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Wide Area Protection Scheme for Prevention of Islanding of South Australia

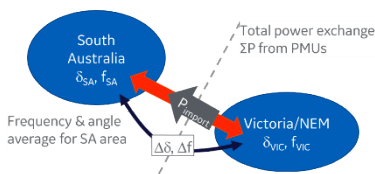
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Motivation

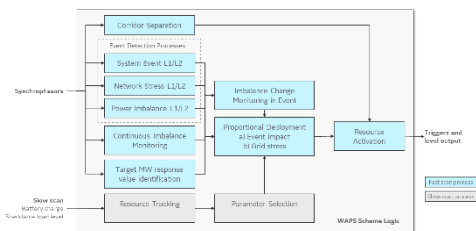
- South Australia has high penetration of renewables and inertia varies greatly
- Loss of synchronism to wider network (NEM) can result from many high impact / low probability events
- Conventional SIPS cannot address the wide range of possible sequences.
- Synchrophasor based WAPS is a generalized approach to apply regional fast balancing response to maintain synchronism.
- Novel approach successfully trialed, now being deployed.

Disturbance Detection



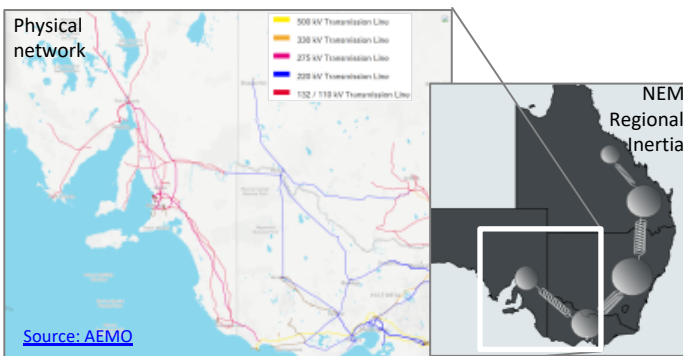
- **Network Stress:** Angle difference ($\Delta\delta$), frequency difference (Δf), projected angle difference ($\Delta\delta + k\Delta f$). Measure of stability.
- **Power Imbalance:** Level & change of power balance in SA ($-P_{\text{inbal}} + H_{SA} \text{ROCOF}_{SA}$). Measure of region power balance change.
- **System Event:** F_{SA} & ROCOF_{SA} with external NEM event blocking. Fast detection in low inertia state.

WAPS Control Scheme



Disturbance Response

- **Level L1 BESS** – slower but more flexible than L2
- **Level L2 Load shed** – faster, applied to critical events
- **Response:** Power Imbalance ($-P_{\text{inbal}} + H_{SA} \text{ROCOF}_{SA}$) minus Power Target. Proportionate to event and adapt to network state.
- **Deployment:** Dispatch to L1 & L2 resource blocks



Source: AEMO

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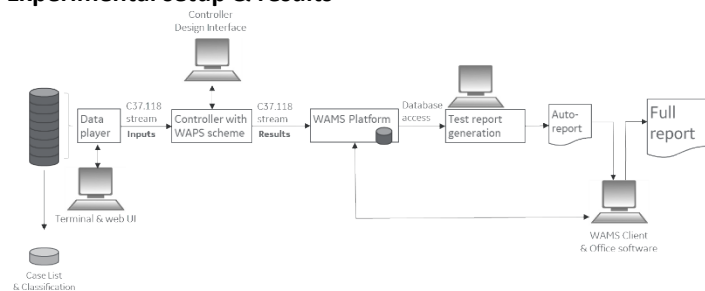
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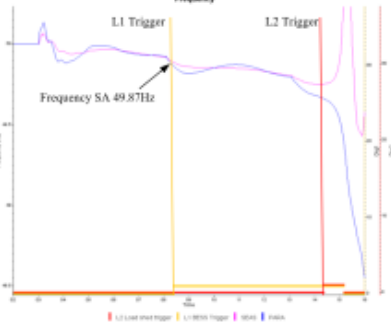
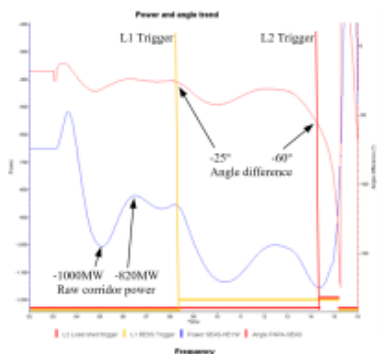
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Experimental setup & results



Example: large generator 3 units trip at 5s intervals. L1 BESS triggers just after the Unit 2 trip; L2 load shed 0.6s before instability

- 279 Complex multi-event simulations used as case library to test and tune scheme
- Open-loop testing for trigger accuracy
- Subset of closed loop tests for response to control (A) manually inserted response (B) Control scheme in PSCAD control loop
- Network Stress most general for severe events, as the first criterion to trigger L2 in 66 cases, of which it is the only L2 trigger in 57 cases.
- System Event is an early trigger (lowest latency) for 39 cases at L1, all of which were followed by another.
- Power imbalance also an early trigger in 84 L1 cases
- **All tests met required performance**



Category	Target L1	Target L2	# Tests	
Stable Credible	R	R	70	25%
Stable Non Credible	M	R	101	36%
Marginally Stable Non Credible	T	M	27	10%
Marginally Unstable Non Credible	T	T	12	4.3%
Unstable Non Credible	T	T	62	22%
Other	Case-by-case		7	2.5%

R: Restrain
M: May trigger
T: Trigger

Statistics for FIRST/ONLY criterion to trigger at L1 or L2 level

Target Response		Power Imbalance		Network Stress		System Event	
L1	L2	L1	L2	L1	L2	L1	L2
Restrain	Restrain	0	0	0	0	0	0
May trigger	Restrain	20	19	0	0	4	0
Trigger	May trigger	20	13	2	2	6	1
Trigger	Trigger	44	0	10	0	29	0
TOTAL FIRST (ONLY) CRITERION		84 (32)	12 (2)	9 (4)	66 (57)	39 (0)	7 (0)

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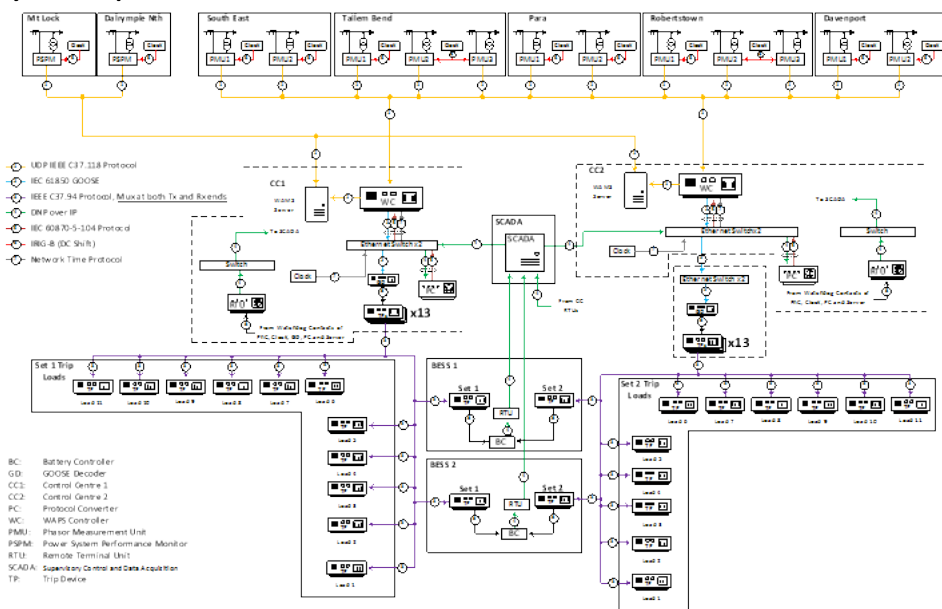
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System Implementation



Conclusions

- WAPS scheme responds appropriately to all the multiple event sequences of disturbances tested – addresses uncertainties with complex scenarios
- Synchphasors enable fast-acting control sensitive to the dynamic state of the system – the movement of the power system determines the need for response and volume
- Inherently adapts to changing conditions e.g. renewable generation share, system loading & network strength
- Novel approach to triggering captures 3 distinct indicators of response: network stress, power deficit, frequency/ROCOF
- Novel proportionate response method applied for identifying power imbalance rapidly using P, H and ROCOF
- Further developments include embedding the control scheme into dynamic system model, directly as implemented in live system
- Adaptable approach to changes to topology, including strengthening of the interconnection to NEM

Further reading

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