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Power and Frequency Control (Part 1)

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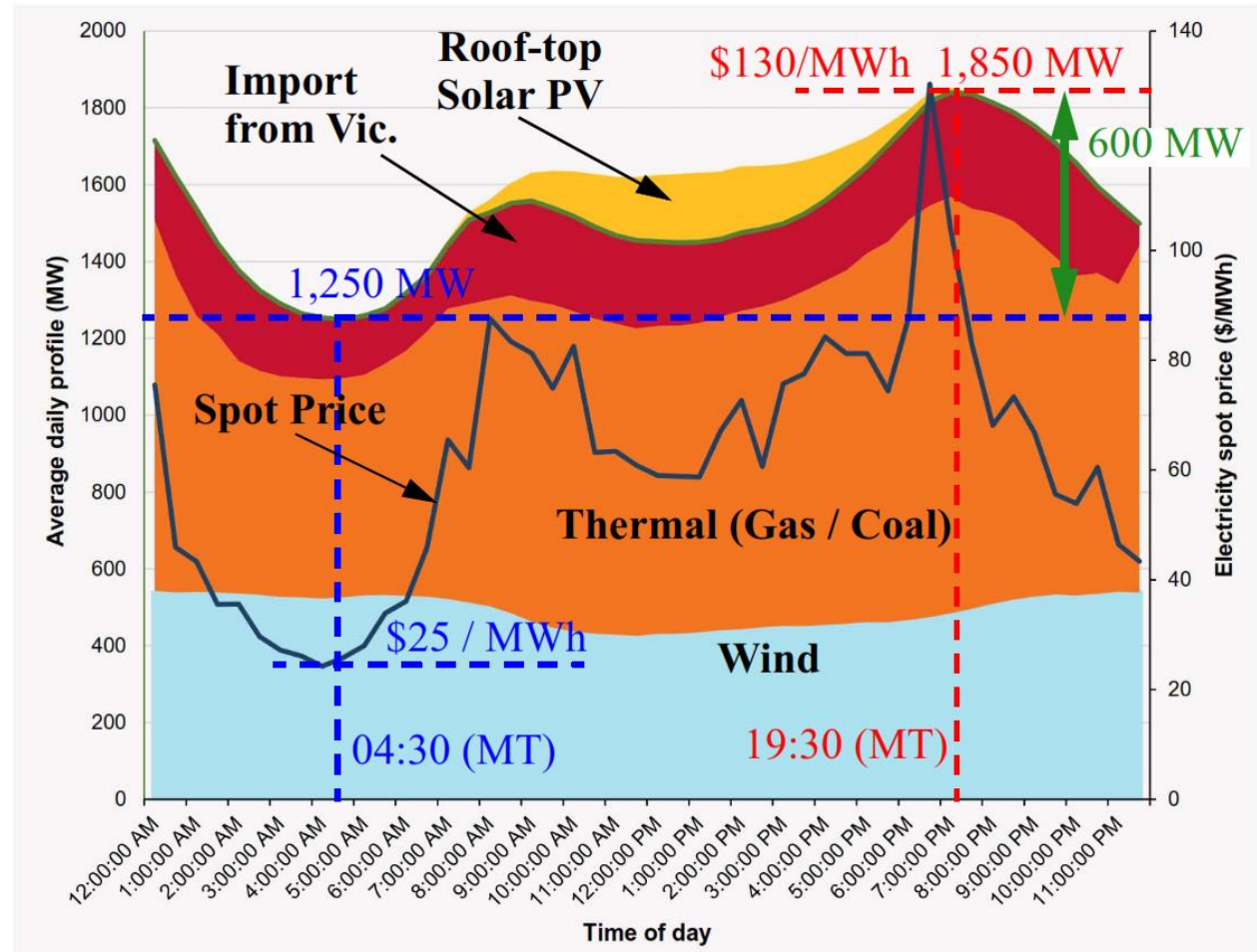
- **Background**

- Overview of power and frequency control provided in lecture 1
- Frequency related to balance between supply and demand
 - If demand exceeds supply frequency decreases
 - If supply exceeds demand frequency increases
- Demand changes continuously so supply must be adjusted to maintain demand-supply balance and thus frequency
- Frequency must be regulated within tight tolerances required for satisfactory system operation
 - Hierarchical, time segregated controls
 - Security constrained dispatch
 - Automatic generation control (AGC)
 - Turbine speed governors (synchronous machines)
 - Frequency controllers (asynchronous sources – growing application)
- Frequency / power control largely decoupled from voltage / reactive power control

Daily demand profile (Review Lecture 1)

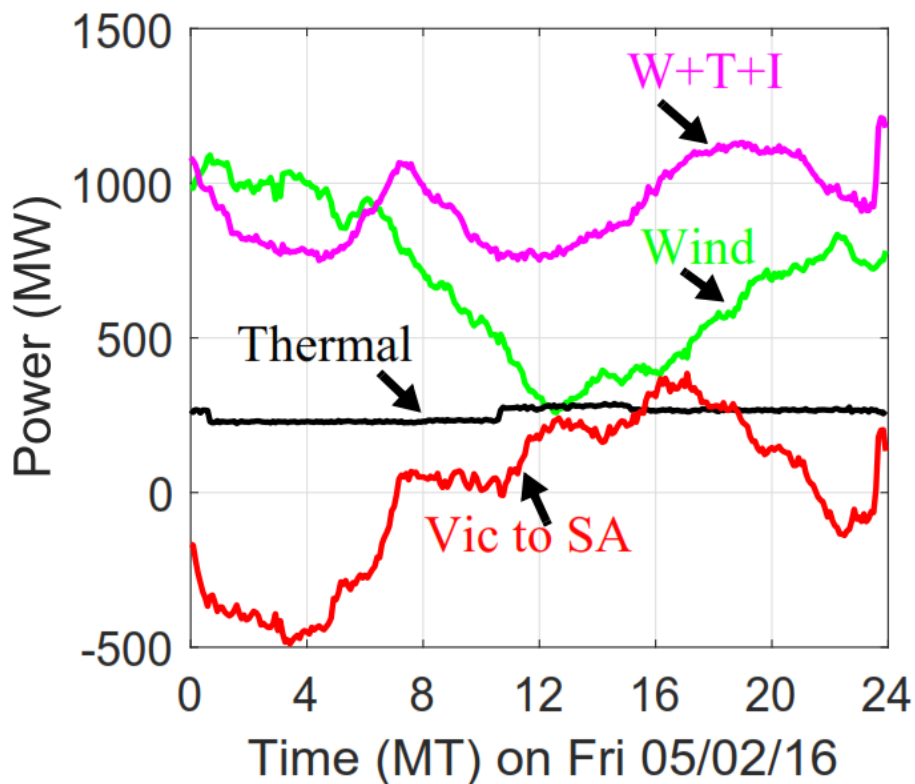
- Real power demanded by system loads varies continuously.
- Demand profile changes in shape and magnitude daily, weekday to weekend, seasonally.
- Highly weather dependent
- Increasing levels of intermittent generation results in overall increase in net variability
- Decreasing levels of controllable generation must respond to variability in the demand-supply balance.
- Focus now is on automatic frequency controls

Average SA Daily Load and Generation Profile (2015/16)

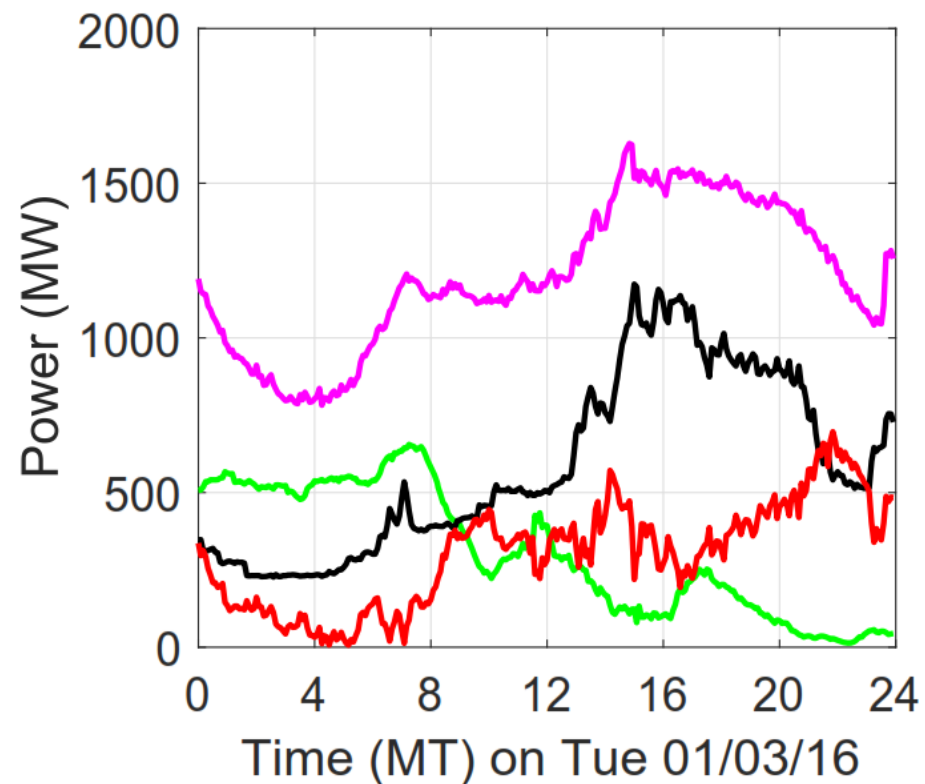


AEMO, "South Australian Electricity Report: South Australian Advisory Function", August 2016

Illustration of Intermittency and Variability of SA Wind Generation

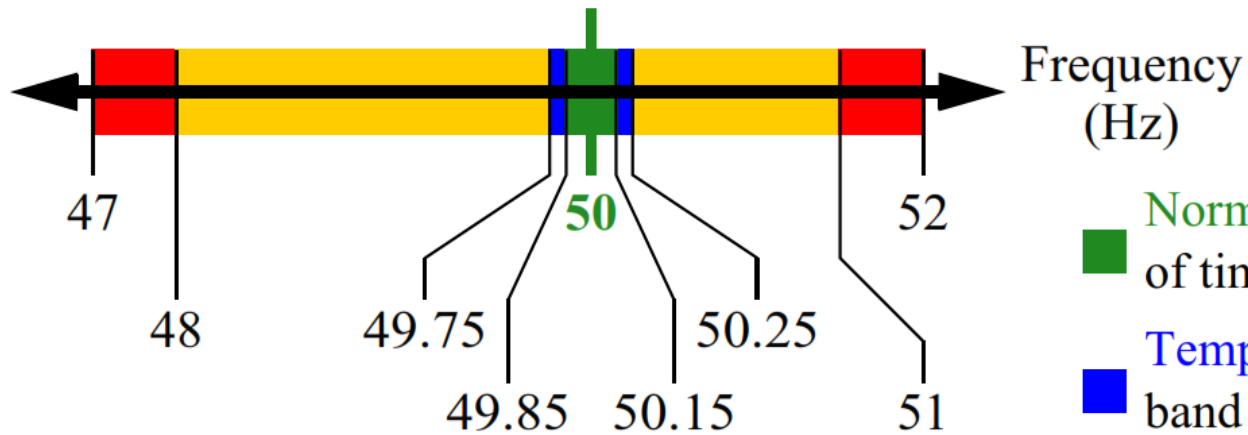


- Light load, SA thermal generation minimum
- High wind (1000 MW) overnight, SA exports excess wind to Vic.
- Wind falls by 750 MW to 250 MW by midday and then increases again. Slack taken up by interconnectors.



- Light-medium load, moderate wind (500 MW) overnight, falls to very low level later in the day.
- SA thermal generation and interconnectors responsive to variation in load and wind generation.

Frequency Control Requirements (Review Lecture 1)



- Abridged version of AEMC Frequency Operating Standard⁽¹⁾
- Tight frequency tolerance needed for satisfactory operation of the power system and the loads connected to it.

■ Normal operating frequency band (No contingency, 99% of time in any 30 day period)

■ Temporary excursion from normal operating frequency band (No contingency, return to normal band within 5 min)

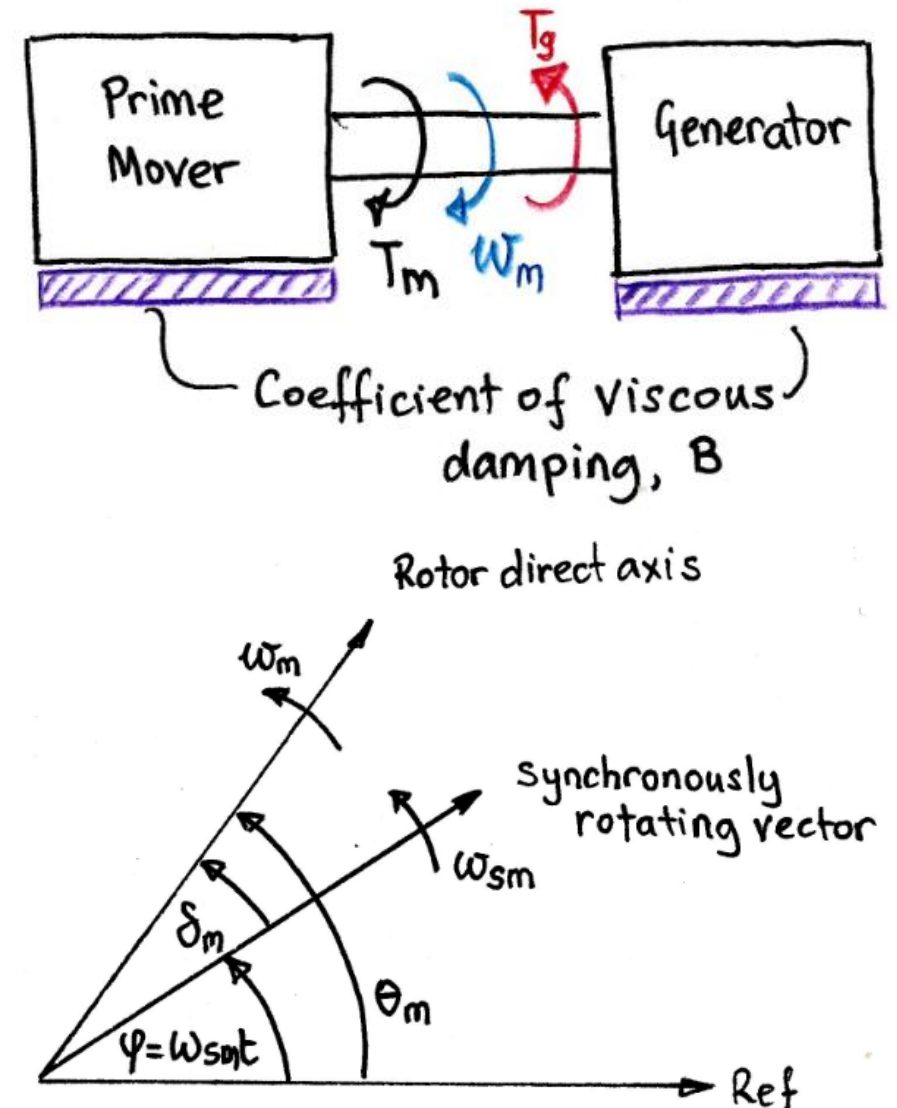
■ Operational frequency band after credible contingency (Graded stabilization and recovery times depending on the type of contingency. Stabilization to 49.5 to 50.5 Hz band in up to 2 min; Recovery to within normal band in up to 10 min.)

■ Extreme frequency band following multiple contingencies. (Under-frequency load-shedding, protection operation; Stabilization within 2 min., recovery within 10 min.)

(1) Reliability Panel, AEMC, "Application of Frequency Operating Standards during periods of supply scarcity", Final Report, 15 April 2009.

Synchronous machine rotor -- equations of motion (1)

- Rotors of synchronous machines are at the heart of system frequency response
- The rotor of a synchronous generator is subjected to two opposing torques:
 - The driving mechanical torque developed by the turbine which acts in the direction of rotation; and
 - The electromagnetic torque developed due to the interaction of the magnetic fields created by the currents carried by the field and armature windings. This torque opposes the direction of rotation.
- Rotor motion is measured relative to synchronously rotating reference frame

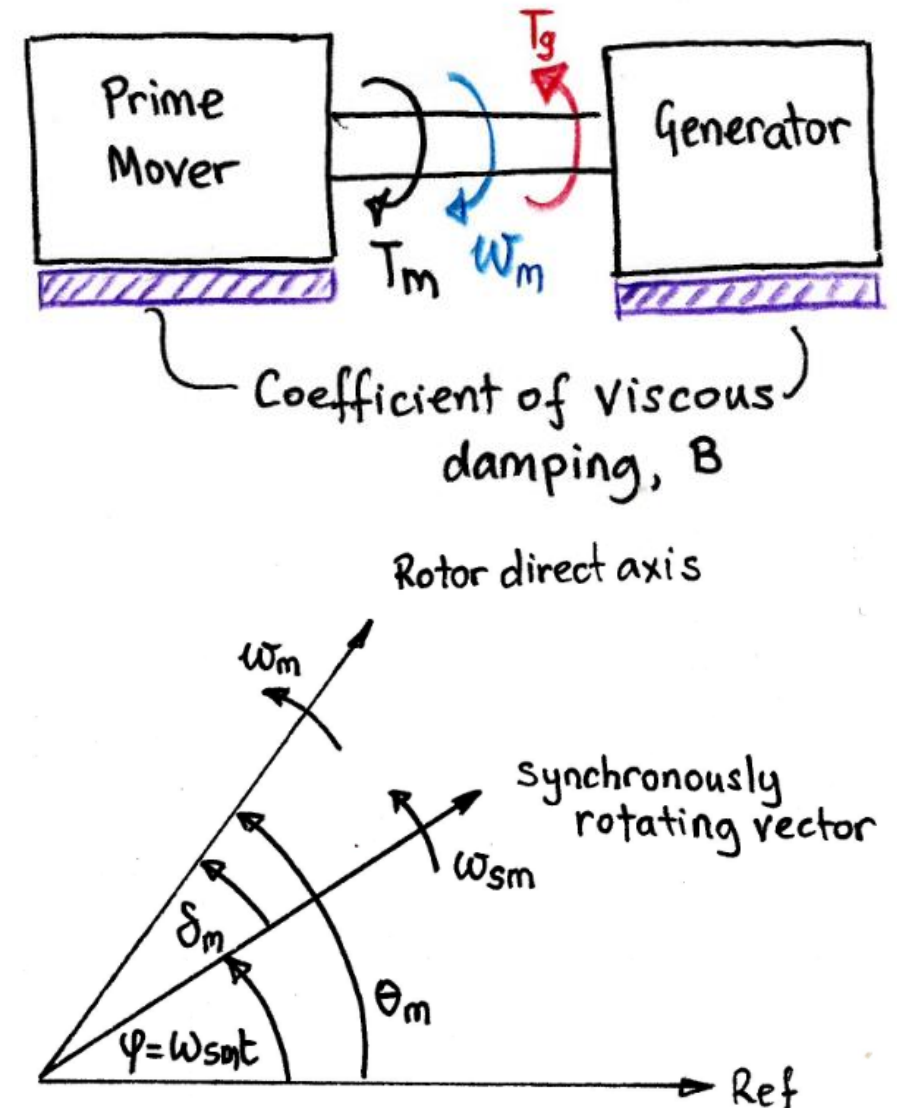


Synchronous machine rotor -- equations of motion (2)

Acceleration equation – Newton's second law of motion applied to rotational system (SI units)

$$J \frac{d\omega_m}{dt} = T_m - T_g - B(\omega_m - \omega_{sm})$$

Acceleration (rad/s²)
 Total moment of inertia of the rotating system (kg·m²)
 Mechanical Torque (N·m)
 Electromagnetic Torque (N·m)
 Damping Torque (Friction effects)
 Coefficient of viscous damping, B



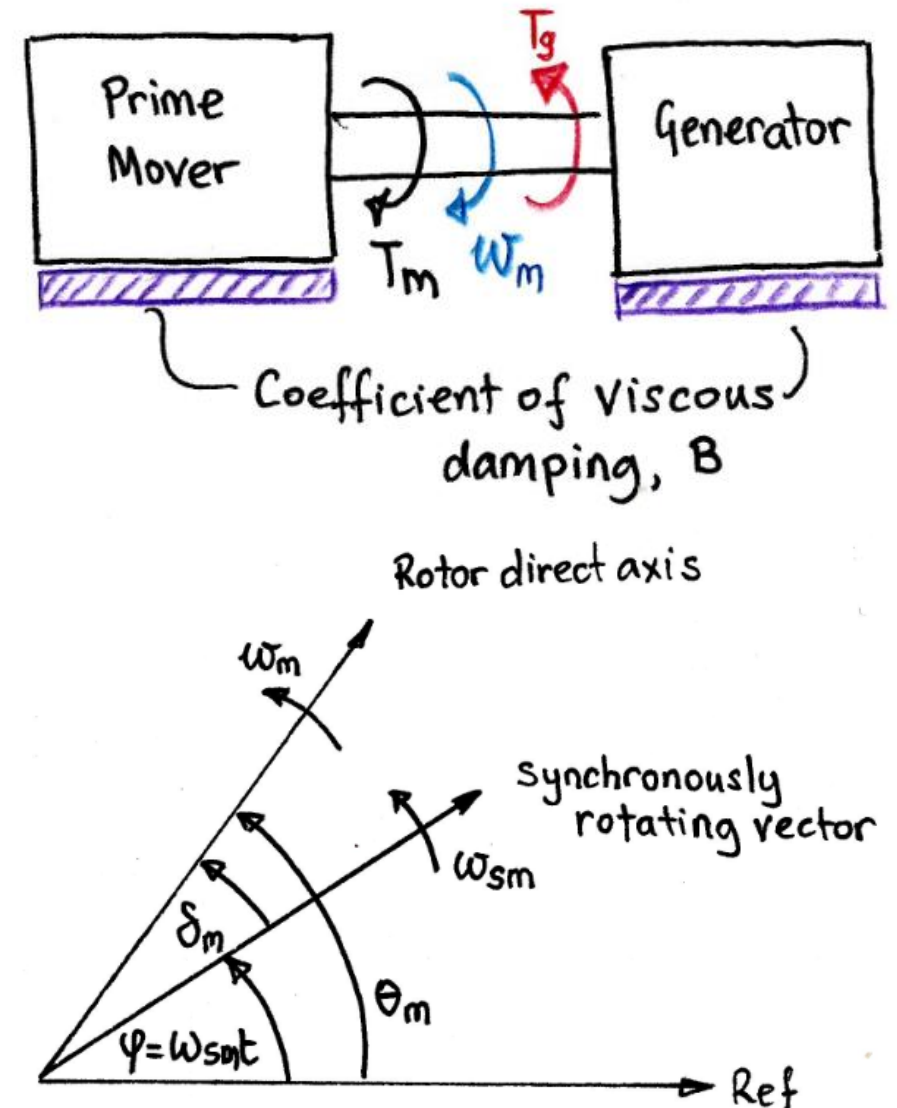
Synchronous machine rotor -- equations of motion (3)

Rotor-speed equation

$$\theta_m = \omega_{sm} \cdot t + \delta$$

$$\omega_m = \frac{d\theta_m}{dt} = \omega_{sm} + \frac{d\delta_m}{dt}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d\delta_m}{dt} = (\omega_m - \omega_{sm})$$



Synchronous machine rotor -- equations of motion (4)

Convert equations of motion in SI units to per-unit

Let the system frequency be f_0 Hz

so synchronous frequency is

$$\boxed{\omega_s = 2\pi f_0} \text{ (elec. rad/s)}$$

Let p_f be the number of field pole pairs, then $\boxed{\omega_{sm} = \omega_s / p_f}$ mech. rad/s

Per-unit rotor-speed:

- Base speed is synchronous speed
- Note equality of per-unit mechanical and electrical rotor-speed

$$\omega_m^{(p)} = \frac{\omega_m}{\omega_{ms}} \times \frac{p_f}{p_f} = \frac{\omega}{\omega_s} = \omega^{(p)}$$

Per-unit mechanical speed
= per-unit electrical speed.

$$\delta = \delta_m \times p_f$$

Synchronous machine rotor -- equations of motion (5)

Convert equations of motion in SI units to per-unit

Define the per-unit inertia constant H

$$H = \frac{\text{Rotor kinetic energy at synchronous speed (MW.s)}}{\text{MVA base} \times \text{Time base}}$$

$$= \frac{\frac{1}{2} J \omega_{sm}^2}{S_b \times \underbrace{t_b}_{1s}} = \boxed{\frac{\frac{1}{2} J \omega_{sm}^2}{S_b}}$$

$$J = 2H \left(\frac{S_b}{\omega_{sm}^2} \right)$$

$$2H \left(\frac{S_b}{\omega_{sm}^2} \right) \frac{d\omega_m}{dt} = T_m - T_g - B(\omega_m - \omega_{sm})$$

$$2H \frac{d\left(\frac{\omega_m}{\omega_{sm}}\right)}{dt} = \frac{T_m - T_g - B(\omega_m - \omega_{sm})}{S_b / \omega_{sm}}$$

per-unit rotor-speed

base torque

Synchronous machine rotor -- equations of motion (6)

$$2H \frac{d\omega_m^{(p)}}{dt} = T_m^{(p)} - T_g^{(p)} - \frac{B \cdot \omega_{sm}}{(S_b/\omega_{sm})} \left[\frac{\omega_m}{\omega_{sm}} - \frac{\omega_{sm}}{\omega_{sm}} \right]$$

$$2H \frac{d\omega_m^{(p)}}{dt} = T_m^{(p)} - T_g^{(p)} - D(\omega_m^{(p)} - 1)$$

per unit
inertia
constant

per unit
damping
constant.

Replace $\omega_m^{(p)}$ by $\omega^{(p)}$ and note
that $\Delta\omega_m^{(p)} = \Delta\omega^{(p)} = (\omega - 1)$.

$$\text{Thus } \frac{d\omega_m^{(p)}}{dt} = \frac{d\Delta\omega^{(p)}}{dt}$$

$$2H \frac{d\Delta\omega}{dt} = T_m - T_g - D\Delta\omega$$

Synchronous machine rotor equations of motion (7)

Per-unitization of speed-equation

$$\frac{d\delta_m}{dt} = \omega_{sm} \left(\frac{\omega_m}{\omega_{sm}} - \frac{\omega_{sm}}{\omega_{sm}} \right)$$

$$= \omega_{sm} (\omega_m^{(p)} - 1)$$

$$\frac{d(P_f \times \delta_m)}{dt} = \omega_{sm} \left(\frac{\omega_m}{\omega_{sm}} - \frac{\omega_{sm}}{\omega_{sm}} \right) \times P_f$$

$$\frac{d\delta}{dt} = \omega_s (\omega_m^{(p)} - 1) \text{ (elec. rad/s)}$$

$$\boxed{\frac{d\delta}{dt} = \omega_s (\omega^{(p)} - 1) \text{ (elec. rad/s)}}$$

Summary:

**Per-unit rotor-equations of motion
(Torque Formulation)**

All quantities in per-unit on S_b , $\omega_b = \omega_s$, $T_b = S_b / \omega_b$

Acceleration equation

$$\frac{d\Delta\omega}{dt} = \frac{1}{2H} (T_m - T_g - D\Delta\omega)$$

Speed equation

$$\frac{d\delta}{dt} = \omega_s \Delta\omega$$

Synchronous machine -- rotor equations of motion (8)

Convenient to express acceleration equation in terms of mechanical and electrical power rather than torque.

- It is shown at right that the per-unit perturbation in accelerating power and accelerating torque are identical
- The linearized rotor equations of motion in torque and power form are shown next ...

Relationship between torque and power \rightarrow $P = \omega T$

Under steady state conditions $\frac{d\Delta\omega}{dt} = 0$ (i.e. speed is constant and equal to $\omega_0 = 1$ pu). Suppose that the steady state values of torque and power are T_0 and P_0 respectively then it follows that $P_0 = \omega_0 \cdot T_0 = T_0$
Now, consider small perturbations in torque, power and speed about the initial steady state values

$$P = P_0 + \Delta P, \quad T = T_0 + \Delta T$$

$$\omega = \omega_0 + \Delta\omega = 1 + \Delta\omega$$

$$\begin{aligned} (P_0 + \Delta P) &= (1 + \Delta\omega)(T_0 + \Delta T) \\ &= T_0 + \Delta T + \Delta\omega T_0 + \text{h.o.t.} \\ &= P_0 + \Delta T + \Delta\omega T_0 \quad \uparrow \text{neglect} \\ \therefore \Delta P &= \Delta T + \Delta\omega T_0 \end{aligned}$$

Now,

$$\begin{aligned} (\Delta P_m - \Delta P_e) &= (\Delta T_m - \Delta T_g) \\ &\quad + \underbrace{\Delta\omega(T_{m0} - T_{g0})}_{= 0 \text{ in steady-state}} \\ \therefore \underline{\Delta P_m - \Delta P_e} &= \underline{\Delta T_m - \Delta T_g} \end{aligned}$$

Synchronous machine – Linearized rotor equations of motion

Following from the previous slide the per-unit linearized accelerating torque and accelerating power are equivalent resulting the following torque & power perturbation forms of the linearized equations of motion.

$$\frac{d\Delta\omega}{dt} = \frac{1}{2H} \underbrace{(\Delta T_m - \Delta T_g - D\Delta\omega)}_{\text{Torque form}} = \frac{1}{2H} \underbrace{(\Delta P_m - \Delta P_e - D\Delta\omega)}_{\text{Power form}}$$

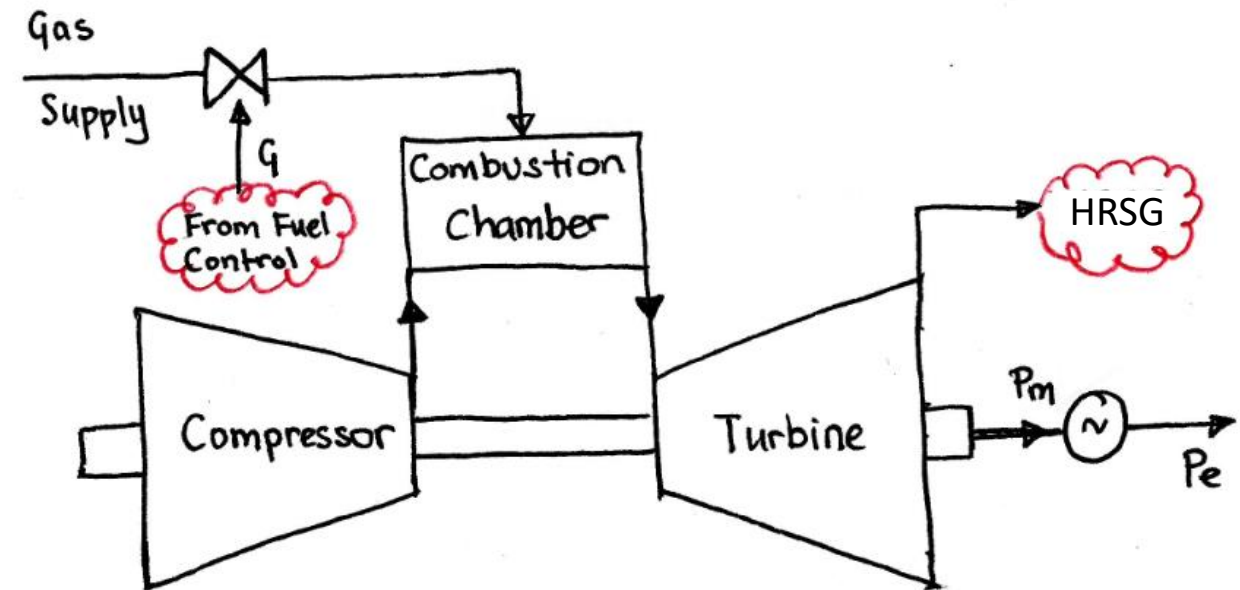
$$\frac{d\delta}{dt} = \omega_s \cdot \Delta\omega \quad , \quad \omega_s = 2\pi f_o$$

Prime Movers (1)

- Provide high-level overview of just two examples of prime-movers
 - Steam turbines
 - Gas turbines (open / combined cycle)
 - Relevant to SA
 - Note that solar thermal plants employ steam turbines

Prime Movers – Gas Turbines (1)

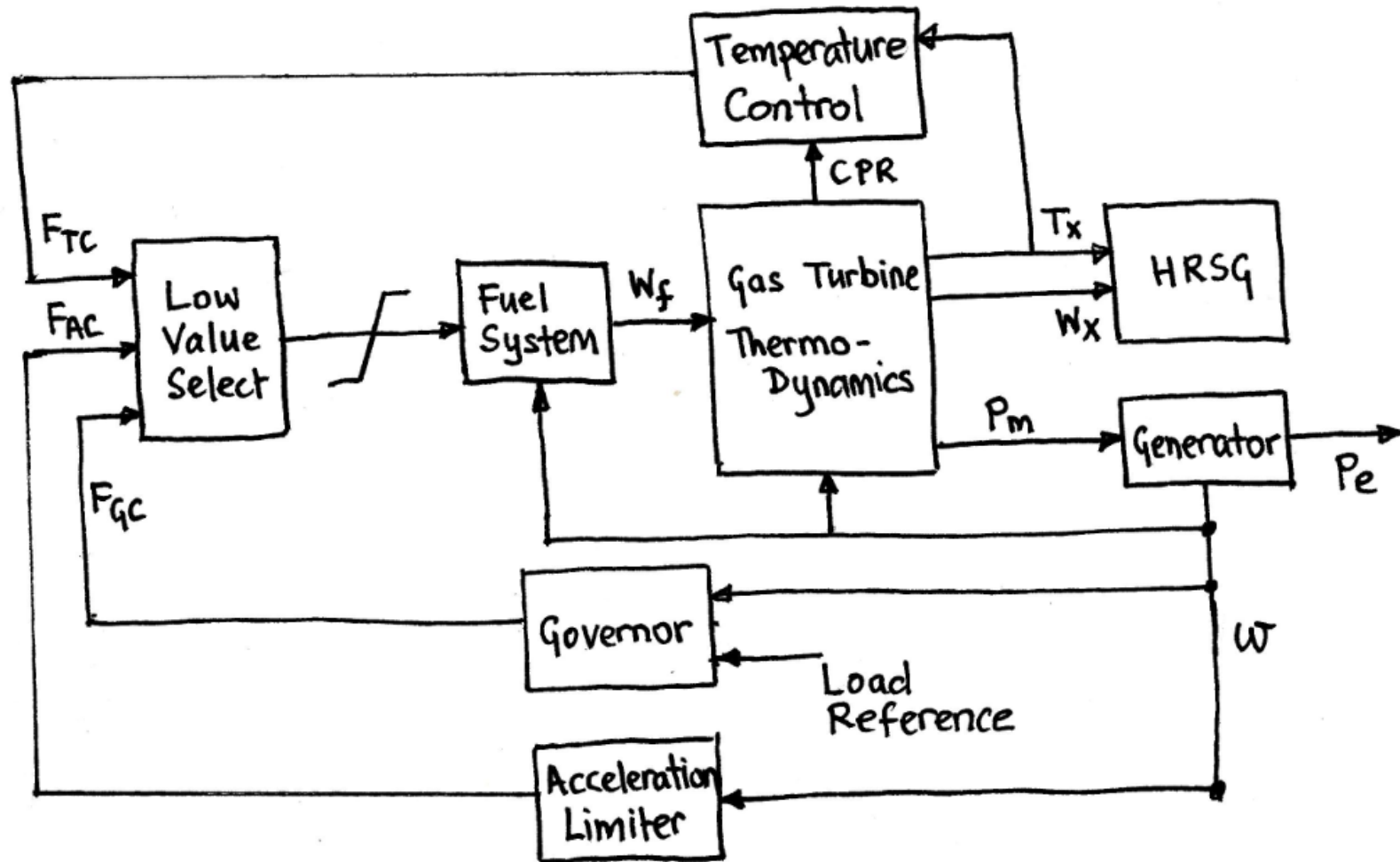
- **Compressor**
 - Pressurizes air drawn from atmosphere and feeds it to combustion chamber at very high speed
- **Combustion System**
 - Ring of fuel injectors
 - Controlled stream of fuel mixture burned at high temperatures (> 1100 deg. C)
- **Turbine**
 - Intricate array of alternating stationary and rotating aerofoil-section blades.
 - High temperature / high pressure gas stream expands through turbine.
 - Interaction of gas flow and turbine blades develop mechanical power to drive
 - Compressor
 - Electrical generator
- High temperatures \Rightarrow high efficiency
- Special materials to withstand temperatures



- Combined-cycle GTs provided with HRSG (Heat recovery steam generator)
 - Heat from GT exhaust gases recovered to produce steam to drive a steam generator.

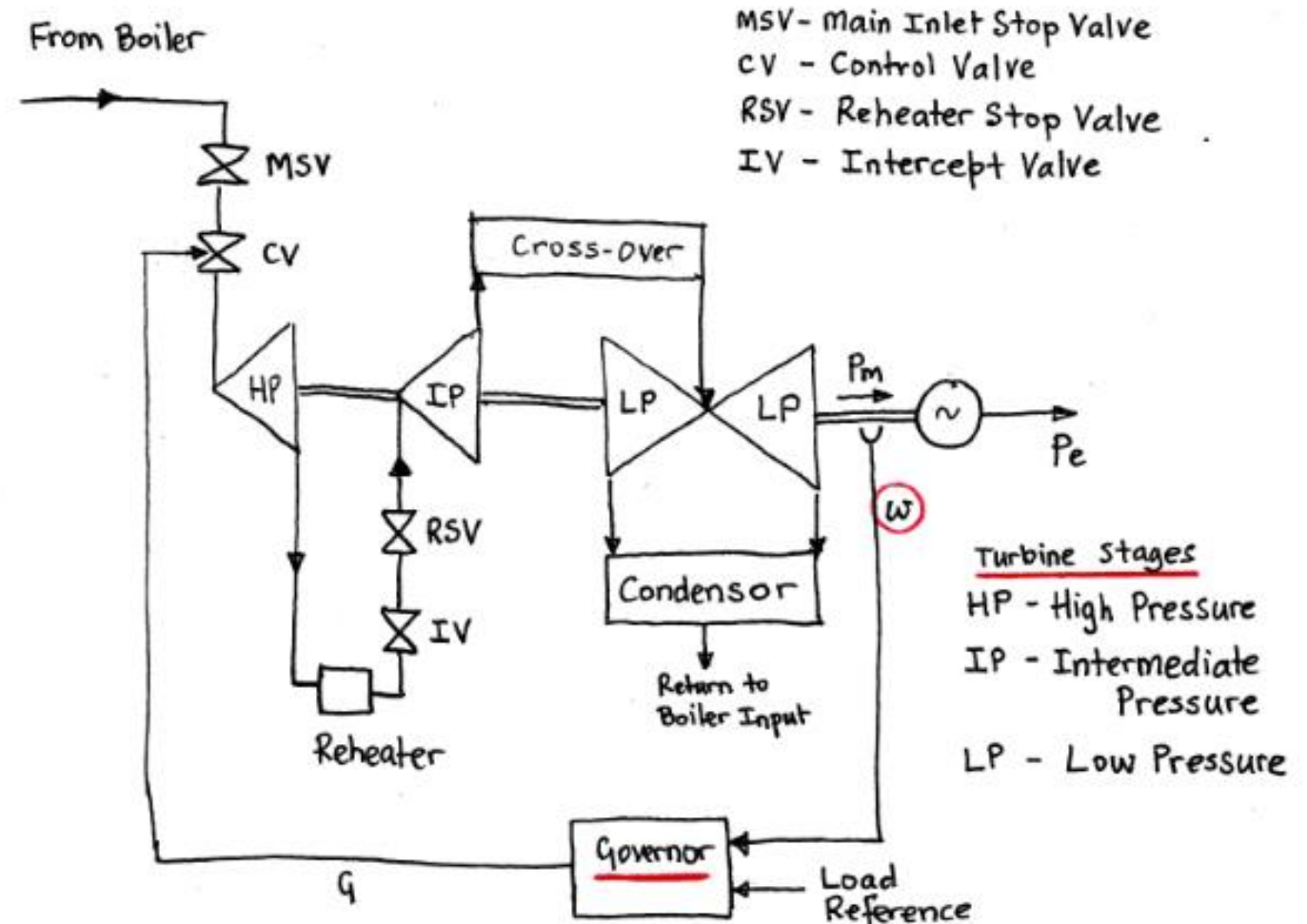
Prime Movers – Gas Turbines (2)

- Simplified block diagram of main control elements in a gas turbine
 - Control of fuel flow is determined by one of three primary controls:
 - Temperature
 - Acceleration
 - Governor
 - The controller with the least fuel requirement has priority



Prime Movers – Steam Turbines (1)

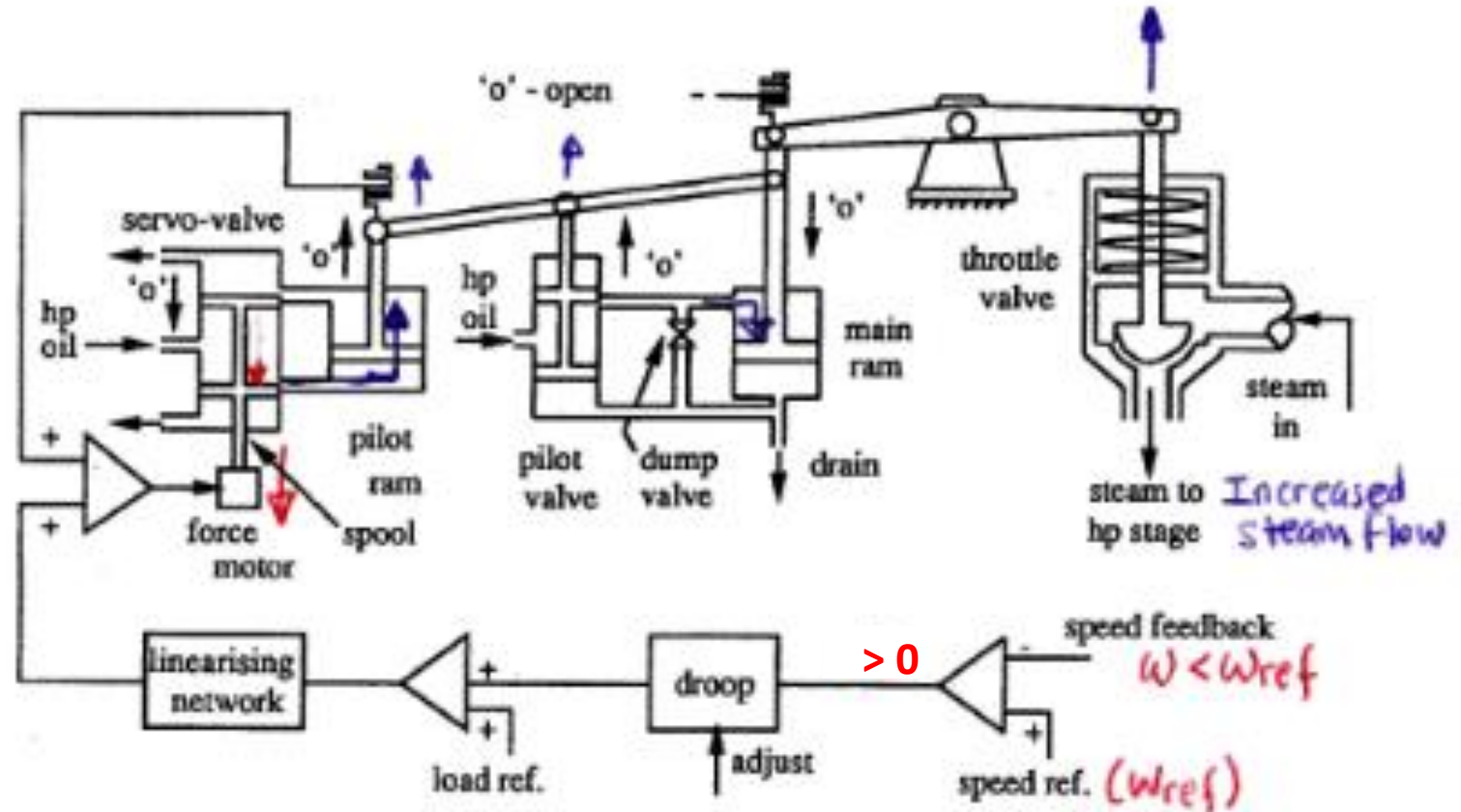
- High temperature (~ 560 deg. C) / high pressure (~ 150 bar) steam produced by boiler fed through steam chest.
 - MSV for emergency stop
 - CV controlled by governor to regulate steam flow and thus mechanical power
- Steam supplied to HP turbine stage.
 - Following expansion steam returned to boiler for reheating before being fed to IP
- Large volumes of steam in pipework leading to IP turbine so RSV provided to shut-off steam supply to IP in event of emergency.
 - Governor control of IV may be provided
- Exhaust steam from IP stage fed by cross-over pipe-work to one or more LP turbines.
 - Lower pressure \Rightarrow larger diameter pipework and turbine sections
 - Steam exhausted to condenser
- HP $\sim 30\%$ power, IP & LP $\sim 70\%$ of power



Due to large volumes of steam and extensive pipework in IP & LP sections significant delay (seconds) in response of P_m to change in G

Example – Steam turbine governor

- Electro-hydraulic governor
- Suppose there is a fall in speed ($w < w_{ref}$)
- Electronic / digital processing transforms error to signal to cause the force motor to lower the spool
- HP oil admitted to lower side of the pilot ram chamber which raises the pilot piston.
- Lever action causes pilot valve to be raised
- HP oil admitted to the upper side of the main ram lowering the main piston.
- Opening of throttle valve increased in opposition to spring.
- Steam flow increased resulting in an increase in turbine power output that opposes the reduction in speed.
- Similar action occurs if there is an increase in the load reference (i.e. power output increased but not in response to speed change)



- Governor-throttle valve system time-constant typically 2-3 s for small disturbances.
- Emergency – Open dump valve to evacuate main ram and close control valve in 0.15 to 0.2 s