











What reliable measurements can do to ensure the interoperability of electric grids for renewable energies?

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"Interoperability: the ability of two or more systems or components <u>to exchange</u> information and <u>to use</u> the information that has been exchanged"

IEC Smart Grid Standardization Roadmap/1/2010

Interoperability in Smart Grids:

- Syntactic interoperability: the ability to <u>communicate and</u> <u>exchange data</u> (standardized data formats and protocols)
- Semantic interoperability: the ability to <u>automatically</u> <u>interpret the exchanged data</u>

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Needs:

- Bidirectional power flow measurement
- Remote and Local Generation
- Wide Area Networks: monitoring, protection and control
- Fluctuating energy sources (wind, photovoltaic, geothermal, wave)
- Smart metering: energy use savings

Musts:

- Measurement of large amounts of power at the right time & place
- New measurement tools and methods

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Intermittent by nature

Variational Doppler Radar Analysis System (VDRAS). Colorado and neighbor states, USA.

Wind speed:

gray: reduced wind speed

Red: increased wind speed

Image: NACAR/IEEE Spectrum, March 2016 Taming Wind Power With Better Forecasts Sophisticated weather simulations are making wind power more grid friendly, Sue Ellen Haupt & William P. Mahoney



Operating conditions of the turbine	Characteristics of Quality of Power of a Wind Turbine to be determined/tested	
Continuous operation	Flicker coefficient determined at different phase angles of impedance of the network	
Switching conditions	Maximum number of switching operations @ 10 min and 2 h.	Flicker at different phase angles of the impedance of the network
Current harmonics, interharmonics	Percentage of the fundamental current component . 50 ^ª harmonic	BIN's of active power: 0, 10 100 %
Response to voltage drops	Voltage amplitude	Duration and waveform
Active power	Set point control	Supporting the frequency automatic control
Reactive power	Set point control	Supporting the voltage automatic control
Grid protection	Disconnection levels	Disconnection times
Reconnection time	Due to faults on the network	

Renewable energies: power quality





Study (Leonardo Institute):

"PQ costs in Europe are responsible for serious reduction in industrial performance with an economic impact exceeding € 150 bn/year"



Wide Area Quality of Power





Network impedance

On-site tests on renewable sources

Renewable energies: wind turbine power quality



Emission spectrum (harmonic subgroups) from three modern MW-class wind turbines (2 to 2.5 MW) Emission spectrum (interharmonic subgroups) from three modern MW-class wind turbines (2 to 2.5 MW)

Bollen, M,. and Yang K., "Harmonics – another aspect of the interaction between wind power installations and the grid", 22nd International Conference on Electricity Distribution, CIRED, June 2013

Renewable energies: photovoltaic power quality



The effects of harmonics on the phase angle of a PV inverter **Power:** 100 % (**blue**) 75% (red) 50 % (black)

25 % (green)



Perera D. et al, "Power quality emission assessment of photovoltaic inverters based on IEC technical report 61000-3-15:2011", IEEE AUPEC 2013

Reliable measurements: syntactic and semantic interoperability









lunes 06 agosto 2012: 16:30:16 - 16:30:17

Harmonic distortion ends at 16:32:32 due to the opening of the high voltage circuit



lunes 06 agosto 2012, 16:32:32: 00.002 - 00.200

Reliable measurements: syntactic and semantic interoperability





Analysis of the current during the fault: harmonics 11th and 18th



IEEE Std. C37.118.1- 2011/ 2014. Synchrophasor Measurements for Power Systems



Synchrophasor data streaming (PMUs)/México





Source: Centro Nacional de Control de Energía, México City

Reliable measurements: syntactic and semantic interoperability



Operation of the under frequency scheme of the interconnected power system in México, 20:16:40. 21st April 2013



Frequency of the interconnected system. Earthquake 5.8 Richter. 21st April 2013



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Measurements carried out by CENAM, 2014



Simultaneous measurement of amplitude and frequency/ CENAM



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- Compared to conventional generation (thermal power, hydropower, nuclear generation), renewable energies (wind, solar, geothermal) are much more uncertain.
- One important task of Smart Grid is to provide an interoperability infrastructure for free and safe interconnection of renewable energy generation to power systems.
- The main role of reliable measurements in Smart Grid is to ensure the syntactic and semantic interoperability as the base to communicate and exchange data, and to automatically interpret the exchanged data





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