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EirGrid considerations on models and low system strength

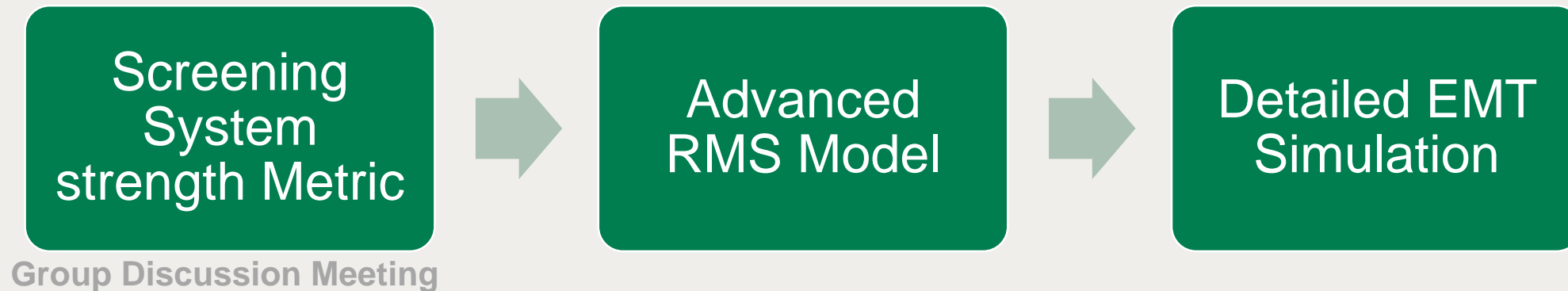
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What modelling tools (EMT or phasor-domain) and IBR dynamic modelling approaches (vendor-specific or generic models) have been used worldwide to develop forward looking dynamic models of years ahead power systems accounting for forthcoming network changes and emerging technologies?

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EirGrid's Control Centre Tool and IBR Models

- **Look Ahead Stability Assessment Tool (LSAT):**
 - Real-time and offline study applications with look-ahead capability.
 - Performs dynamic and steady-state analysis around 800 credible contingencies for every 5 minutes.
- **Dynamic models :**
 - A combination of WECC 1st generation and WECC 2nd generation models for IBRs are used.
 - In the process of converting all WECC 1st generation models to WECC 2nd generation models with site-specific parameters.
- **In collaboration with EPRI, EirGrid has been trying to bridge the gap between the required modelling adequacy and analysis practicalities. We propose a 3-step process to deal with low system strength scenarios.**



3- STEP PROCESS

Screening System Strength Metric

- EPRI has developed the Grid Strength Assessment Tool (GSAT) which we have used to screen scenarios and to identify potential risk of converter instabilities.
- This tool is developed with an advanced critical clearance time (CCT) metric based on steady-state short circuit analysis and accounts for converter control behavior during disturbances analytically.

Advanced RMS Model

- Developing an RMS model which includes the PLL and the current controller dynamic behavior.
- An add-on to our existing WECC 2nd generation model.
- Developing RMS models for the grid-forming converters

Detailed EMT Simulations

- EMT simulations are both modelling and computation-wise demanding and perform EMT analysis when strictly necessary.