

Comparison of Grid forming control strategies in the scope of BSR by OWPPs

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Blackstart & Islanding capabilities of Offshore Wind Power Plants



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Motivation



Increased risk of wide-area blackouts [1]

High volume integration of RES far from loads
 Increased trans-national power exchanges
 Power electronics converter (PEC) interface } *Operation closer to dynamic stability limit*
 Stronger network linking

Large OWPPs with modern WTs can address Blackstart requirements targeted conventionally to large thermal plants: ENTSO-E codes

Steady winds far-from-shore, thus *lesser availability-uncertainty*
Fast, fully-controlled, high-power environment-friendly BS capability of VSC-HVDC OWPP
Advanced V,f control functionalities from state-of-art PE interface of modern WTs

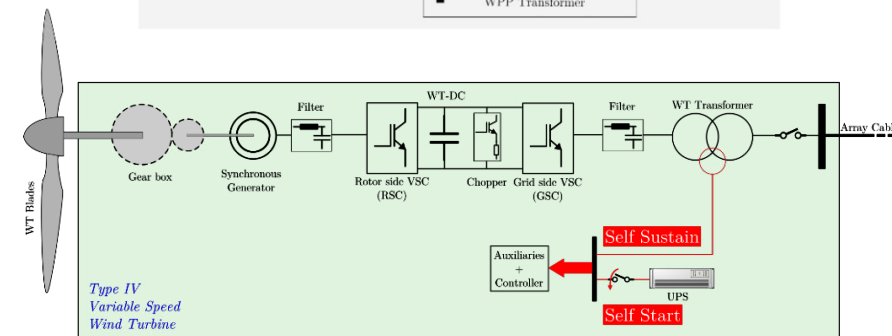
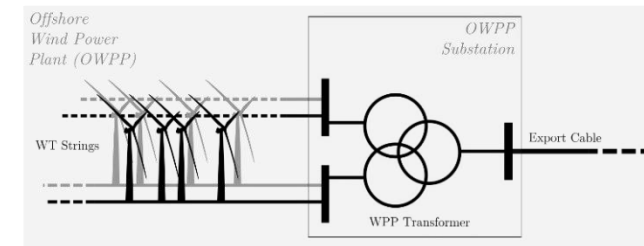
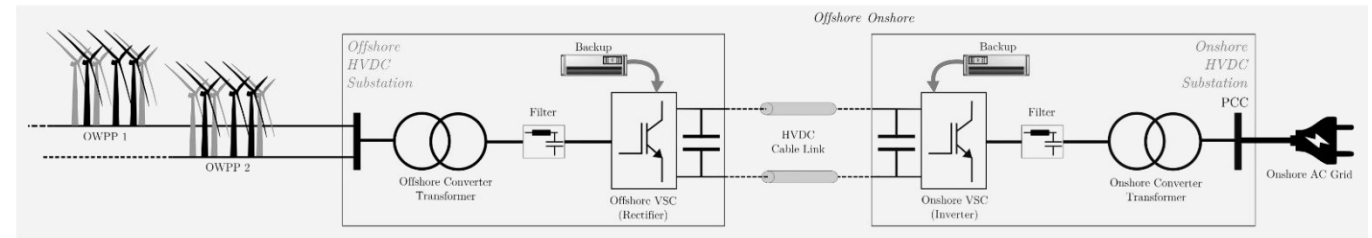
$P(\text{black-out} \mid \text{no-wind}) \rightarrow \text{LOW}$

Grid forming WT,WPPs

Reduce the overall *impact* of a blackout event
 Minimize or totally avoid use of *backup diesel generator* for auxiliary power, thus cost benefits
 No wait for completion of network reconstruction; *controlled islanding* to ensure continuity of power supply
 Allow DRU / LCC-with-smaller-filter, thus reduce costs, increase efficiency & reliability

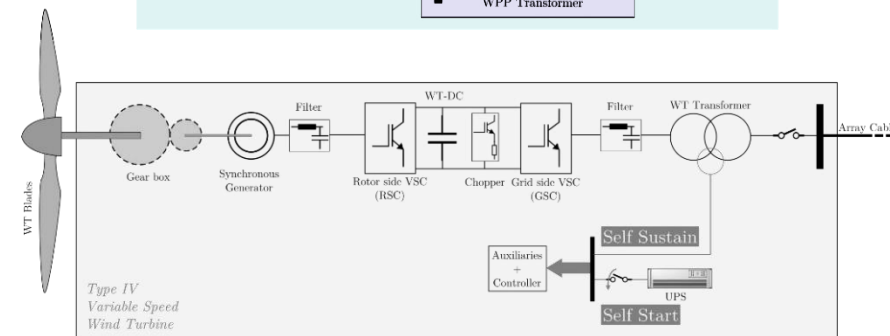
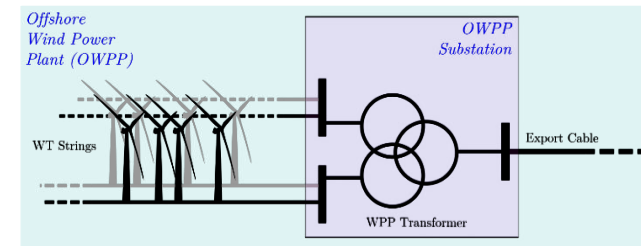
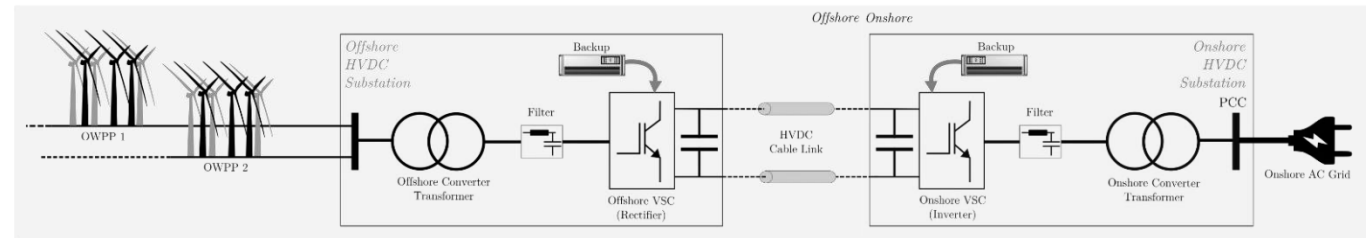
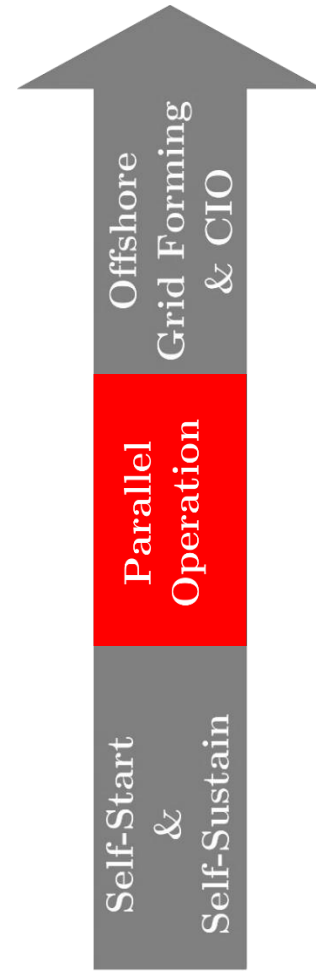
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- *Housekeeping* – internal UPS / BESS [2]
- *Grid forming* [3] GSC + RSC
- *Down-regulation:* Power-curtailment / Idling modes



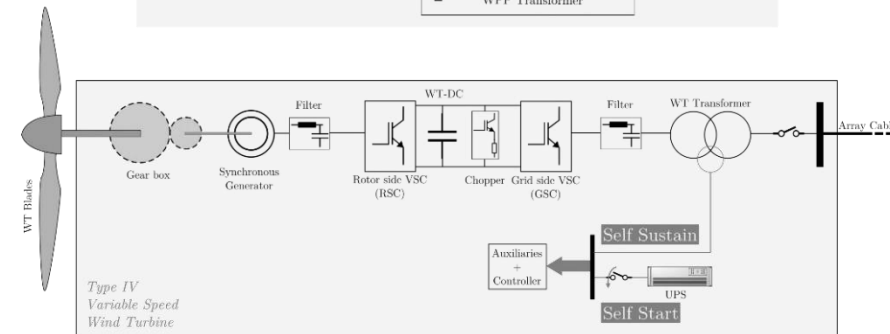
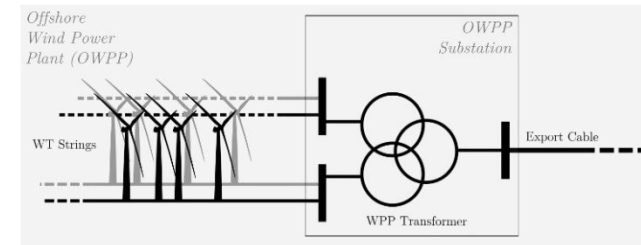
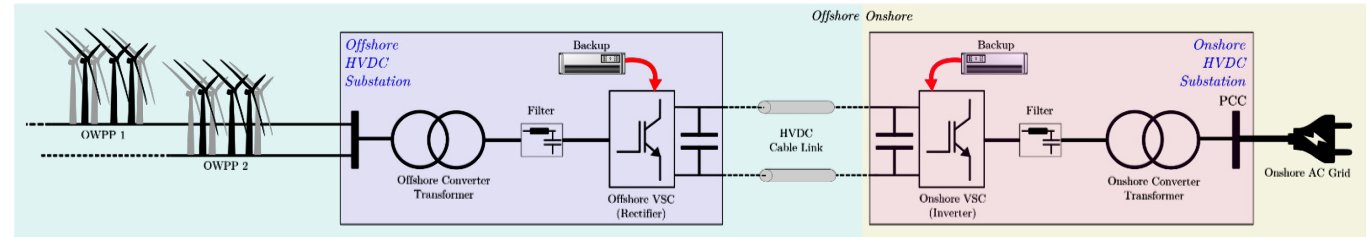
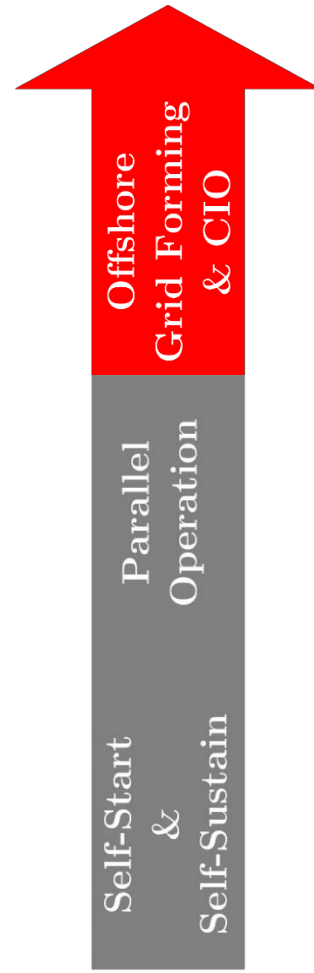
Target State 2

- Voltage controlled island – 3-level μ Grid control [4] + MMO [5]
- Grid-formers : Grid-followers
- STATCOM mode – VAR compensation [5]
- Intelligent control-mode switching [6]

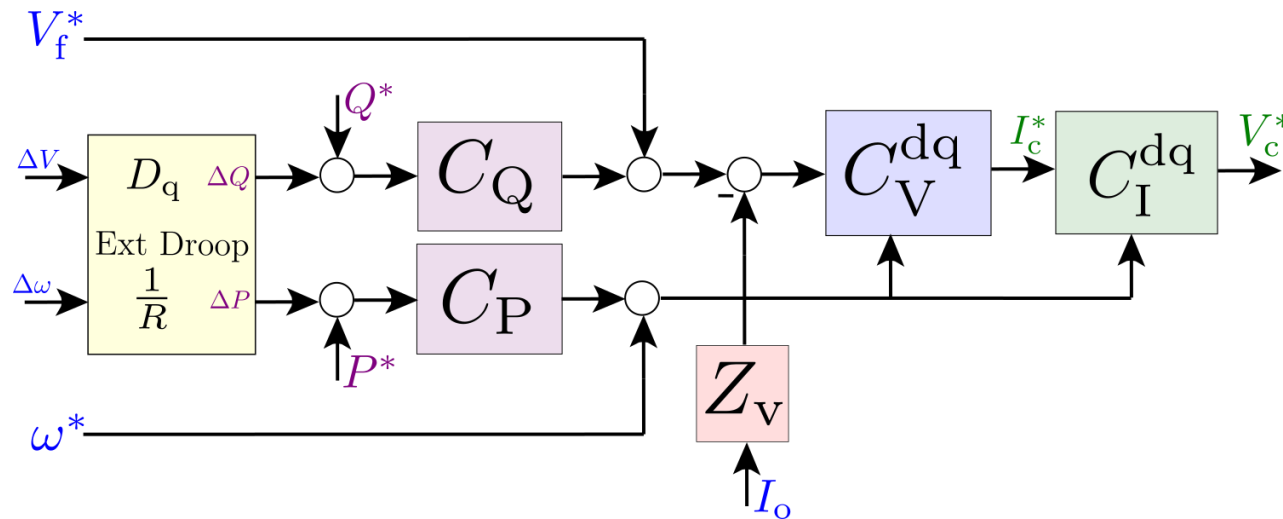
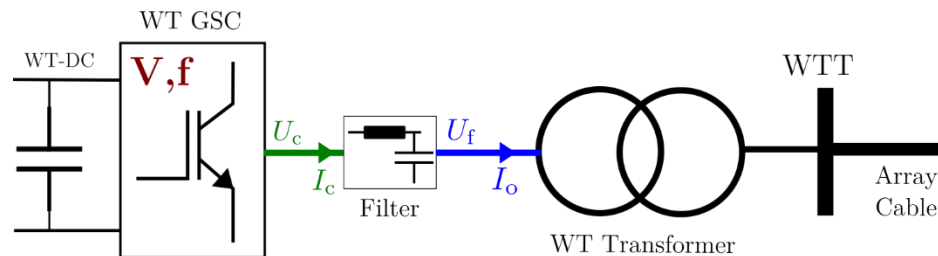


Target State 3

- *Stiff, controlled Voltage source* – WPPs coordinated parallel operation
- **C**ontrolled **I**slanded **O**peration: *stability & robustness*
 - Offshore & DC grid faults
 - Harmonic instabilities [7]
 - HVDC link resonance issues [8]
 - Substantial network configuration changes [9] eg. load pickups, WT connections/disconnections



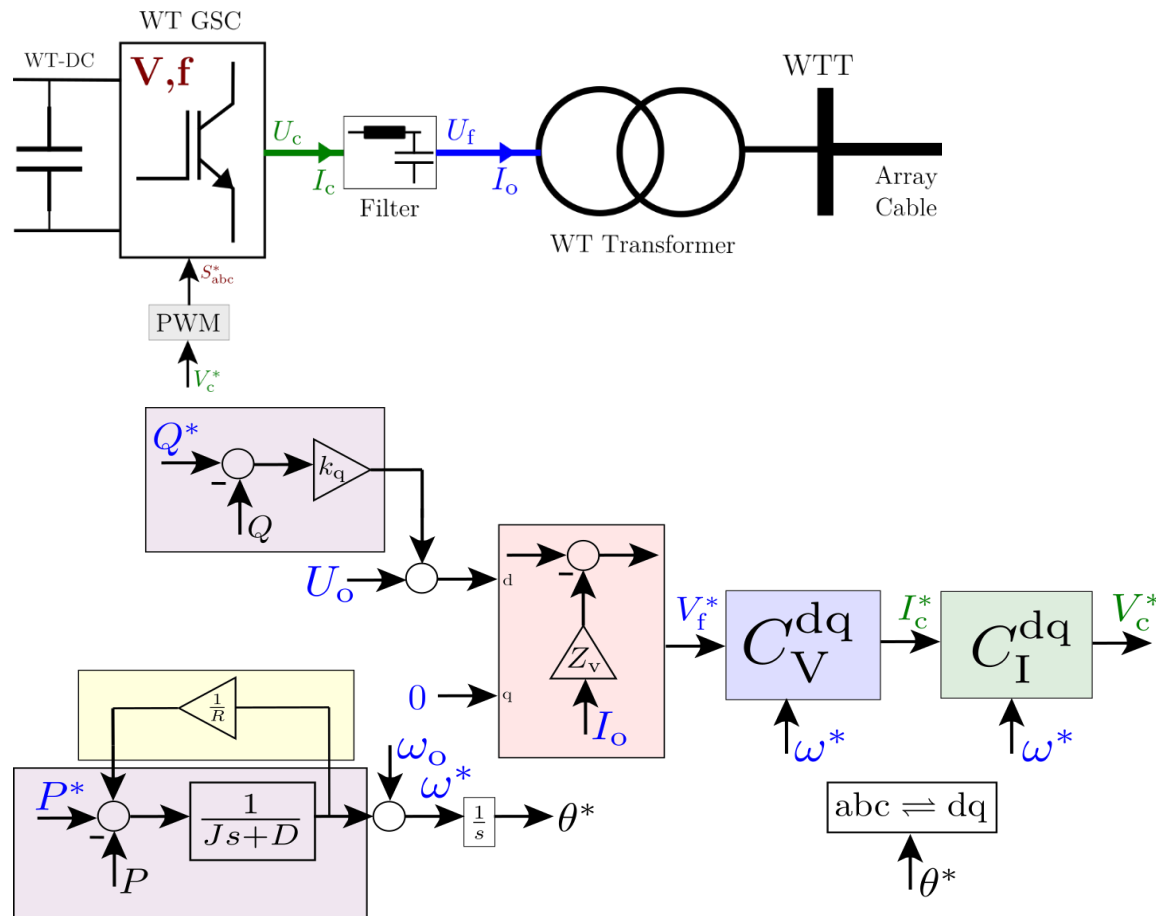
Grid forming WT (TS1) [3]



➤ Controls V, f at WTT

- Inner loops - dq
 - C_i : limit current during transients/faults.
 - C_v : control WTT V
- Outer loops - Droop/VSM(v J,D)/PI/LL
 - C_q : QLC
 - C_p : PLC
- Additions
 - Ext f-P droop ($\sim 1/R$ in SG)
 - Ext V-Q droop (\sim AVR in SG)
 - Virtual impedance (single/multiple f) to damp inrush/OC/harmonics.

VSG [11]



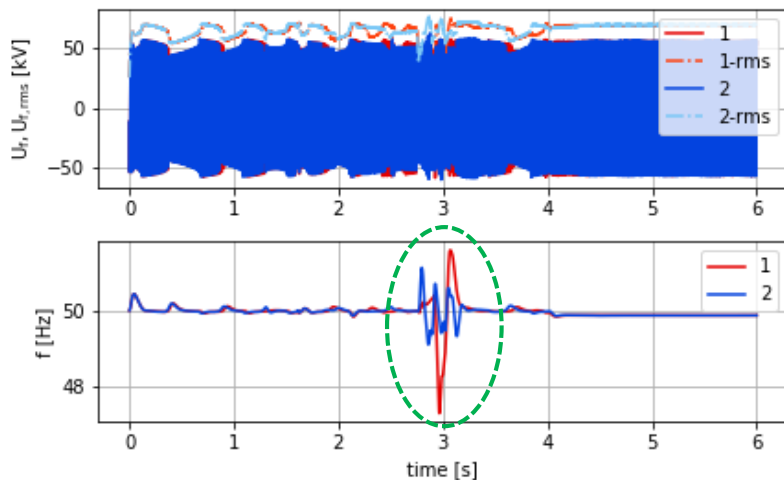
- Q-V & P-f (\sim SM)
- QLC: Q-V droop
- PLC:
 - VSM (virtual J, D)
- Addition [12]:
 - Ext f -P droop
 - Virtual admittance
 - ~~Active damping~~

Comparison

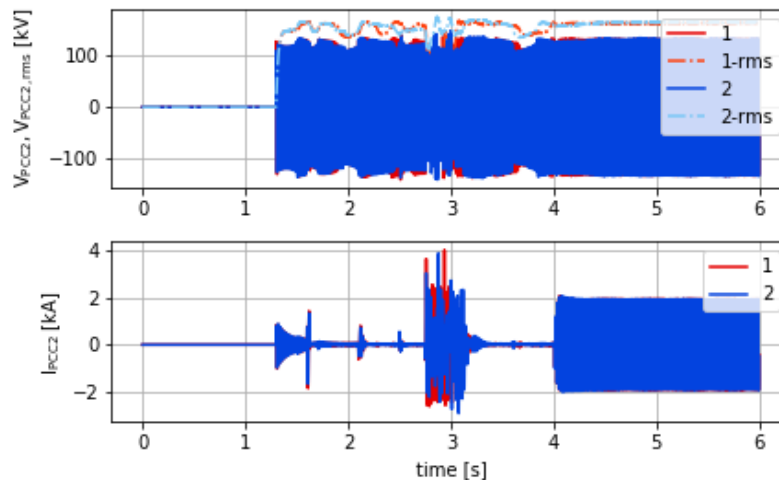
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2. VSG with external f-P droop



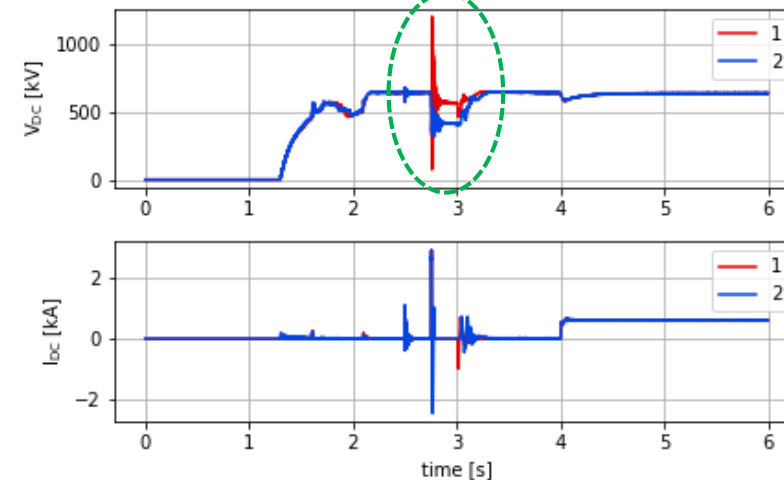
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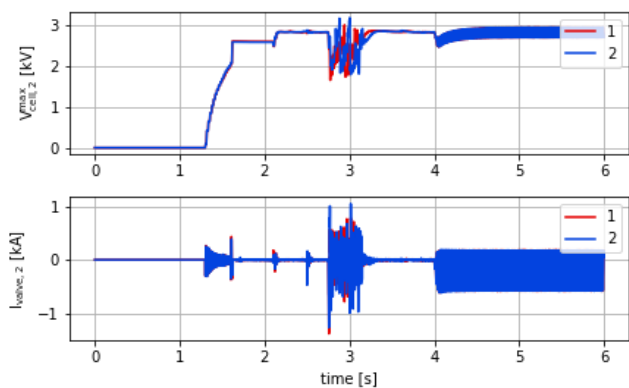
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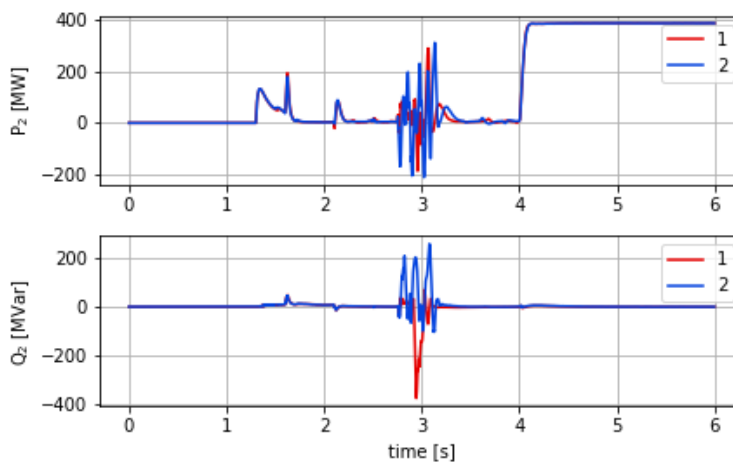
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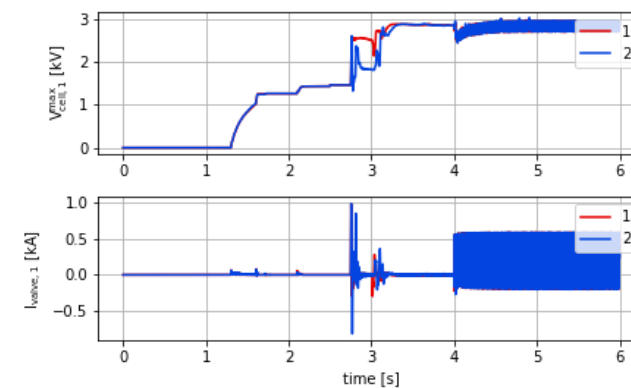
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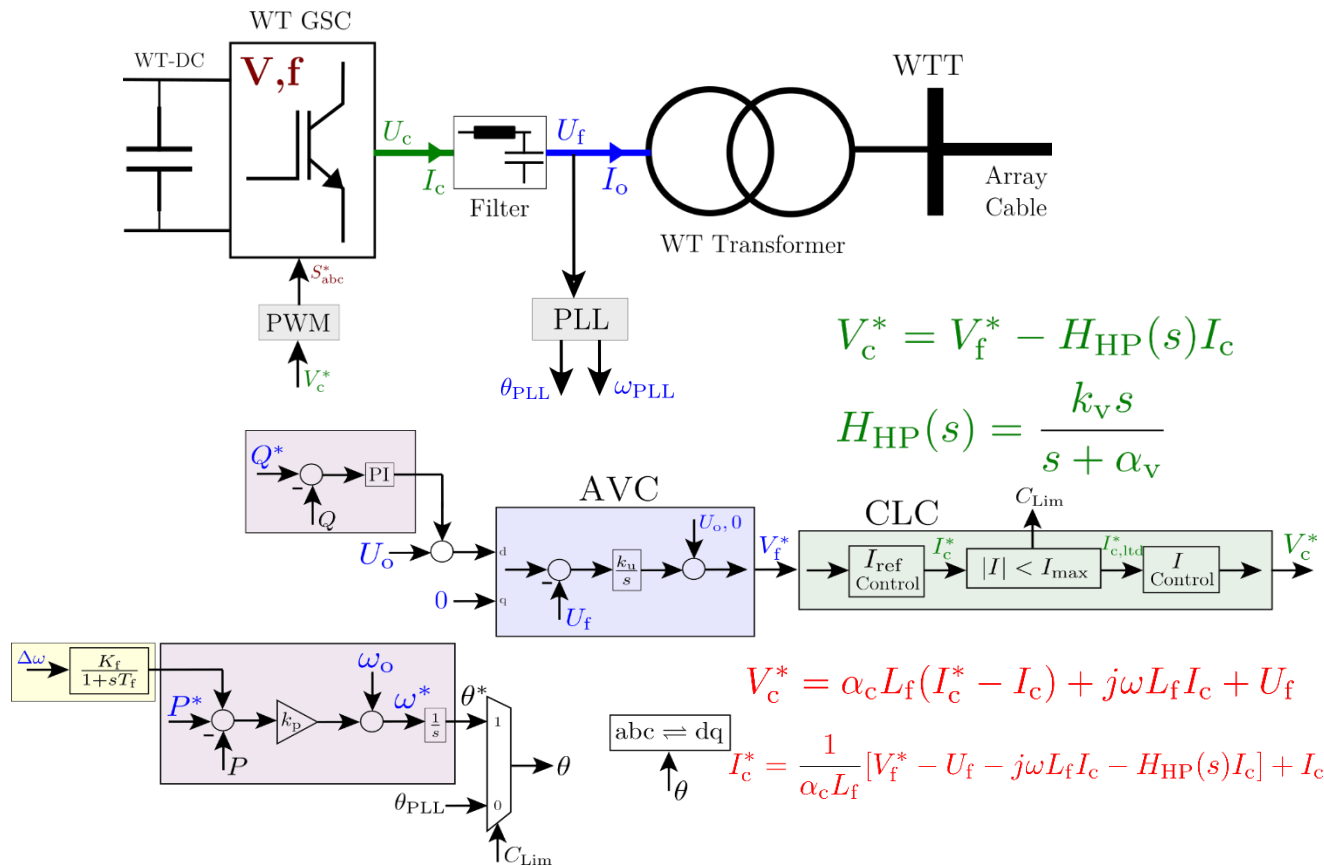
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PSC [13]



➤ Q-V & P-f (~SM)

➤ PLC: P

➤ AVC: (~ SM exciter, but I & not P)

○ Req'd for weak grids/islands

○ Optional: QLC (PI).

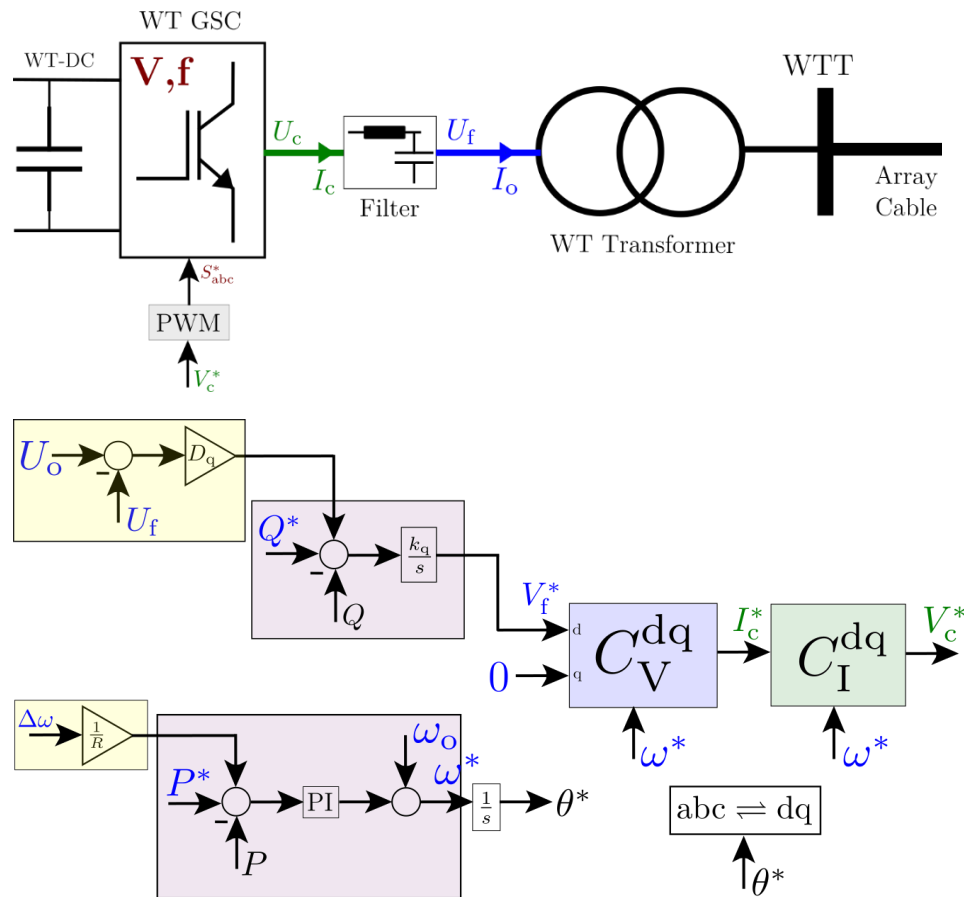
➤ CLC:

• Normal mode: ~active damping (HF:R)

• Faults: OC limit & switch to PLL

➤ Proven response for weak grids.

DPC [14]



➤ Q-V & P-f (~SM)

➤ QLC: I

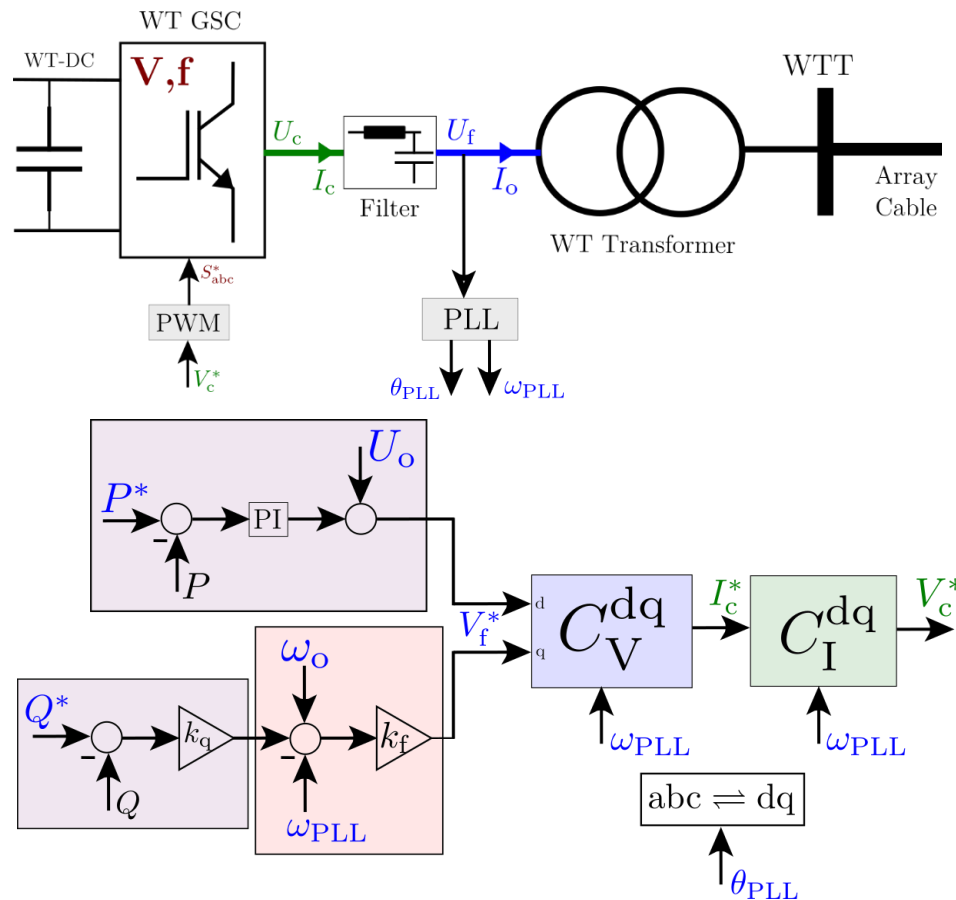
➤ PLC: PI

➤ Addition:

- Ext V-Q droop
- Ext f-P droop

➤ Faults: current limitation ~ PSC

Distributed PLL [15]



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➤ QLC: P

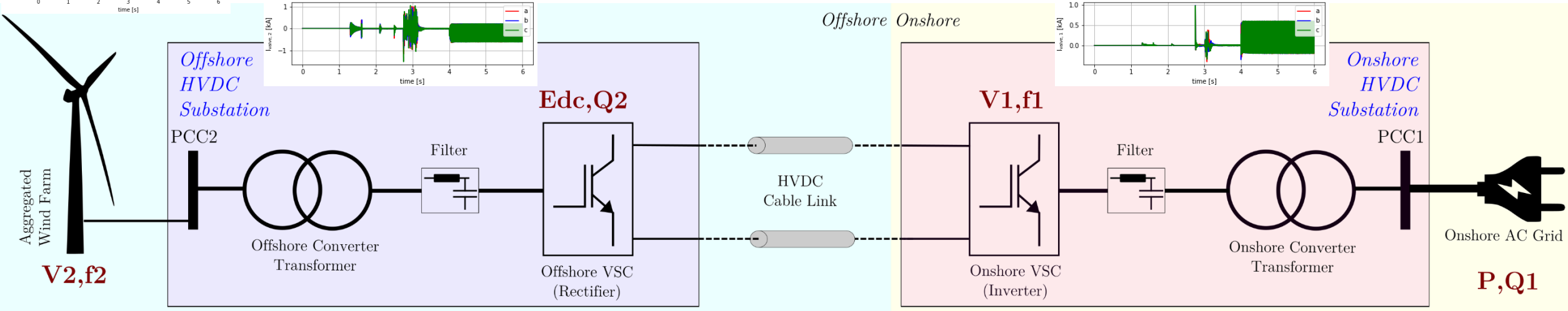
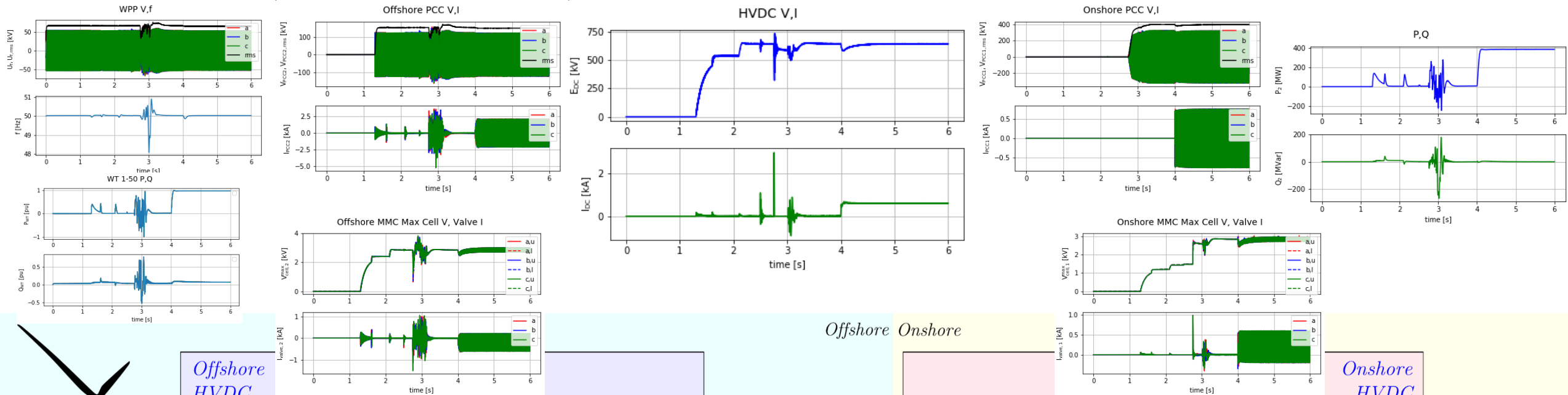
➤ Addition:

- PLL based fLC:

$$V_{fq} > 0 \Rightarrow f > f_0$$

$$\text{Thus, } V_{fq}^* = k_f (f_{\text{ref}} - f)$$

BSR (Distributed PLL)



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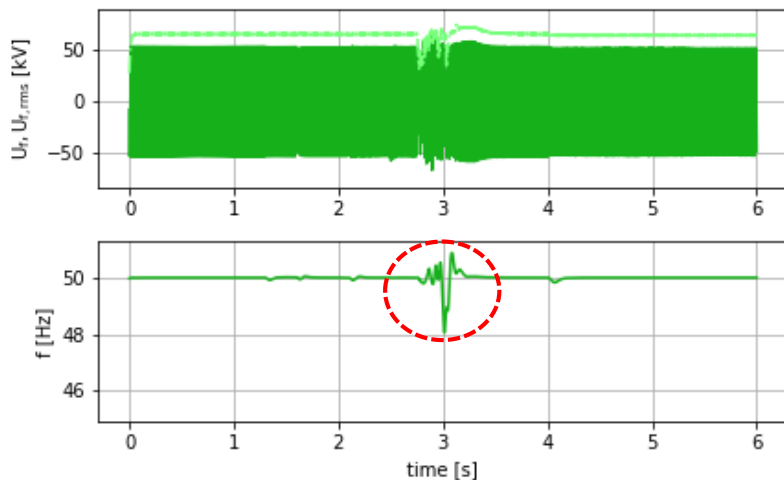
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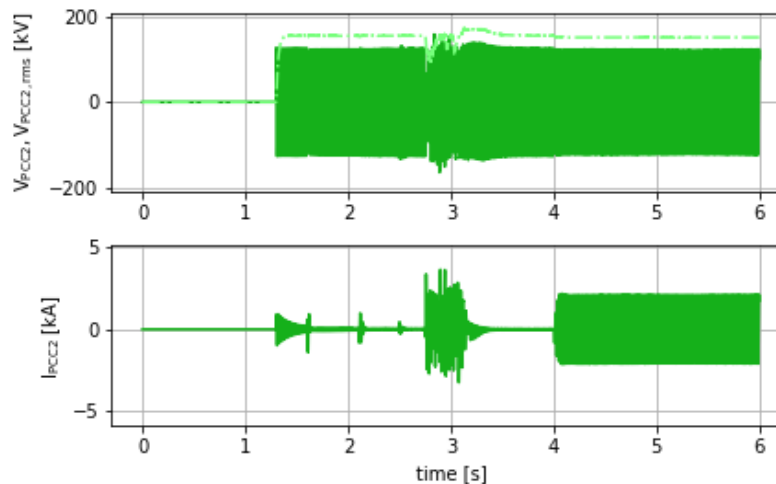
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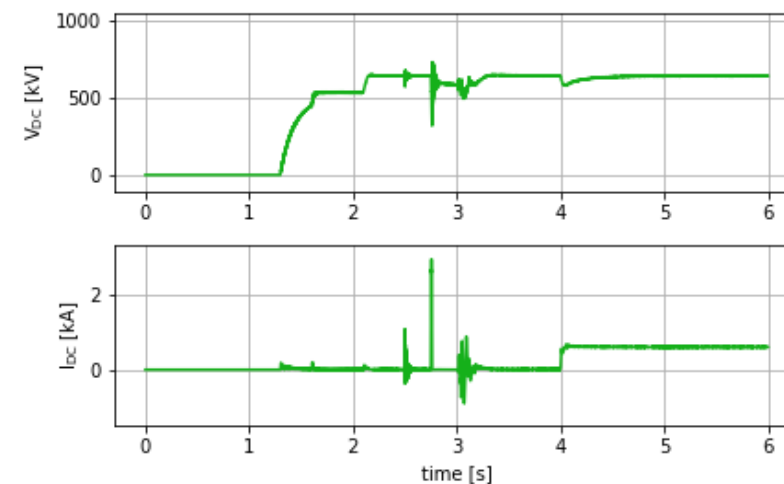
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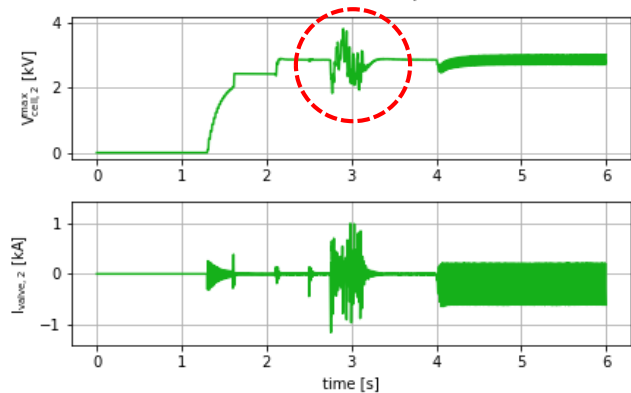
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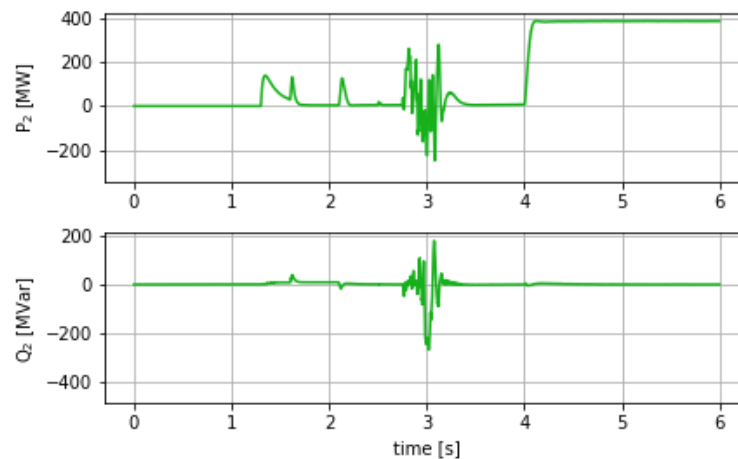
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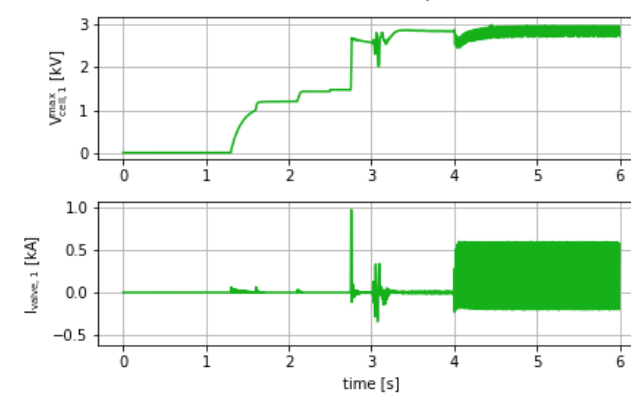
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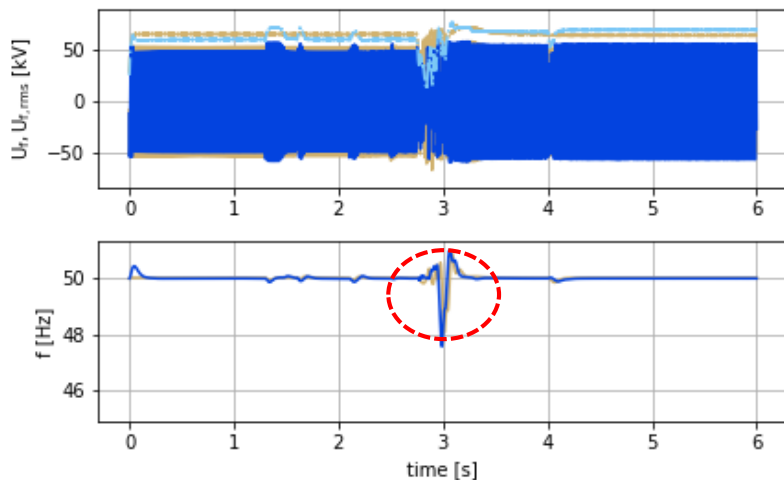
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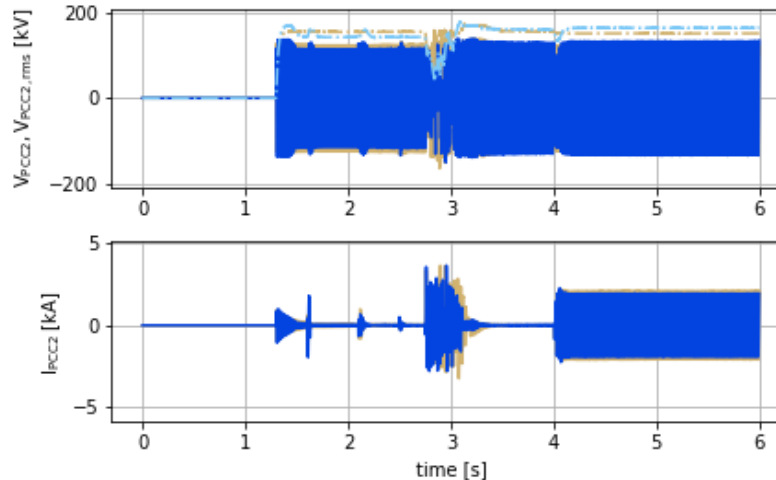
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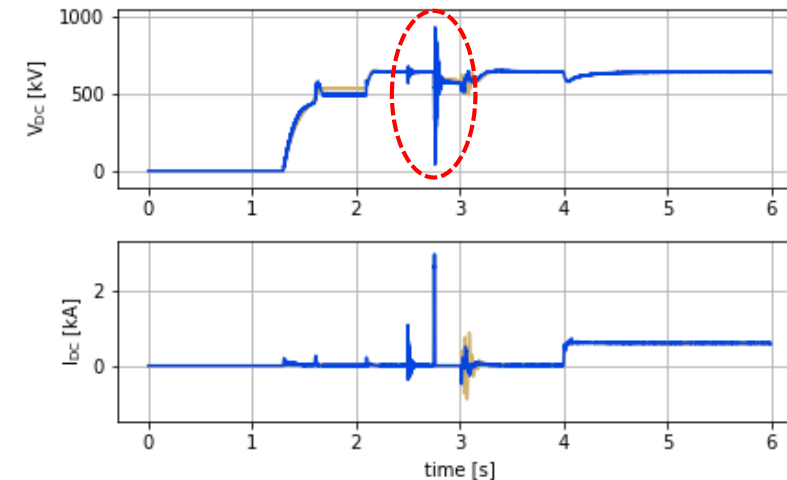
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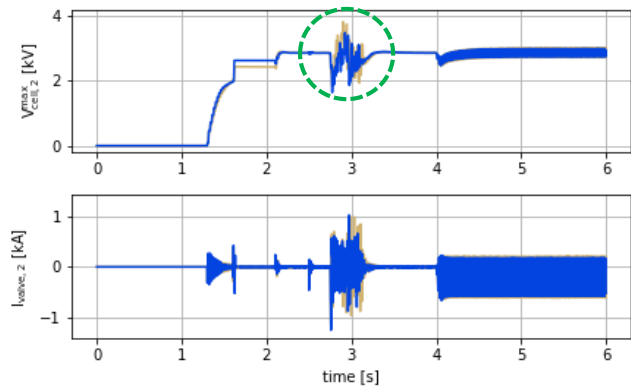
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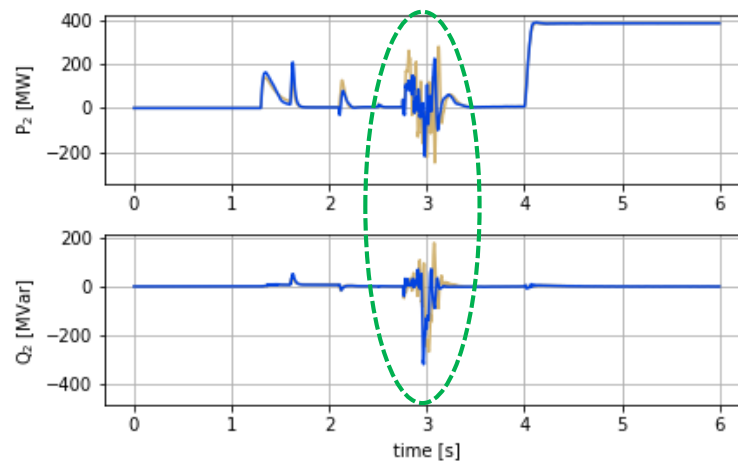
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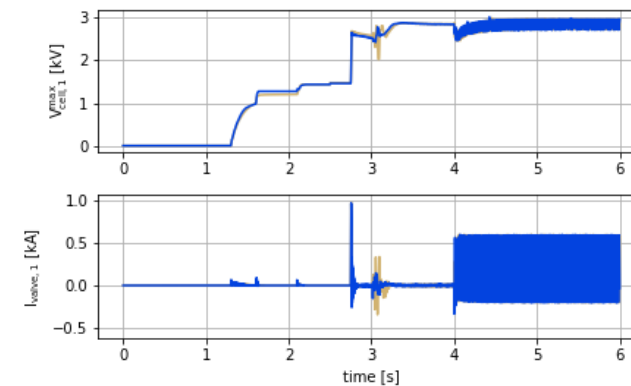
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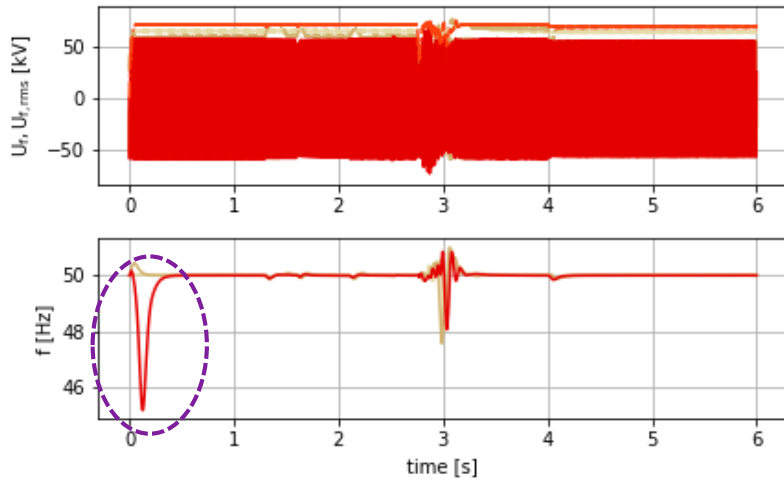


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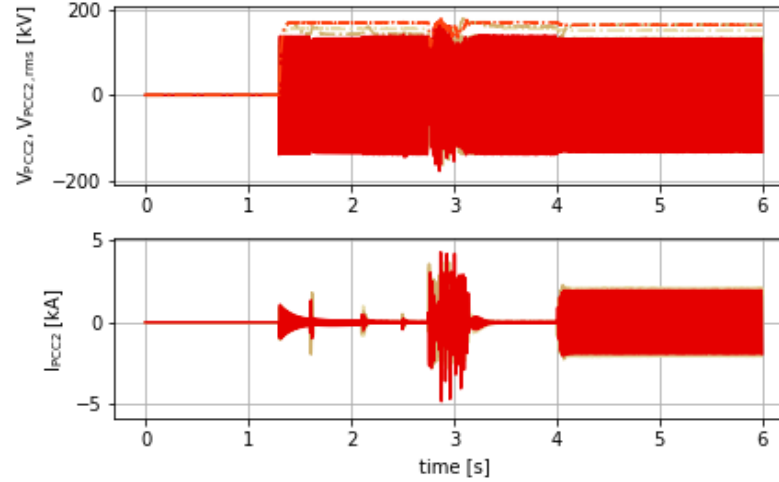
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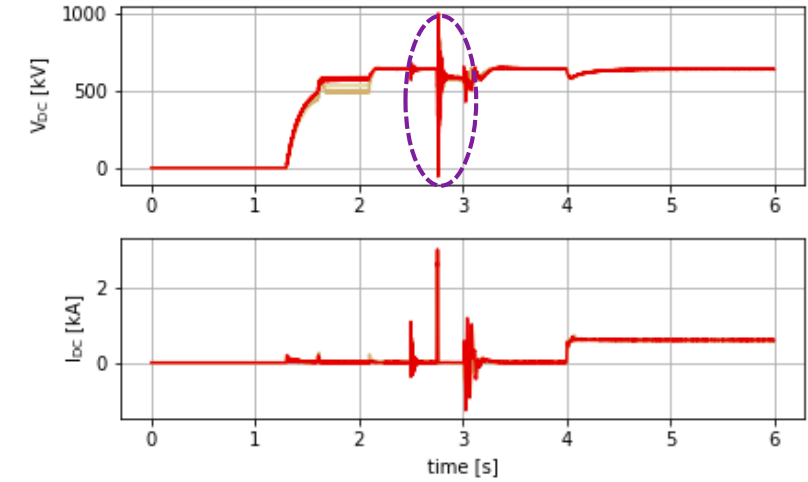
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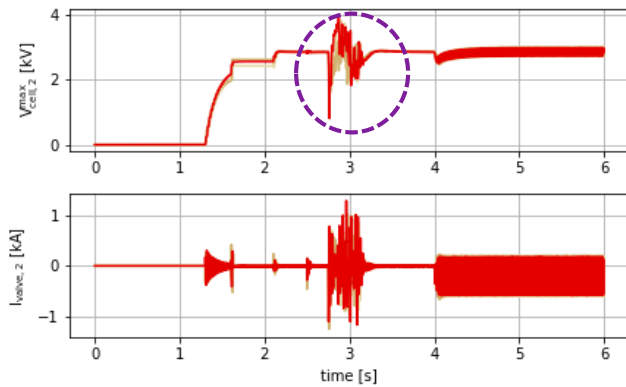
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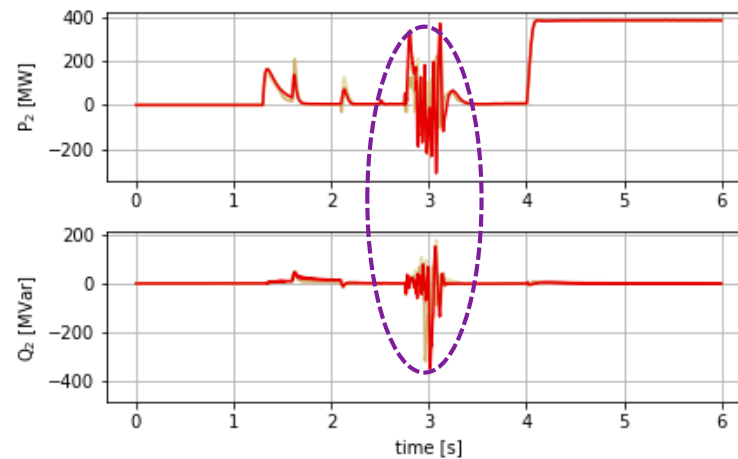
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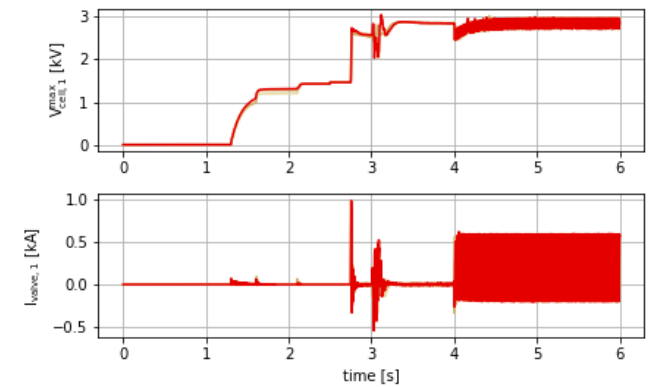
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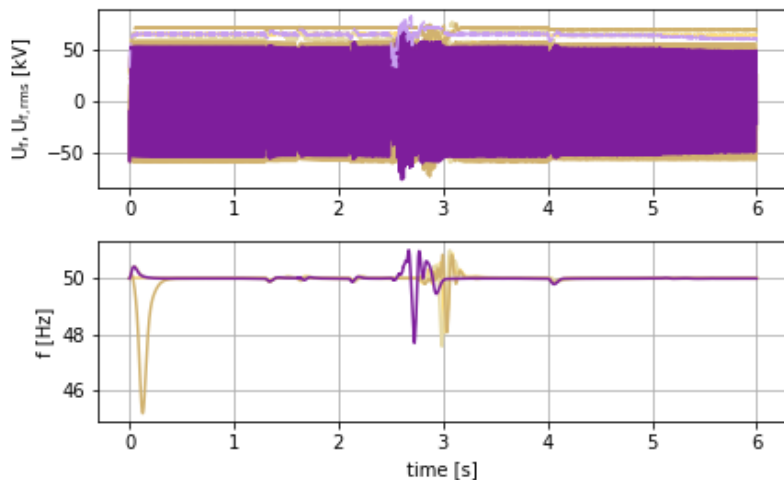


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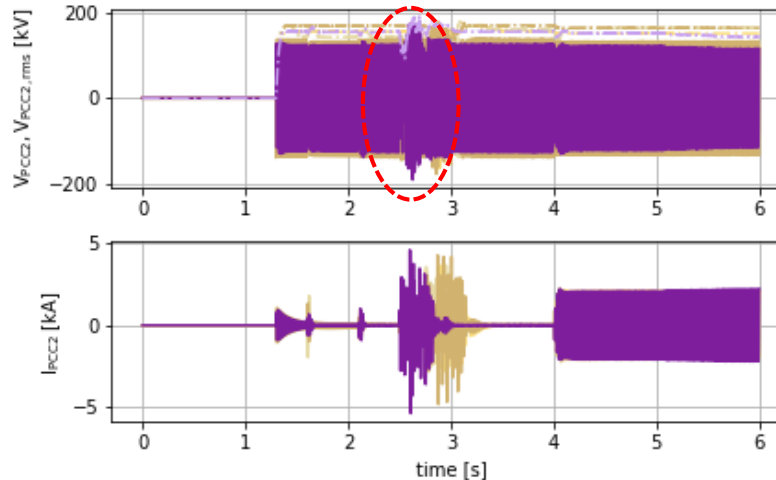
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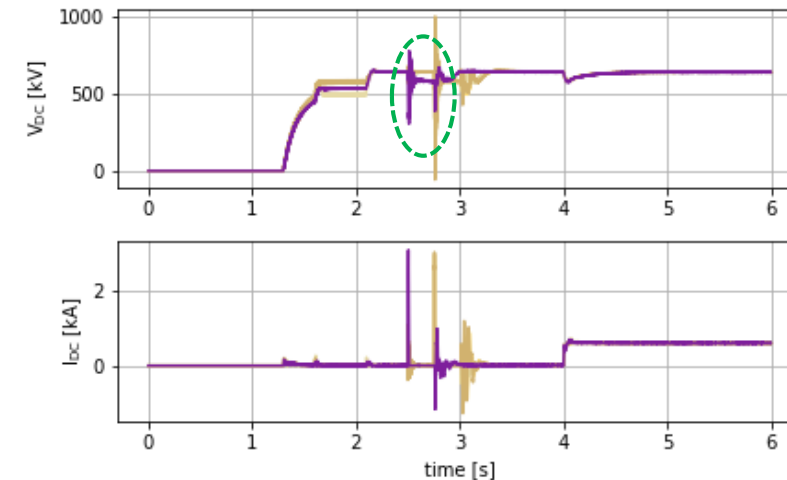
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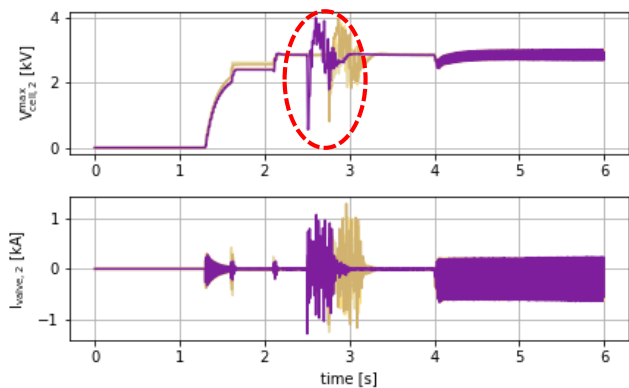
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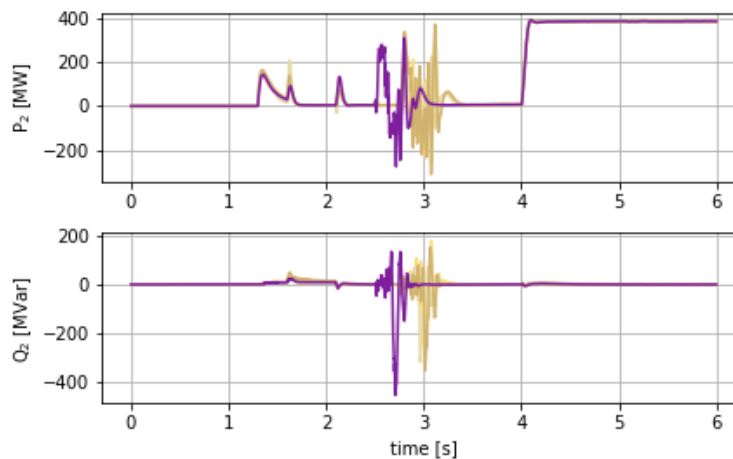
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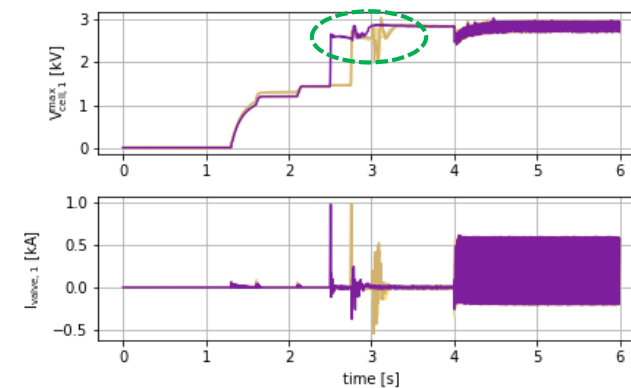
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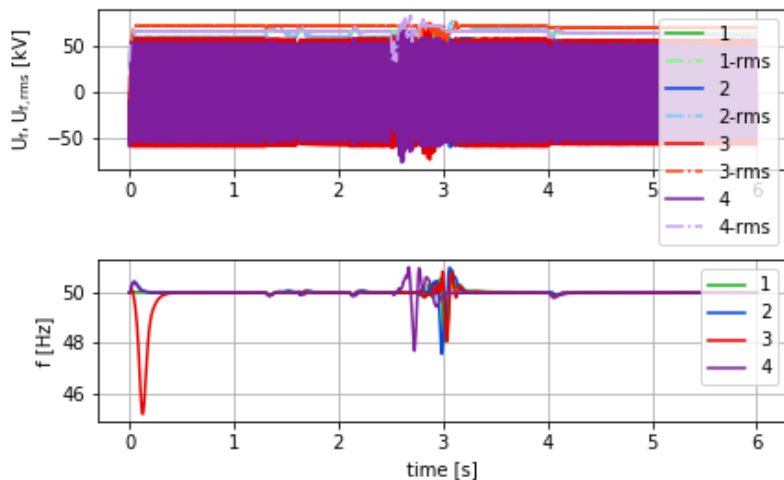


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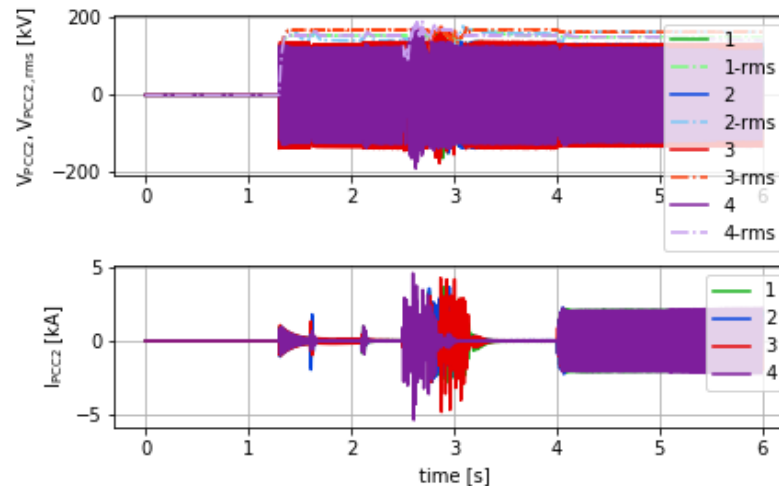
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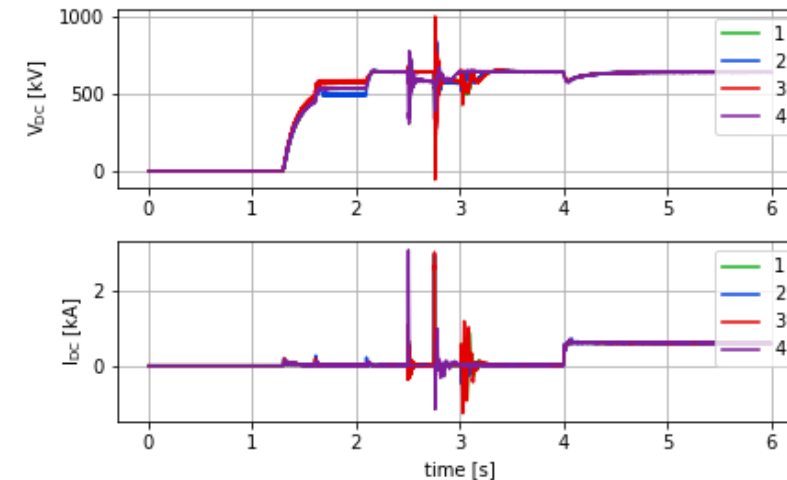
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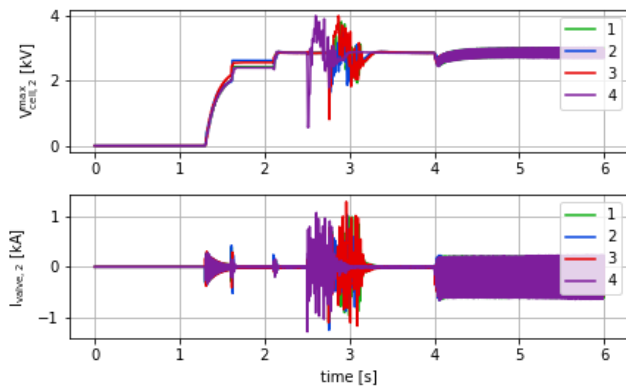
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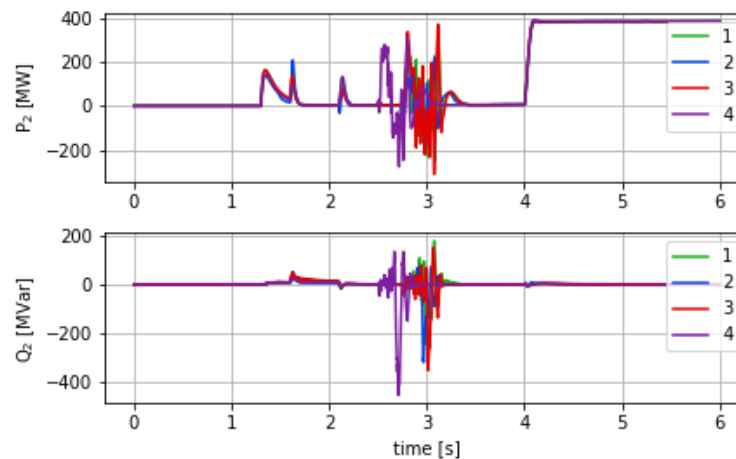
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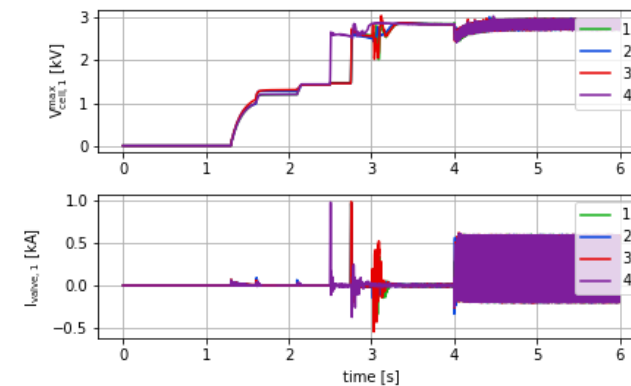
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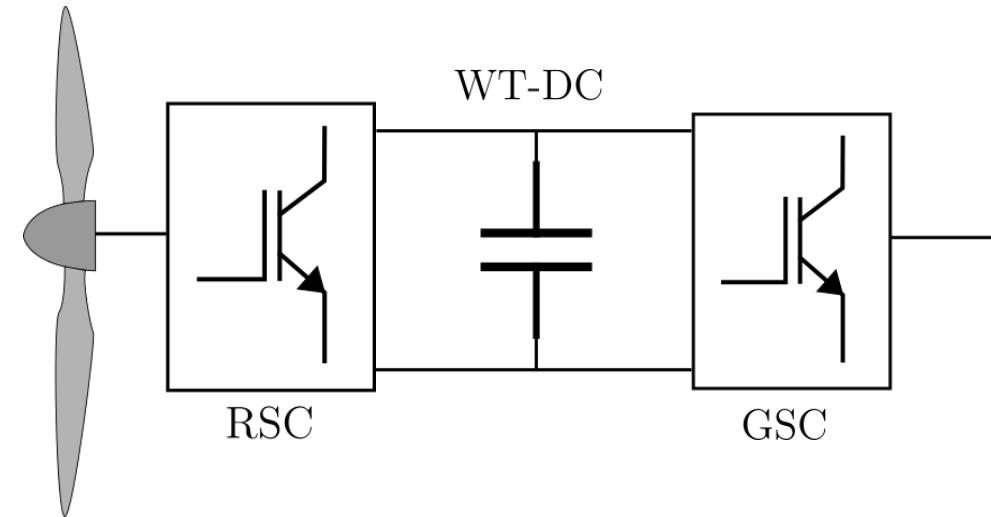
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 - Add RSC – **WTDC control** [16]
- Energization transients [17]:
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 - Array & Export cables **f-model**.
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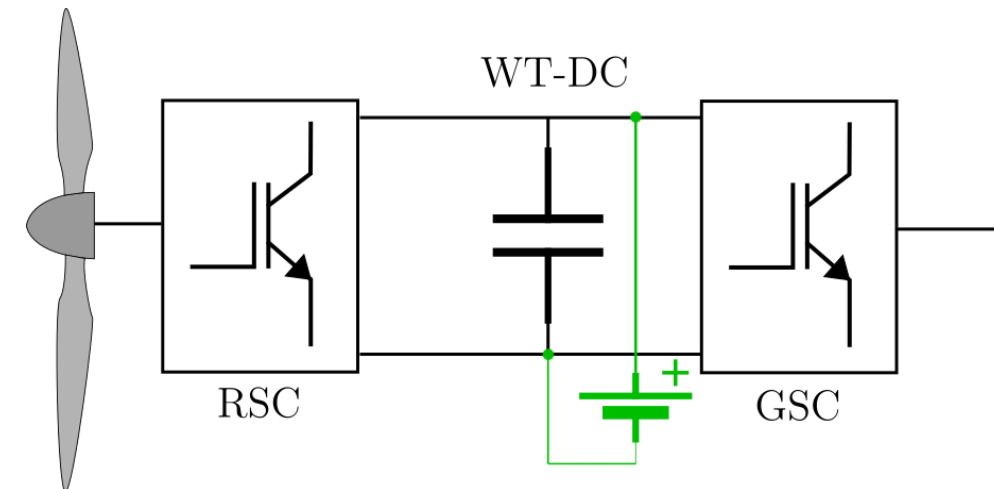
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