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Renewables based power microgrids: architecture and components

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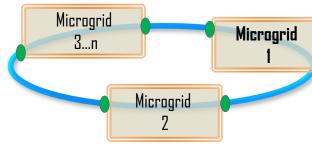




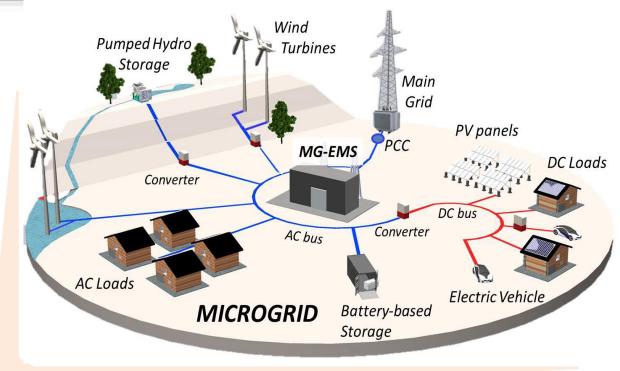
The MICROGRID concept







System of Systems



Microgrids does not means "small" but "onsite" grids MGs are "building blocks" of the Smart Grid



Available Infrastructure - DC/AC & AC/DC Conversion

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Setups already available in the AC and DC Microgrid Labs
Starting idea

















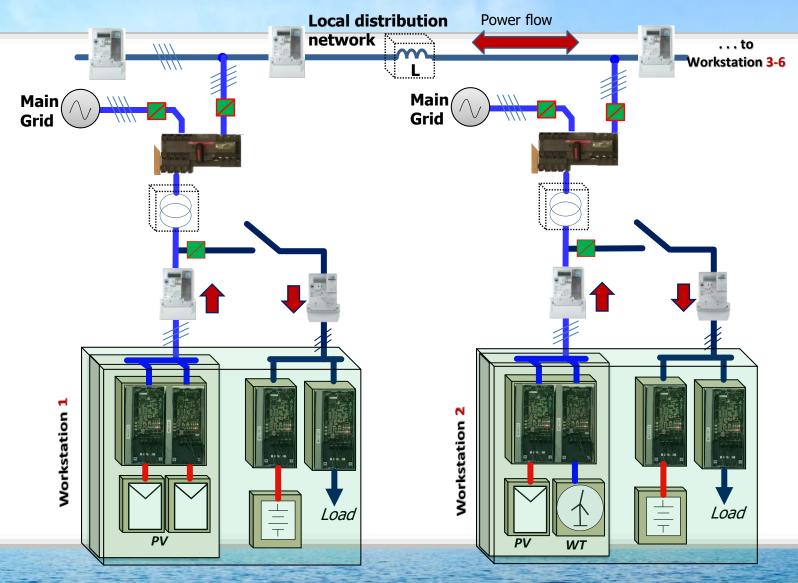








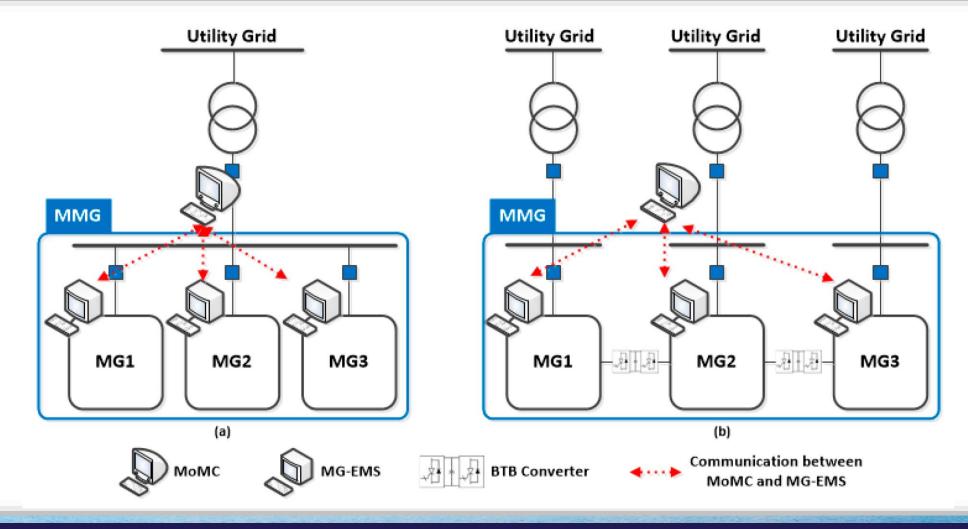






Multi-Microgrid System

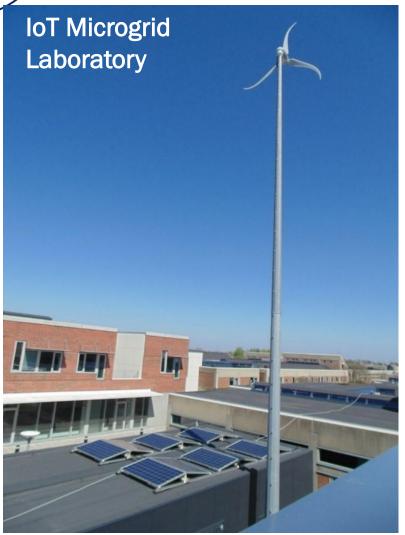






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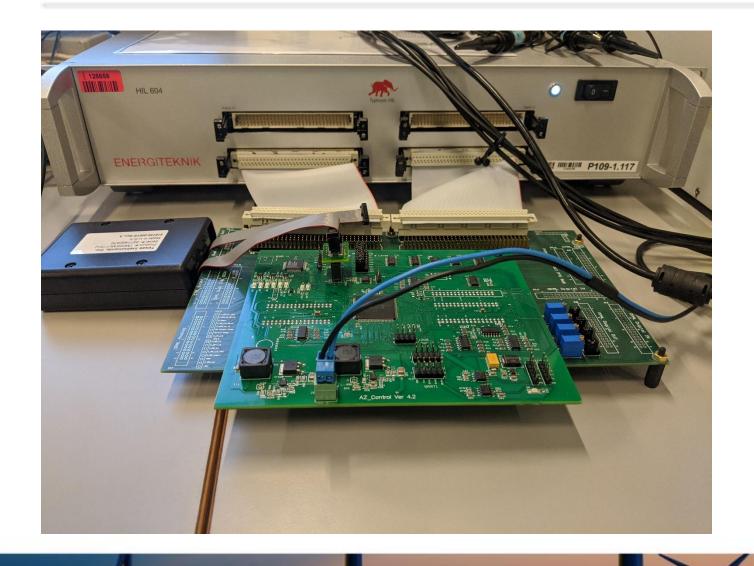








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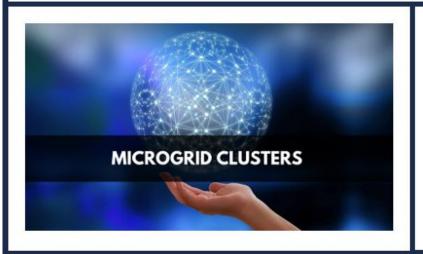








CROM RESEARCH FRAMEWORKS













After years of researching microgrids... I decided to become a **prosumer**

PV 2.4 kW

Selling EL: 1.02 kr/kWh Buying EL: 2.20 kr/kWh



EV Charger 3.7 kW

EV 30 kWh 250 km

Like a doctor taking your own pills...





Dr House?

(again) it's Lupus!



(again) it's a PI control!



If you really want to do something, you will find the way.

Otherwise, you will find the excuse...





We talk about AI - but do we know how

our brain works?

Our three brains

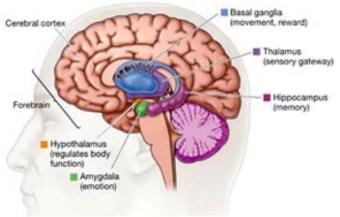


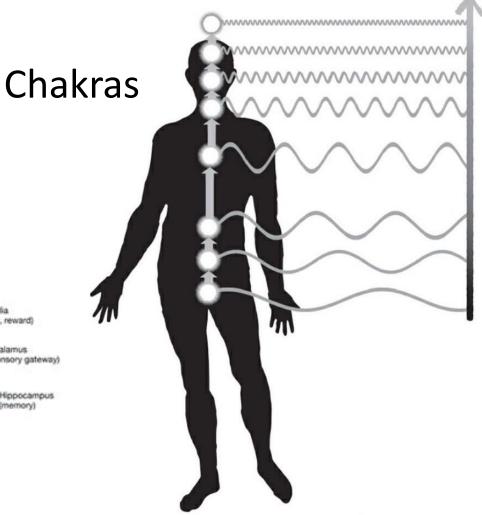
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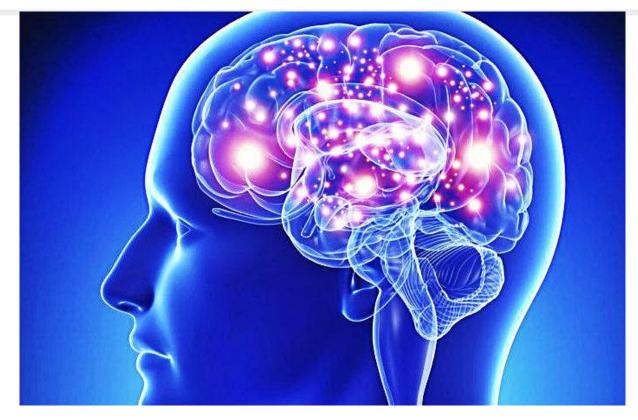
EEG tests







How much of our brain we use?



Use: 100% - Simultaneously: 2%

Due to glucose and O2 limitation

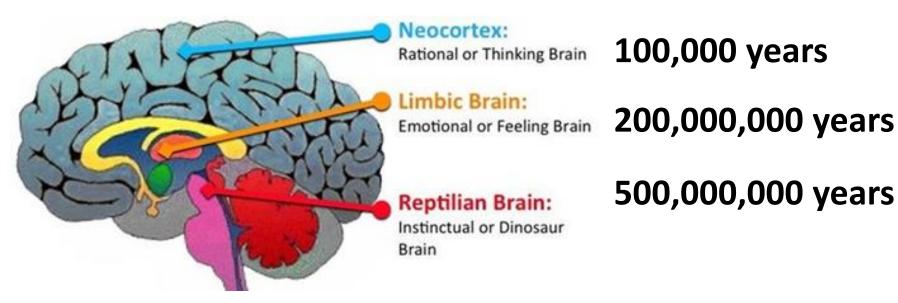
Normally we use similar NN paths





Triune brain – MacLean model 1960

86,000 million neurons – interconnection (synapsis)



Emotions – Decision Rational – Justification

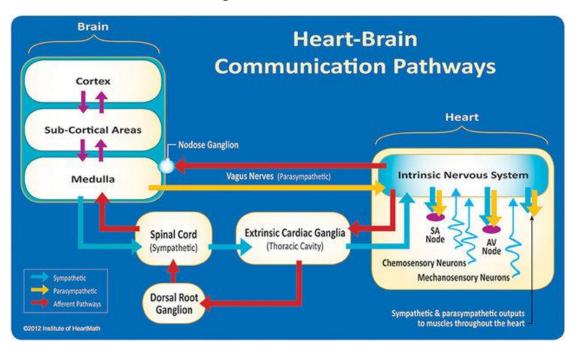


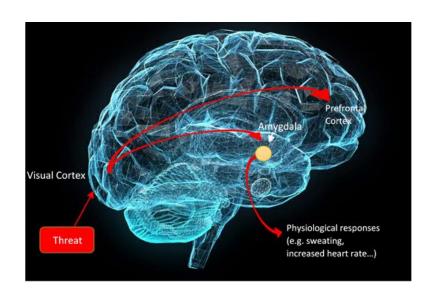


Our heart

Generates hormones:

- 1 Amitriptyline: control stress neurons
- 2. Oxytocin: love, trust, fidelity





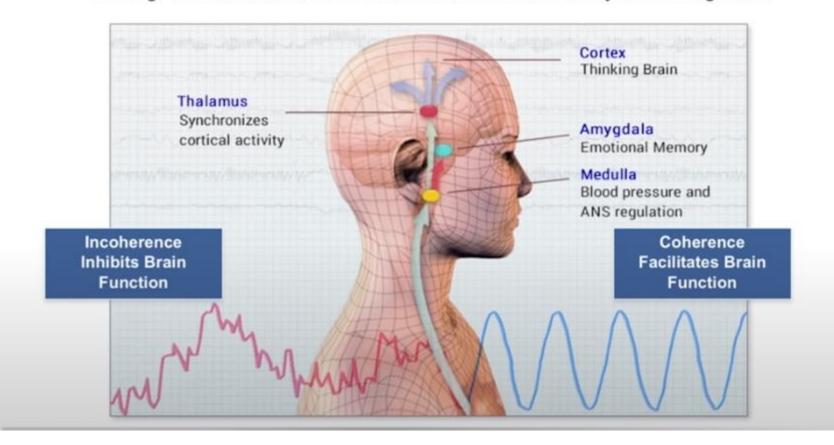
Shaffer, Fred, Rollin McCraty, and Christopher L. Zerr. "A healthy heart is not a metronome: an integrative review of the heart's anatomy and heart rate variability." *Frontiers in psychology* 5 (2014): 1040.





Heart Rhythms Directly Affect Physical and Mental Performance

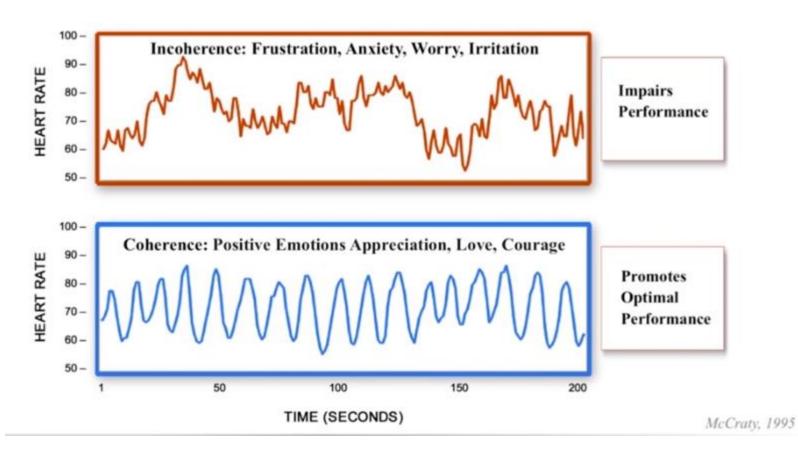
Heart signals affect the brain centers involved in emotional perception, decision making, reaction times, social awareness and the ability to self-regulate.







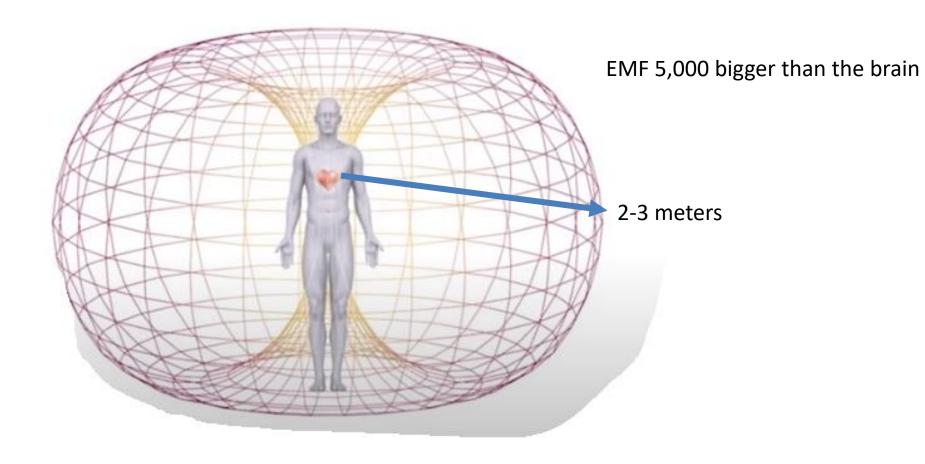
Heart Rhythm Patterns







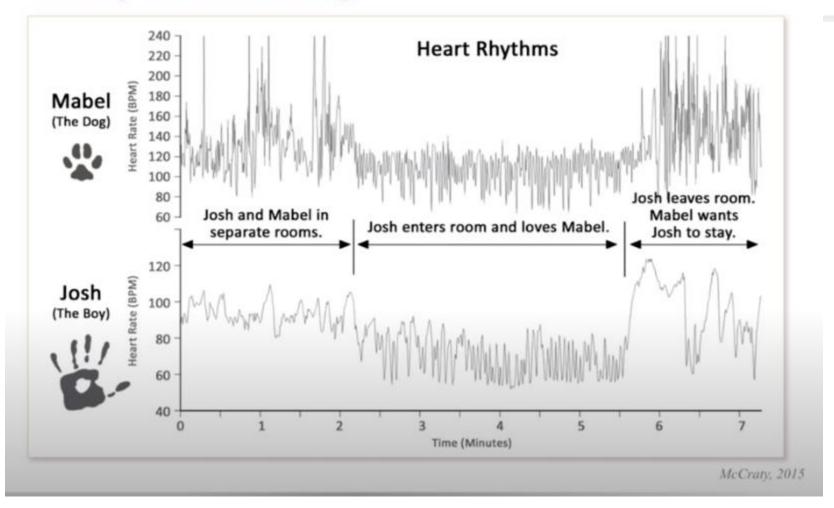
Electromagnetic field







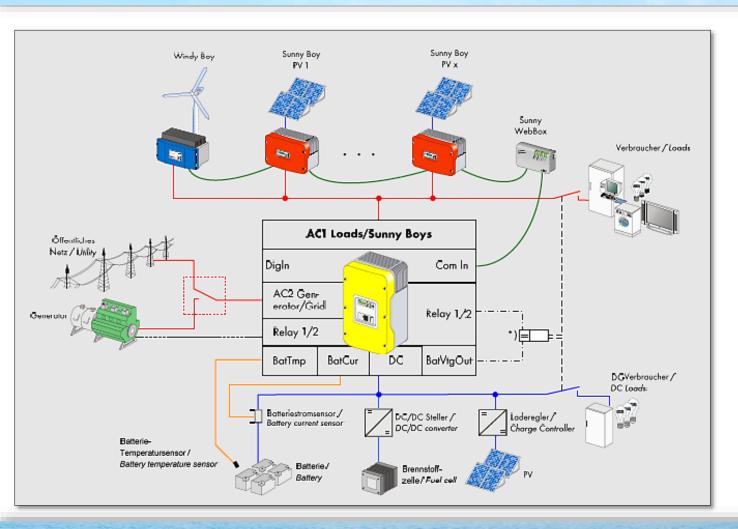
A Boy and His Dog

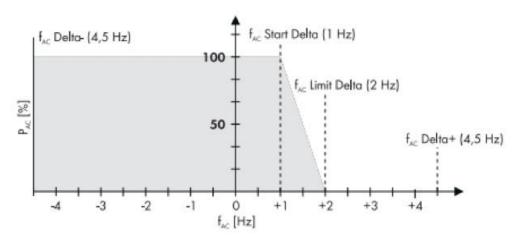
















SelfSync(C)

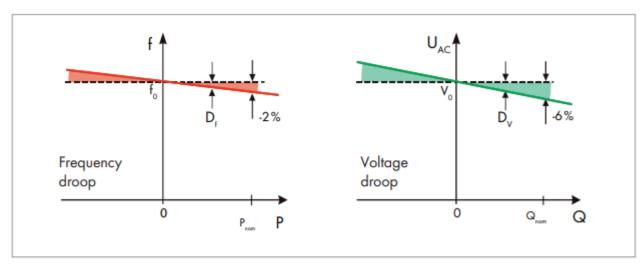
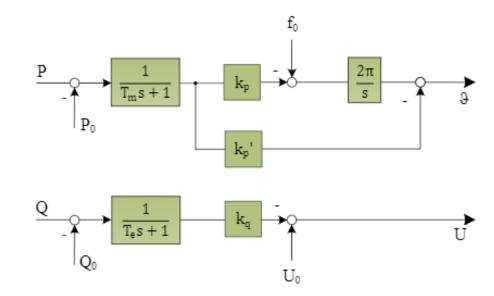


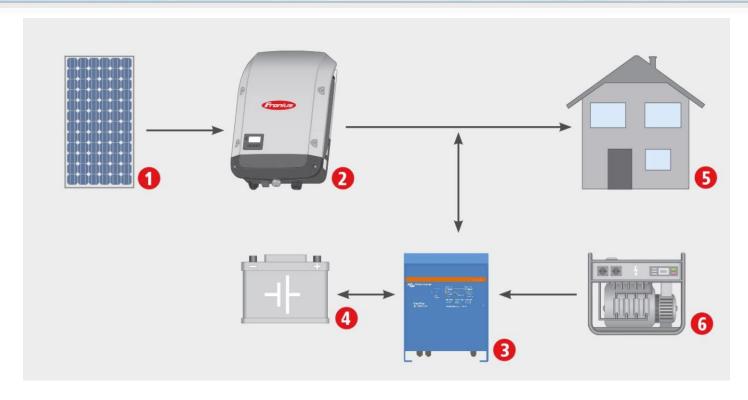
Fig. 2.1: Control algorithm in the SMA stand-alone power inverter (SelfSync®)



Source: SMA





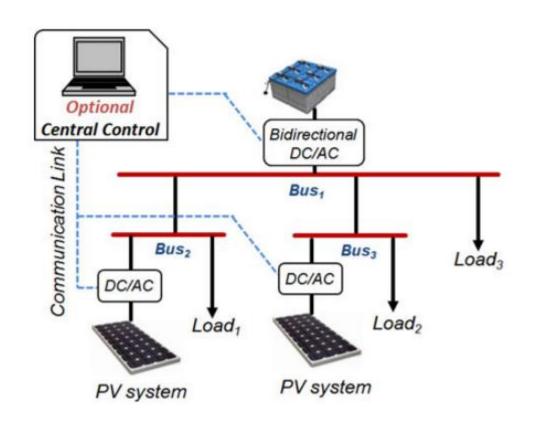


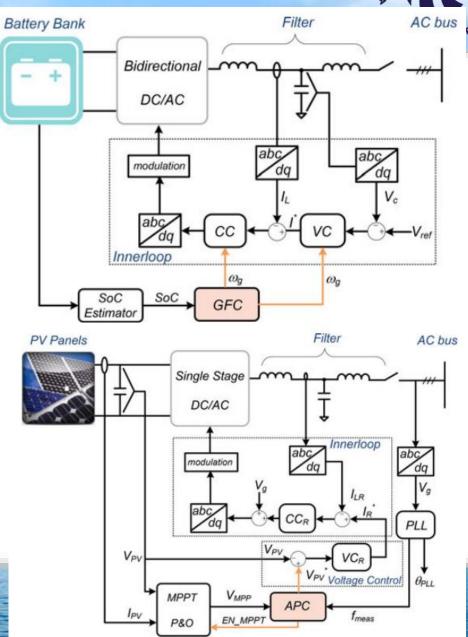


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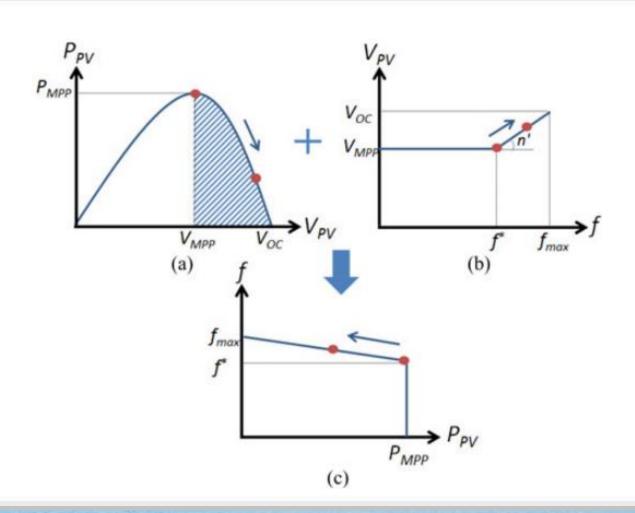


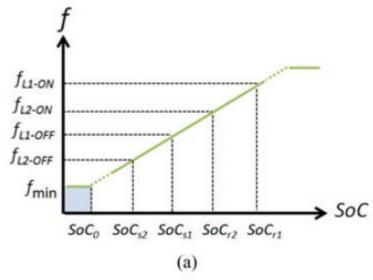


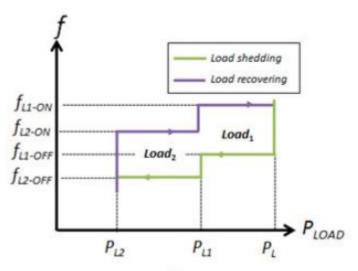
















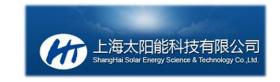


EUDP Chinese-Danish Cooperation Project

Microgrid Technology Research and Demonstration 2014 - 2017











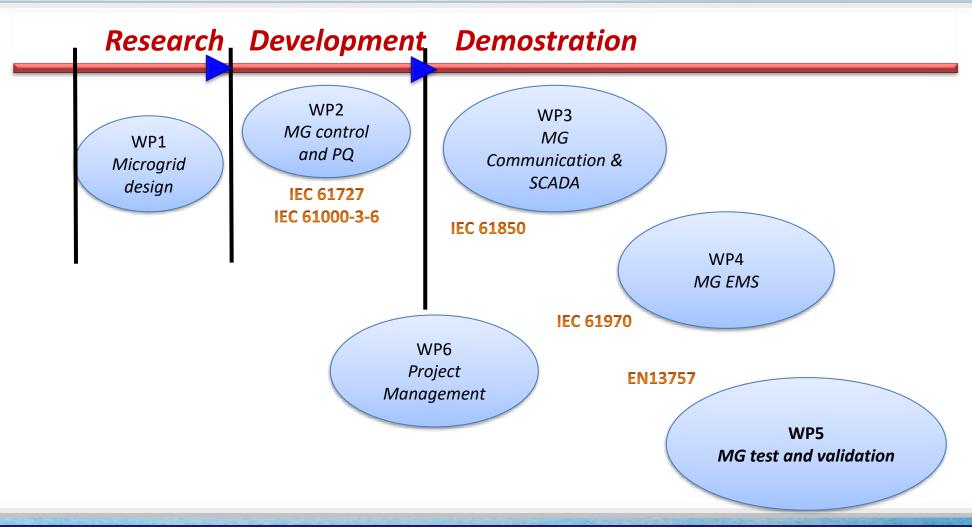






Microgrid Technology Research and Demonstration

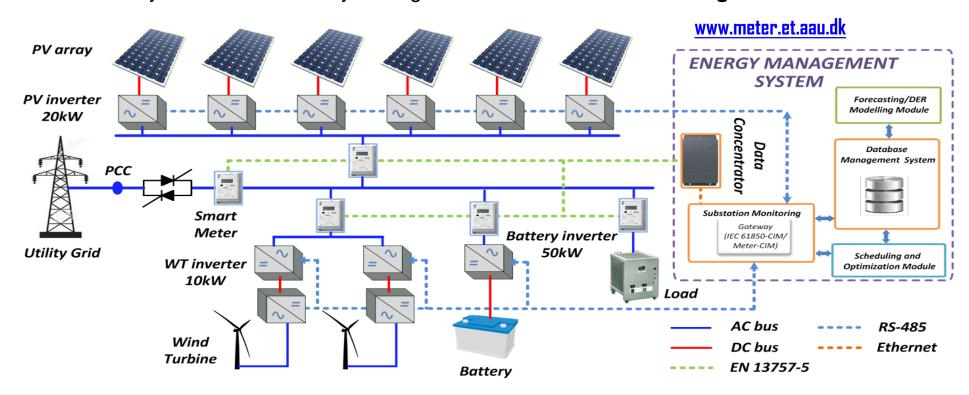








A 200 kW hybrid PV-wind-battery microgrid site built and tested in **Shanghai**.

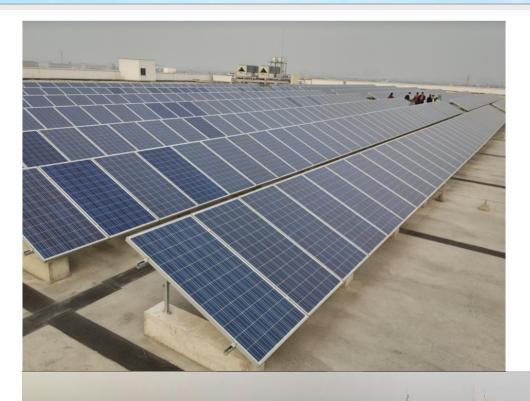


A. Luna, et al, "Optimal Power Scheduling for a Grid-Connected Hybrid PV-Wind-Battery Microgrid System", APEC 2016









PV power generation subsystem

PV array installed on the roof of **Shanghai ShenZhou** New Energy B plant, installed capacity of **130** kVA, east-west array configuration, adopt the fixed angle best installation.







Wind power generation subsystem

Total wind power installed capacity: 20kVA. (2 x 10 kW Wind Turbines)





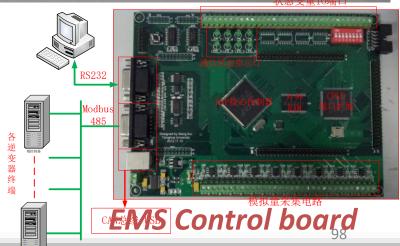
Energy Storage System

50kVA Bi-Directional Converter + Lead-Acid battery

Energy Management System



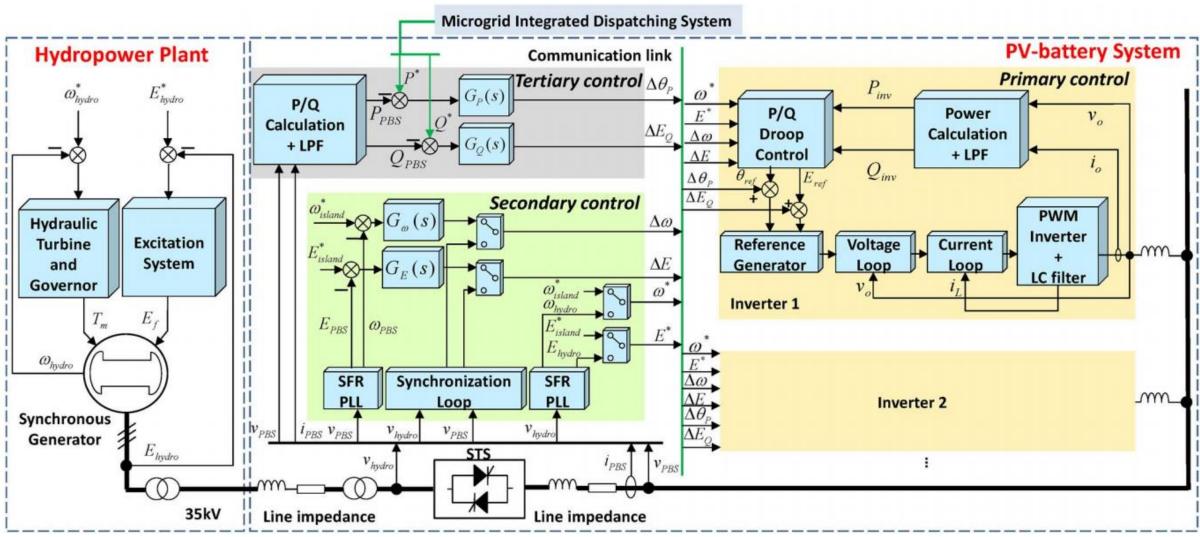






Hydropower and Microgrids

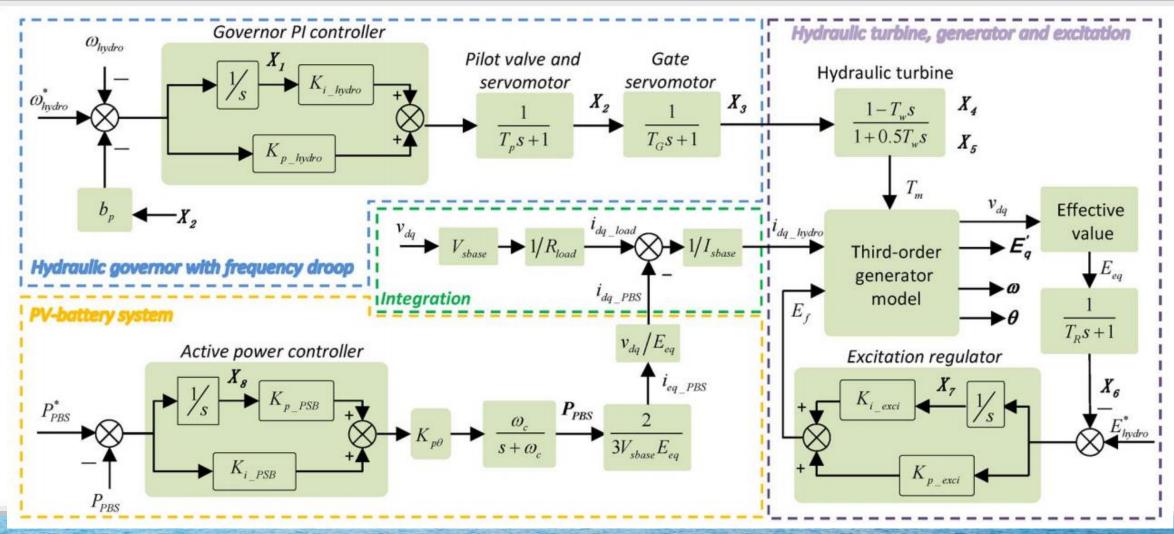






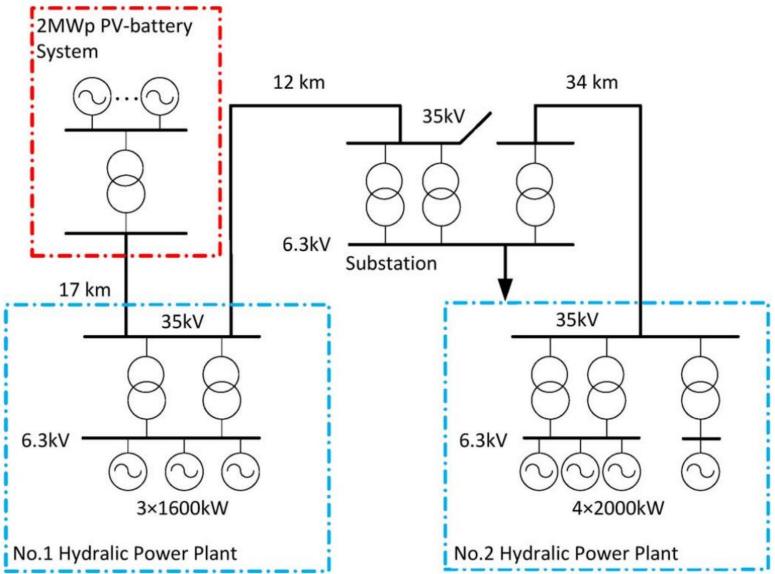
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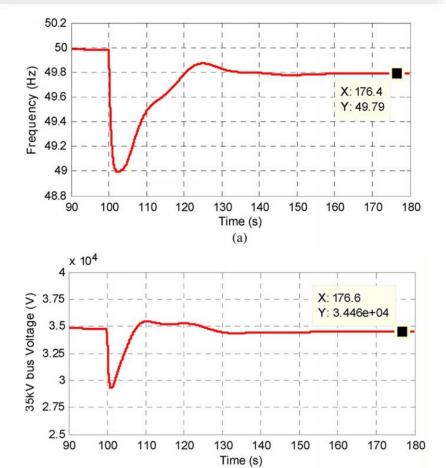




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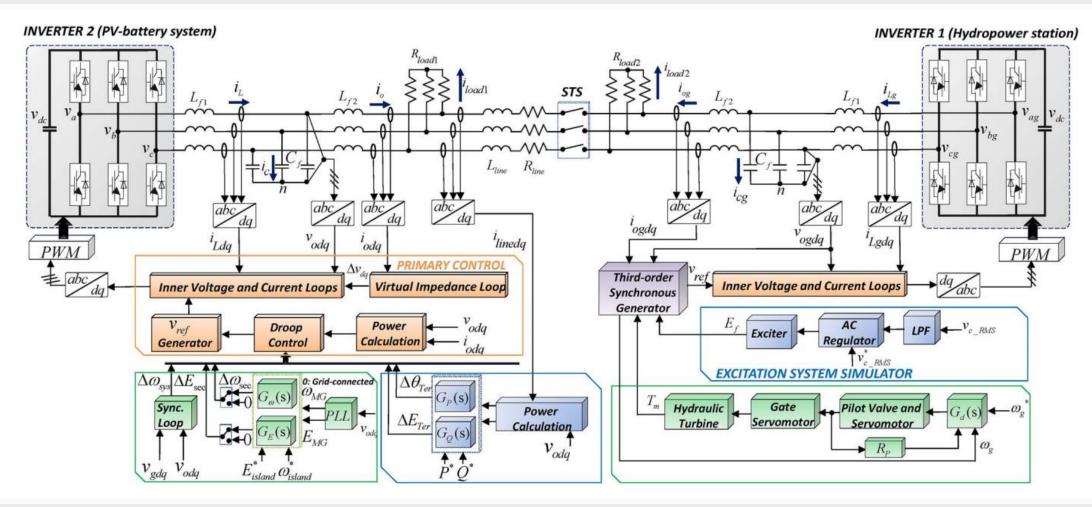


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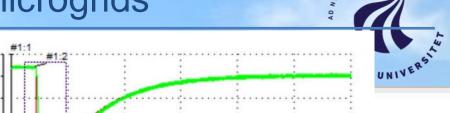
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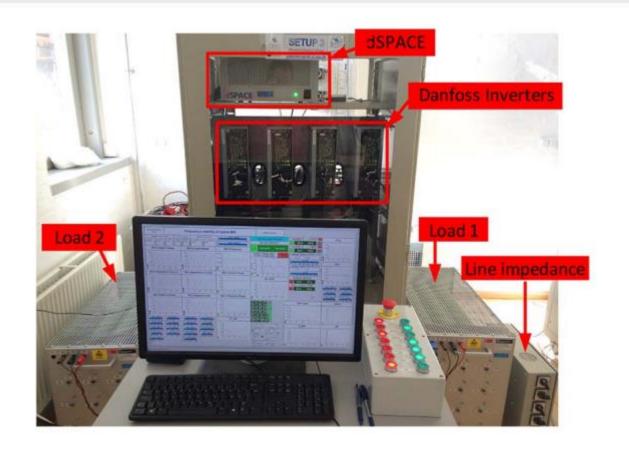


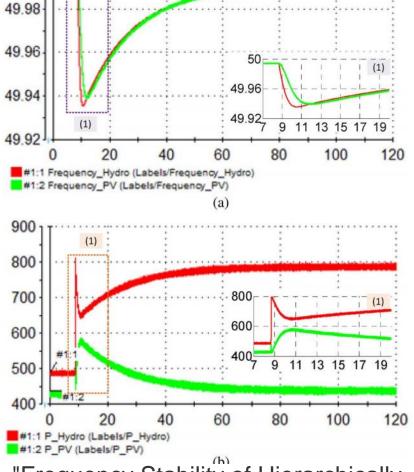




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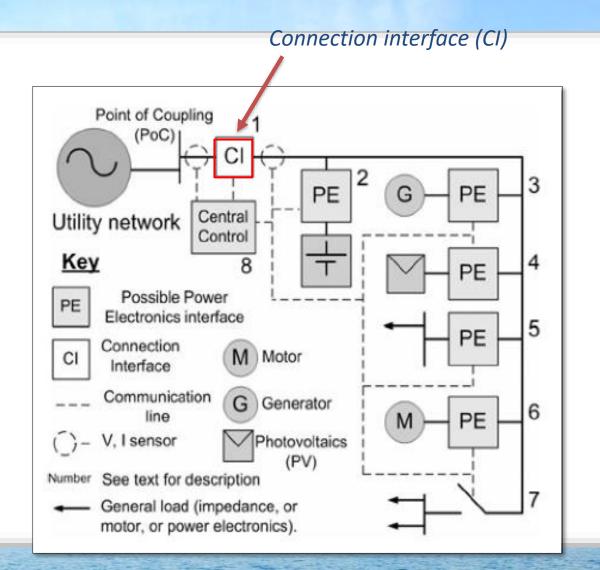




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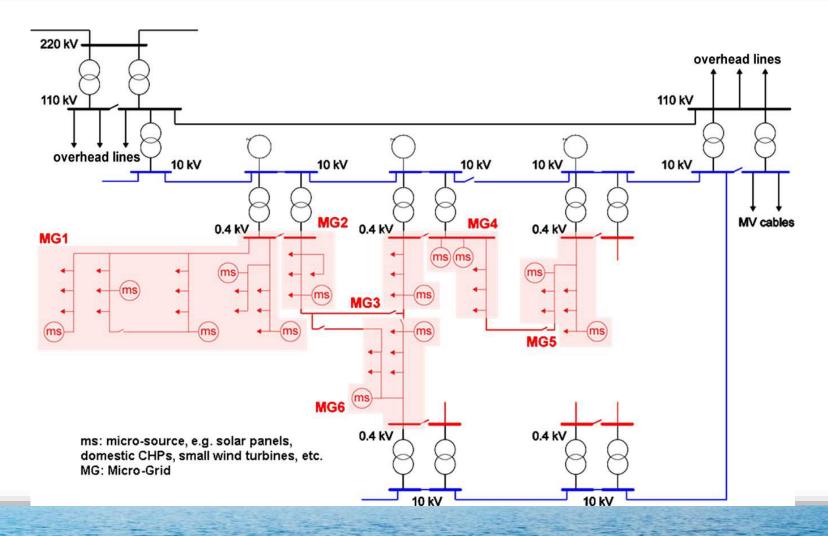








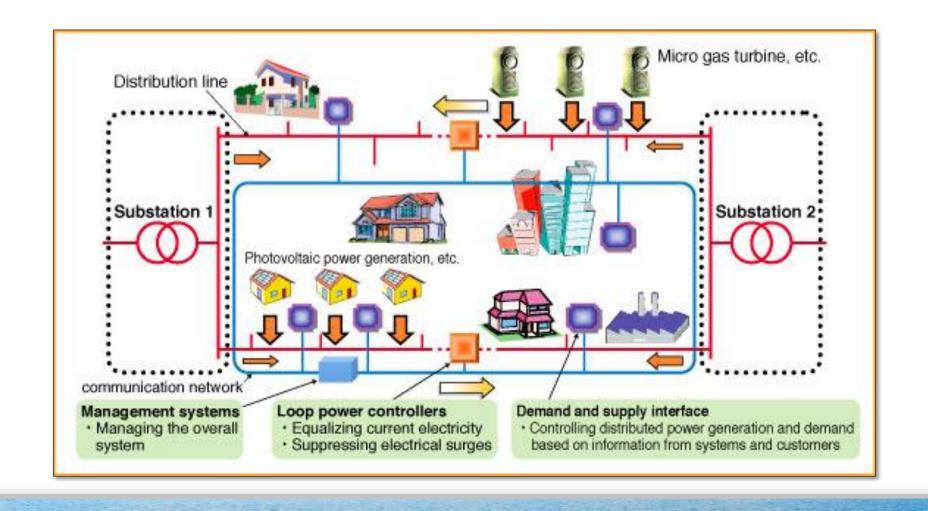
Distribution network with multiple microgrids







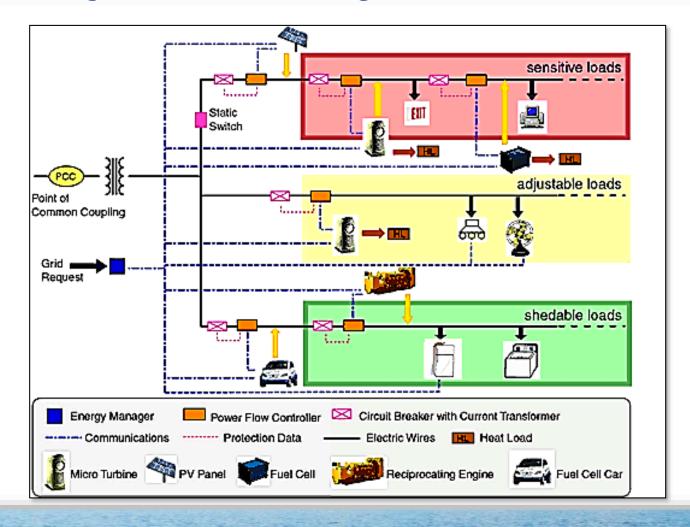
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Microgrids with load management







Example: Jeju Island (S. Korea)





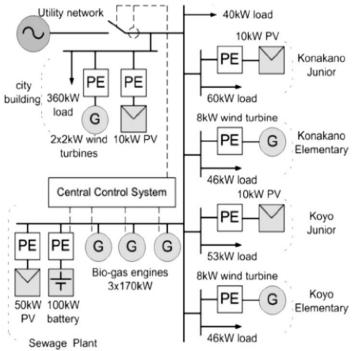




Example: Hachinohe Project (Japan)

- Tecnnology demo
- GT+Biomass+PV+WT+BAT
- Load 610 kW (Sewage Plant+Schools)

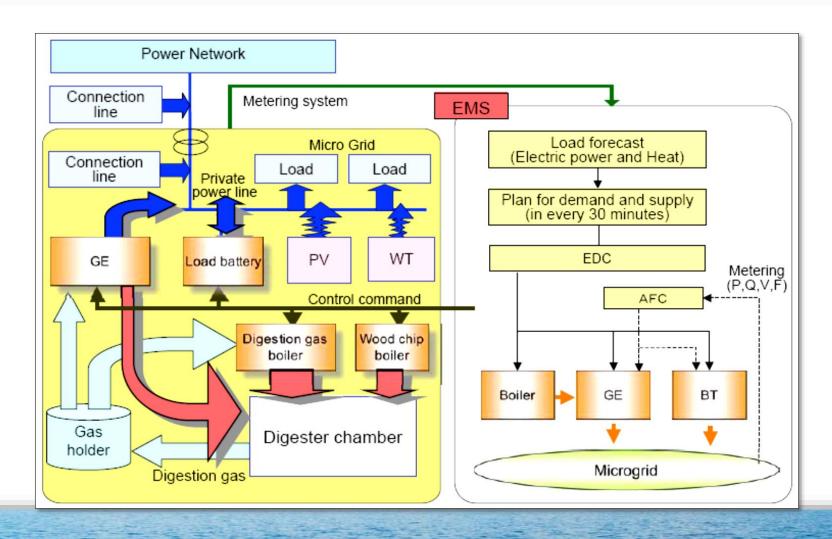








Example: Hachinohe Project (Japan)







Example: Sendai Project (Japan)

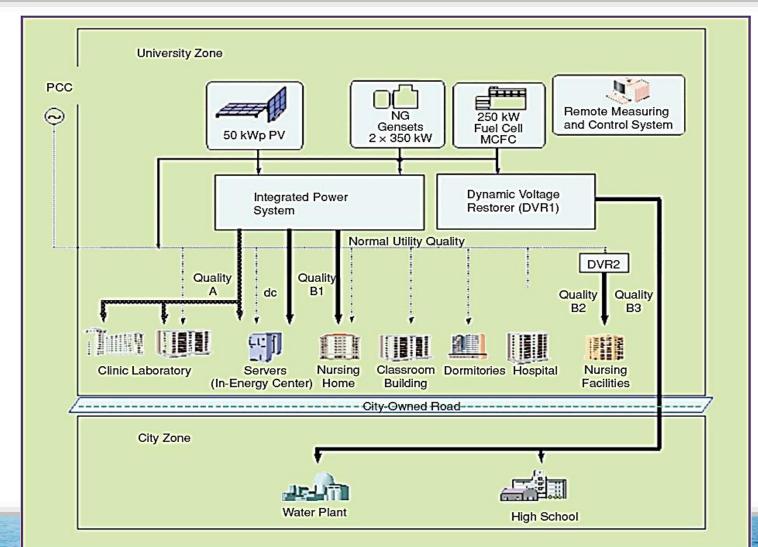
1 MW Microgrid with sensitive loads!







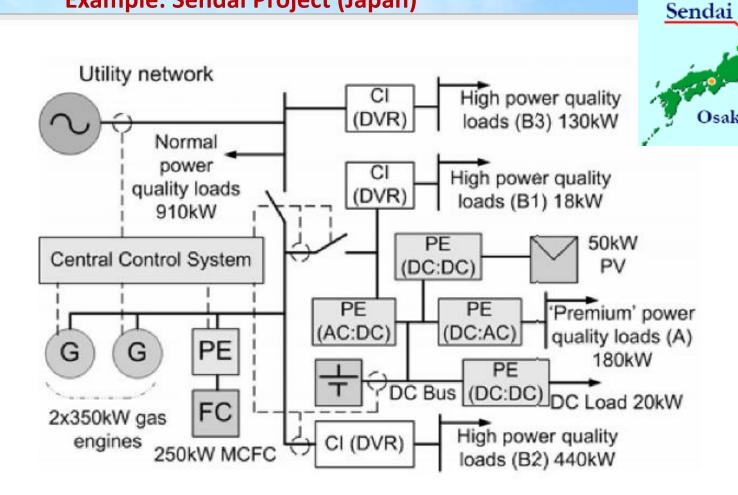
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Tokyo





Fukushima





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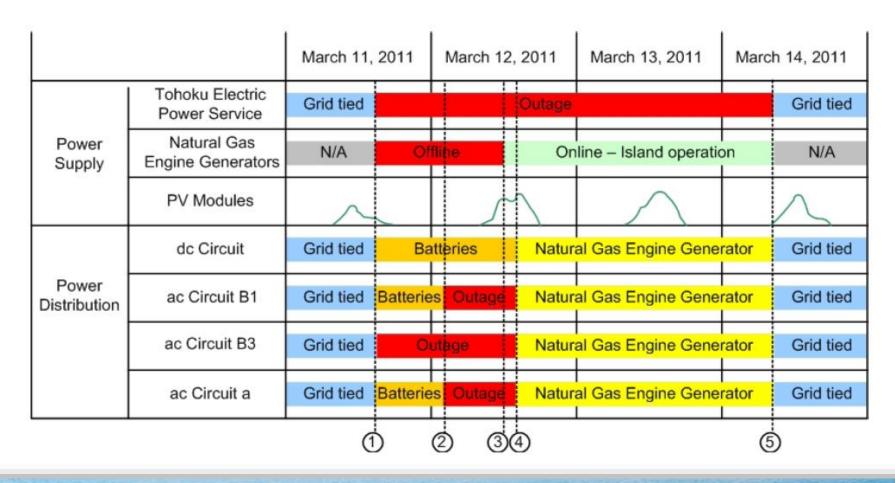






Example: Sendai Project (Japan)

Events timeline for the microgrid in Sendai, Japan, after the March 11, 2011 tsunami.



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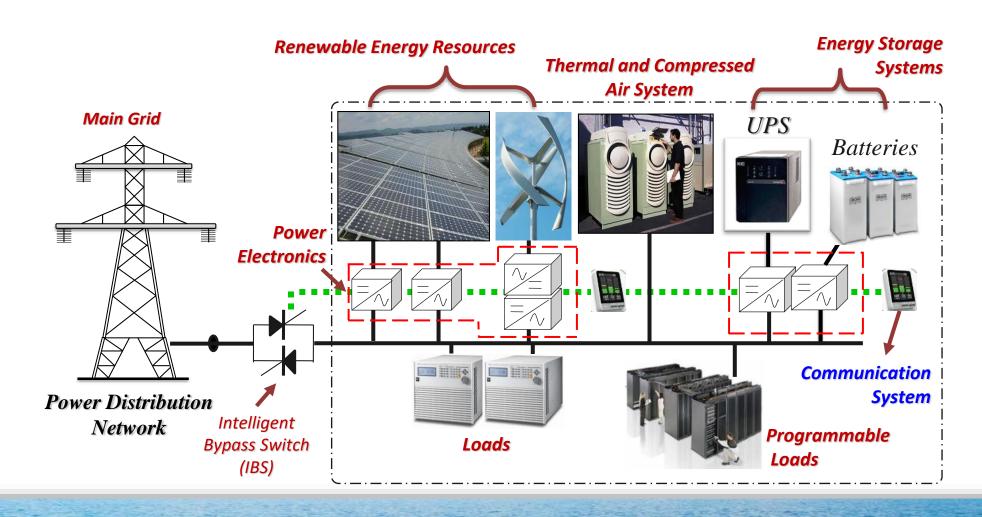
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Typical structure of a microgrid

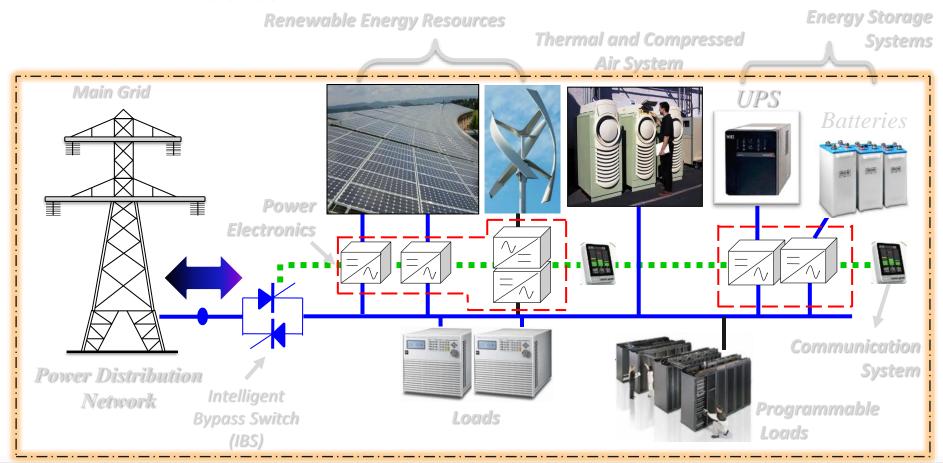






Operation modes:

- Grid connected
- Islanded







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- Islanded **Energy Storage** Renewable Energy Resources Thermal and Compressed Systems Air System **Main Grid** UPS **Batteries** Power **Electronics** Communication

Loads

System

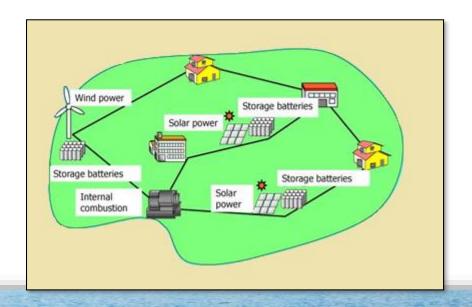
Programmable





Islanded operation modes

- <u>Preplanned</u> islanded operation: If any events in the main grid are presented, such as long-time voltage dips or general faults, among others, islanded operation must be started.
- <u>Non-planned</u> islanded operation: If there is a blackout due to a disconnection of the main grid, the microgrid should be able to detect this fact by using proper algorithms.



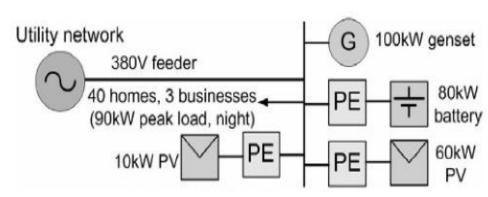




Example: Rural electrification using microgrids
XingXingXia,XinJiang Province, China
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Power Balance

1. Electric Power Generation

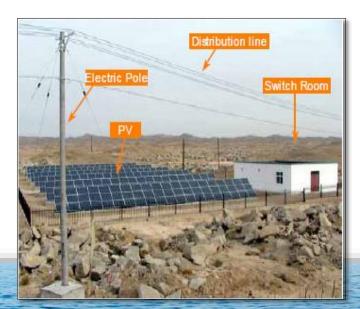
Engine Generator 100kW

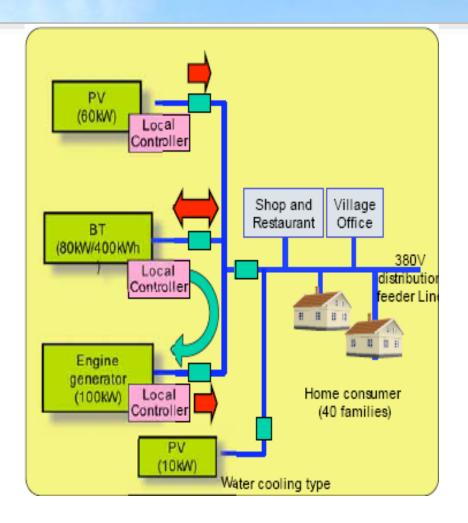
PV **70kW**

Bateries 80kW (400kWh)

250kW

- 2. Peak Load 90kW (at night time)
- 3. Distribution feeder 380V /500m

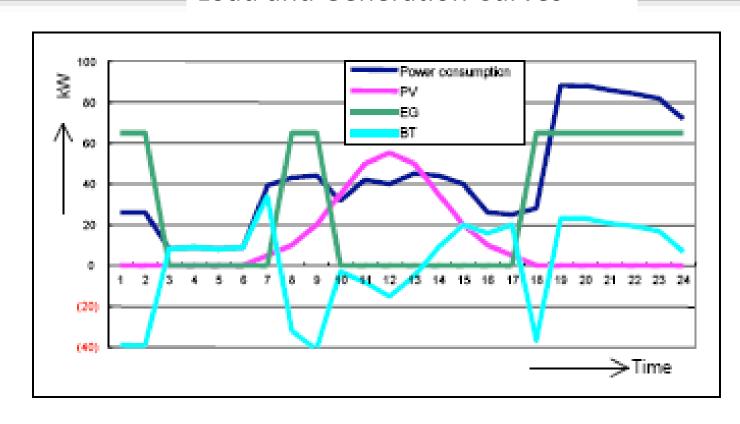








Load and Generation Curves



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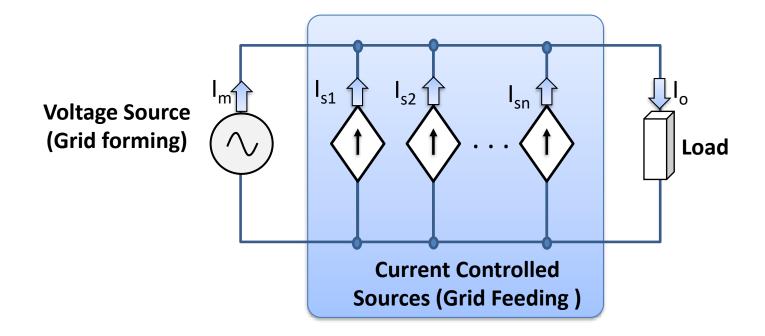
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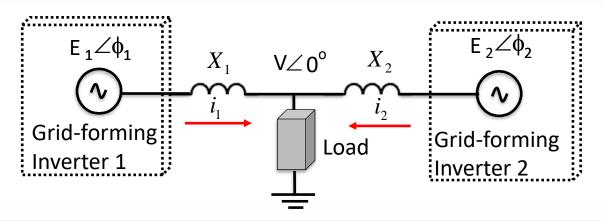
Master-slave control



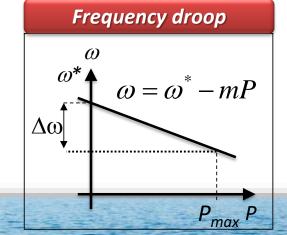


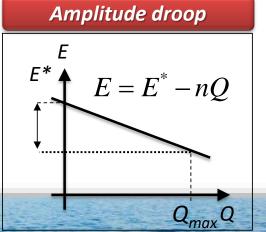


Droop control of AC systems



Active power
$$P = \frac{VE}{X}\sin\phi$$
 Reactive power $Q = \frac{EV\cos\varphi - V^2}{X}$









Inertia principle

In a synchronous generator, energy conservation implies that

$$P_G - P_L = J\dot{\omega}$$

where

 P_G is the generated real power,

P₁ is the load power,

J is the system inertia, and ω is the frequency.

When $P_G > P_L$ the system frequency increases ($\omega > \omega$ nom).

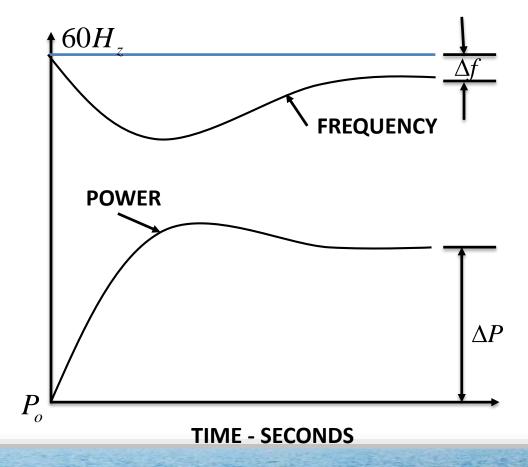
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Inertia principle

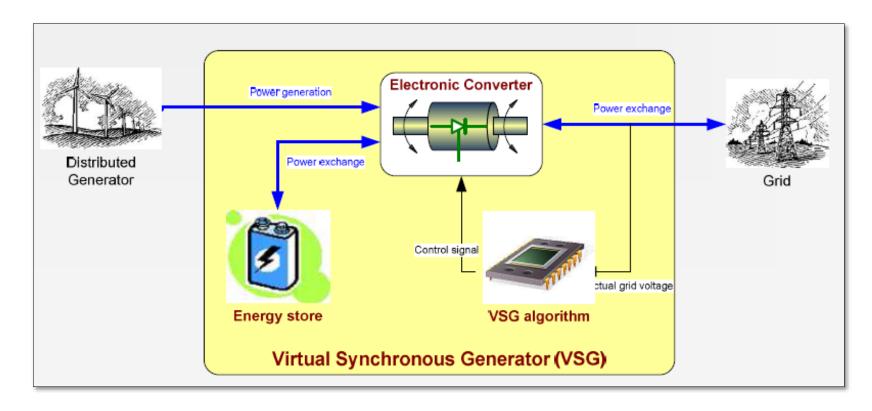
Synchronous generator transient response







Virtual synchronous generators



Inertias means not only load-dependent frequency (droops), but also local storage energy system.

European Project VSYNC:

http://www.vsync.eu

~VSYNC~





Understanding how inertia helps synchronization

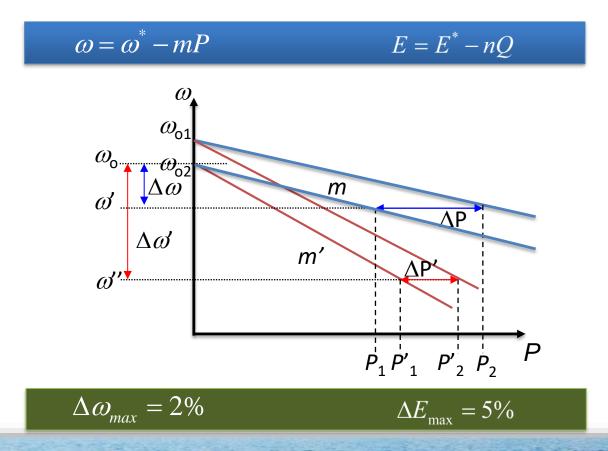






Droop control

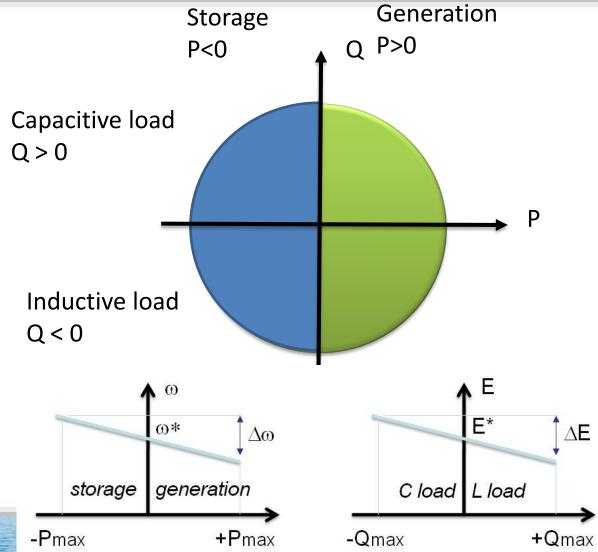
Trade-off power sharing / amplitude - frequency regulation







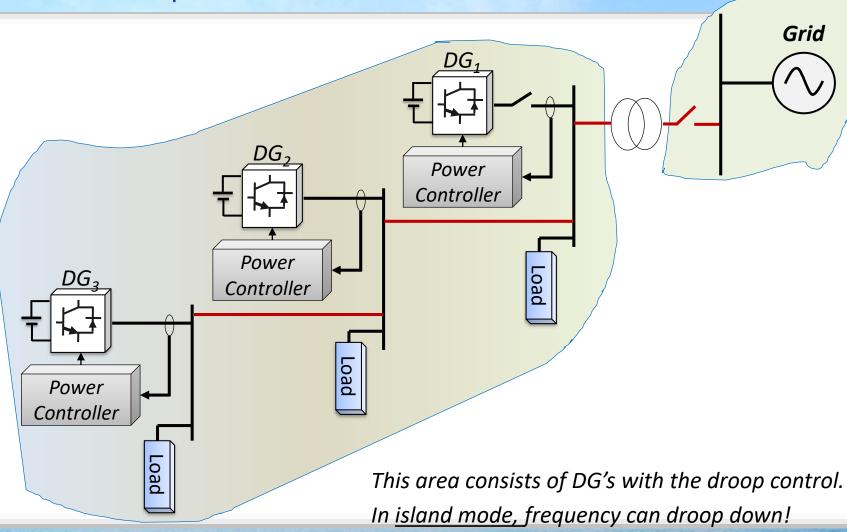
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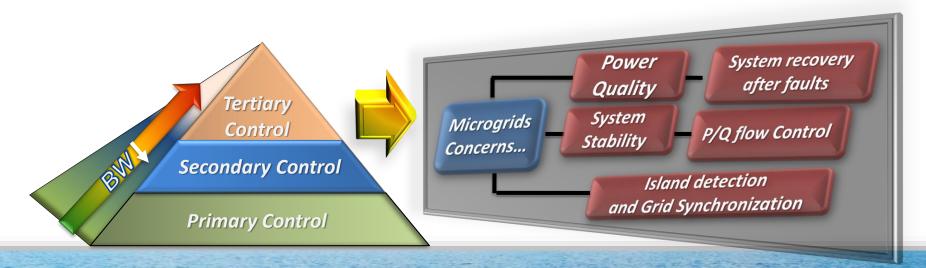






Hierarchical Control Principle

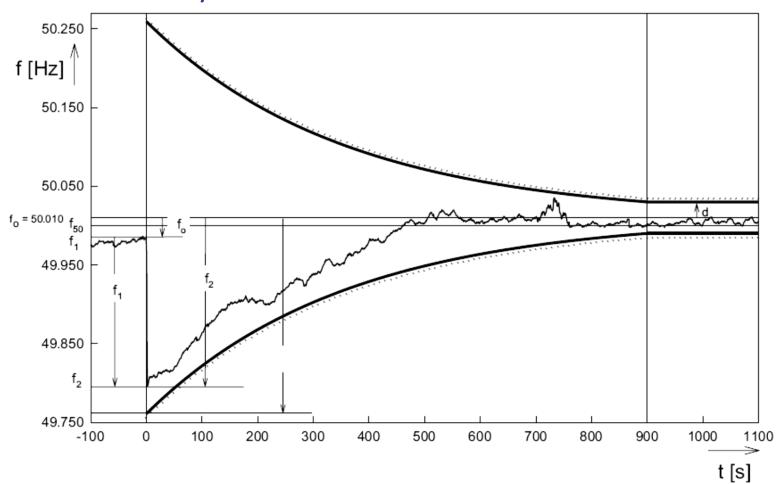
- ➤ Primary Control: Modeling + Inner loops + droop Control (P/Q Sharing).
- ➤ Secondary Control:
 - f/V Restoration (Island): Set-points assignation from MGCC to the DGs.
 - Synchronization (Island to grid Connected mode)
- ➤ Tertiary Control: Power Import/export from/to the grid.







Secondary Control

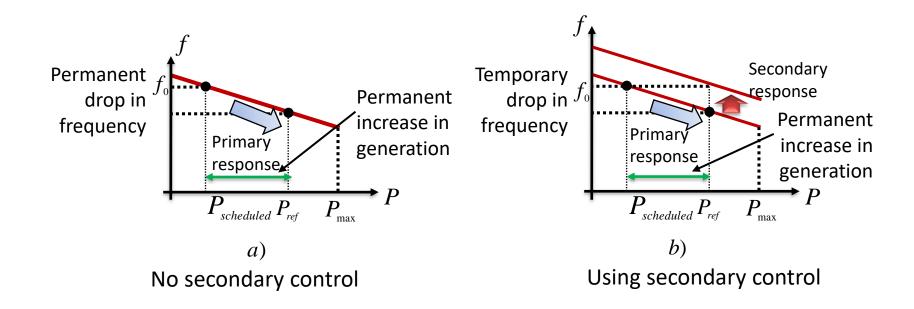


Source: UCTE. A1 – Appendix 1: Load-Frequency Control and Performance





Secondary control



Primary control ensures P sharing by drooping the frequency

Secondary control:

- Restore the nominal frequency
- Cannot work localy, it needs to be centralized.



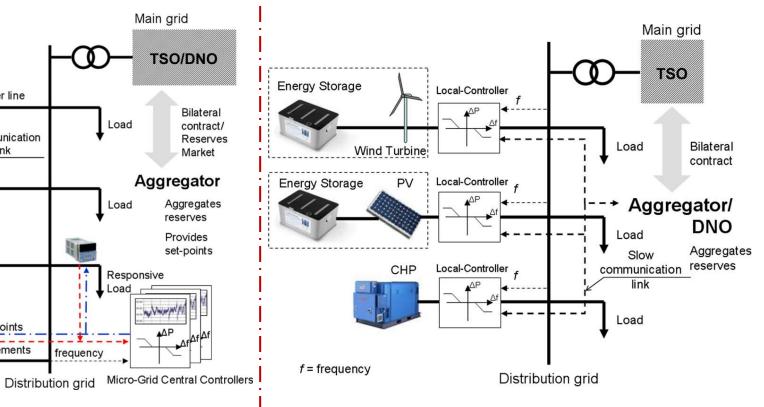


Centralized Vs Distributed Control

Centralized Control

Main grid Wind Turbine TSO/DNO Power line Bilateral Load contract/ Communication Reserves Market Aggregator Aggregates reserves Provides set-points Responsive MANINAM **Energy Storage** Set-points Measurements frequency

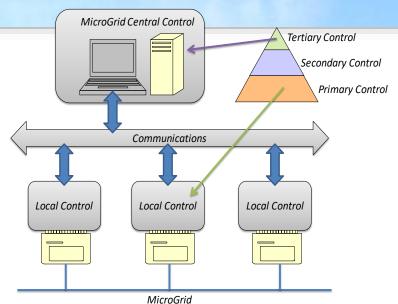
Distributed control

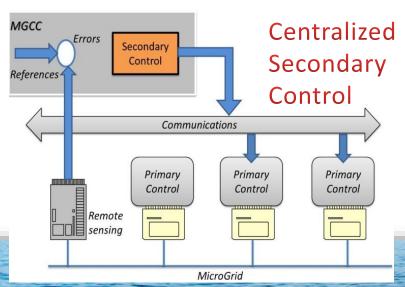


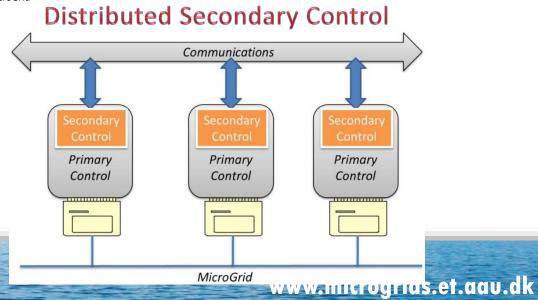




Microgrid Local and Centralized Controllers.



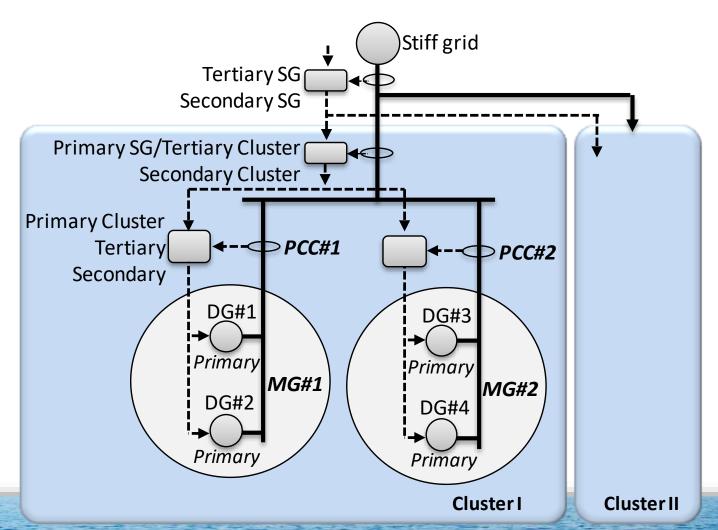








Multiple Microgrids Clusters Hierarchical Control

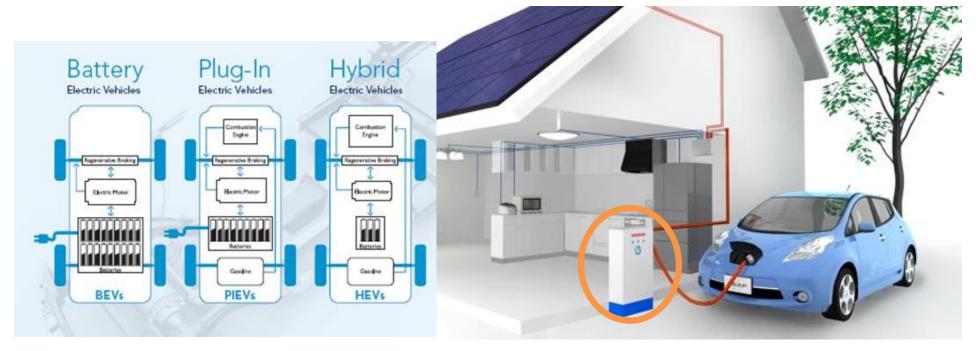




Electric Cars

Cars also going to electric

Leaf to home: bidirectional converter



Source: Nissan





EV2H





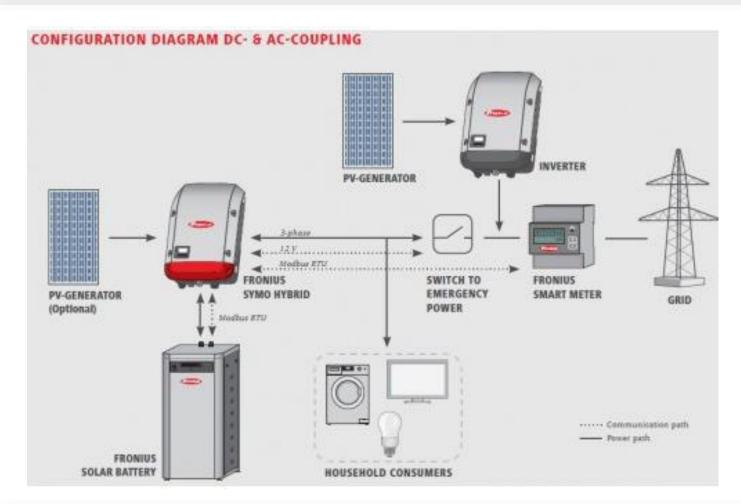






EV2H





Home Bateries





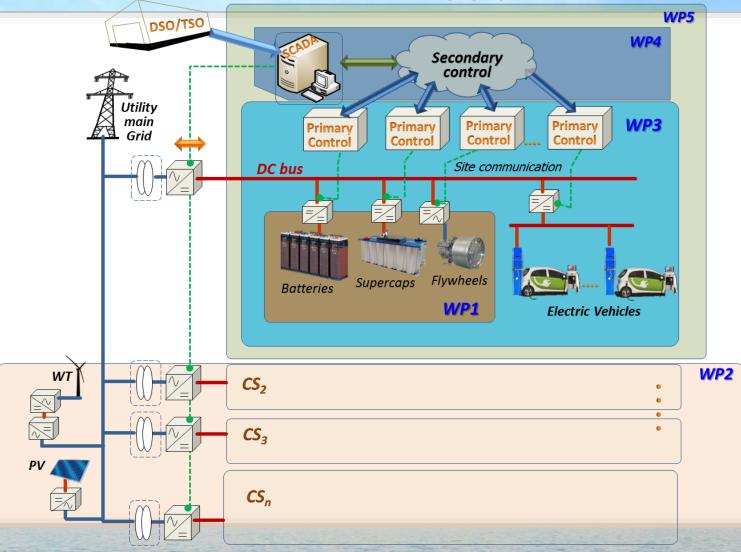
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DC Electrical Vehicle Charging Stations



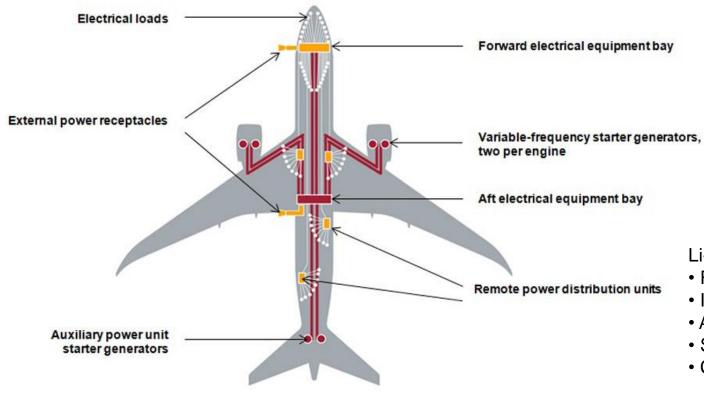
Flexible Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure Flex-ChEV







More electrical aircraft is here: Boeing 787





Li-ion batteries key advantages that suit it for modern jet application:

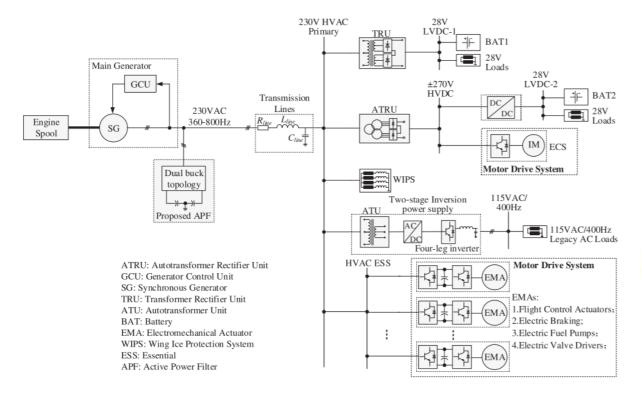
- Required high voltage and high current production
- Improved power quality
- An ability to recharge quickly
- Similar functionality than NiCd batteries, while weighing 30% less
- Compact about the size of the average car battery

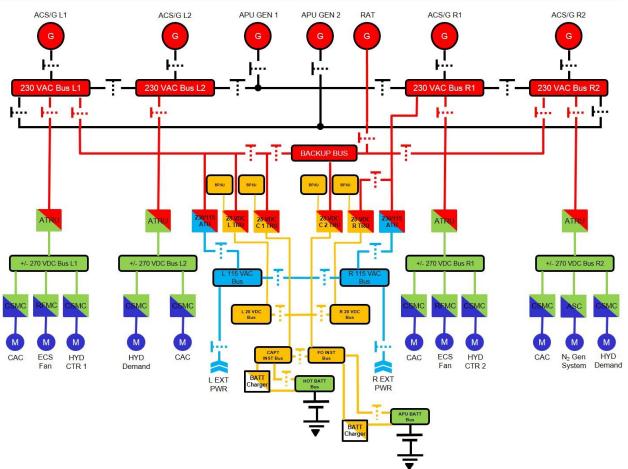
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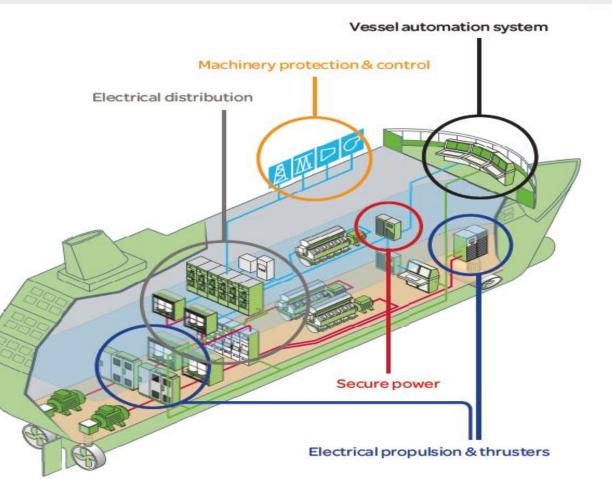


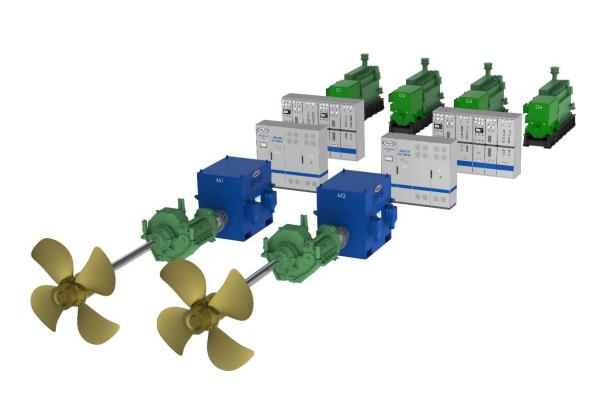


CHEN et al.: HARMONICS ATTENUATION AND POWER FACTOR
CORRECTION OF A MORE ELECTRIC AIRCRAFT POWER GRID





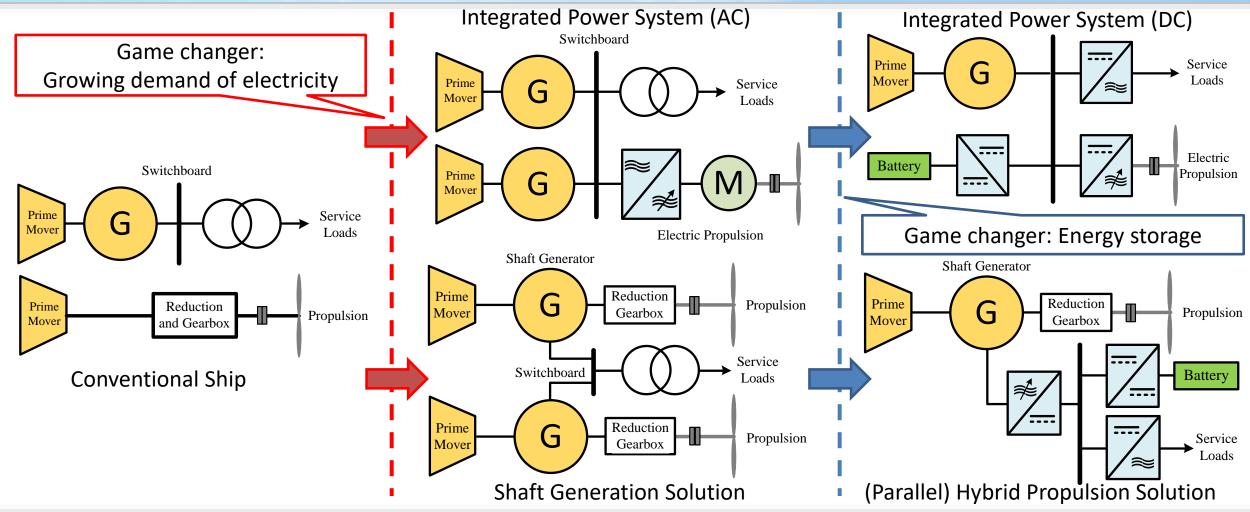




Source: Schneider Electric



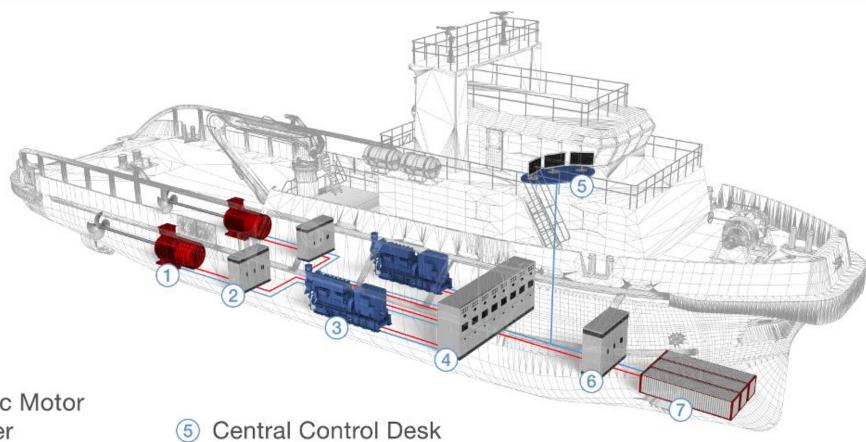






Microgrids in Ships





- Electric Motor
- Inverter
- Engine-generator
- Switchgear

- **Battery Converter**
- **Battery Storage**

Source: Typhoon HIL

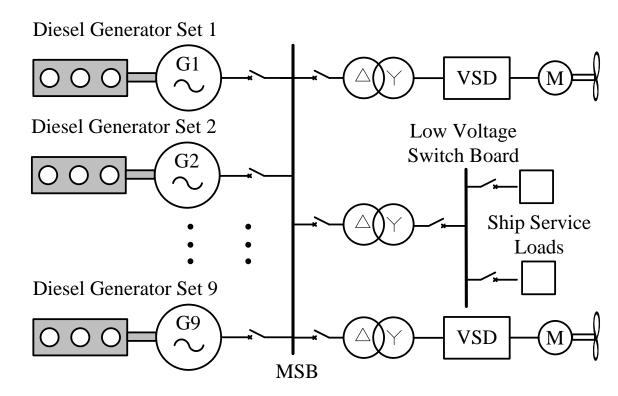




Queen Elizabeth II - cruise ship



Integrated electric propulsion configuration



16-cylinder Wärtsilä 16V46CR EnviroEngine marine diesel engines, providing 67,200 kW (90,100 hp)@514 rpm 2 General Electric LM2500+ gas turbines, total provide 50,000 kW (67,000 hp)





Radial AC distribution system

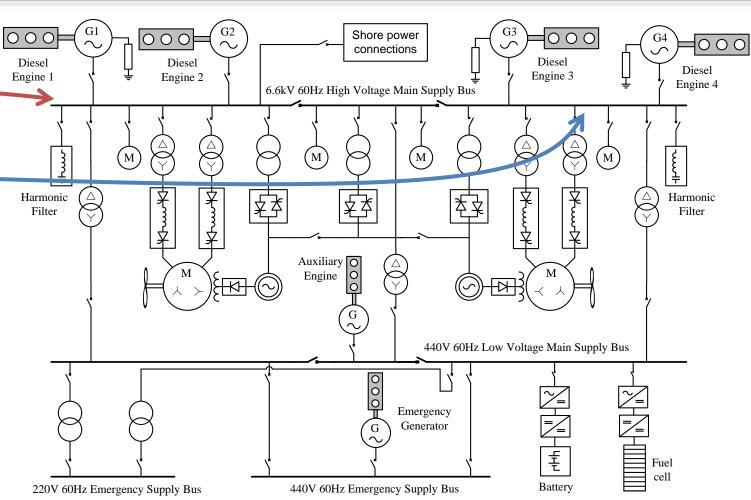
The 2 busses:

- port side bus
- starboard side bus are linked with bus-tie switches.

These switches can be opened to disconnect the faulty bus from the healthy bus in the event of a fault and thus potential blackouts can be prevented

Huang, K.; Srivastava, S.K.; Cartes, D.A.; Sun, L.-H. Market-based multiagent system for reconfiguration of shipboard power systems. *Electr. Power Syst. Res.* **2009**, *79*, 550–556.

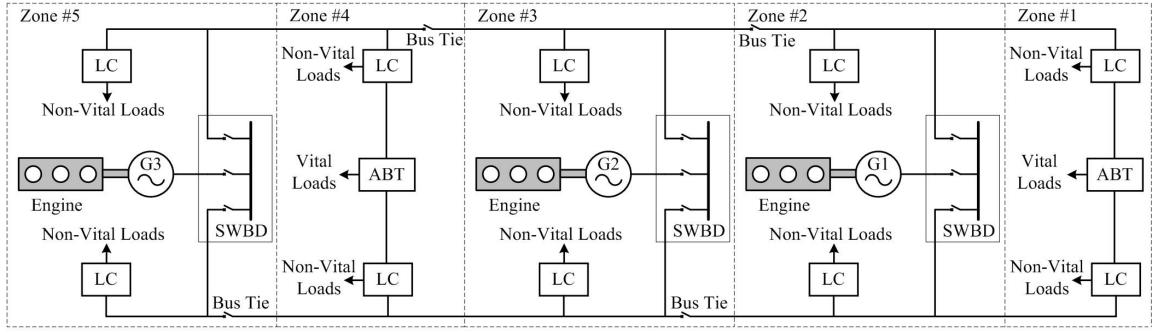
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Notional AC zonal electrical distribution system / IEEE Std 45.3-2015

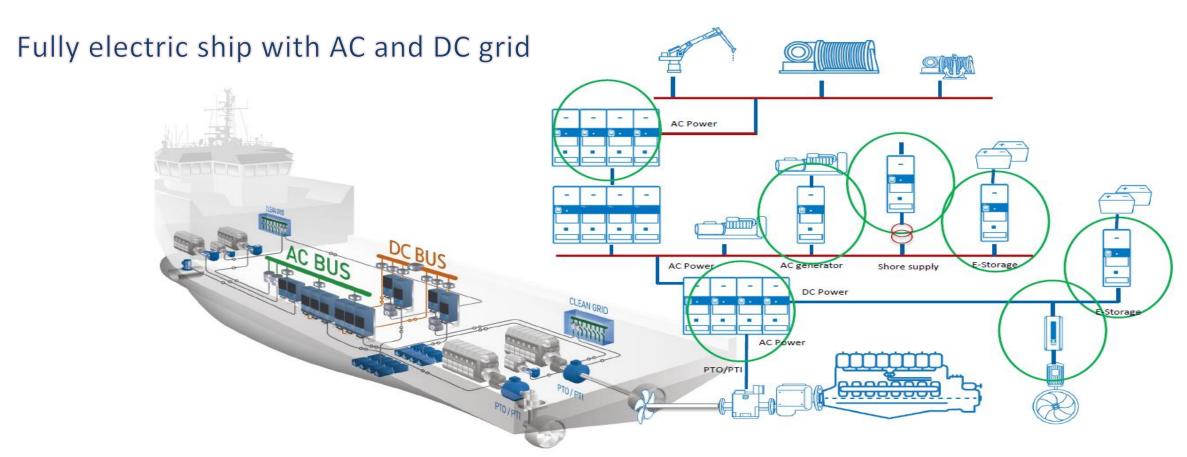


LC - Load Centre, ABT - Automatic Bus Transfer, G - Generator, SWBD - Switchboard

Modern electric ships tend to use zonal electrical distribution system (ZEDS) architecture based IPSs over radial architecture: It is a real <u>multi-microgrid cluster</u>







Source: Vacon Power / Danfoss

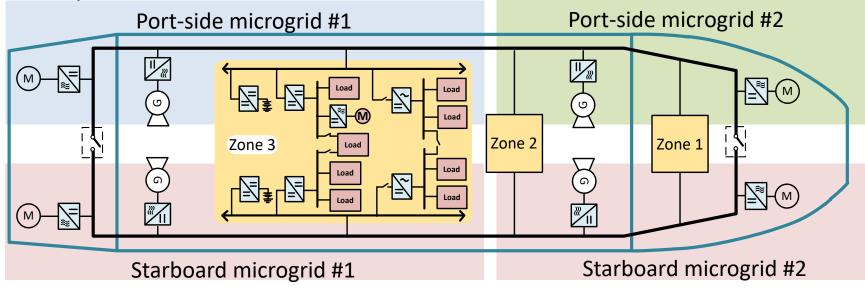


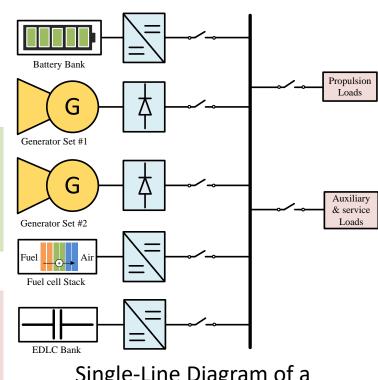
A Comparative Study of MG and SPS



Defining Shipboard Microgrids:

Recommended by IEEE STD 1709-2010 [8], a DC shipboard MG is composed by gensets, centralized or hybridized ESSs, alternative power sources (APSs) [e.g. fuel cell and PV array], electric propulsion system and ship-service loads.



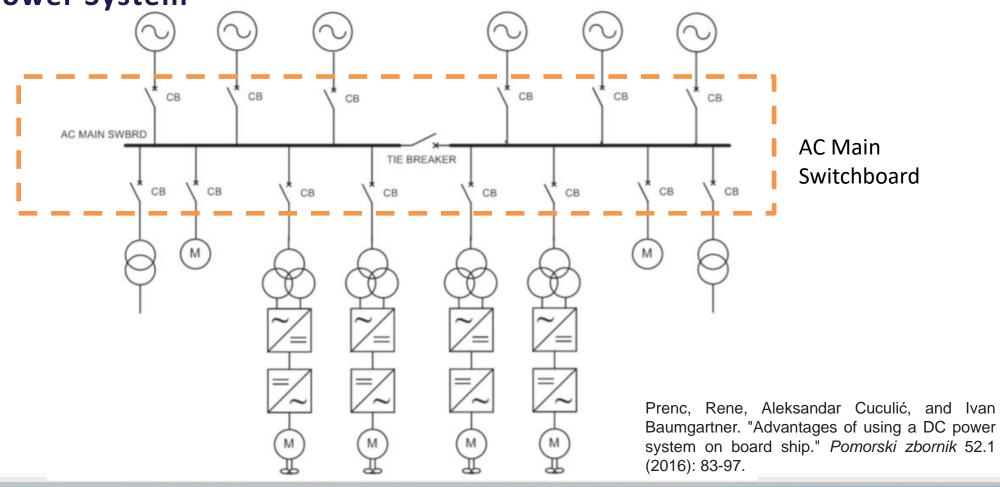


Single-Line Diagram of a sectionalized microgrid





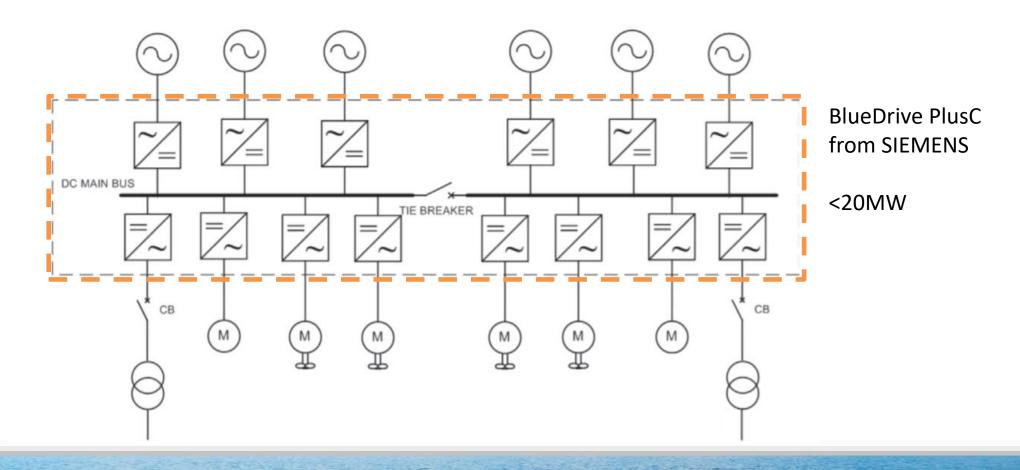
AC Shipboard Power System







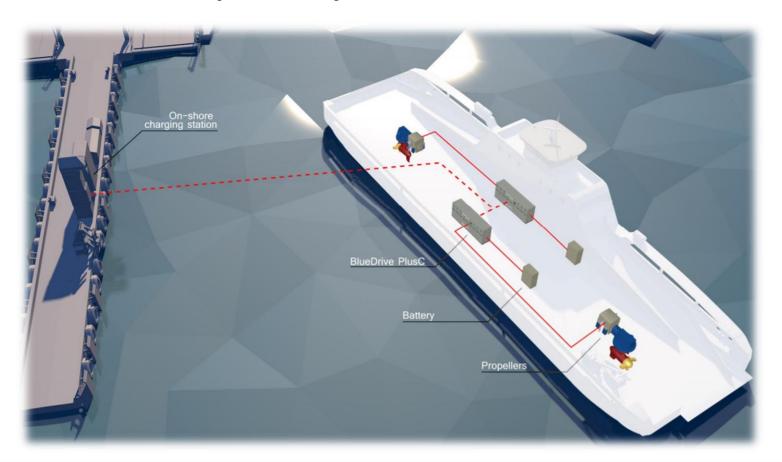
Onboard DC grid - Multidrive power system scheme







Onboard DC grid – Multidrive power system scheme



Source: SIEMENS





Onboard DC grid – Distributed power system scheme

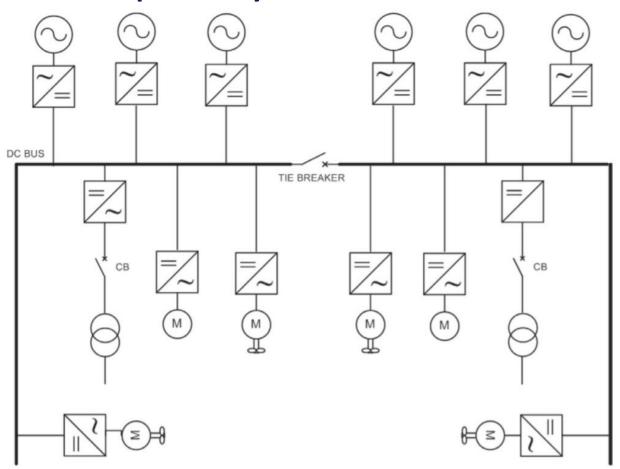
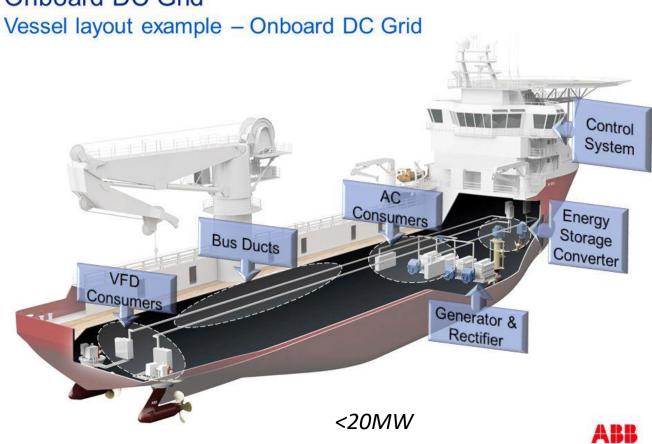


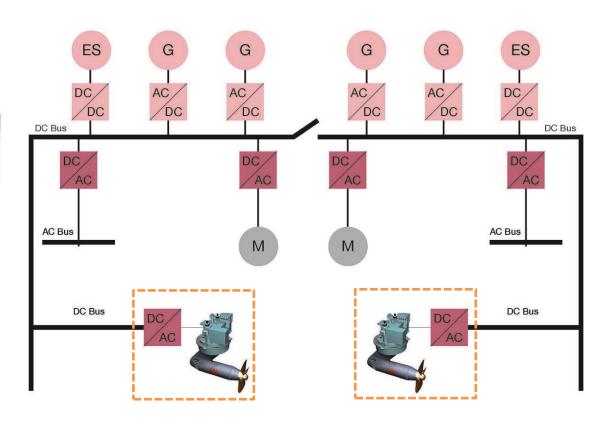
ABB Concept





Onboard DC Grid

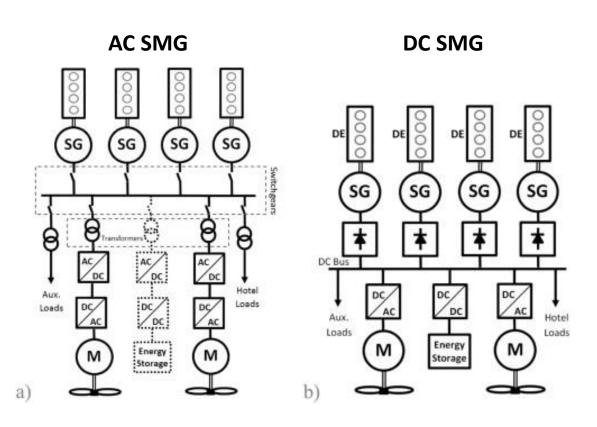


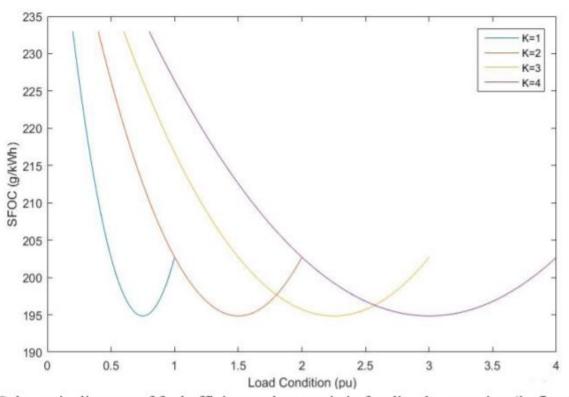


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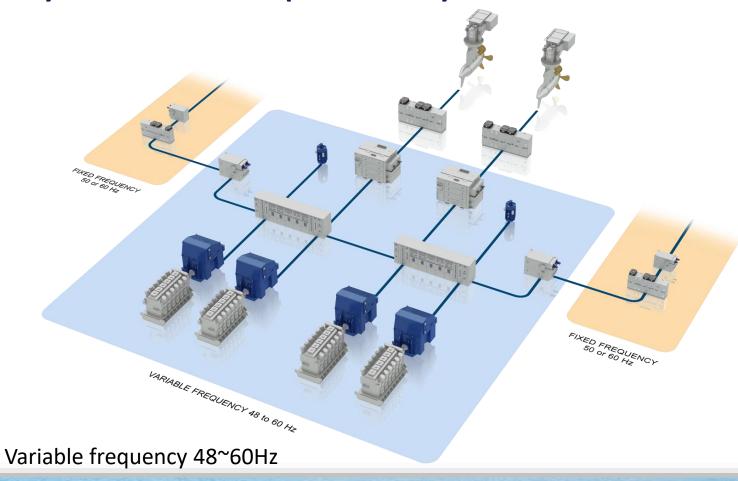


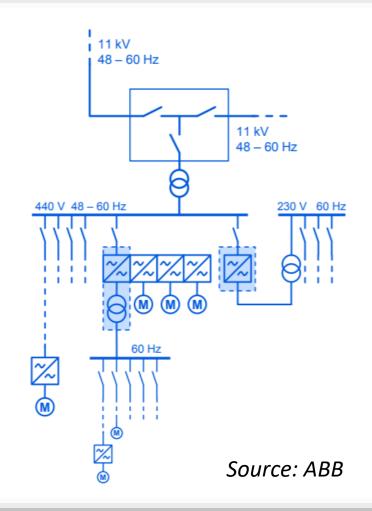
Schematic diagram of fuel efficiency characteristic for diesel generation (in fixed speed)





Dynamic AC concept – DAC by ABB

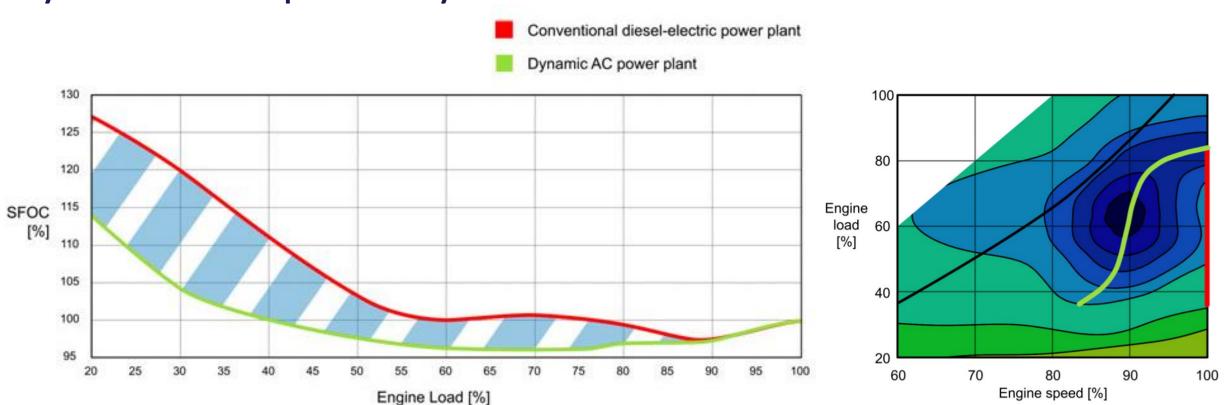








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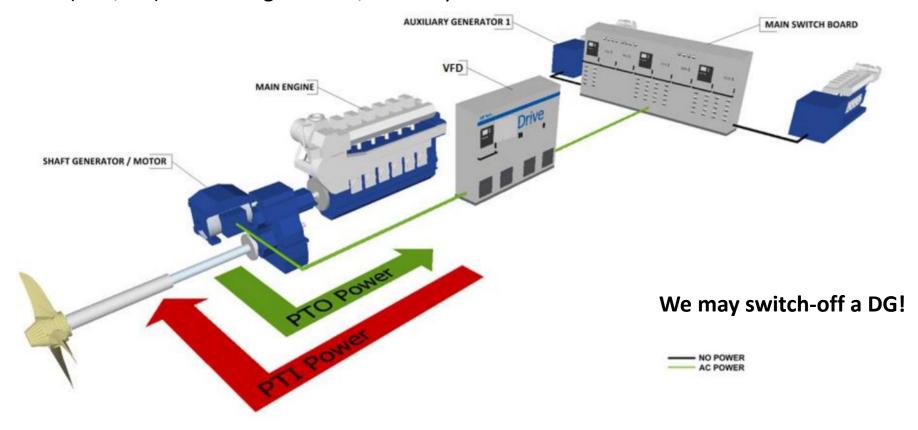
Benefits of Dynamic AC- Up to 6 % annual fuel savings for large cruise vessel (+20MW)

Source: ABB





Operating modes (PTO/PTI) of a shaft generator/motor system with VFD-

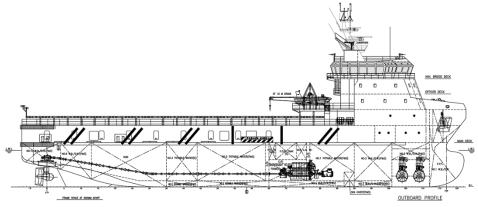






Platform support vessel (PSV)



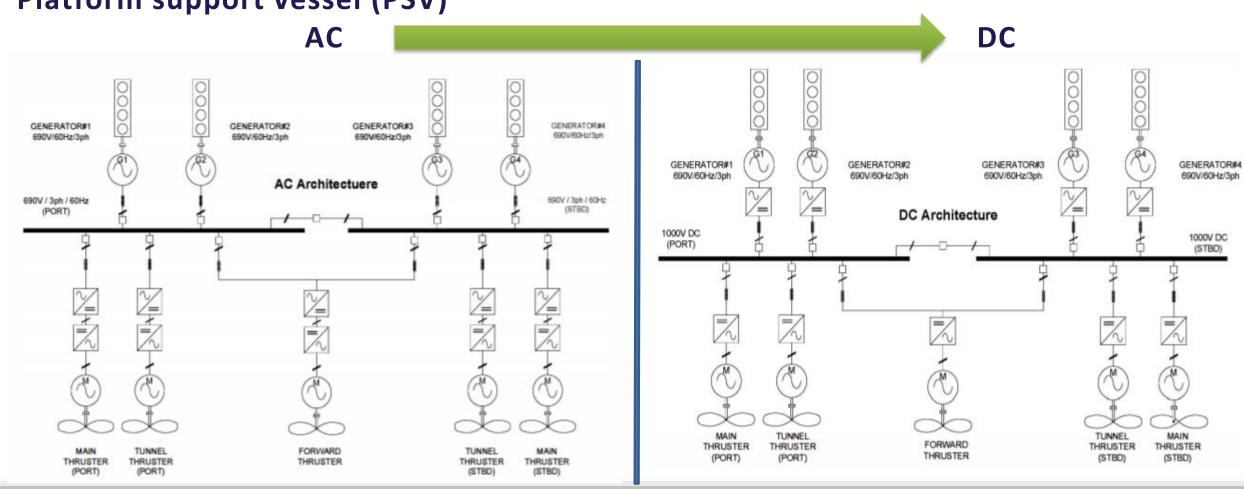










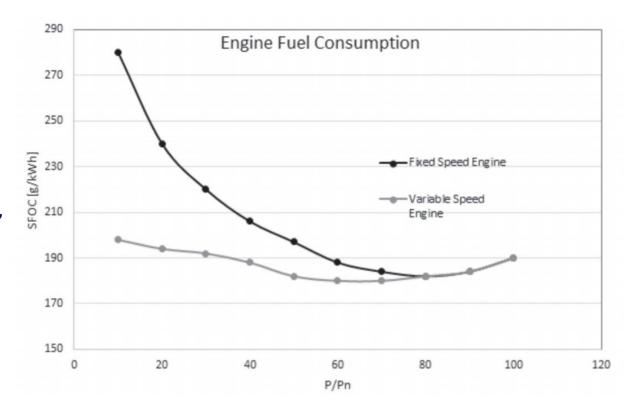






Benefits of using a DC ship power system

- Improvement of prime mover efficiency and reduction of fuel costs,
- Weight and space savings,
- Generators operating with a unity power factor,
- Lower transmission losses,
- Faster and simpler parallel connection of generators,
- Simpler implementation of energy storage.



Rao, Srinivasa, et al. "An exercise to qualify LVAC and LVDC power system architectures for a Platform Supply Vessel." Transportation Electrification Asia-Pacific (ITEC Asia-Pacific), 2016 IEEE Conference and Expo. IEEE, 2016.



Hybrid Yatchs









Lithium battery technology available: a 11,5 kWh on Greenline 33, 23 kWh on Greenline 40 and 46 kWh on Greenline 46 (battery pack with a permissible discharge of 100%).

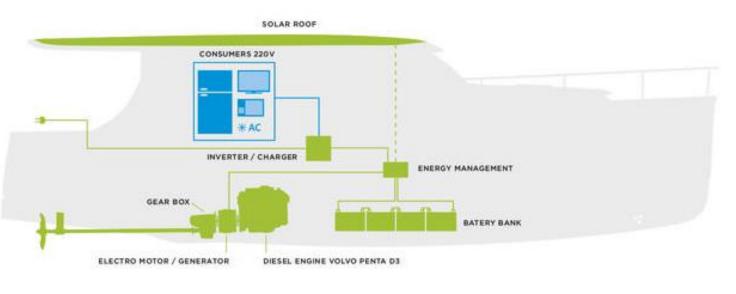
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Hybrid Yatchs





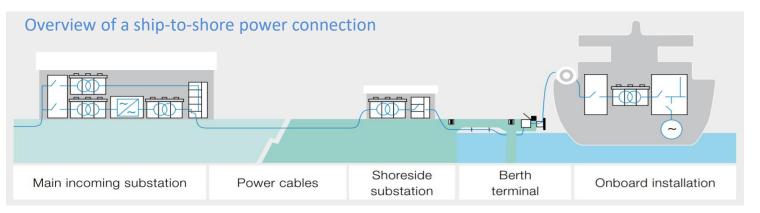


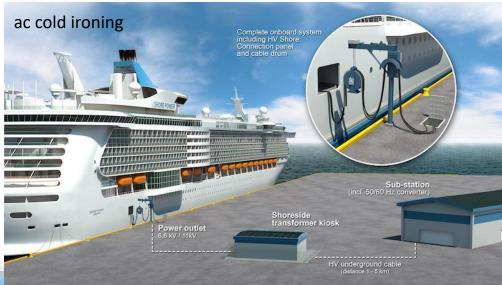


Cold Ironing









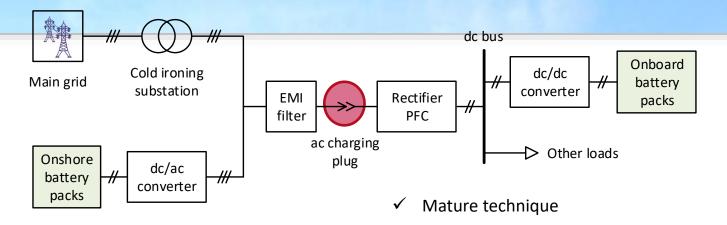
- ➤ High voltage shore connection (HVSC)
 - 1-20MVA, 6.6-11kV
- ➤ Low voltage shore connection (LVSC)
 - <1MVA, <1kVac, 1.5kVdc

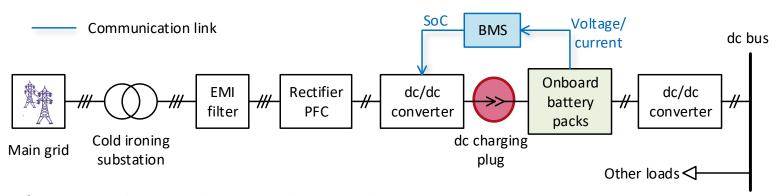
dc cold ironing?



Ship-to-shore Configuration







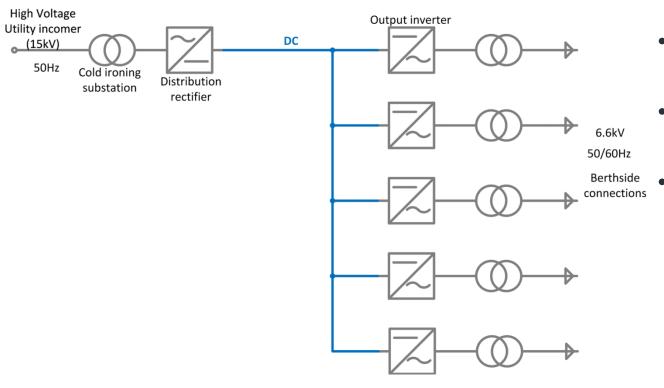
- ✓ DC fast charging bypasses the onboard charging devices.
- ✓ No constraint in ship size or cost.
- Smart charging enabling adjustment of charging level to suit battery status.
- Direct supply of power and safety of vessel.



Cold Ironing



DC distribution configuration



- By extending of two previous configuration with introducing DC bus.
- Easier to integrate with any energy storage device
- Able to use in small quay area

E. A. Sciberras, B. Zahawi, D. J. Atkinson, A. Juando, and A. Sarasquete, "Cold ironing and onshore generation for airborne emission reductions in ports," Proc. Inst. Mech. Eng. Part M J. Eng. Marit. Environ., vol. 230, no. 1, p. 1475090214532451, 2014.



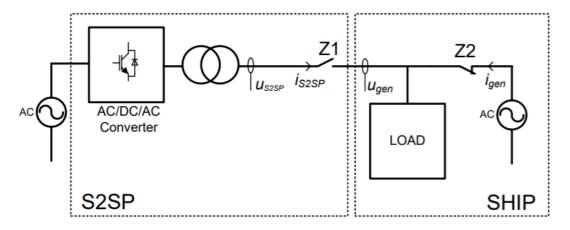
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Synchronization

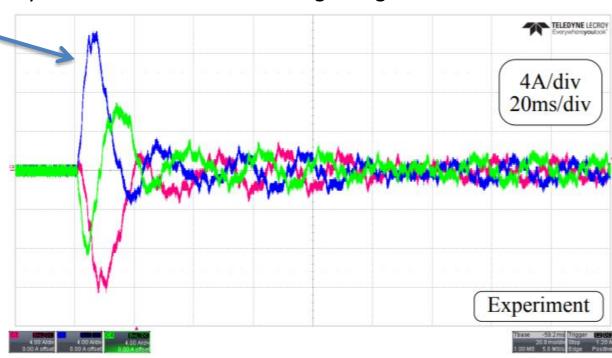
If Ship tries to synchronize bulky DG with the shore, huge-inrush-currents-appear-due-to-inertia

Simplified block scheme of S2SP system



SP2S case

Phase currents of the synchronous generator during synchronization with low voltage AC grid



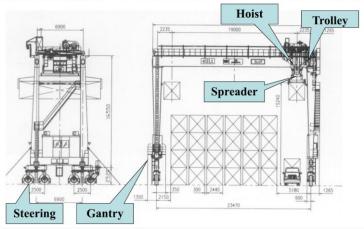
Source: Ship-to-Shore vs. Shore-to-Ship Synchronization Strategy, R. Smolenski, et al., IEEE TEC, 2018



Port Cranes





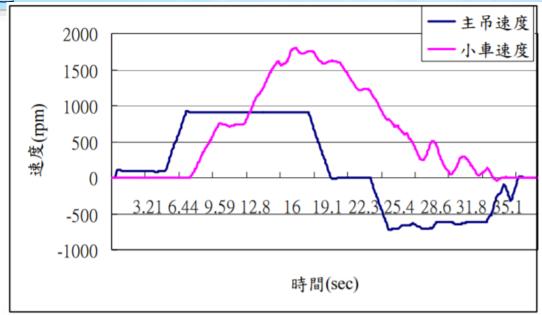


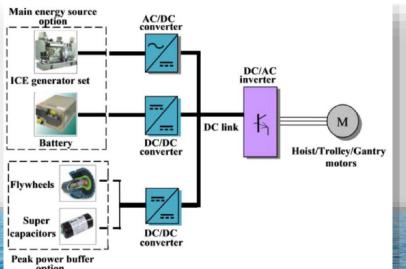


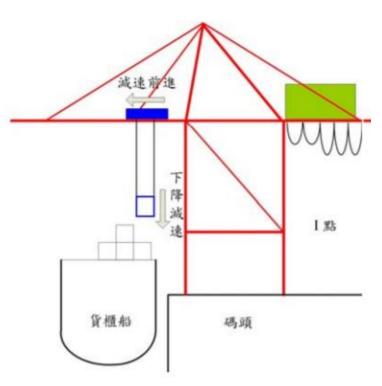


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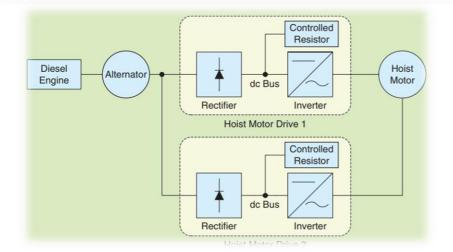


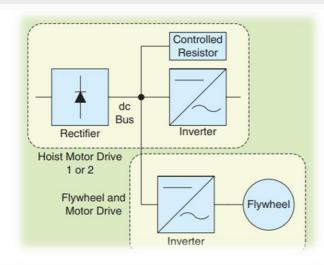
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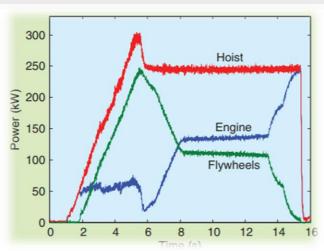


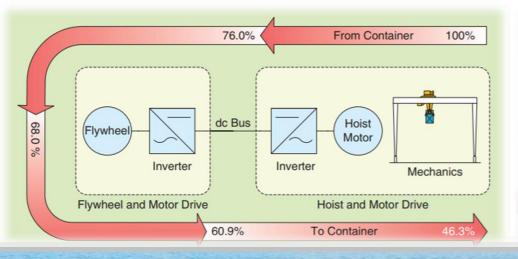
Port Cranes













- +45% Energy recovery
- Possibly DC microgrid config.
- Coordination between FW
- Savings and...
- Power peak reduction

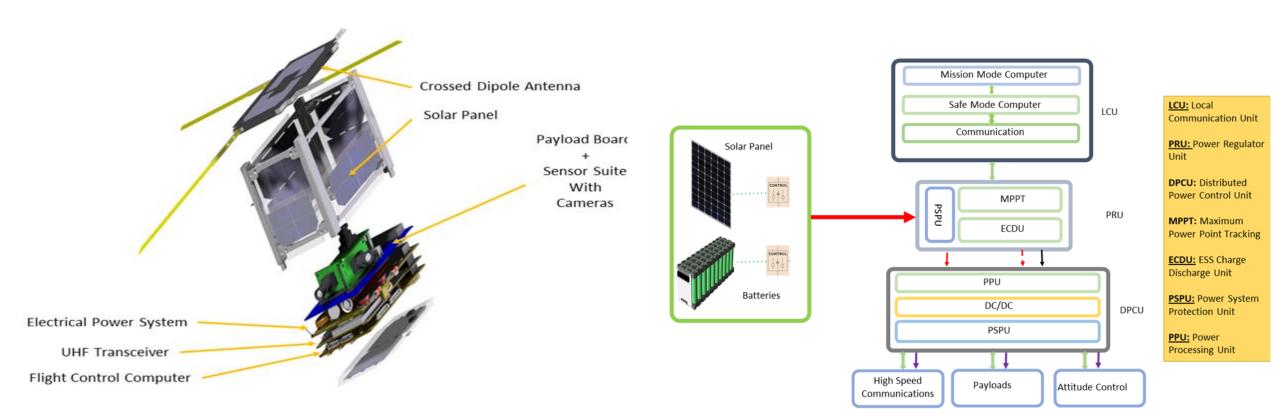








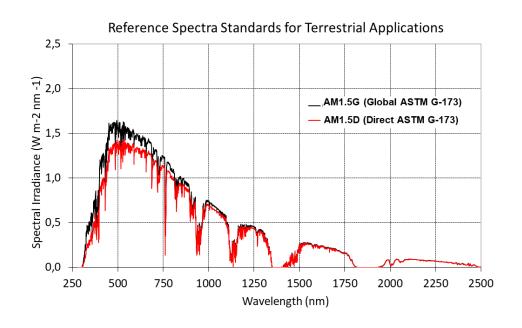




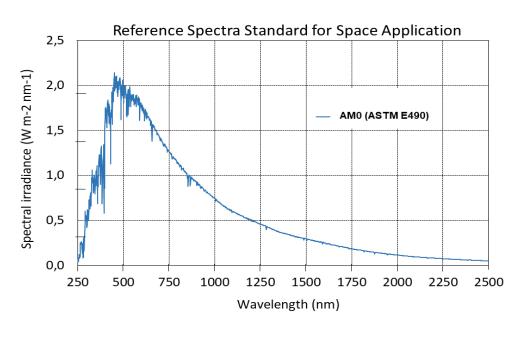
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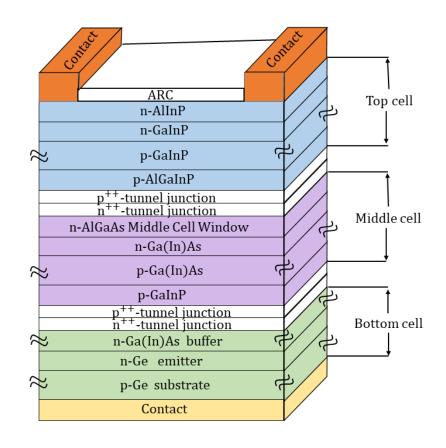


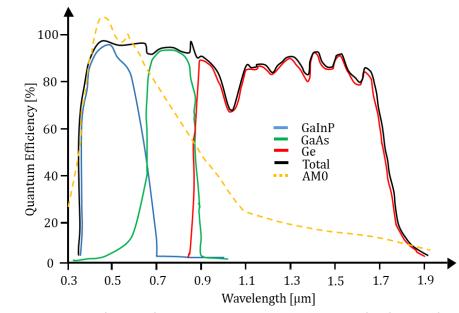
Standard sunlight spectrum for (a) terrestrial and (b) space solar cells.





Design layers of 3-J Ge/GaAs/InGaP solar cells.



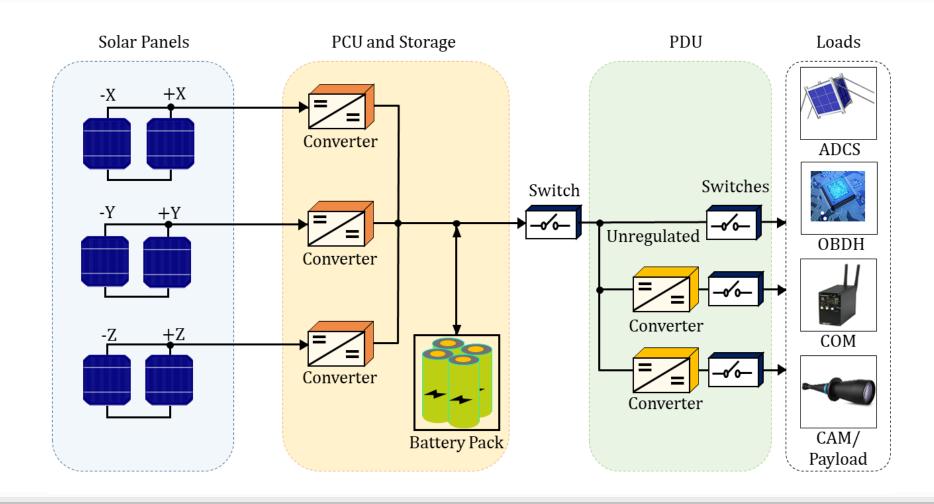


Wavelength spectrum covered by the base layers of the structure.







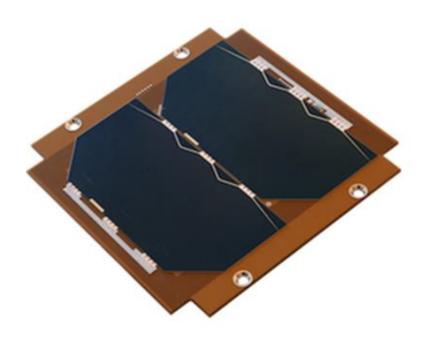






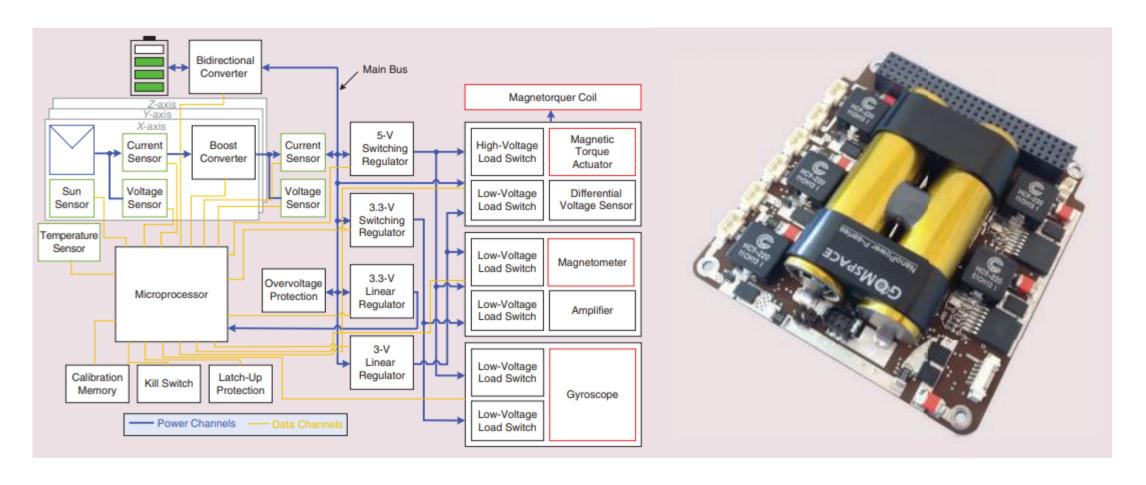
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Space solar technologies and the efficiencies



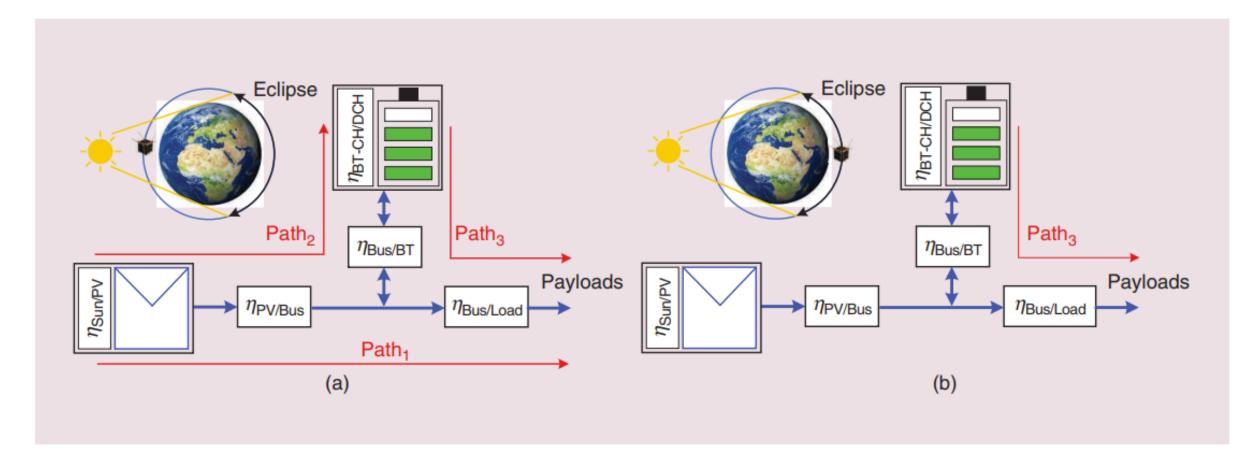
GomSpace NanoPower P110 [Courtesy GOMSpace].









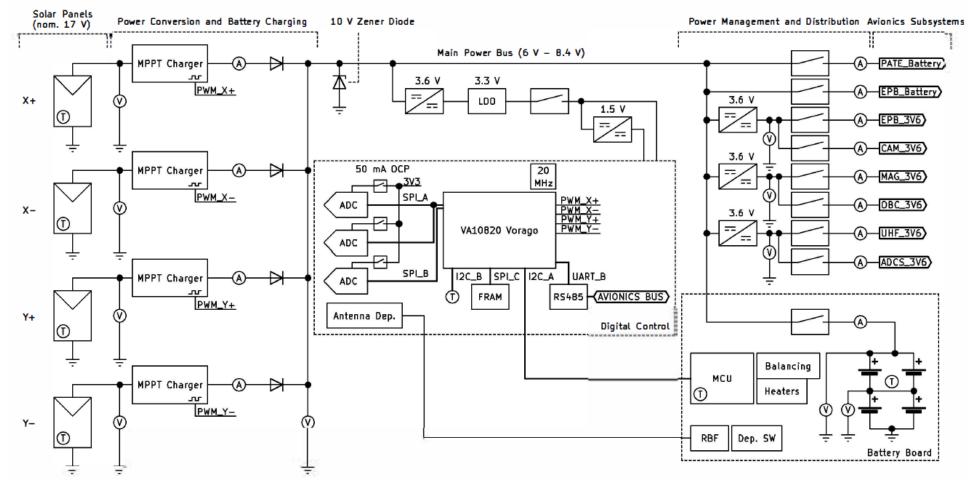




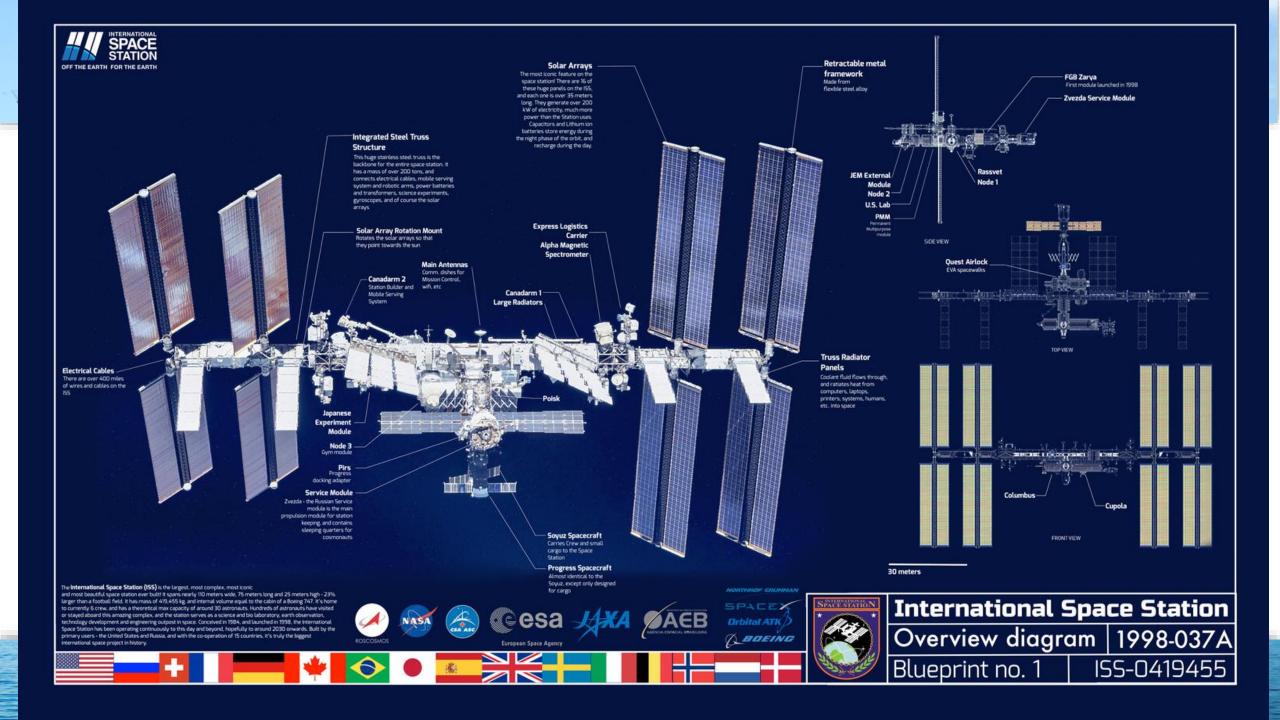


Foresail-1 EPS





Block diagram of the Foresail-1 EPS.











Lunar base construction period

Phase	Purpose	Human presence	Stay period
0	Robotic site preparation	Minimum or no human presence	No stay
1	Deployment and initial phase	3 to 4 personnel	4 to 6 months
2	Growth phase	Approximately 10 personnel	1 year
3	Self sufficiency	10 to 100 personnel	Extended periods
4	Science and commercial	More than 100 personnel	Unlimited duration

In 15 to 20 years





Power generation

Energy storage systems (ESSs)

Loads

Power management and distribution





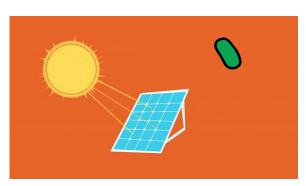
Lunar base power system

Power generation

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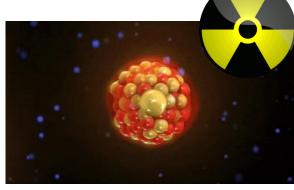
Loads

Power management and distribution



Solar energy

- Not hazardous
- Convenient
- Comparatively light
- Tested technology



Nuclear fission based "kilopower" reactor



Electrostatic charge

- Hazardous
- Complex infrastructure
- More weight



LOW TRL – In laboratory



Less reliable!





Lunar base power system

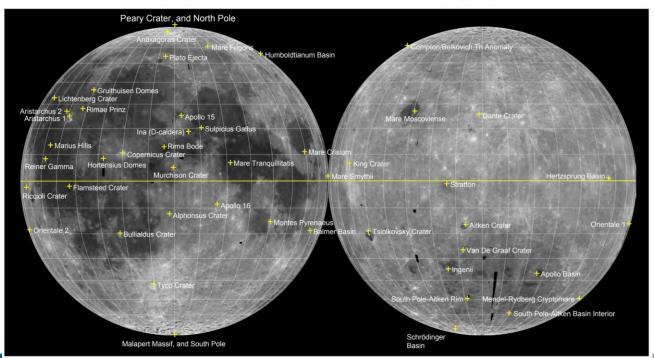
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Near Side

Far Side







Lunar base power system

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Low declination angle of 1.50



Little variation in solar elevation



Continuously available throughout the year

- Steep terrain at polar regions
- Transition to sunlight regions
 - More than 15 days (high terrain)
 - Less than 15 days (low terrain)
- At non-polar regions, sunlight and dark periods around 15 days each
- Eclipse of about 5 hours twice a year due to earth
- Polar region interests
 - South pole Shackleton crater
 - North pole Peary crater



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Highly dependent on location and site!!

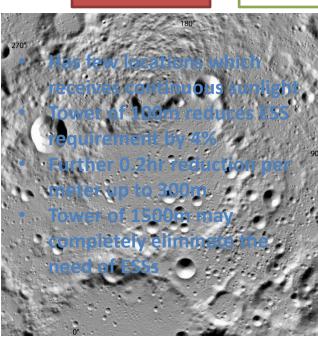
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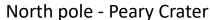
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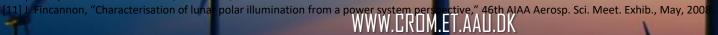




South pole - Shackleton Crater

[9] H. J. Fincannon, "Lunar Environment and Lunar Power Needs," pp. 1–5, 2020.

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Lunar base power system Power Energy storage Power Loads management systems (ESSs) generation and distribution Region with frequent short Requirements: **Battery** illumination-darkness periods High specific energy (more than 500 Wh/kg) Long life ESSs can be fast recharged in (more than 5 years) Regenerative the short illumination period Long cycle life **Fuel Cell** (more than 1000 cycles) (RFC) High specific power Reduction in ESS size and (500 W/kg) mass

[7] A. J. Colozza, "Small Lunar Base Camp and In Situ Resource Utilization Oxygen Production Facility Power System Comparison," NASA Technical Reports Server (NTRS), March, 2020. [11] J. Fincannon, "Characterisation of lunar polar illumination from a power system perspective," 46th AIAA Aerosp. Sci. Meet. Exhib., May, 2008.

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Lunar base power system

Power generation

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Battery

- High specific energy Li-ion battery
- Operation capability at low temperatures
- Suitable for short discharge durations since mass increases for longer durations
- Higher efficiency

RFCs

- Better mass advantage
- Small increase in mass with an increase in discharge time
- Lower slope of recharge less efficiency
- Proton Exchange Membrane RFC (PEM-RFC) proved to be more advantageous than Solid Oxide Fuel Cell (SOFC) based on RFC mass, volume and specific energy

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Highly dependent on location and site!!

Lunar base power system

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1 month illumination condition of the Shackleton crater

- ESS Mass and size depends on:
 - Base location
 - Solar power availability
 - Loads
- Reduce night-time load
 - Loads not at full power
 - Operate at ideal state (Low power state)







Lunar base power system

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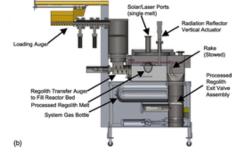
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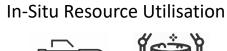






Laboratory and exploration























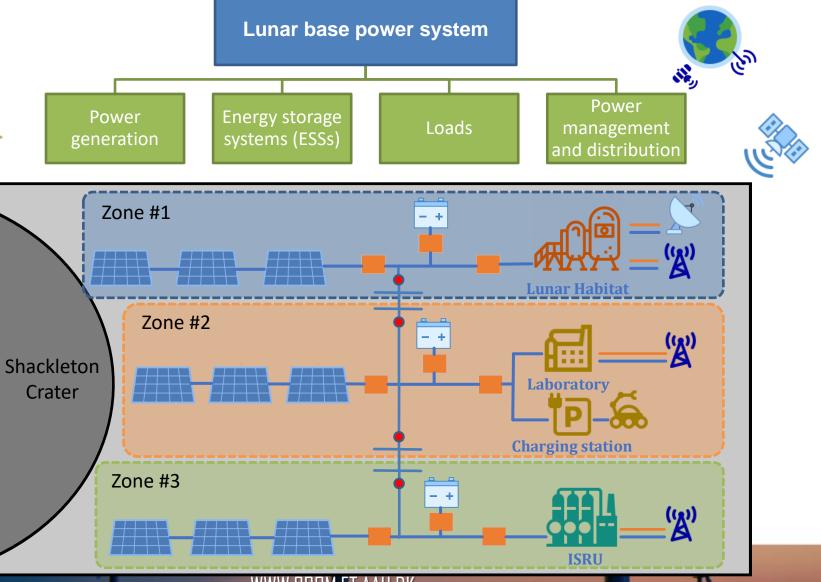




















Hierarchical Control of Space Closed Ecosystems

– Expanding Microgrid Concepts to
Bioastronautics





European Space Agency





Closed Ecological Systems

losedrecological systems (CES) are:

- **Isolated** Ecosystems without any matter exchange with outside environment
- Ecosystems rely on recycling and reutilization

Man-made CESs applications:

- Investigating fundamental processes
- Gaining insight into the function of the Earth's biosphere
- Studying interactions of ecosystems
- Creating space-based life support system for space explorations

Examples:

- BIO-Plex- NASA Johnson Space Research Center, Houston
- Biosphere 2- Oracle, Arizona
- BIOS 3- Krasnoyarsk, Russia
- CEEF complex- Japan
- MELiSSA Barcelona, Spain ESA



Biosphere 2, Oracle, Arizona

Source: M. Nelson, NS. Pechurkin, JP. Allen, LA. Somova, JI. Gitelson, "Closed ecological systems, space life support and biospherics," *In Environmental Biotechnology* 2010, pp. 517-565, Humana Press, Totowa, NJ.



Life Support Systems (LSS)

RESEARCH ecosystems capable of providing: food, water, and air for living outside the support of earth.

Microgr

- > **Space-based** closed LSSs: Essential for **deep space exploration** missions
- > Ground-based closed LSSs: Improving life quality in earth extreme conditions (polar latitudes, mountains, deserts, undersea)



Human consumables and throughput values in kg/crew member/day

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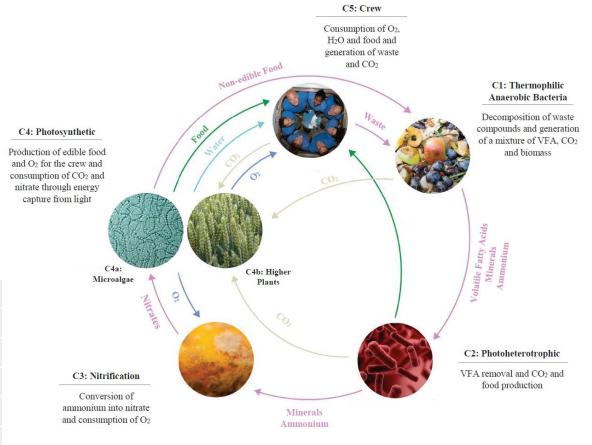


(Micro-Ecological Life Support System Alternative)

MELISSA is an European pilot project that aims at developing a closed-loop regenerative Life Support Systems for long-term manned space missions

MELiSSA includes <u>six specific microbiological compartments</u> that reproduce the main functionalities of an ecological system in continuous modes of operation and under controlled conditions.

Symbol	COMPARTMENTS	
CI	Thermophilic Anaerobic Bacteria	
CII	Photoheterotrophic Bacteria Rhodospirillum rubrum	
CIII	Nitrifying Bacteria Nitrosomonas/Nitrobacter	
CIVa	Photoautotrophic Bacteria Arthrospira Platensis	
CIVb	Higher Plant	
CV	The Crew Compartment	



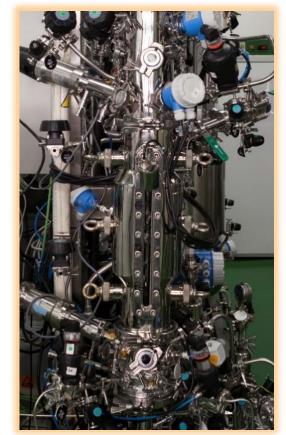




Microgrids Concepts in Closed Ecosystems

MELISSA Pilot Plant (MPP)

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CIII: Nitrification compartment



CIVa: Photobioreactor



CIVb: Higher plant compartment



CV: Crew compartment



(Micro-Ecological Life Support System Alternative)

MELISSA Integration Challenges

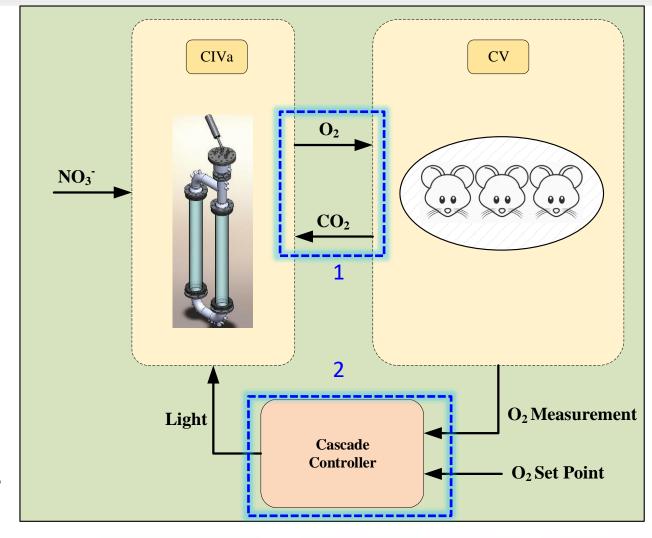
- 1. Integration goal: O₂ and CO₂ balance (life constraints)
- 2. Connection of individual compartments to have a complete operational loop.
- 3. Control **objective**: adjust illumination according to the O_2 demand of the crew needs

Main challenges on modelling and control:

- Highly complex system
- Highly-nonlinear dynamics and interactions

Final goal:

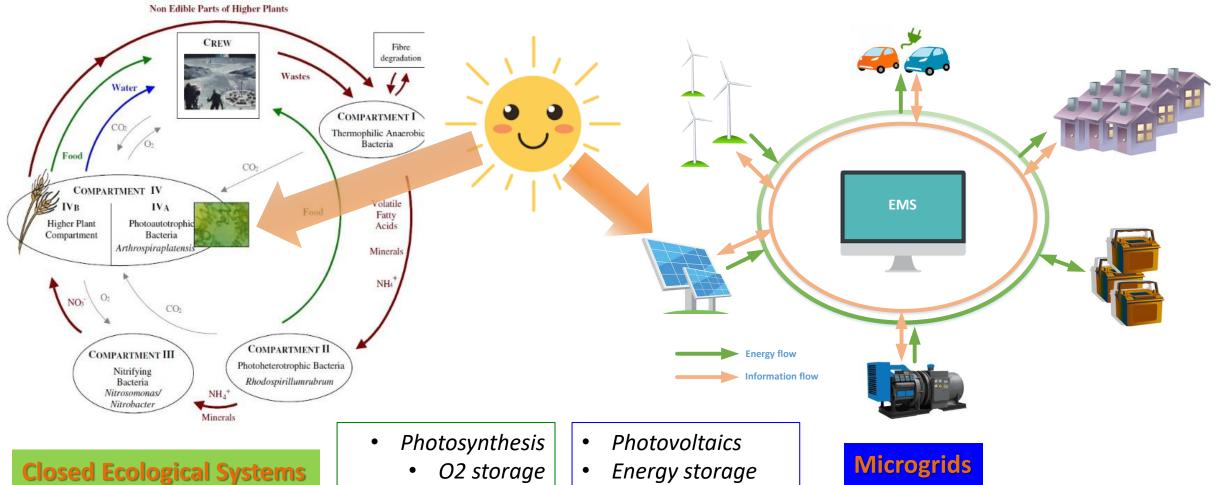
To achieve a closed liquid and gas loop fulfilling 100% of O_2 requirements and at least 20% of food requirements for one crew member.







Parallelism between Closed Ecosystems and Microgrids





Hydrogen fuel cell

Microbial fuelcell



Collaboration AAU - UAB



Aalborg University (AAU) Center for Research on Microgrids (CROM) and

Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona (UAB) Department of Chemical, Biological and Environmental Eng.

Aim at bringing their expertise in **microgrids** and **biology** to establish a new **cross-domain research** and development framework.

AAU side: Advanced control and IoT knowledge applied in the microgrid areas UAB side: Model and implementation of biological systems

Final goal:

to control the operation of close ecological systems such as life support systems in space applications.

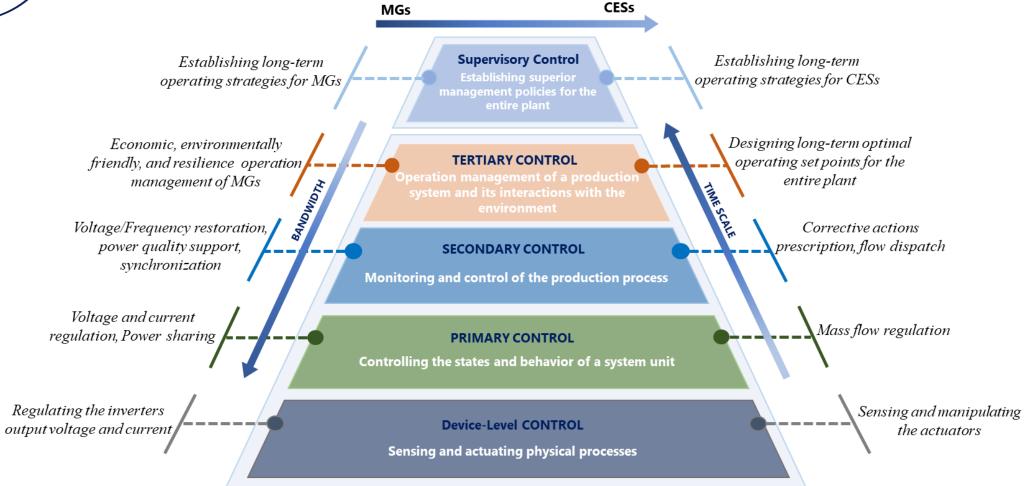
Midterm goals:

- Modeling of components and mutual interaction inside the biological ecosystem
- Real-time remote monitoring, supervision, and control **MELiSSA** laboratory from AAU-Denmark
- To develop a Digital Twin of the Space Biological Ecosystem





Multi-level hierarchical control structure of MGs and CESs

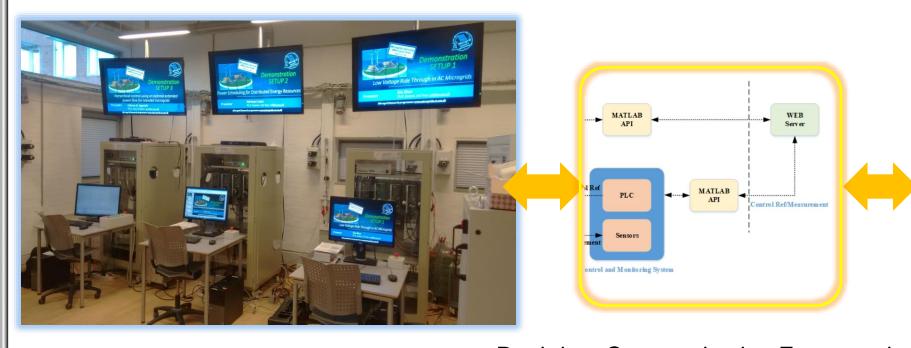






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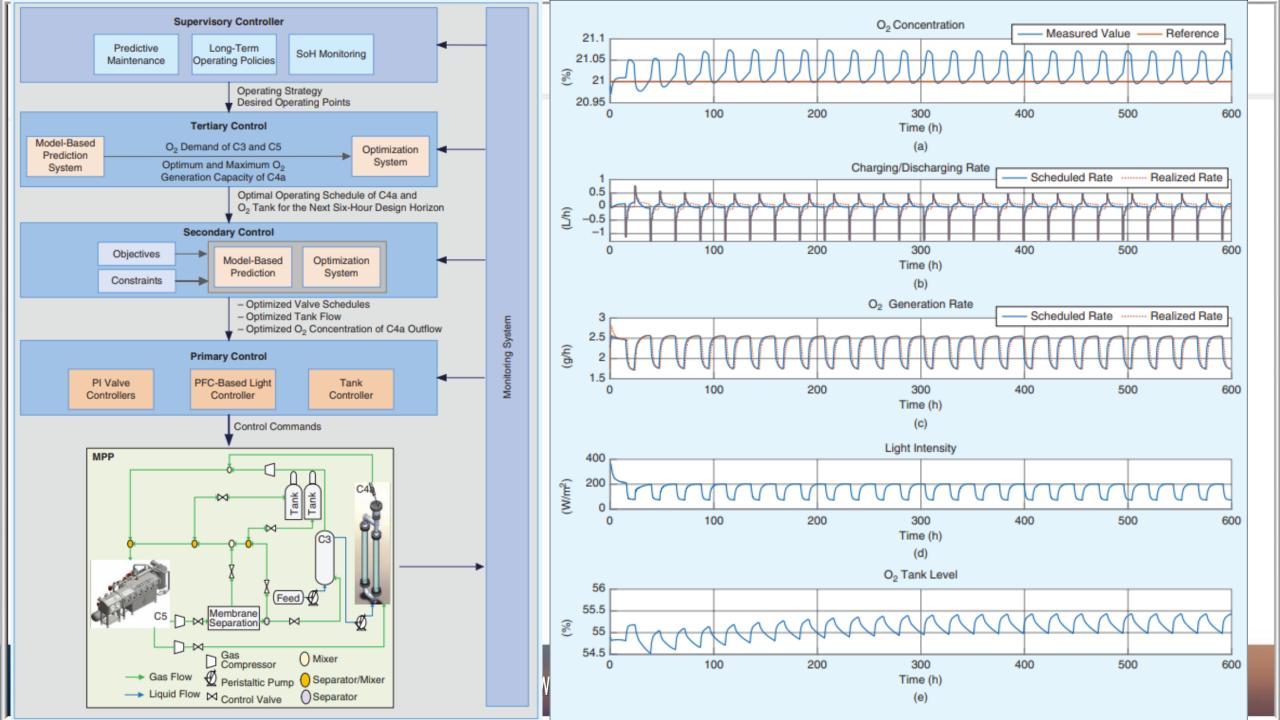


CROM FACILITIES (AAU)

- Real-time Communication Framework
 - Microgrid Control Architectures
 - Remote control and monitoring

MELISSA PILOT PLANT (UAB)







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