# Simple if beautiful... ...but is it useful?

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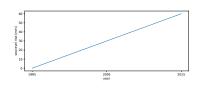
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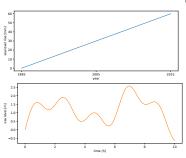


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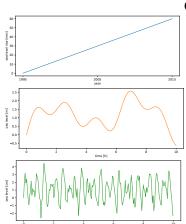
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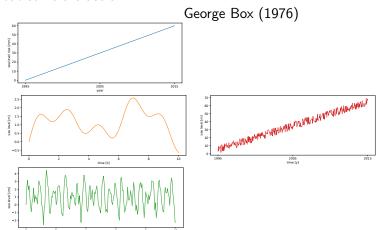


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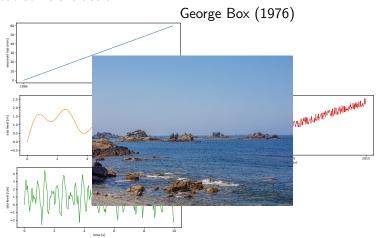
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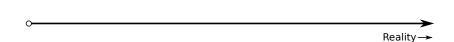
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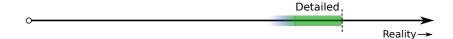


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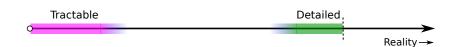


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So what do we do?

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- ▶ Phase differences are small  $\implies$  cos $(\theta_i \theta_k) \approx 1$ ;
- ▶ Voltage amplitudes are almost constant  $\implies V_i \approx cte$ .

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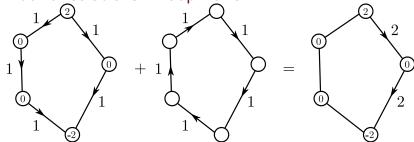
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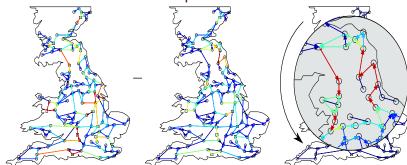
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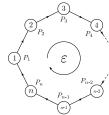
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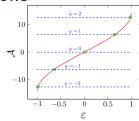






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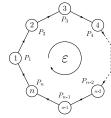


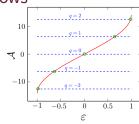


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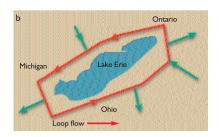




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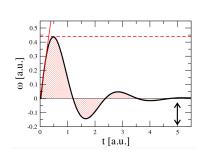
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$$||x_i||_p = \frac{1}{T} \left[ \int_0^T |x_i(t)|^p dt \right]^{1/p}.$$



## A few concepts of graph theory

A graph is a set of vertices/nodes V = $\{1,...,n\}$  and a set of **edges/lines**  $E \subset V \times V$ , which are pairs of vertices.

#### Its Laplacian matrix,

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$$L_{ij} = \left\{ egin{array}{ll} d_i \,, & ext{if } i = j \,, \ -1 \,, & ext{if } (i,j) \in E \,, \ 0 \,, & ext{otherwise,} \end{array} 
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with eigenvalues  $0 = \lambda_1 < \lambda_2 < ... < \lambda_n$ .



$$\mathit{Kf}_1 = \mathit{n} \sum_{j \geq 2} \frac{1}{\lambda_j} \,, \qquad \mathit{Kf}_2 = \mathit{n} \sum_{j \geq 2} \frac{1}{\lambda_j^2} \,, \qquad \mathit{Kf}_m = \mathit{n} \sum_{j \geq 2} \frac{1}{\lambda_j^m} \,.$$

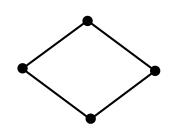


# Example

$$V = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$$
  
 
$$E = \{(1, 2), (1, 4), (2, 3), (3, 4)\}$$

$$L = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & 0 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 & -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

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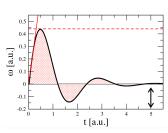
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### RoCoF under line contingency

Considering  $\delta \dot{\omega}_i$  and  $\|...\|_{\infty}$  gives the Rate of Change of Frequency.

After line (i, j) is lost,

$$\max_{k,t} |\delta \dot{\omega}_k| = |\delta \dot{\omega}_i(0^+)|.$$



R. D., M. Tyloo, and P. Jacquod, Chaos 29 (2019).

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