"Power Quality in Power Electronics Empowered Transmission Networks"

Abstract: The future power/energy systems will be characterised by blurred boundaries between transmission and distribution system, by mix of wide range of electricity generating technologies (conventional hydro, thermal, nuclear and power electronic interfaced stochastic and intermittent renewable generation), responsive and highly flexible, typically power electronics interfaced, demand and storage with significant temporal and spatial uncertainty, proliferation of power electronics (HVDC, FACTS devices and new types of load devices) and significantly higher reliance on the use of measurement data including global (Wide Area Monitoring) signals for system identification, characterization and control and Information and Communication Technology embedded within the power system network and its components. One of the main attributes of the above systems is increased uncertainties associated with system operation and modelling. There are generally two forms of uncertainty associated with any system modelling and analysis: i) Aleatory uncertainty (irreducible uncertainty and variability) which represents the inherent random behaviour of a system commonly modelled by probabilistic distribution functions and propagated by probability based approaches (sampling, analytical methods, probabilistic chaos expansion); ii) Epistemic uncertainty (reducible uncertainty and state of knowledge uncertainty) which models the uncertainty in parameter estimation due to data shortages or model simplification. The other prominent feature is high proliferation of Power Electronics based devices at all levels across the electricity supply chain. This presentation focuses on one aspect of operation of such systems, namely power quality. It discusses assessment of power quality in power systems with large proliferation of and reliance on power electronics interfaced devices, transmission networks in particular, and presents methodology (and results) developed as part of the work on EU H2020 Project MIGRATE. It also discusses options for global assessment of power quality using single “all inclusive index” considering that different buses in the network may be exposed to different level of different power quality disturbances/phenomena.

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