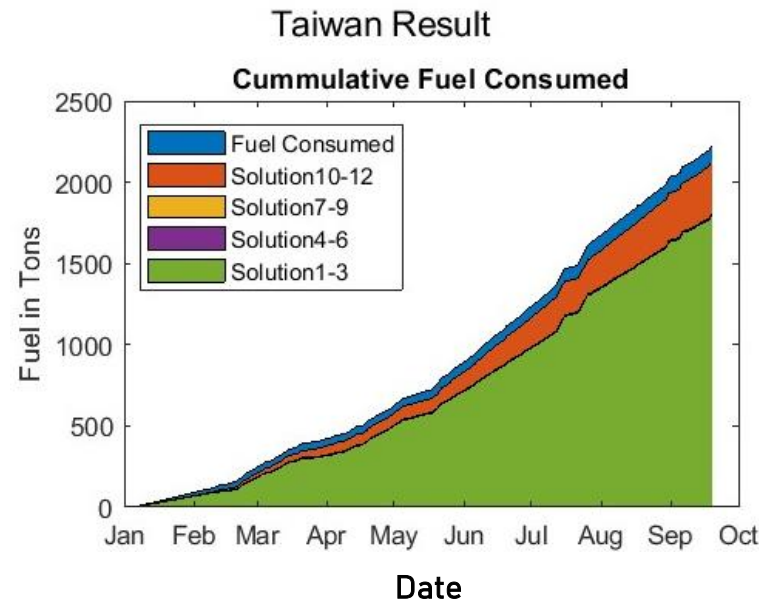
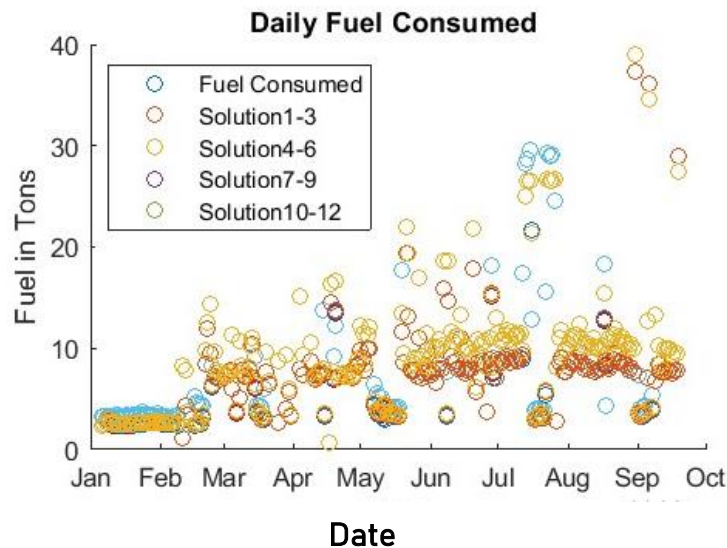


Optimizing fuel consumption & MTBO



Ref: Monaaf D. A. Al-Falahi, AC Ship Microgrids: Control and Power Management Optimization

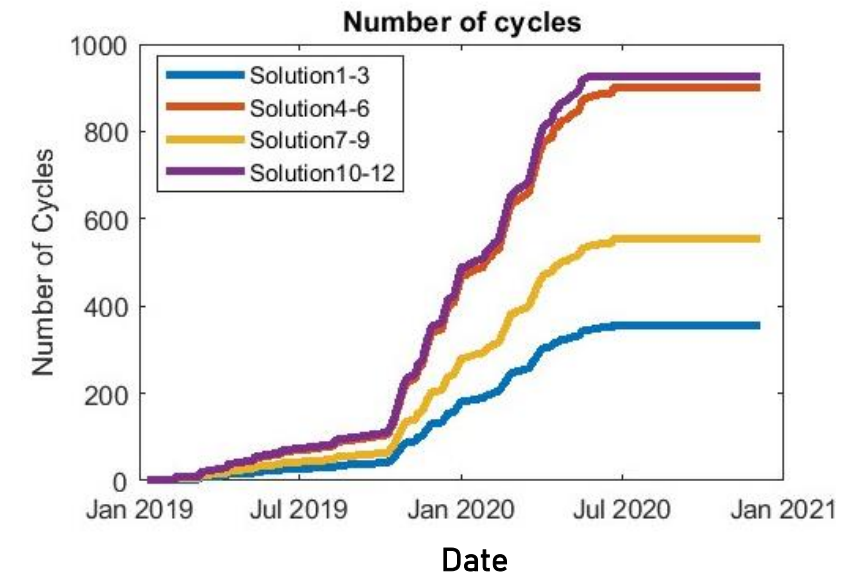
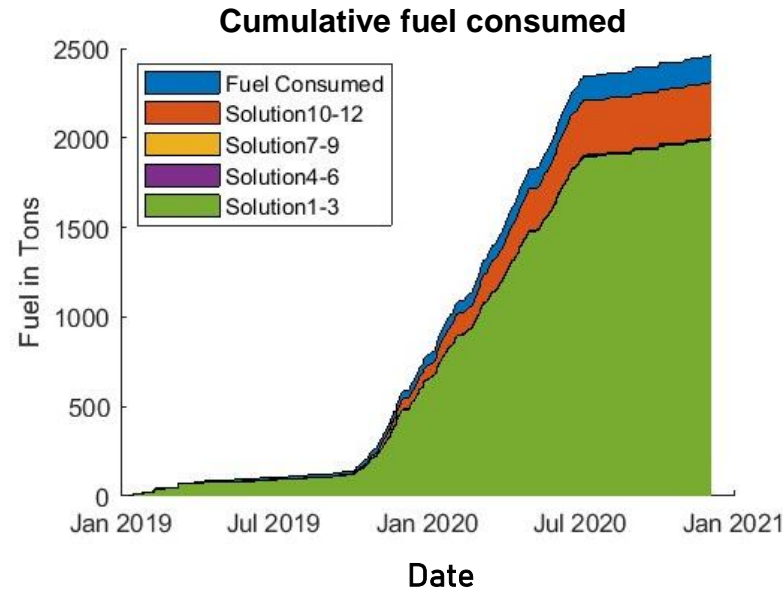
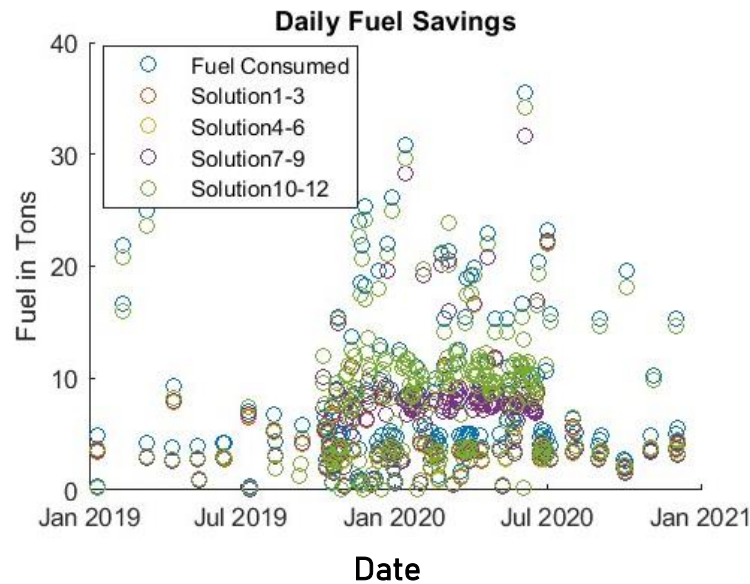
Optimizing fuel consumption & MTBO



Solution Number	Fuel Savings (tons)	Number of Cycles	Time Period (days)
1-3	425.08	289.7	256
4-6	424.9	644.7	
7-9	416.3	400	
10-12	98.3	652.2	

Optimizing fuel consumption & MTBO

North Sea



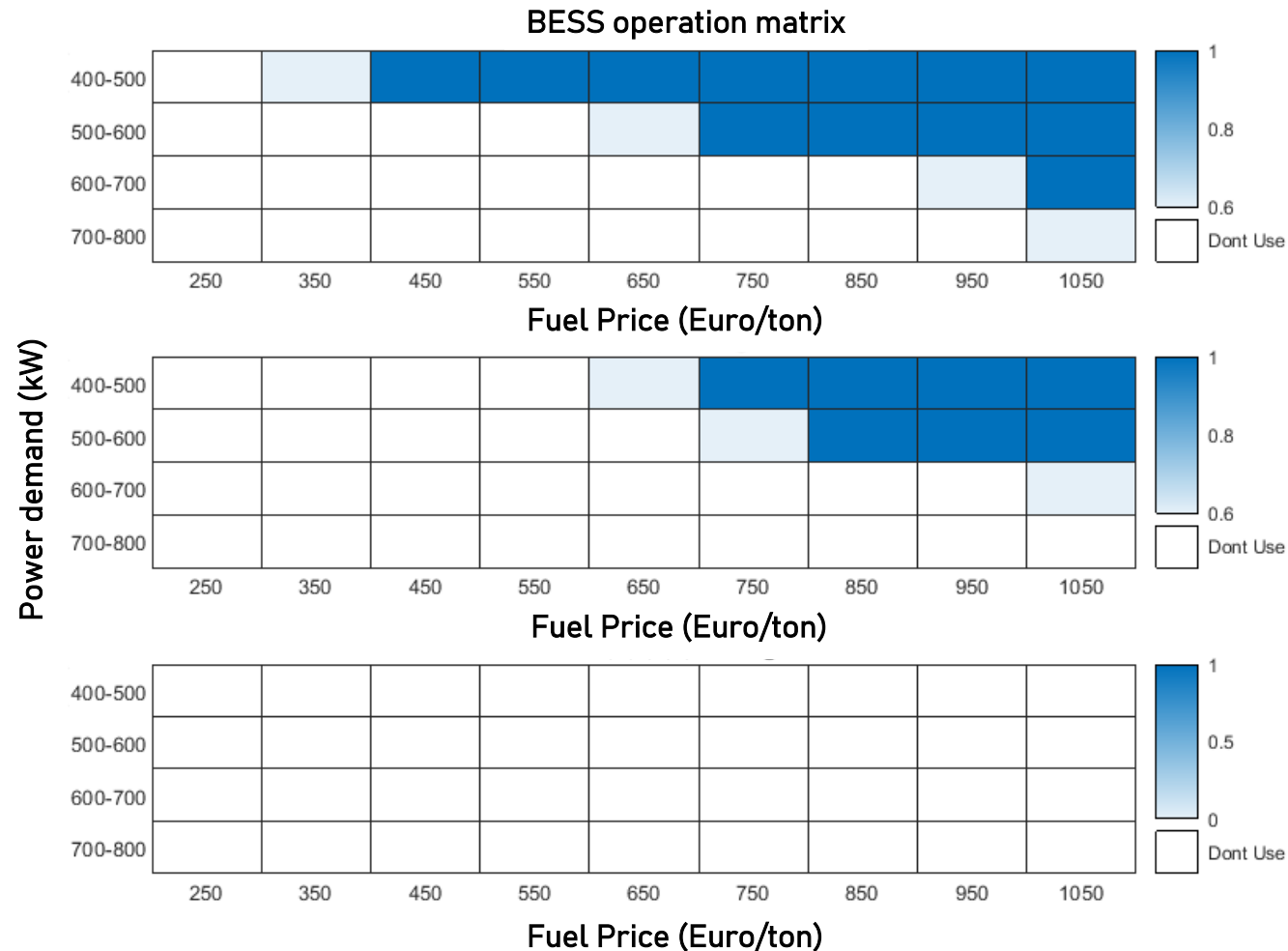
Solution Number	Fuel Savings (tons)	Number of Cycles	Time Period (days)
1-3	470.9	357.1	285
4-6	467.3	900.9	
7-9	459.6	554.1	
10-12	152.6	925.6	

Optimizing fuel consumption & MTBO

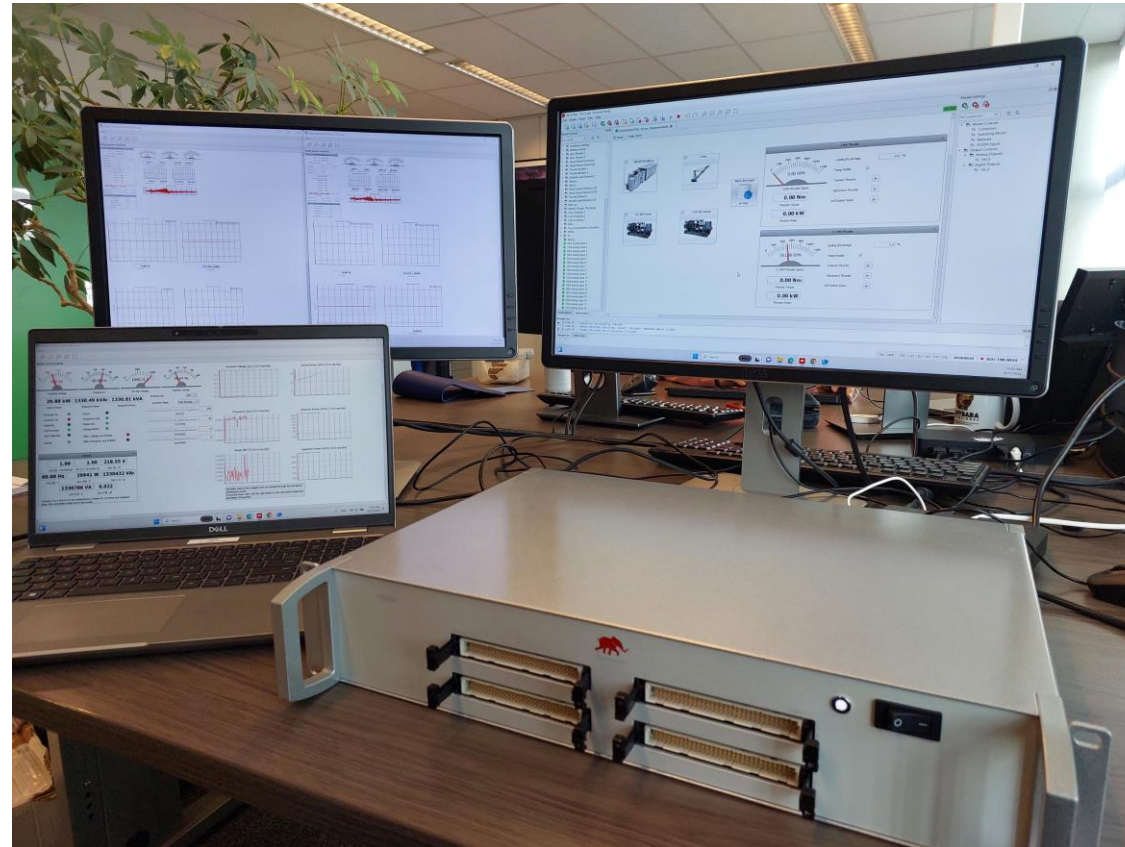
Solution number	Capital investment (Million Euros)	Payback period (years) per scenario		
		1	2	3
1	2.68	6.5	6.8	6.3
2	2.54	6.1	6.4	5.9
3	2.41	5.8	6.1	5.6
4	1.66	4.1	4.2	3.9
5	1.58	3.9	4	3.7
6	1.52	3.7	3.9	3.6
7	2.06	5.1	5.3	4.9
8	2.10	5.2	5.4	5
9	2.02	5.0	5.2	4.8
10	0.88	8.6	9	8.3
11	0.82	8.1	8.5	7.8
12	2.06	7.7	8.1	7.4

Solution number	Years of profitability per scenario			ROI per scenario		
	1	2	3	1	2	3
1	7.1	6.8	7.3	1.26	0.99	1.19
2	5.2	5	5.4	0.98	0.76	0.93
3	2.7	2.5	2.9	0.54	0.4	0.52
4	4.6	4.4	4.8	1.31	1.03	0.85
5	3.1	3.0	3.3	0.93	0.72	0.58
6	1.4	1.2	1.5	0.43	0.31	0.27
7	5.5	5.3	5.7	1.25	0.98	1.01
8	3.5	3.3	3.6	0.77	0.59	0.64
9	1.3	1.1	1.5	0.31	0.21	0.27
10	-1.2	-1.6	-0.9	-0.17	-0.18	-0.04
11	-2.3	-2.7	-2.0	-0.33	-0.31	-0.09
12	-3.6	-4	-3.3	-0.54	-0.48	-0.15

Optimizing fuel consumption & MTBO

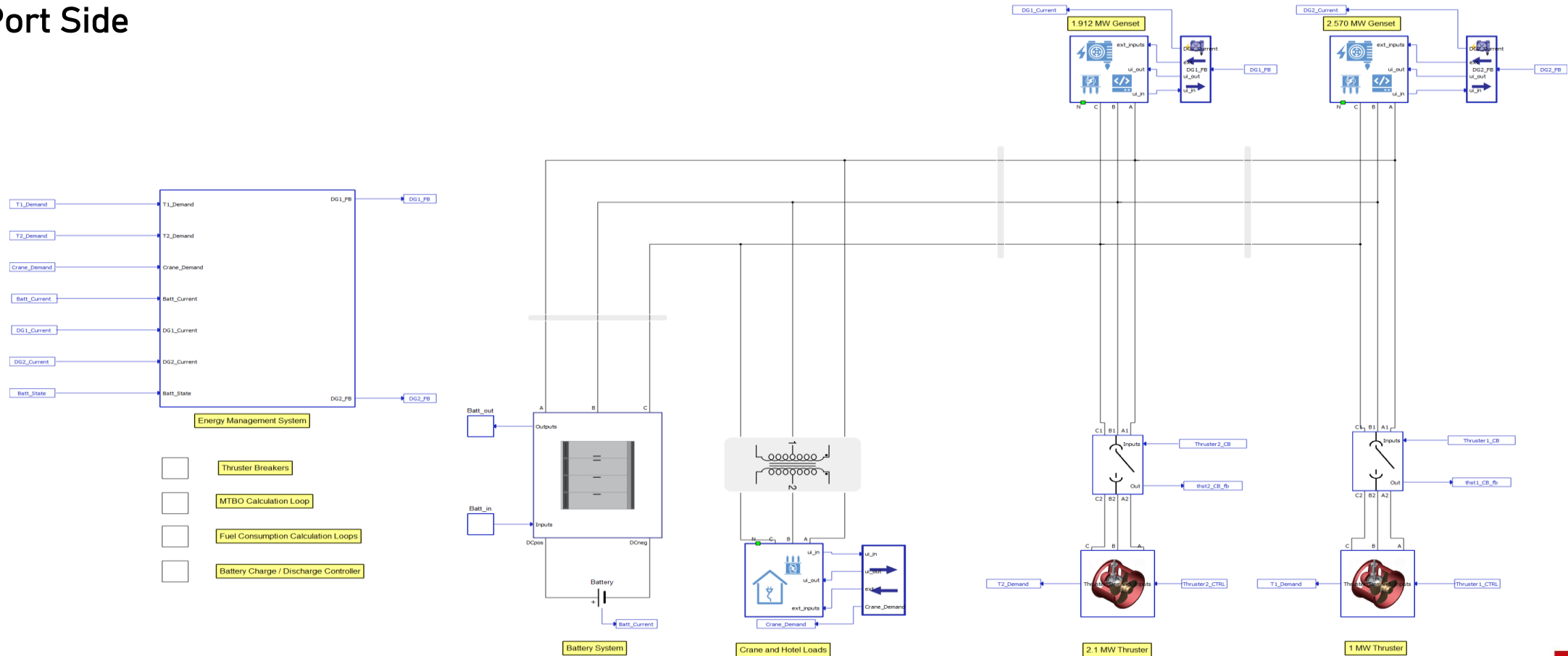


Hardware in Loop Test Setup

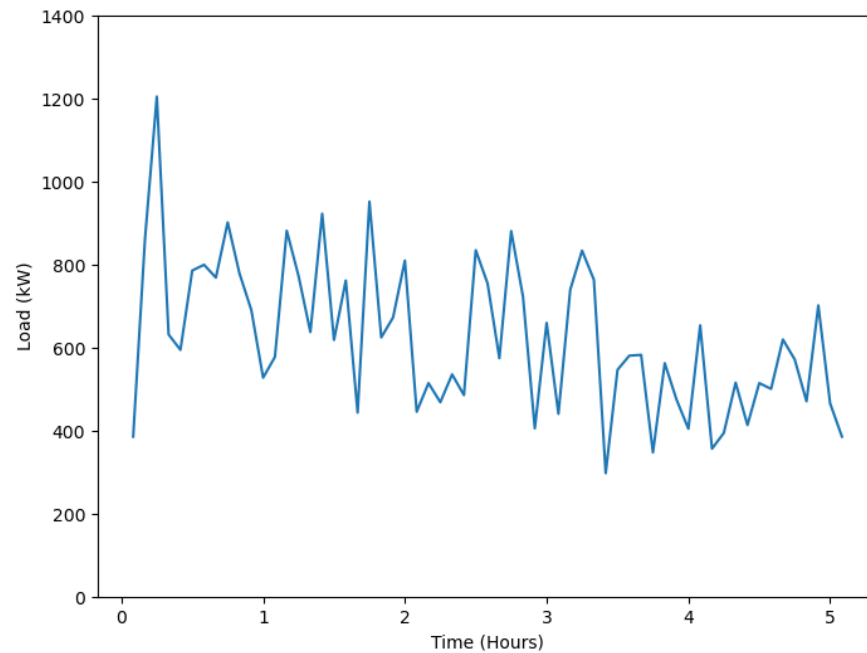


DP2 Hybrid Vessel Model on Typhoon HIL

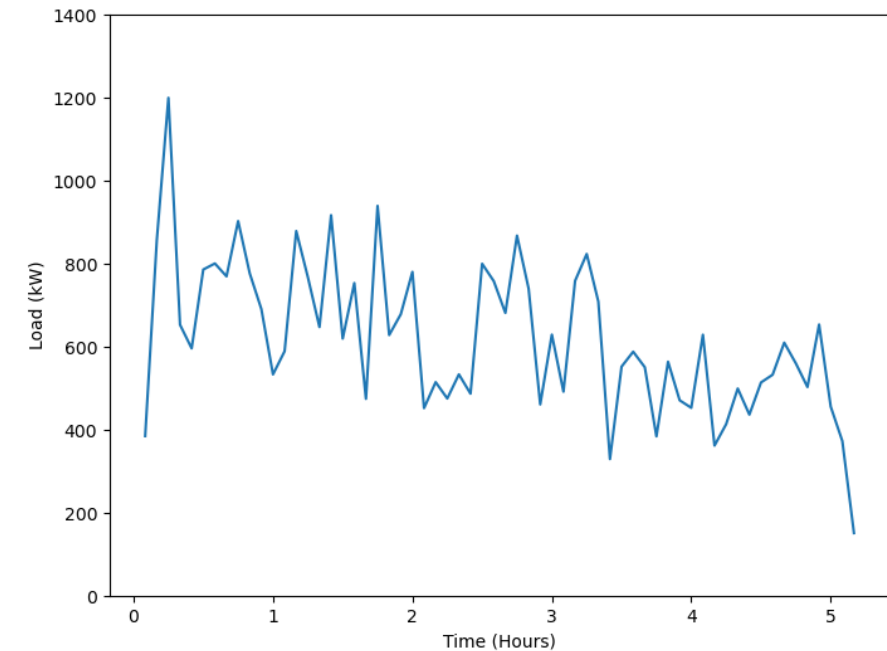
Port Side



The Taiwan Strait Load Profile in DP2 Mode (Port Side)

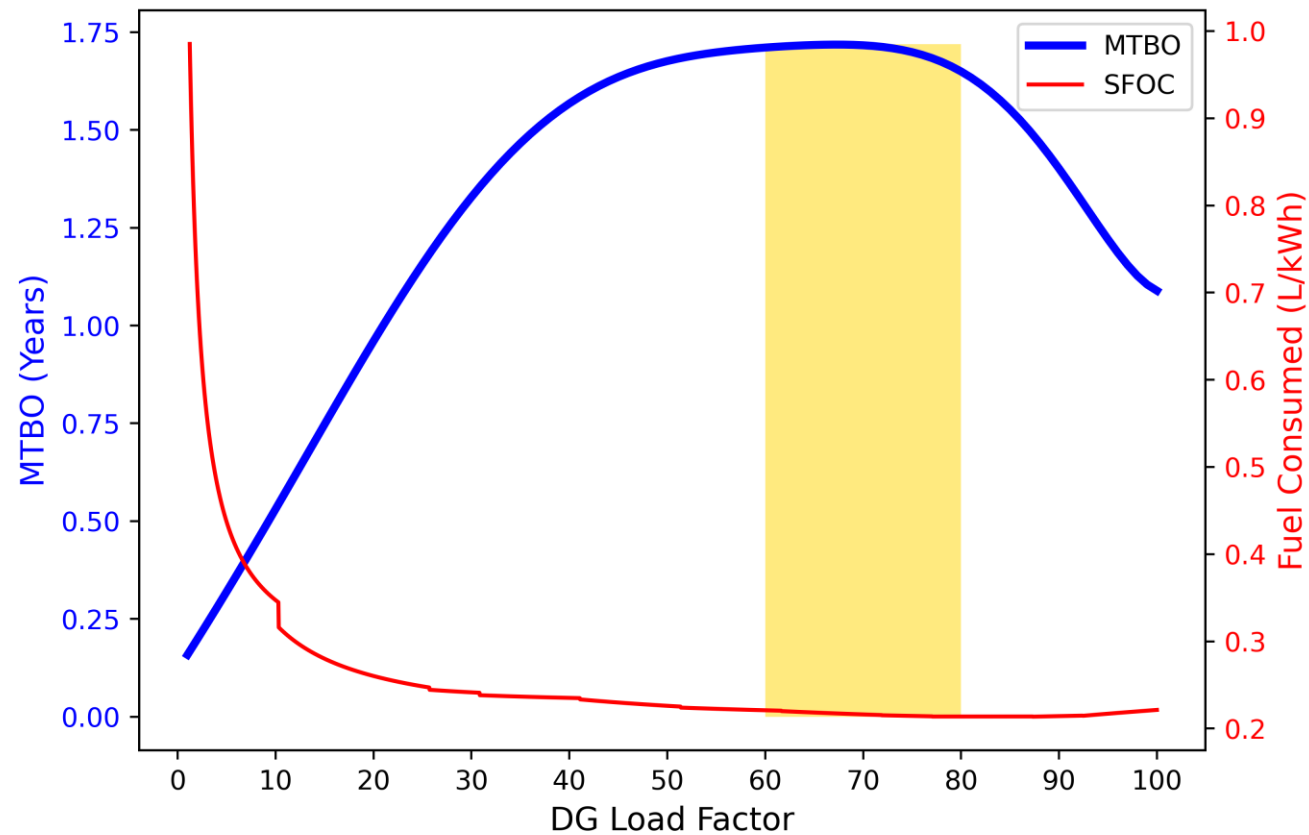


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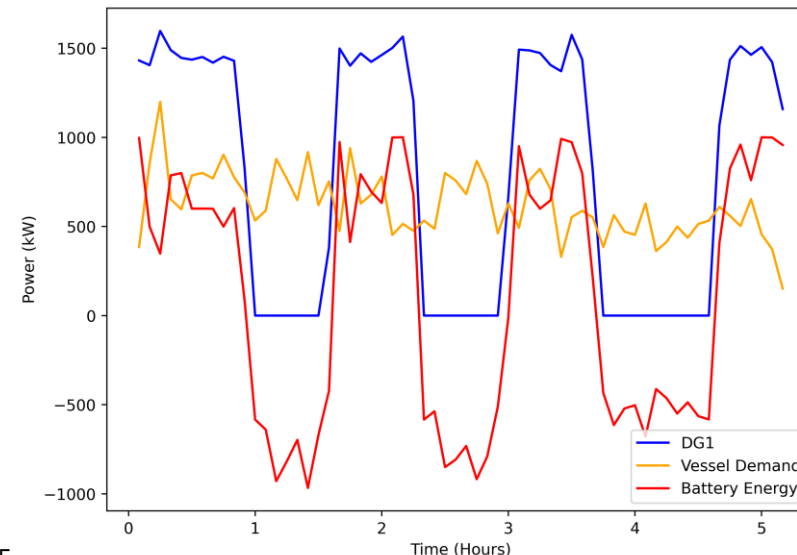
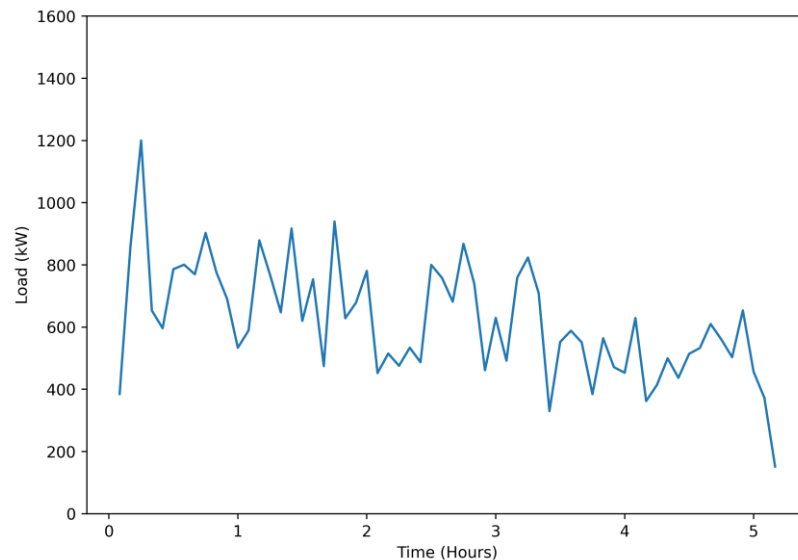
Simulated Vessel on Typhoon HIL

EMS Control Philosophy



What is different in a Hybrid Vessel?

- The Battery is an additional load.
- The extra power (charge power) demand will *change* the original load profile.
- The extra load will push the operation to a high efficiency region, but:
 - i. It is demanding more power
 - ii. Some extra fuel will be consumed due to more energy being delivered.



Analysis Approach

- Consider the Hybrid Vessel only
However,
- **With EMS Control**
Optimized Control of Diesel Gensets
- **Without EMS Control**
Synchronous Control of Diesel Gensets

Comparison

Parameter	With EMS	Without EMS
Net Fuel Consumption in Cycle	908 L	966.39 L
DG1 Loading %	73.4 %	29.51 %
DG2 Loading %	Standby	30 %
DG1 MTBO	1.71 years	1.29 years
DG2 MTBO	Standby Mode	1.29 years
DG1 Annual Maintenance Cost	€ 50,904	€ 67,084
DG2 Annual Maintenance Cost	Standby Mode	€ 67,084

Savings Estimate with EMS Control

- The EMS control has better fuel savings opportunity. The saved fuel with EMS : 966.39 – 908.65 L
= 57.75 L or 5.98 % improvement.
- Assuming a 10-hour operation per day, fuel saved in 1 year on Port and Starboard Side (80% of the time in DP2 mode):
 $57.75 \times 2 \times 2 \times 365 \times 0.8 = 67,448.5 \text{ L}$
Data from Chevron suggests MGO has fuel density of 860 kg/m³
Fuel Saved = 58,005 kg of MGO
- Taking a market price of approx. \$ 758.5/ton of MGO.
Money saved = \$ 758.5*58 = \$ 43,997 = € 40,697 per year

Savings Estimate with EMS Control

- Approximate Annual Maintenance Cost of Gensets (Non-Hybrid Vessel) per year = € 108,173.07
- With EMS Control:
 - DG1 Annual Maintenance Saving = € 108,173 – € 50,904 = € 57,268
 - DG2 was on Standby. It is assumed, due to lesser use of DG2, maintenance cost of DG2 = € 40,000.
 - DG2 maintenance savings = € 108,173 – € 40,000 = € 68,173

Net Saving = € 40,697 (Fuel) + € 114,536 (DG1 PS & SB) + € 136,346 (DG2 PS & SB)
= € 291,579 per year.

Emissions Savings

- Estimated Emission Factor for MGO = 3.206 tons CO₂ / ton MGO
- Net Emissions Offset = 58*3.206 = 185.96 tons CO₂ per year.

- Scenarios:

Tax € / ton CO ₂	€ 30/ton	€ 67/ton	€ 150/ton
Saved Costs (Annual)	€ 5,578	€ 12,459	€ 27,894

Source: Leestemaker, Louis. "Maritime shipping and EU ETS An assessment of the possibilities to evade ETS costs." (2022).

Battery Technology Investment

- 2x1MWh High Energy Batteries + Power Converter Investment
- CAPEX = $(2 * €714,286) + (2 * €250,000) = € 1,928,572$
- At a fuel price of \$758.5/ton MGO, Simple Payback Time = 6.34 years
- Scenarios:

Fuel Price	€ 700/ton	€ 800/ton	€ 900/ton
Net Savings and Maintenance (year)	€ 303,946	€ 309,746	€ 315,547
Simple Payback Time (SBT)	6.34 years	6.22 years	6.11 years

Return on Investment

- With an assumption of 10 years lifetime.
- Return on Investment = € 304,039 * 3 = € 912,117

Conclusions of this study

- Installing BESS and operating them in DP2 mode in combination with the DGs, with the new EMS control is profitable.
- The new EMS control creates the opportunity for greater fuel savings and delaying the Minimum Time Before Overhaul (MTBO).
- The BESS solution for this ship has an estimated return on investment, of 0.912 million euros in an assumed lifespan of 10 years.
- In this control approach, the BESS lifetime will be limited to about 10 years. Expecting a useful life beyond this time-period is unfeasible, due to aging and the large number of cycles it would have operated. This can be seen as disadvantage, due to the long payback timeframe.

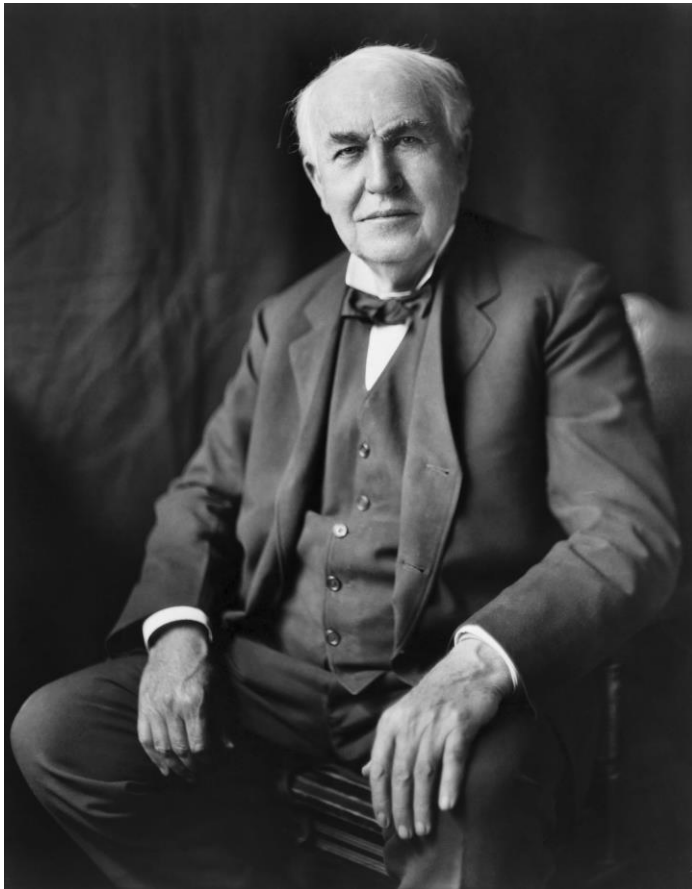
Key differences between these two studies

- Global optimization solutions such as the MILP require knowledge of future events. In this case, the load demand profile. This is often difficult to predict for ships, when they operate in modes such as Dynamic Positioning due to variable weather patterns and the task they are performing.
- The Simple Rules Based Control approach does not require this knowledge.
- However, from the performance front, global optimization performs better.

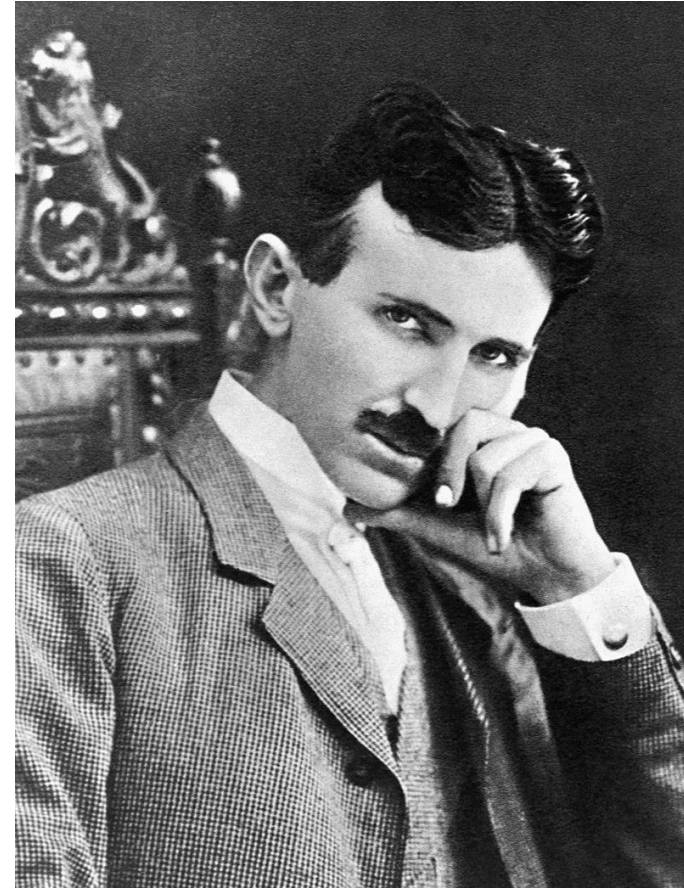
Solution?

- Need to investigate ways in which some knowledge of future load demand can be incorporated into the EMS, so that it can make better decisions using global optimization.

DC vs AC



Thomas Edison

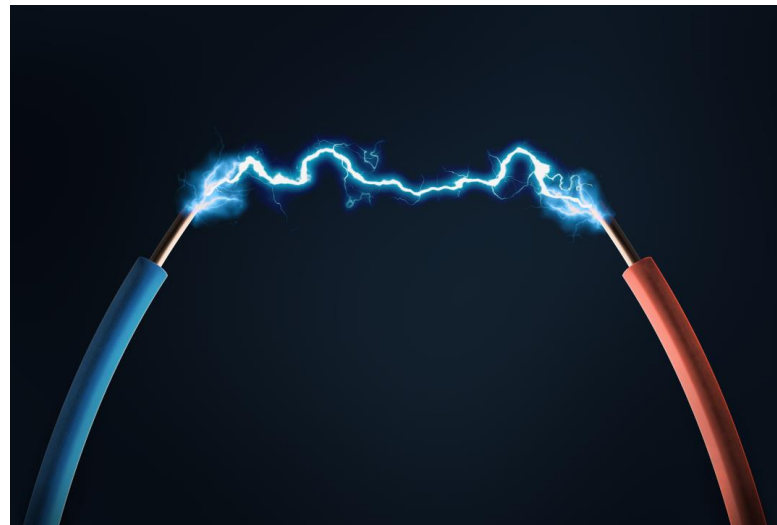
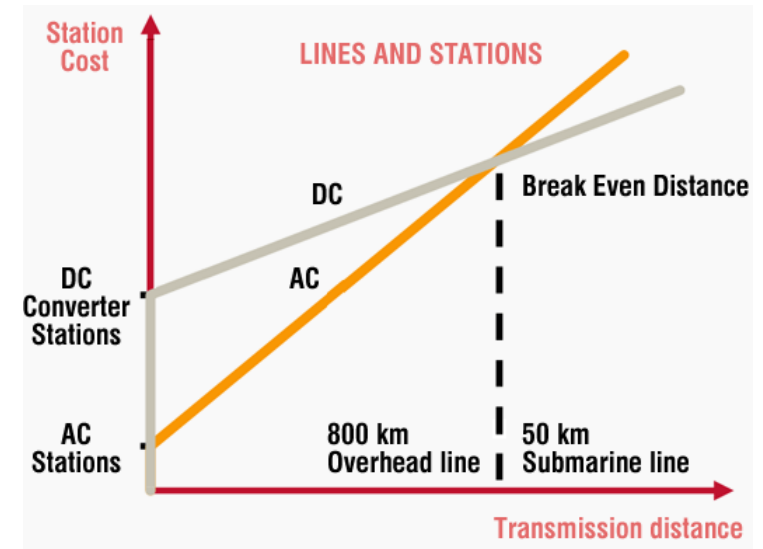


Nikola Tesla

DC vs AC

Why did AC win?

- Easier transformation to different voltage levels
- Lower losses during long distance transmission
- Easier to interrupt (safety)
- You can plug it in both ways



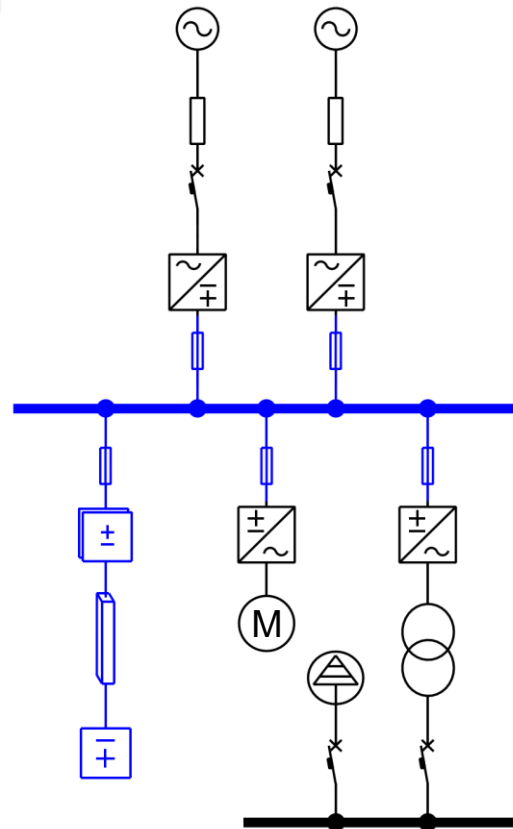
DC vs AC

Modern appliances are often based on DC

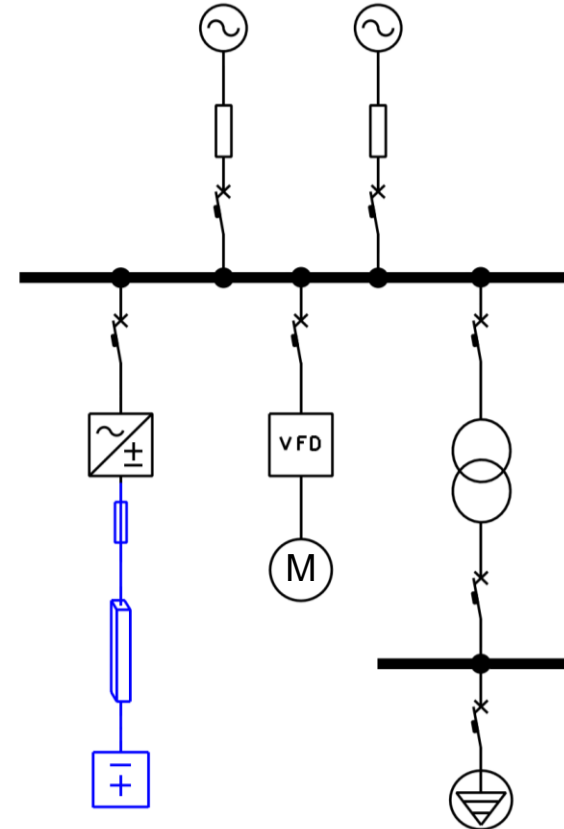


DC vs AC

In maritime systems



'Typical' DC system

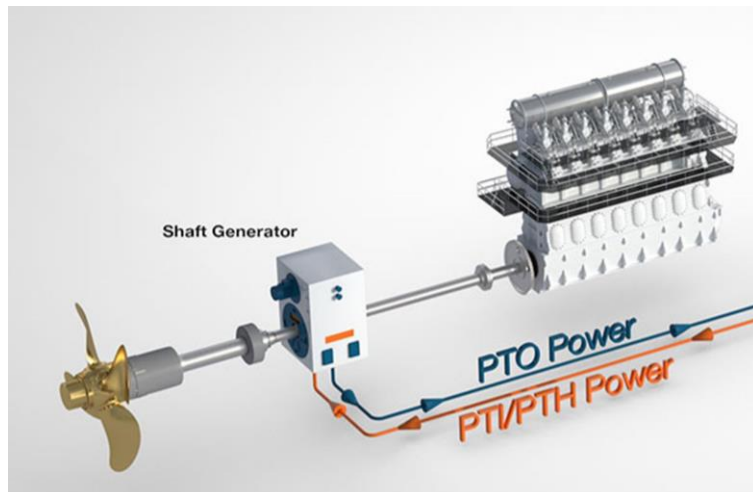
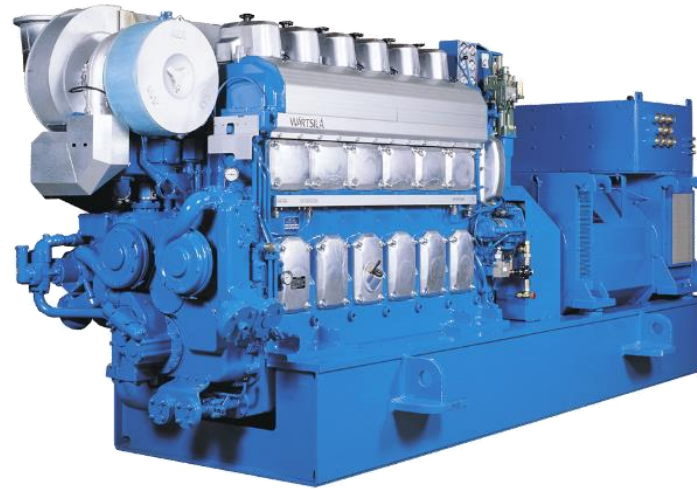


'Typical' AC system

DC vs AC

Which makes most sense?

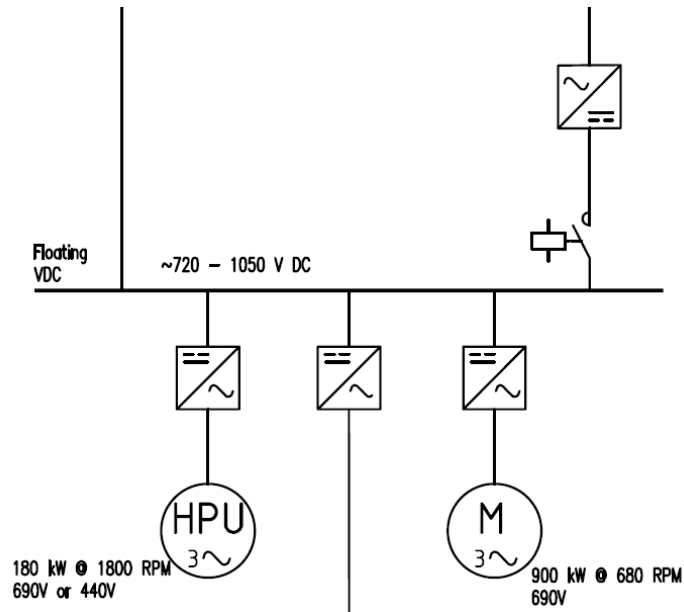
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2. Technical limitations
3. Technical challenges
4. Operational profile



DC vs AC

Which makes most sense?

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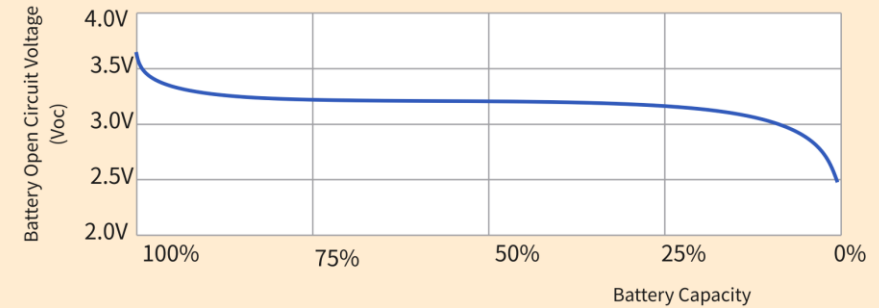


$$690 \cdot \sqrt{2} = 976V$$

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3.2 LiFePO4 Cell Voltage Chart

Jackery Solar Generator

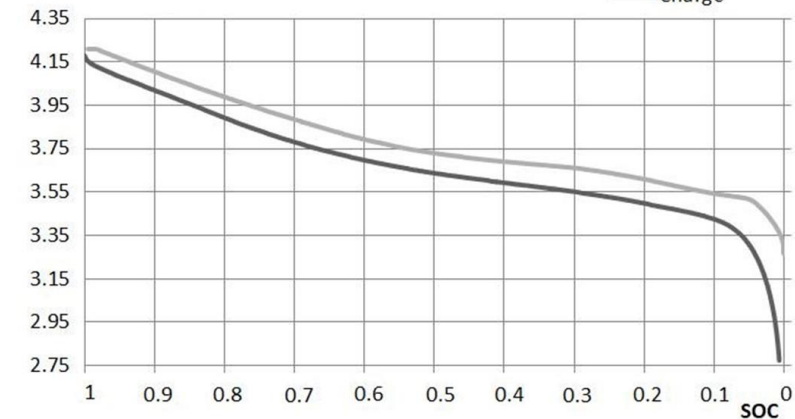


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Cell voltage (V)

NMC 1 - 0.25C

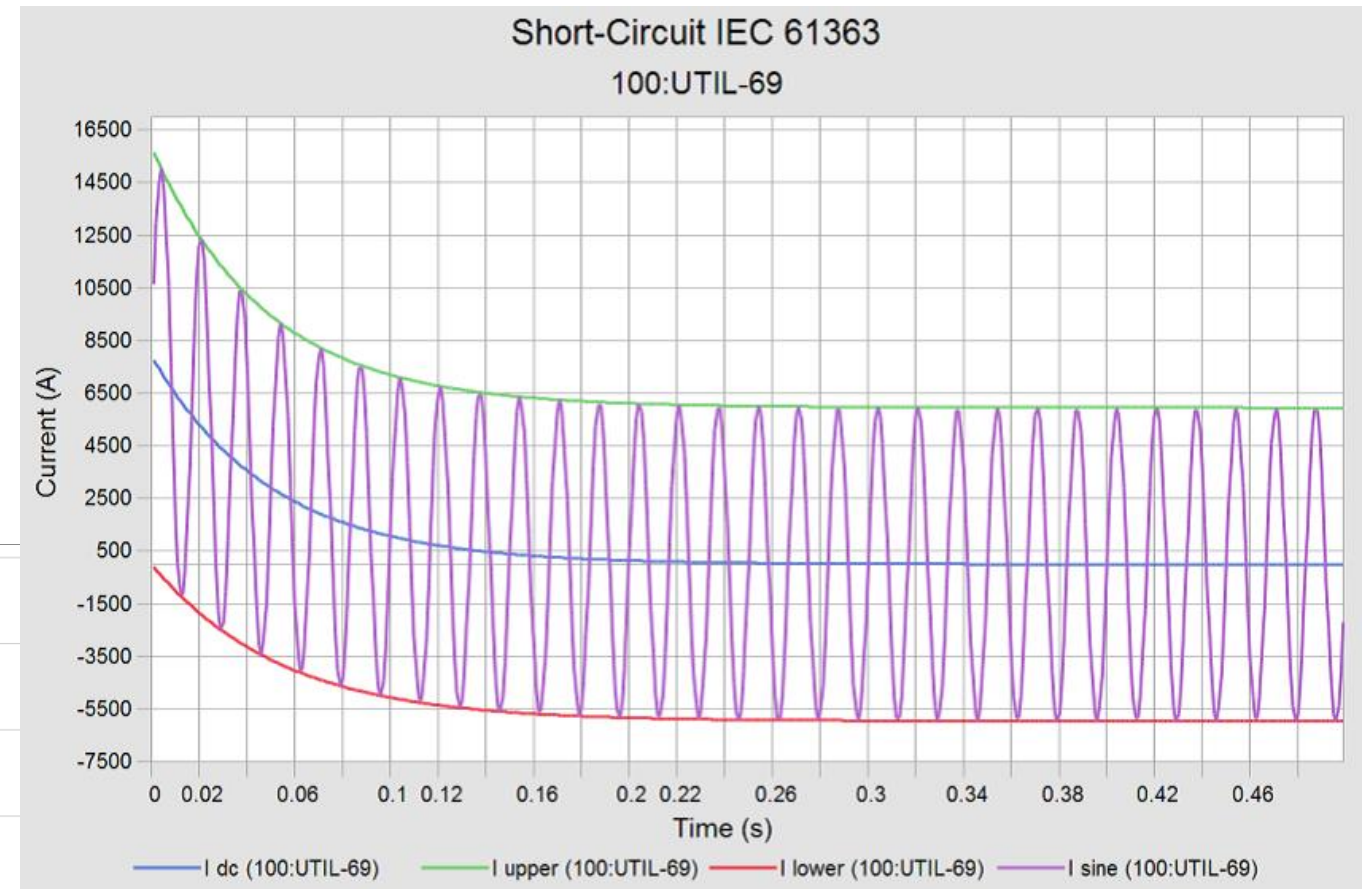
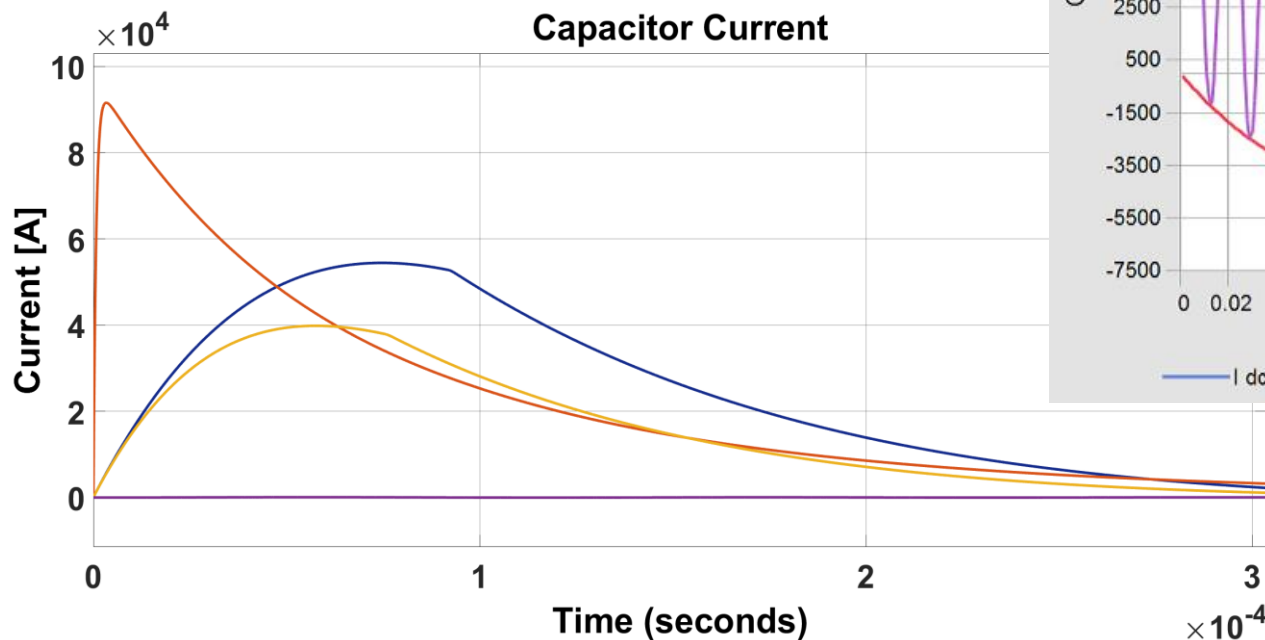
— Discharge
— Charge



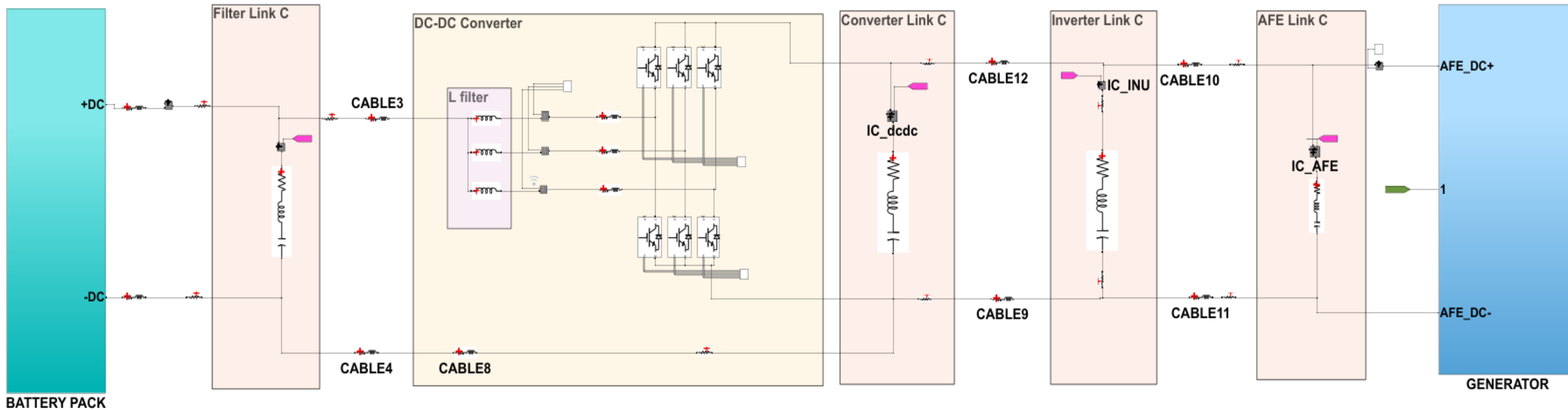
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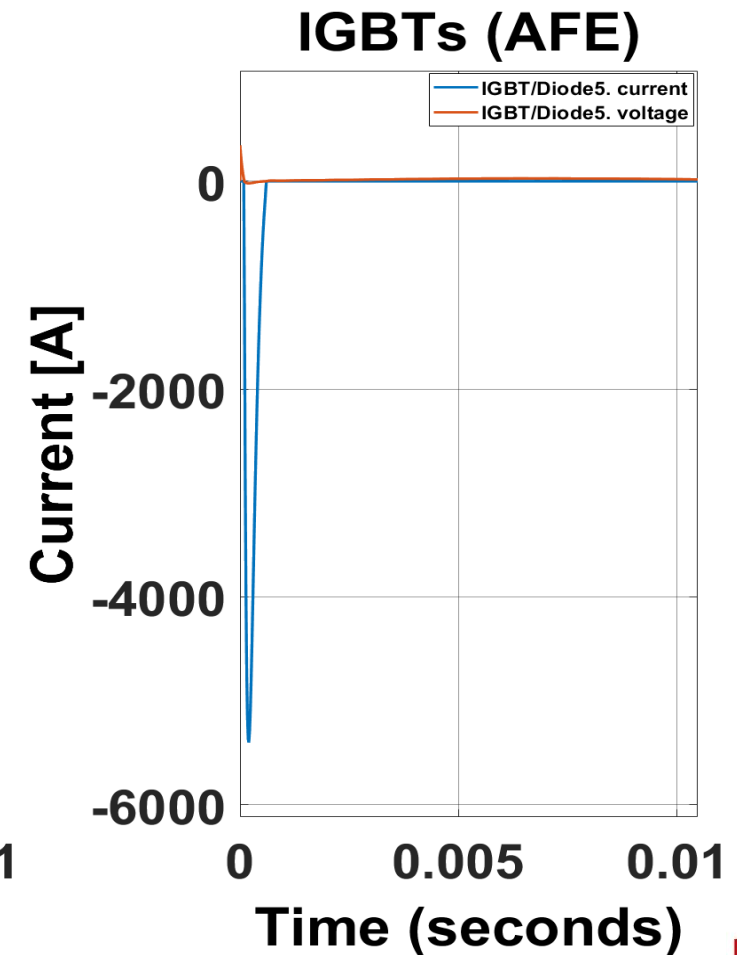
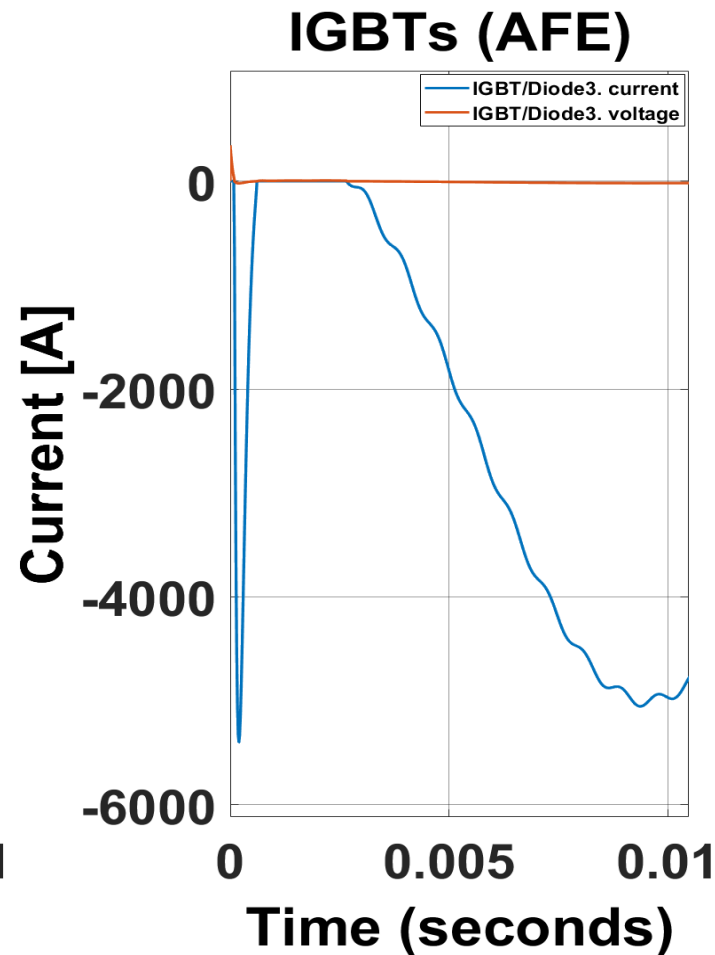
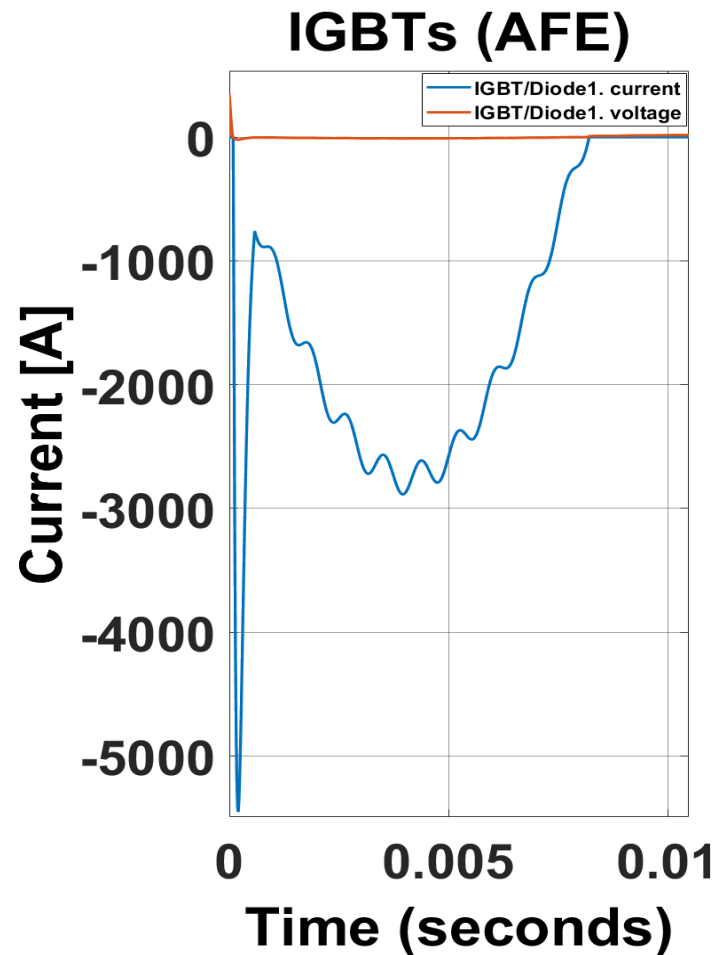
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DC Grid Modelling

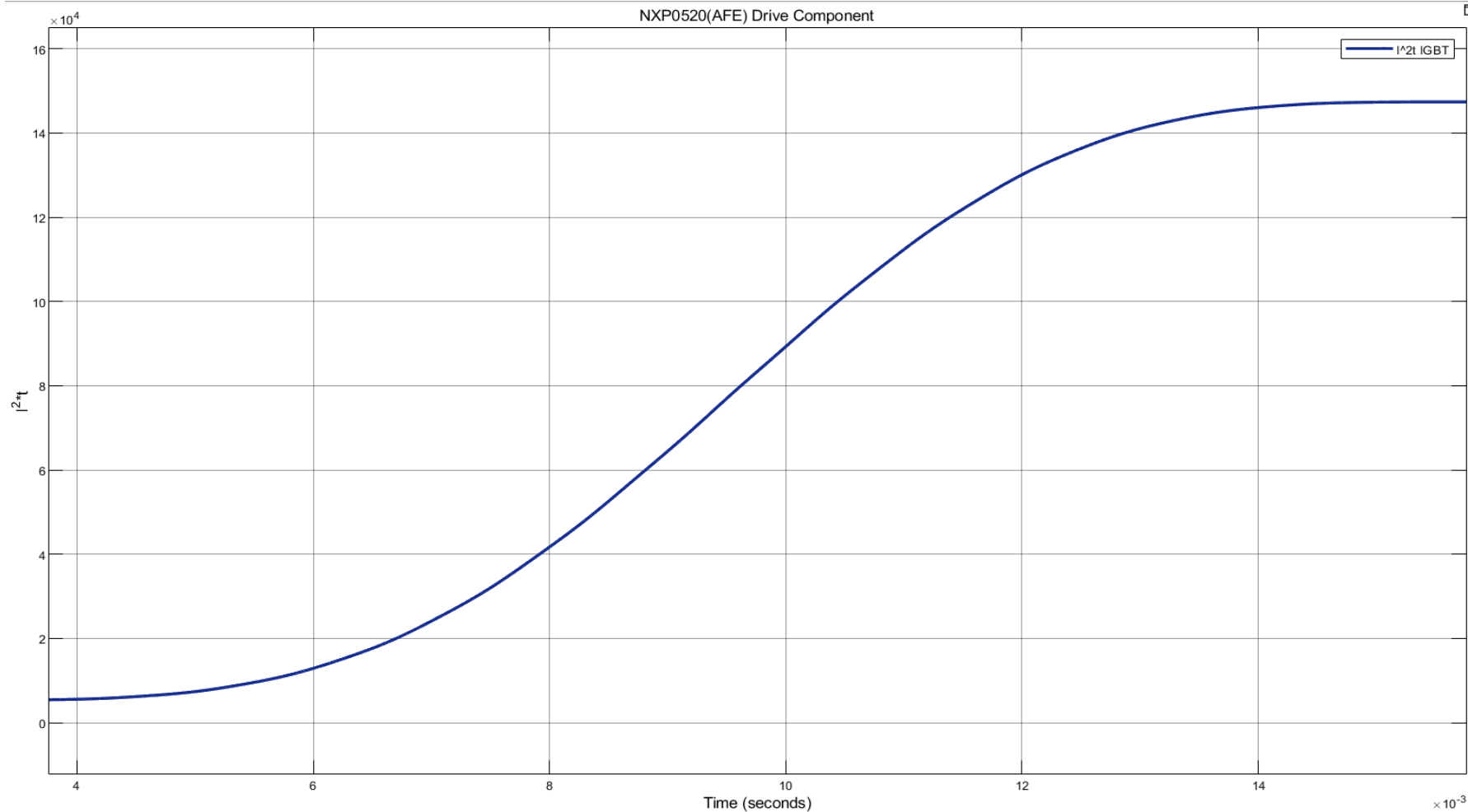


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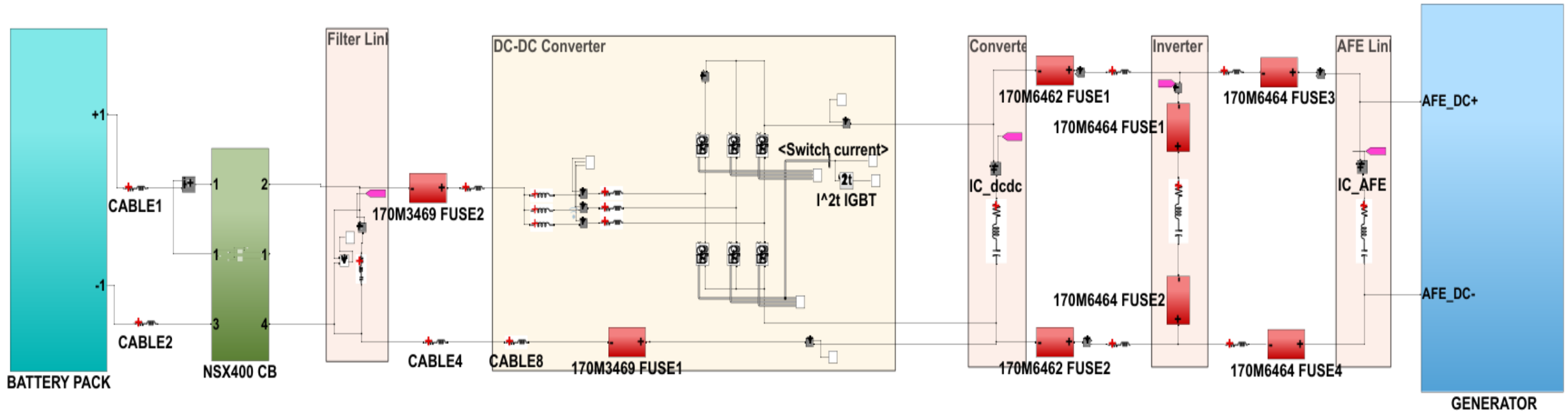


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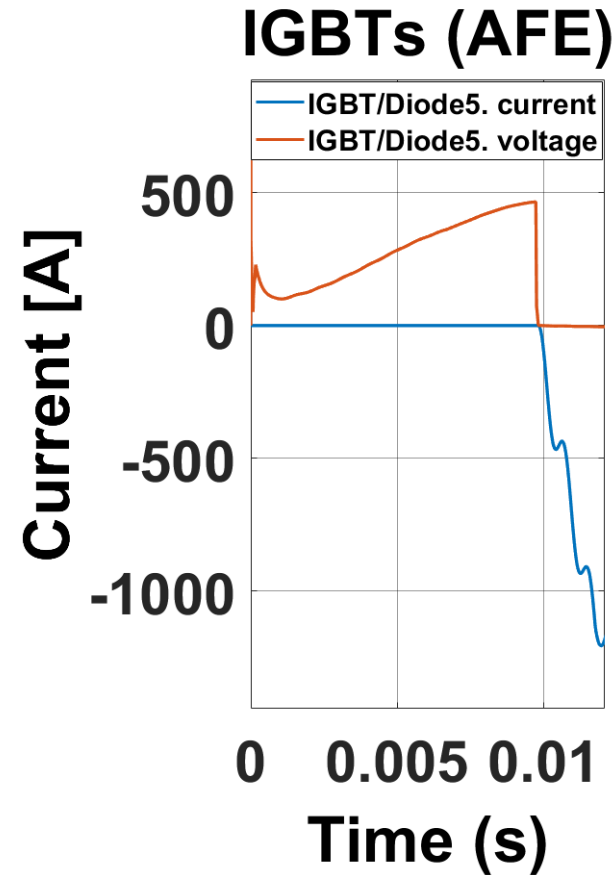
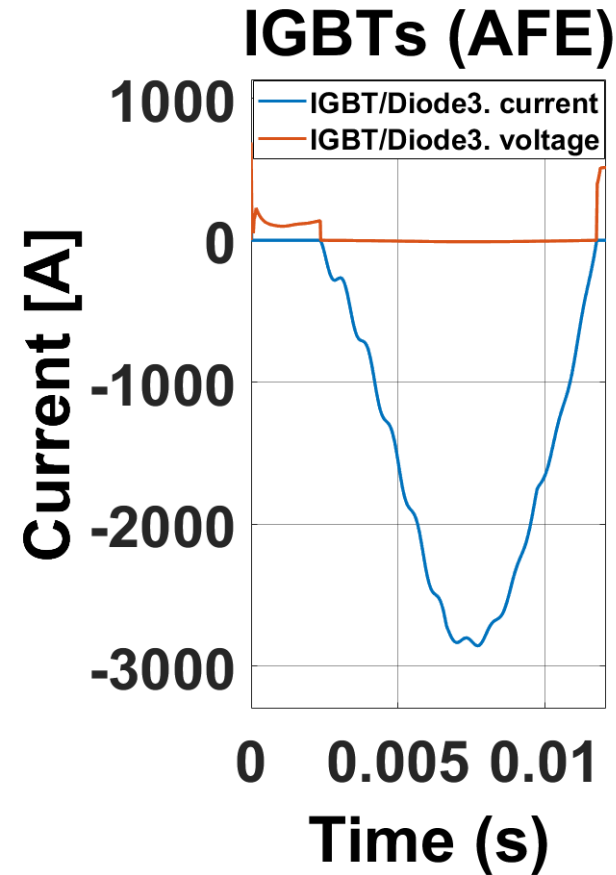
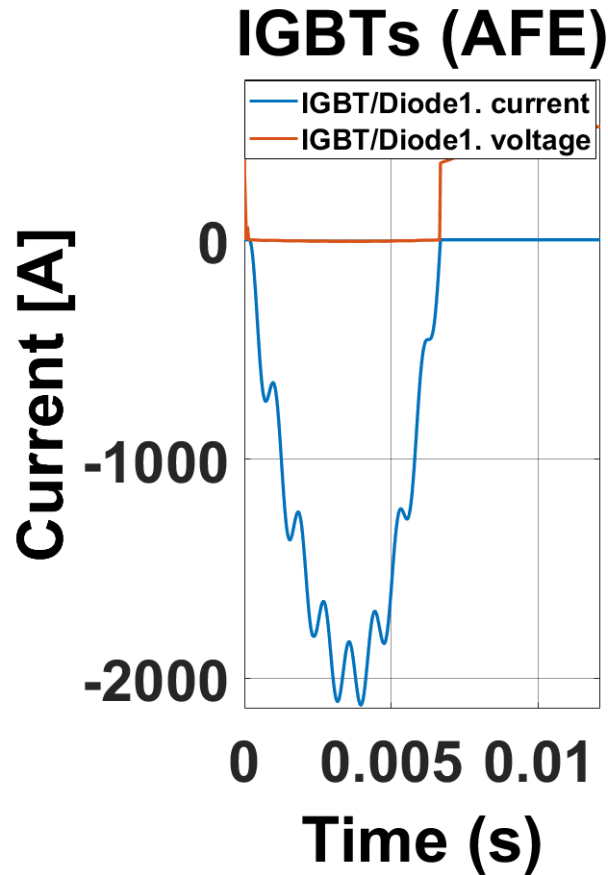
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- Inverse Diode $IFSM = 4320A$ (10ms)



DC Grid Modelling



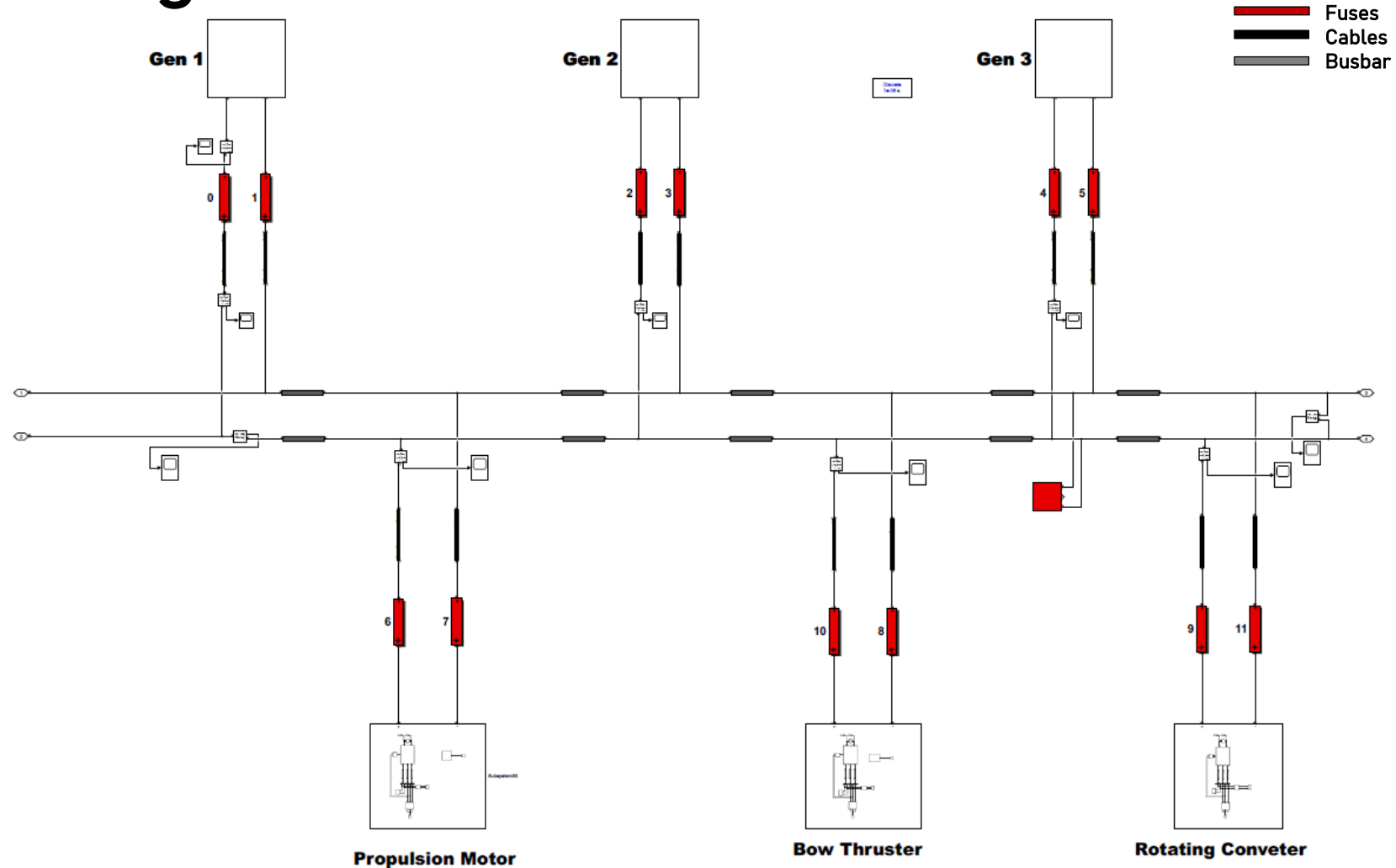
DC Grid Modelling



- Inverse Diode $I^2t = 93000A^2s$
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DC Grid Modelling

A different vessel



DC vs AC

Which makes most sense?

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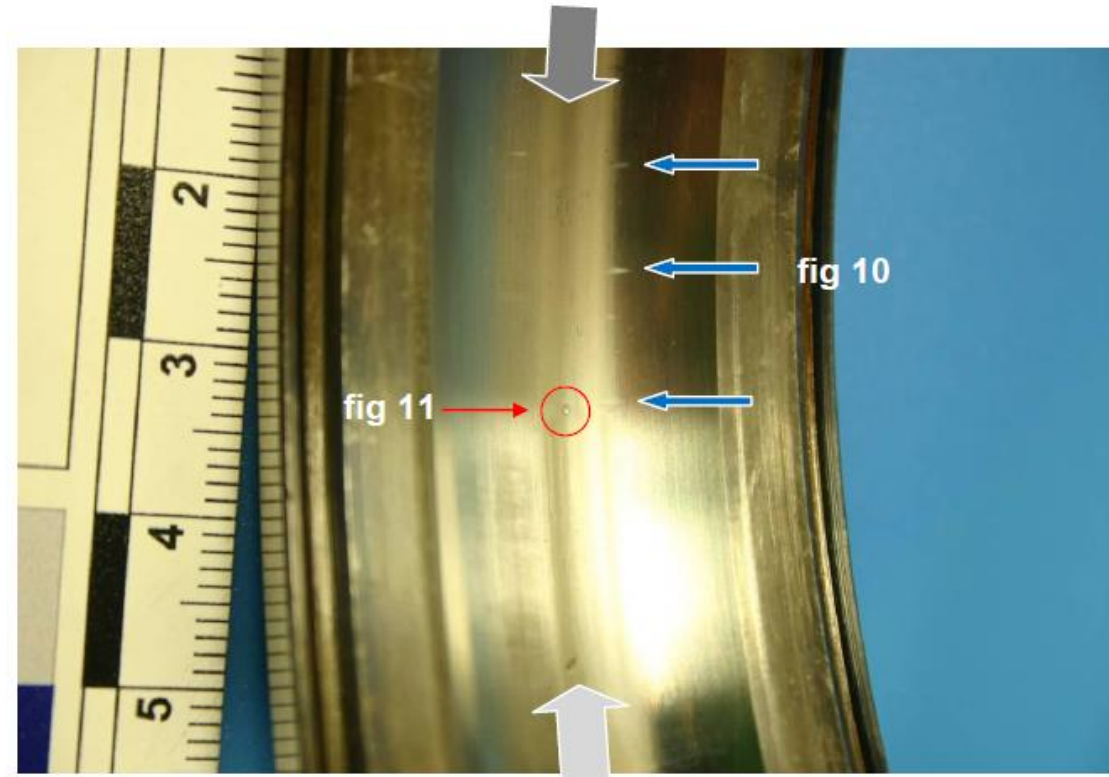
DC	
Motor inverter	97.5-98%
Grid converter	98.5-98.9%
DC/DC converter	98.5-99%
AC/DC converter	97-98%
AC	
Variable Frequency Drive	97%
Grid converter	98.5-98.9%

	DC – total power train loss [kW]	AC – total power train loss [kW]
Charging from shore	82.03	81.10
Charging from generator	54.23	60.87
Discharging	54.07/46.76	63.16

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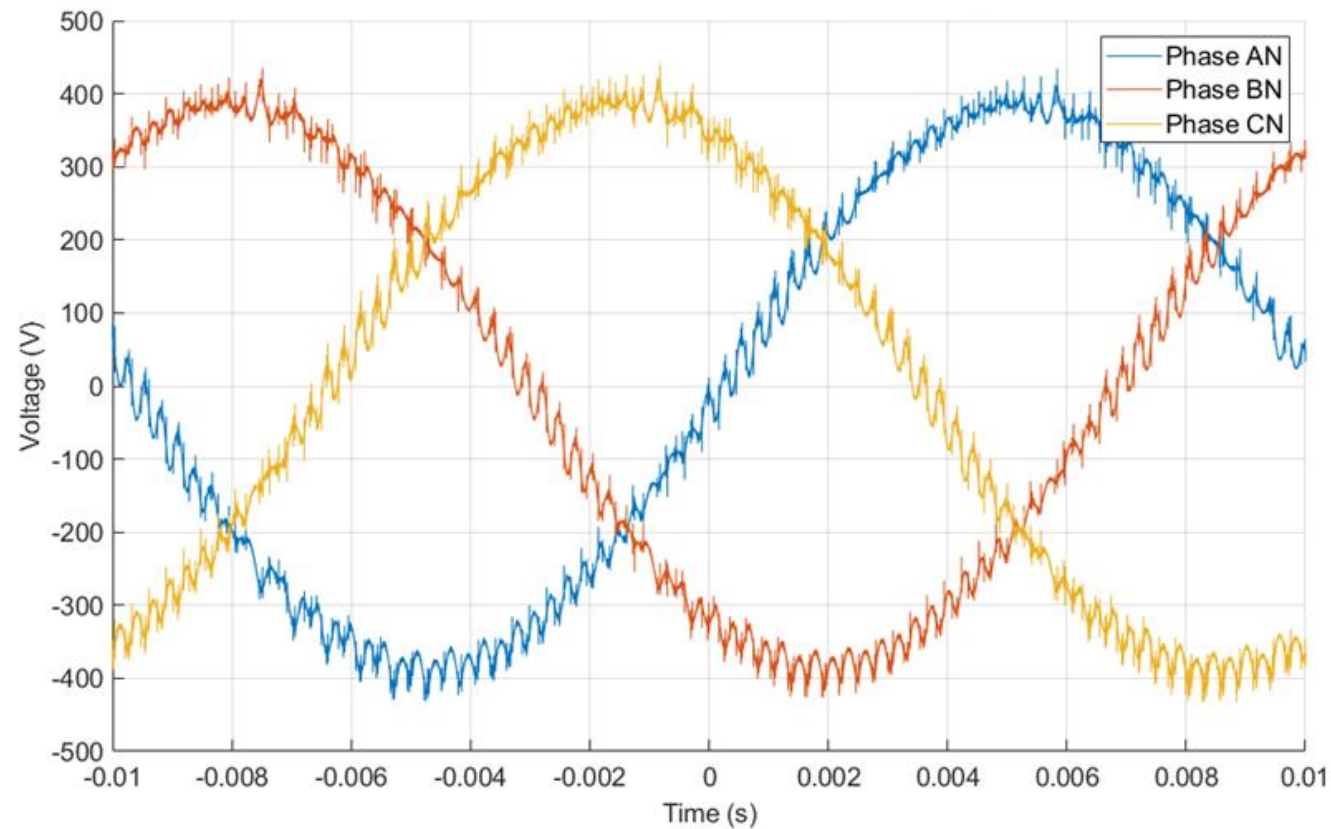
Complaints:

- High maintenance cost generator
 - Bearing replacement every 2000 hours
 - Isolation failure
- Often replace filter capacitors
- Often leakage on the filter inductances



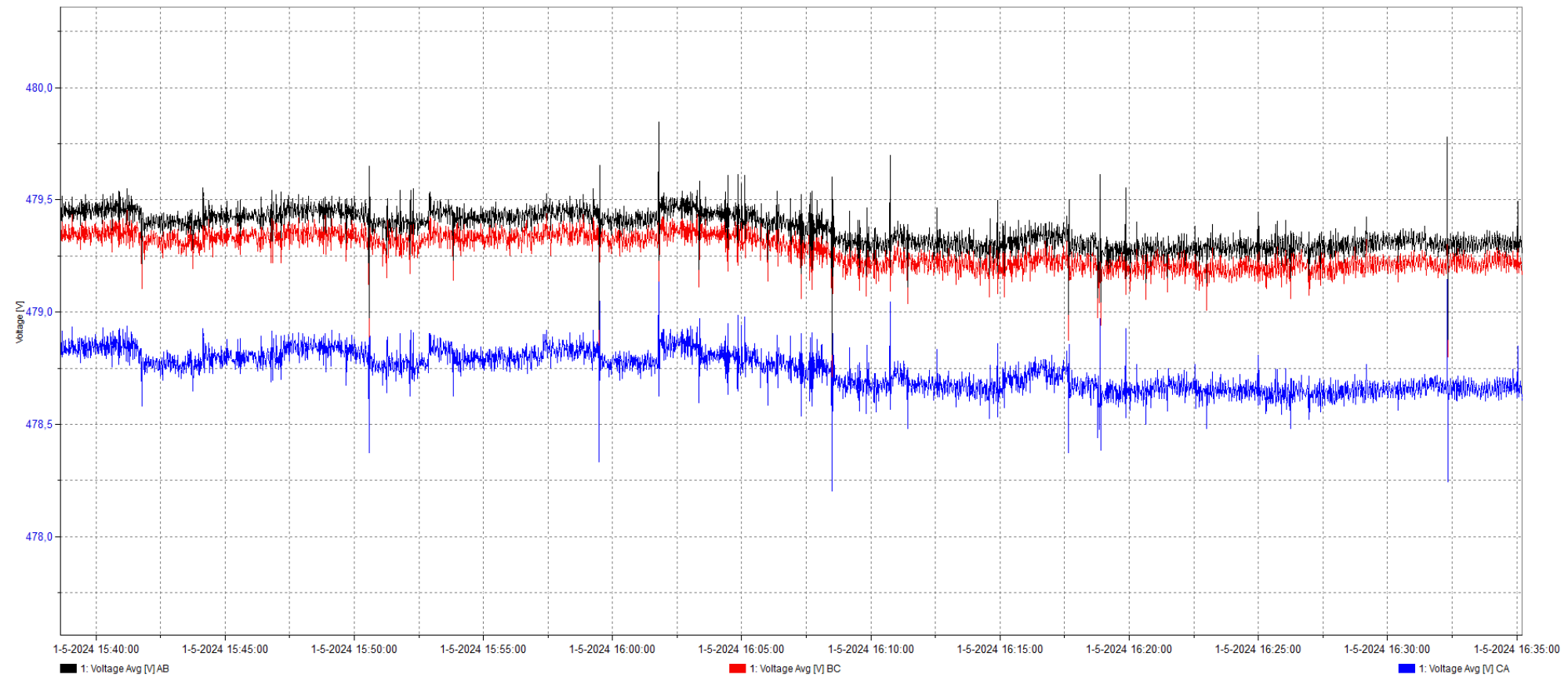
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A measurement result



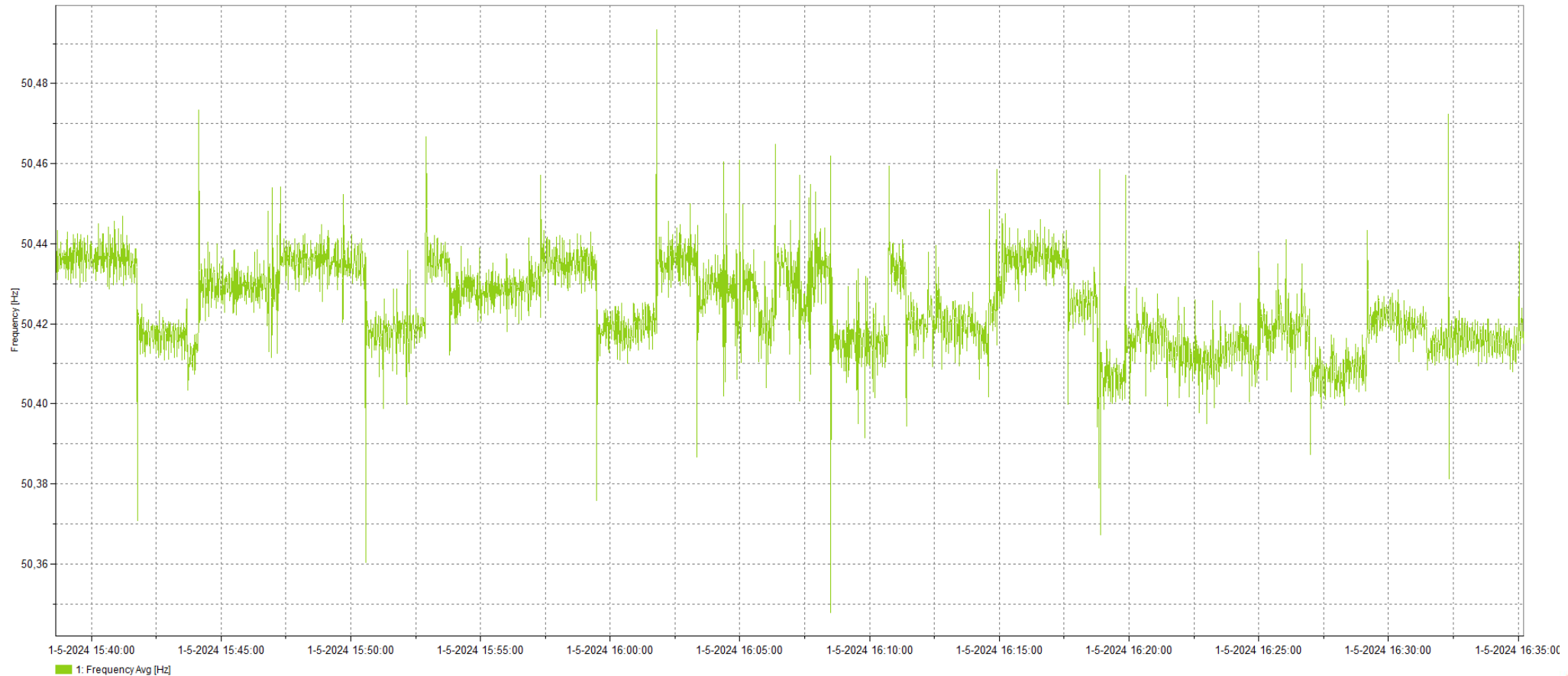
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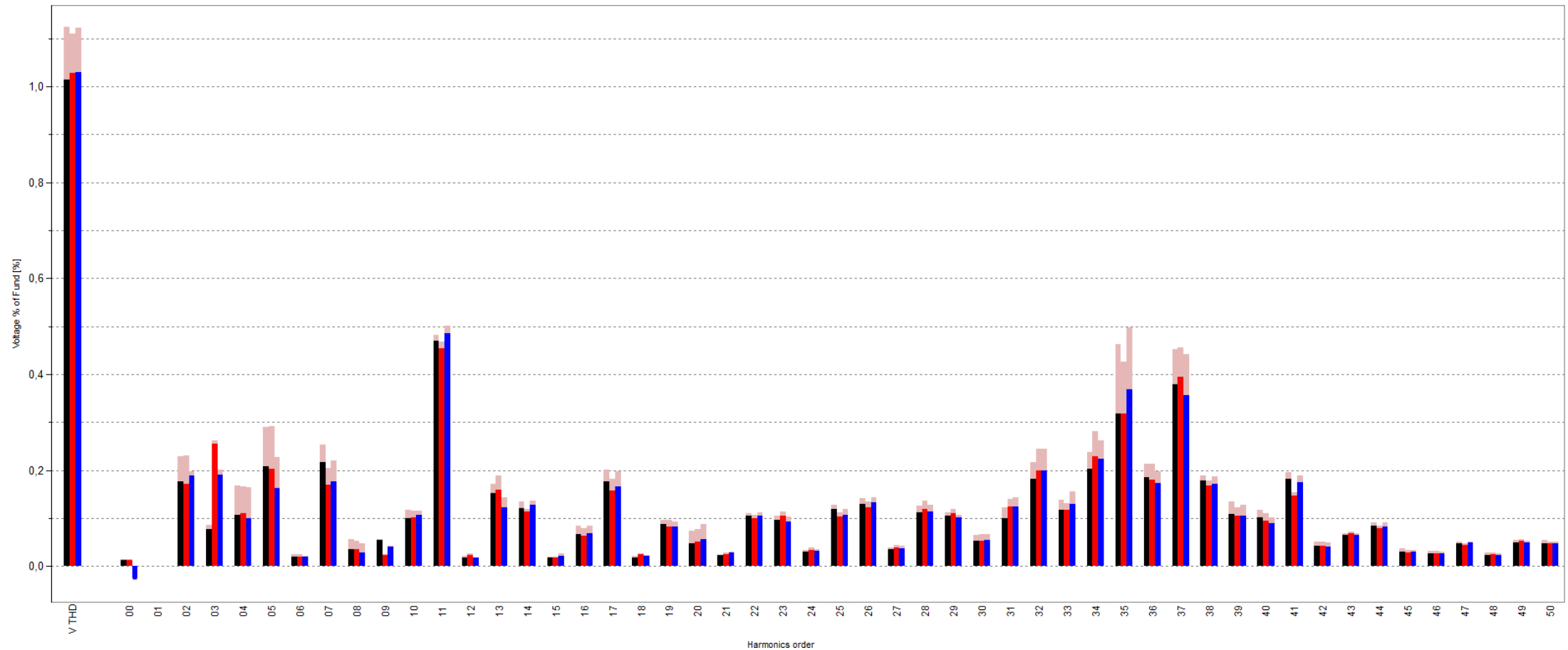


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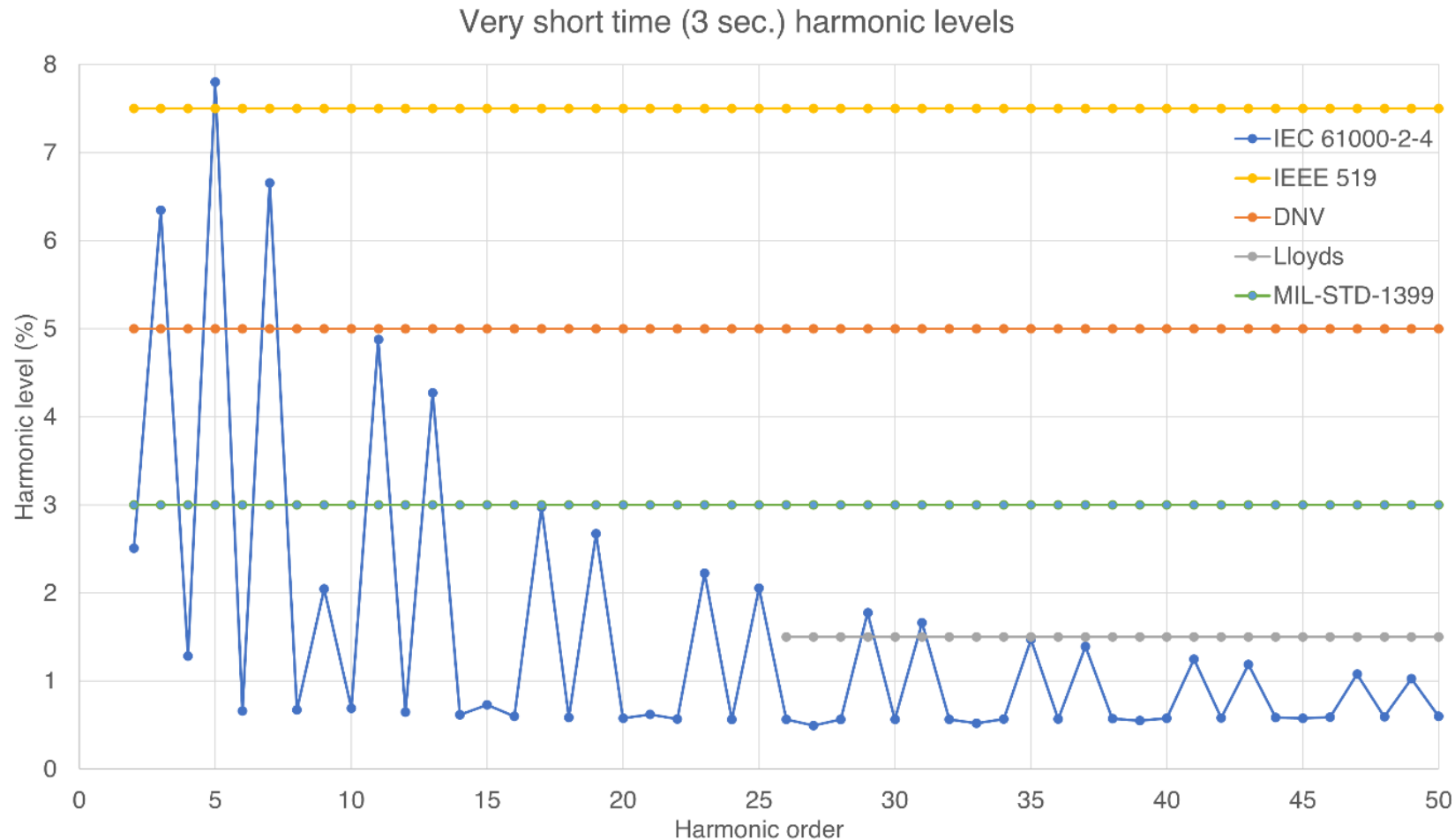
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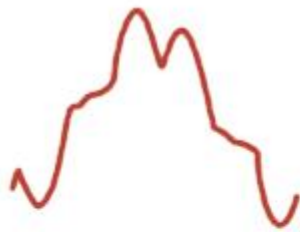
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Power Quality



Harmonics



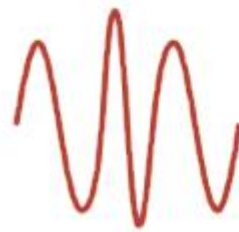
Reactive power



Network unbalance



Voltage variations



Oscillations

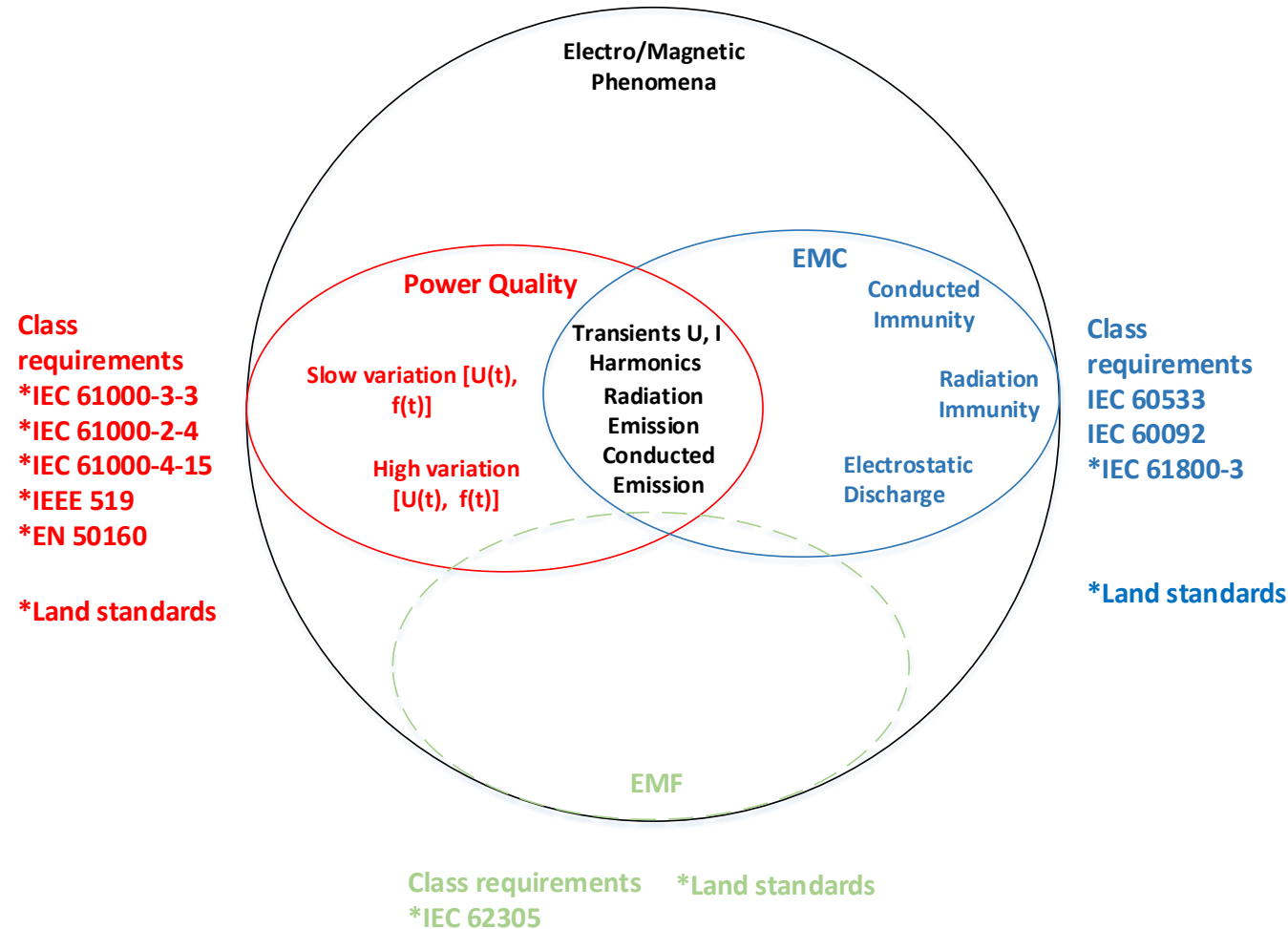


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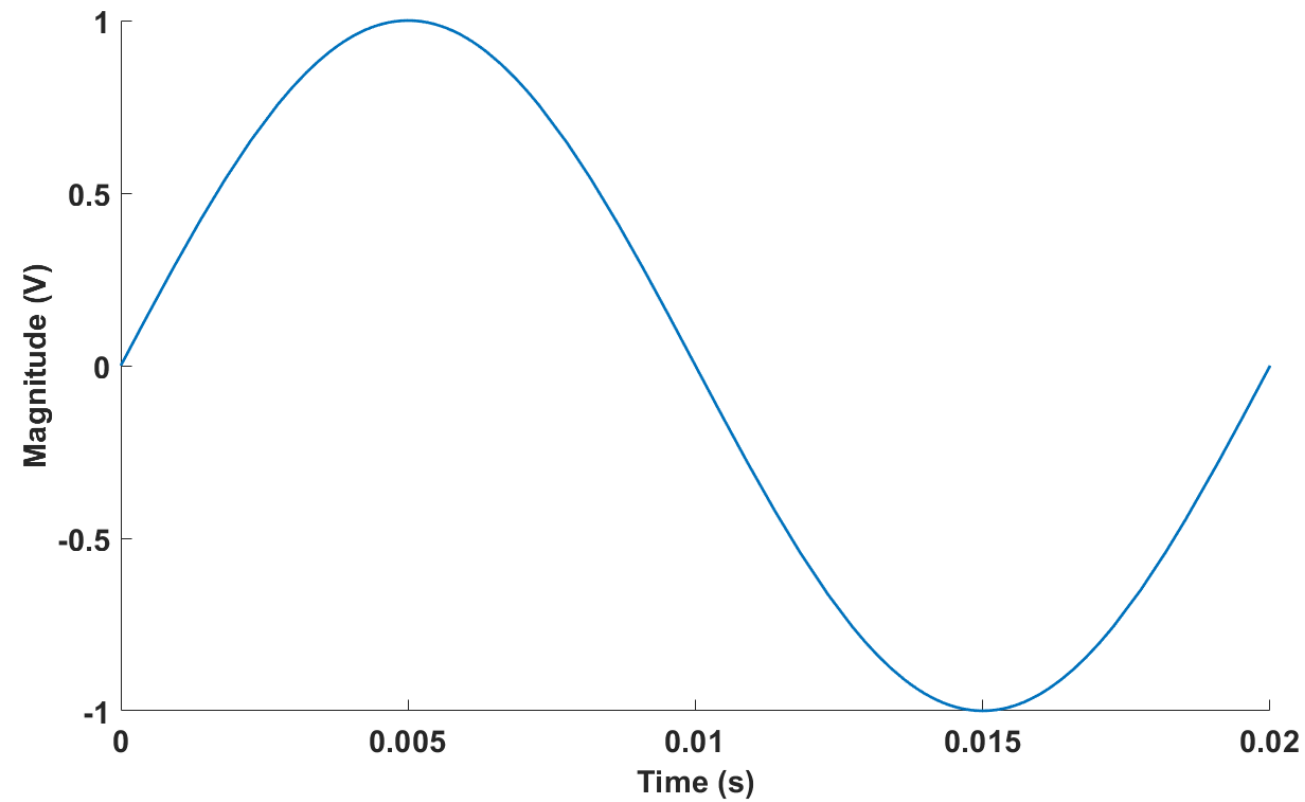


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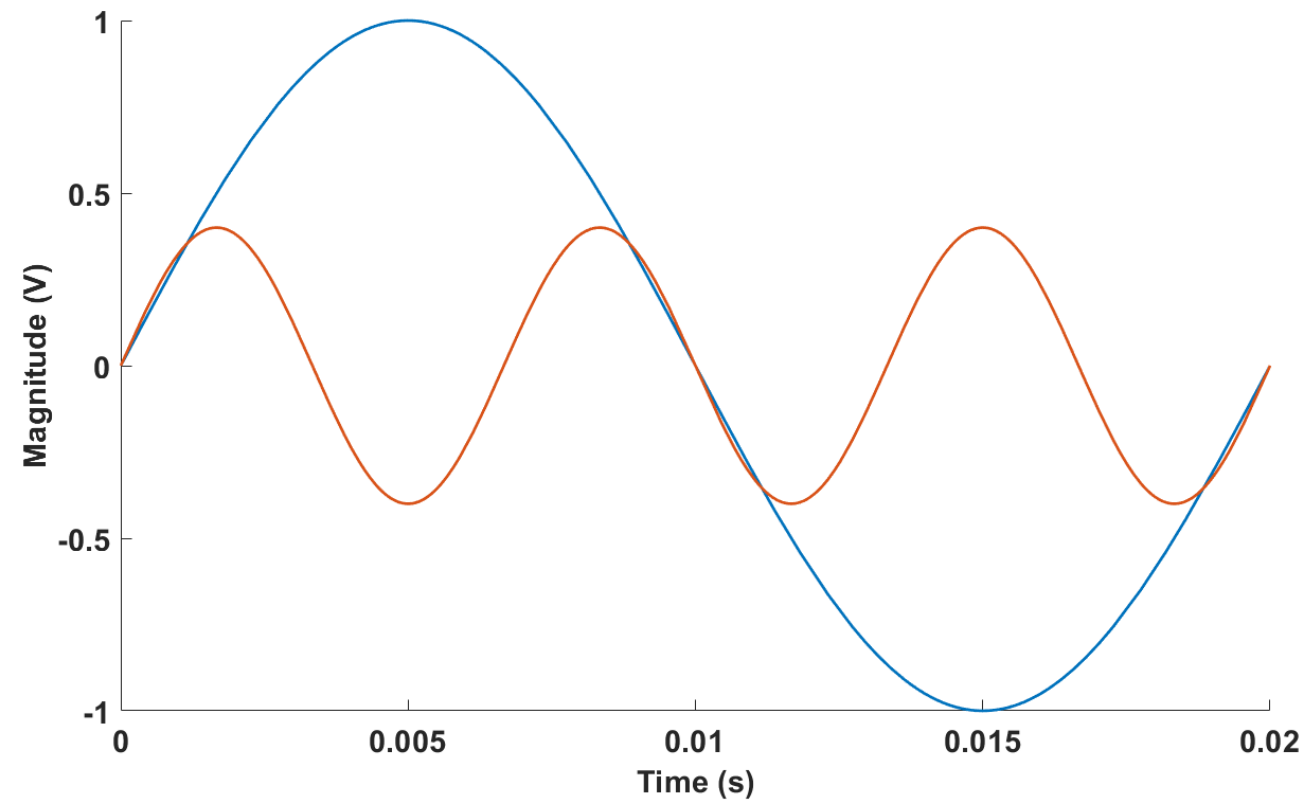
Power Quality and other phenomena



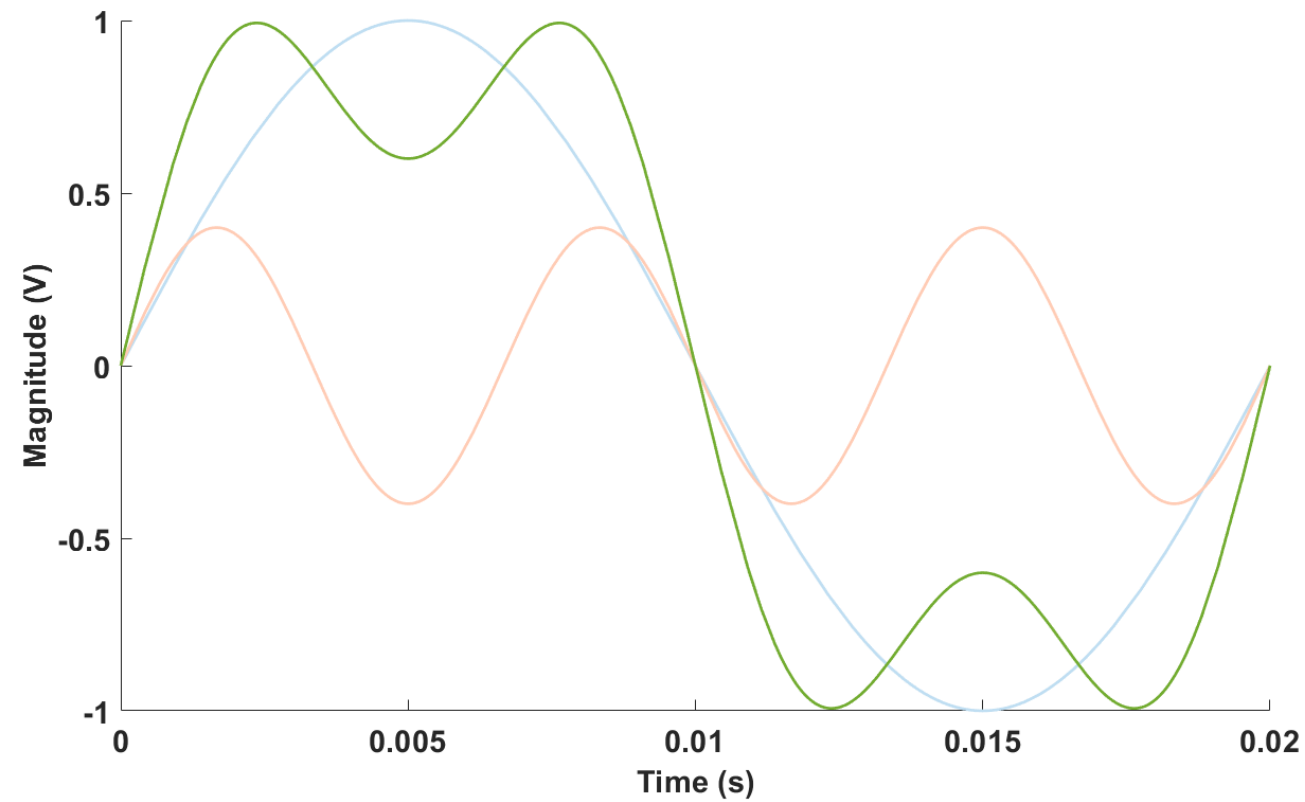
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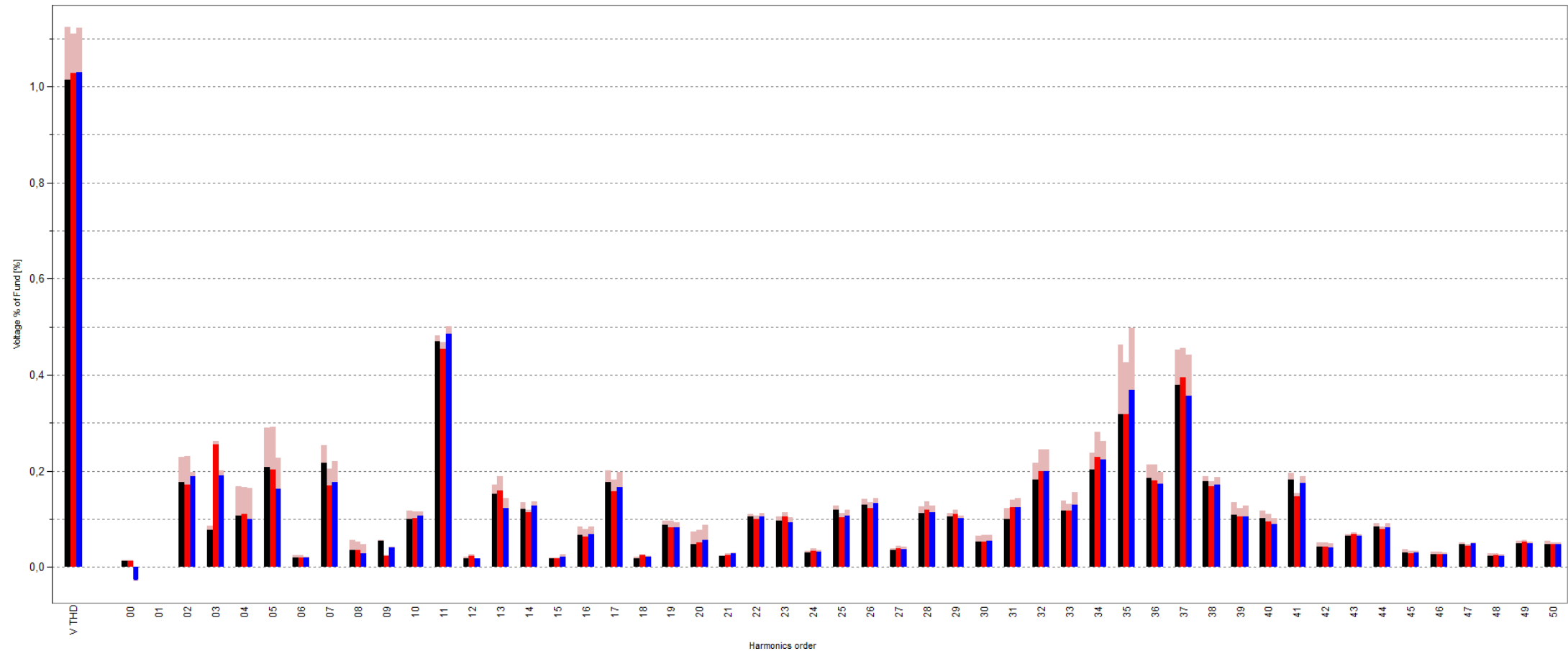
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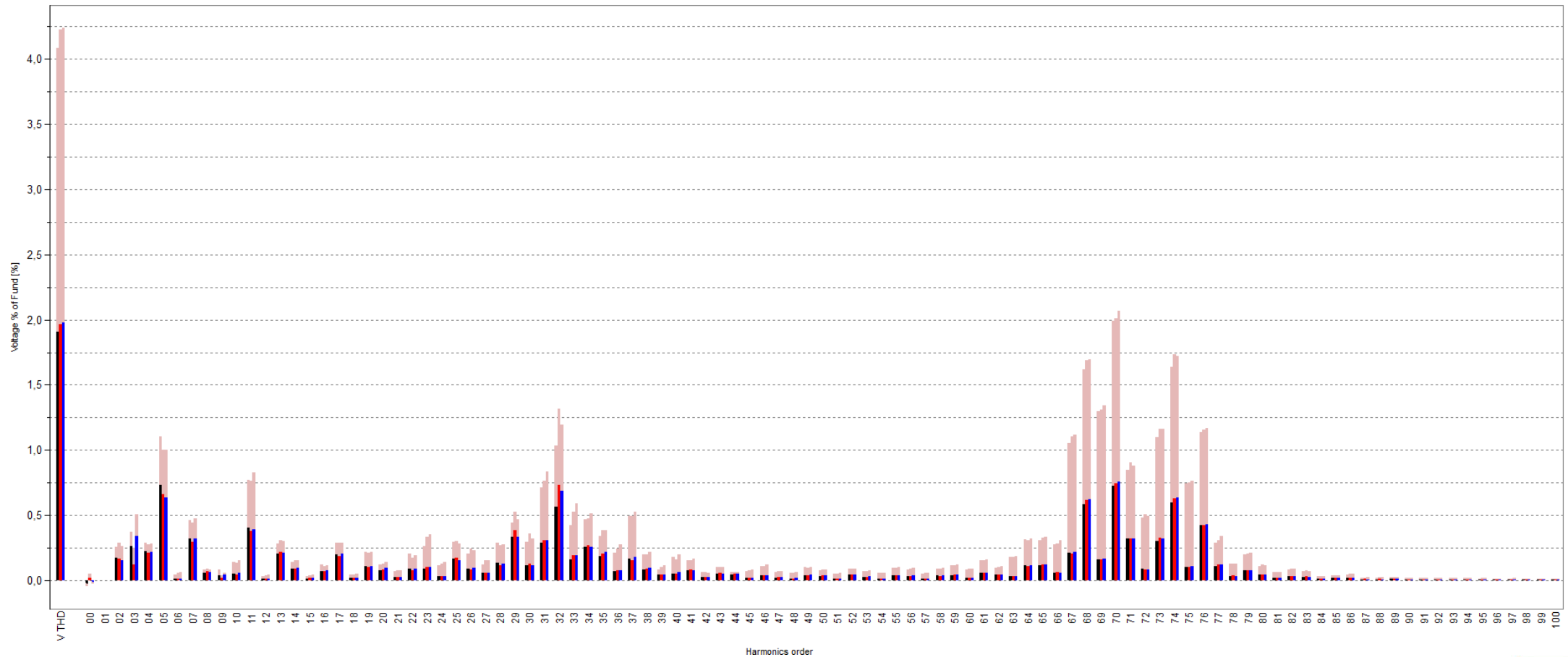
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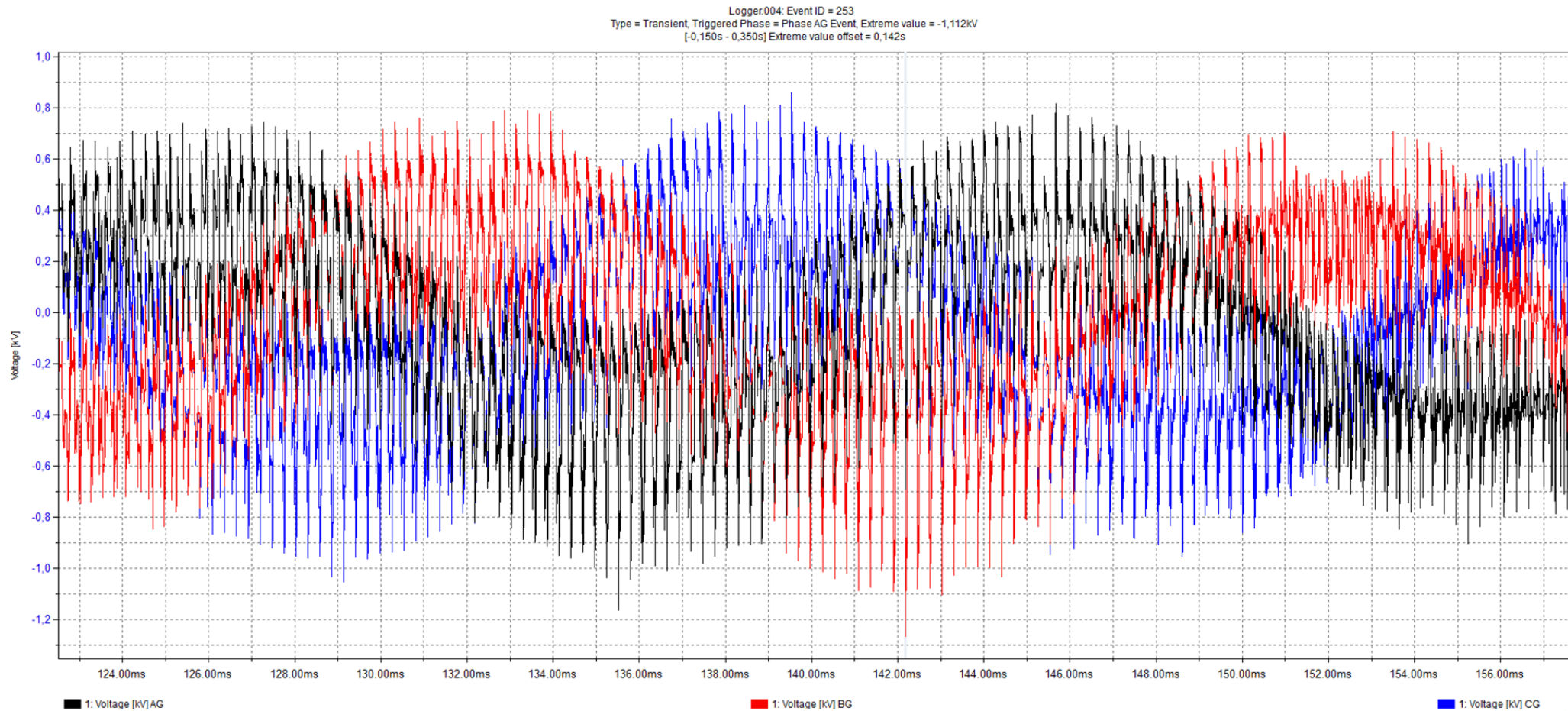
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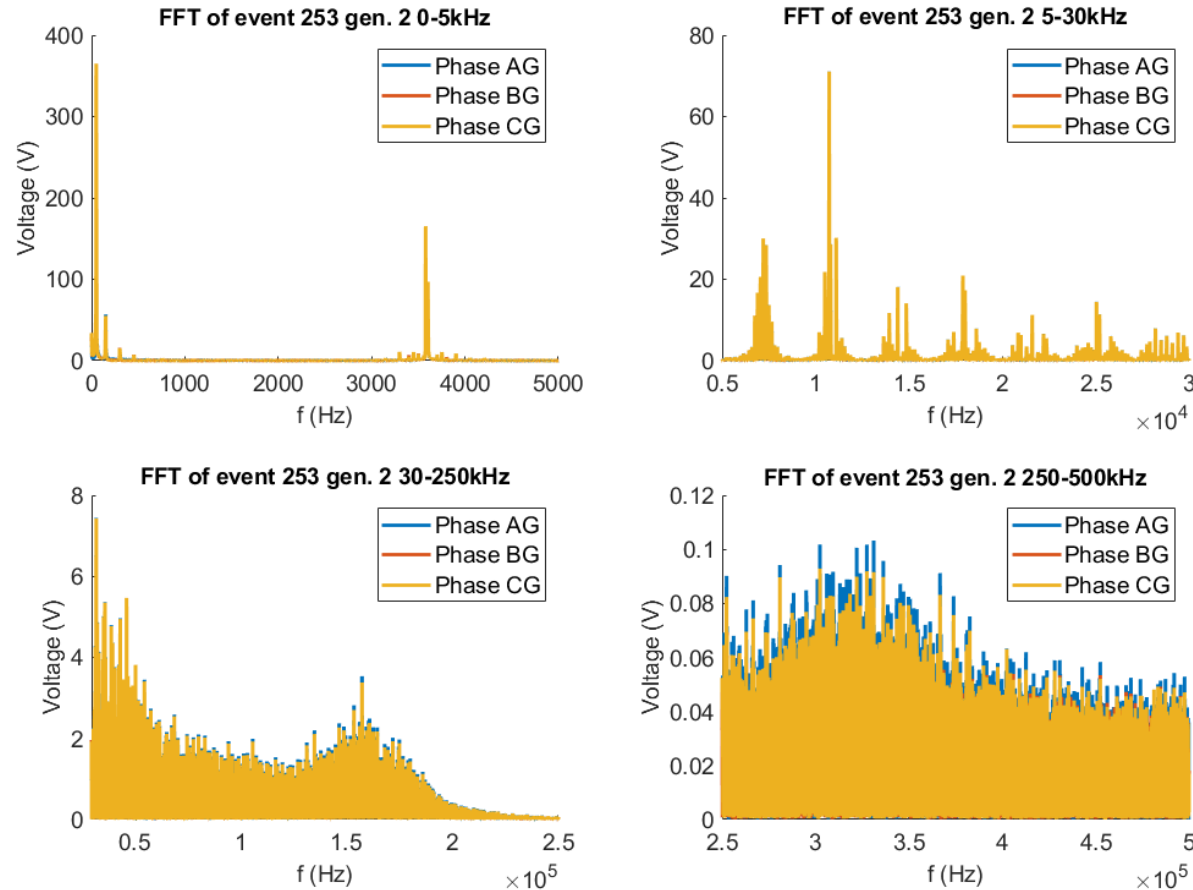
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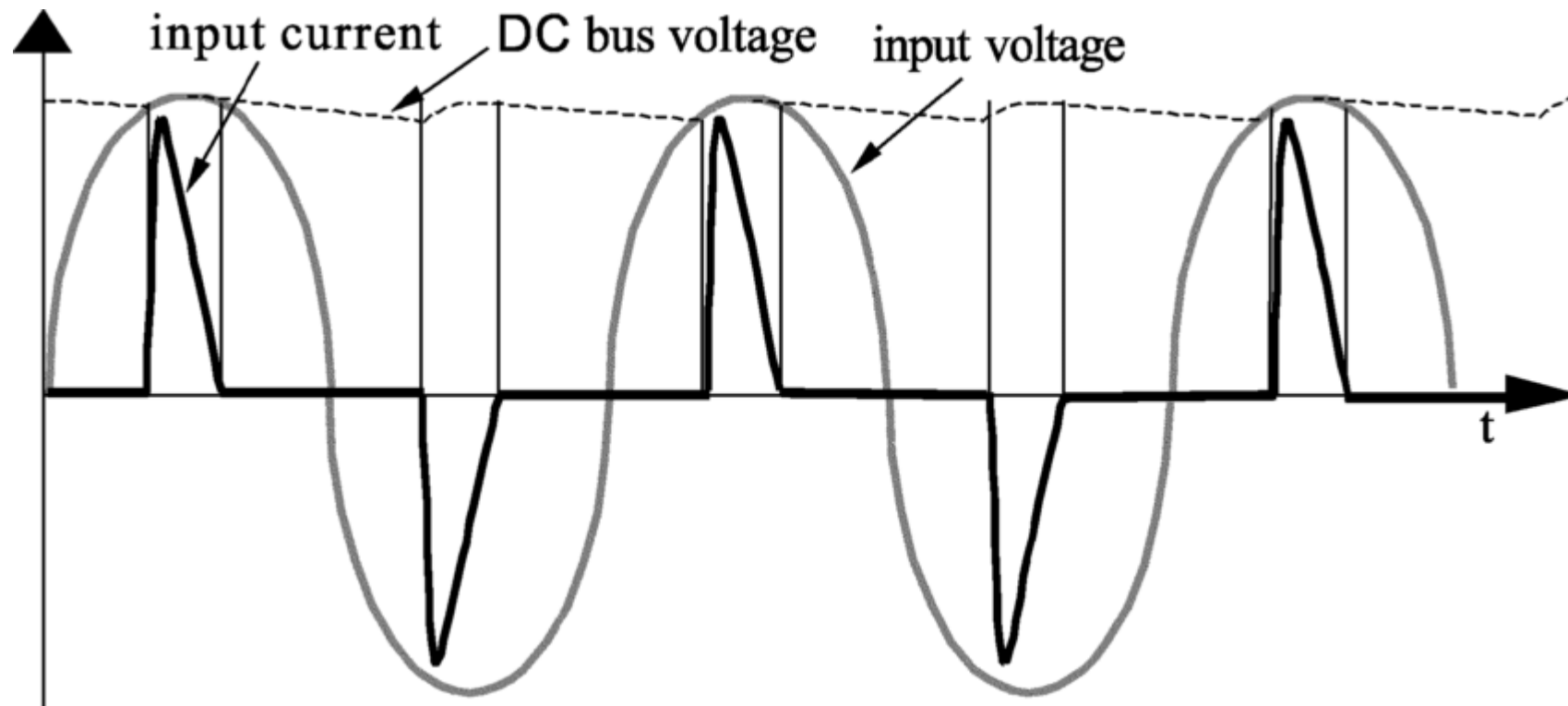
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The effect of switching converters

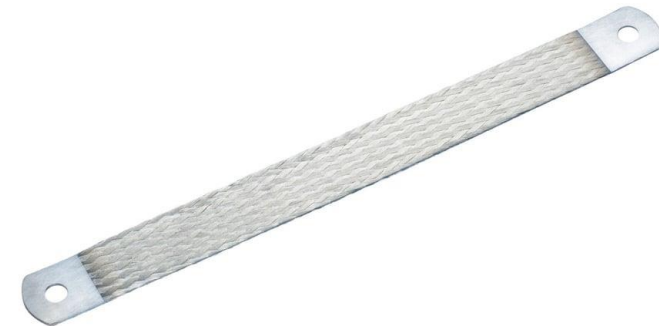


$$\text{Voltage} = \text{current} \cdot \text{impedance}$$

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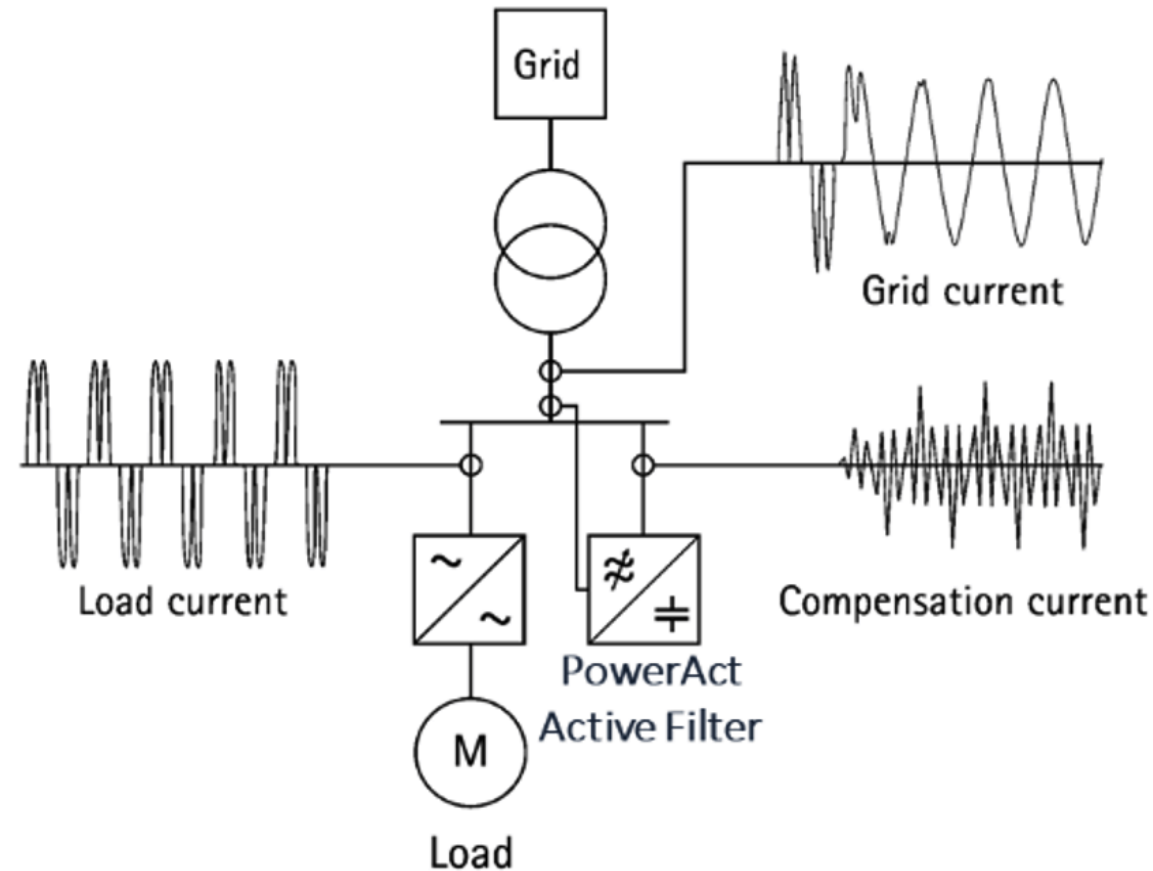
What can we do?

- LCL filter
- High frequency (EMC) filter (30kHz – 300kHz)
- High frequency grounding
- Active Harmonic Filter (< 49th harmonic)



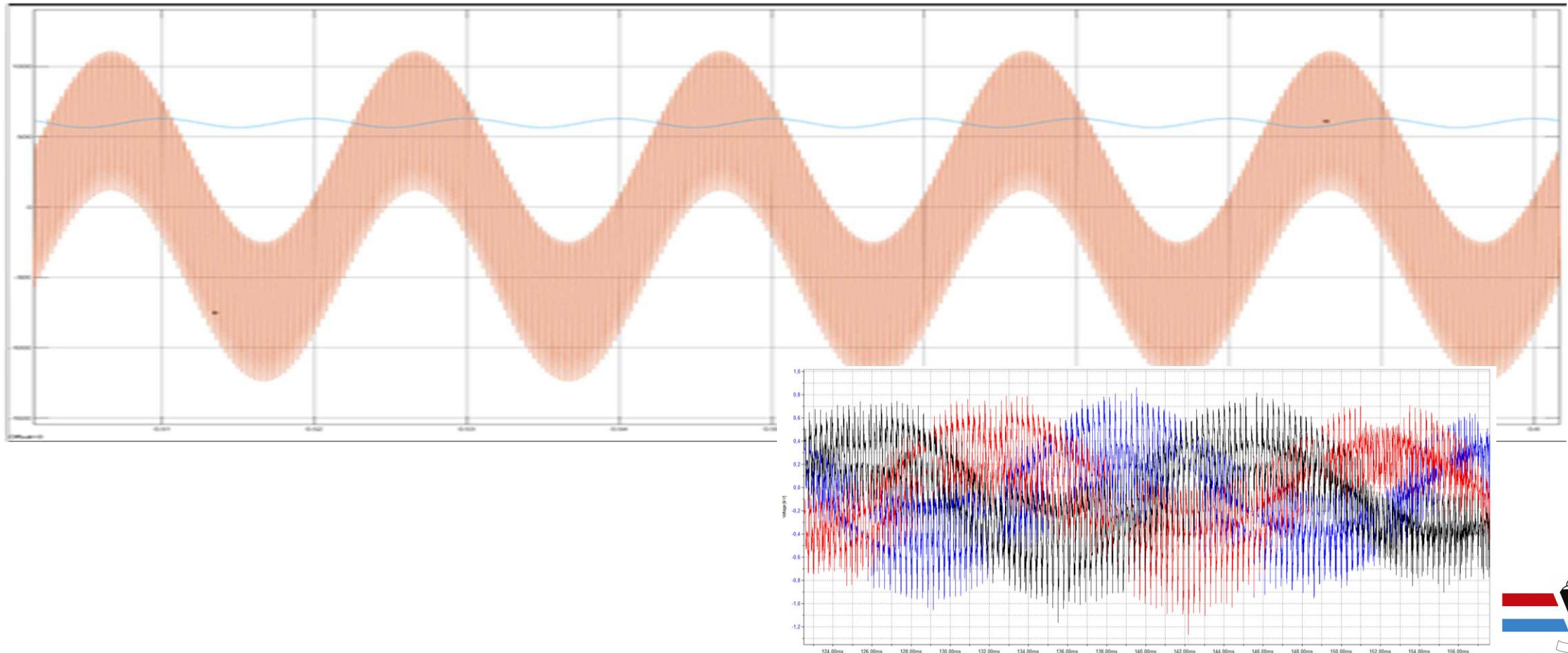
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Active Harmonic Filter



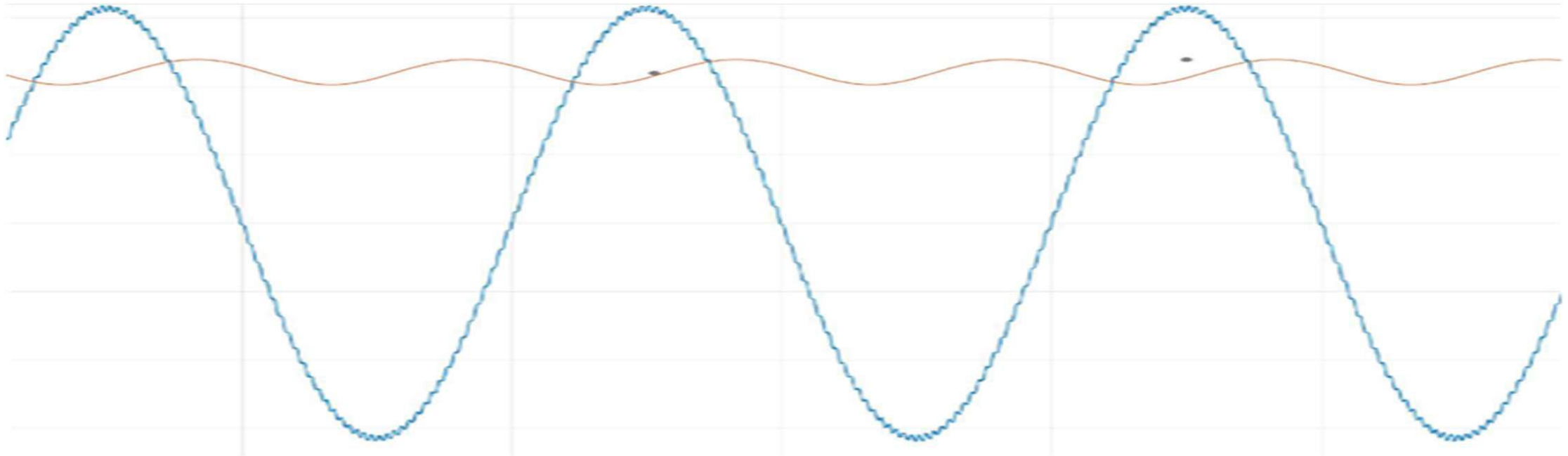
Filter design & Power Quality

Recreating the measured signal



Filter design & Power Quality

After improving the filter



Key takeaways

- Improper filtering and earthing is the main cause for power quality and EMC issues that can show in decision-making.
- There are many factors that have to be taken into account when choosing for an AC or DC electrical topology.
- A BESS along-with a well-designed EMS, can ensure diesel generators operate at an optimal loading point, reduce fuel consumption and increase maintenance savings.
- A well-designed EMS needs to have intelligent decision-making capabilities.
- Choosing a battery size for your vessel is not a trivial decision. Many factors have to be taken into account for it to be profitable.

Thank you for your attention!

Questions?



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