

# Secure Power in High Renewable Penetration Environment

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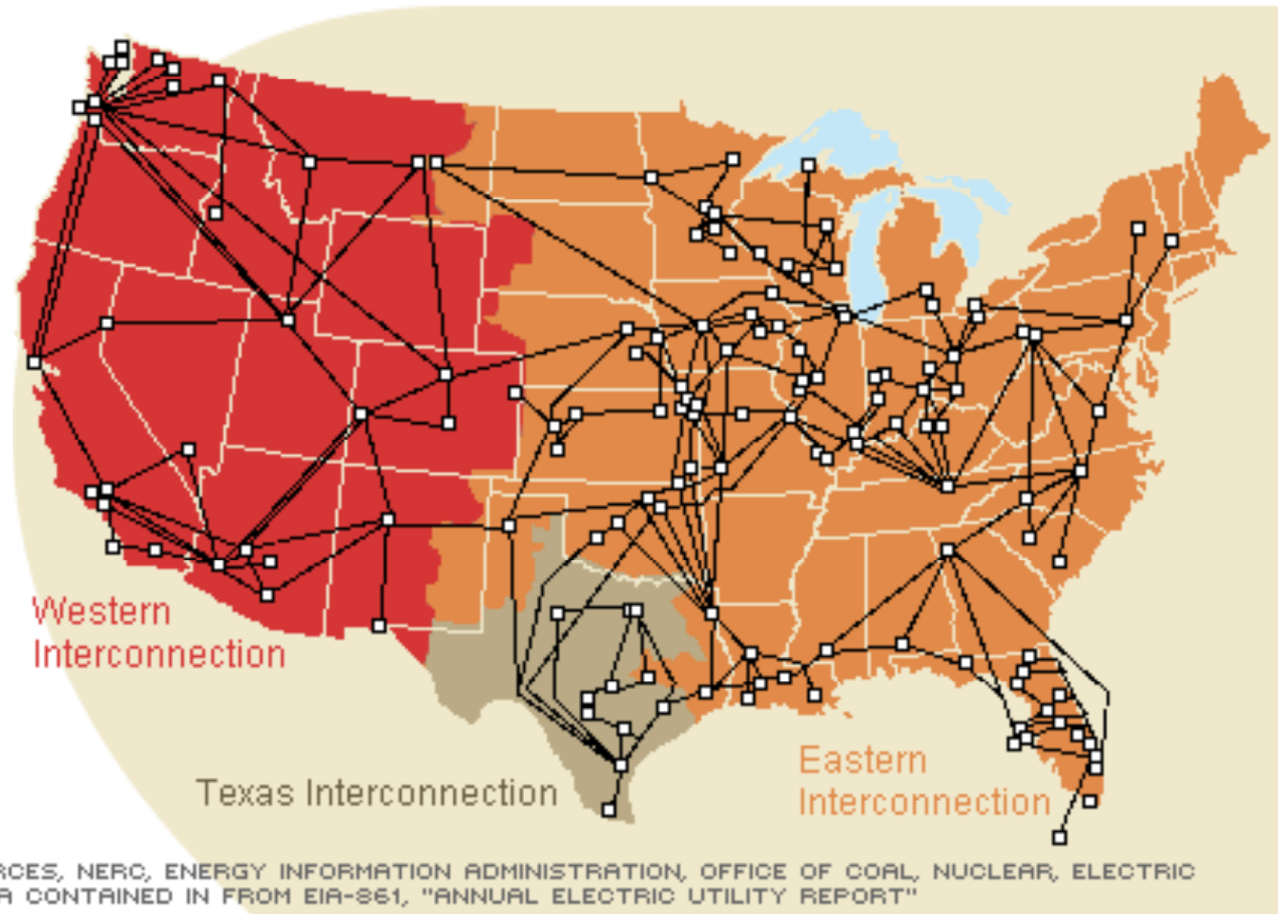
2. One-Cycle Control, Inc. Irvine

July 20, 2021

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2020:

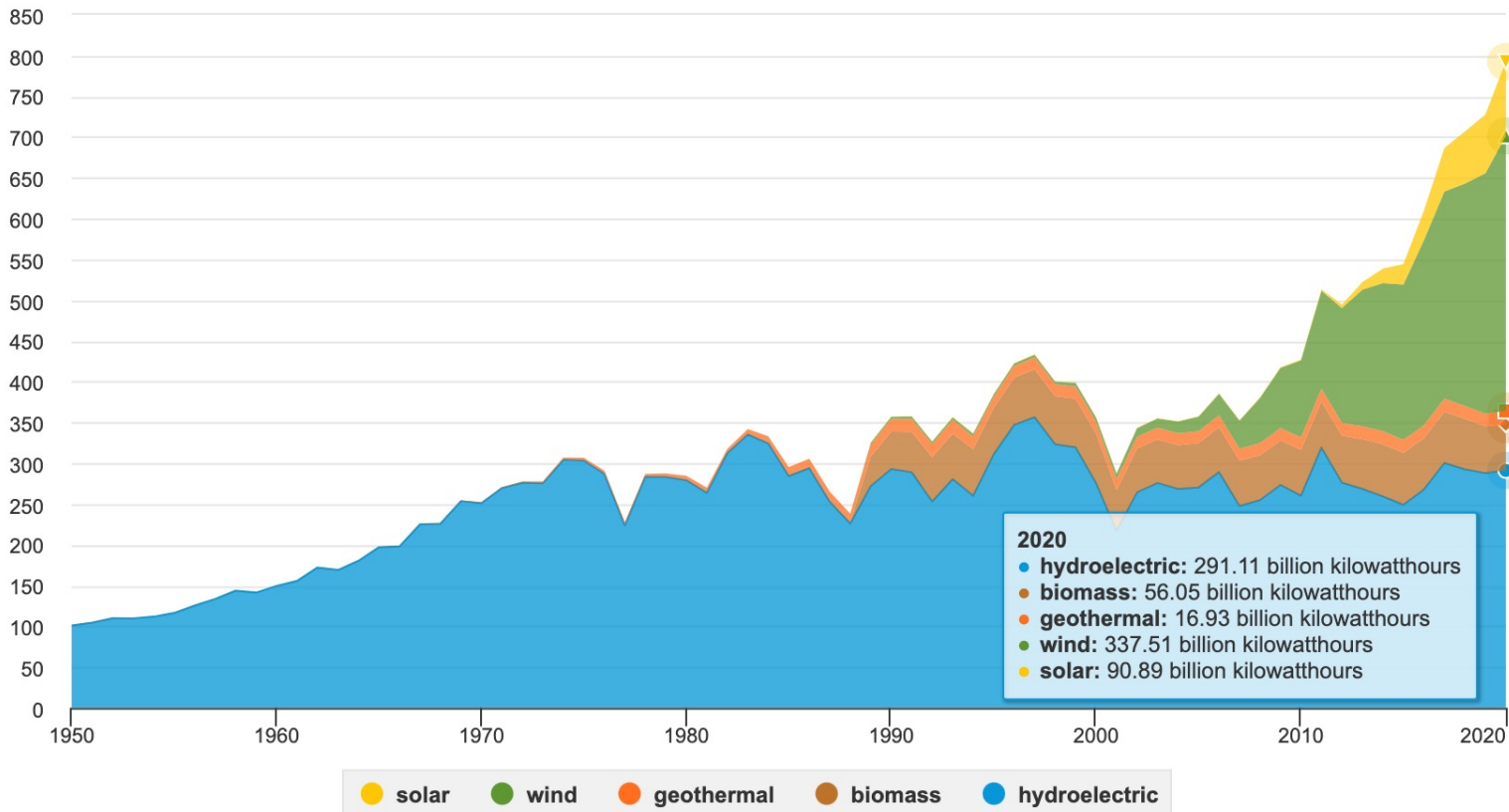
- 4,009,000 GWh
- 60% Fossil
- 20% Nuclear
- 20% Renewables  
(including hydroelectric)



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U.S. electricity generation from renewable energy sources, 1950-2020

billion kilowatthours



Note: Electricity generation from utility-scale facilities. Hydroelectric is conventional hydropower.

Source: U.S. Energy Information Administration, *Monthly Energy Review*, Table 7.2a, January 2021 and *Electric Power Monthly*, February 2021, preliminary data for 2020

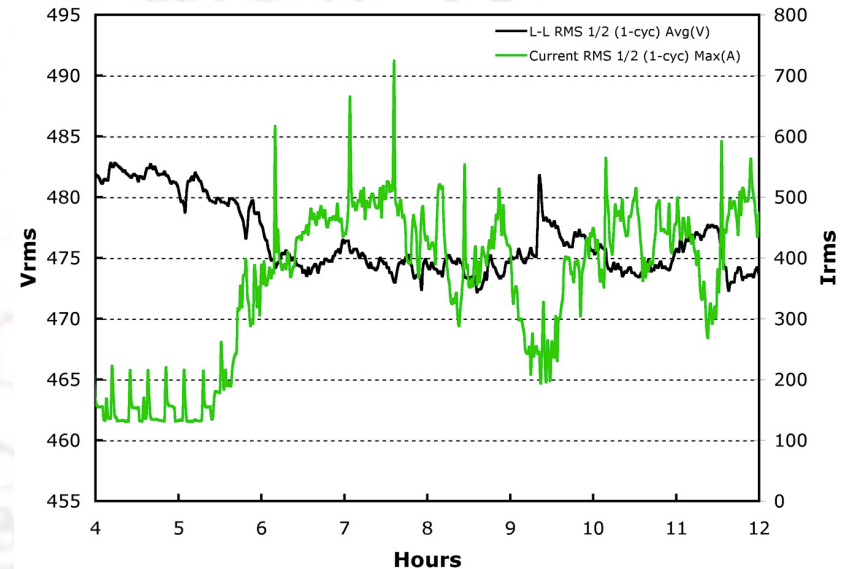
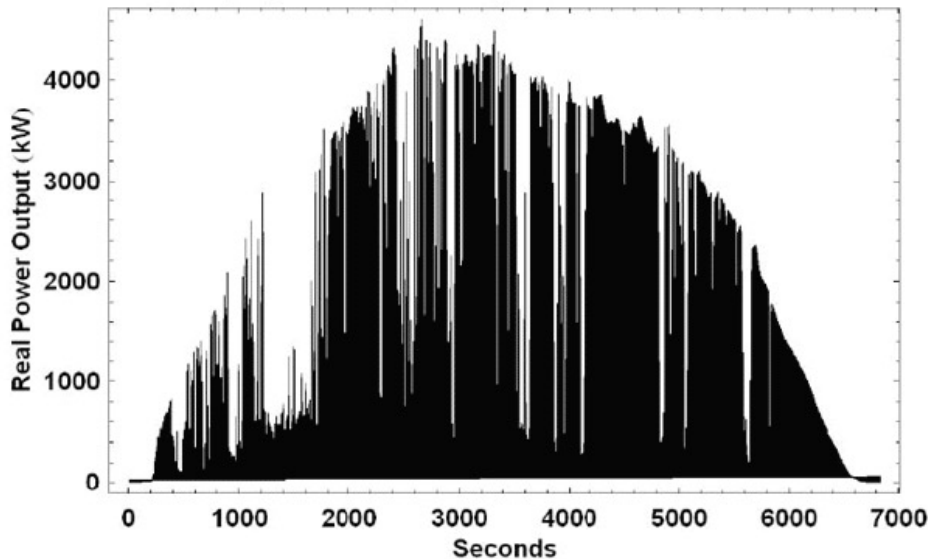
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- Intermittency
- Fast Transient



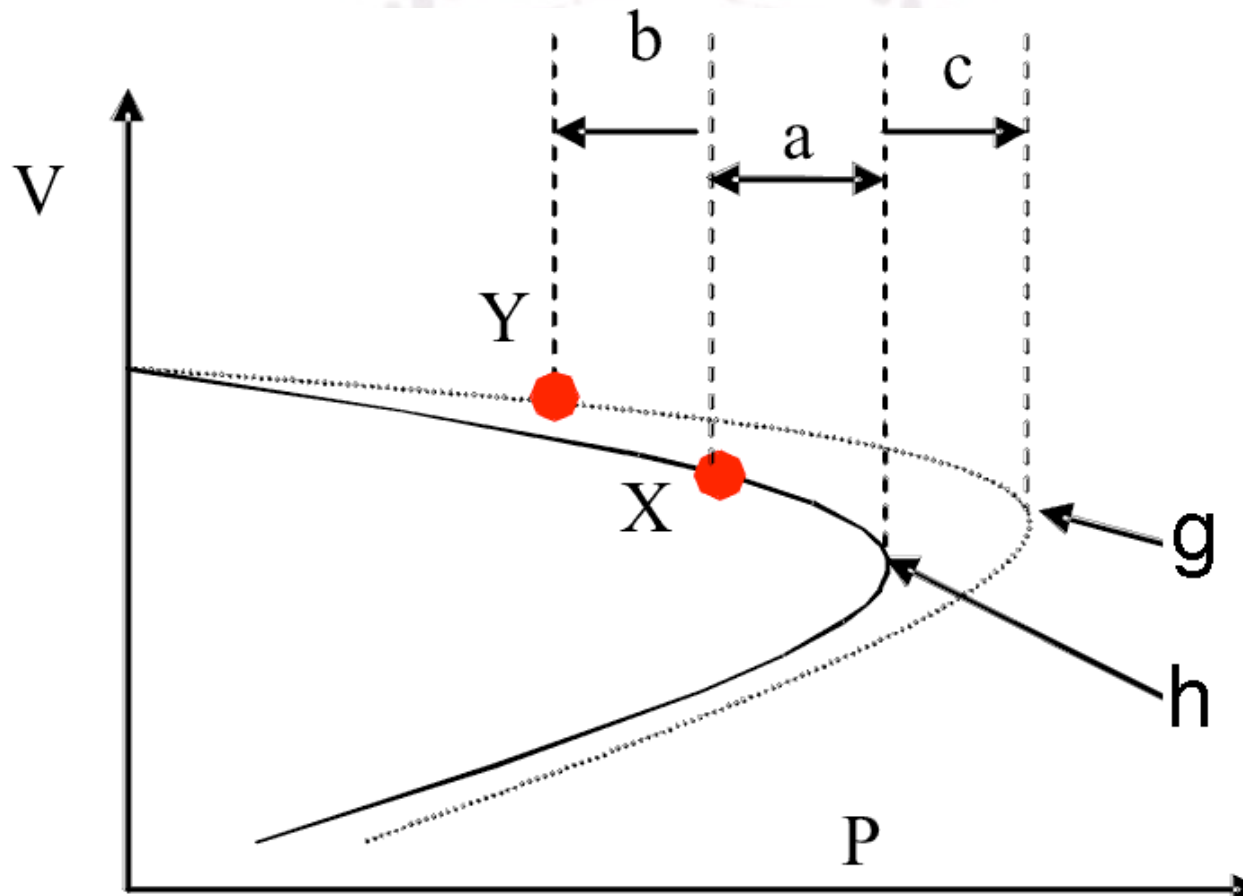
- Voltage instability
- Voltage regulation equipment wear out prematurely
- Black out, brown out

Springerville AZ, One Day at 10 Second Resolution



Source: <http://www.megawattsf.com/gridstorage/gridstorage.htm>

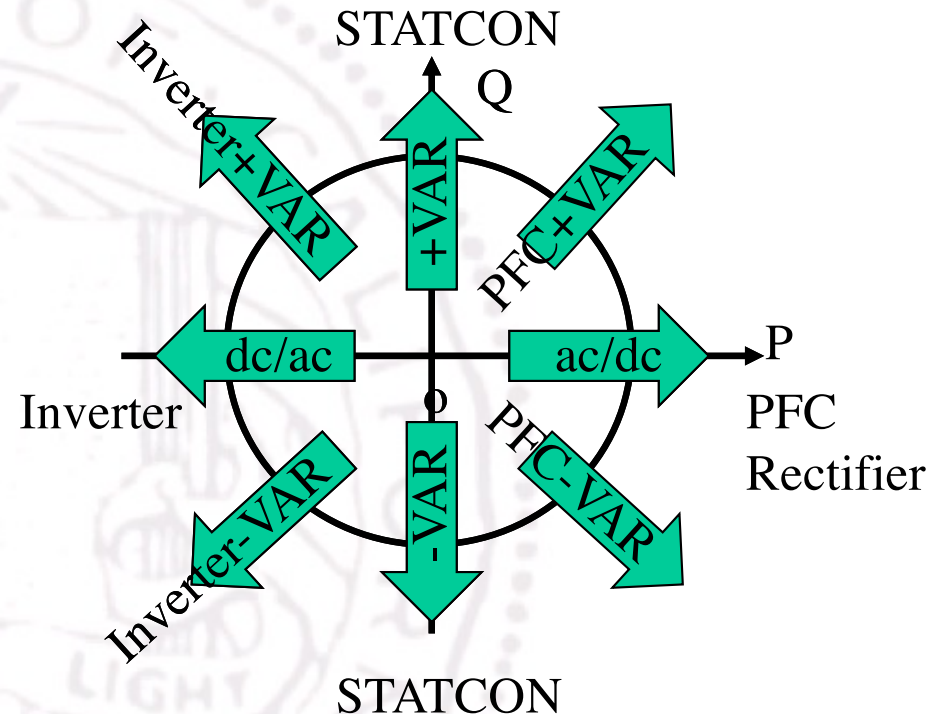
Source: One-Cycle Control, Inc.



By extending the margin before voltage collapsing

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- Silicon has revolutionized IT. It is time to modernize our power system<sup>1</sup>.
- 4-quadrant power converter<sup>2,3</sup>  
=> universal grid control actuator
- Fast precise control  
=> local autonomous reflexes



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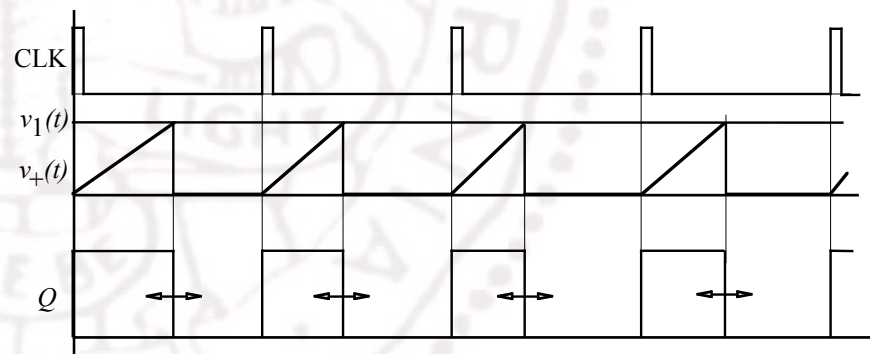
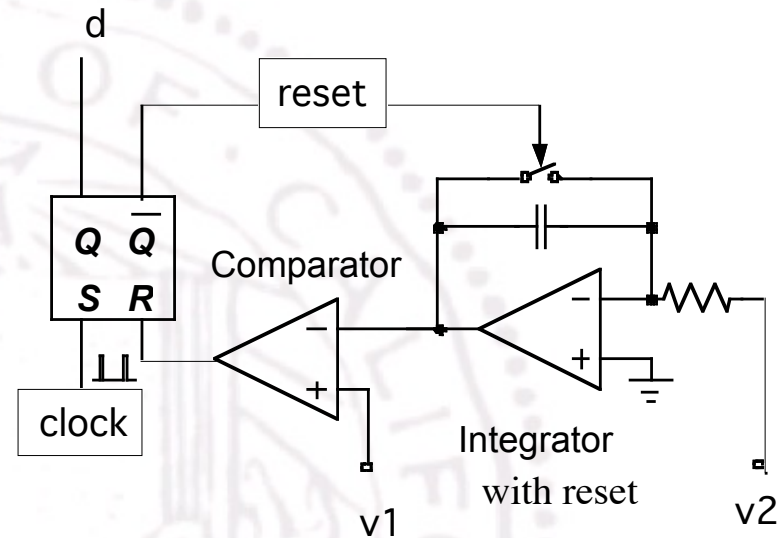
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$$\frac{1}{T_s} \int_0^t v_2 dt = V_1$$

$$t = dT_s$$

$$V_2 d = V_1$$

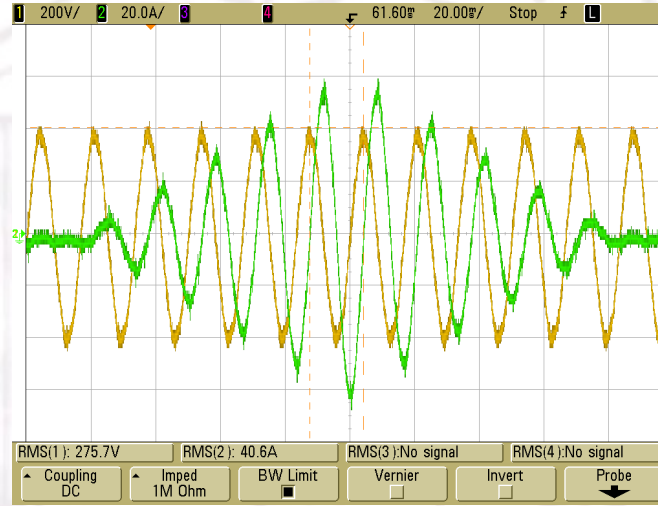
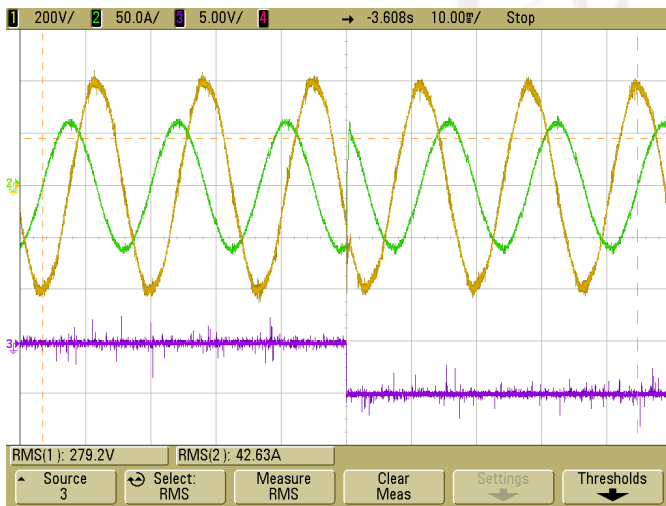
- OCC solves the first order polynomial equation
- OCC solves most power electronic problems



## --Smart Grid Building Blocks

+Q to -Q

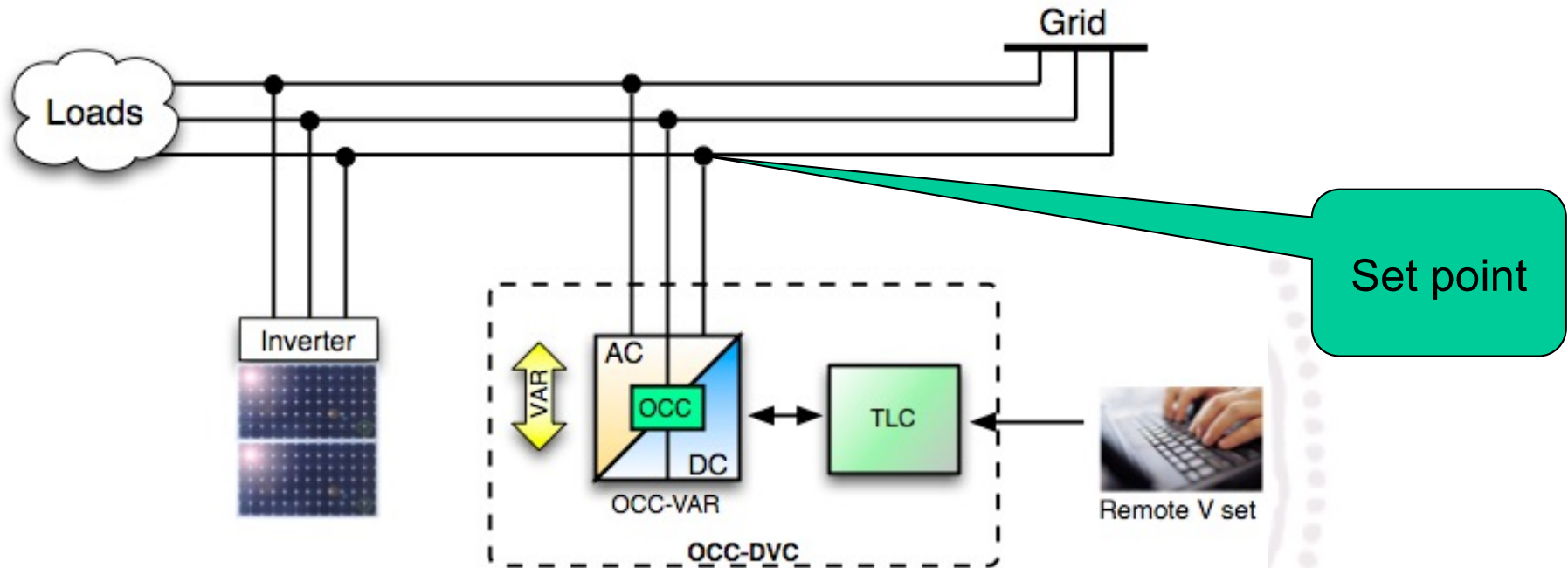
Q ramps up/down



High efficiency  
Fast response  
Small footprint







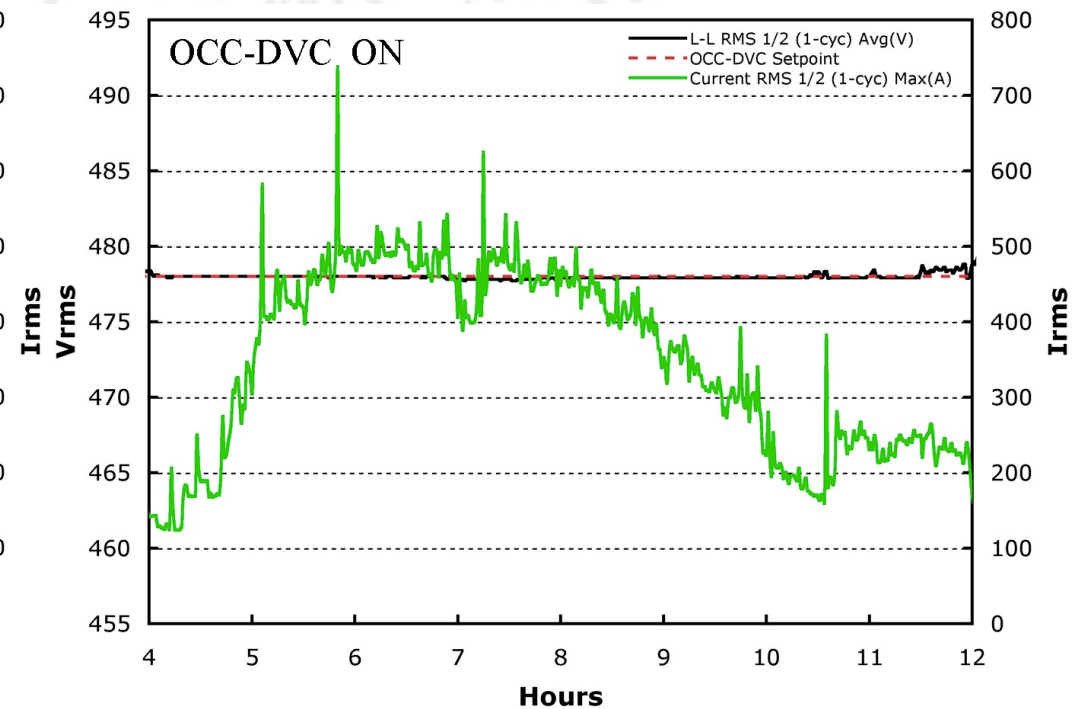
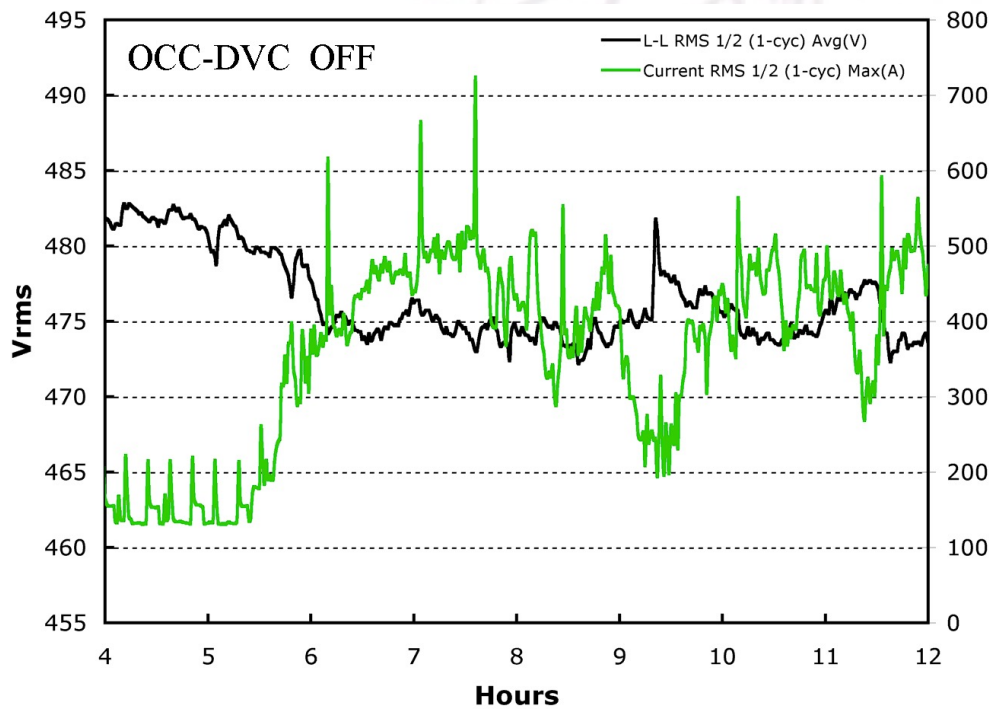


# SDGE Installation

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OCC-DVC —  
Quench the transient  
Regulate the voltage to a flat line

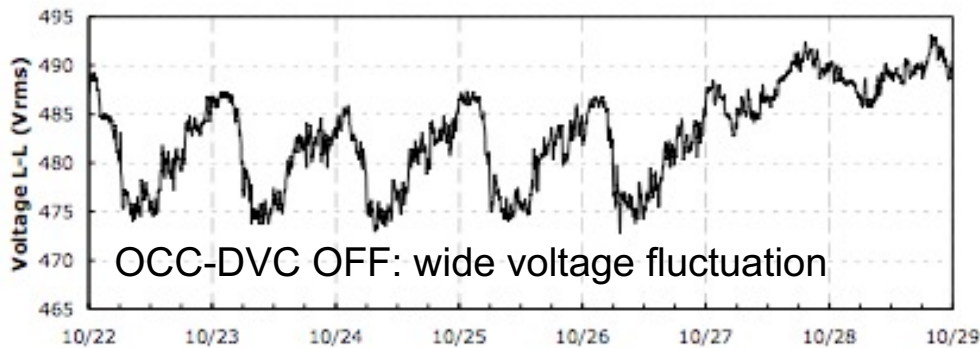




# OCC-DVC (Voltage Schedule)

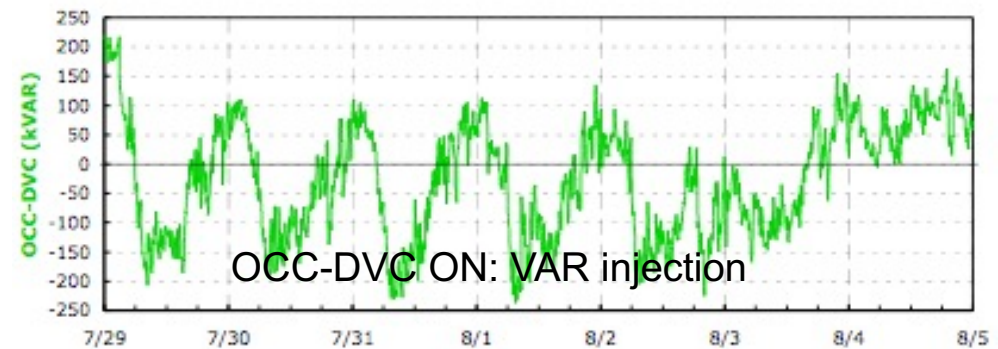
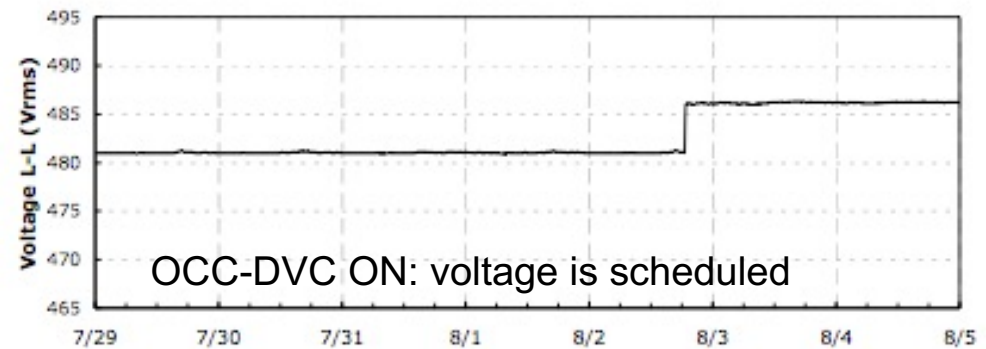
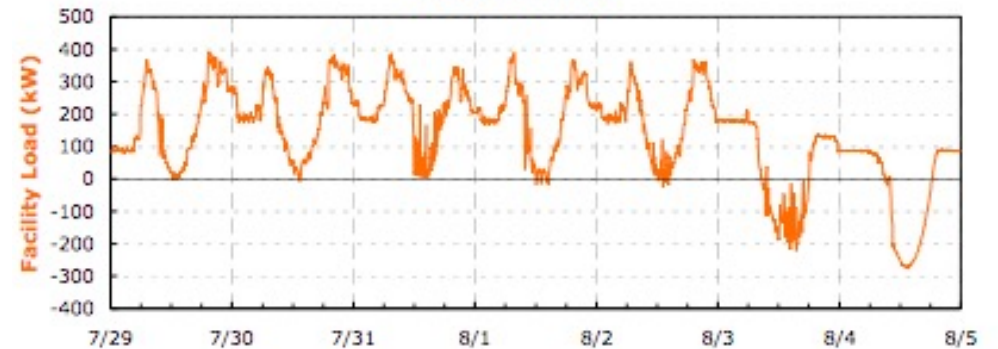
## OCC-DVC = OFF

2012 Week 43



## OCC-DVC = ON

2013 Week 31







# OCC-DVC (Dynamic Load&PV)

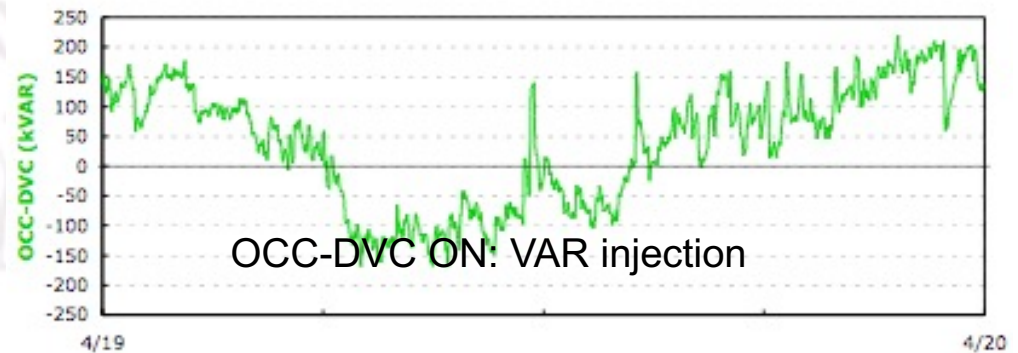
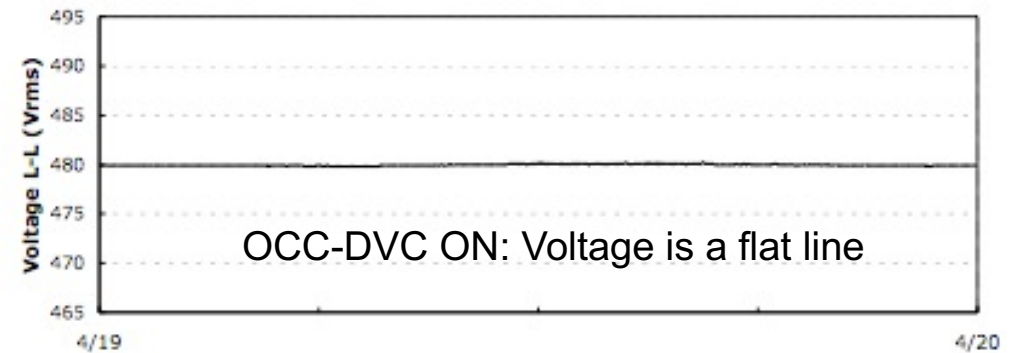
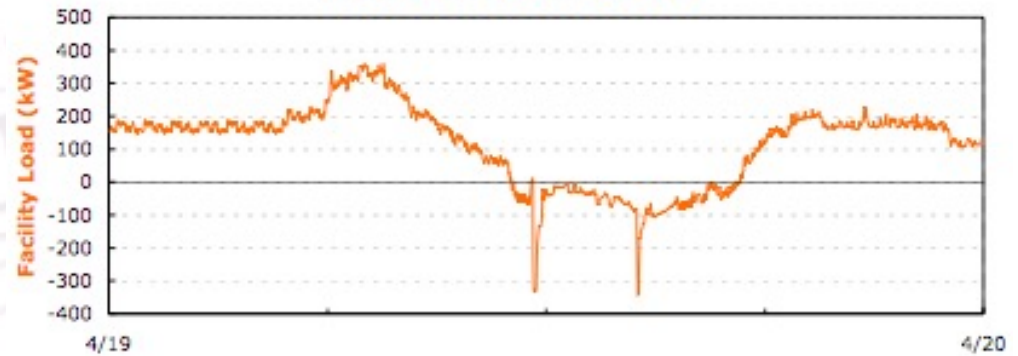
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2 load drops →  
Solar power surges back  
to transformer

Voltage is stabilized

OCC-DVC fast action  
To combat the transient

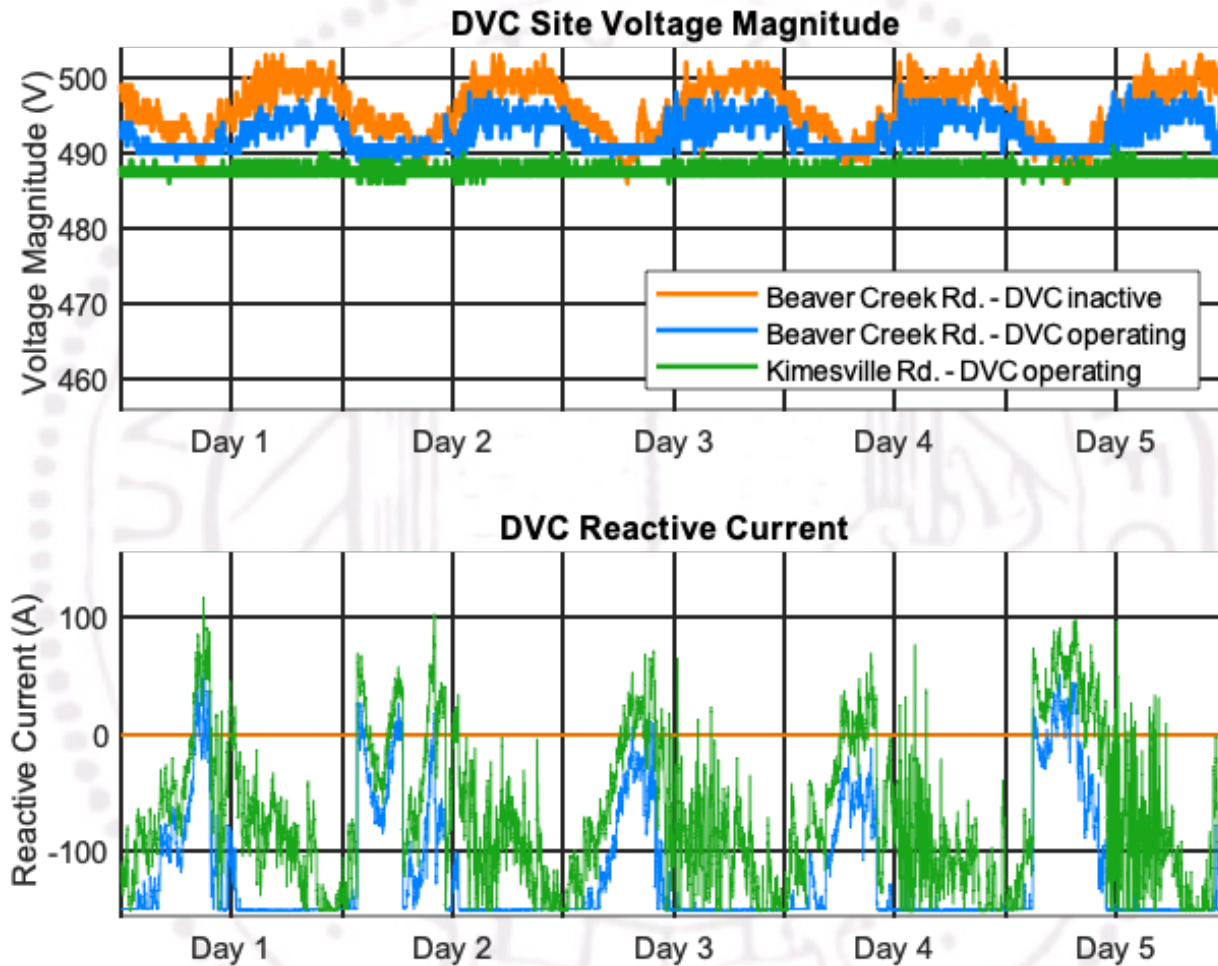
2013 Week 16 (Fri 04/19)



# October 18, 2013, 9:03AM

- 500kV line fault
- Voltage sag was detected in every substation
- Except the one with OCC-DVC ON

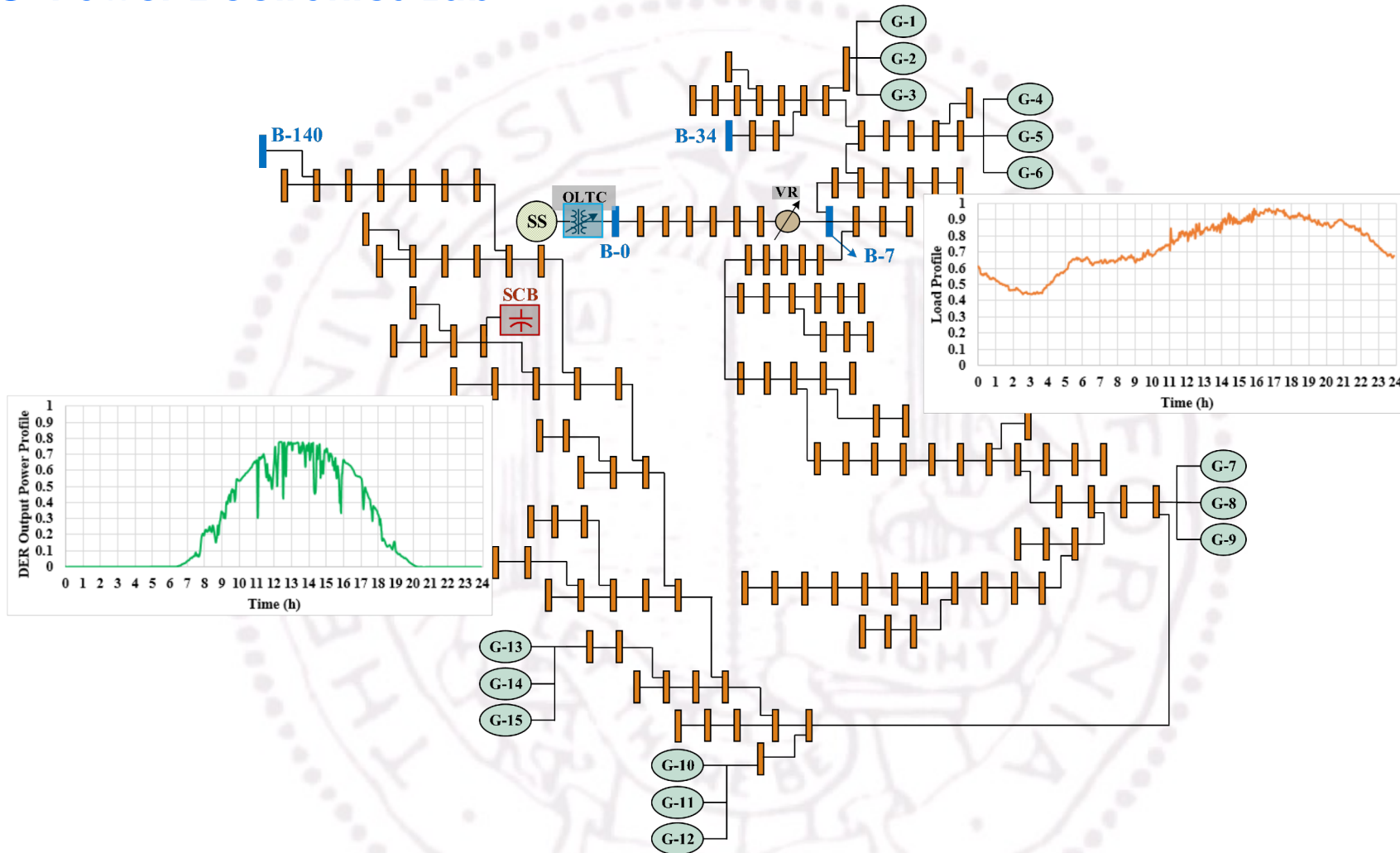
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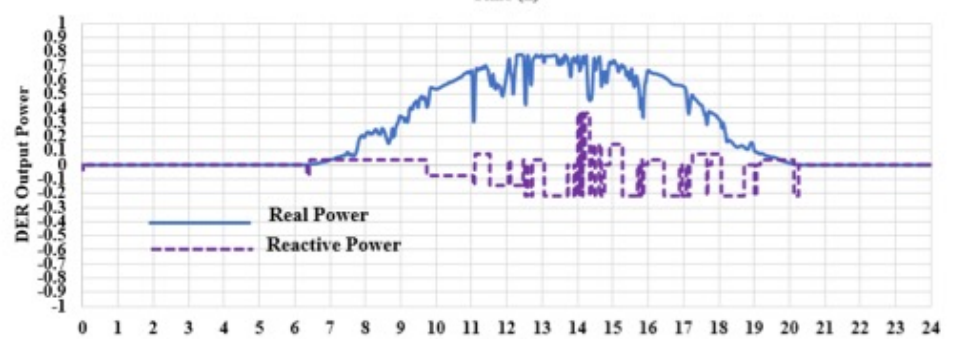
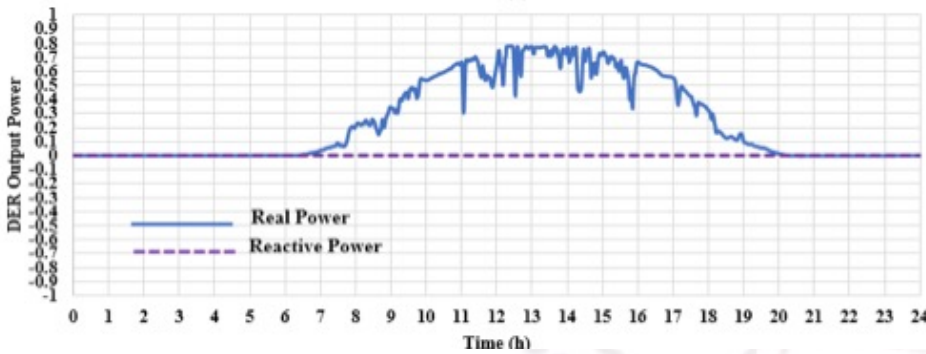
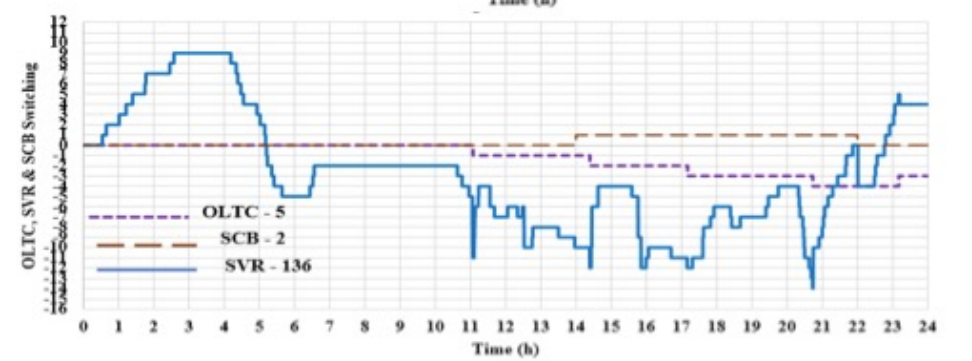
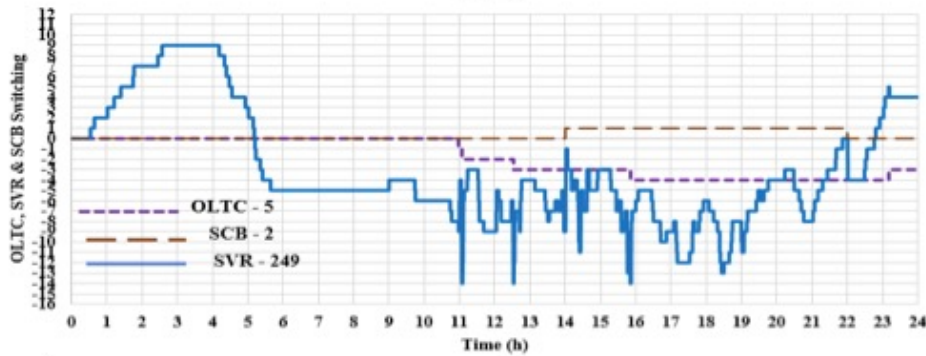
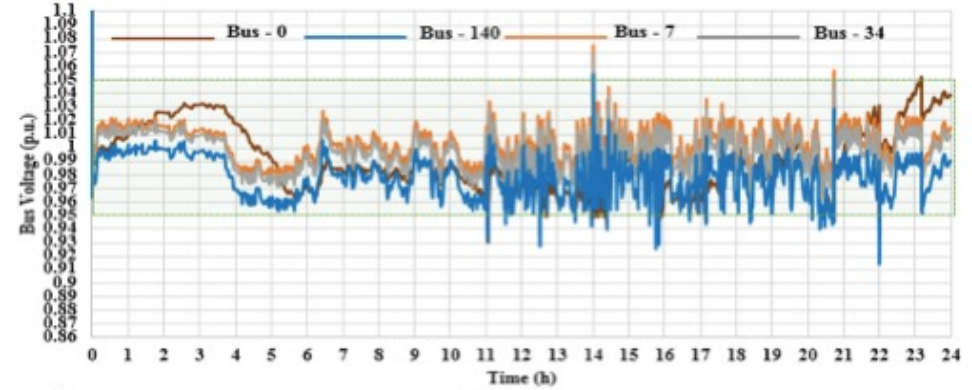
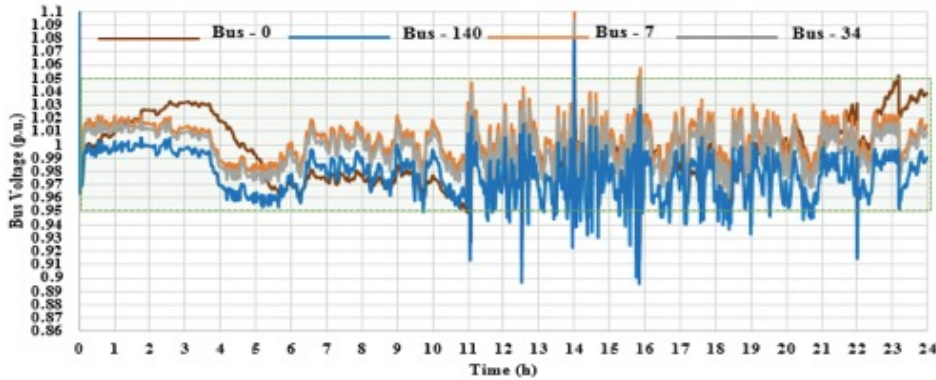
Source: Duke Energy



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140 bus SCE DPS simulation of coordination of Fast VAR



No reactive injection  
Frequent transient activities

With reactive injection  
Smoother operation

## Method Comparison

- Synchronous condenser: high inertial not suitable for fast transient intermittency
- Switching capacitor and LTC: slow speed and step control
- SVC: too slow to capture the fast transient of renewables
- STATCON: may be able to handle when the transient is mild
- OCC-DVC has demonstrated fast transient suppressing capability
- Opportunity: OCC-DVC coordination with LTC, Switching Cap, and SVC → smooth and cost-effective solutions.



## Enables high penetration

