



# **Study Committee B5**

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### Impact of low network inertia on system transient stability

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#### Motivation

- CIGRE JWG B5/C4.61
- Impact of low inertia network on Protection and Control
- Check the transient stability analysis in networks with high penetration of converter interfaced generation (CIG)
- Expected impacts on critical clearance time (CCT)

### Simulation models

• Single-Machine Infinite Bus (SMIB) model



#### Two-Machine model



IEEE 39-bus model

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#### Calculations

- Static (equal-area criterion) in Matlab environment
- Dynamic (RMS simulations) in Matlab/Simulink environment

#### **Decreased-inertia modelling**

- Fictitious power system with five generating units
- Identical installed apparent power 100 MVA

$$S_{\rm EQ} = \sum_{i=1}^n S_{\rm r,i}$$

 $H_{\rm EQ} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} H_i \cdot S_{\rm r,i}}{S_{\rm EQ}}$ 



Two out of five generating units are replaced by CIG





1 2 3 4 5 Generating unit number

 $W_{\rm EO} = 1500 \,{\rm MW}$ 

 Decreased inertia of the remaining network was modelled by decreasing H<sub>FO</sub> in seconds

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#### Equal area criterion



#### **Dynamic RMS simulations**



#### Expectations

- CCT increases
- Critical angle remains the same (see contribution to special reporter question 1.05)



Angle G two-generator model CCI  $G_{EQ}$ SMIB CCT  $\Delta \delta$ ,

Time

Infinite source

### Model validation



## a sub-transient model with excitation/governor

a sub-transient model without excitation/governor

voltage source behind a fixed impedance





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#### Results

- Variation of inertia in the remaining network
- Decrease in acceleration area
- Increase in deceleration area



#### Two-machine network



#### Conclusions

- Critical clearance times of synchronous machines are expected to increase with reduced network inertia
- This may be positive news since more time is given for protection relays to clear faults
- Longer clearance times may also lead to the frequency problem
- It is important to consider the existing levels of inertial masses in the electrical-power systems (effect may become saturated at high values of inertia)
- In contribution to special reporter question 1.05 the impact on distance relay blocking due to power swings is provided

#### IEEE 39-bus model

Local rotor angle - remote bus angle [degrees]



Network without CIG (CCT = 130 msec) Fault duration equals CCT

#### Network with CIG (CCT = 210 msec) Fault duration equals 130 msec

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