# Paris Session 2022



## **TOV Mitigation**

SC4: Power System Technical Performance

PS 2: Challenges and advances in insulation coordination and

lightning research

Question 7: What are the experiences regarding harmonic resonance temporary overvoltages (TOVs)? Are there practical examples for their mitigation, other than what is currently described in the international standards?

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## **Experience in TOV management: causes and solutions**

- TOV due to transformer switching
- Saturation of the magnetic circuit of the transformer
- Inrush currents
- •Harmonic impedance of the power network excited by th Inrush current



- -Solution #1 : Point on the wave switching
- -Solution #2 : Gradual energizing of the network



## **Experience in TOV management :** *Gradual energization of the network*

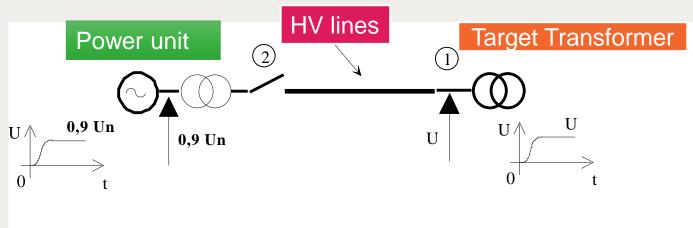
#### TOV due to transformer switching

Power system restoration ⇒ gradual energizing of the lines and of the transformers from power units that can work from black-start

(but beware of the ferroresonance phenomenon → limit of the rated output of the various transformers, related to the rated output of the source unit)

POWER
GENERATING UNIT =

<u>HYDRO OR</u>
<u>COMBUSTION</u>
TURBINE UNIT



#### by means of a specific sequence:

- 1) the turbine-generator unit is brought to its rated rotational speed, without being excited or coupled;
- 2) we re-form the line up to including the transformers (all circuit-breakers (1) are closed except for the unit circuit-breaker);
- 3) The unit circuit-breaker (2) is closed on a "dead" network,
- 4) the excitation contactor of the power unit is closed: the generator output voltage will increase gradually with the use of a ramp- from zero until it reaches the set-point value (usually 0.9Un).

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