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# Smart Transmission Grids Operation and Control

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**NTNU – Trondheim**  
Norwegian University of  
Science and Technology

# Project partners



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Institute of Physical Energetics

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- Project objectives, drivers, ambitions and overview
- Nordic collaboration through common research platform
- Examples on application developments

# Smart Transmission Grids Operation and Control



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– And co-funded by Nordic TSOs and DSOs

- **Objectives:**

- Support the development of better **tools for operation and control** of power grids
- Create innovative **applications** that will enable more reliable operation and control of the Nordic power grid and with better information about security margins.
- Develop a **research platform** and software interfaces (software and hardware) for application prototyping and testing
- Identify **technology gaps** and limitations that need to be addressed in the future **as an input to roadmaps** for smart grid and integration of renewable energies.

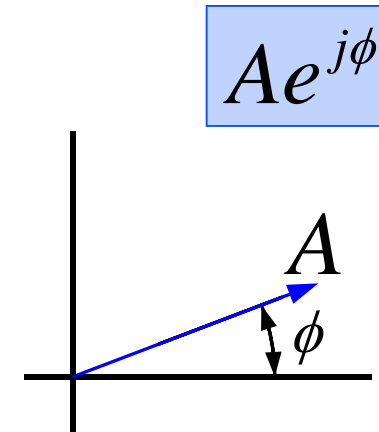
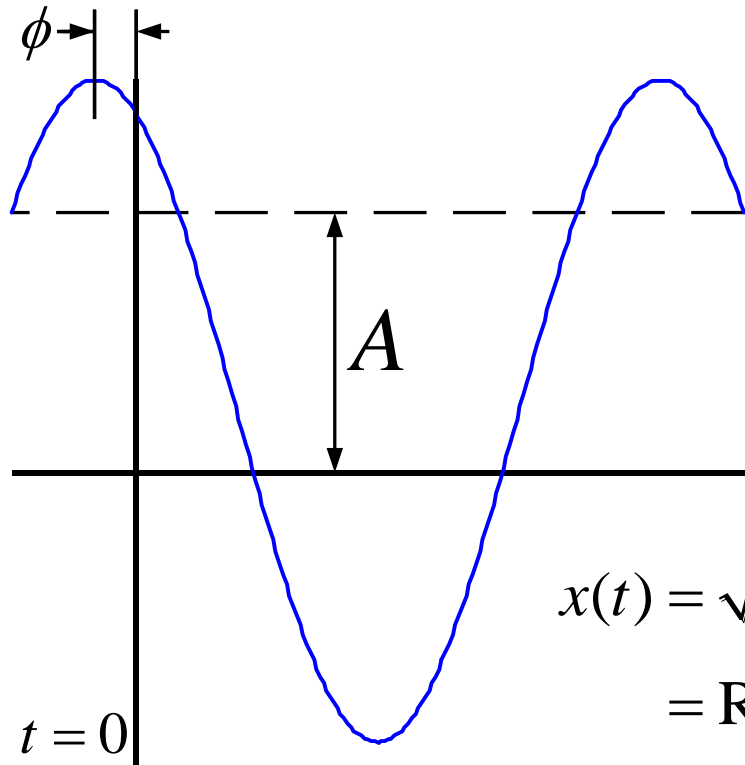
# More extremes!

- Trends:
  - Faster and larger changes in operation
  - More variability and uncertainty
  - Less predictability → ***Less time to take decisions***
- Operators need new tools!
  - More real-time information, higher resolution and synchronised measurements
  - Need for more automatic control
- New technology is available
  - New possibilities..

# Project goals

- Create innovative *applications* that will enable operation and control of the Nordic power grid more reliably and with better information about security margins.
  - **Emphasis on PMU/WAMS as an enabler of Smart Grids**
- Develop a *research platform* comprised by a power systems emulator (software and hardware labs), PMUs, PDCs and specialized software.
  - **Create a “Nordic University Cluster”**
- Develop a set of *software interfaces* allowing PMU-data application development, and implementation.

# What is a phasor ?

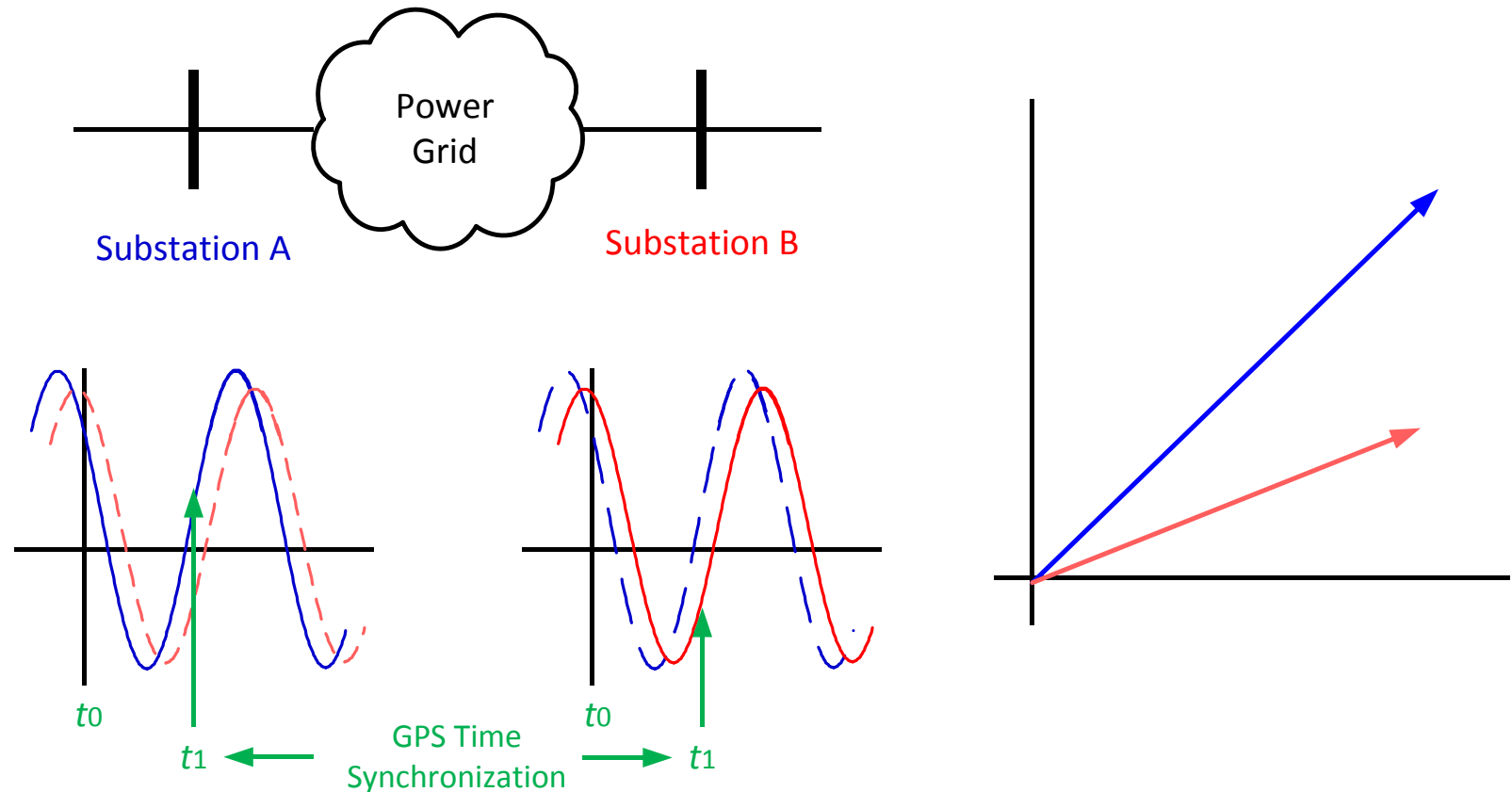


$$x(t) = \sqrt{2}A \cos(2\pi \cdot 50 \cdot t + \phi)$$
$$= \text{Re}\{\sqrt{2}Ae^{j\phi}e^{j\omega t}\} \quad \omega = 2\pi \cdot 50$$

Phasor representation of a sinusoidal wave form

- The starting time defines the phase angle of the phasor.
- This is arbitrary.
- However, differences between phase angles are independent of starting time.

# Synchronized Phasor Measurements

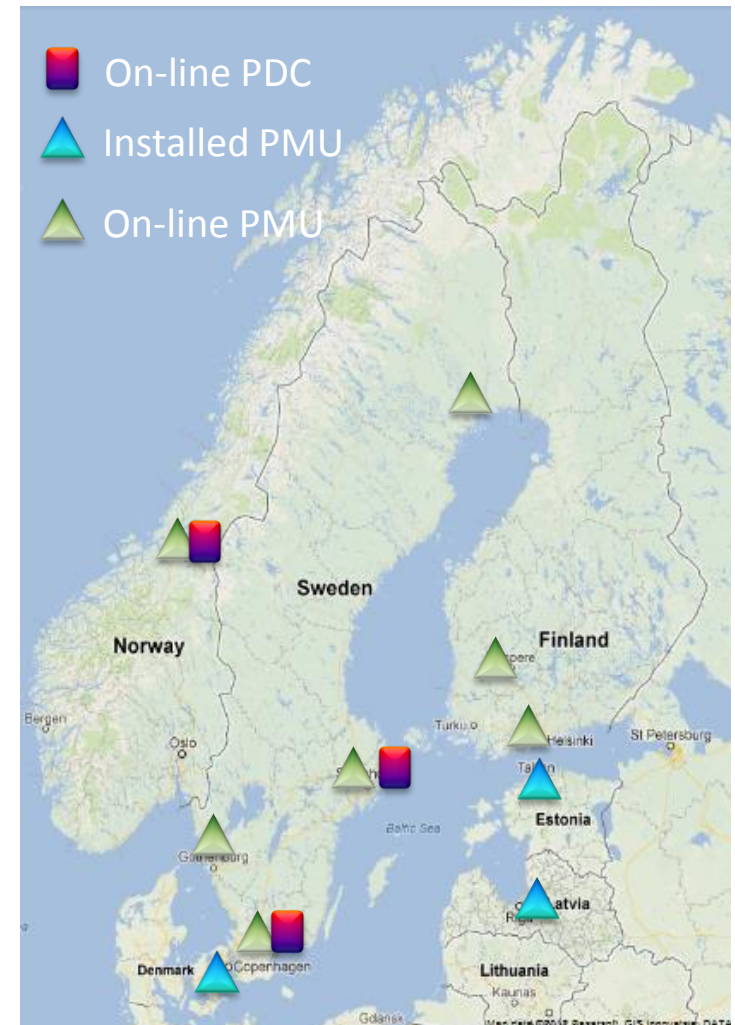
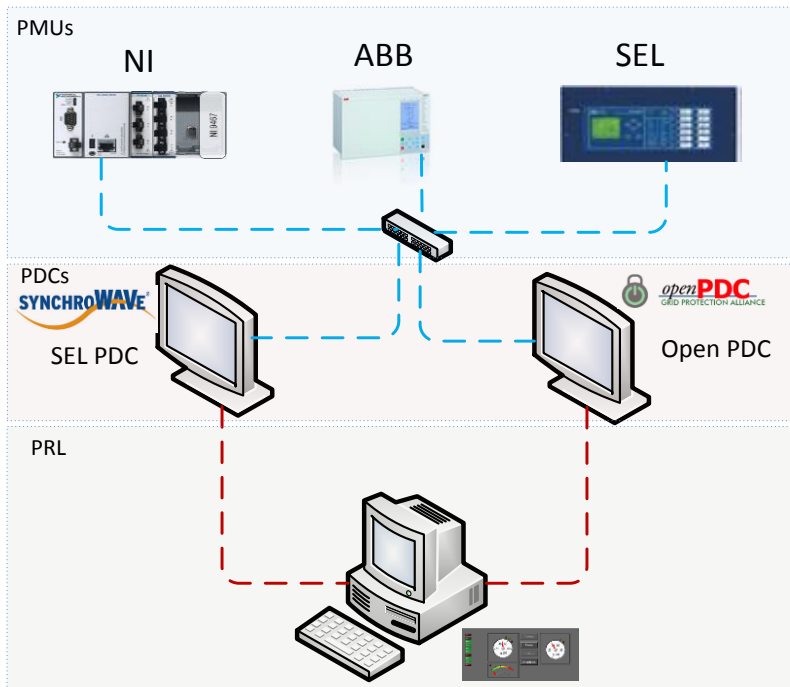


By synchronizing the sampling processes for different signals – which may be hundred of miles apart, it is possible to put their phasors on the same phasor diagram.



# Research Platform: Low voltage PMU Network

- PMUs are connected at the LV networks in our laboratories



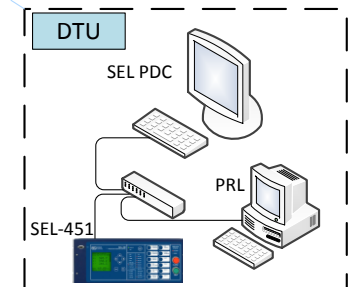
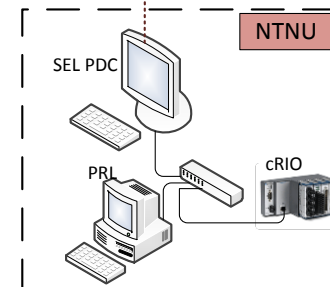
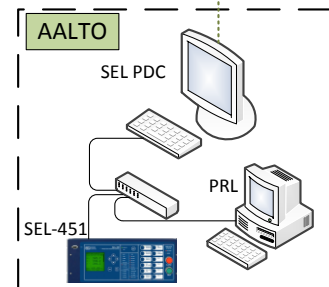
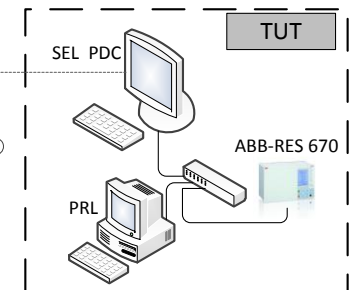
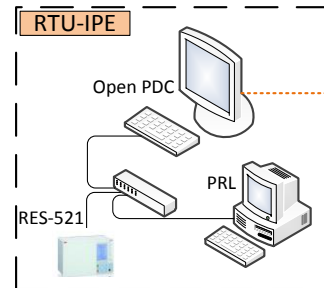
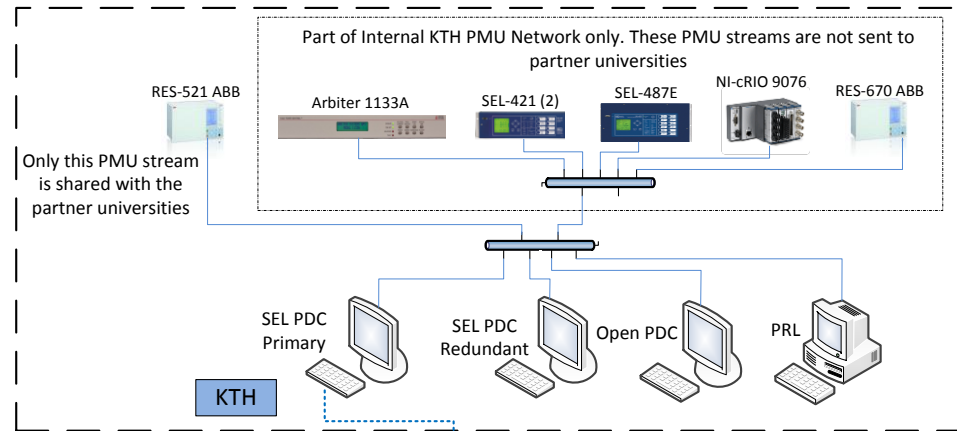
# Research platform:

## Distributed P2P Data Sharing for real-time PMU Data Exchange

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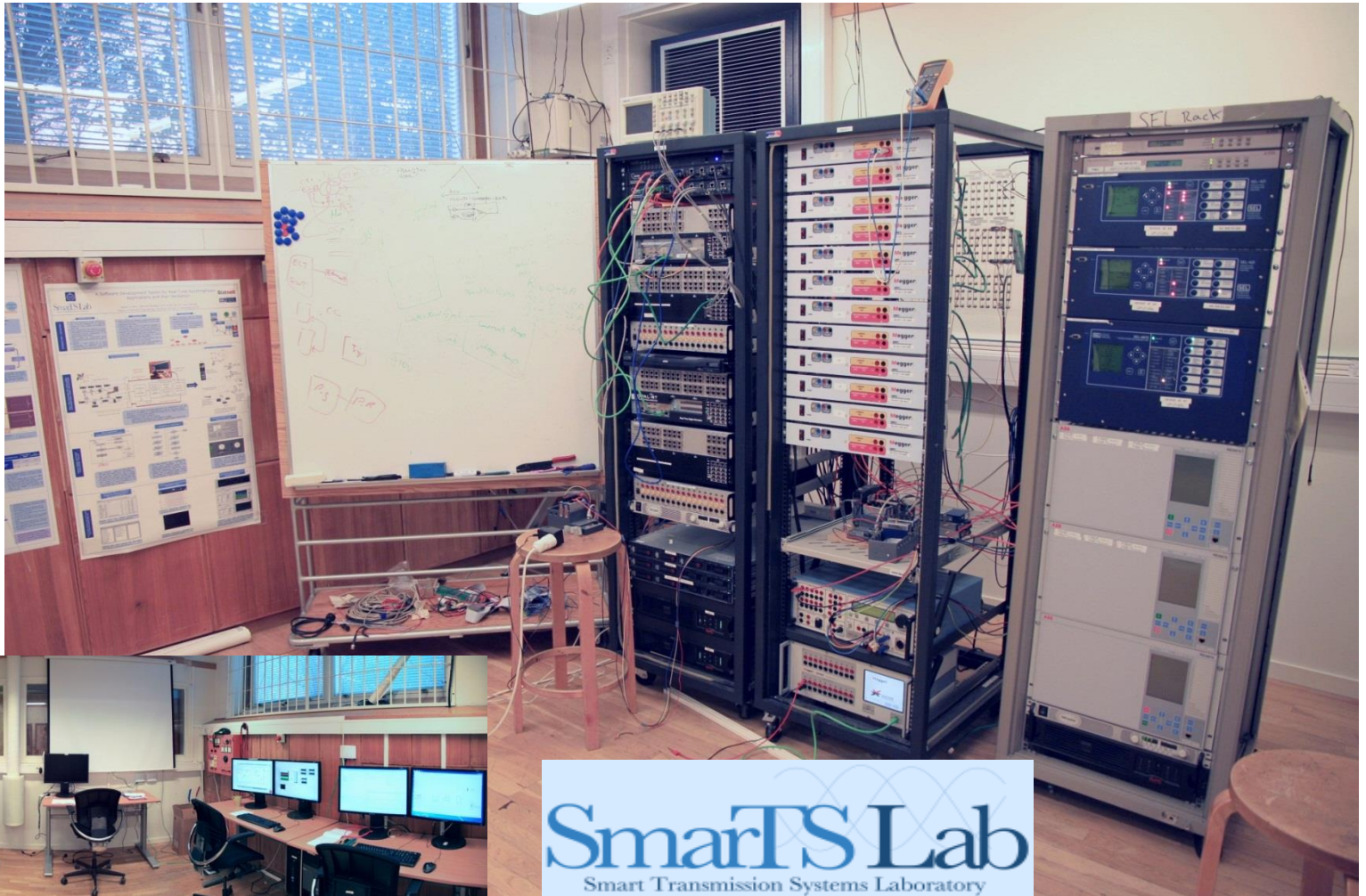
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- Each University (PMUs, PDC) exchanges an "Output Stream" with each other university.
- PDCs installed locally allow data archiving and real-time access for all partners.
- Avoids SuperPDC, thus eliminates a single point of failure



# Test-bench:

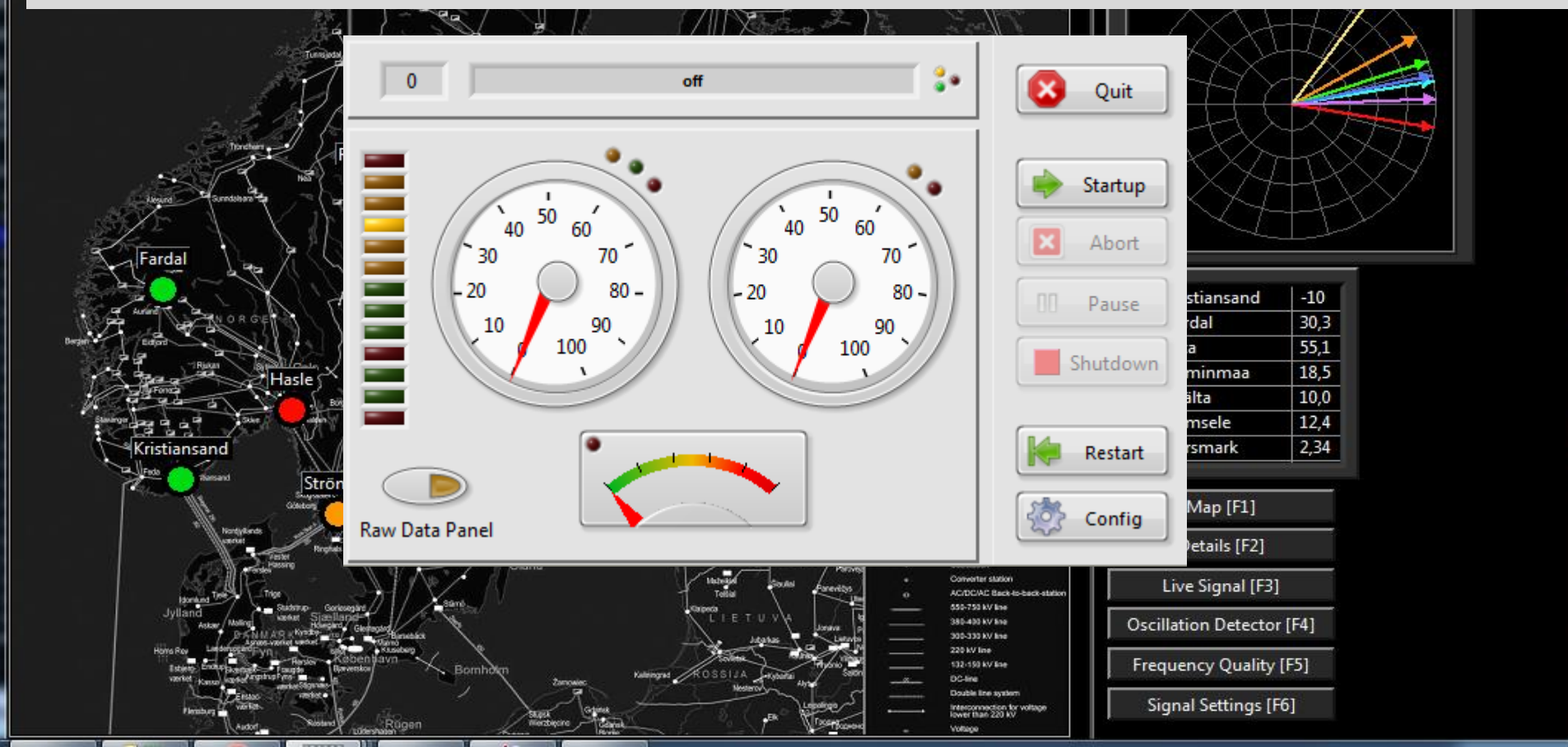
New WAMPAC software applications Development and Testing





# S<sup>3</sup>DK: Synchrophasor Software Dev Toolkit

- **Real-Time Data Mediator:** Low level implementation of the IEEE C37.118.2 Standard
- **PMU Recorder Light:** Graphic interface to the mediator developed in LabView and a Toolbox with LabView Functions for App prototyping



# Sample Application WAMS Visualization Tool - Mobile

- Portable Monitoring Applications





File Edit View Project Operate Tools Window Help



### StronGrid Project

by Emilie Brunsgård Ek

- NTNU\_PMU/frequency
- KTHLAB/frequency
- LTH/frequency
- CTH/frequency
- Tampere/frequency
- LTU/frequency
- AaltoPMU/frequency

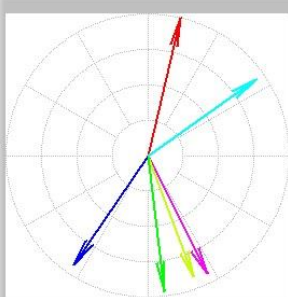
#### Frequency at NTNU



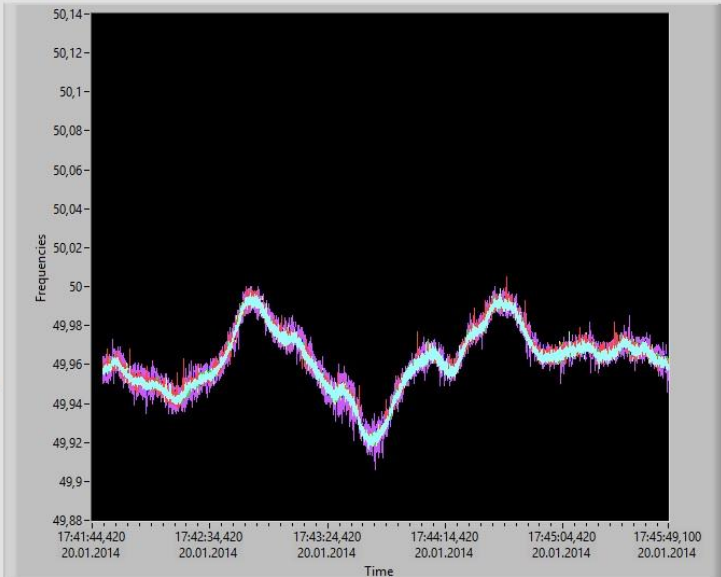
#### Phasor names array

Phasor names array	Amplitude	Angle
NTNU_PMU/Va	234,82	-41,64
KTHLAB/EMLAB	83,84	0
LTH/LAB6	139,36	-159,63
CTH/Vs	135,26	159,37
Tampere/V	230,53	-146,08
LTU/V	135,77	-139,97
	0	0

#### Normalised Voltage Phasor Diagram

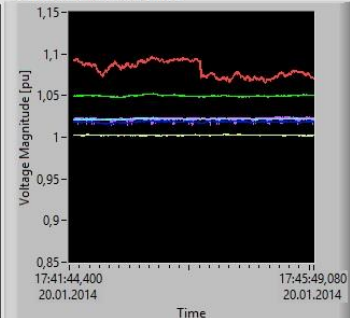


#### Frequency Chart

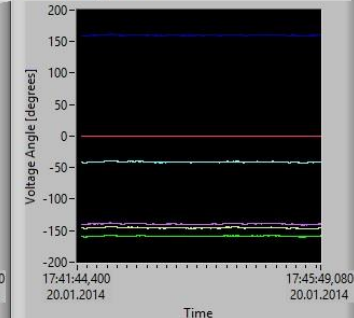


[Open Control Panel](#) [STOP](#)

#### Voltage Amplitude Chart

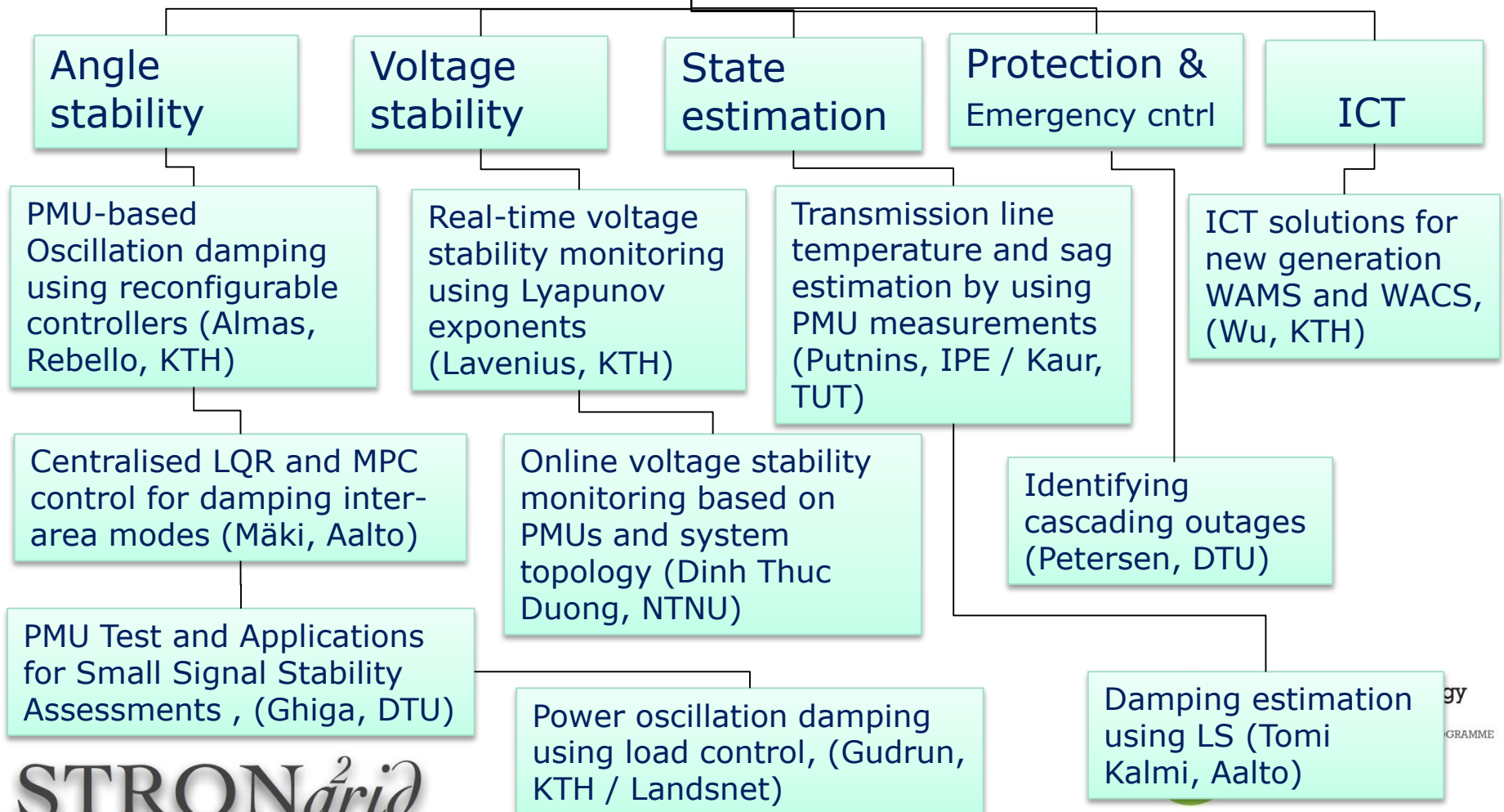


#### Voltage Angle Chart



# Application developments

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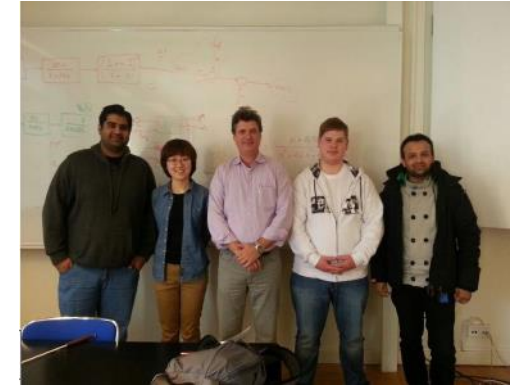
# Collaboration

Collaboration with Partner Universities  
A. 8 Educational Courses (2 on SmarTS-Lab, 2 on Labview Modules, 4 from International Faculty)

B. Several combined publications



SmarTS-Lab Training Program  
(Sept 23-October 04, 2013)



Power System Dynamics and Control  
(Professor Taranto) 22-26 April 2013



TuT-KTH collaboration  
(PMU compliance Testing)



3-day course on renewable energy  
integration, 2014



# Concluding remarks

- A “Nordic University Cluster” has been established
- New competence have been gained at the Universities and at the TSOs through research, PhD education, courses and dissemination activities
- Increased awareness at the TSOs about the possibilities of utilizing PMU technology in operation and control.
  - TSOs are starting deployment and pilot installations
- STRONG motivation to continue the R&D collaboration at the Nordic/Baltic level

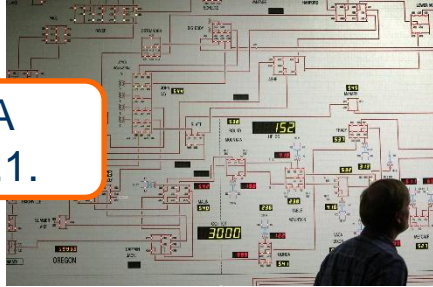
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# Evolution of the Control Room



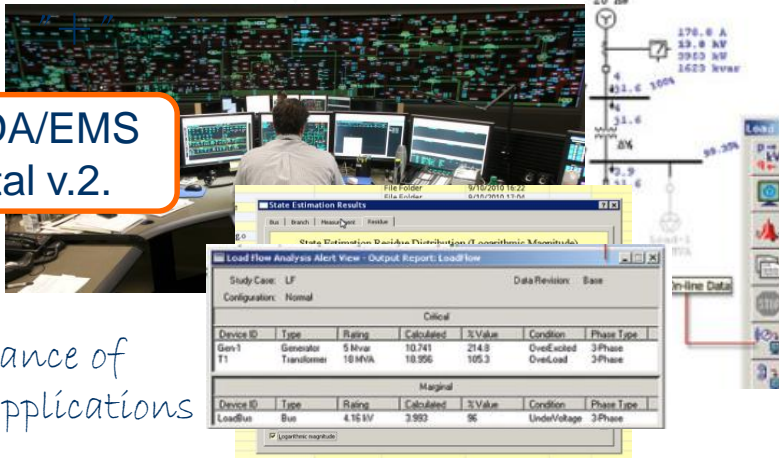
Analog Tech.

From analog to digital



SCADA Digital v.1.

From digital to digital



SCADA/EMS Digital v.2.

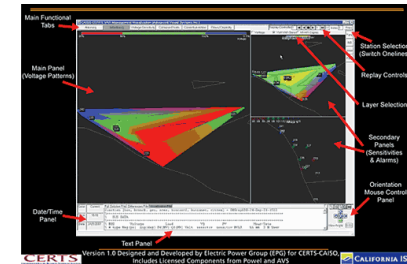
Appearance of EMS applications



SCADA/EMS+ PMU

starts being used in control rooms for monitoring displays & alarming (2002 - 2014)

Today: SCADA/EMS+ PMU + *PMU Applications for Monitoring a few Specific Conditions* → WAMS



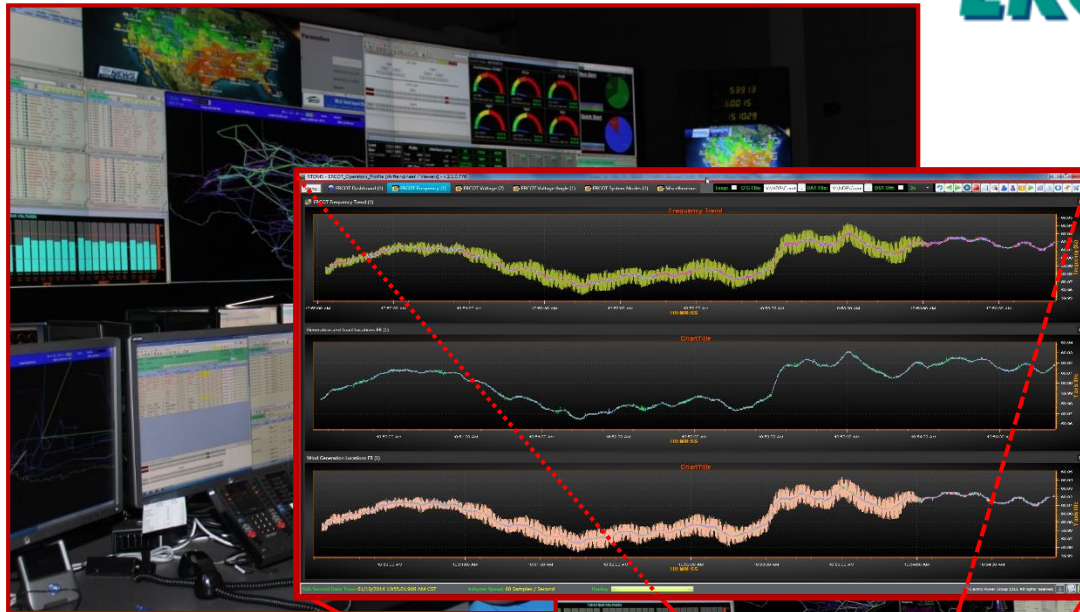
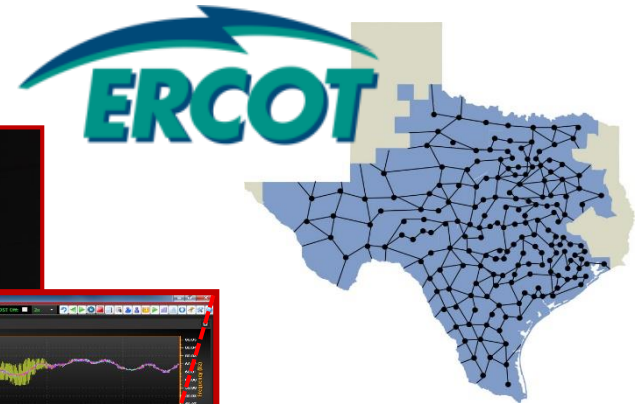
The Future?



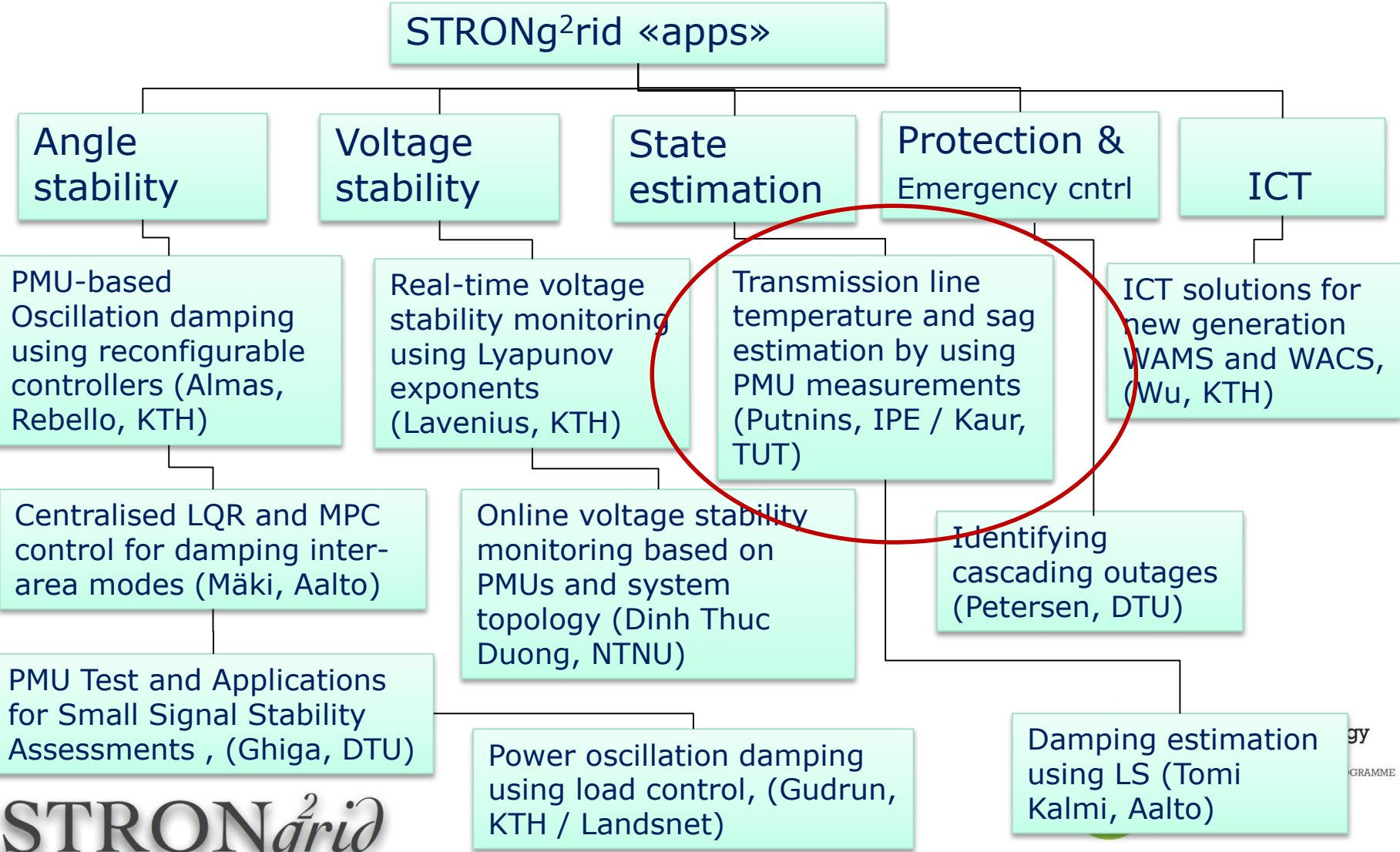
iPhone and iPad with NI-Data Dashboard application

# Motivation: Increased Situational Awareness

- Utilization in the control room



# Application developments

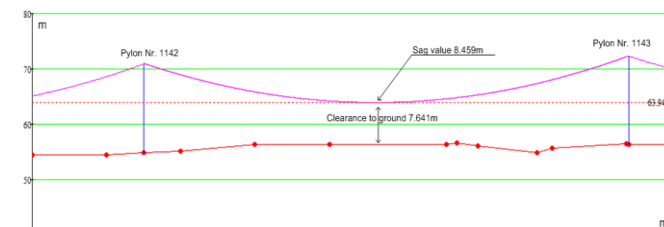
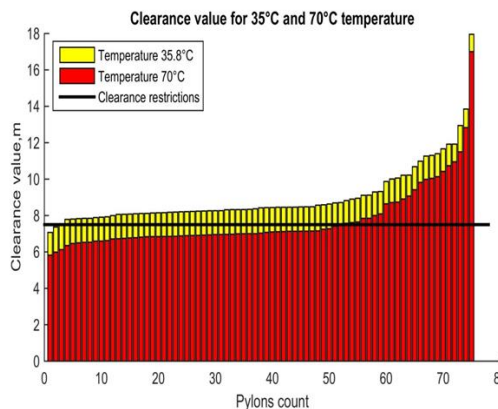
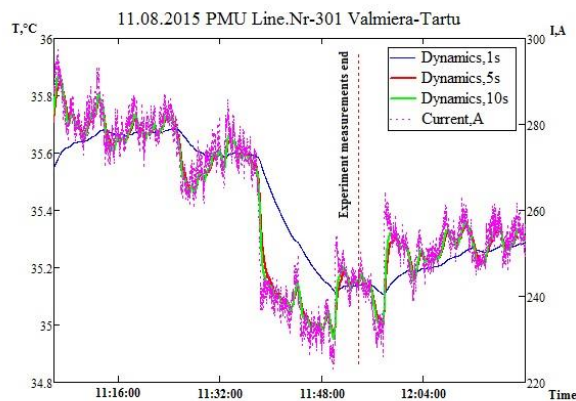




# IPE research topics and results



- The objective of IPE task was PMU application for transmission line temperature, sag and clearance parameter estimation.
- Algorithm for sag and clearance in overhead power lines calculation was proposed and tested in real-time conditions with focus on thermodynamics and line mechanics behaviours.
- This research will contribute to real-time operation performance, then exact line sag and clearance calculation will increase potential maximal transmission power capability, namely total transfer capacity (TTC) corridor's and cross-border trade.



# IPE research topics and results

- In frame of the project in IPE was established PMU lab



NI cRIO-9074 Chassis



NI 9467 GPS Time synchronization module



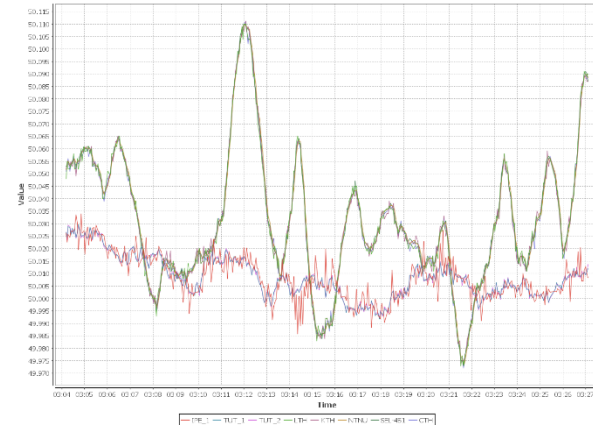
NI 9225 Voltage AI module



NI 9227 Current AI module

Software:  
Edition PDC: Intel Server System R1000RP  
Software: SEL-5073 SYNCHROWAVE

APC UPS



For data visualization open platform <http://www.sqldashboards.com/sqlchart> was used.

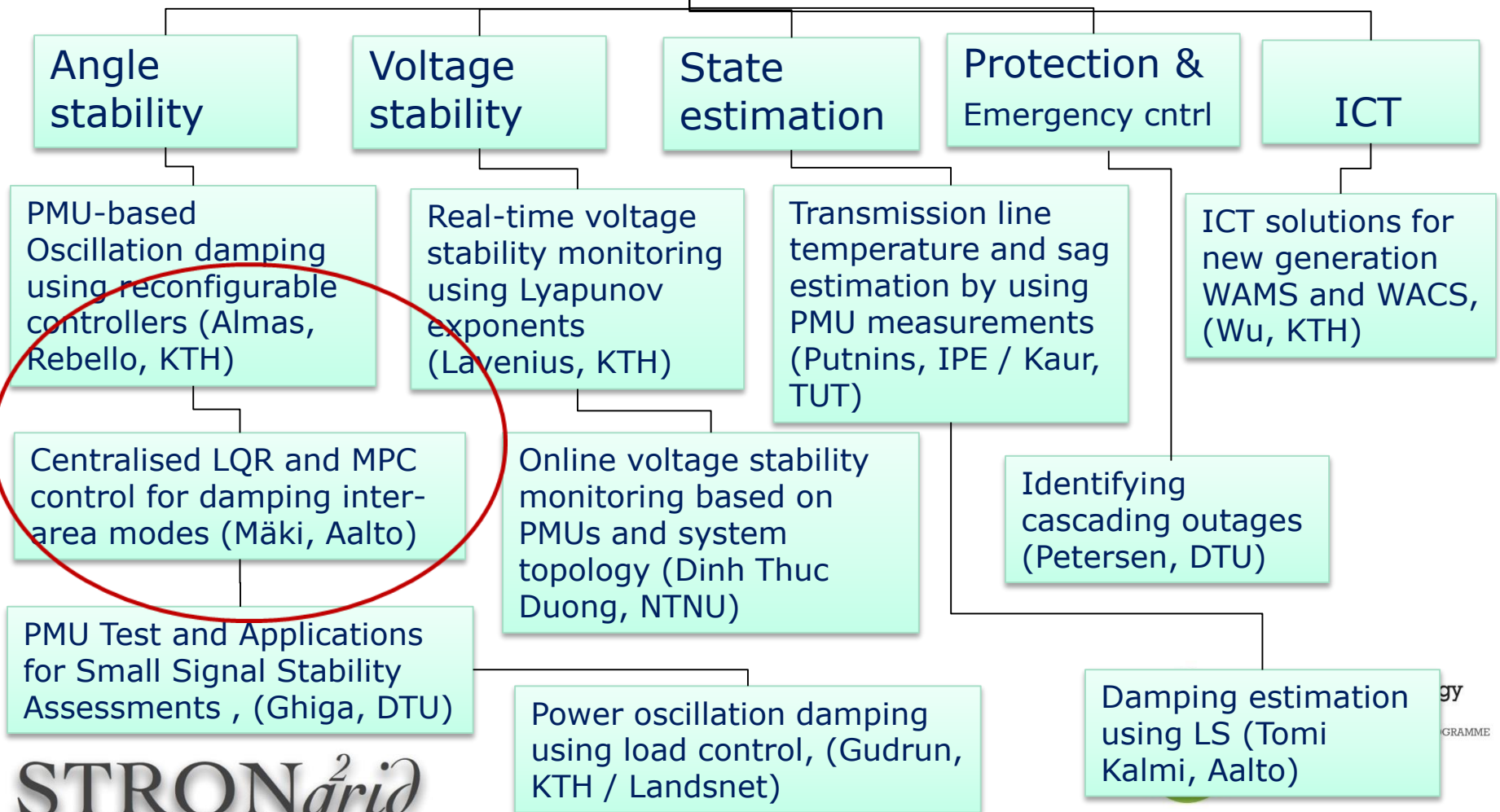
- journal publication, 2 conference publications
- Meeting & workshop in IPE, Riga

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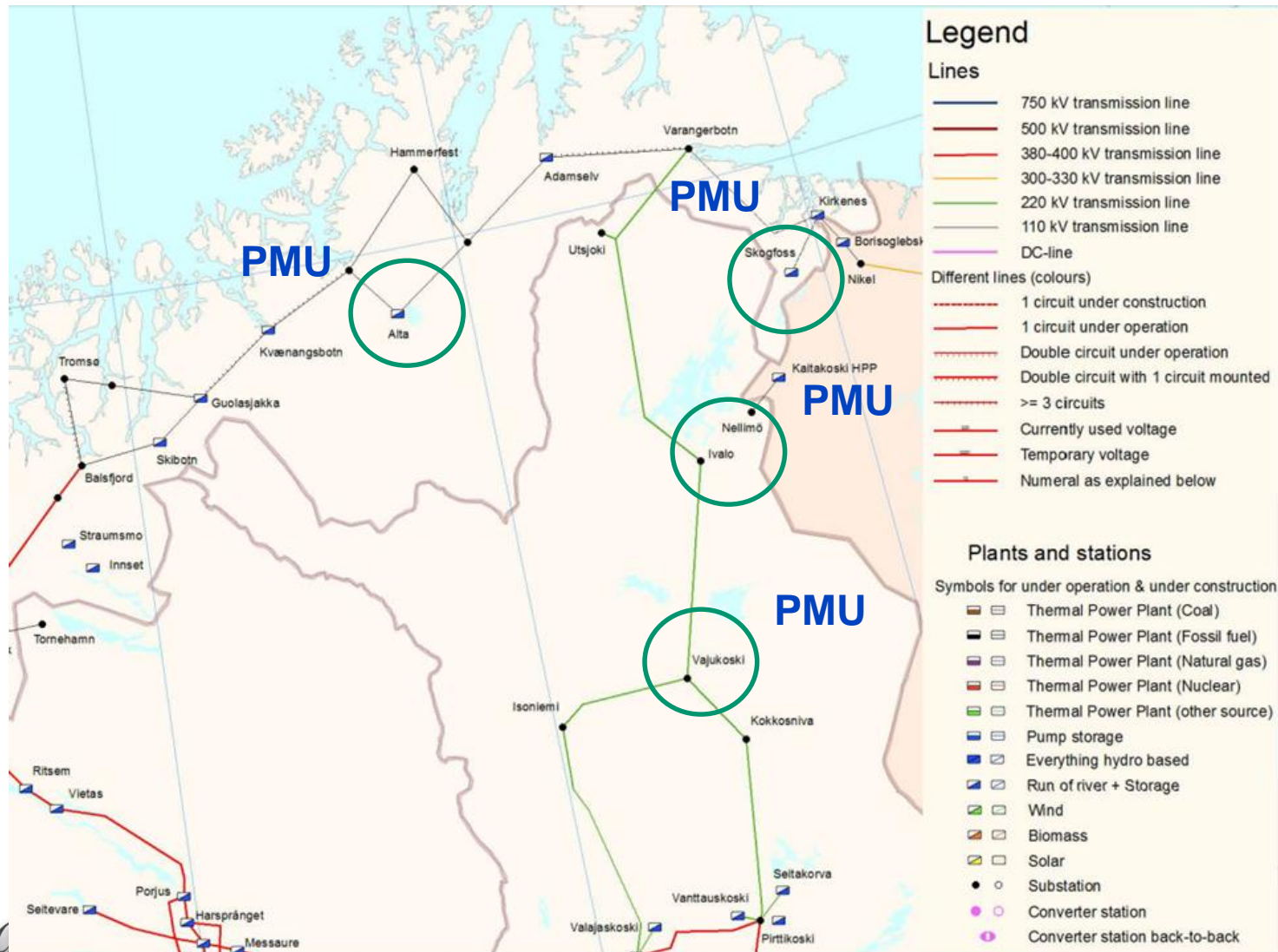
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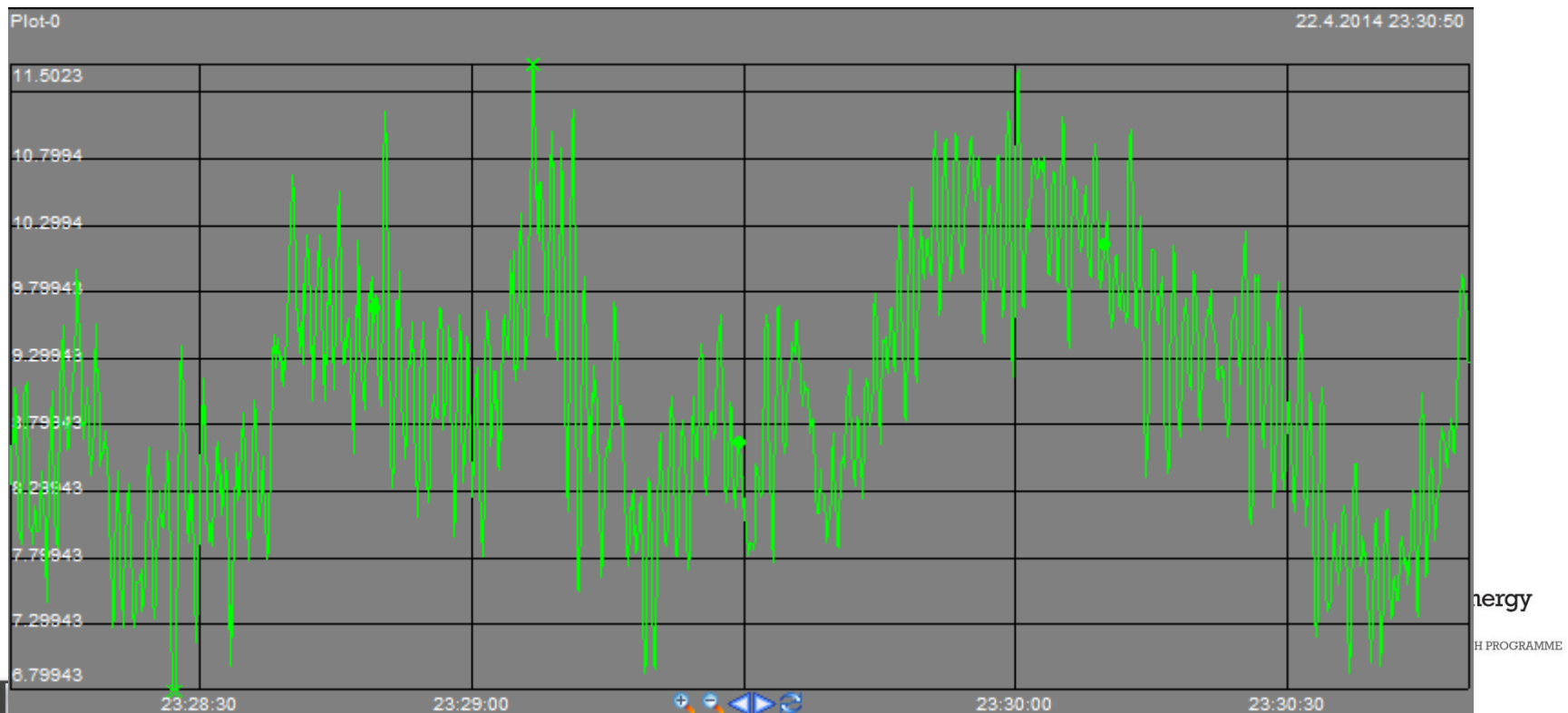
# North Norway and North Finland transmission system



# How to monitor frequency and damping of power oscillations based on PMU measurements?

- Ambient data / normal oscillations

MW



# Multivariate method (MAR)

damping ratio



0.15

0.05



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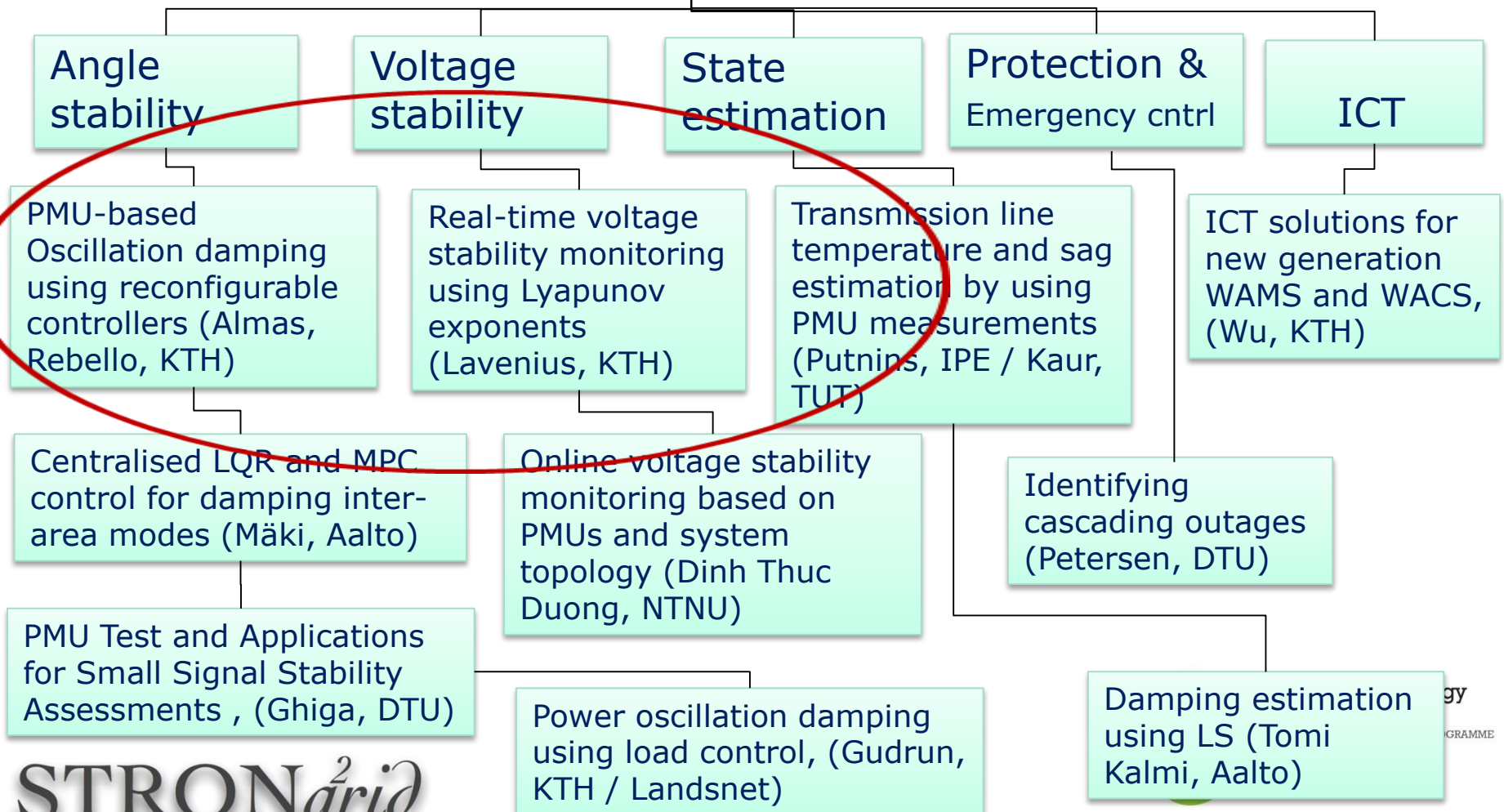
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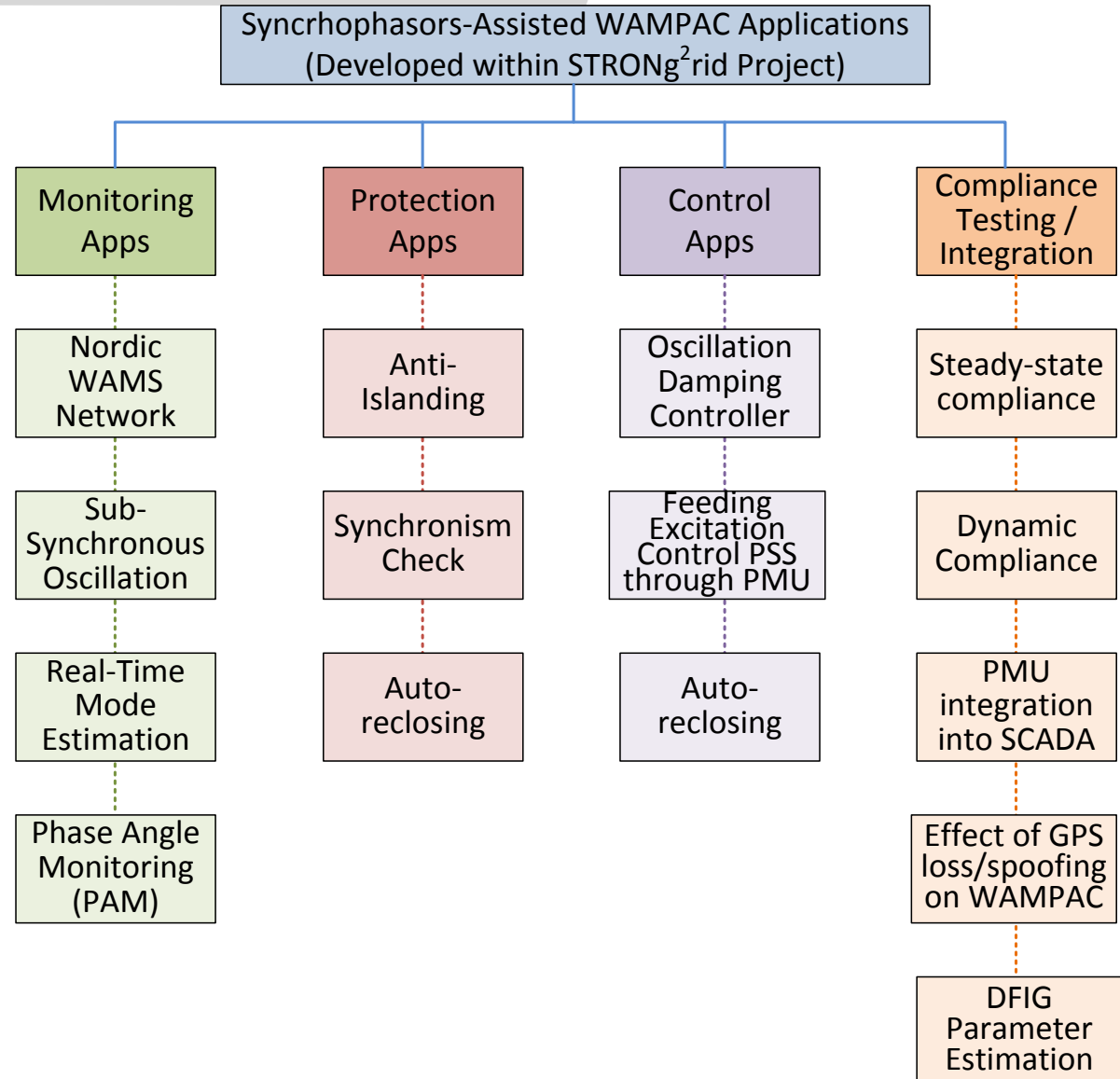
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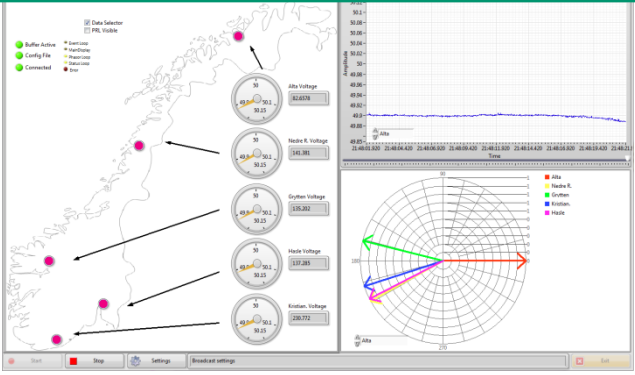
# Application developments

- Large number of PMU-assisted WAMPAC applications have been developed within the STRONG<sup>2</sup>rid project.
- All these applications have been tested using Real-Time Hardware-in-the-loop (RT-HIL) facility at SmarTS-Lab



# Apps developed in collaboration with KTH

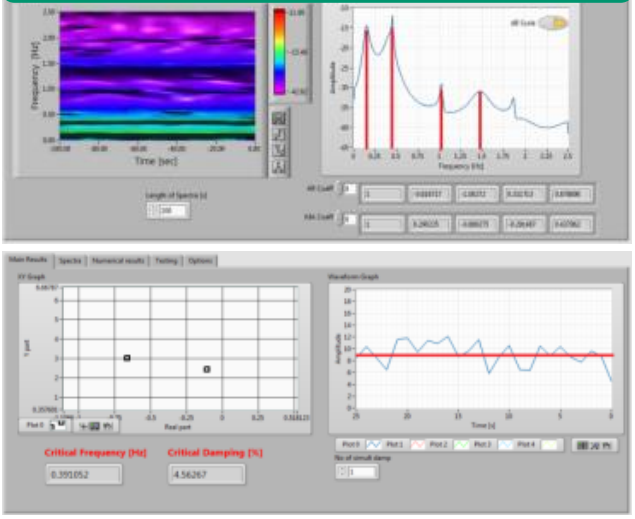
## Monitoring & Visualization



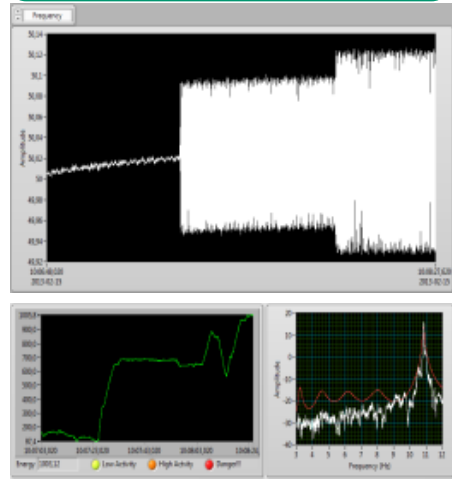
## Mobile Apps



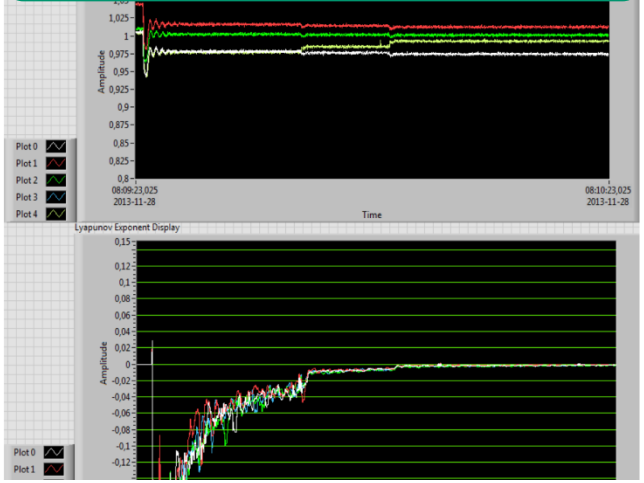
## Inter-Area Oscillation Assessment



## Forced Oscillation Detection



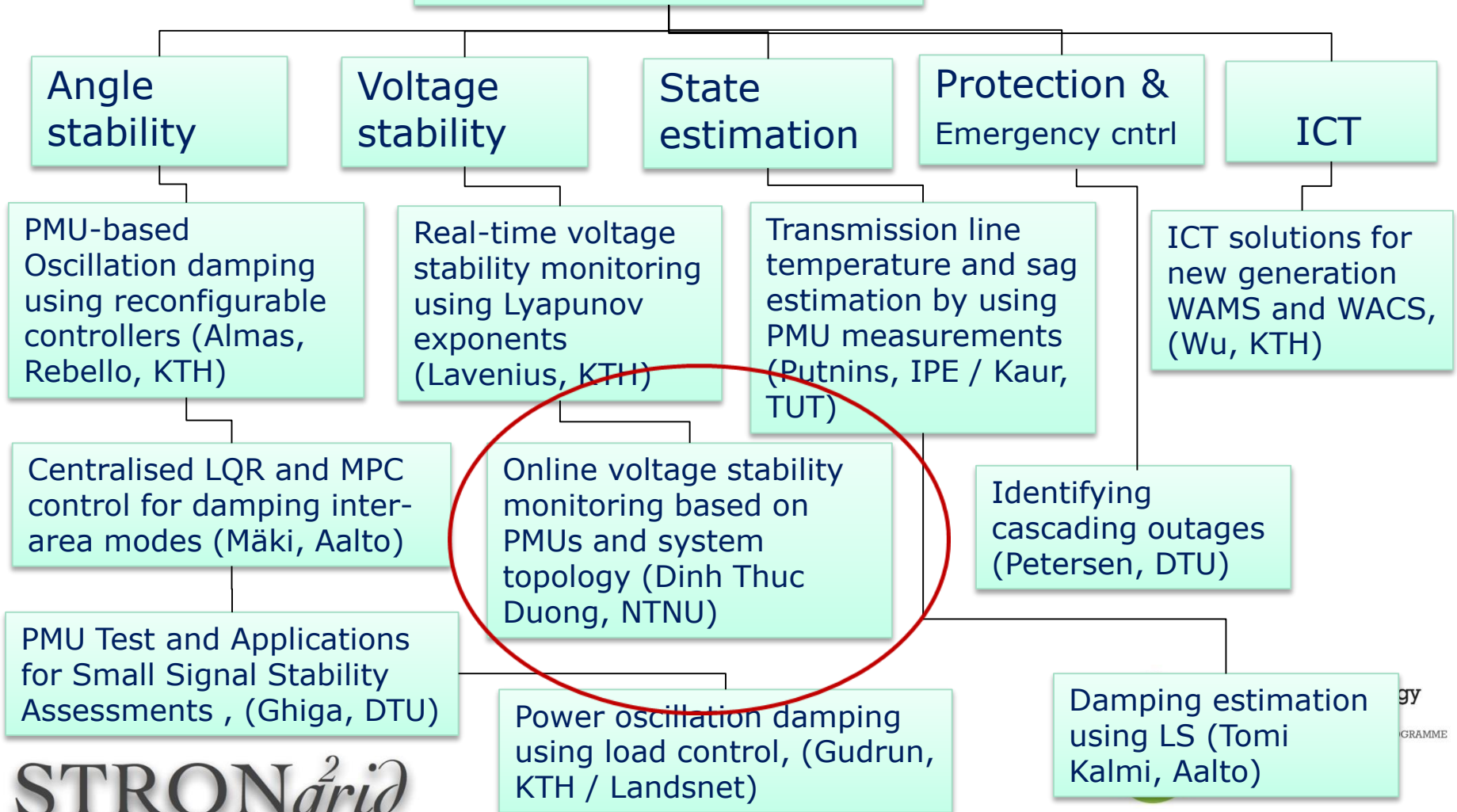
## Short-Term Voltage Stability Assessment






# Application developments

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# Apps developed in collaboration with NTNU



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## VOLTAGE STABILITY MONITORING AT HASLE CORRIDOR



NTNU  
Kunnskap for en bedre verden

**Information**

- Initializing
- Low power transfer
- System standby
- Recording data
- Export
- Import

**Instantaneous parameters**

Power transfer: 2268,2 MW

Voltage: 412,67 kV

Hasle - Borgvik: 1334,16 A

Hasle - Halden: 1867,9 A

Open PRL

Save data

STOP

**Normal**

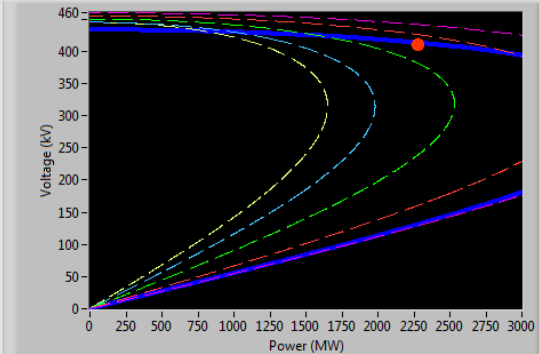
**Close to limit**

**Beyond limit**

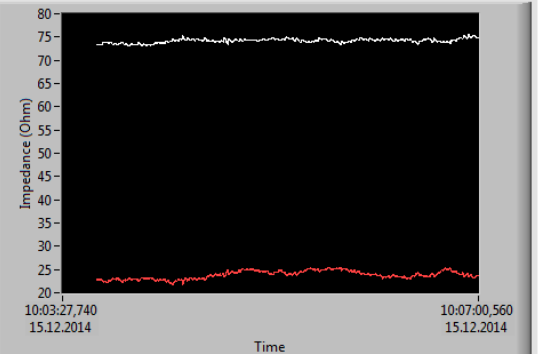
**Zth/Zload**

**Load/Smx**

**PV curve**



**Thevenin and load Impedances**



**Setting**

Impedance threshold: 1,5

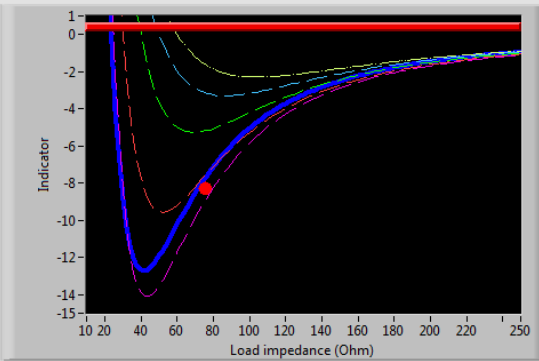
Sensitivity threshold: 0

Zth/Zload threshold: 0,7

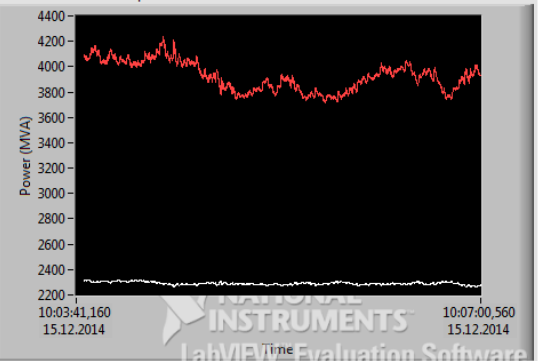
Min power transfer (MW): 700

- 25 Ohm
- 30 Ohm
- 40 Ohm
- 50 Ohm
- 60 Ohm

**Indicator**



**Load and estimated max power**



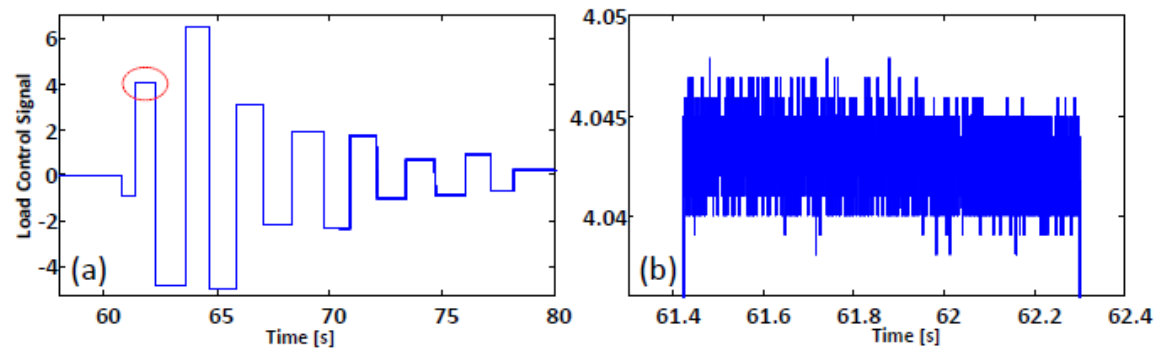
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# Major Challenges while developing WAMPAC applications

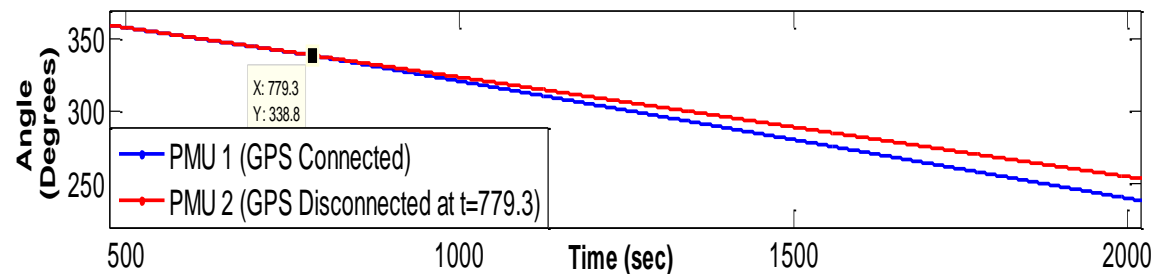
PMU-assisted WAMPAC applications are affected by:

- Communication latency
- Loss of data / bad data
- GPS vulnerability (Jamming/Spoofing Attack)
- Measurement noise due to hardware PMUs
- Signal scaling which affects overall SNR



Noise in the signal received from hardware  
WAPOD

Voltage Phase Angle as Computed by PMU 1 and PMU 2



Effect of Loss of GPS signal on Phase Angle  
computation by PMU

# Test-bench:

## New WAMPAC software applications Development and Testing

