



Essential Reliability Services from Wind, Solar, Battery Storage (IBR) and Conventional Power Plants

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Topics

Essential Reliability Services that power plants may provide:

Voltage Regulation

- Reactive Capability
- Dynamic voltage response

Performance during disturbances

- Voltage and Frequency Ride-Through

Stability

- Maintaining Synchronism

Active Power Control

- Frequency Regulation
- Primary Frequency Response
- Fast Frequency Response

Black Start

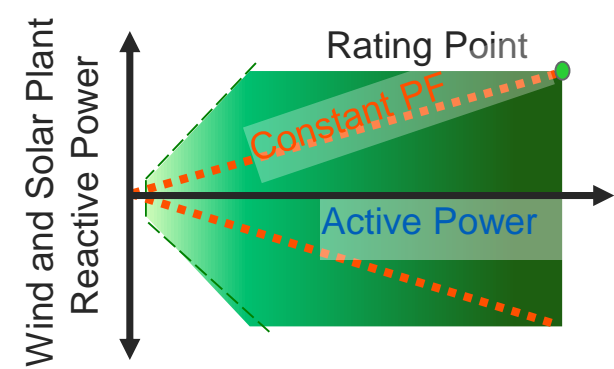


Voltage Regulation and Reactive Power Control

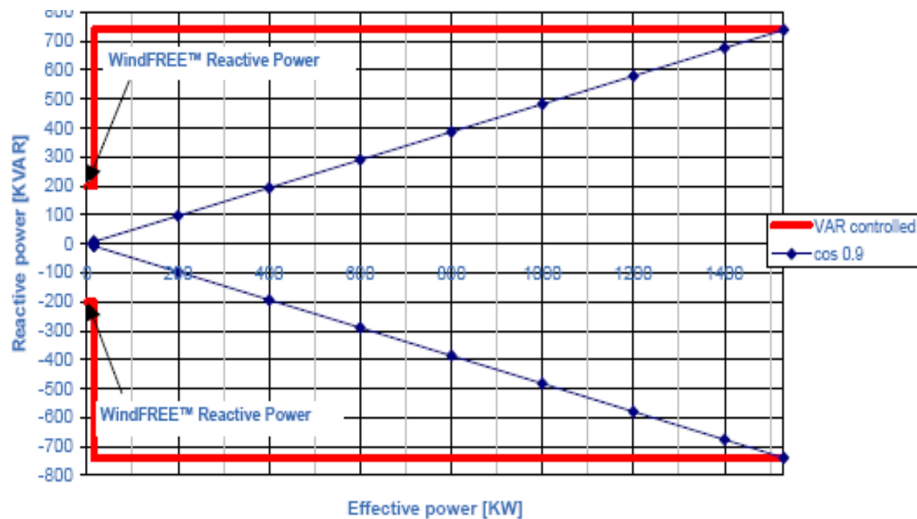
Reactive Power Capability

Reactive Power for Voltage Support

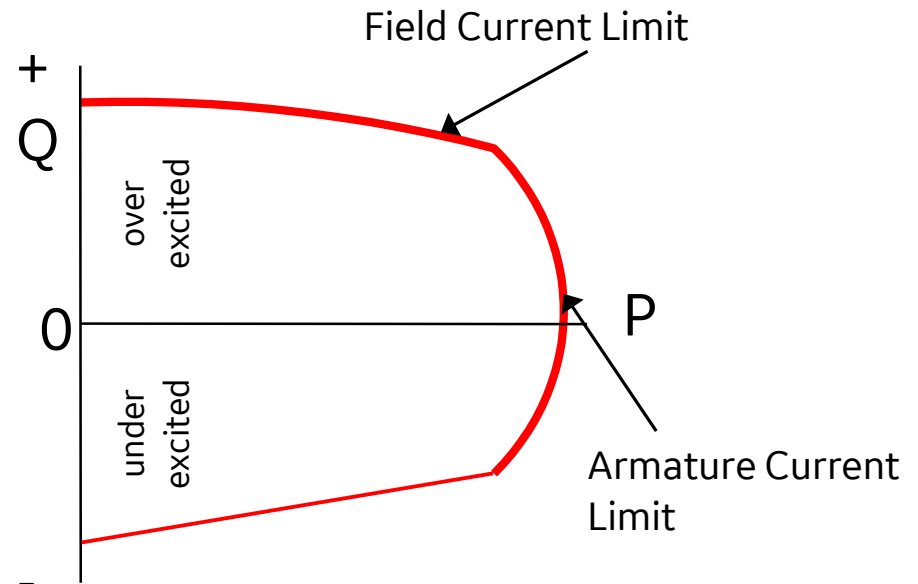
- Wind, Solar & BESS Steady-state PF range -
+/-0.90 at converter/inverter, typically +/-0.95 at POI
Can provide reactive power and Vreg during no wind/sun periods
- Conventional up to 0.80pf at machine terminals (typically 0.85pf)
- Both constrained by voltage (terminal, collector, auxiliary)



Wind Turbine Reactive Capability



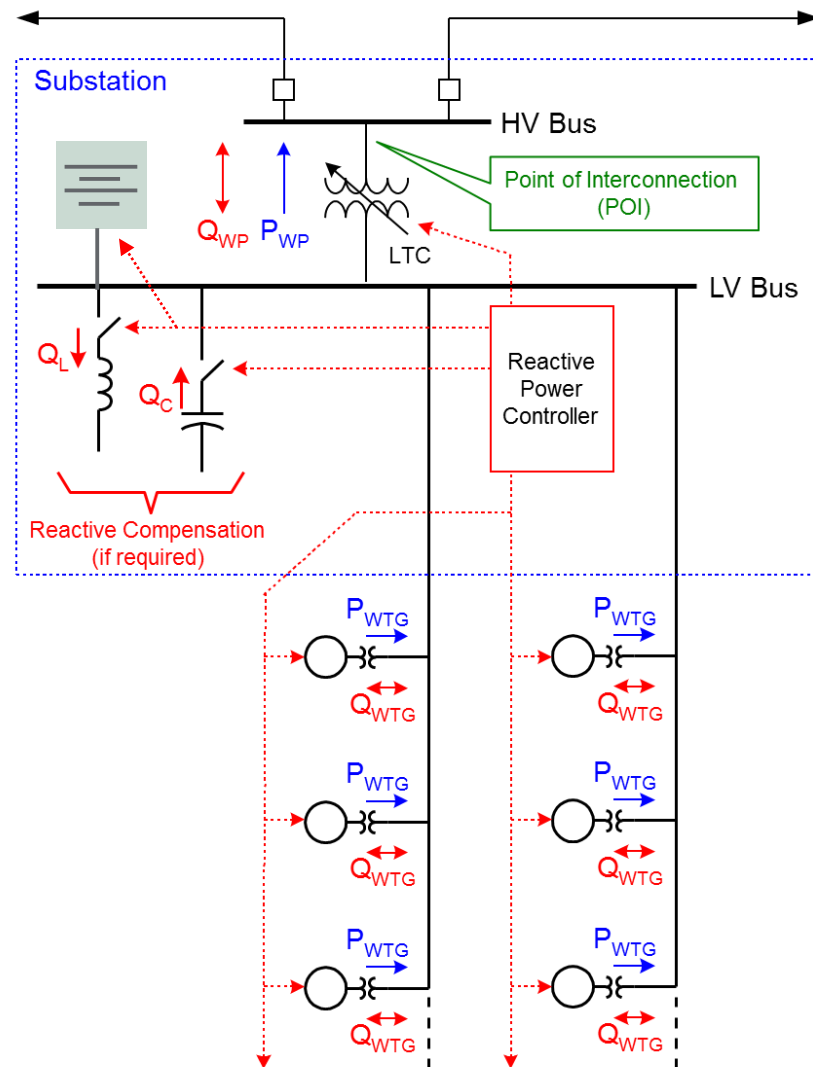
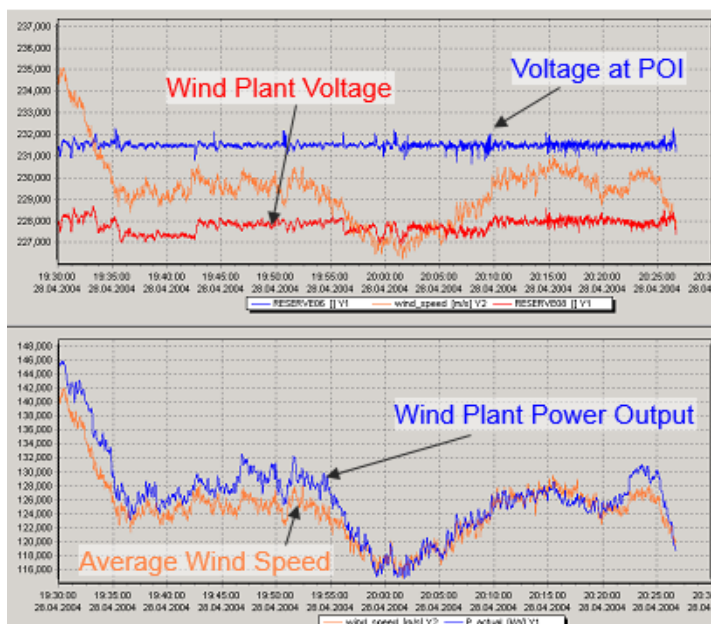
Synchronous Machine Reactive Capability



Wind and Solar Plant Voltage Control

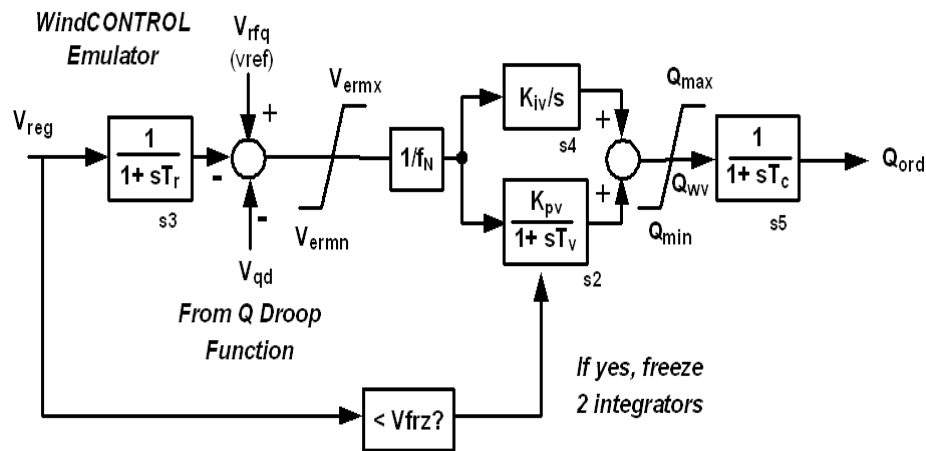
Example: GE WindCONTROL, SunIQ

- Coordinated turbine and plant supervisory control tightly regulates Plant POI voltage & beyond
- WTG/Inverter control responds fast for grid faults
- Plant Voltage, VAR, & PF control
- PF requirements primarily met by WTG reactive capability, but augmented by mechanically switched shunt devices if necessary

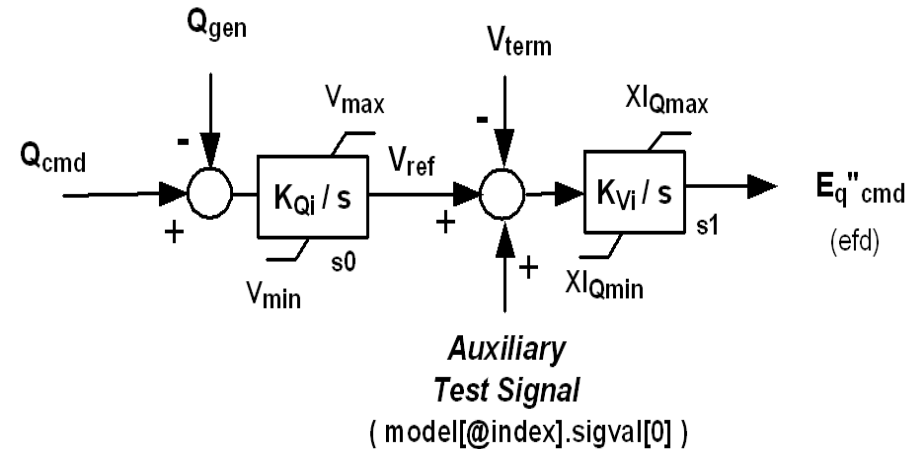


Volt/VAr Control: Hierarchical plant vs. unit AVR

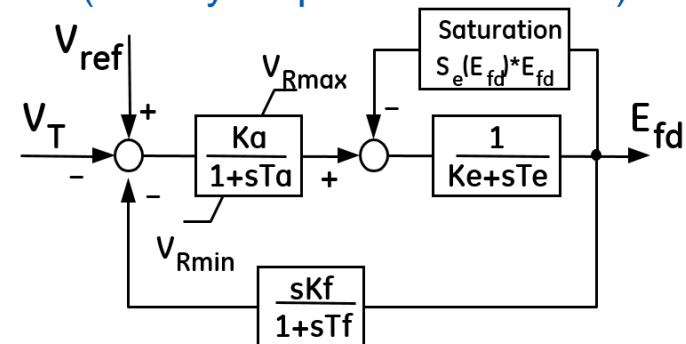
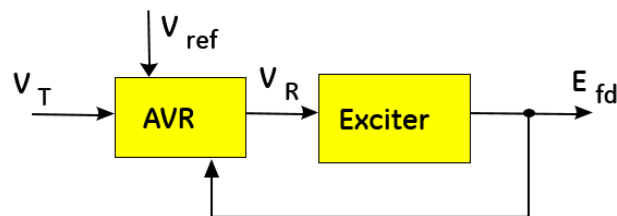
Grid Friendly Wind/Solar Plant-Level Control



Unit Q Control



Unit Excitation Control (AVR) of Synchronous Machine (usually no plant POI control)



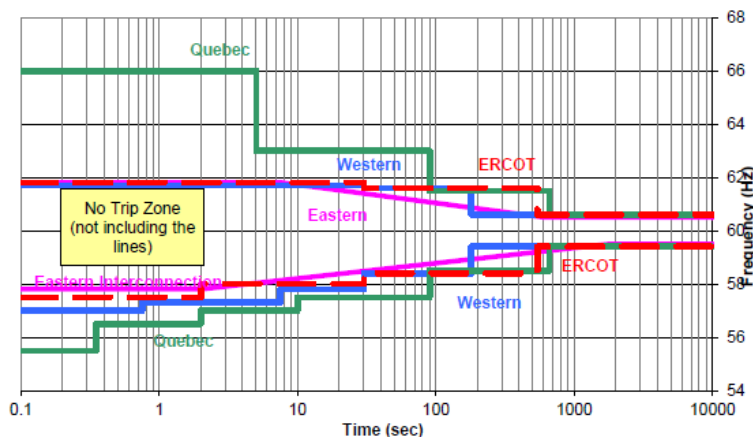
Fault Tolerance and Ride Through

Ride-Through Capabilities

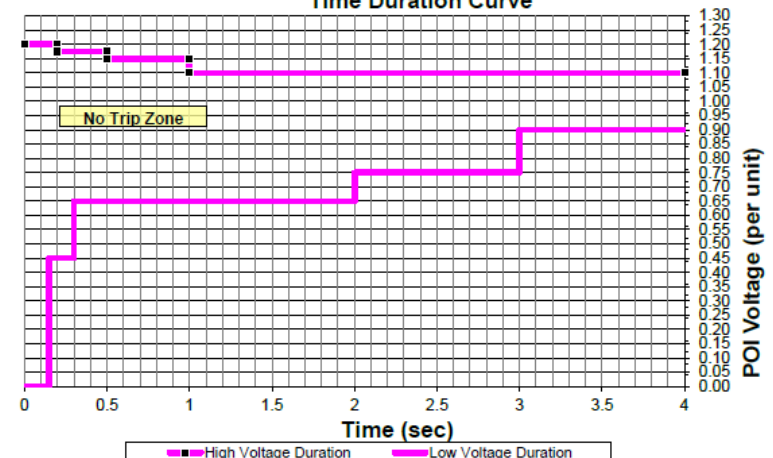
- ❑ Remains on-line and feeds reactive power through system disturbances
- ❑ All technologies are able to meet present grid requirements with Low/Zero Voltage and Frequency Ride Through (LVRT/ZVRT)
- ❑ NA requirement applies to protection settings only
- ❑ Transient Stability limits in synchronous machines – Critical Clearing Time
- ❑ Auxiliary system and fuel combustion/ delivery capability



OFF NOMINAL FREQUENCY CAPABILITY CURVE



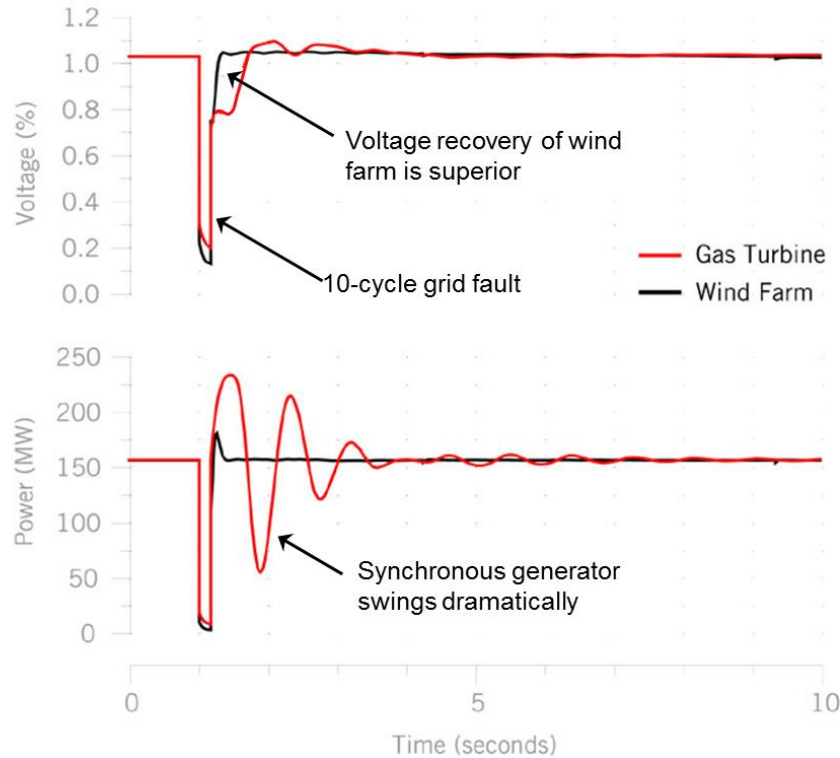
Voltage Ride-Through Time Duration Curve



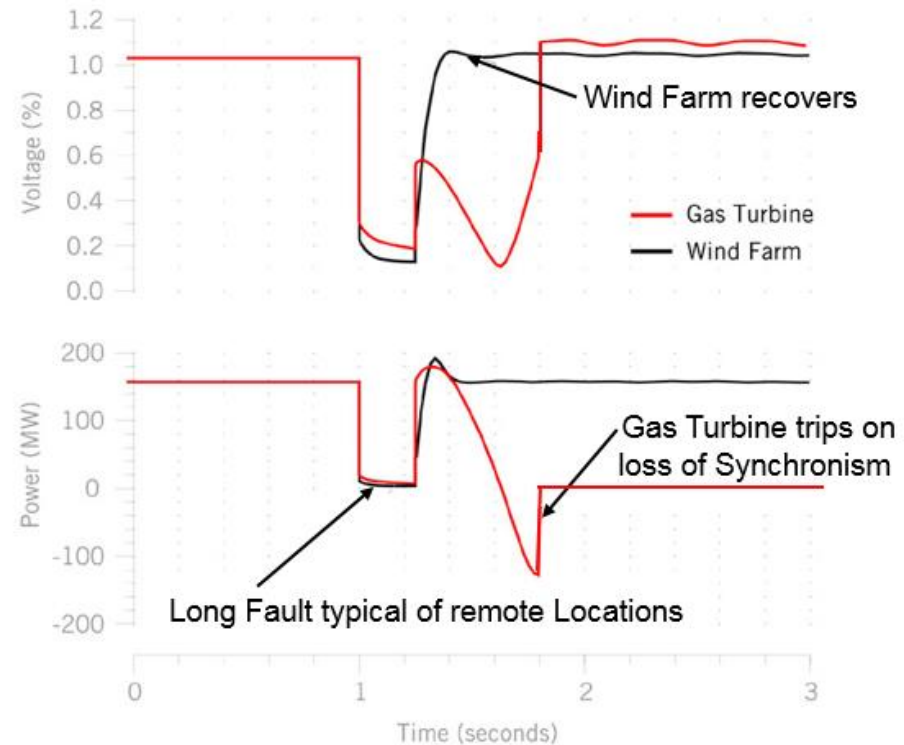
Transient Stability

Transient stability and voltage recovery

Wind/solar/BESS can be more stable than conventional synchronous generators



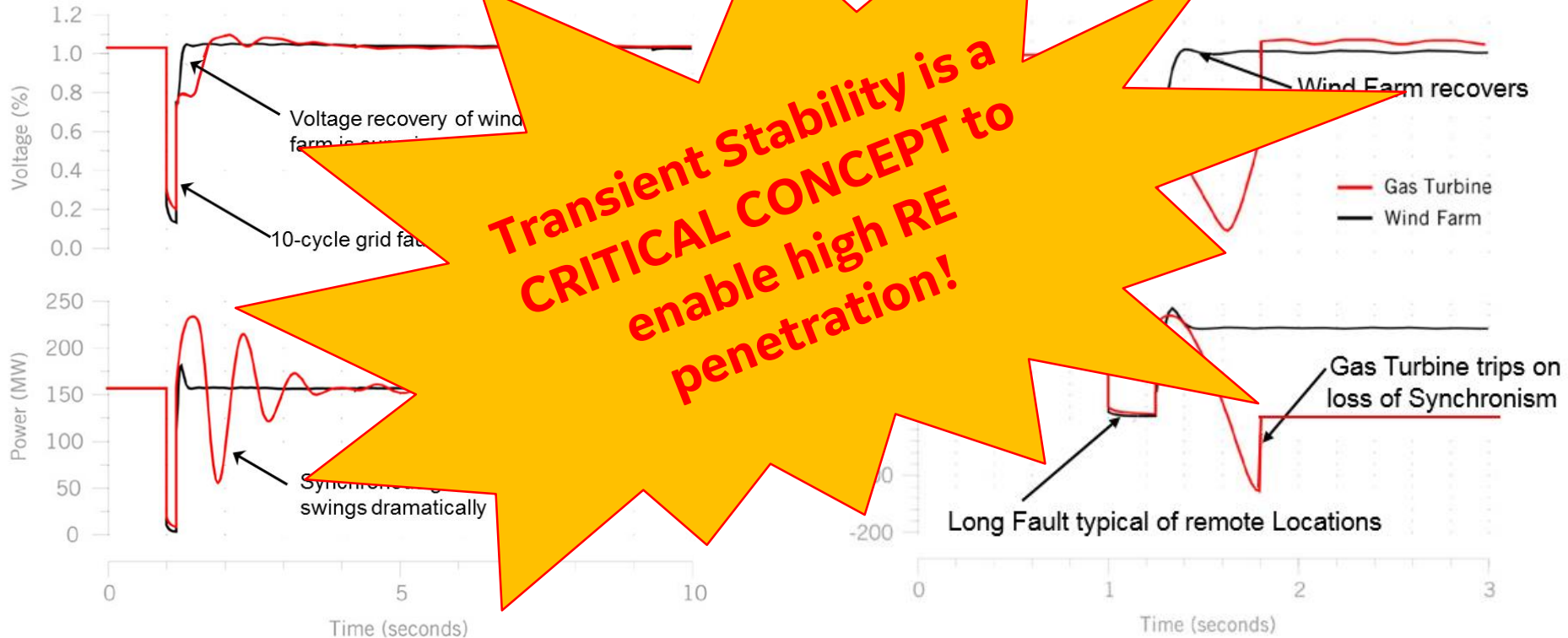
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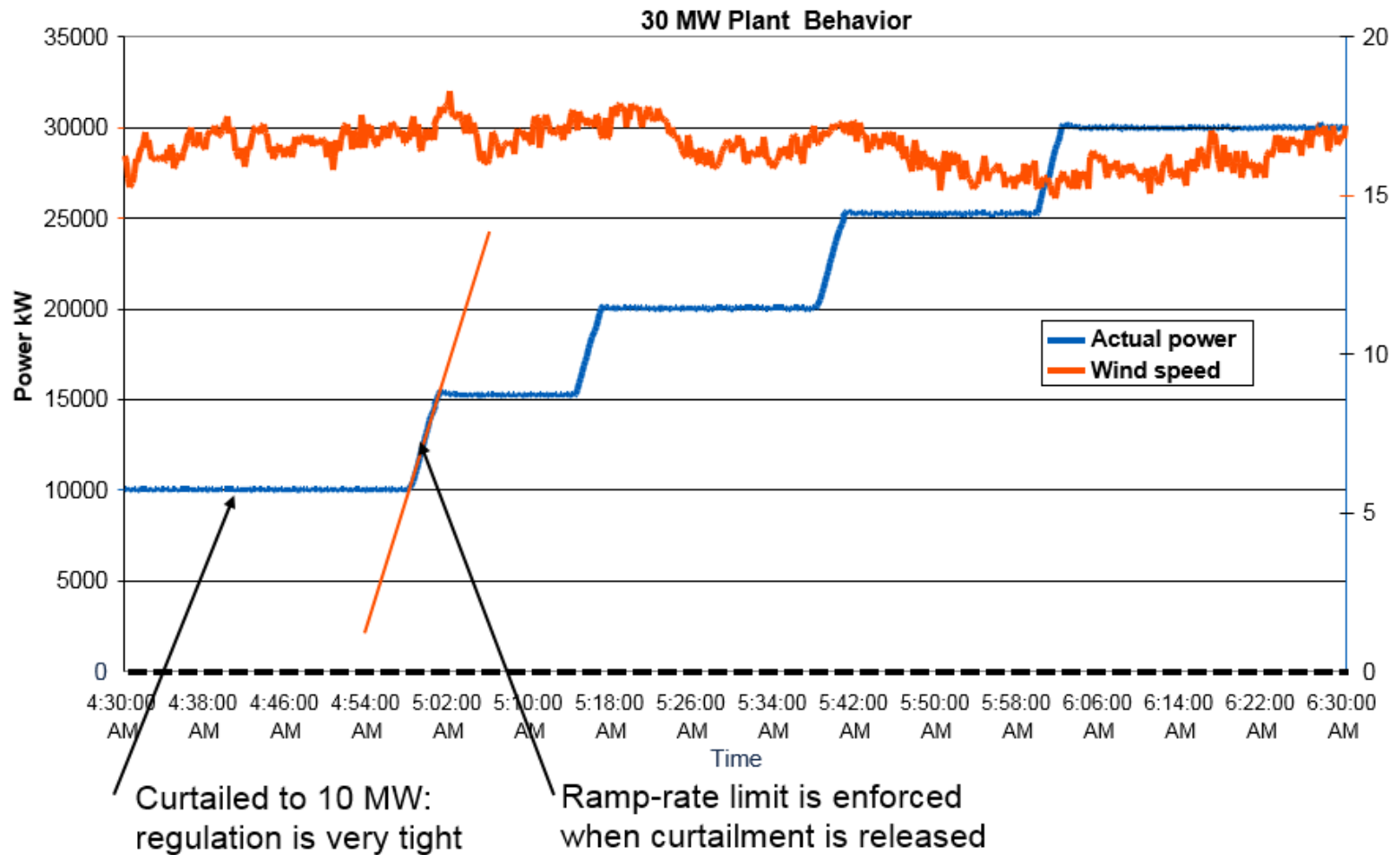
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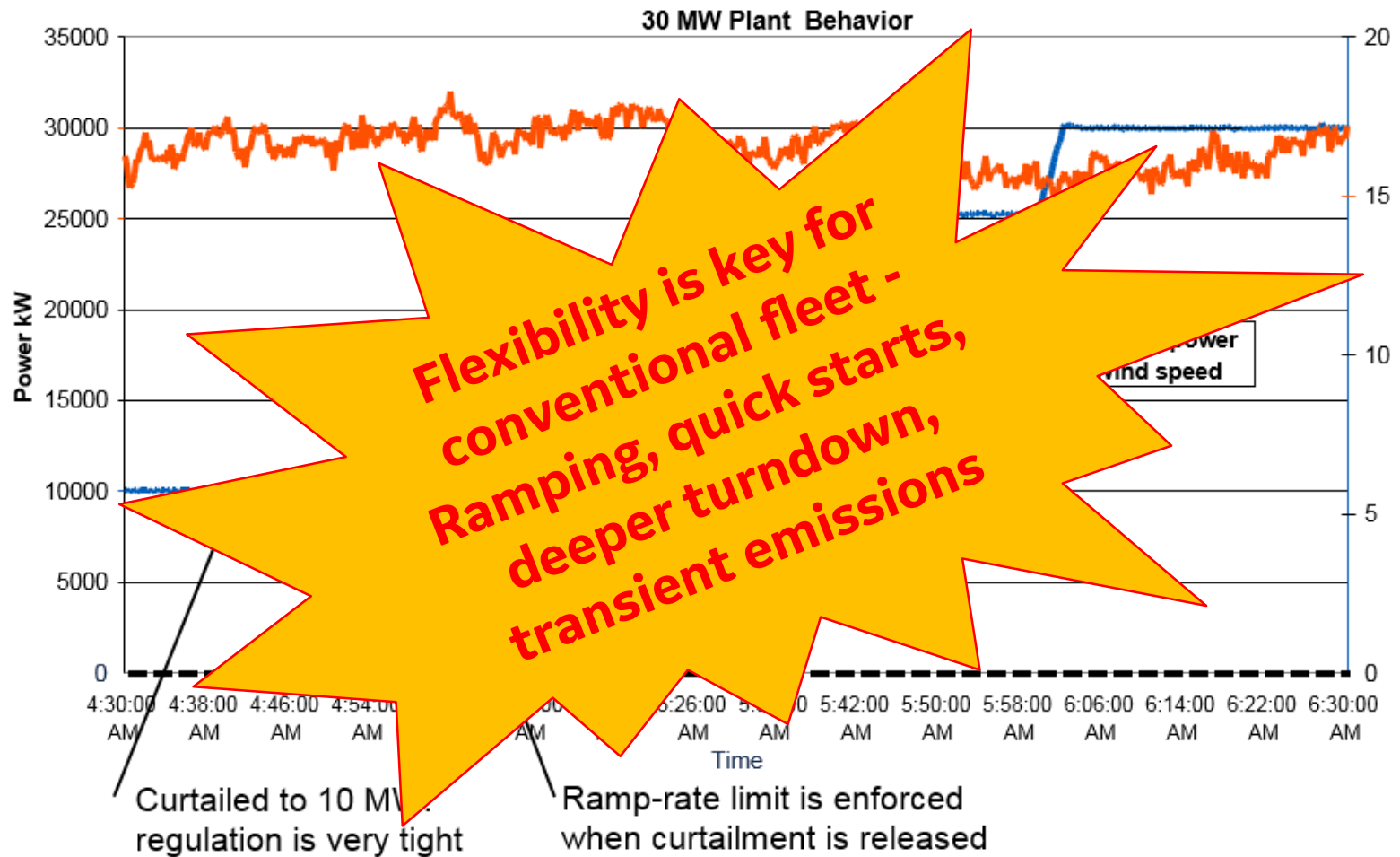


Active Power Control

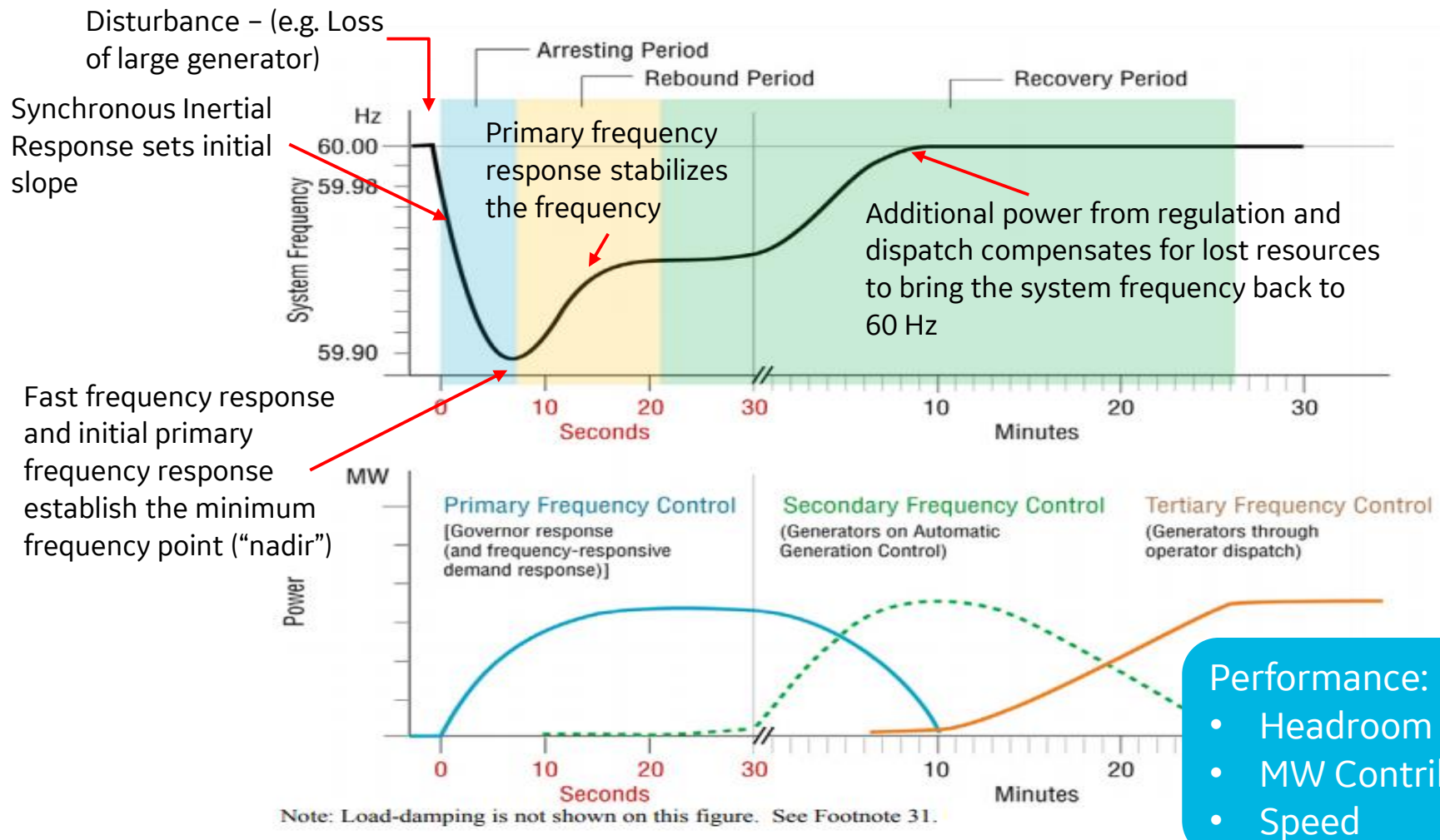
Curtailment and Ramping (30 MW Wind Plant)



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Frequency Response – Physical and Controls



Courtesy J. Eto, J. Undrill, M. O'Malley et al, "Use of Frequency Response Metrics to Assess the Planning and Operating Requirements for Reliable Integration of Variable Renewable Generation", 2010

Annotations by M. Ahlstrom, Nextera

<https://www.ferc.gov/industries/electric/indus-act/reliability/frequencyresponsemetrics-report.pdf>



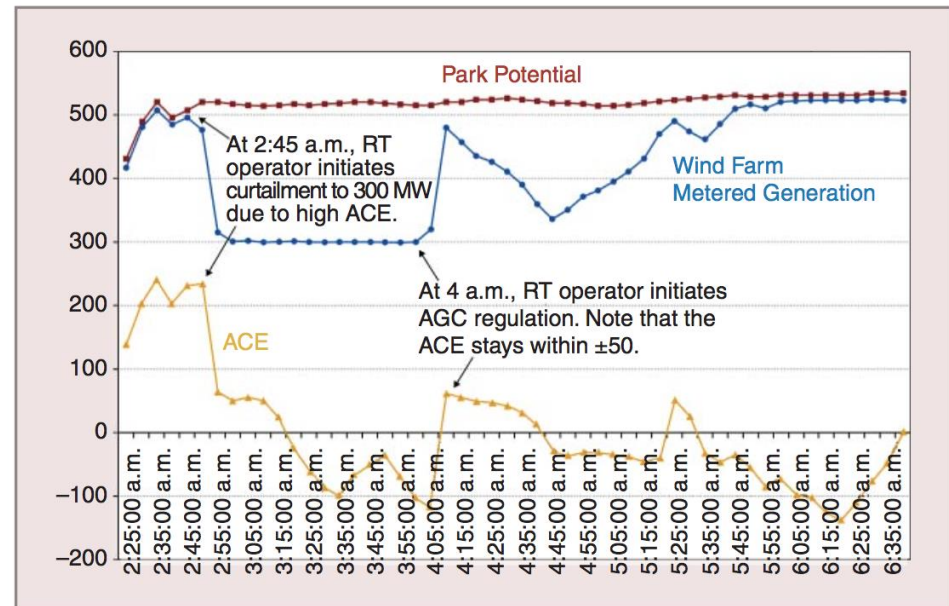
IBRs can provide regulating (secondary) reserves like Thermal plants

Demonstrated, commercially available functionality that is in use today around the world

ISO's in the US typically dispatch wind to set points at 5 minute intervals, using short-term forecasts.

About 6 years ago, Xcel/PSCO went one step further and had wind provide regulating (also called secondary, or AGC) reserve. Wind responds to a 4 second AGC signal that helps maintain frequency.

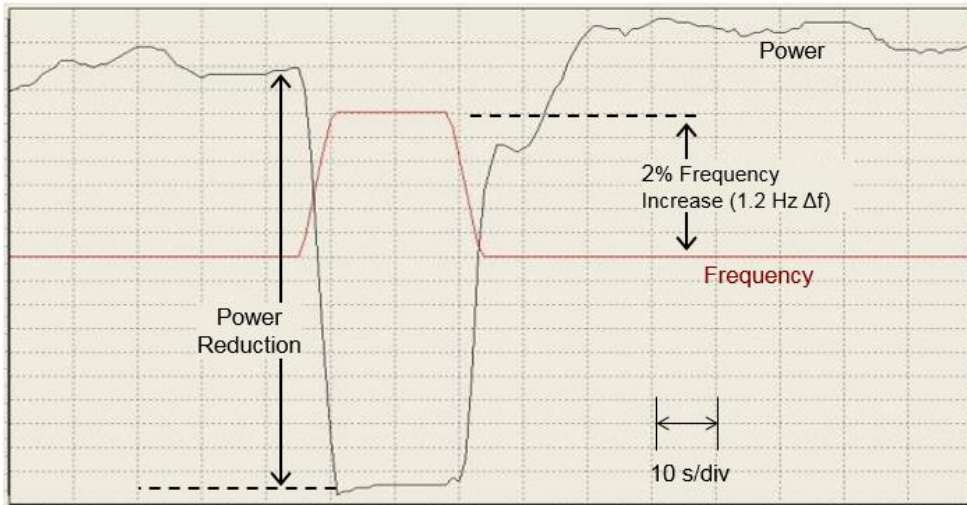
PSCO now has 1678 MW providing regulating reserve. In 2016, 23% of electricity in PSCO was served by wind.



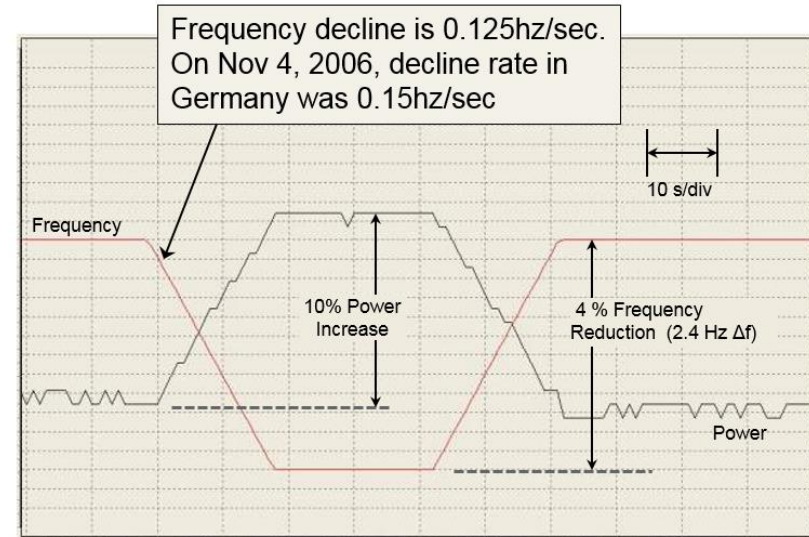
Source: Xcel/PSCO, Feb. 2012



Primary Frequency Response (Droop)



Field Test: Over-Frequency Response



Field Test: Under-Frequency Response

PFR is faster than regulating reserves and directly responds to frequency (like governor response with droop on thermal plants)

IBRs have provided PFR in Texas, Ireland, Canada for >7-8 years

In the US, FERC requires this capability for new (BES connected) generators

IBRs have the capability to provide PFR in both directions. Under-frequency response requires headroom (pre-curtailment has opportunity cost).



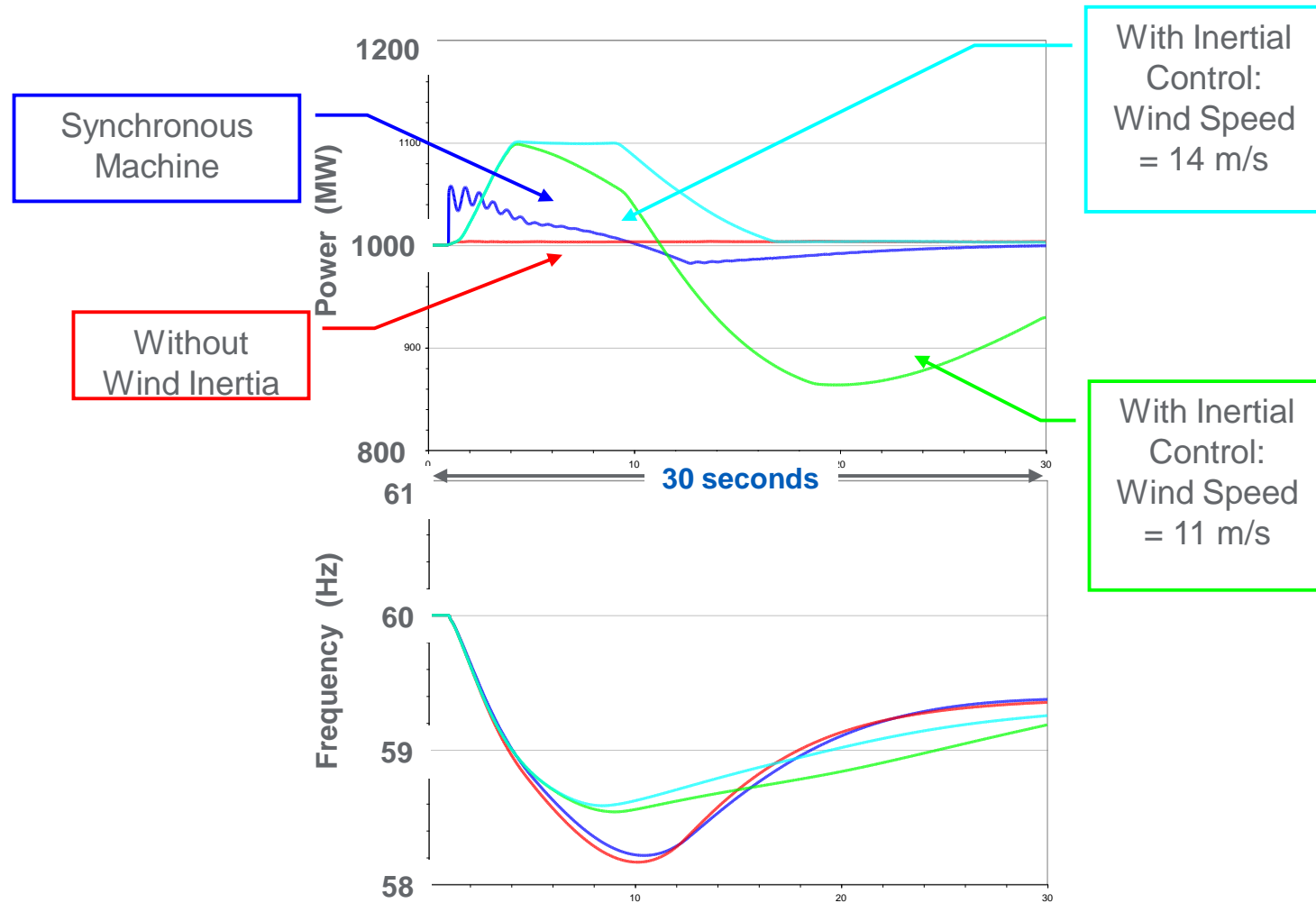
Wind Turbine Fast Frequency Control and Inertia from Synchronous Machines

Fast Frequency Response from Wind

- Use controls to extract stored inertial energy
- Provide incremental energy contribution during the 1st 10 seconds of grid events;
Allow time for governors and other controls to act
- Target incremental energy similar to that provided by a synchronous turbine-generator with inertia (H constant) of 3.5 pu-sec.
- Focus on functional behavior and grid response:
do not try to exactly replicate synchronous machine behavior



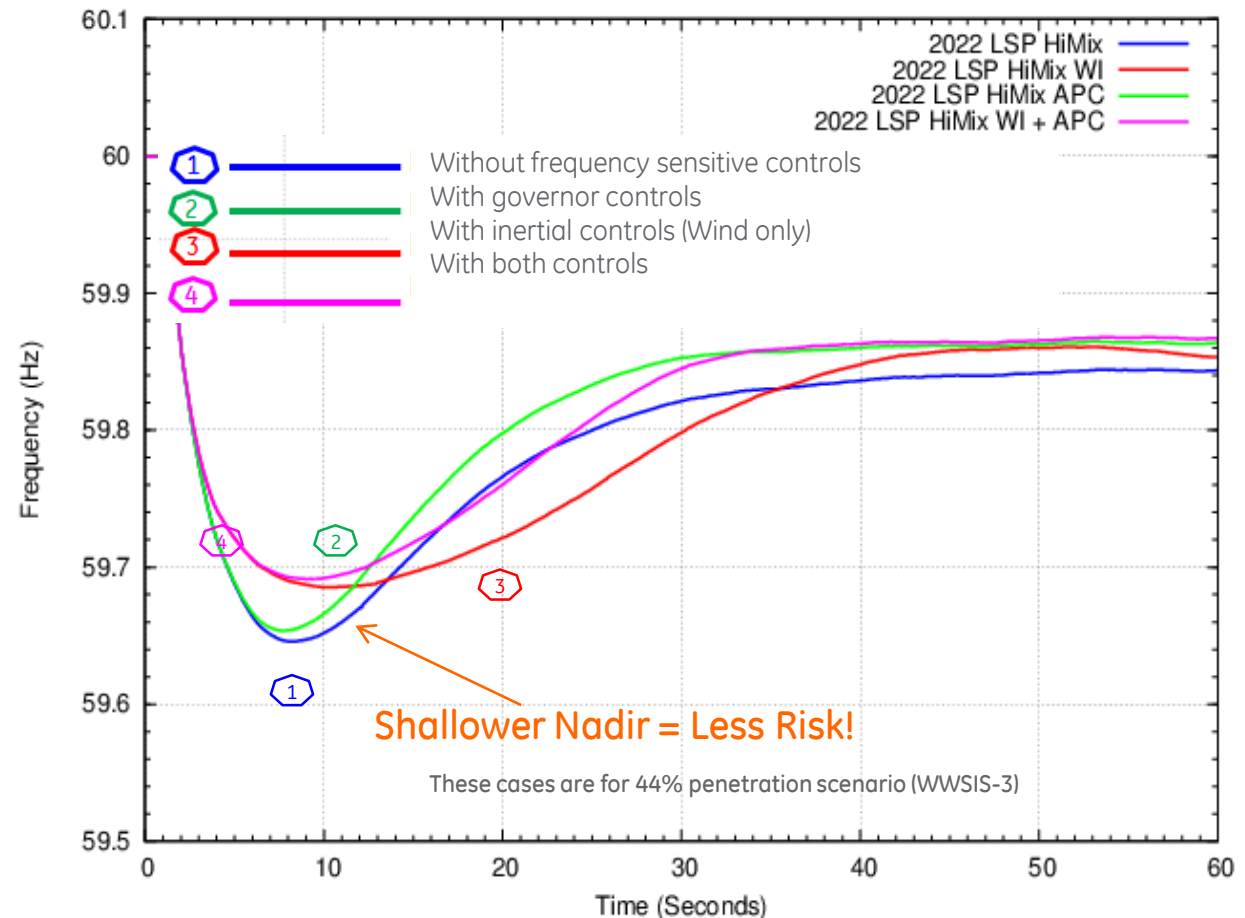
Wind Fast Frequency Response vs. Conventional



System Impact of Frequency Control

The **total response** of the IBR to the **Fast Frequency Response (inertial – wind only)** and **Primary Frequency Response (governor – wind and solar)** control signals is coordinated to respect the physical capabilities of the equipment

- 40% of wind plants (i.e., new ones) had these controls
- 300 MW initial curtailment (out of 27GW production)



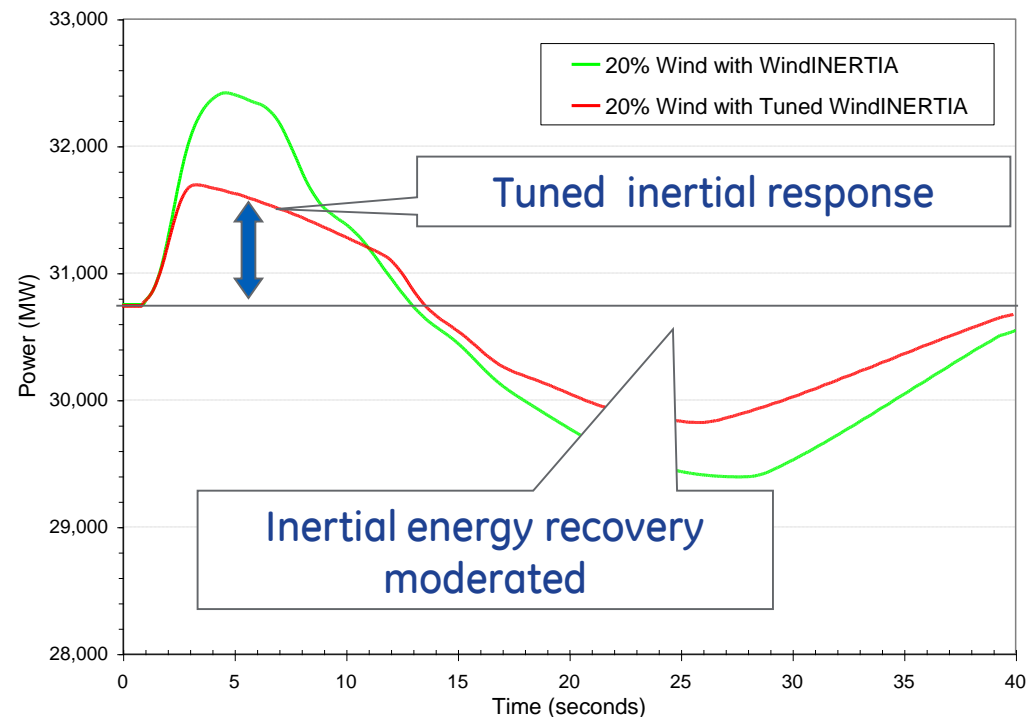
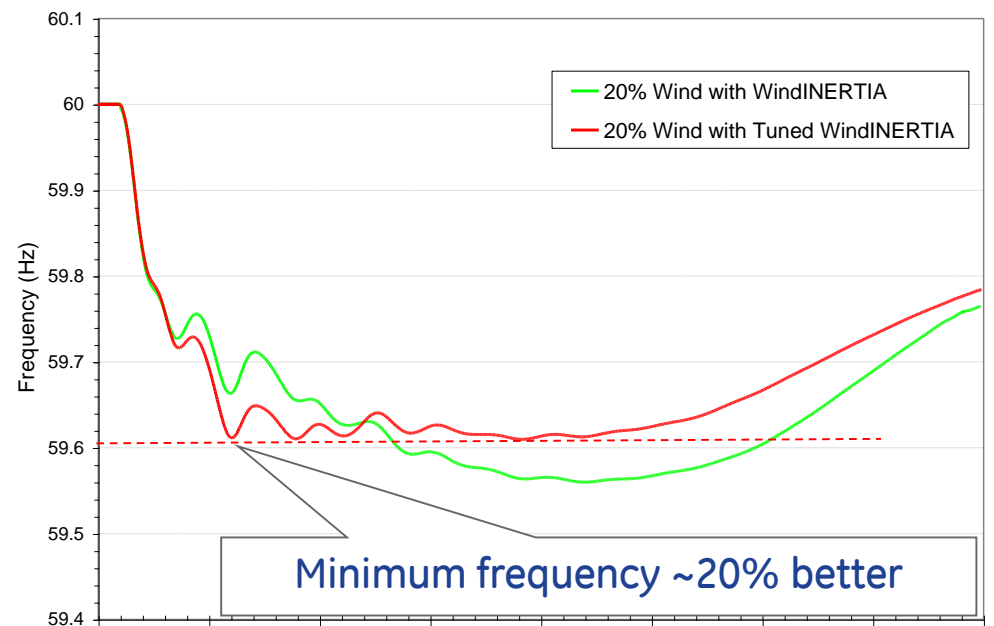
Performance is superior to synchronous machines



Tuning Inertial Response from Wind

From previous WWSIS analysis: tuning inertial response further improves frequency nadir and reduces impact of recovery energy

Inertia from synchronous machines is a fixed physical property

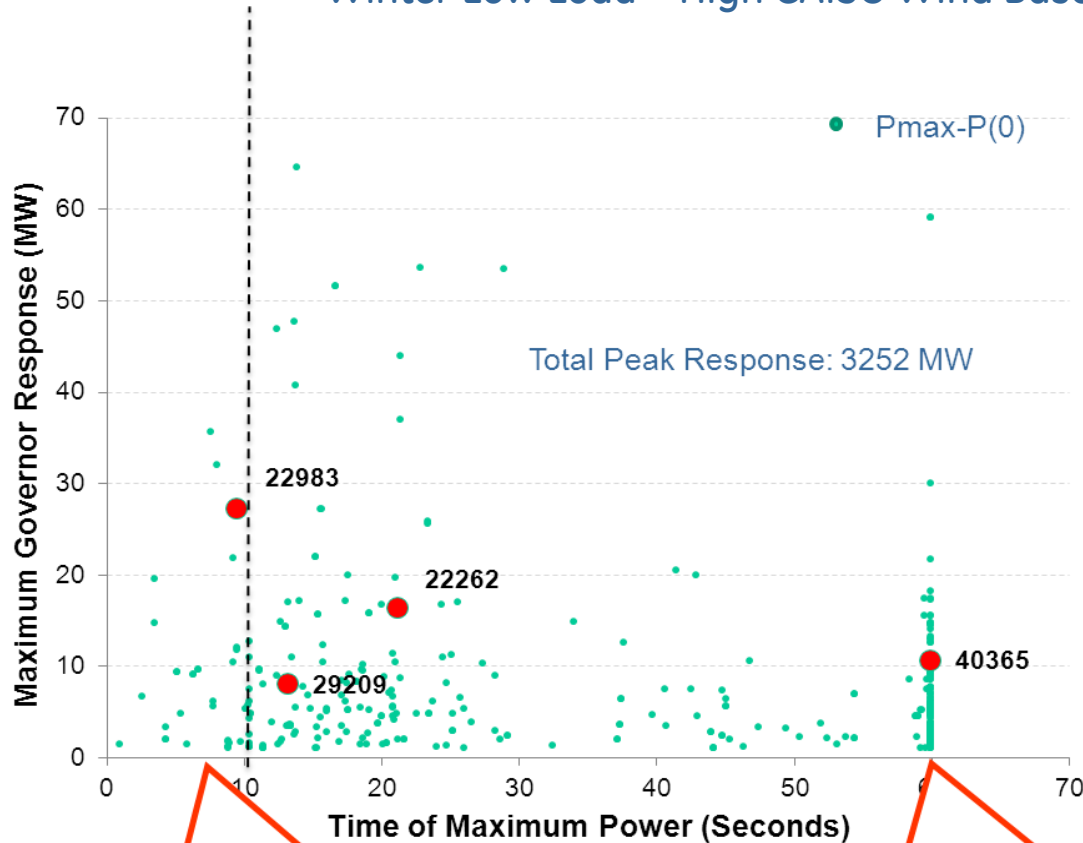


Gas/Steam PFR widely varies...

Performance:

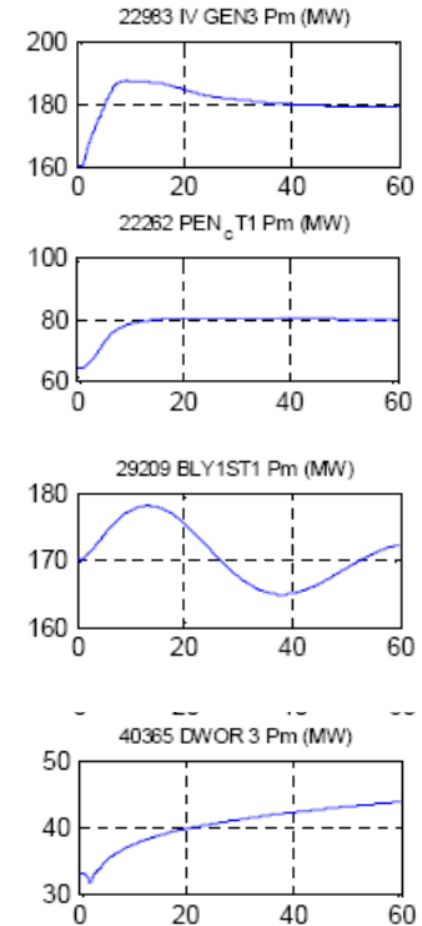
- Headroom
- MW Contribution
- Speed

Winter Low Load – High CAISO Wind Base Case



Units reach peak response before frequency nadir

Units still increasing output after 1 minute



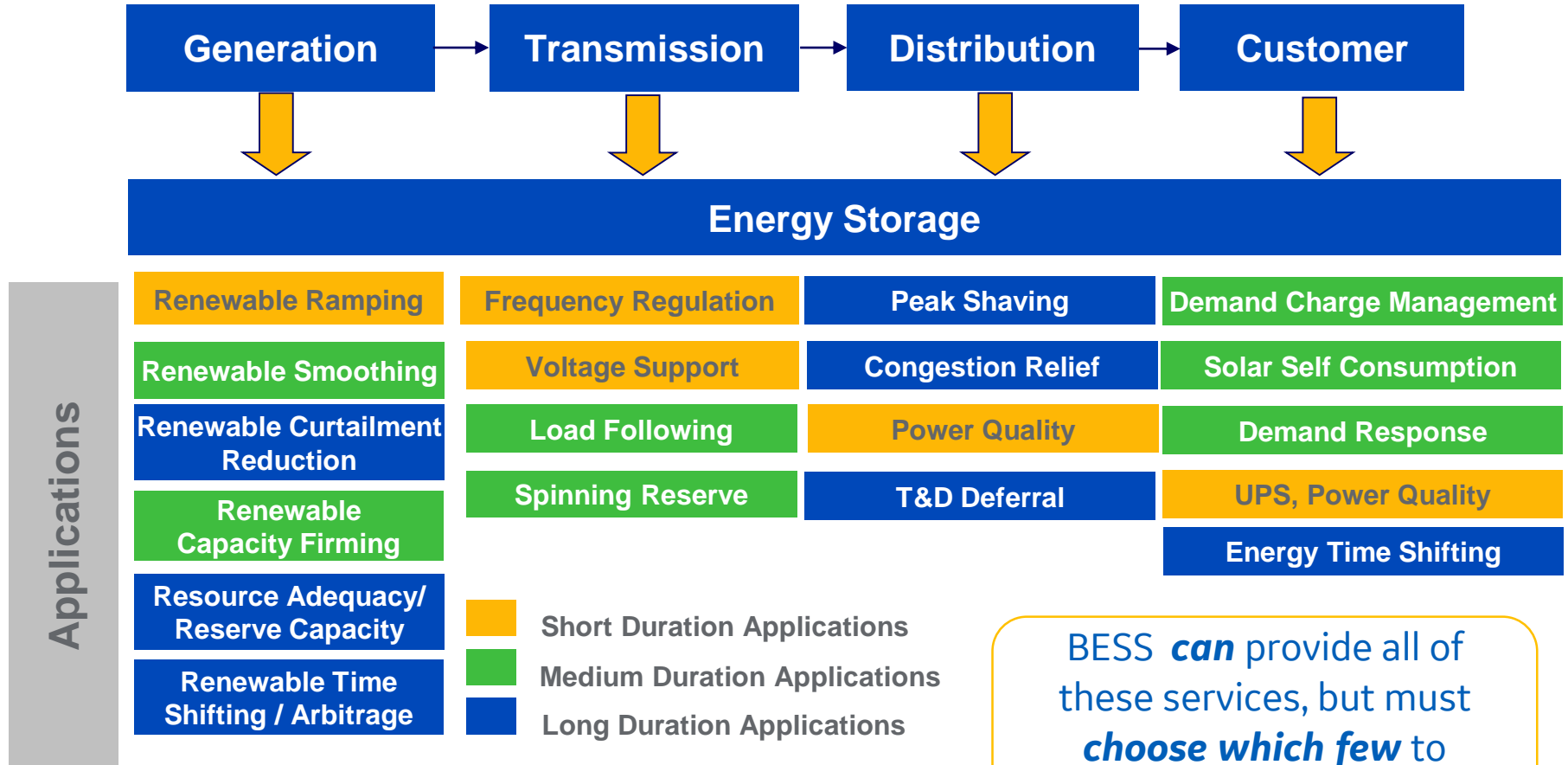
* Courtesy of CA Wind Integration Study, 2012



Battery Storage

ERS of BESS spans multiple disciplines...

Energy Storage Applications

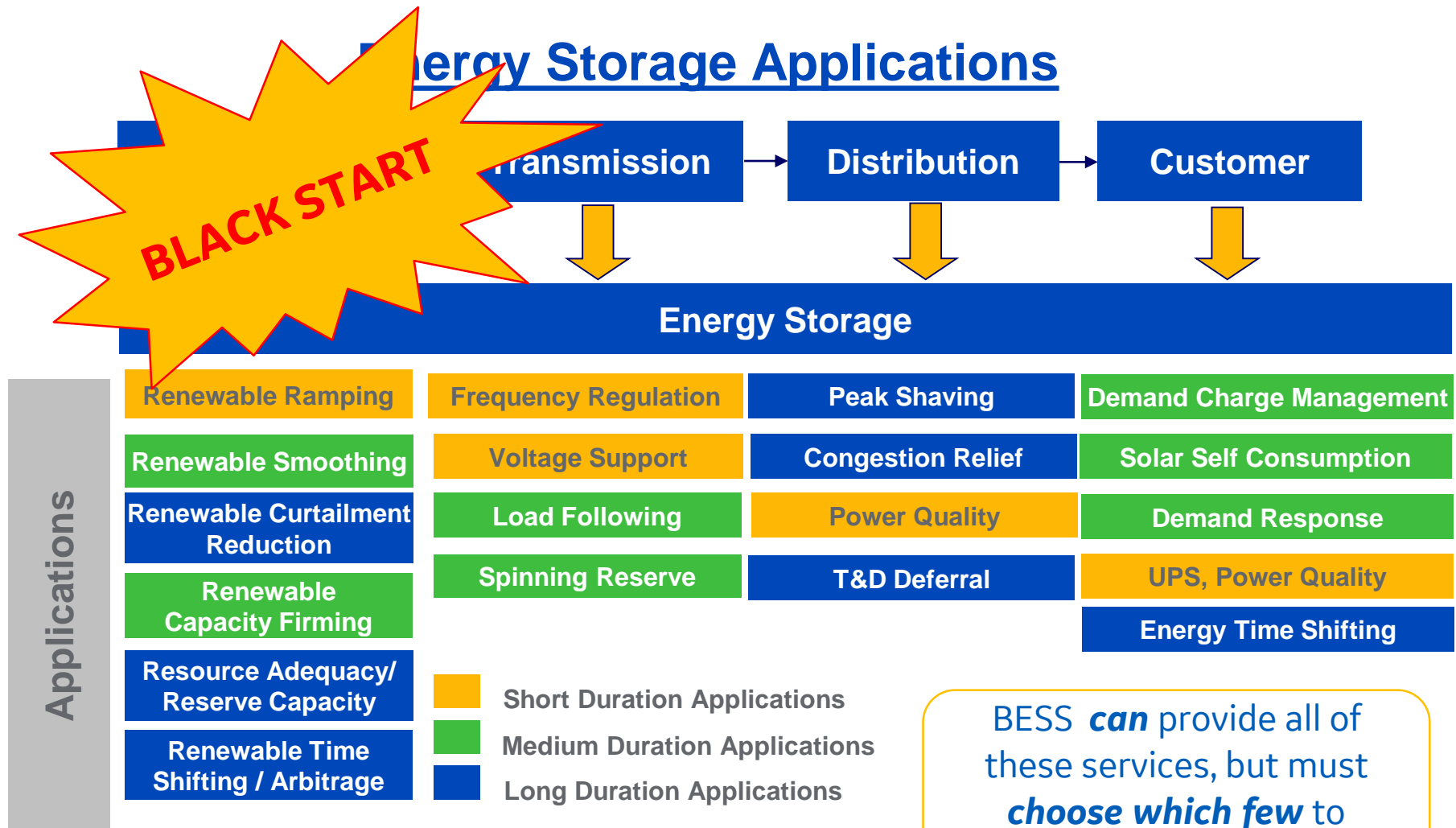


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Summary

- IBRs can stabilize the grid voltage by rapid, smooth bidirectional control of reactive power as well as or better than synchronous machines
- IBRs are capable of contributing to regulation and primary frequency response
- Wind (and in some cases Solar) can provide fast frequency response to support frequency and allow higher penetration of IBR
- Plant-level supervisory controls enable IBR performance that is comparable, and in many respects superior, to that of conventional power plants

**Advanced IBR grid-friendly technology is available and widely used today!
Incentives (markets) and sound requirements are key to unlocking this capability and achieving higher penetration.**





Thank You!

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