

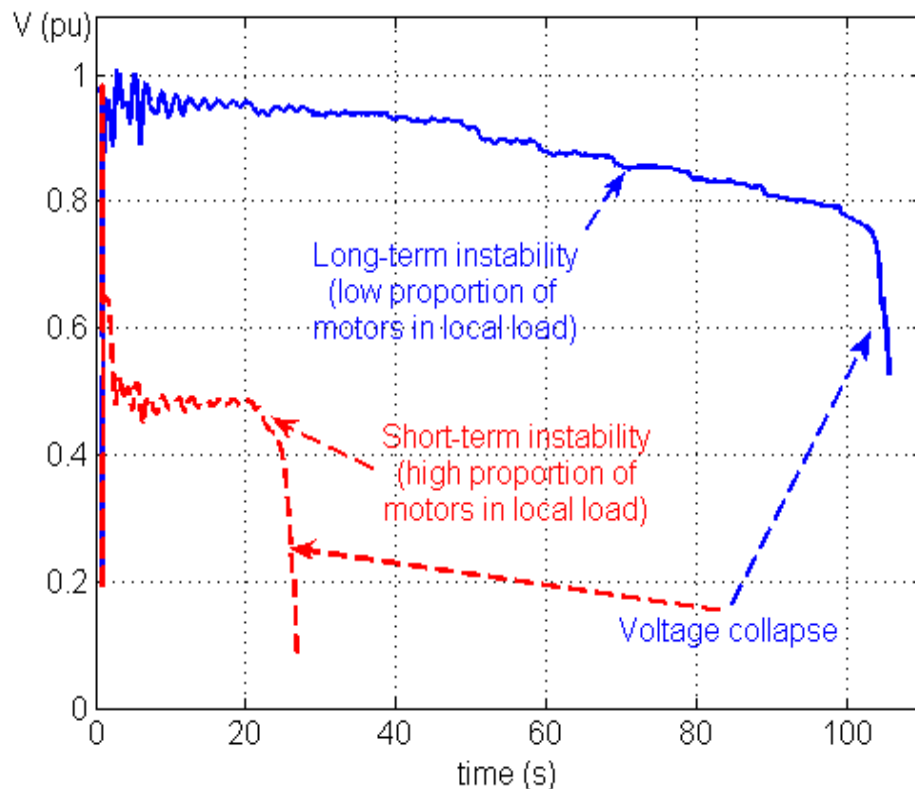


Voltage Stability Management: Voltage Instability Predictor Methodology

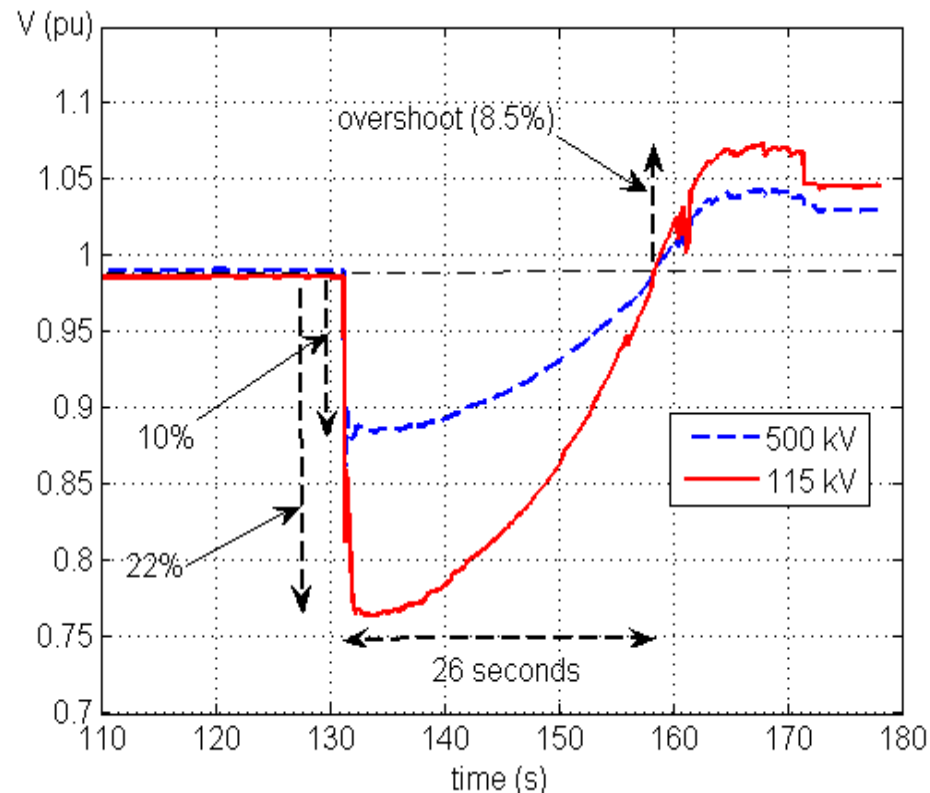
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Voltage Related Issues

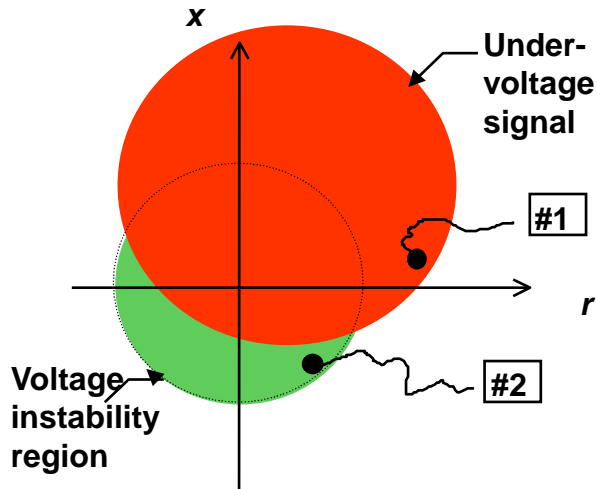


*Voltage Instability:
Short- and Long- Term*



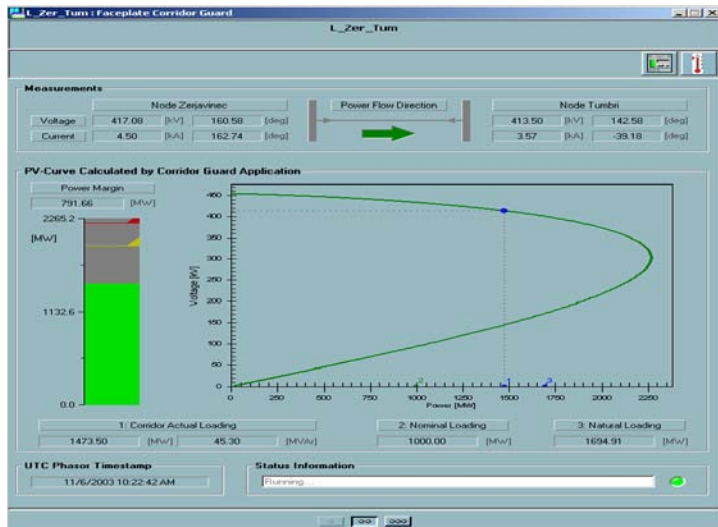
*Fault Induced Delayed Voltage
Recovery (FIDVR)*

Voltage Stability Monitoring & Assessment



#1: inaccurate under-voltage detection
#2: under-voltage fails to detect

- Dynamic, time-domain simulation tools
 - Voltage Stability Assessment (VSA) based on State Estimation contingency analysis
 - Validate model correctness
- Simple voltage-only measurements may not be a good indicator of proximity to voltage collapse
- Tracking the relative distance from voltage instability continually in real-time:
 - Distance to the nose of the PV curve or SE-based stability boundary (model based)
 - Observing the distance of reactive power level from its' 100% value when operating the Secondary and Tertiary Voltage Regulations
 - Distance of the load's apparent impedance to the Thevenin impedance (similar to a relay with an adaptive setting)



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Voltage Instability Detection

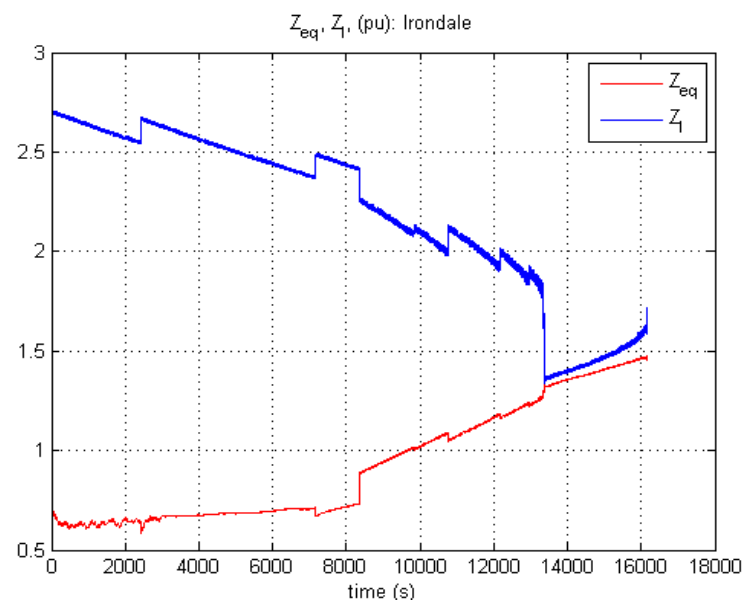
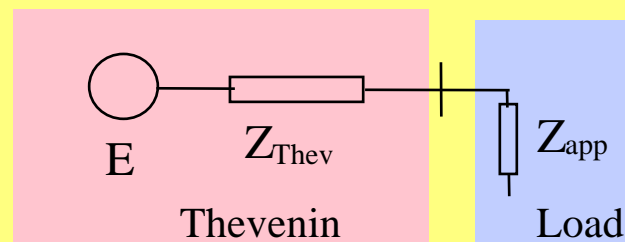


- Simple, real time, voltage instability margin detection, e.g. VIP*
- Better than voltage-only methods, but simpler than any other method
 - Much faster than EMS/SE contingency analysis and not model dependent
- Enabling tracking both slow changes and system dynamics using PMUs (10-120 frames/s)
- *New Reactive Power Margin Method:* Major improvements in accuracy, numerical stability, implementation variants, and ease of use

Maximum power transfer

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Point of collapse

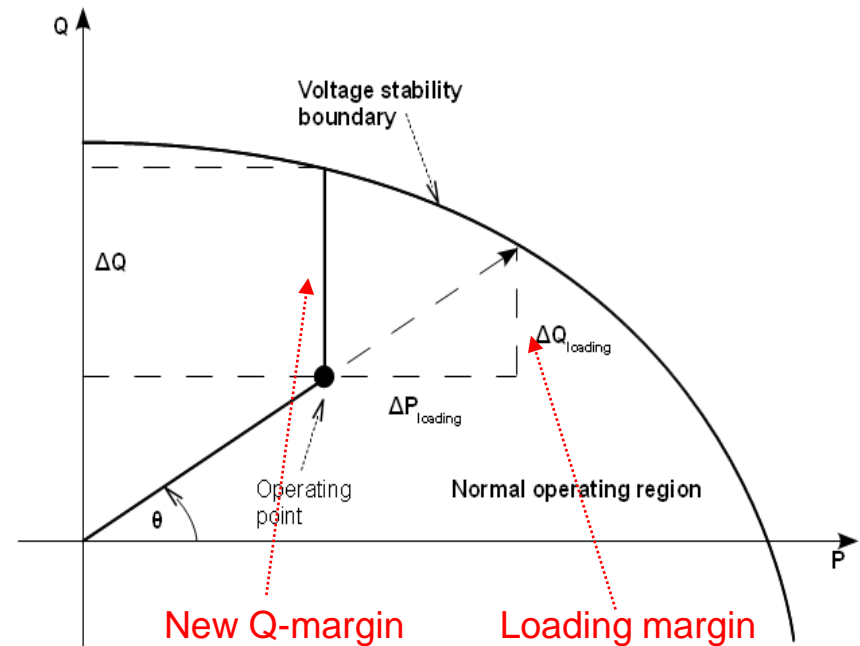


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New RPM Advantages 1 (2)



- Model-free, fast real-time voltage instability detection method*, independent of state estimation
- Implementation in several variants: bus, load center, transmission line, transmission corridor
 - Calculates Q-margin & other indices for proximity to voltage collapse
 - Stability boundary calculated with real-time PMU data refresh rate
- Easily combined as complementary to other methods and indices
 - Reactive power monitoring
 - Could initiate model-based contingency analysis, e.g. by alarming the operator

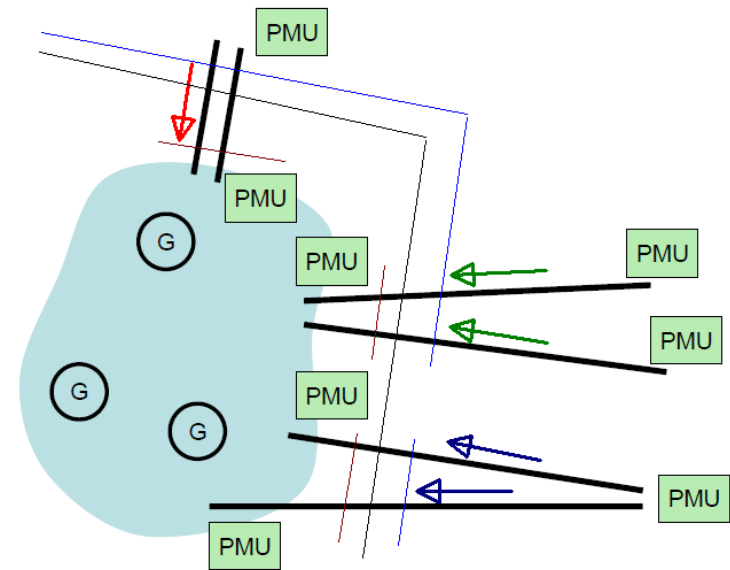


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New RPM Advantages 2 (2)

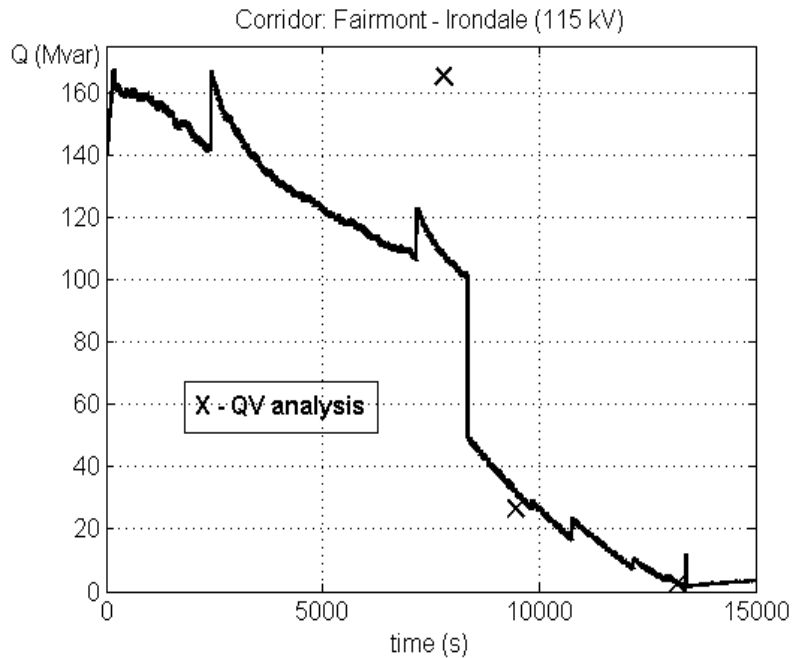


- Ability to process data from different sources (PMUs, SCADA, simulation outputs (static and dynamic))
 - Takes immediate advantage of available PMUs
 - Scales up well with increased number of PMUs
- Excellent results from actual system tests on slowly changing system operating conditions (load ramp) and in tracking system dynamics after large disturbances
- Able to distinguish FIDVR from voltage instability even if voltage is very low
- Simple implementation in Control Center tools local and/or IEDs for:
 - Operator tools to increase situational awareness
 - Local automated actions
 - Addition to SIPS

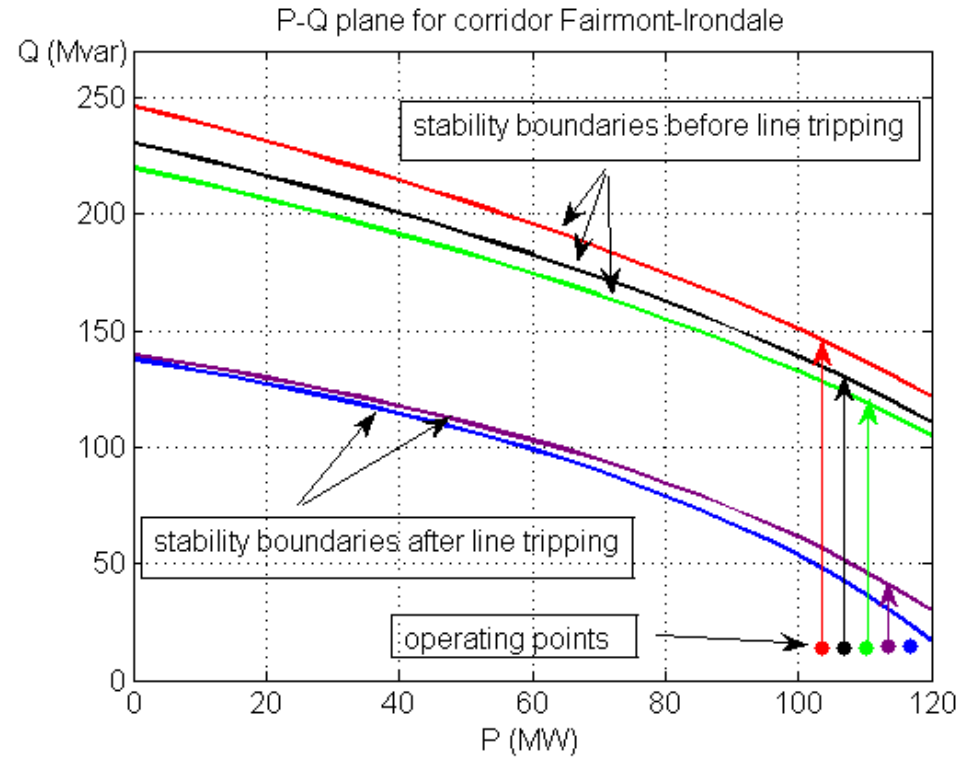


Load center (Source: BPA)

Real-Life System Test Results



Alarm when measuring real-time Q margins



Realistic PQ-curve slope before and after the disturbance



*Comprehensive tests using **real-life** PMU and SCADA measurements and off-line **time-sequence** simulation tools*

- Ability to detect instability even if voltage close to nominal
 - Accurate results for load centers, transmission lines, and corridors
 - Detection at highly-meshed high voltage systems (e.g. 500 kV) is more difficult
- Results comparable to detailed, model-based off-line QV analysis; very accurate closer to instability boundary
- Discriminates between FIDVR and fast voltage instability
 - FIDVR cases (no voltage collapse) are accurately detected despite the fact the voltage is low for some time
- No false alarms

Present and Future Activities



- Deploying real-time application software based on RPM
- Developing visualization tools to display the Corridor & Load Center results in a control room, including FIDVR detection
- Design monitoring and control strategies based on RPM

