



Virtual Research Services in ERIGrid 2.0

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Outline

1. Virtual Access Definition
2. Virtual Access in ERIGrid
3. Howto access ERIGrid Virtual Access Facilities
4. Virtual Access Facilities in ERIGrid
5. Outlook

 **Next:** 2 Demonstrations of ERIGrid VA facilities







Virtual Access – A definition

- Virtual Access ensures free of charge access to e-infrastructure, namely to:
 - Sophisticated computer services
 - Powerful computers, networks, grids, repositories, databanks
 - Safely storing large quantities of scientific data
 - Participation in virtual research communities
 - World-class operational communication and computing infrastructure to facilitate scientific research
- Not to be confused with "remote access"



Virtual Access

- Requires no application
- No user proposals are not submitted to a selection process
- **You can access the free virtual services right away taking the following points into account:**
 -  Openly and freely available virtual data and services.
Resources are under open access licenses through communication networks.
 -  Quick, easy and casual access to existing virtual resources by eliminating administrative obstacles.
 -  Users can try the provided virtual services without obligations.
 -  No individual support or supervision is offered to the users.

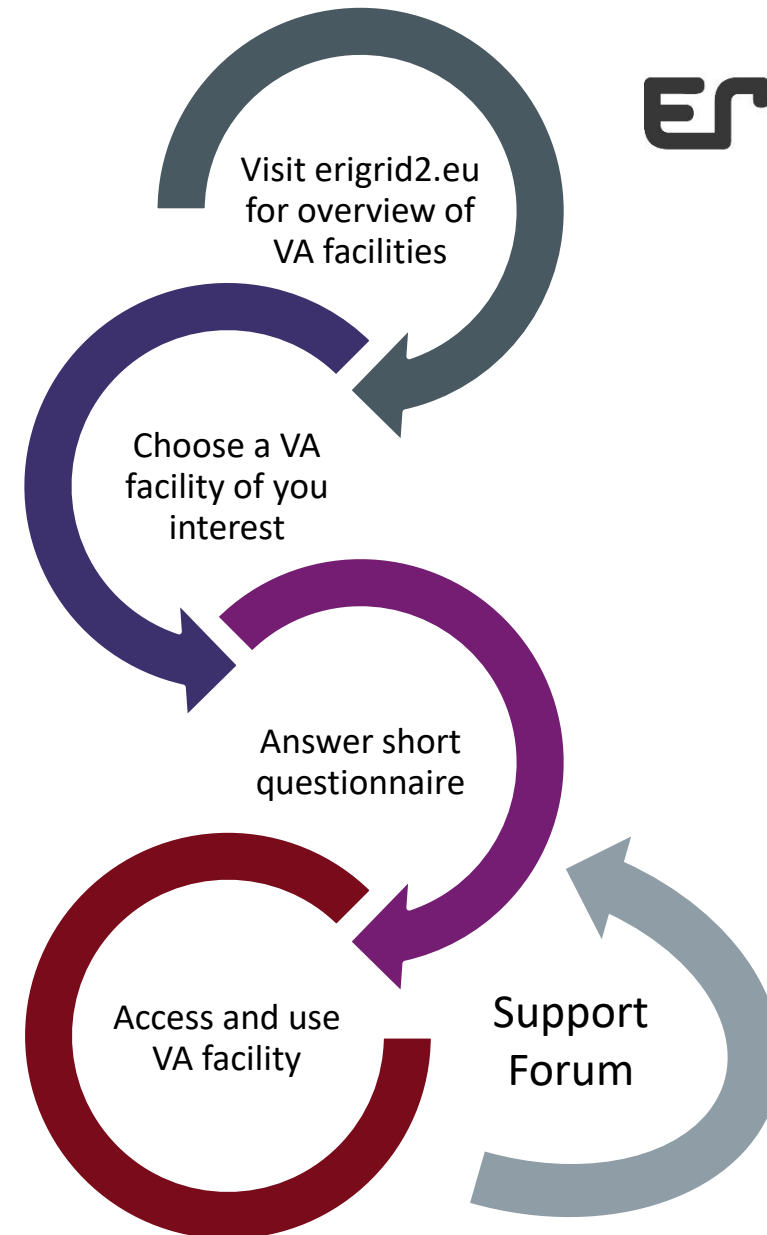


Virtual Access in ERIGrid 2.0

- Novelty in ERIGrid 2.0
- **8 partners** provide access to **9 virtual access facilities**
- Offered during complete project lifetime
 - April 2020 – September 2024
- Largely built using open-source software solutions
 - Grafana, Jupyter, Docker, Heroku, Mosaik
- Interweaved with other project activities
 - Joint Research Activities: Development of new tools
 - Network Activities: Education and Training of Professionals, Researchers, and Students

Accessing Virtual Access facilities

- ERIGrid website as entrypoint
- User Questionnaire
- Discussion Forum
 - Exchange experiences
 - Receive support and help
 - Showcase results
- **Not:** Application or Reporting process



PHYSICAL LABS AND VIRTUAL SERVICES

Access to physical labs can be on-site or remote, depending on the conditions of specific laboratories. To know if remote access can be organised in your case please contact the laboratory staff through corresponding subpages below.

ALL

ON-SITE AND REMOTE TRANSIENT POWER SYSTEM DYNAMICS AND CONTROL VALIDATION

ON-SITE AND REMOTE SMART ENERGY SYSTEMS INTEGRATION AND VALIDATION

VIRTUAL FACILITIES



DER-TF DaaS of RSE



VLab of RWTH Aachen



Virtual Lab of ICCS-NTUA



Smartgrid MVP of University of Strathclyde



SmartEST Sim Lab of AIT



RMO Database of HEDNO



OpenAFM of ICCS-NTUA



Digital Energy Lab of DTU



SESA Virtual Sim of OFFIS

<https://erigrad2.eu/lab-access/#virtual>



User Questionnaire

- Collects basic user information
 - Affiliation
 - Country
 - Mail Address
- Voluntary
- Mainly for EU reporting

ERIGrid 2.0 - Virtual Access



SmartEST Sim Lab

AIT's SmartEST Sim Lab is a simulation-as-a-service platform that is open to the public and can be used free of charge. It provides a web-based co-simulation platform based on mosaik, Docker, JupyterLab and JupyterHub.

- [Description](#)
- [Documentation](#)
- [Discussion Forum / FAQ](#)

Company / Institution / University

Type

Country

Email address

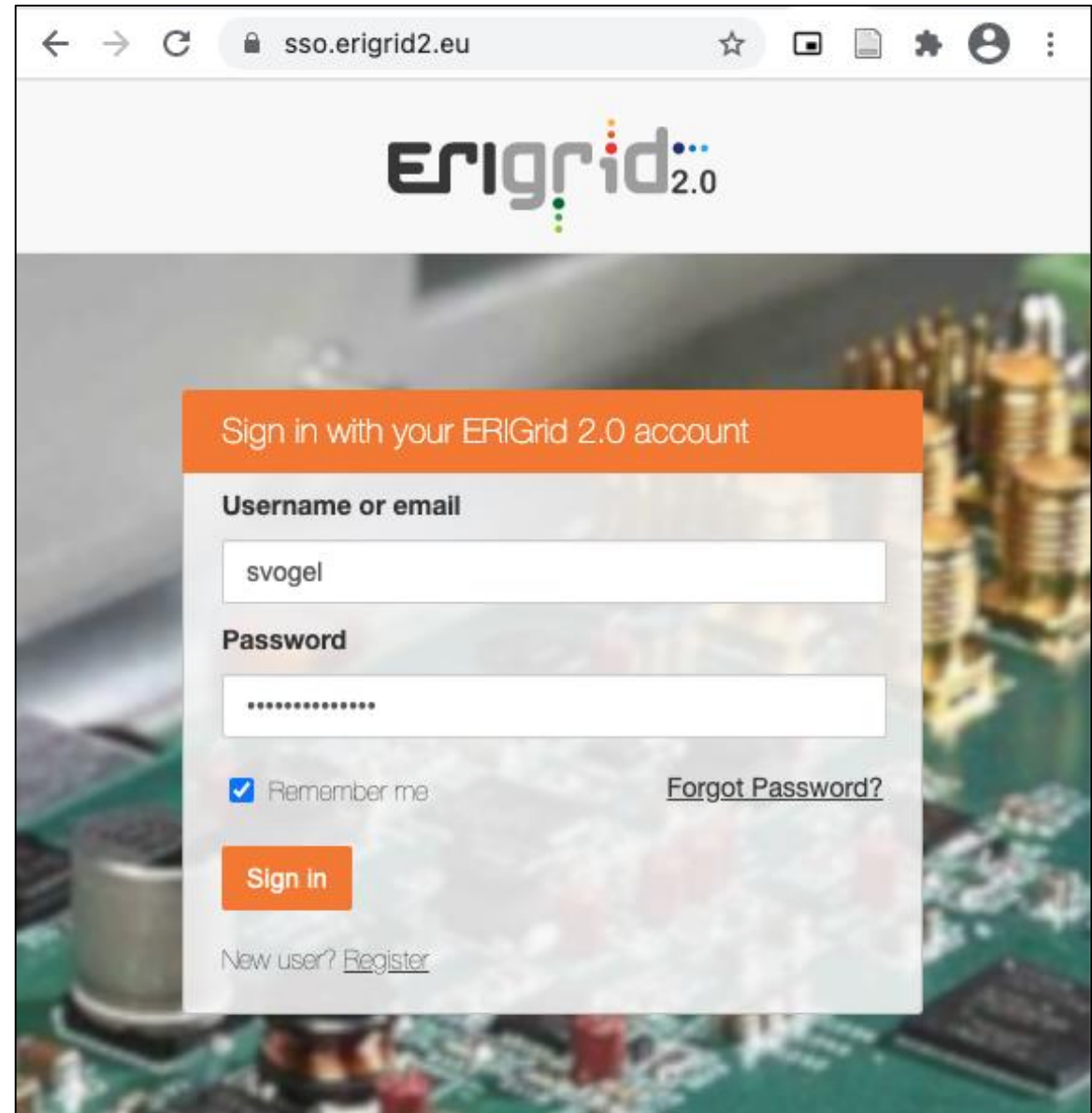
We'll never share your email with anyone else.

I consent to be contacted for the evaluation of ERIGrid's Virtual Access programme (optional).



Project-wide Single-Sign-On

- Unifies user accounts for
 - ERIGrid discussion forum
 - RWTH and AIT VA facilities
- Identity provider (IdP)
 - Open-source KeyCloak
 - Hosted by AIT



<https://sso.erigrd2.eu:8443/>



Virtual Access Installations ▾

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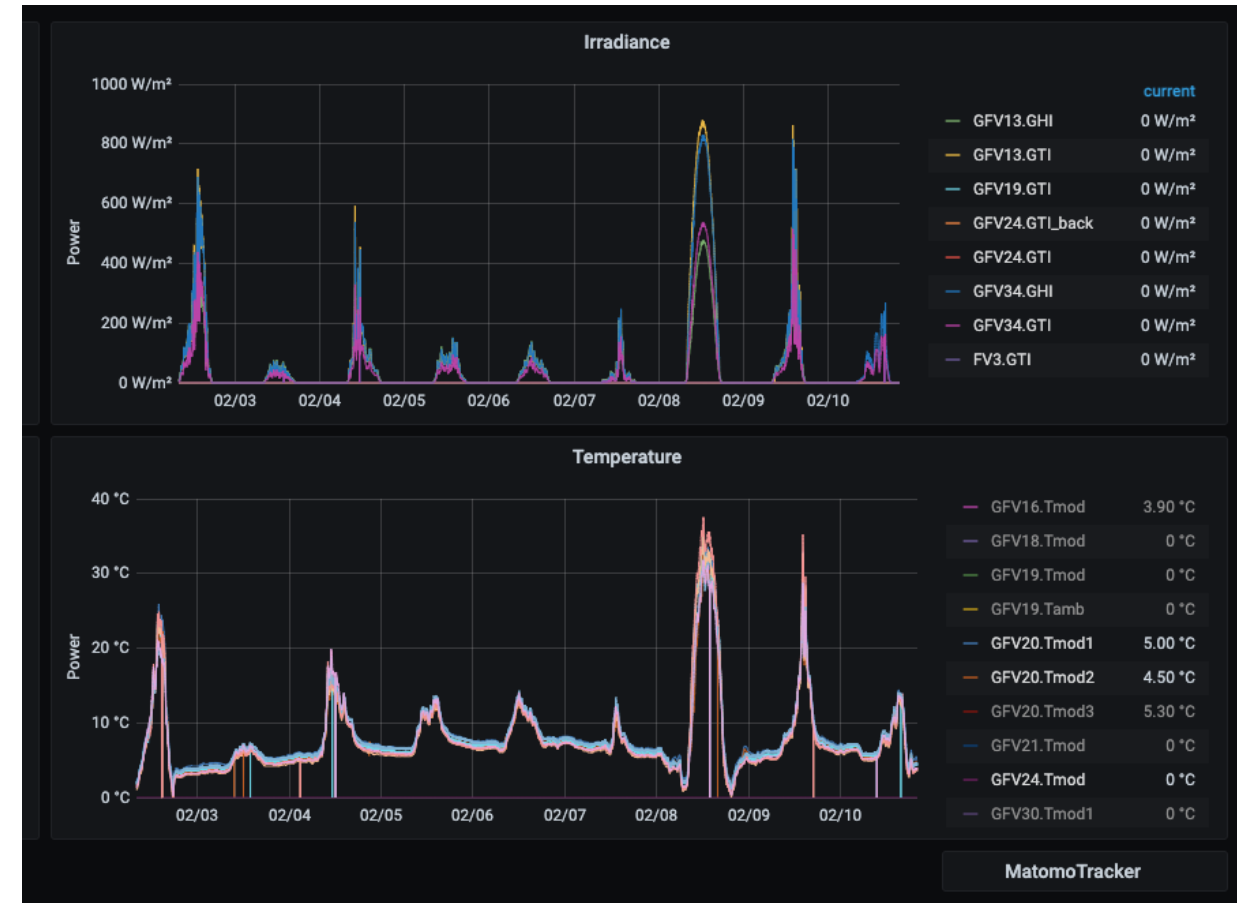
All Time ▾

Topic		Replies	Views	Activity
<p> FAQ - Frequently Asked Questions</p> <p> RWTH - Vlab</p>		1	28	Aug 27
<p> General Information</p> <p> RWTH - Vlab</p> <p>Dear ERIGrid Virtual Access users, This page summarizes resources for RWTH's Vlab VA installation. Please feel free to open new threads for asking questions, presenting your projects or anything else related to our VA ... read more</p>		2	11	23d
<p>Virtual Lab: Frequently Asked Questions</p> <p> ICCS - Virtual Lab</p>		0	7	10d
<p>RSE - FAQ - Frequently Asked Questions</p> <p> RSE - DER_TF DaaS</p>		0	7	15d

<https://forum.erigrd2.eu>

RSE: DER-TF DaaS

- Cloud database platform
- Provides access to historical and real-time data of a real low voltage micro-grid
- Time-series database
 - Historical measurements
 - Grafana web-interface
- Object storage
 - Topology assets
 - Test case descriptions



PV Field Irradiances and Temperatures

RSE DER-TF

Distributed Energy Resources Test Facility



AIT: SmartEST Sim Lab

- Simulation-as-a-service platform
- Mosaik Jupyter Extension
- Integration into ERIGrid Single-Sign-On
- Built on:
 - [Mosaik](#)
 - [Docker](#)
 - [JupyterLab](#) and [JupyterHub](#)




File Edit View Run Kernel Mosaik Tabs Settings Help


MOSAIK-DOCKER COMMANDS


- Create Simulation Setup
- Configure Simulation Setup
- Check Simulation Setup
- Build Simulation Setup
- Start Simulation
- Cancel Simulation
- Clear Simulation
- Check Simulation Status
- Get Simulation Results
- Delete Simulation Setup


Launcher

mosaik-docker


 Documentation


 JupyterLab Reference


 Command Line Reference


 Python Reference

Docker Build Status

SIMULATION SETUP LOCATION: /HOME/JUPYTER-WIDLE/MOSAIK-DOCKER-DEMO/MONOLITHIC

```

Sending build context to Docker daemon 424kB
Step 1/12 : FROM mosaik/orch-base:v1
--> b239b8430a38
Step 2/12 : ARG SCENARIO_FILE
--> Using cache
--> 8df59427a94c
Step 3/12 : ARG EXTRA
--> Using cache
--> 57355196ae2a
Step 4/12 : RUN pip install mosaik-csv==1.0.3
--> Using cache
--> 5f98b074eccc
Step 5/12 : RUN pip install mosaik-hdfs==0.5
--> Using cache
--> 0cfa307d4e08
            
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Simulation Status

SIMULATION SETUP LOCATION: /HOME/JUPYTER-WIDLE/MOSAIK-DOCKER-DEMO/MONOLITHIC

Running Simulations

- c8d0dd: Up 31 seconds
- @c796a: Up 34 seconds
- 335cbc: Up 36 seconds

Finished Simulations

- 3919ce: Exited (1) 1 second ago
- a17c82: Exited (1) 3 seconds ago

REFRESH

Sim Setup Configuration

SIMULATION SETUP LOCATION: /HOME/JUPYTER-WIDLE/MOSAIK-DOCKER-DEMO/MONOLITHIC

Name of the mosaik scenario file:

Path to the Dockerfile for the simulation orchestrator image:

Additional files to be added to the simulation orchestrator image (comma-separated list):

Additional folders to be added to the simulation orchestrator image (comma-separated list):

Results files or folders produced by the simulation that should be retrieved after the simulation has finished (comma-separated list):

UPDATE CONFIGURATION

main.py

```

1 import random
2
3 from mosaik.util import connect_randomly, connect_many_to_one
4 import mosaik
5
6 sim_config = {
7     'CSV': {
8         'python': 'mosaik_csv:CSV',
9     },
10    'DB': {
11        'python': 'mosaik_hdfs:MosaikHdfs',
12    },
13    'HouseholdSim': {
14        'python': 'householdsim.mosaik:HouseholdSim',
15    },
16    'PyPower': {
17        'python': 'mosaik_ppower.mosaik:PyPower',
18    }
19 }
20
21 START = '2014-01-01 00:00:00'
22 END = 7 * 24 * 3600 # 1 week
23 PV_DATA = 'data/pv_10kw_1week.csv'
24 PROFILE_FILE = 'data/profiles.data.gz'
            
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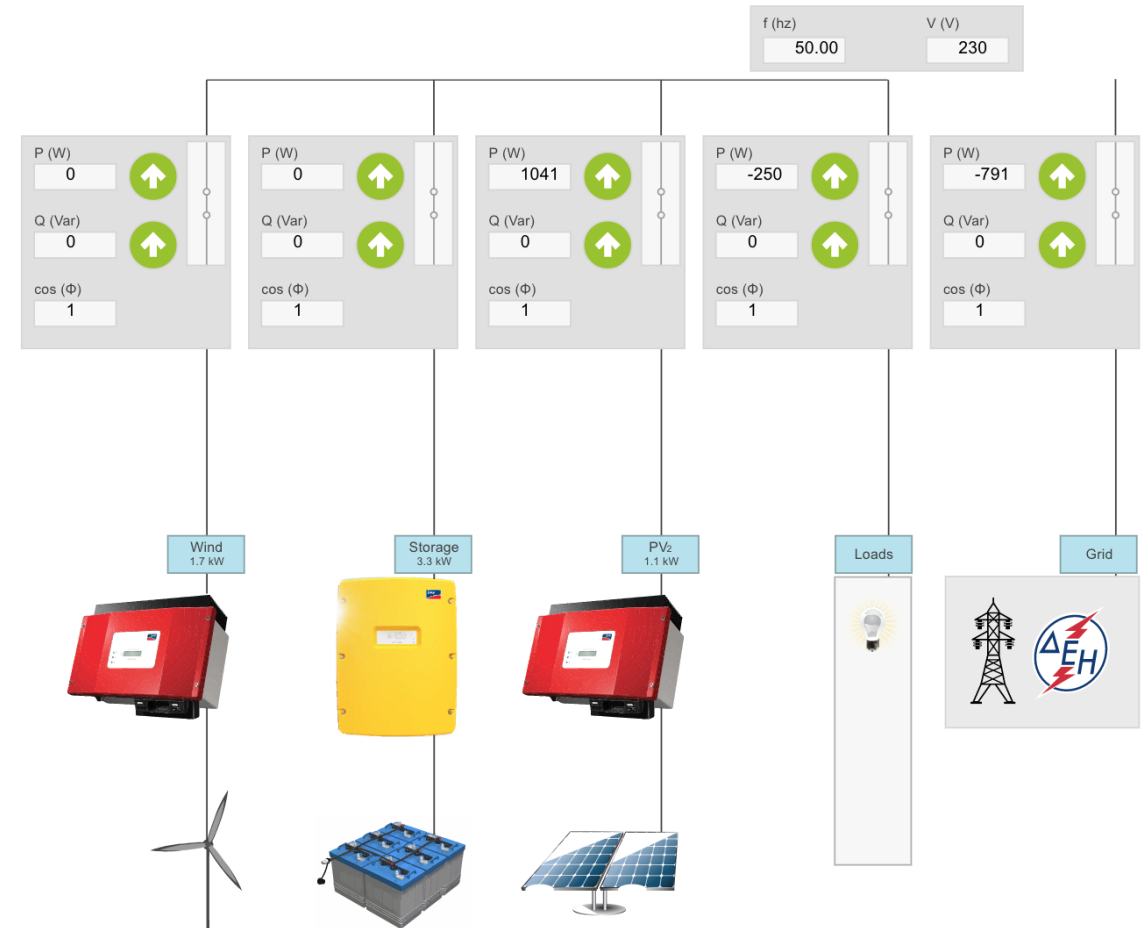
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Docker Build Status



ICCS-NTUA: VIRTUAL LAB

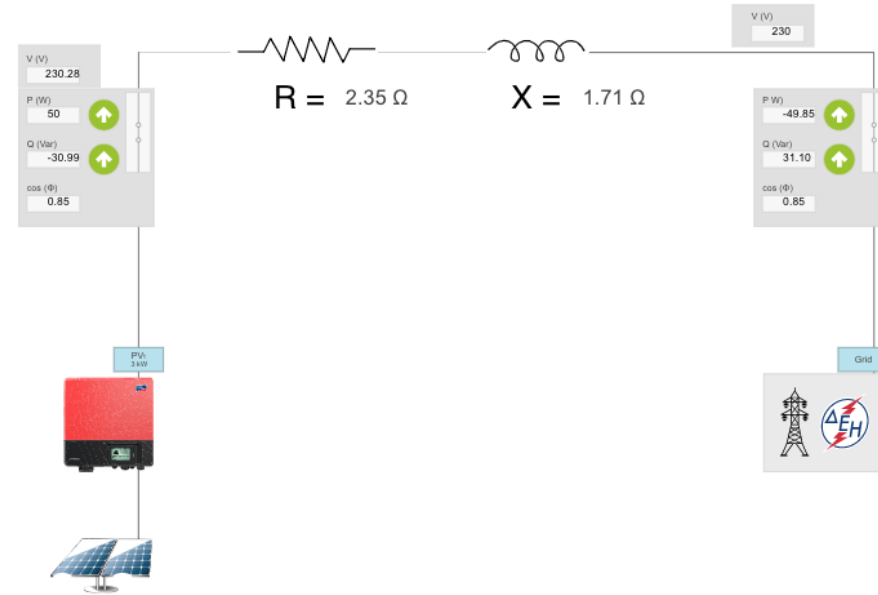


- Educational simulation tool
- Mimics the operation of the actual laboratory mic
- Provides two different experiments / setups
 - Voltage Control
 - Microgrid Operation
- Implemented as an Heroku Application



Experiment 1

- Voltage Control
- Allows user to adjust
 - Reactive Power Control (ϕ)
 - Active Power Setpoint

Reactive Power Control ($\cos\phi$)

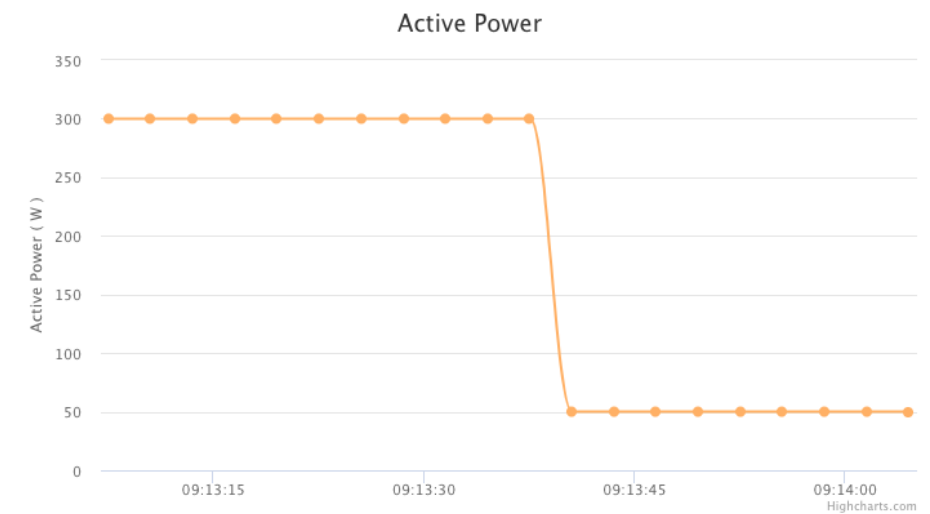
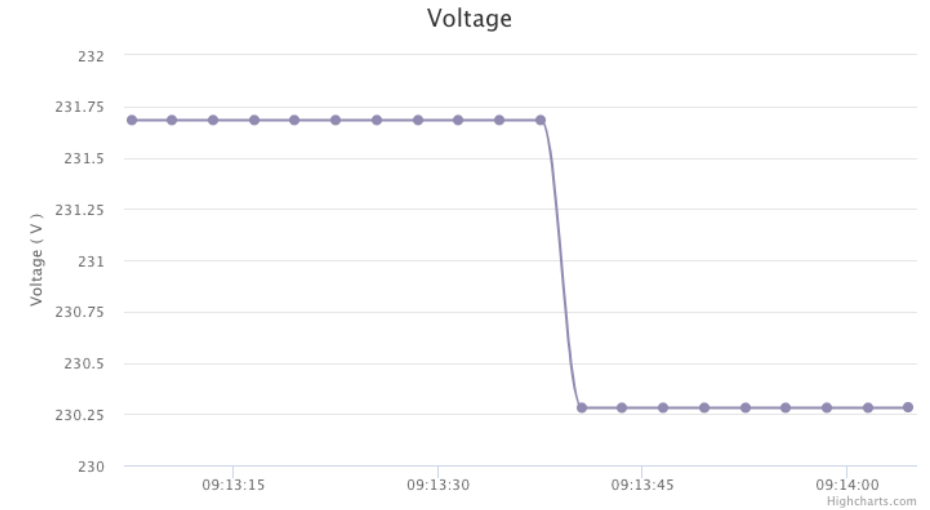
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Active Power Setpoint (W)

50

 Reactive Power - Voltage Droop Controller Activation

SUBMIT EXPERIMENT 1

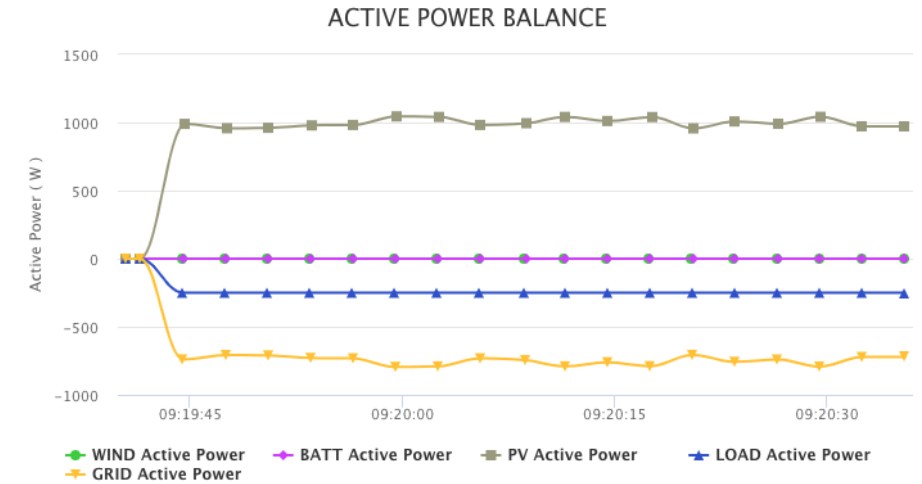
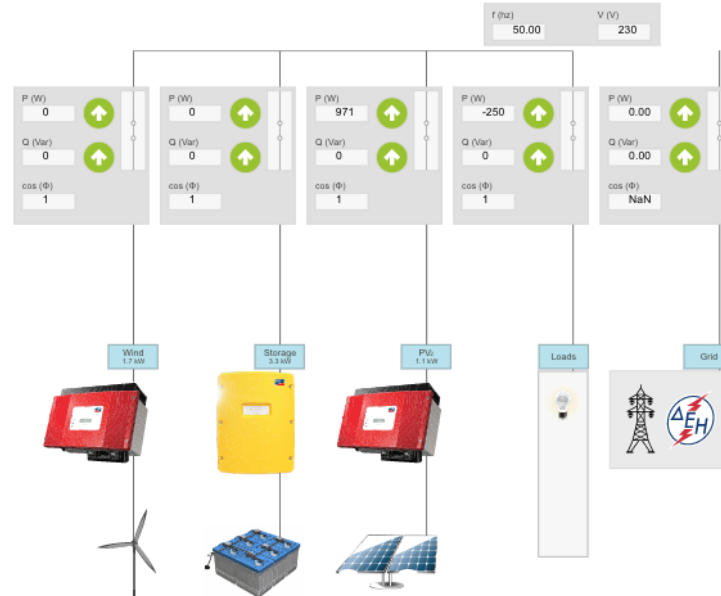


Reactive Power



Experiment 2

- Microgrid Operation
- Allows users to adjust loads in the MG



Loads (W)

250

 Island Mode

Frequency

Frequency (Hz)

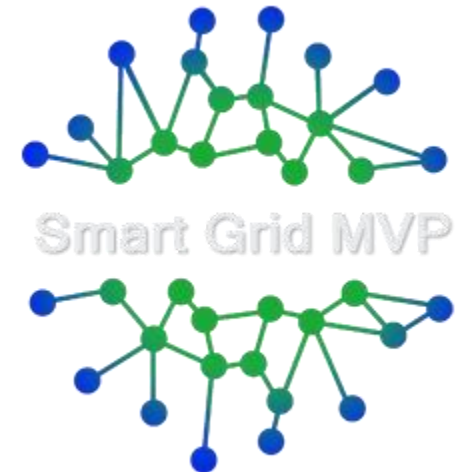
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UoS: Smart Grid MVP



- Monitoring and Visualisation Platform by [Dynamic Power Systems Laboratory \(DPSL\)](#)
- Collects power systems measurement data from two Phasor Measurement Units (PMUs) at
 - University of Strathclyde
 - Power Networks Demonstration Centre
- Provides (near) real-time and historical access to
 - Grid frequency, RoCoF
 - Voltage Phasor Diagram
 - Generation composition
- Correlation with other datasets and power system events



Q. Hong et al., "Design of an Open Platform for Real-Time Power Grid Monitoring," 2019 IEEE 8th International Conference on Advanced Power System Automation and Protection (APAP), Xi'an, China, 2019, pp. 735-739.



Smart Grid MVP

Current Grid Status

GB Generation Mix

Historic Data

System Event Log

Future Live Monitoring

About us



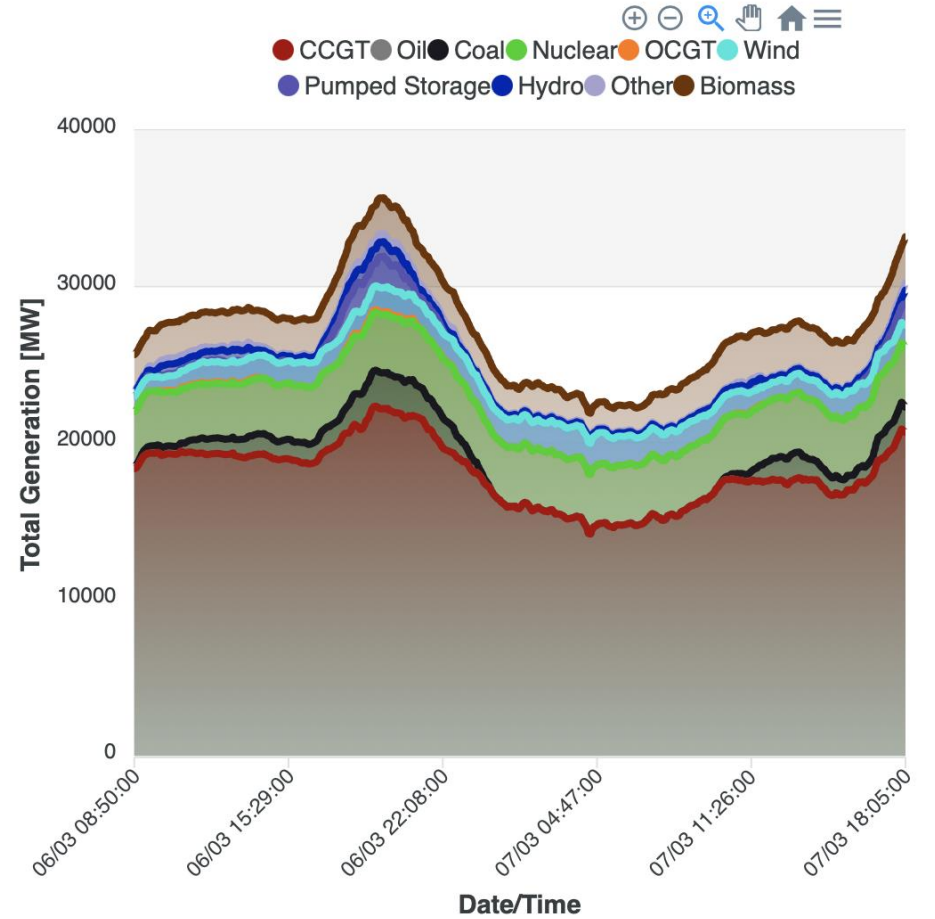
GB Generation Mix

Generation by Fuel Type



Generation Mix Stacked Graph

From: 06/03/2021 - 08:50 To: 07/03/2021 - 18:05





Smart Grid MVP

🌐 Current Grid Status

🌐 GB Generation Mix

🕒 Historic Data

🔔 System Event Log

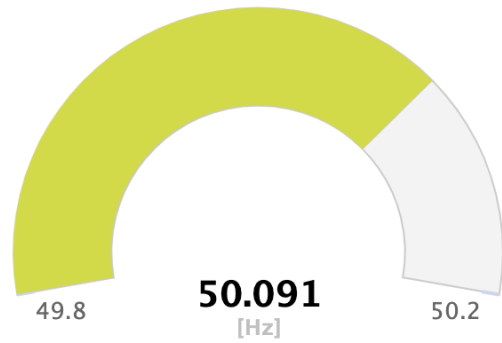
👁️ Future Live Monitoring

📄 About us
Developed by:
University of Strathclyde,
Glasgow, Scotland



Frequency Gauge - UK Grid

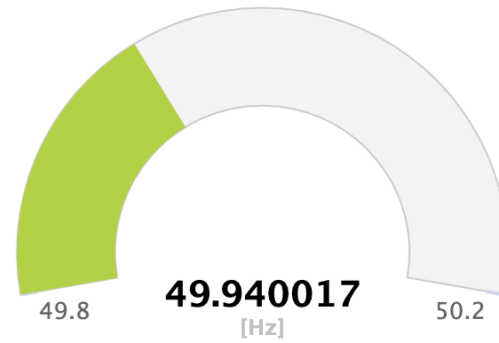
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Frequency Gauge - StrathPMU

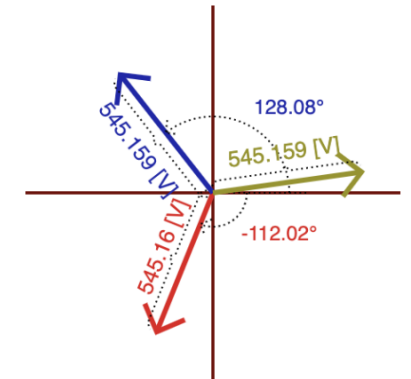
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Voltage Phasor Diagram - StrathPMU

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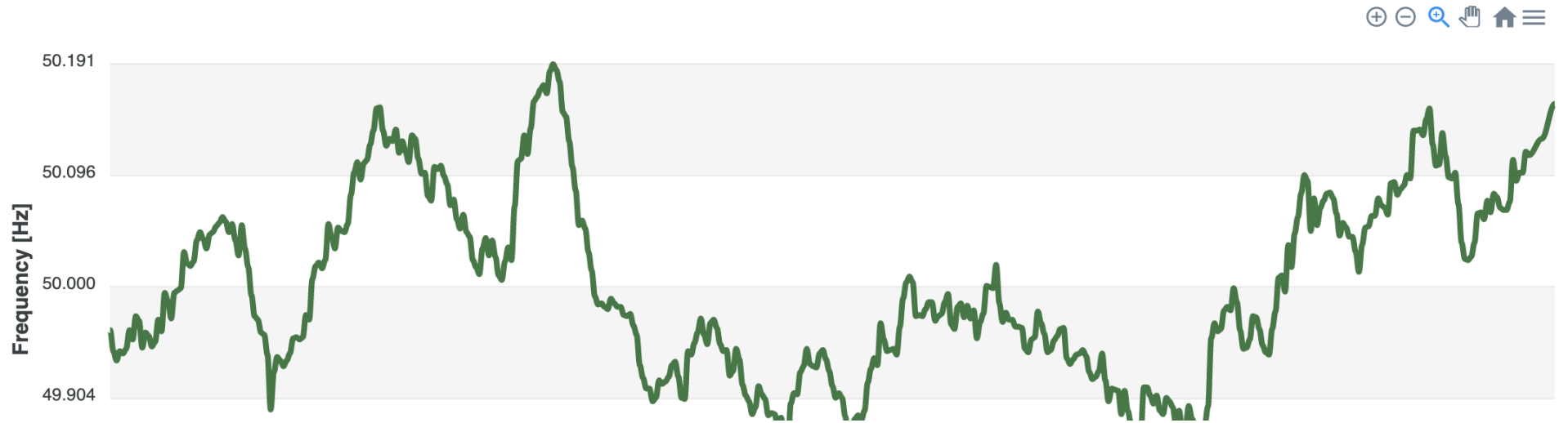


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Live UK Grid Data



Select time range... ▾



ICCS-NTUA: OpenAFPM



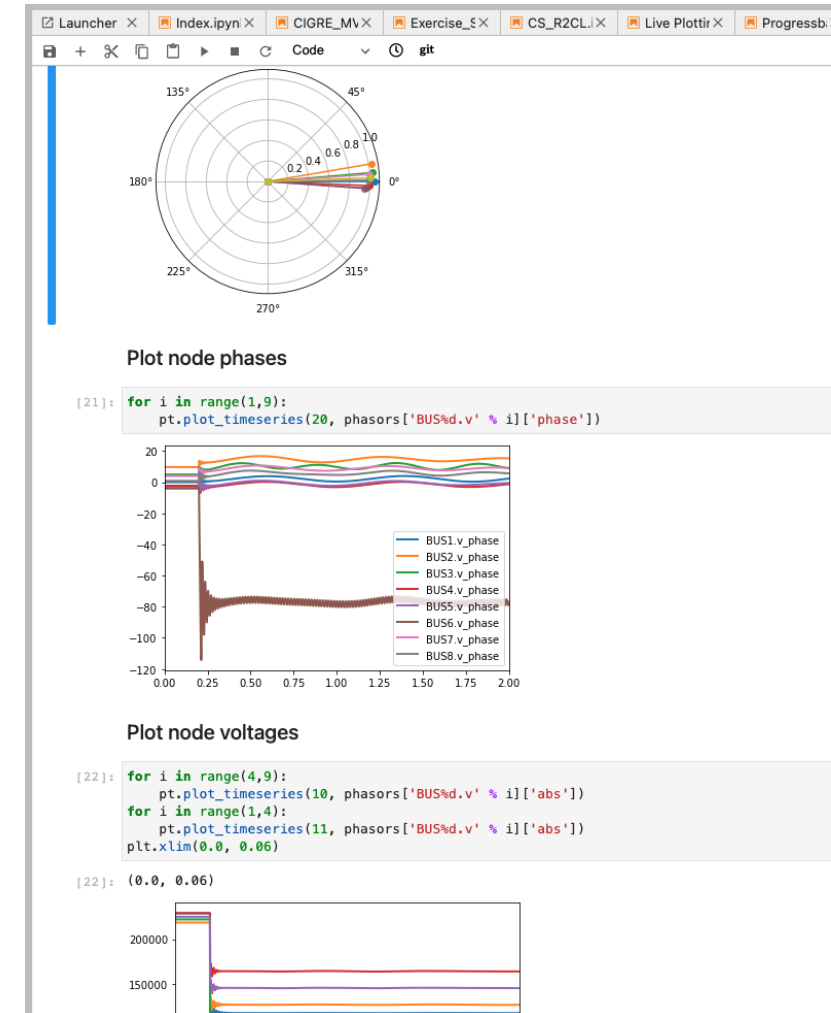
- “Online Design Tools for Locally Manufactured Small Wind Turbines”
- Allows designing Axial Flux Permanent Magnet (AFPM) generators for wind electric systems
- Uses open-source tool “Finite Element Method Magnetics” (FEMM)



- (Sub-)Tools:
 - **MagnAFPM:** designs a generator for a specific set of rotor blades and permanent magnets
 - **UserAFPM:** validate the performance of a specific generator geometry using FEMM
 - **OptiFEMM:** uses the particle swarm optimization (PSO) to optimize the dimensions of the permanent magnets



- Web-based simulation platform
 - Jupyter + DPsim
- EMT, Load Flow and Dynamic Phasor simulation
- Define grid models in
 - Python or C++
 - Common Information Model (CIM)
- Analysis / Scripting / Scenario definitions in Python
- **Soon:** Real-time dashboards and scenario/result management

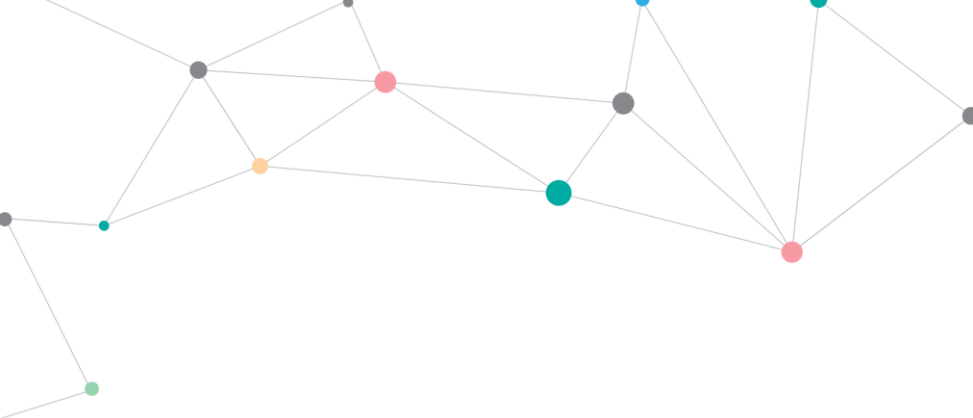


Outlook

- Three more Virtual Access facilities are planned to go live in 2021
 - **OFFIS:** SESA Virtual Sim
 - **HEDNO:** RMO Database
 - **DTU:** Digital Energy Lab?

- More in-depth webinars for individual VA facilities are planned
 - Video tutorials





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