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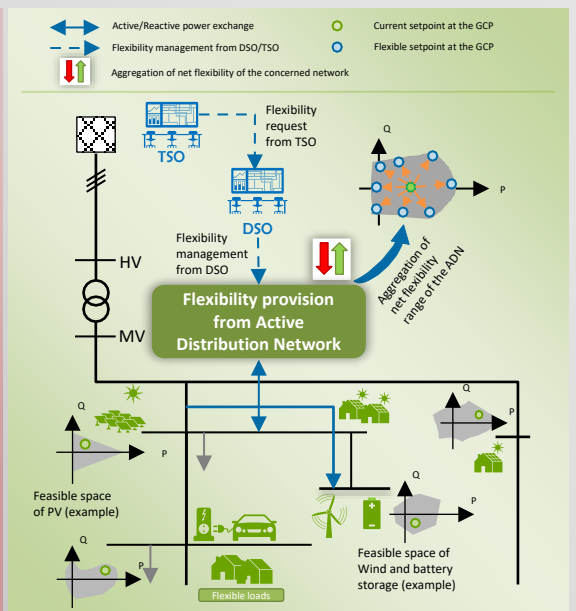
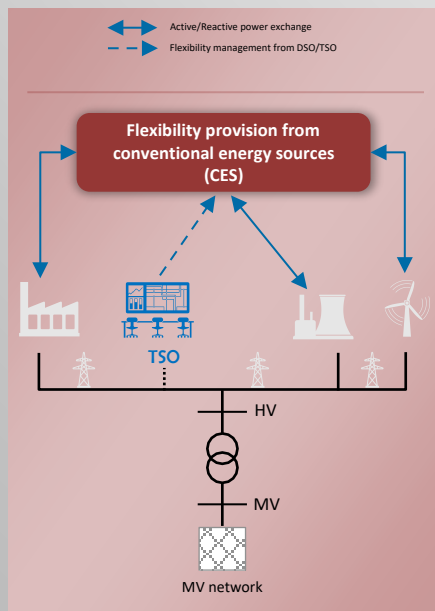
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Goal

One of the main goals of this work is the design and prototypical development of a SCADA/DMS monitoring and control feature for the determination and exploitation of active and reactive power flexibility of a distribution network ensuring contingency constrained security. In view of that, the control algorithm aims to determine mutual flexibility of the concerned network at a grid connection point (GCP) with respect to the other GCPs.


Conventional flexibility provision
Future flexibility provision
Problem

- **Penetration** of Distributed Energy Resources (DERs) in the distribution network can pose power system **security issues** such as **congestion** in the transmission network
- The increasing **decommissioning** of CES creates a **reduction** on adequate **active and reactive power flexibility** for ancillary services

Solution

- Active and reactive power characteristics of **DERs** give an **opportunity** for their utilization in providing ancillary services such as congestion management
- DERs can be **controllable** up to a certain extent with each offering a certain amount of active and reactive power flexibility to the grid within a **feasible space**
- **Aggregation** of the net flexibility, offered by all the DERs and flexible loads, can be used by the system operator to provide **flexibility** at the **grid connection point (GCP)** of the distribution network to the transmission network.

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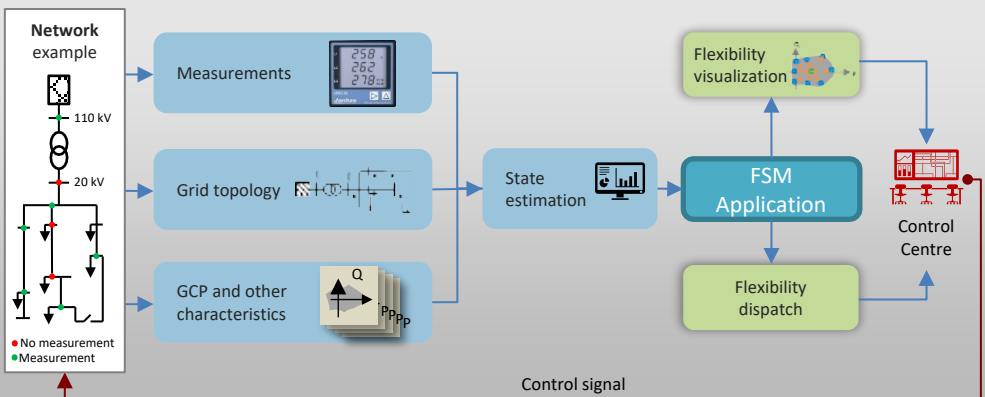
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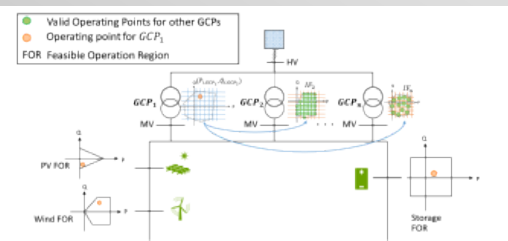
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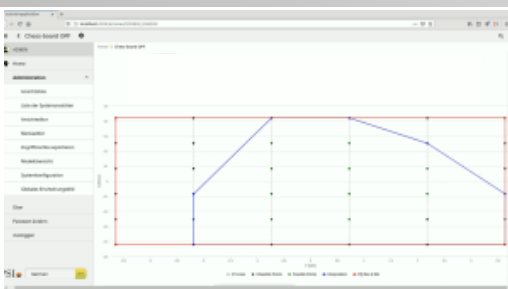
Setup



Main characteristics of real-time interdependent flexibility estimation application



Schematic representing the mutual flexibility assessment at the GCPs



Interaction with the application via a web-based GUI

Real-time assessment

Current operating setpoint is used as a reference to calculate flexibility

Mutual flexibility

Flexibility calculation at a GCP considers mutual power flows at the other GCPs

Parallelized computation

Multiple instances of OPFs are supposed to improve computational performance

(N-1) security constraints

Preventive (N-1) security constraints takes into account line contingency into consideration

Economic setpoints

The application provides economic setpoints for flexibility dispatch

Web-based GUI

Currently the functionality of flexibility estimation can be executed via a web-based GUI

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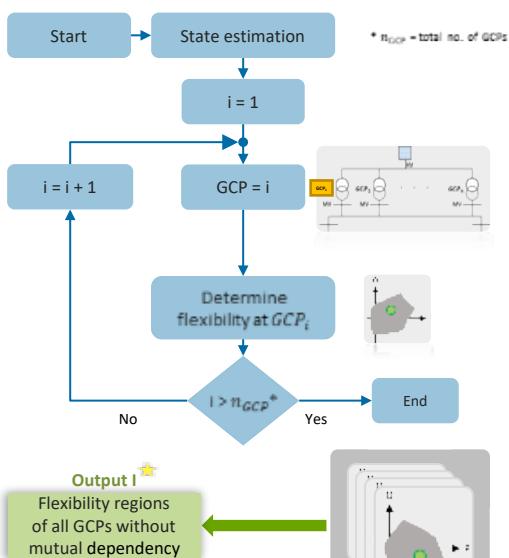
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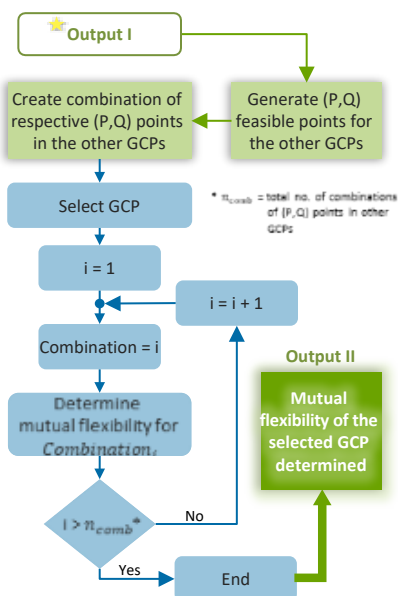
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Methodology

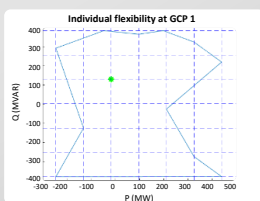
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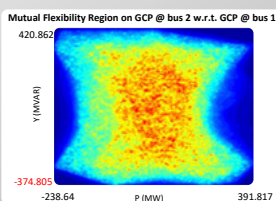
Part II – Determine mutual flexibility



Results



Flexibility at GCP 1
WITHOUT mutual dependency
on other GCPs



Flexibility at GCP 1
WITH mutual dependency
on other GCPs

Conclusion

The research work can support a system operator in terms of:

- Situational awareness
- Managing flexibility of the distribution grid
- Analysing robust region of operation at GCP by looking at mutual flexibility region
- Providing ancillary services such as congestion management