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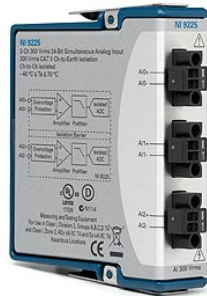
NI PMU Tools

Jack Arnold

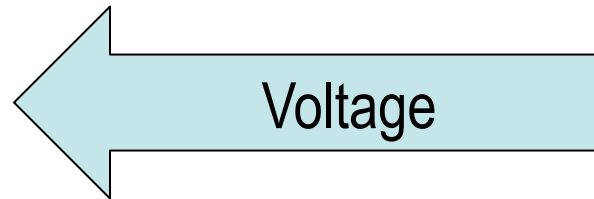
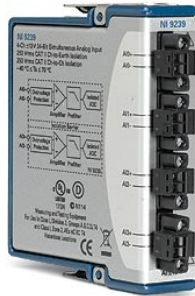
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Measuring Voltage

NI 9225:
300 Vrms

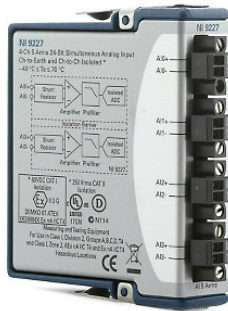


NI 9239:
+/-10 Vpk

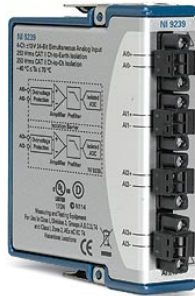


Measuring Current

NI 9227:
5 Arms



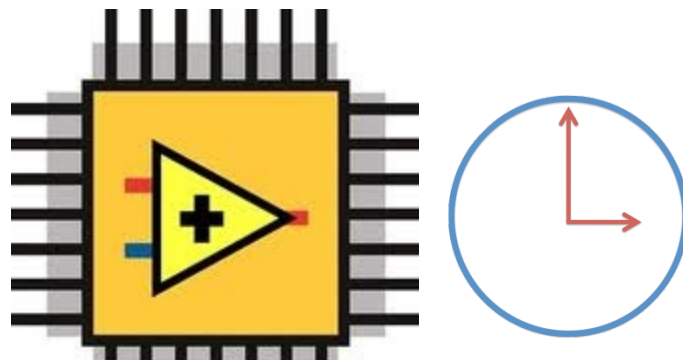
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Current or Voltage

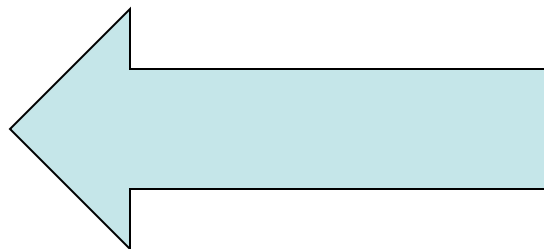
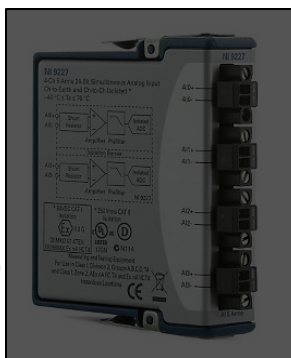


Distributed Time Keeping Tools



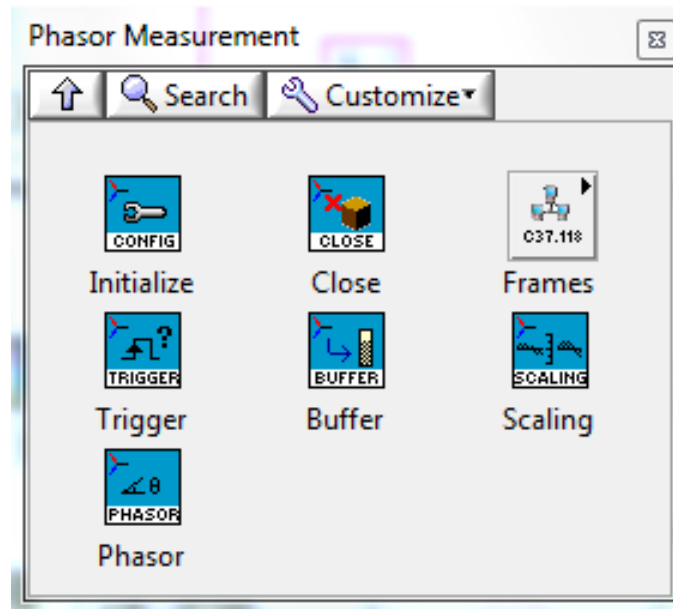
FPGA Timekeeper - NILabs

NI GPS
(Q4 2011)

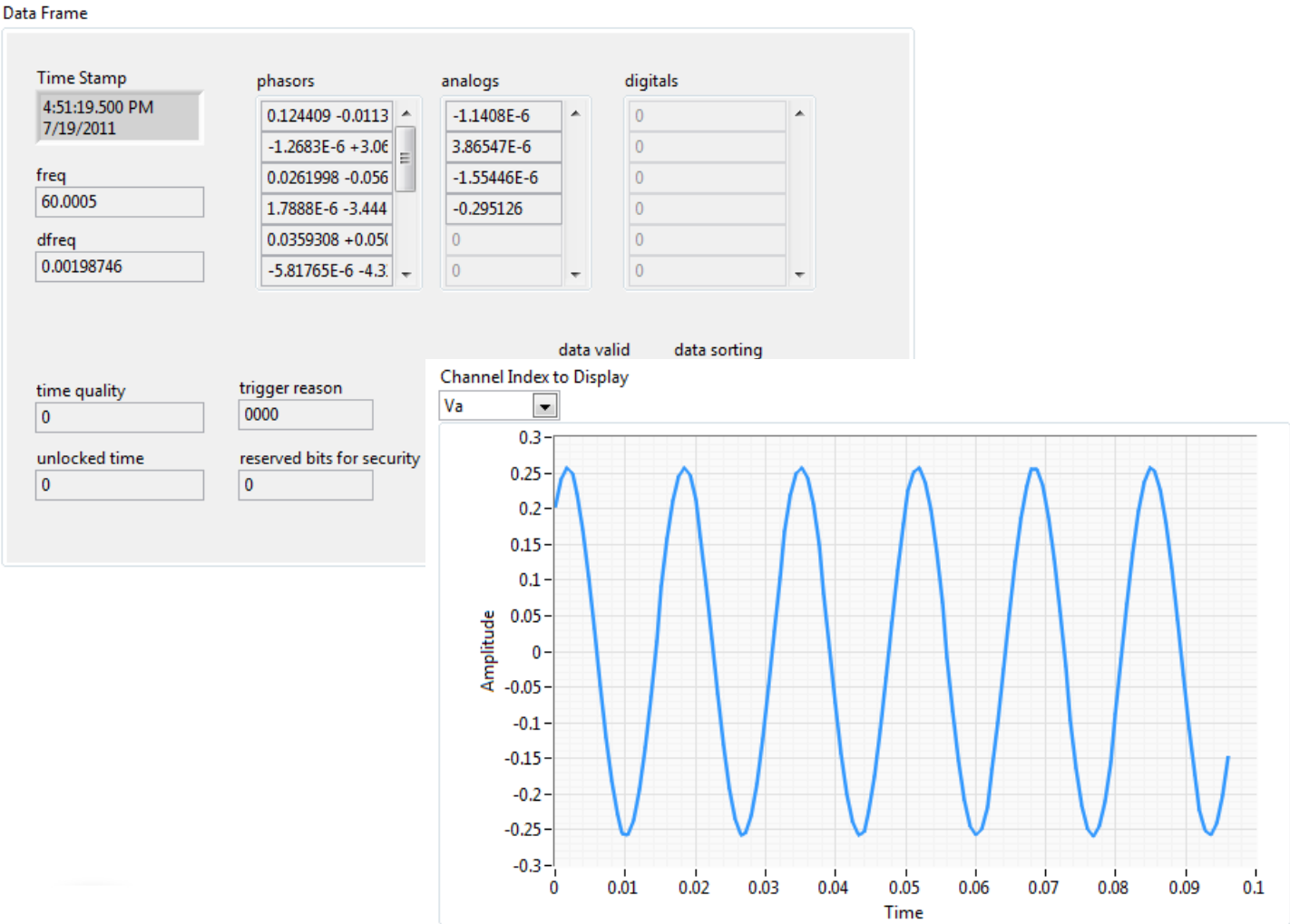


Phasor Measurement Unit (PMU) Toolkit

- IEEE C37.118.1 and C37.118.2
 - Measurement accuracy requirements
 - Communications protocol



Putting it all together





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Developing PMU Technology for Dynamic Conditions in Distribution Power Networks

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Outline

- Introduction
- PMU requirements for power distribution network applications
- Proposed algorithm for the synchrophasor estimation
- PMU prototype based on the NI Compact Rio
- Application examples and experimental activities
- Conclusions

Introduction

Evolution of distribution networks **passive** → **active**

- major changes in their **operational procedures**;
- main involved aspects is the **network monitoring**;
- massive use of advanced and smarter monitoring tools that result into faster and reliable **real-time state estimation**;
- **distributed measurement of synchrophasors** based on the use of phasor measurement units (**PMUs**).

PMU requirements for power distribution network applications

In transmission networks WAMS are typically based on the measurements of **bus voltages synchrophasors** realized by means of **Remote Terminal Units** typically synchronized by means of the **Universal Time Code – Global Positioning System**.

Peculiar characteristics of distribution networks

- high feeder impedances;
- low power flows values;
- high harmonic distortion levels.



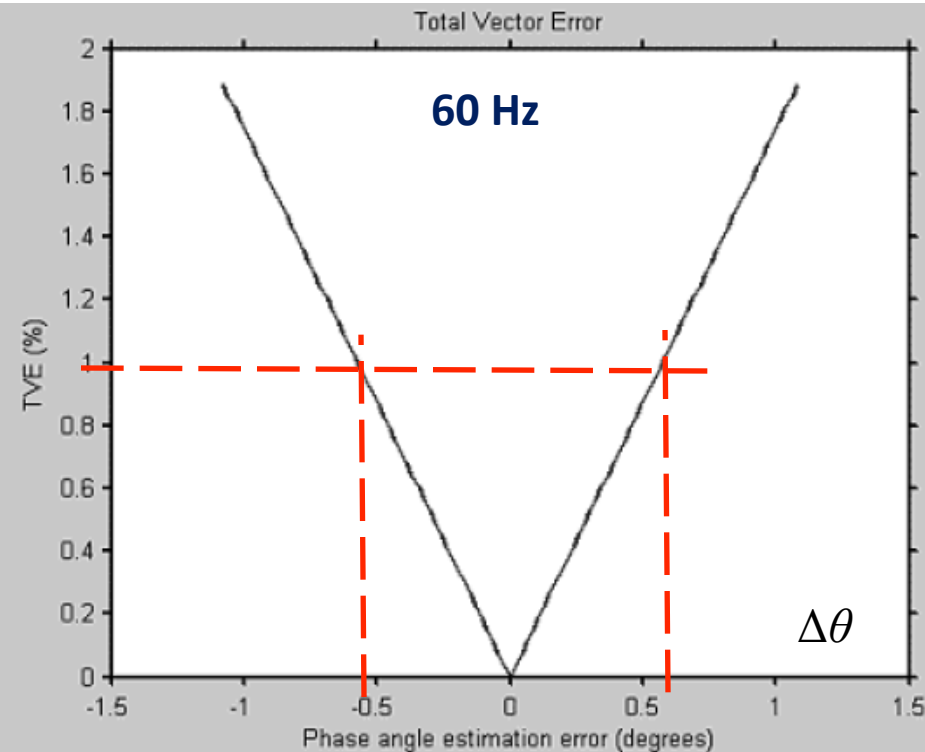
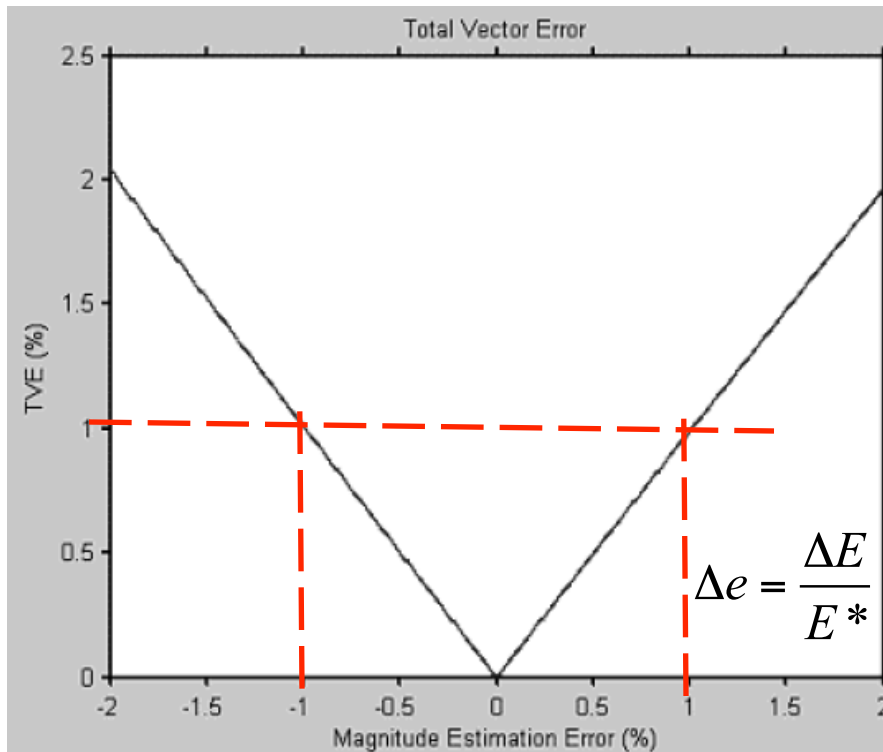
Improved accuracy of synchrophasors measurements

PMU requirements for power distribution network applications

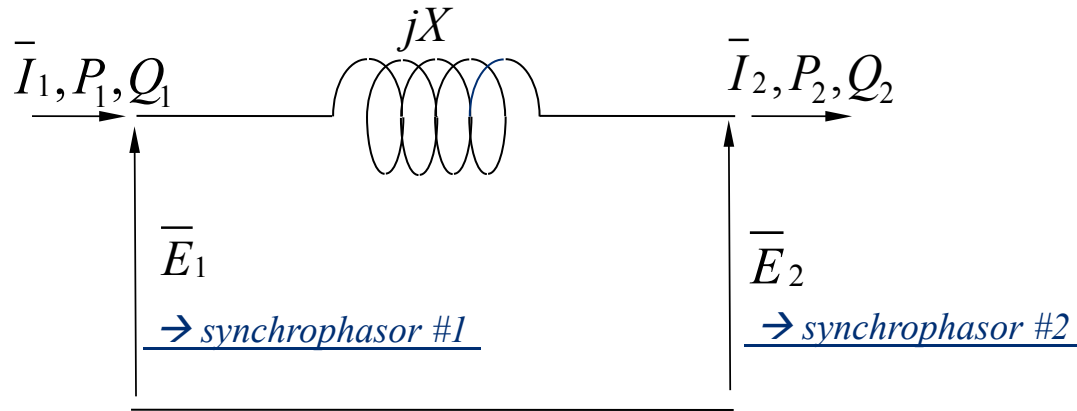
$$TVE = \sqrt{\frac{(X_r(n) - X_r)^2 + (X_i(n) - X_i)^2}{X_r^2 + X_i^2}}$$

Total Vector Error (TVE) (**):

magnitude of the difference between the theoretically true phasor and the estimated one, in per unit of the true phasor magnitude.



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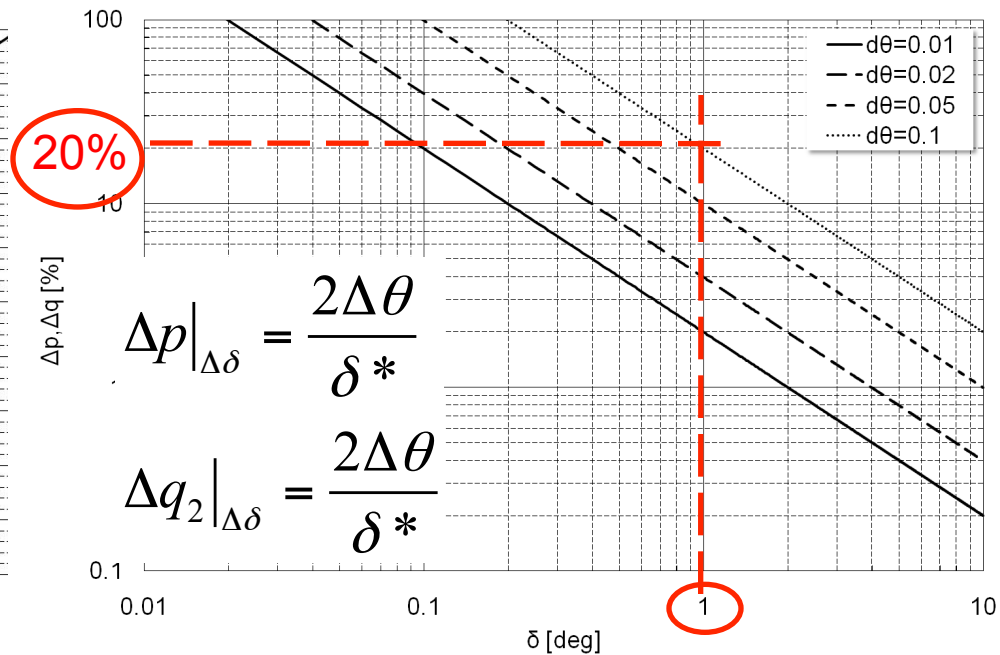
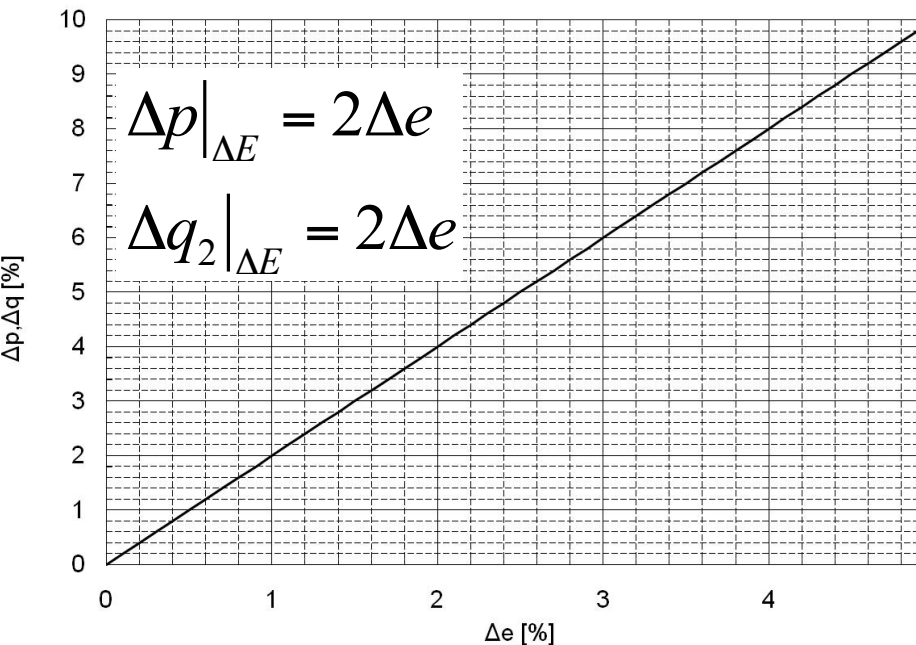


Estimated phasor errors:

RMS: ΔE

phase: $\Delta \theta$

phase angle difference
between phasors \bar{E}_1, \bar{E}_2 : δ
 $\rightarrow \Delta \delta = 2 \cdot \Delta \theta$



Proposed algorithm for the synchrophasor estimation

Structure of the developed algorithm for the synchrophasor estimation

- I. sampling of the waveforms (voltage/current), within a sliding-time window T (e.g. 80 ms, i.e. 4 cycles at 50 Hz), starting in correspondence of the trigger signal wave-front.
- II. Identification of the fundamental frequency tone within a specific frequency window Δf (i.e. $f_0 \pm \Delta f$).
- III. Reconstruction in time-domain of the identified fundamental frequency tone and improved estimation of the dynamic phasor amplitude, phase and frequency.

Proposed algorithm for the synchrophasor estimation

Input signal:

$$s(t) = \tilde{s} + \sum_{h=1}^n s_h \cos(h\omega_0 t + \varphi_h) + \varepsilon_t, \quad \tilde{s} = DC[s(t)]_{t \in [0, T]}, \quad \varepsilon_t = \text{Gaussian noise}$$

Discrete Fourier Transform

$$G(k\Delta f) = \sum_{h=1}^n s_h D_N[(k\Delta f - f_h)T], \quad \text{being } D_N(\vartheta) = \frac{\sin(\pi\vartheta)}{N \sin(\pi\vartheta/N)} e^{-\pi i \vartheta \frac{(N-1)}{N}}$$

Problems related to the identification of the fundamental frequency tone:

- a. leakage;
- b. identification of the correct frequency value that may fall between two subsequent frequency values provided by the DFT.

Proposed algorithm for the synchrophasor estimation

Problem a: simple solution by applying a proper windowing

$$G_H(k\Delta f) = \sum_{h=1}^n S_h H_N[(k\Delta f - f_h)T], \quad H_N(\vartheta) = \frac{1}{2} \left[D_N(\vartheta) - \frac{D_N(\vartheta+1) + D_N(\vartheta-1)}{2} \right]$$

Problem b:

$$f_0 = (m + \Delta bin) \Delta f, \quad 0 \leq \Delta bin \leq 1, \quad m \in \mathbb{N}$$

HP: since the number of samples N per time window T is very large ($f_{sampling} = 100 \text{ kHz} \gg f_0 = 50\text{-}60 \text{ Hz}$); \rightarrow the sine function in the denominator of the Dirichlet kernel $D_N(\vartheta)$ can be approximated by its argument and, also, the following approximation applies:

$$e^{-\pi i \frac{N-1}{N}} \approx -1 + i \frac{\pi}{N}$$

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These assumption led to a linear expression of $G_H(k\Delta f)$ that allows to express Δbin as:

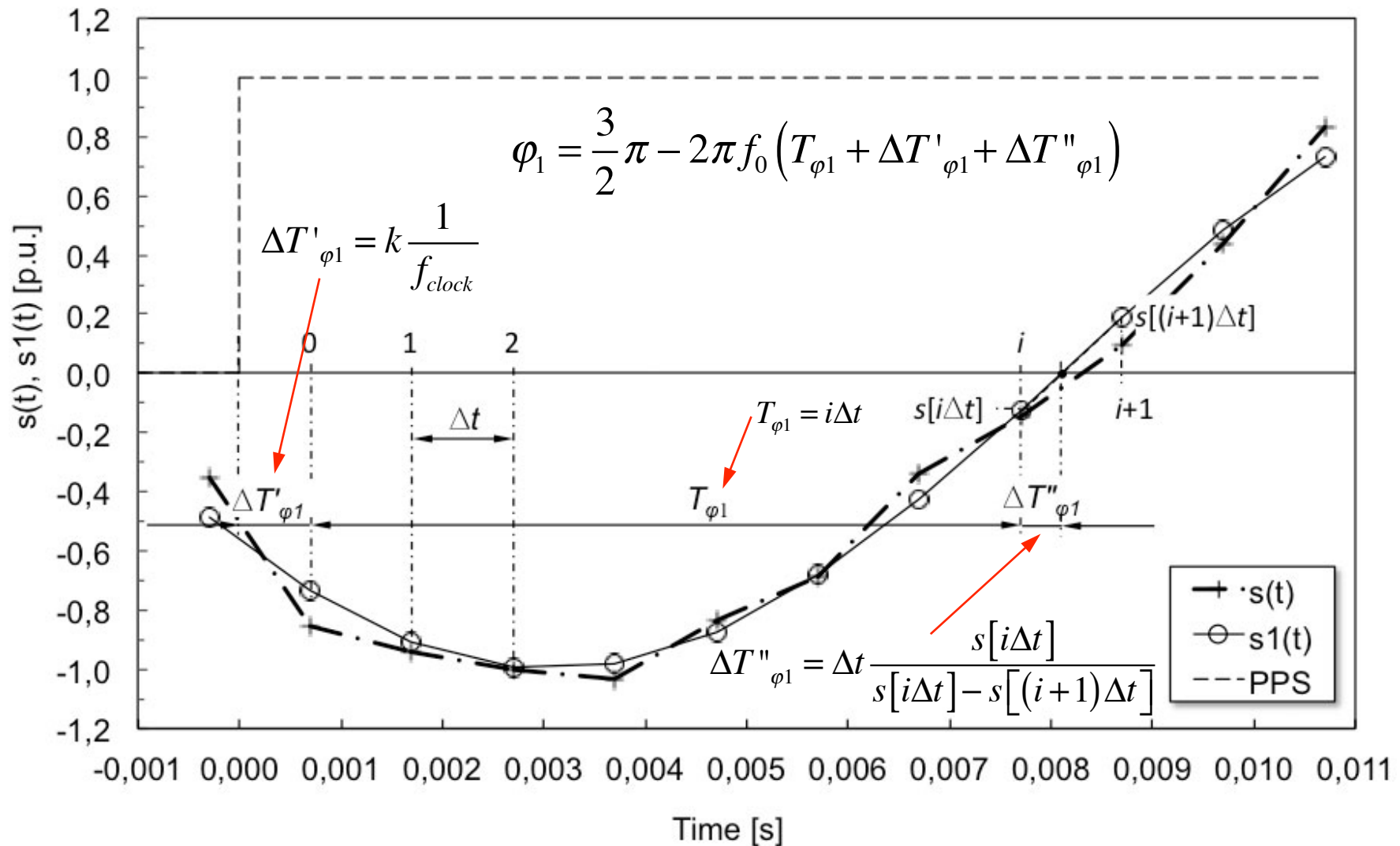
$$\Delta bin = \pm \frac{a - 2b}{a + b}$$

Where a e b are the highest and the second highest tone magnitudes in the discrete spectrum G_H . Once Δbin is known, the complex amplitude of the fundamental frequency tone S_1 at frequency f_0 is given by:

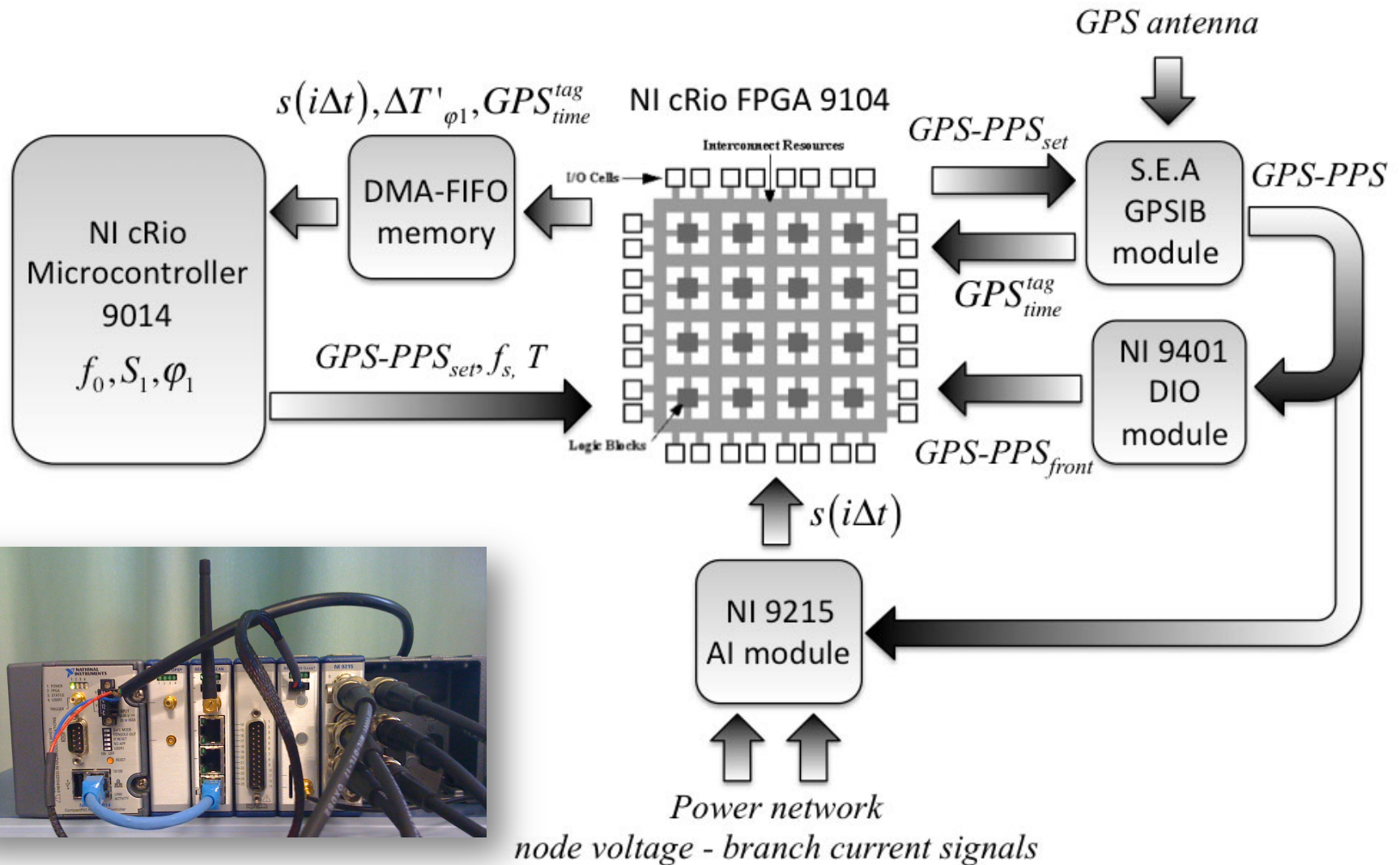
$$S_1 = \frac{2\pi \Delta bin (1 - \Delta bin)}{\sin(\pi \Delta bin)} e^{-\pi i \Delta bin} (1 + \Delta bin) G_H(m\Delta f)$$

The knowledge of f_0 and S_1 allows to reconstruct the fundamental frequency tone in the time domain in order to improve its phase estimation.

Proposed algorithm for the synchrophasor estimation

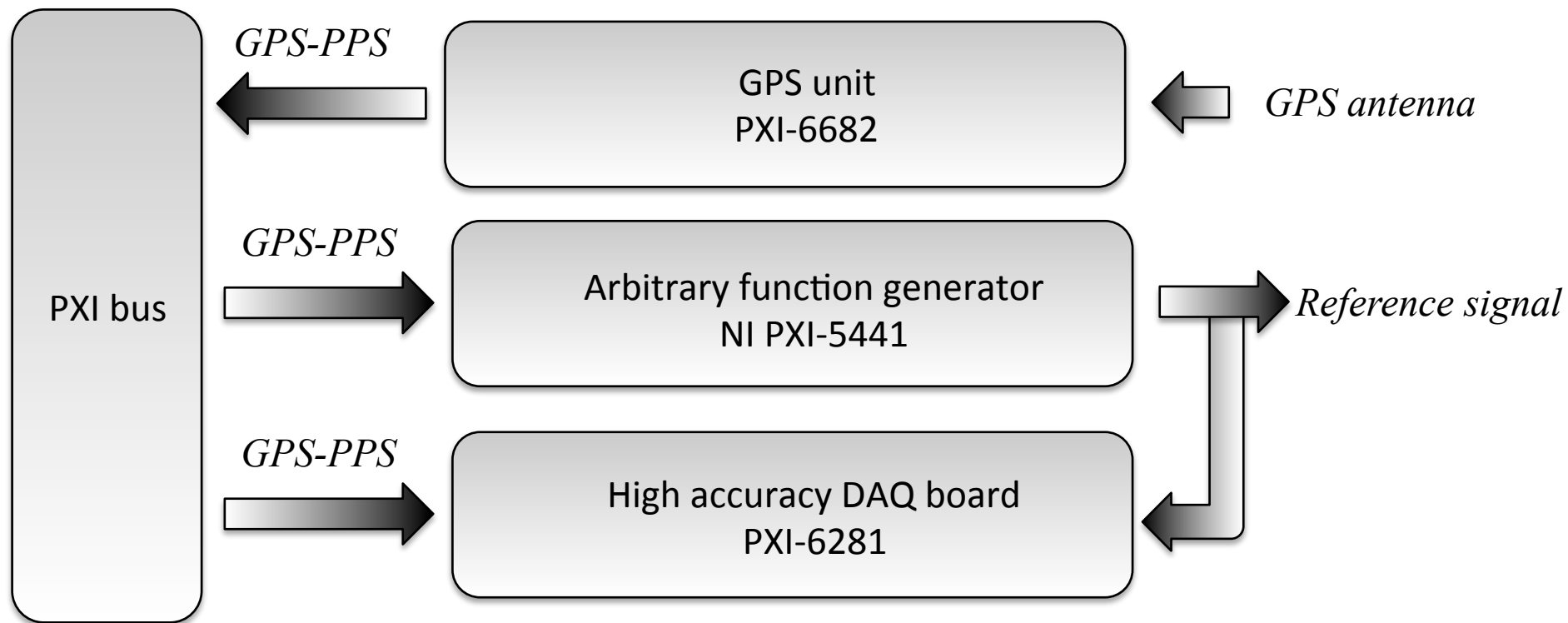


PMU prototype based on the NI Compact Rio



Application examples and experimental activities

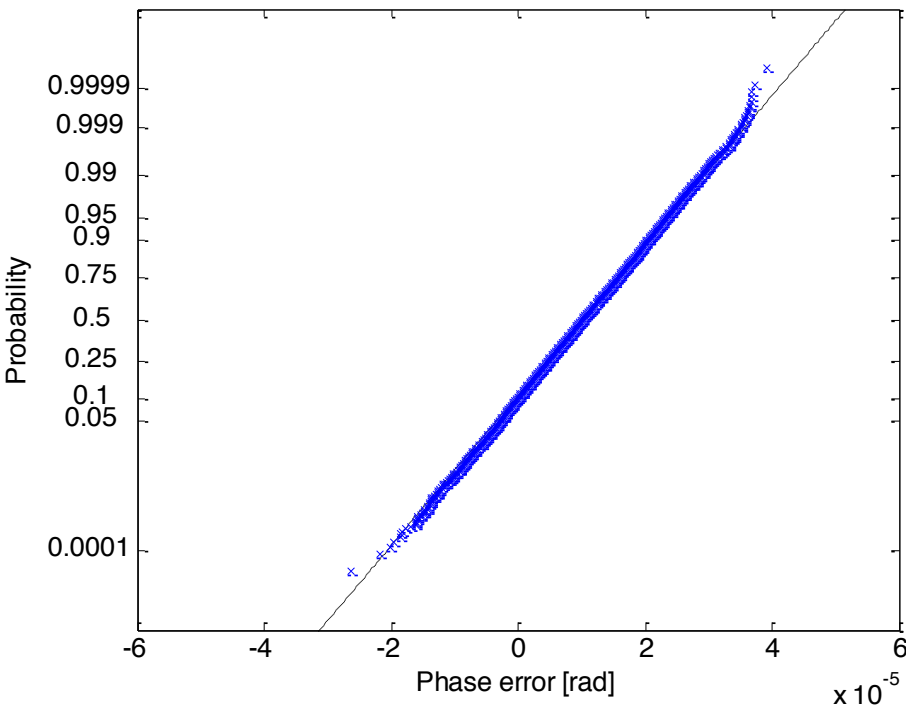
PXI-based system for the generation of reference signals used for the experimental characterization



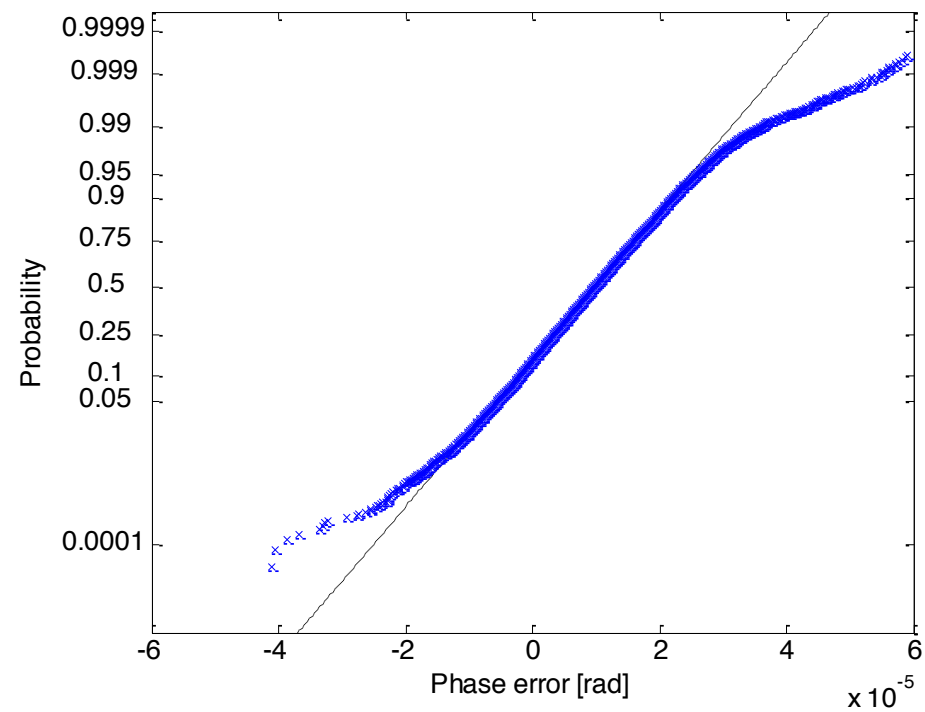
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Accuracy assessment with reference to steady-state signals (phase error)

Single tone signal
(50 Hz)



Distorted signal
(spectrum of std. EN 50160)



Application examples and experimental activities

Steady-state signals (single-tone and distorted)

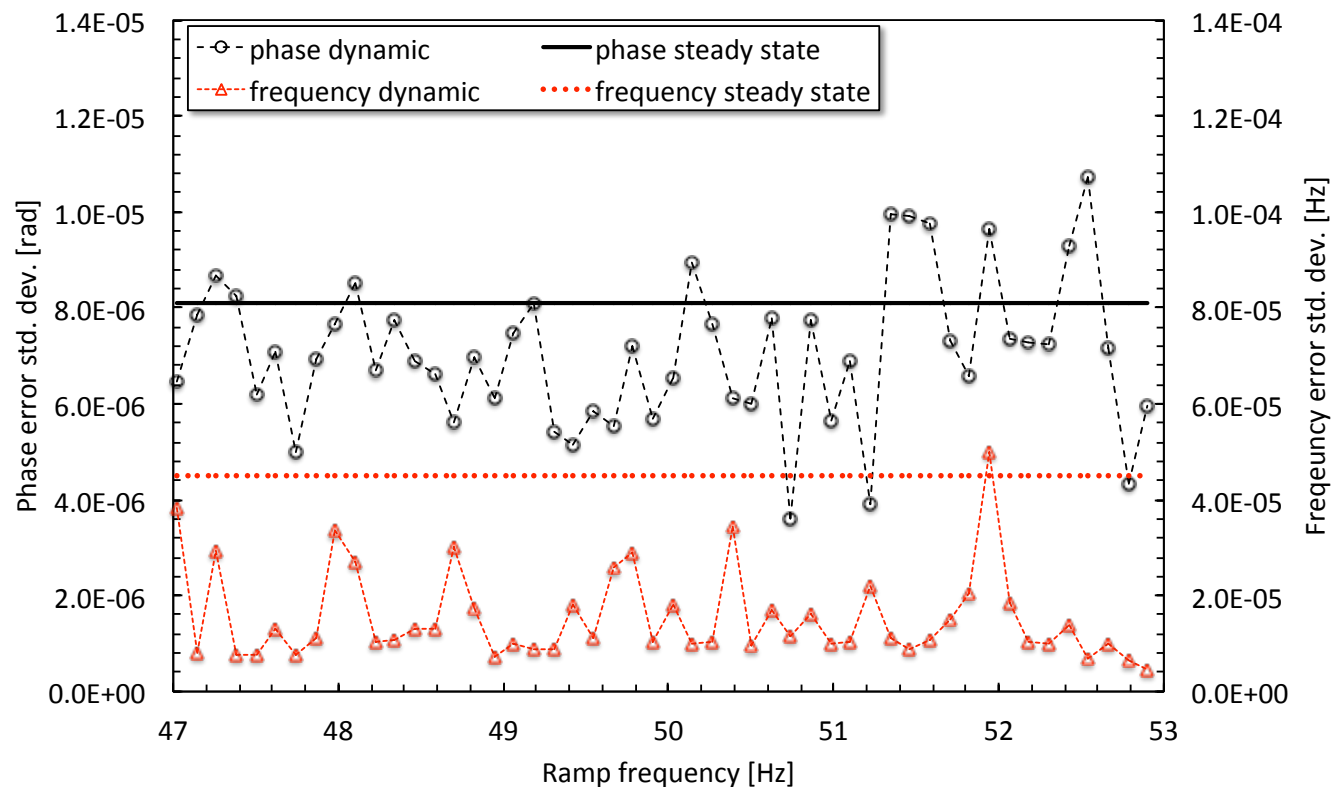
Quantity	Single tone signal	
	μ	σ
Phase error	$10.0 \cdot 10^{-6}$ [rad]	$8.1 \cdot 10^{-6}$ [rad]
RMS error	$120.0 \cdot 10^{-6}$ [p.u.]	$9.3 \cdot 10^{-6}$ [p.u.]
TVE	$117.0 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$9.3 \cdot 10^{-6}$
Frequency error	$20.0 \cdot 10^{-5}$ [Hz]	$4.5 \cdot 10^{-5}$ [Hz]

Quantity	Distorted signal	
	μ	σ
Phase error	$9.4 \cdot 10^{-6}$ [rad]	$9.9 \cdot 10^{-6}$ [rad]
RMS error	$250.0 \cdot 10^{-6}$ [p.u.]	$12.0 \cdot 10^{-6}$ [p.u.]
TVE	$250 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$12.0 \cdot 10^{-6}$
Frequency error	$20.0 \cdot 10^{-5}$ [Hz]	$3.8 \cdot 10^{-5}$ [Hz]

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Frequency-varying signals

Std.dev of the synchrophasor phase estimation with reference to
10 s frequency sweep ramp from 47 Hz to 53 Hz

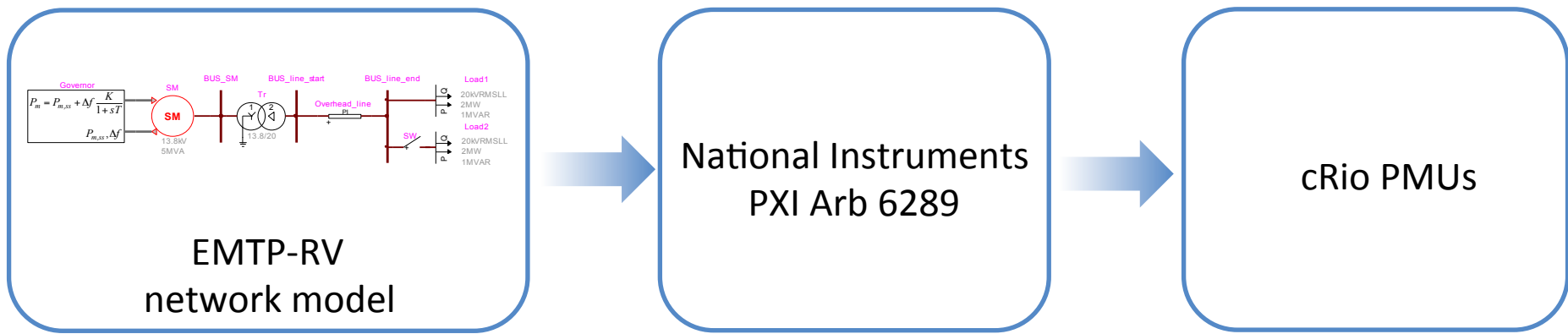


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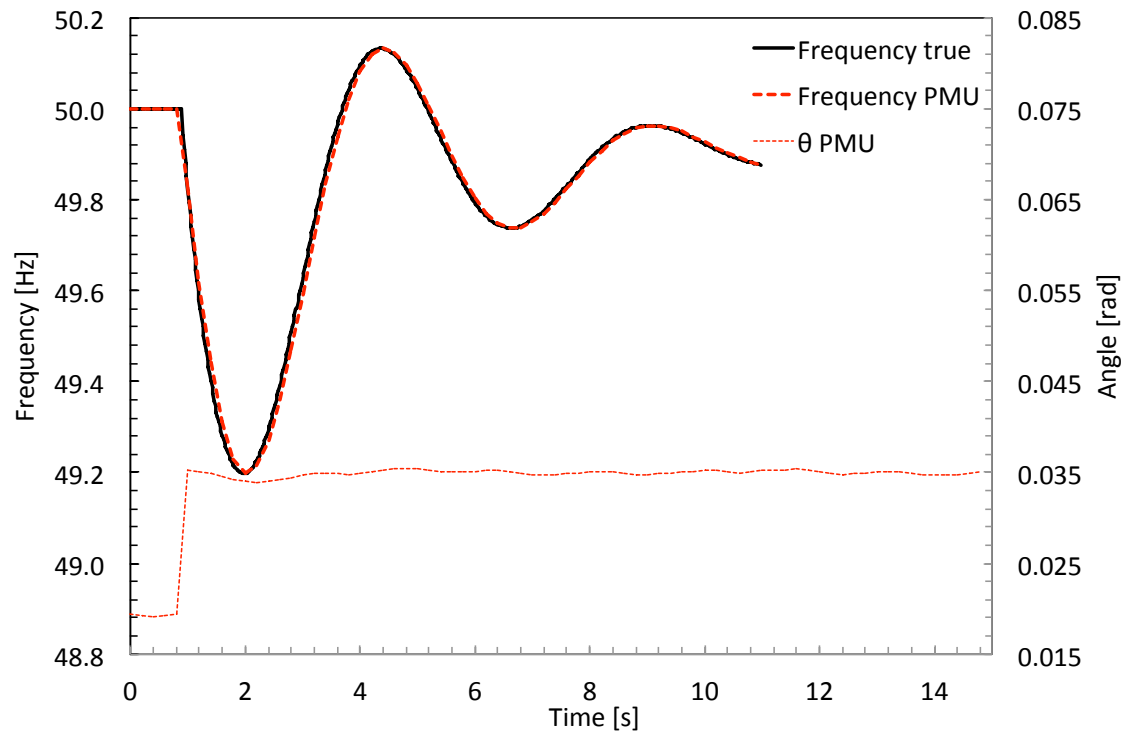
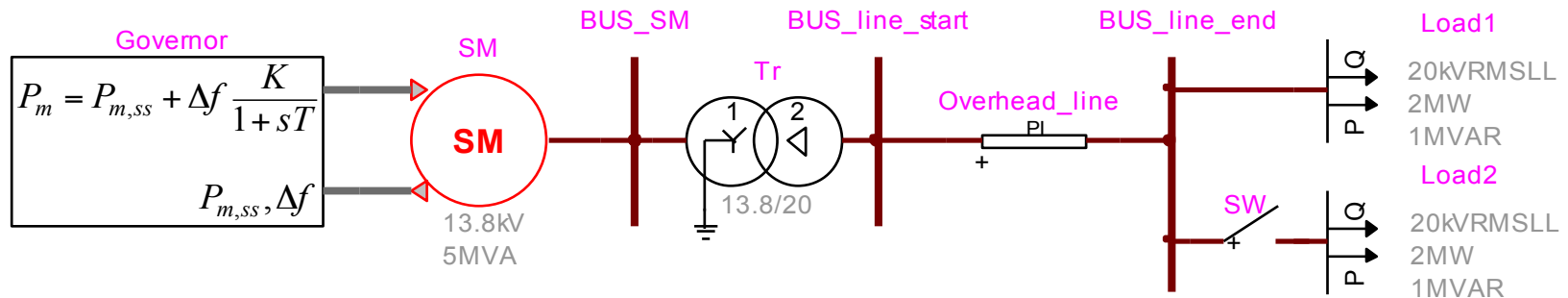
Accuracy assessment with reference to electromechanical transients

Procedure:

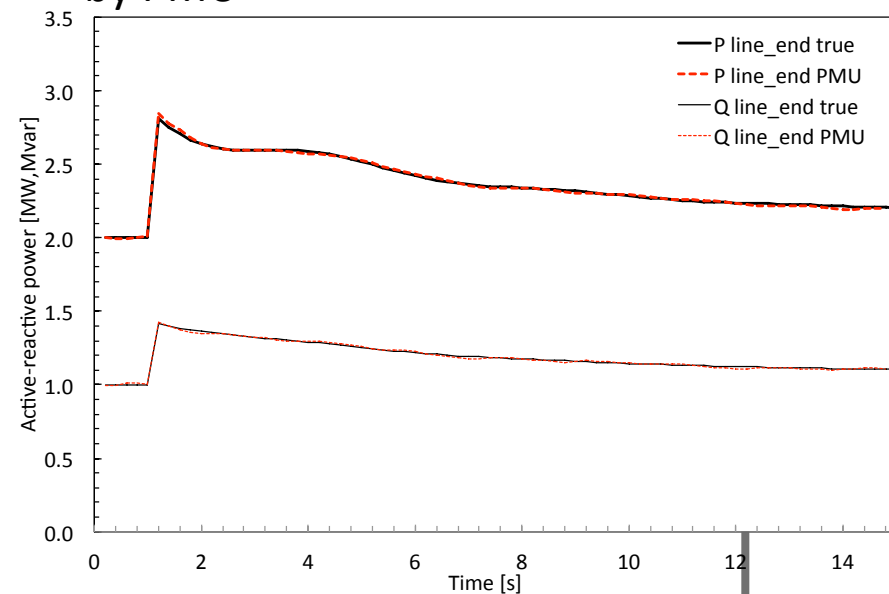
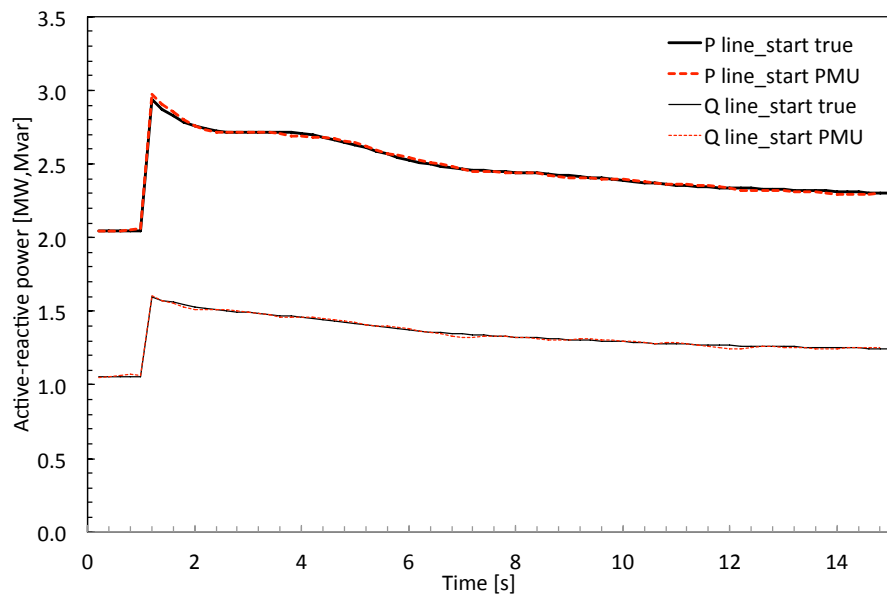
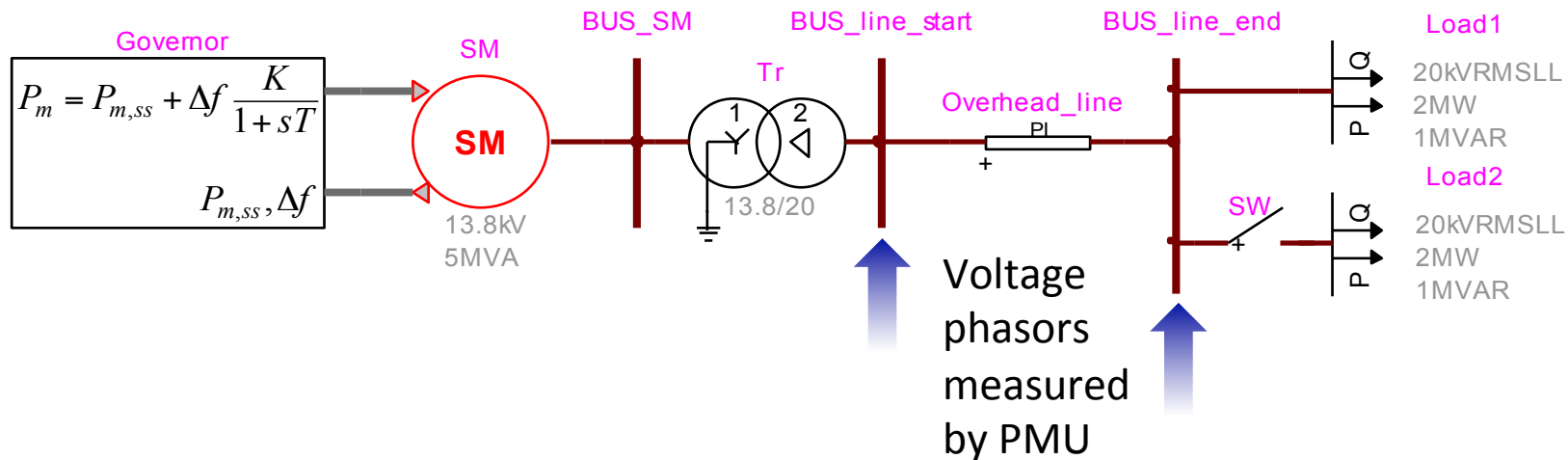
1. Calculation of signal waveforms (bus voltages) within the EMTP-RV environment;
2. analog-generation of fault transient waveforms by means of the PXI reference signal generator system.



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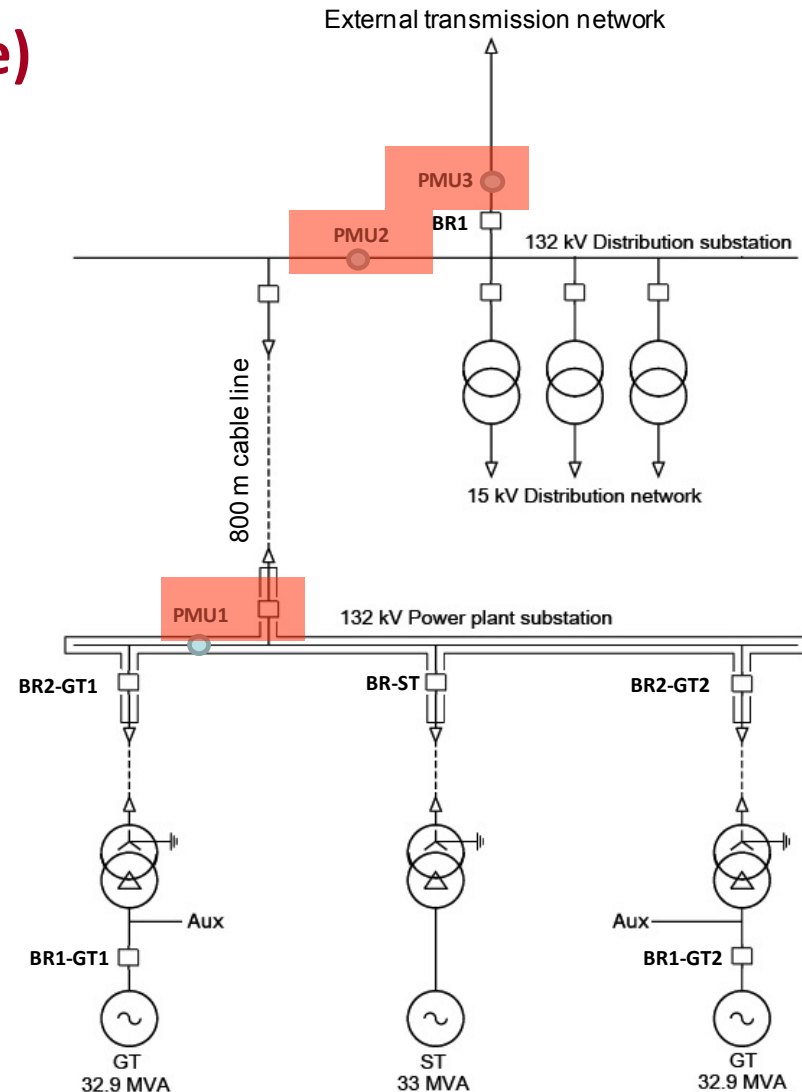
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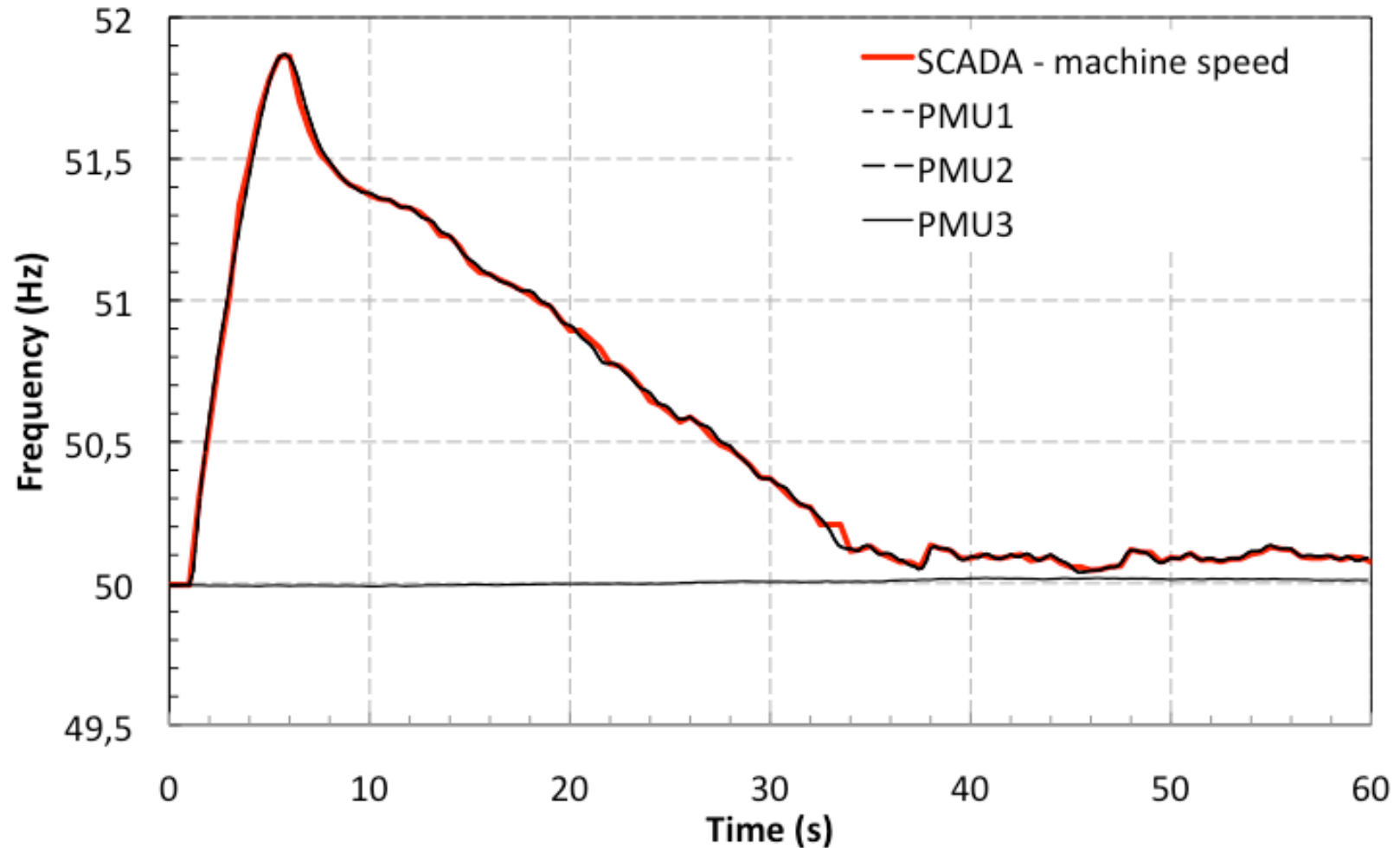
PMU application example (real scale)

- 80 MW power plant:
two aeroderivative gas turbine (GT) units
and a steam turbine unit (ST) in combined
cycle;
- PP connected to a 132 kV substation
feeding a urban medium voltage (MV)
distribution network;
- PP substation is linked, by means of a
cable line, to the 132 kV substation that
feeds 15 feeders of the local medium
voltage (15 kV) distribution network and
provides also the connection with the
external transmission network throughout
circuit breaker BR1.



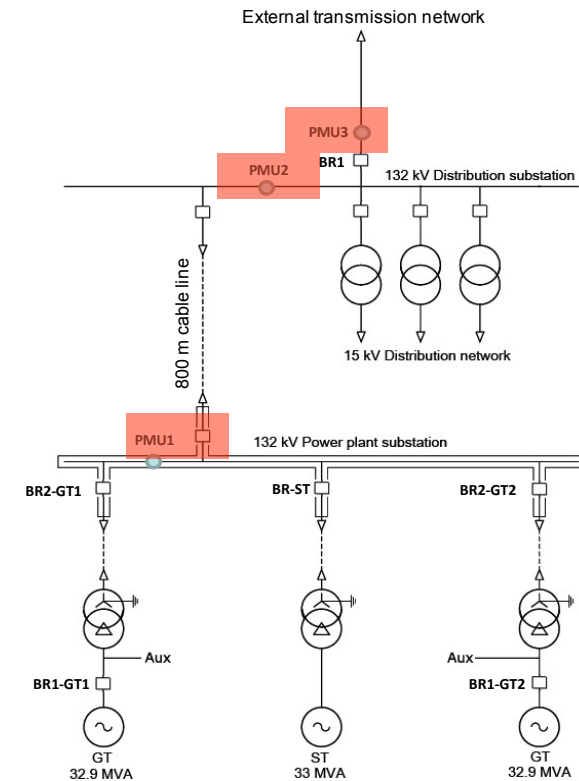
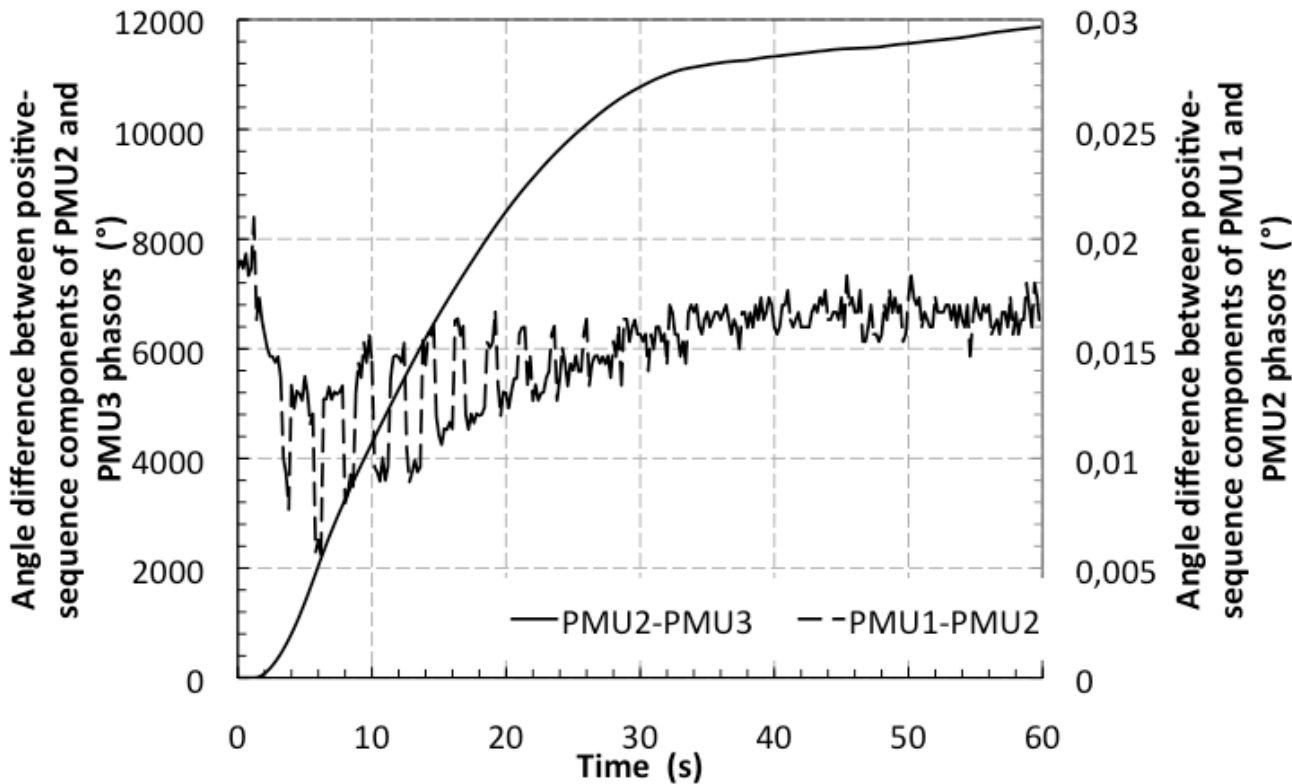
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Distribution network frequency transient after the islanding



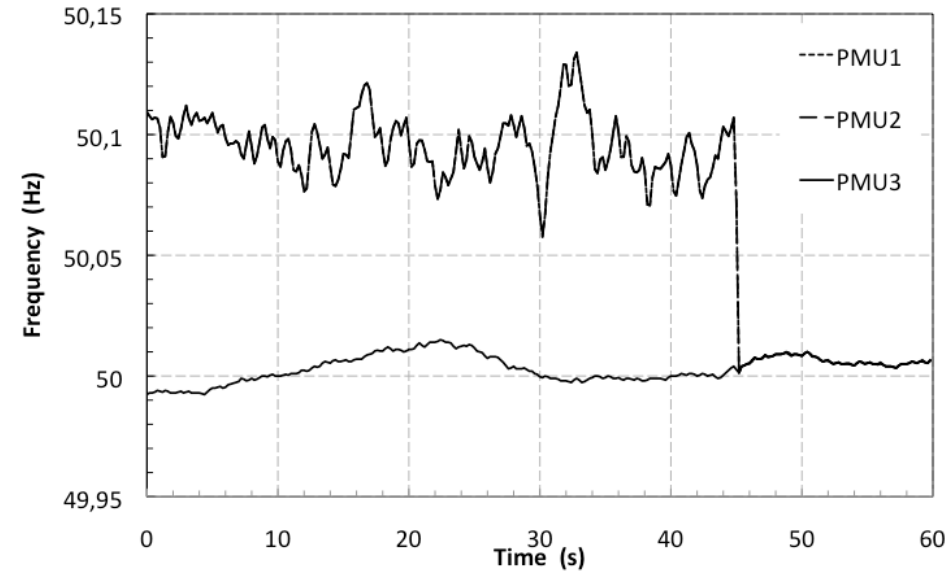
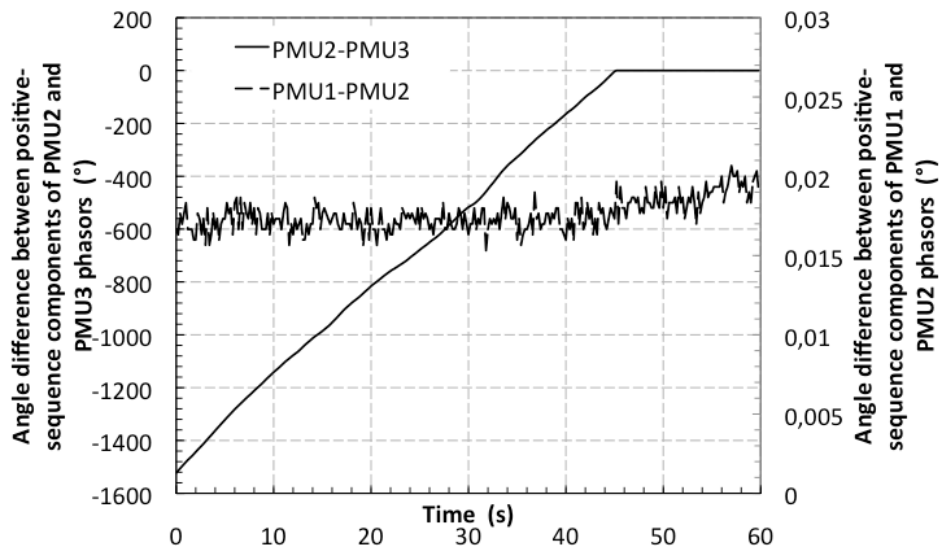
Application examples and experimental activities

Distribution network voltage phasors angles differences during the islanding



Application examples and experimental activities

Islanded network voltage phasors during the reconnection with the external grid



Conclusions

- The use of PMUs in active distribution networks requires the definition of improved performances of these devices compared to those available in the international standard (e.g. IEEE C37.118).
- The developed PMU prototype based on the NI cRio architecture allows to:
 - i) identify the fundamental frequency tone with accuracy levels adequate for distribution network applications;
 - ii) obtain accuracy levels not influenced by the harmonic distortion of the analysed signals and by their time-varying characteristics.



Creating PQA and PMU Devices for Smart Grids

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ELCOM Fact Sheet

- Founded in 1990
- Based in Czech Republic
- 137 employees
- Annual revenue 16mil €
- Core business is electrical engineering and test & measurement

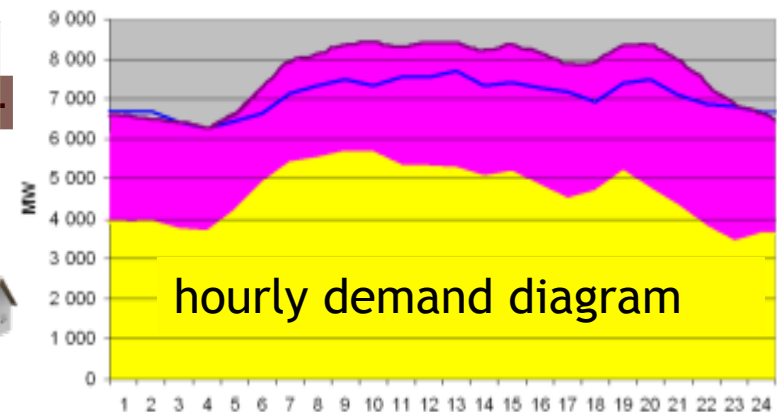
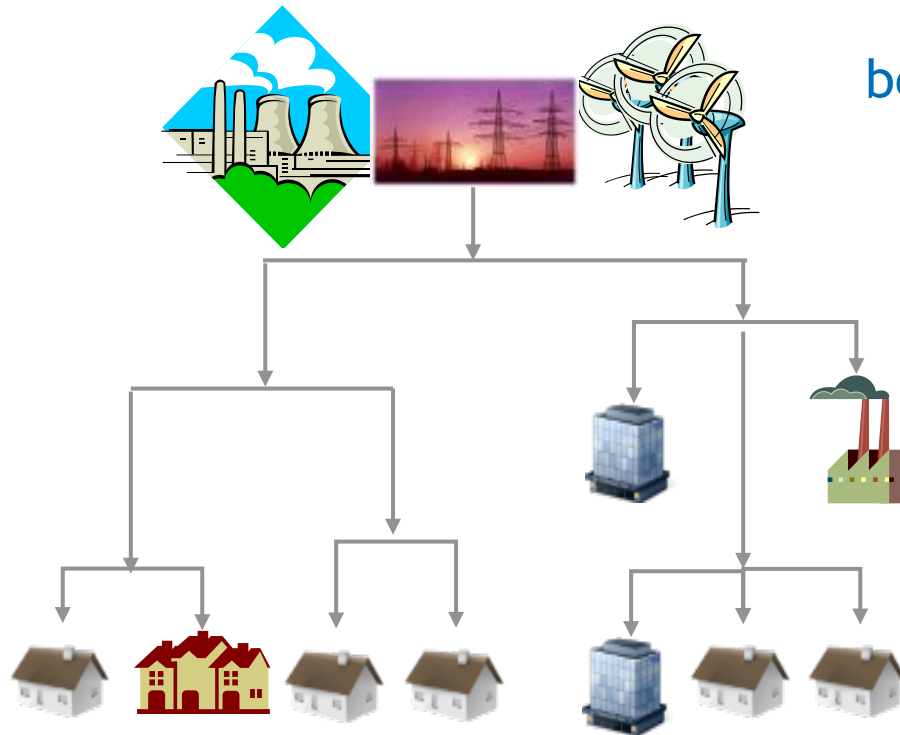


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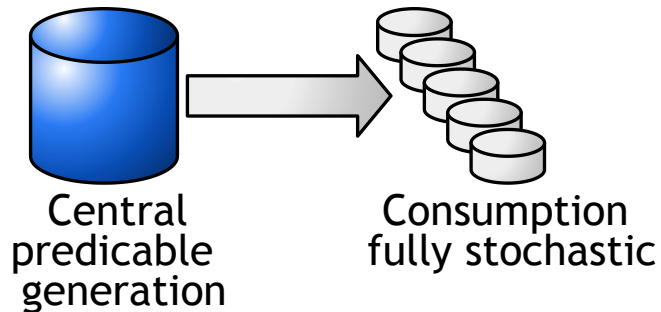
- Turnkey Solutions and Products
 - Functional Testers
 - **Power Quality Analyzers, PMUs**
 - Lean Assembly Lines
 - Electrical Drives
 - Special Power Supplies
 - Power Filters and Compensators
- Custom Solutions
 - Laboratory Automation
 - Test & Measurement Software Development
 - Special Electronic and Mechanical Components

Electrical System Stability

There must exist balance
between generated energy and
energy demand at any time

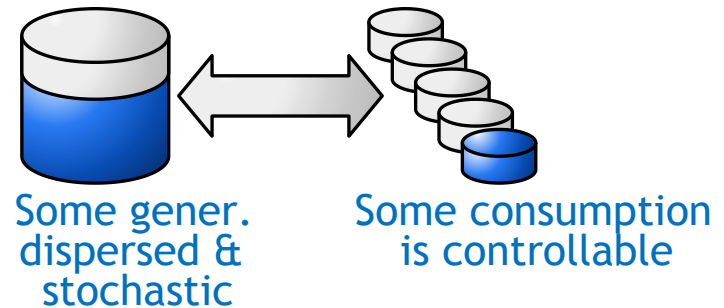


Traditional Power Network vs. Smart Distribution Grid



20-th century

power generation is controllable whereas the power consumption is unpredictable



21-st century

part of power generation is clearly unpredictable (renewable power sources) and therefore a part of power consumption should be controllable.



Why Do We Need Smart Grids?

- To handle intermittent energy sources from sun and wind. (Environmental targets)
- To accommodate a greater emphasis on demand response
- To support plug-in hybrid electric vehicles (PHEVS) - new significant load
- To handle distributed generation and storage capabilities.



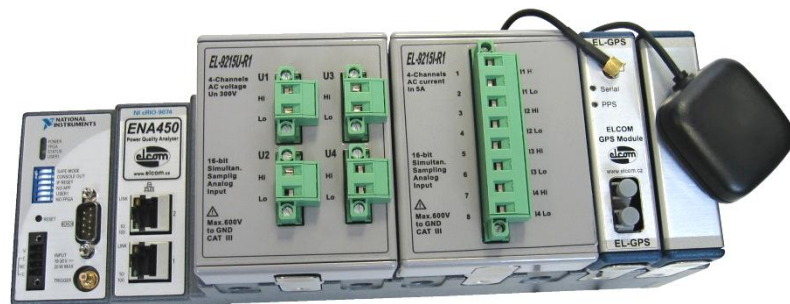
15 years of PQ Analyzers Design and Development at ELCOM

- From the very beginning till now the instrument firmware is fully written in LabVIEW
- From the very beginning till now the NI DAQ boards are used (ISA, PCI, USB, C series for cRIO)
- From the very beginning till now we produce PC-based PQ analyzers
- In 2005 we started to use cRIO and later sb-RIO platform too



ELCOM NI-based PQ Analyzers

ENA450



ENA440



ENA460

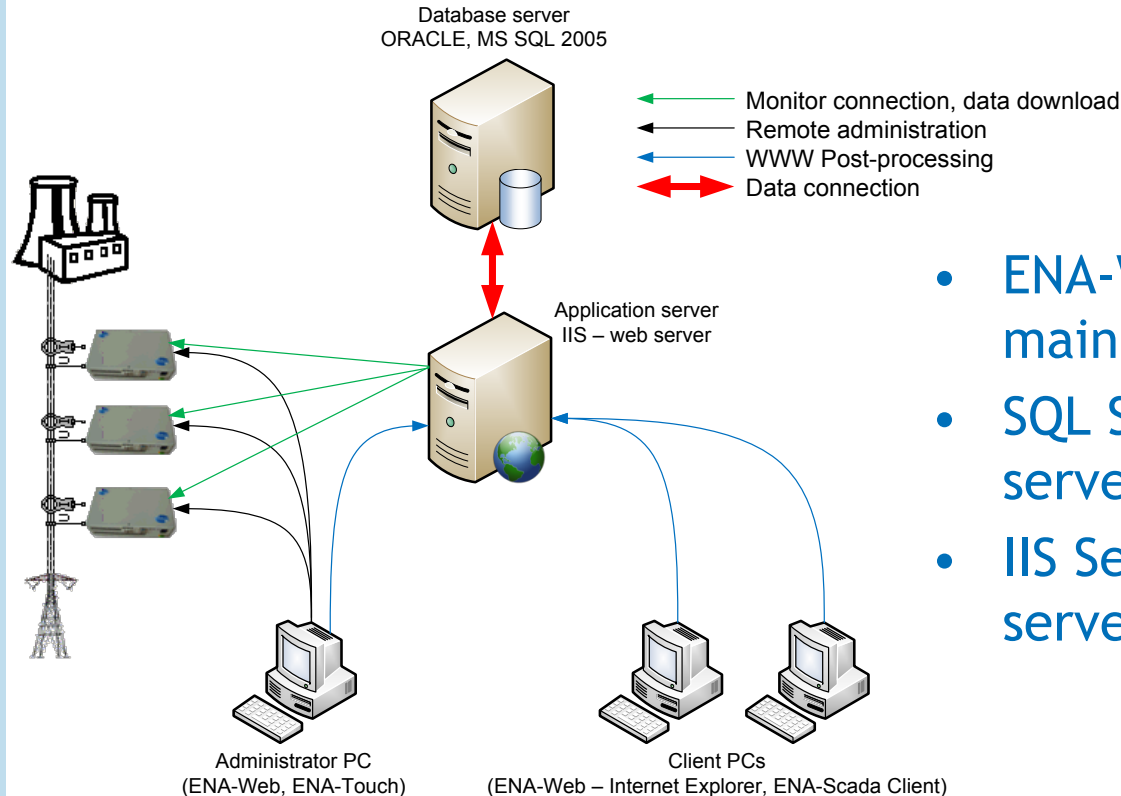


ENA330



All ELCOM's PQA are compliant with IEC 61000-4-30 class A

Distributed PQA System Components



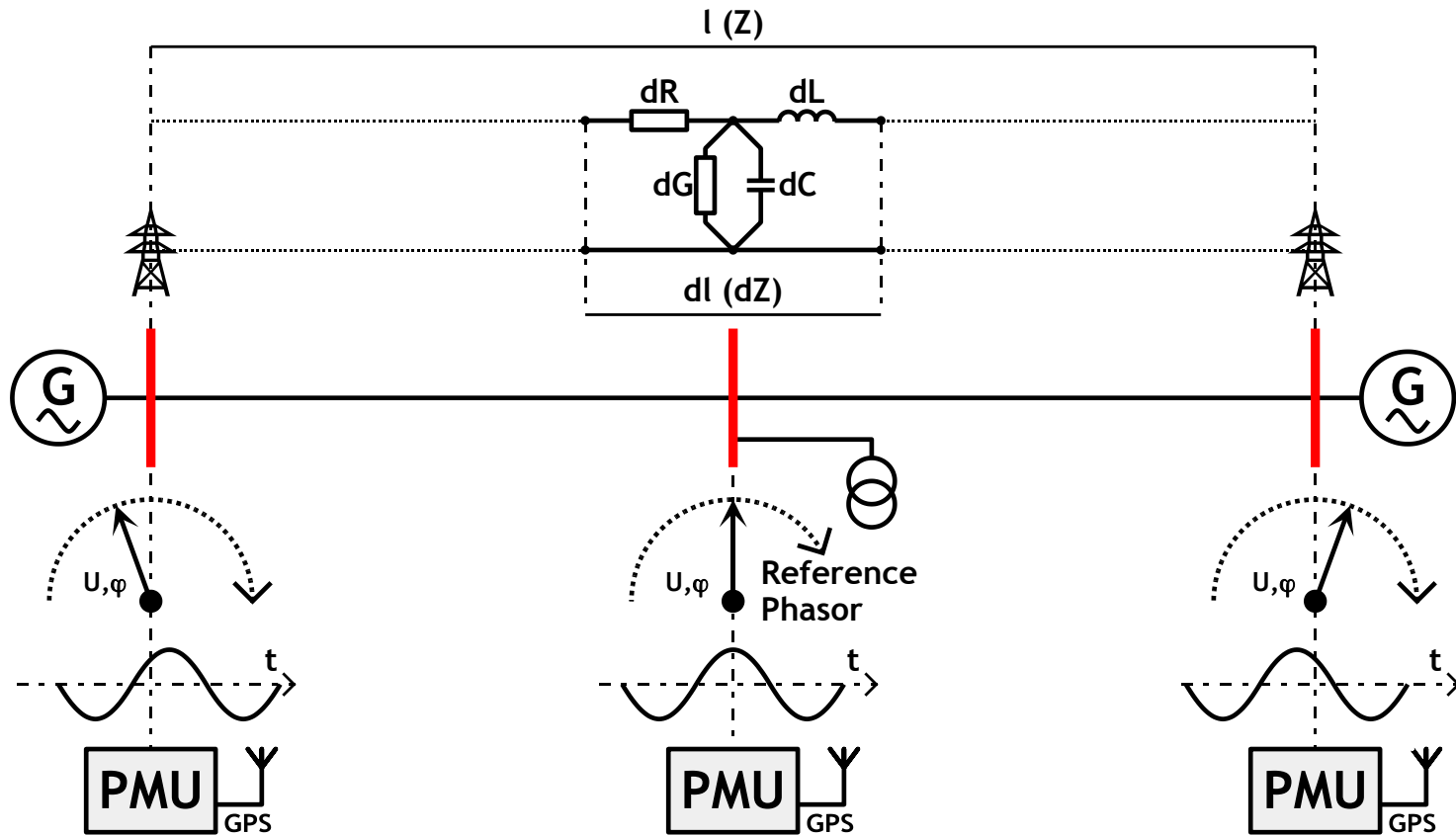
- ENA-Web PostProcessing - main application
- SQL Server - database server
- IIS Server - internet www server



Why to Measure Synchronous Phase

- The phase position of AC voltages and currents in different parts of an electric power system determines the stability and the dynamic performance of the system.
- PMU's are used for Wide Area Monitoring Systems (WAMS). The WAMS supports utilities in making optimal usage of the transmission grid capacity with regard to active power flow and voltage profile.
- Real-time information from WAMS gives early warning of power system disturbances that, if left unattended, could cascade into system wide blackouts

Synchronous Phase Measurements





PMUs

- PMU provides synchronized measurement of U and I signals on different locations, analyses state and dynamic changes for U phasors, I phasors, and frequency.
- Synchronized measurements make possible to directly measure phase angles between corresponding phasors in different locations within the power system.
- Measurements include a time stamp that provides an easy method of correlating values from different locations that take different amounts of time to arrive at a common collection point - Phase Data Concentrator (PDC).



PMU Standardization

- PMU must meet IEEE Std C37.118-2005
- This standard covers synchronized phasor measurement in electric power systems, defines steady state performance and data transmission format for real-time reporting
- In 2011 will be released:
 - C37.118.1 definition of 2 types of PMU classes: P protection and M measurement/monitoring with regard to reporting latency included definition of dynamic behavior requirements
 - C37.118.2 description of communication protocol
 - Testing, calibration, installation guides IEEE PC37.242



ELCOM sbRIO based PMU ENA460



- NI sbRIO-9612 based
 - Aluminum case, DIN rail mountable
 - Sampling rate 12kS/s
 - 4 voltage inputs 75/150/300/600V, 4.2kV isolation, 600kOhm
 - 4 current inputs 1A, 5A, 4.2kV isol.
 - 0.1% TVE precision
 - 8 digital inputs
 - Up to 16 GB of CF data storage
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- Advanced corrections of PTs and VTs errors
 - Optionally PMU can calculate P,Q
 - Communicates with more PDCs concurrently
 - Can work as PQA



From PC-based PMU to sbRIO-based PMU





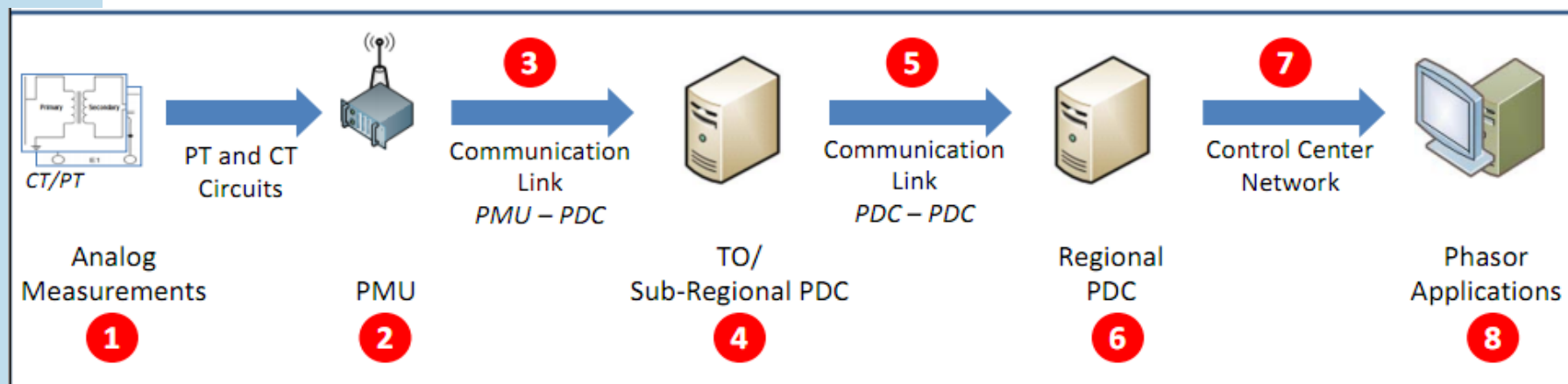
ENA510 - Latest Model of Portable PQA/PMU



- Portable analyzer with two three-phase voltage/current systems and embedded touch screen
- 8 voltage inputs up to 600 V RMS; 8 current inputs using current clamps; 4,2kV isolation
- 16 digital inputs, external GPS receiver
- Uses two NI sbRIO-9612 and one industrial PC with display
- Works as PQ meter and PMU together

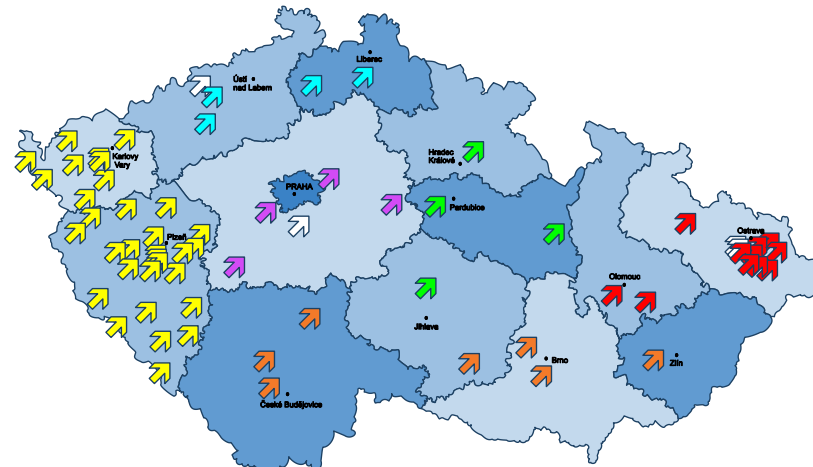
Communication infrastructure at WAMS systems

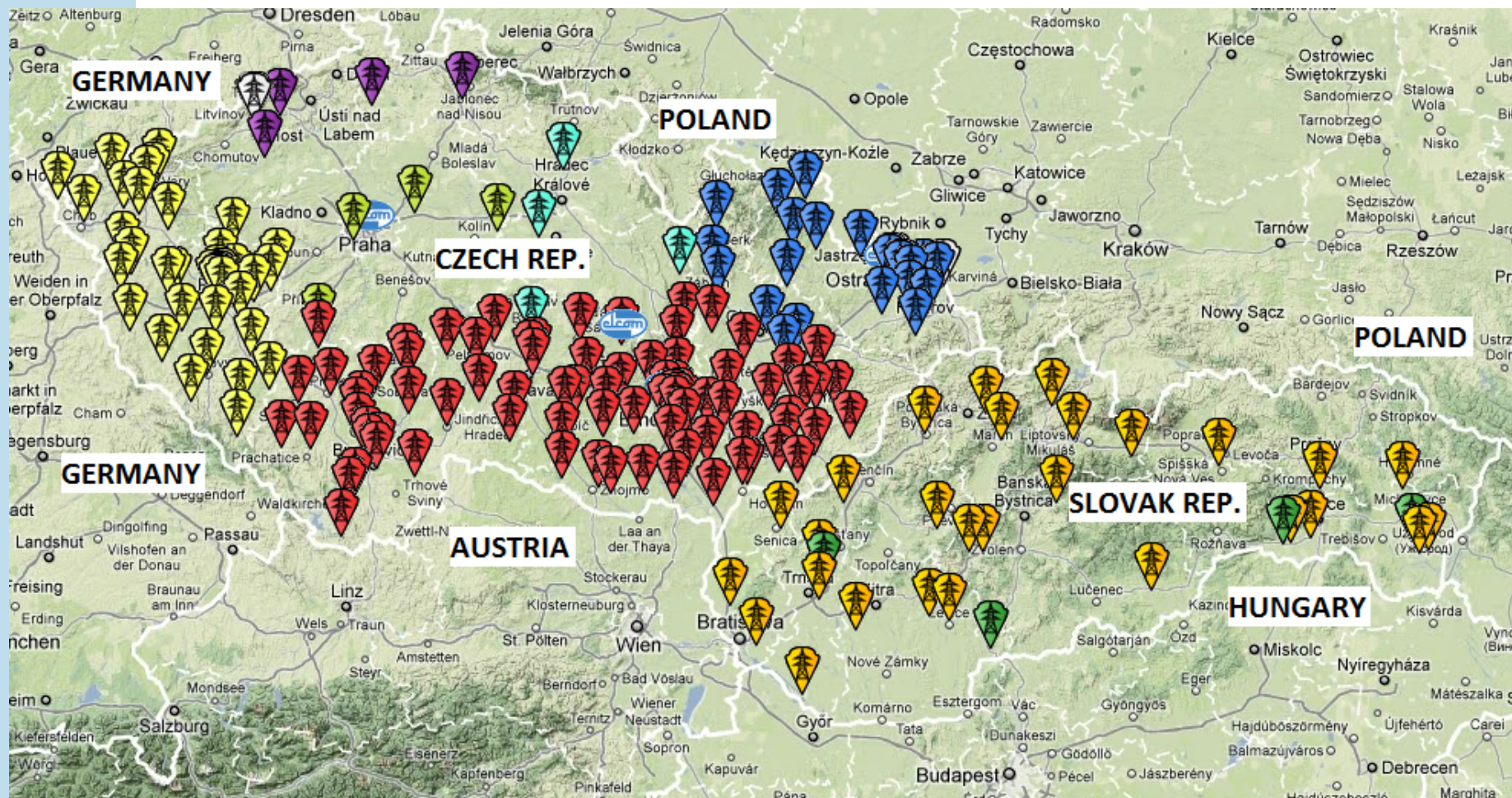
- Ethernet is the most common way used for communication
- Transport delay between data acquisition and data processing at central server is in tens or maximum hundreds of milliseconds. **SF data are time synchronized!**



Successful stories

- CEZ Distribution Network Operator
 - 45 multi-system PQAs, 146 monitored 3~ systems
 - 42 single-system PQAs
- E.ON Czech Republic
 - 34 single-system PQAs
- CEPS Czech Transmission Network Operator
 - 2 PMU test project
- SEPS Slovak Transmission Network Operator
 - 36 single and multi system PQAs, 54 monitored 3~ systems
 - 2 portable PMUs, 4 PMUs for fixed installation
- Slovak Technical University
 - 2 portable PMUs







Thank you for your attention !

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