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Identification of hydro power frequency containment reserves dynamics using PMUs

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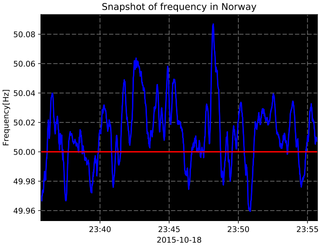
- The performance of hydro turbine governors play an important role



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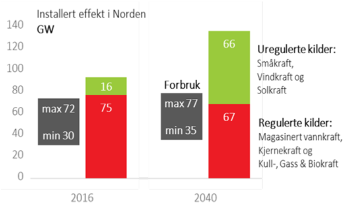

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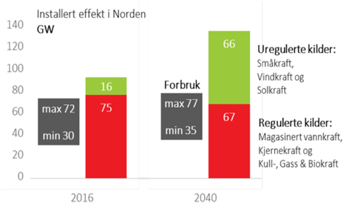

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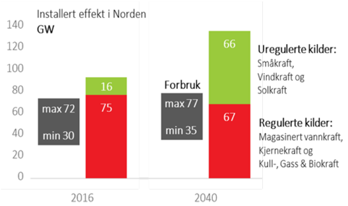

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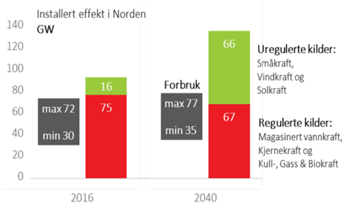

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New requirements on FCR due to frequency quality

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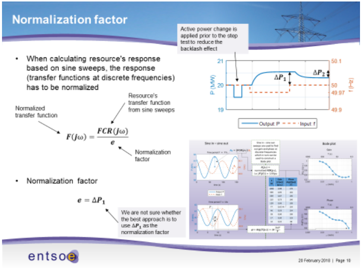
- This includes offline testing and verification of performance



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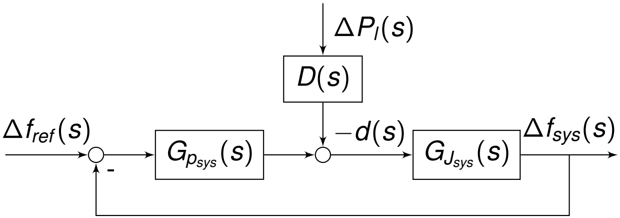

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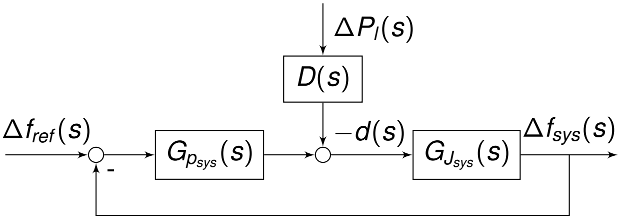

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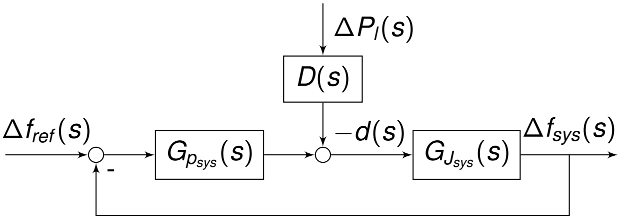

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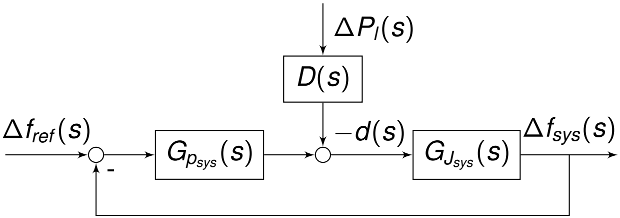

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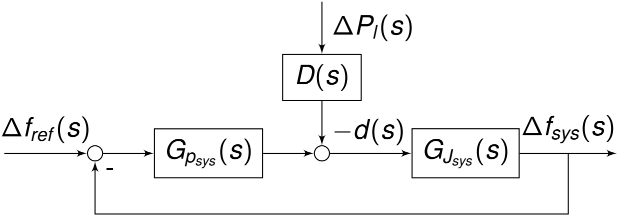
$$S_{sys}(s) = \frac{1}{1 + G_{p_{sys}}(s)G_{J_{sys}}(s)} \tag{1}$$



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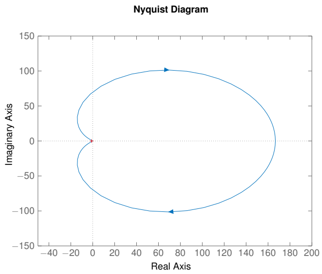

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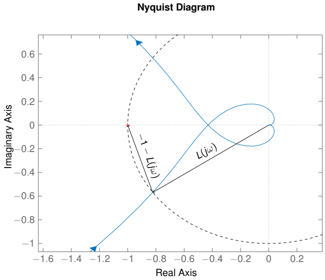

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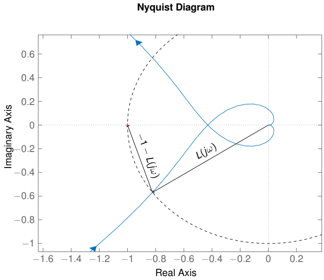

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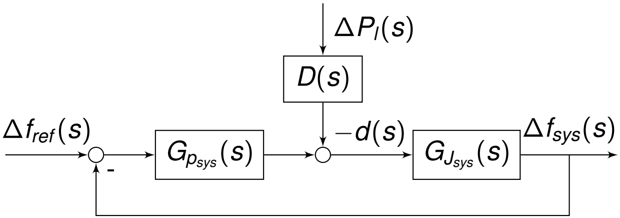

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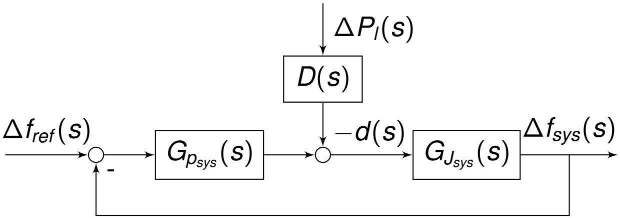

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- We can use this for defining the performance requirements:

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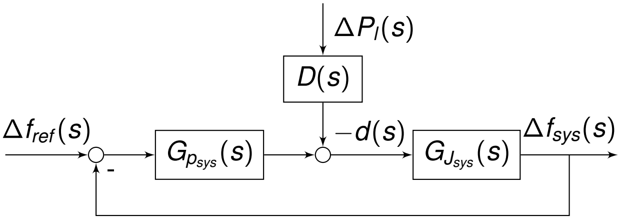

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$$|S(j\omega)| < \frac{1}{M_s} \tag{7}$$

and

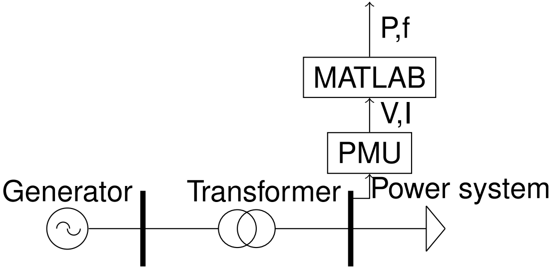
$$|2\pi G_1(j\omega)|^2 \phi_d(\omega) < 0.1 \tag{8}$$

Drawbacks with the draft requirements

- One has to disconnect the plant to inject the sine waves.
- Injecting 10 sine waves take a lot of time.
- They assume the same swing dynamics for all plants.

Research question

- Can the draft requirements be tested using PMU measurements from normal operation?



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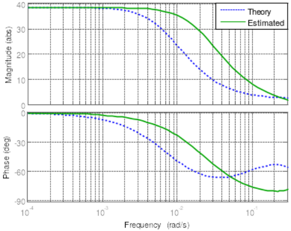

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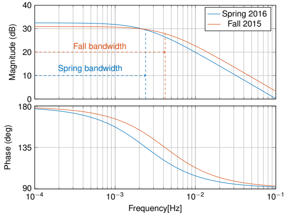

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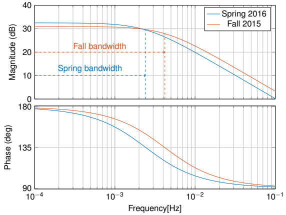

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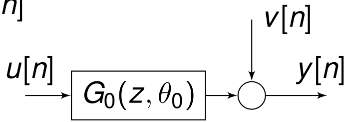
System identification basic

- Assume that a data set $Z^N = \{u[n], y[n] | n = 1 \ldots N\}$ has been collected.
- The dataset Z^N is assumed generated by

$$\mathcal{S} : y[n] = G_1(z, \theta_1)u[n] + H_1(z, \theta_1)e[n] \tag{9}$$



- Using the data set Z^N we want to find the parameter vector θ^N minimizing

$$\hat{\theta}_N = \arg\min_{\theta} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^{N} \epsilon^2(n, \theta) \tag{10}$$

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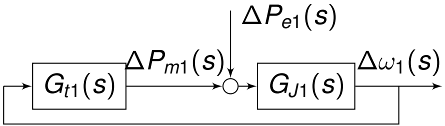

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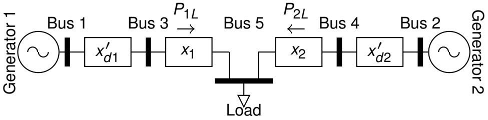

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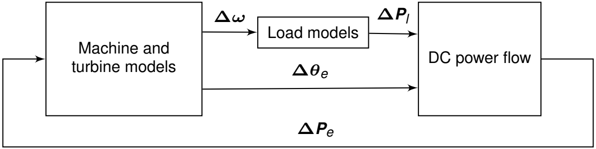

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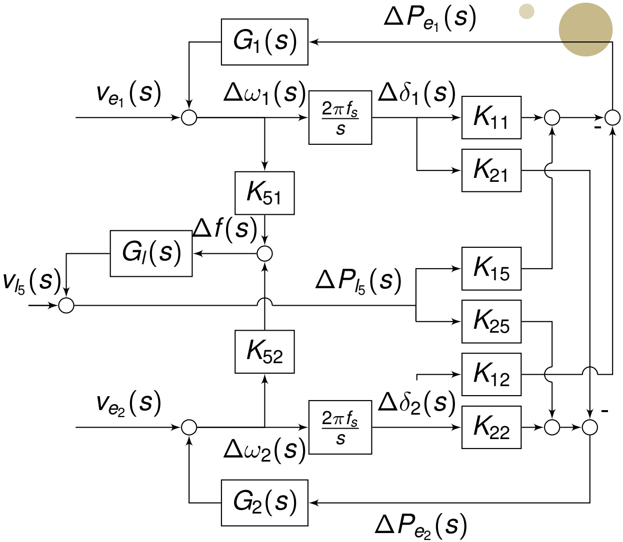

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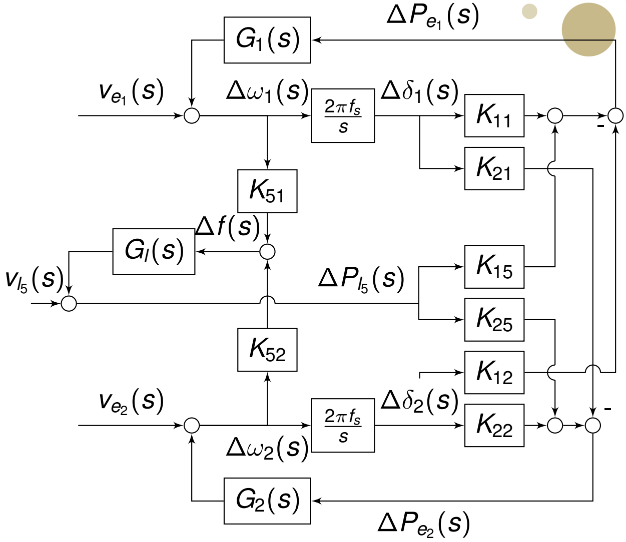

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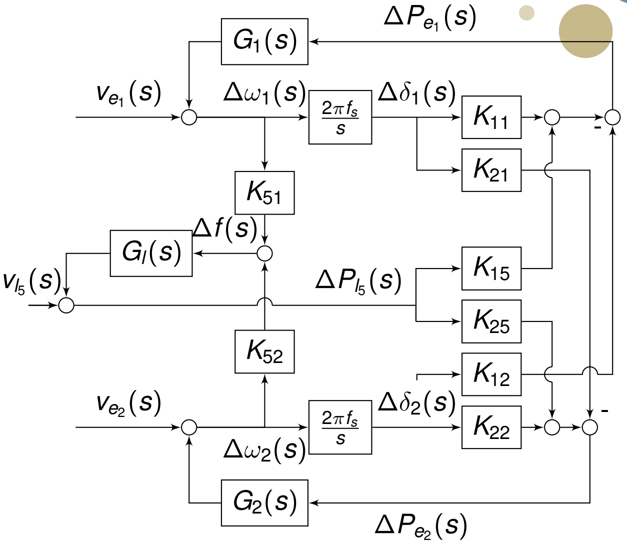

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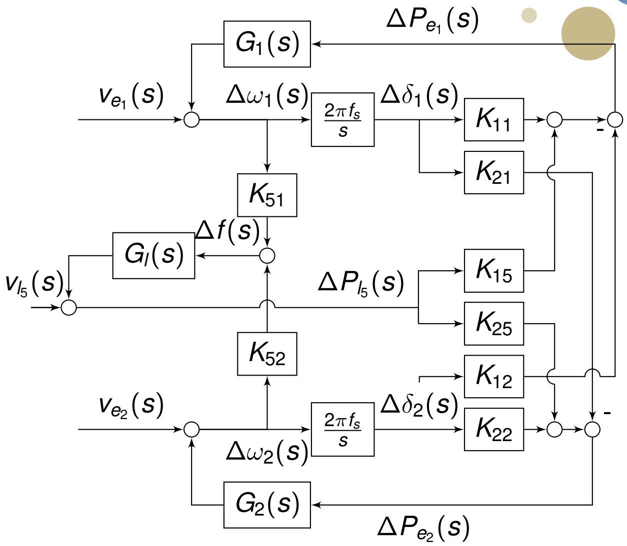

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- The proof was done with the following assumptions.
  - The system is excited by a load acting as a filtered white noise process
  - The measurement error of the electrical power is negligible.
  - The measured frequency is a good estimate of the generator speed.

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- It is indeed possible to identify the turbine dynamics(closed loop with electromechanical dynamics) using PMU measurements.
- The results from real life measurements seem reasonable and have low variance, however, they should be further validated.
- The assumptions should be further investigated

Thanks for your attention.