

## The Harmonic Loci-Based Control Design

B4 – DC Systems and Power Electronics

PS1-4 Harmonics and Filtering and Interference in HVDC Applications

Question: 1.7

- Are there methodologies and approaches to analyse the possible harmonic interactions and predict the scenarios with harmonic interaction?

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1<sup>st</sup> part of the question:

Are there methodologies and approaches to analyse the possible harmonic interactions?

A: **Yes:** Common methods are:

- Impedance based stability analysis
- Modal Analysis
- Electromagnetic transient (EMT) simulations

2<sup>nd</sup> part of the question:

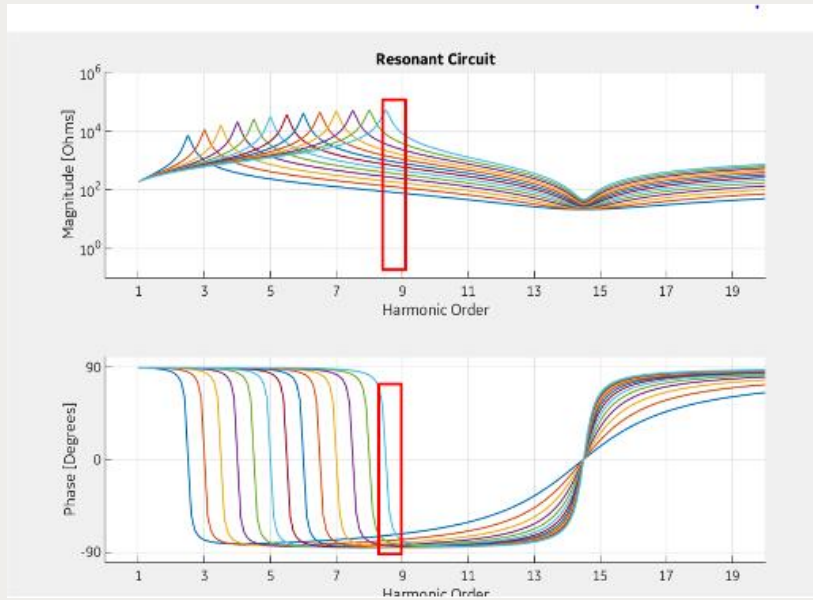
and predict the scenarios with harmonic interaction (issues) ?

A: **Yes but** only for the scenarios that are known in detailed.

It is practically impossible to know all harmonic scenarios of complex AC networks.

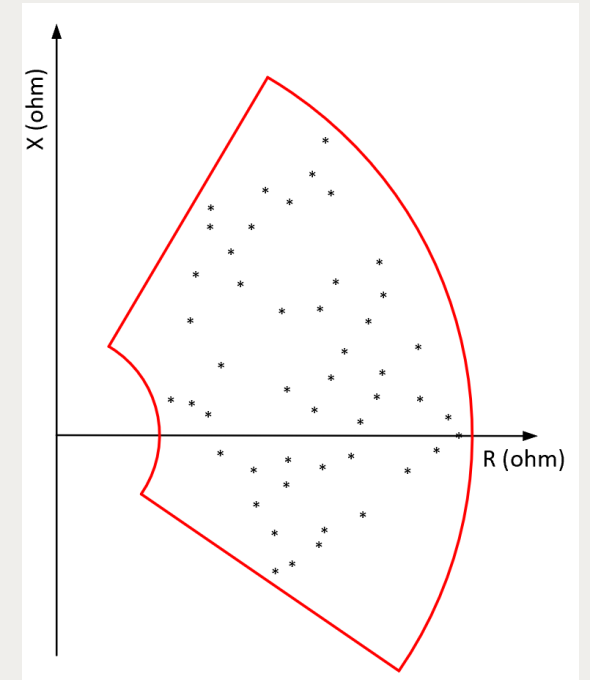
So final combined answer is: **No...but** the complete answer is in our past experience.

**50 years ago,**  
**HVDC LCC solved the harmonic network uncertainty for the design of**  
**of AC passive filters. It used the Loci network representation.**



Loci representation  
is a mapping process  
for a range of frequencies  
(red rectangle)

$|Z| \ v \ \text{freq}$   
 $\varphi \ v \ \text{freq}$    $X \ v \ R$



**Today,**  
**MMC VSC can use the same process for both Performance and Harmonic Stability**

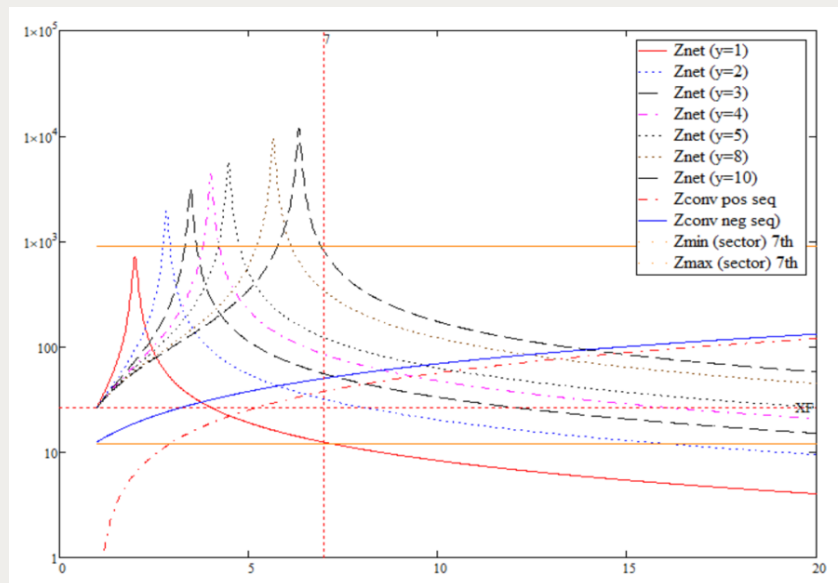
## Another issue:

Testability of MMC HVDC controls in time domain in the harmonic range.

Problem is similar : Difficult to define representative circuits for time domain simulations.

## Solution:

Use of simple multiple Synthetic AC network models based on Loci.



Detailed information of the complete methodology is given in paper CIGRE 2022 paper: **ID 10112**

**“The Harmonic Loci-Based Control Design: Practical Methods in Frequency and Time Domain for a Consistent Design of VSC HVDC Harmonic Active Solution”**