

Modeling and control of electrical components in wind turbine systems

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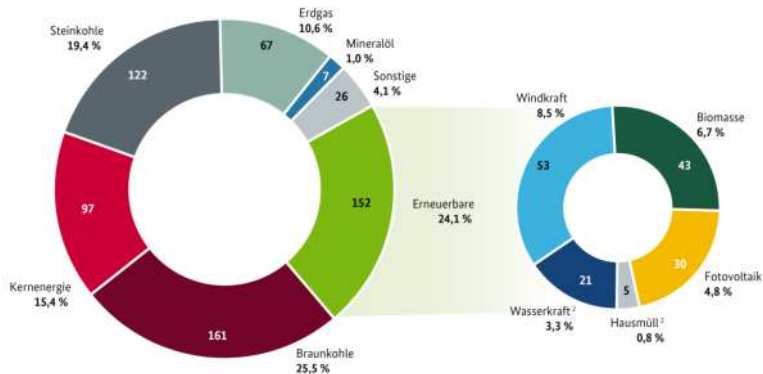
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Gross power generation* in Germany 2013 (overall 631 TW h¹ = 631 · 10⁹ kW h, aus [2])

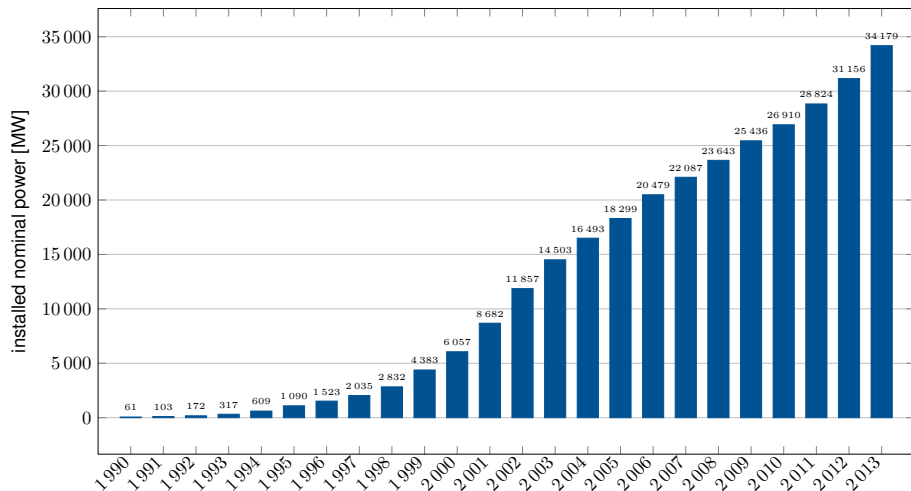


1 Vorläufig
2 Regenerativer Anteil

Quelle: Arbeitsgemeinschaft Energiebilanzen (AGEB)

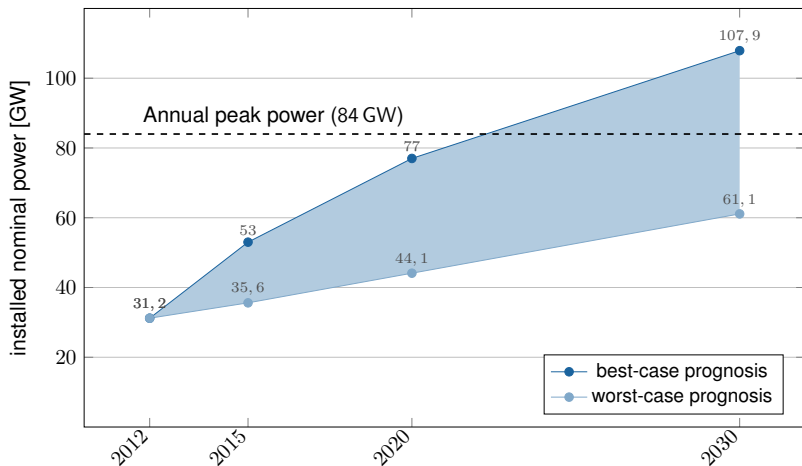
(* net power generation = gross power generation – energy consumption of power plant)

Installed nominal wind power in Germany 1990-2013



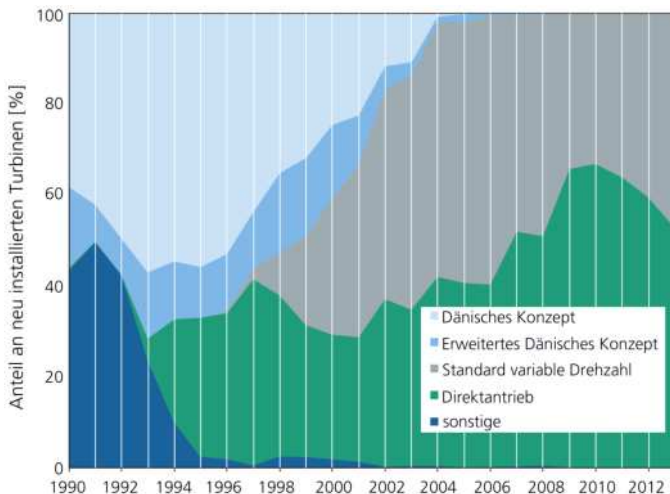
(based on Fig. 4 in [3])

Prognosis of installed nominal wind power in Germany 2030

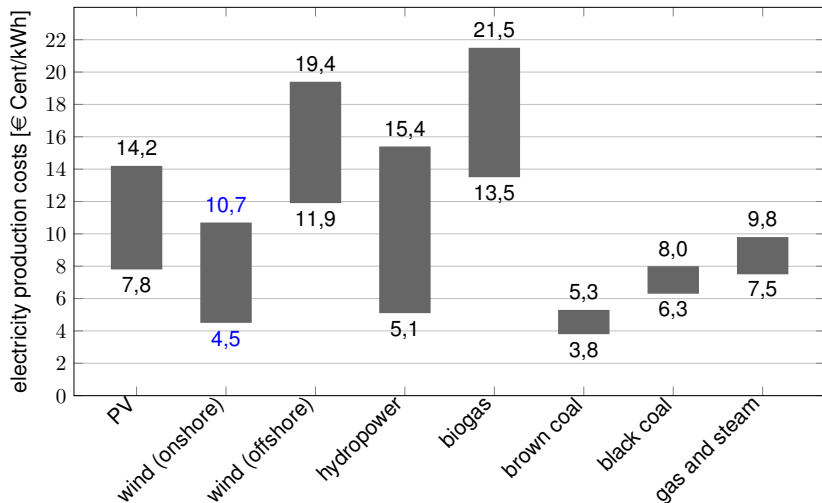


(Fig. based on p. 6 in [4])

Percentage of installations after **generator topology** in Germany 1990-2013 (from [3])



Electricity production costs in Germany 2013



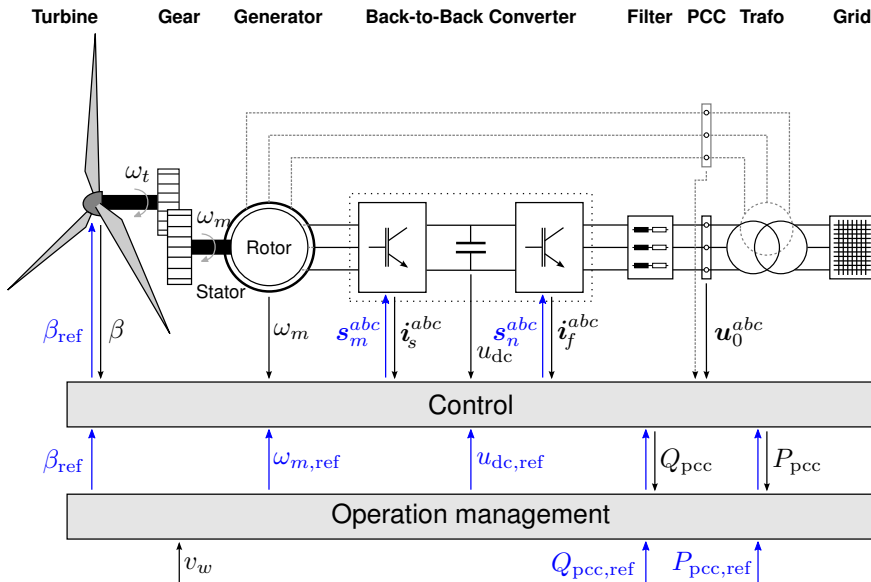
(based on Fig. 1 in [5] and Tab. 4.12 (> 500 kW) in [6]).

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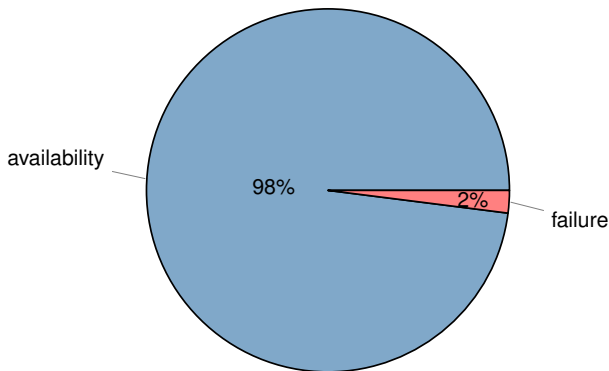


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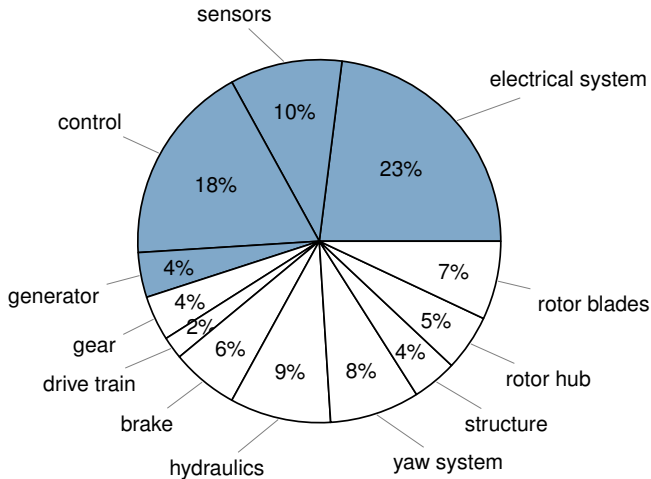
Availability (from a study with 1 500 WT, [7])



Average life span is 20 years (=7 400 days):

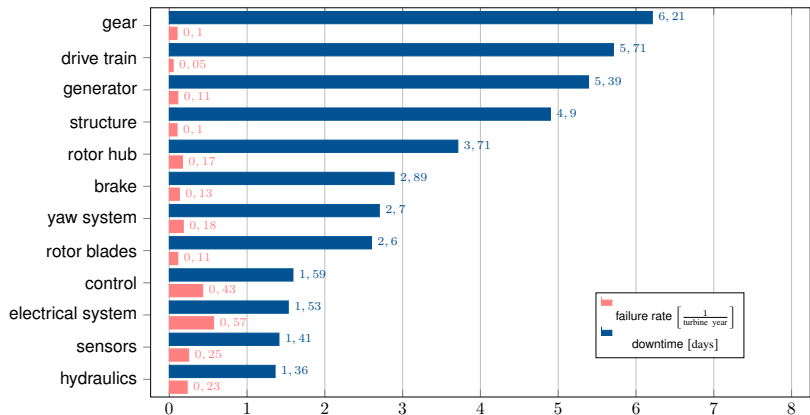
- Availability: 7 154 days
- Failure: 146 days (no production)

Share of failures of subsystems



(based on Fig. 2 in [7])

Failure rate and downtimes



Average down time (over 20 years):

- electrical system: 18,9 days
- control: 16,7 days
- gear: 13,6 days

(based on Fig. 2 in [8])

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Example: Wind turbine systems with direct drive

Wind turbine SWT-2.3-113

direct drive
(permanent-magnet
synchronous generator (PMSG))



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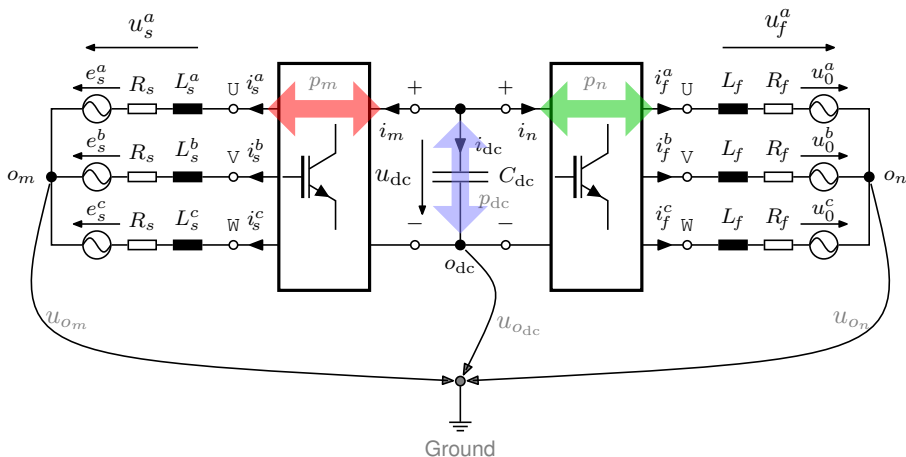
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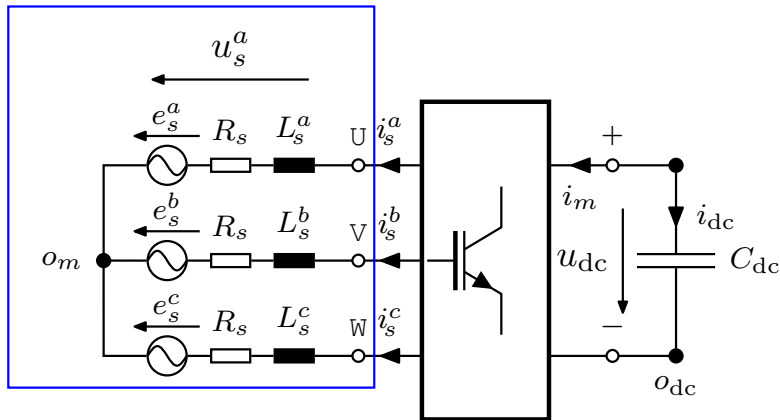


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⇒ Generator dynamics in flux orientation (using rotating (d, q) -CoSy)

AC machines

Induction machine (IM)



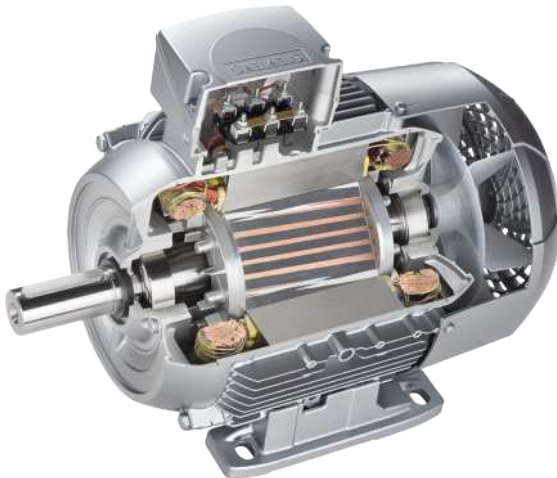
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Synchronous machine (SM)



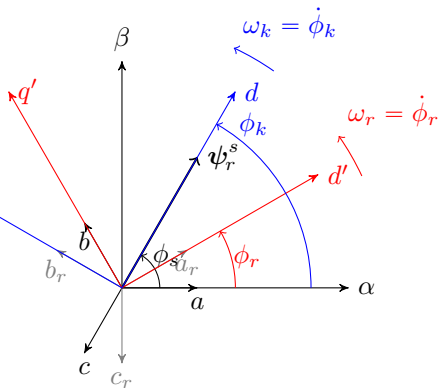
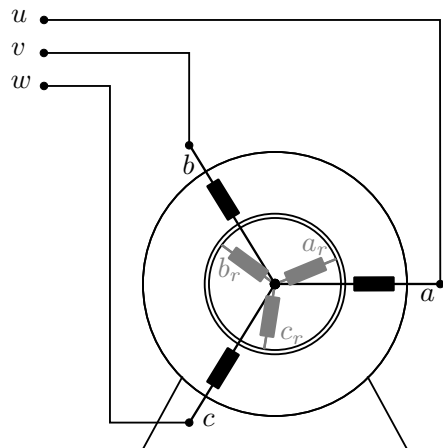
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Induction machine (cutaway view)

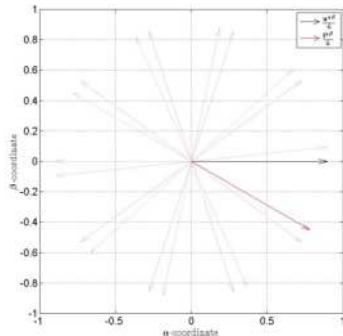
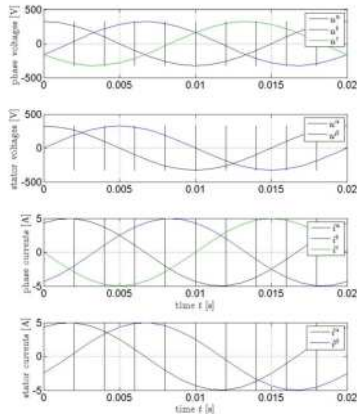


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Space vector theory: Flux orientation



Space vector theory (animation)

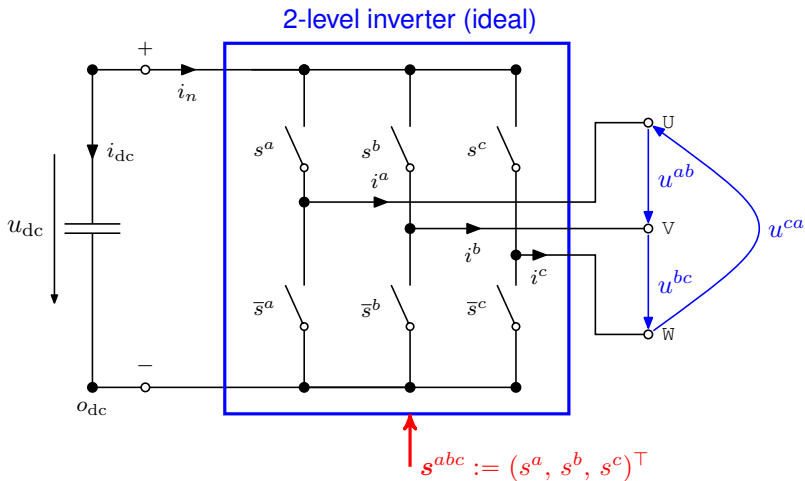


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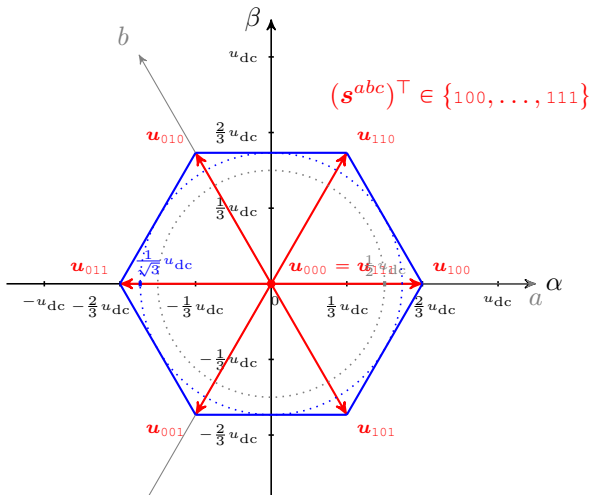
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VSI model: Electrical network

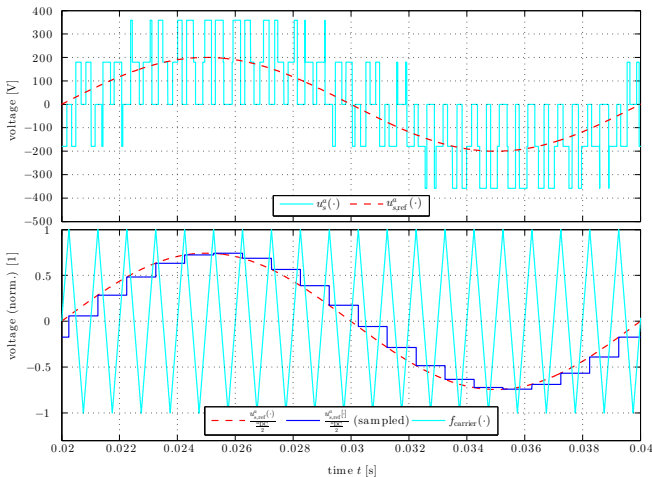


$\Rightarrow$ output voltages $\mathbf{u}_{\text{ltl}}^{abc} = (u^{ab}, u^{bc}, u^{ca})^\top = f(\mathbf{s}^{abc}, u_{\text{dc}})$?

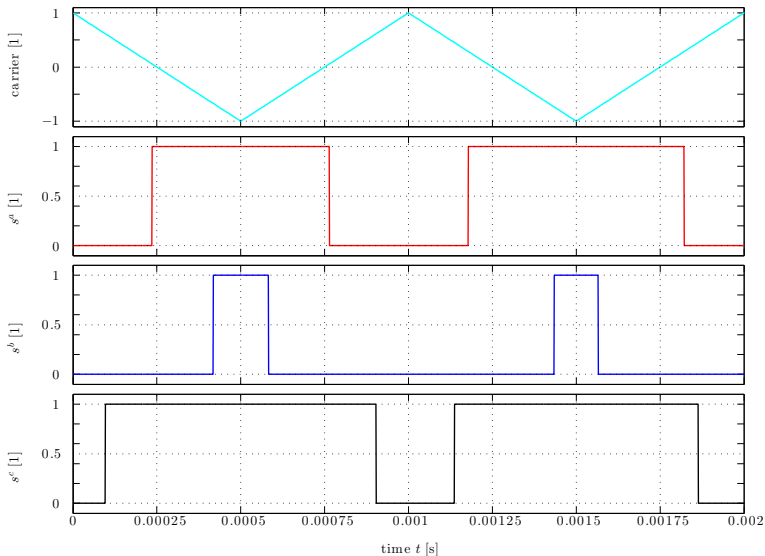
VSI model: Voltage hexagon



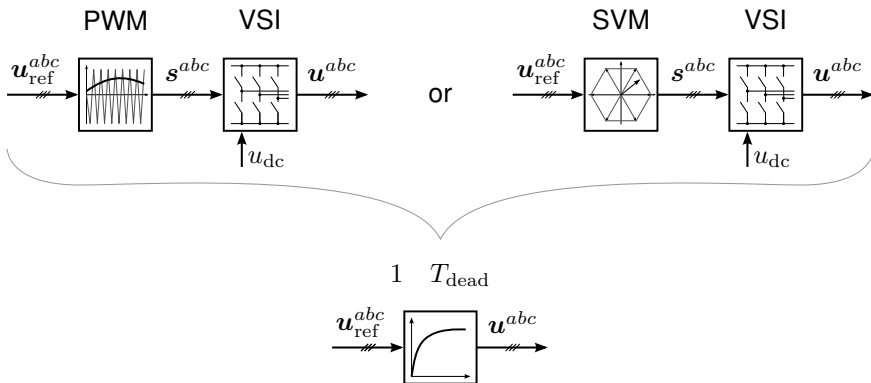
Pulse width modulation (PWM): Symmetrical PWM



Symmetrical PWM



VSI model: Dynamics (approximation)

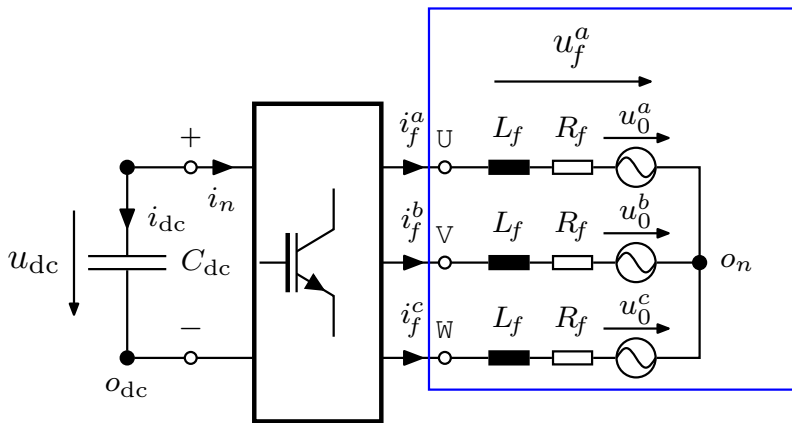


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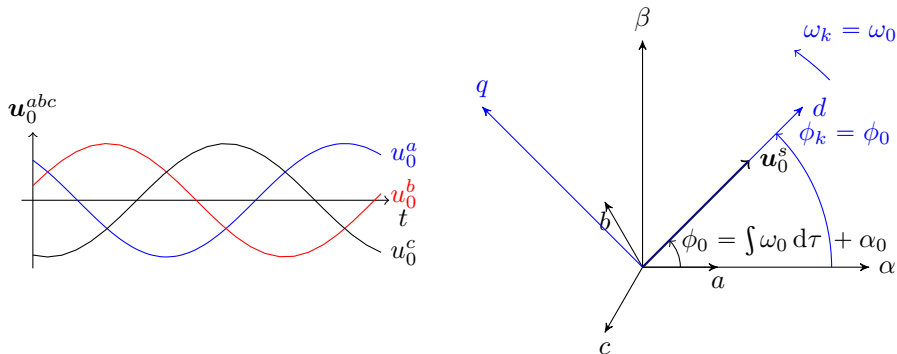
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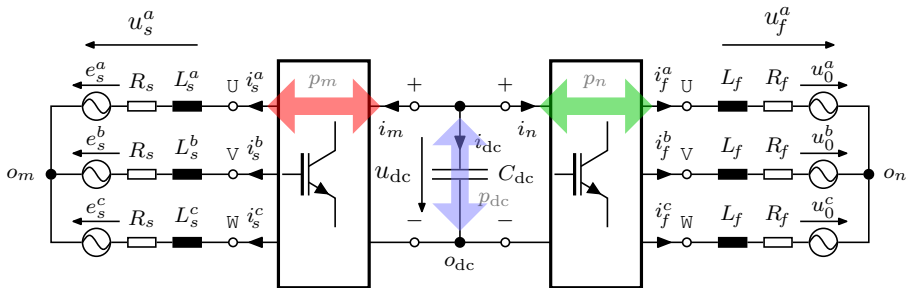
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model in flux orientation (FOC)

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model in voltage orientation (VOC)

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt} i_f^d &= \frac{1}{L_f} (u_f^d - R_f i_f^d + \omega_0 L_f i_f^q - \hat{u}_0) \\ \frac{d}{dt} i_f^q &= \frac{1}{L_f} (u_f^q - R_f i_f^q - \omega_0 L_f i_f^d) \\ P_{pcc} &= \frac{3}{2} \hat{u}_0 i_f^d \quad \& \quad Q_{pcc} = -\frac{3}{2} \hat{u}_0 i_f^q \end{aligned}$$

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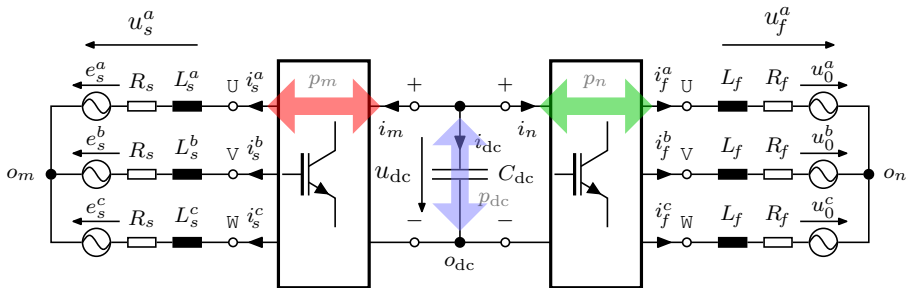
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Electrical model of wind turbine system



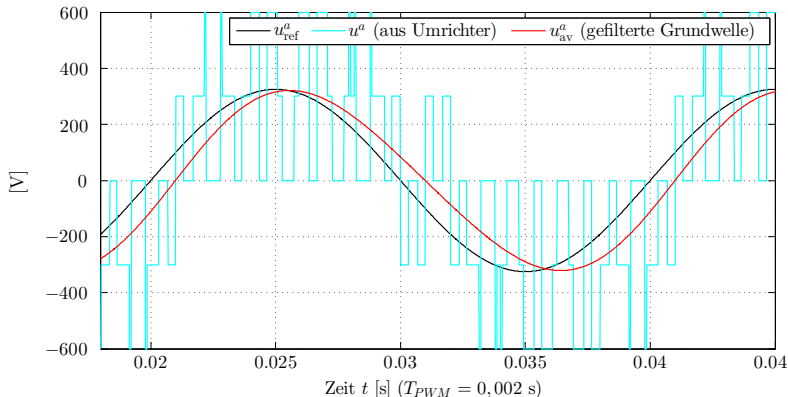
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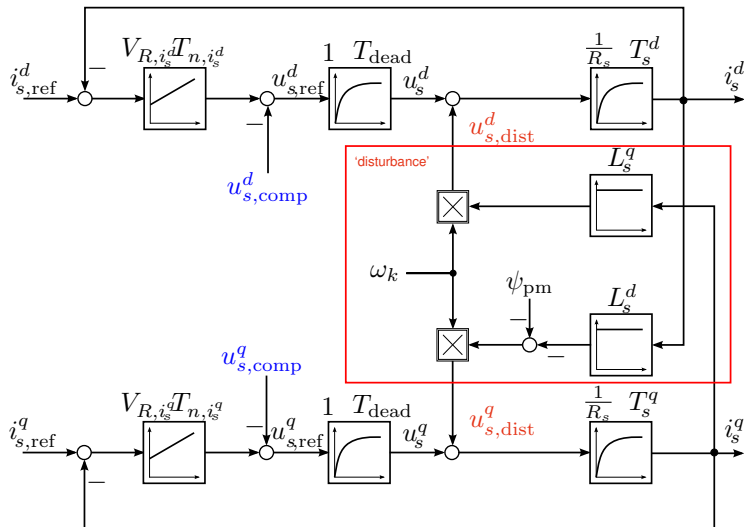
Delayed voltage generation



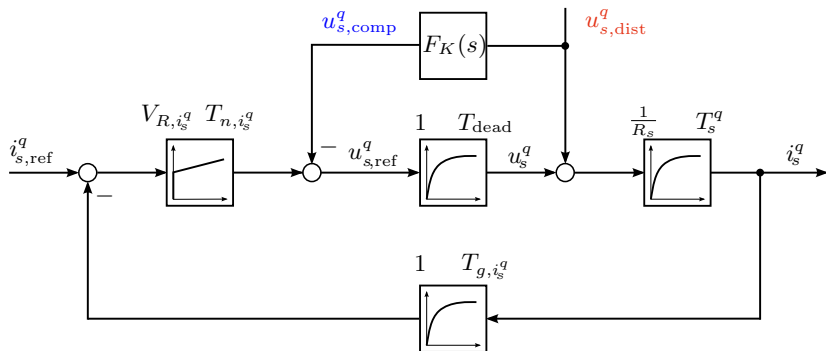
Delay depends on implemented PWM methods:

$$T_{\text{dead}} \propto T_{\text{pwm}} \implies F_{\text{VSI}}(s) := \frac{\mathbf{u}^{abc}(s)}{\mathbf{u}_{\text{ref}}^{abc}(s)} = e^{-sT_{\text{dead}}} \approx \frac{1}{1 + sT_{\text{dead}}}$$

Generator current closed-loop system



Current controller design (ideal disturbance compensation)



PI controller design (Magnitude Optimum) $\implies$ fast set-point tracking

$$F_{R,i_s^d}(s) = V_{R,i_s^d} \frac{1 + sT_{n,i_s^d}}{sT_{n,i_s^d}} \quad \text{where} \quad V_{R,i_s^d} = \frac{T_s^d}{2 \cdot 1/R_s \cdot T_{\text{dead}}} \quad \text{and} \quad T_{n,i_s^d} = T_s^d$$

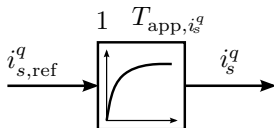
Approximation of current closed-loop system

We have

$$F_{CL,i_s^q}(s) = \frac{i_s^q(s)}{i_{s,\text{ref}}^q(s)} = \frac{1}{1 + s2T_{\text{dead}} + s^22T_{\text{dead}}^2}$$

$$\approx \frac{1}{1 + sT_{\text{app},i_s^q}} \quad \text{where} \quad T_{\text{app},i_s^q} := 2T_{\text{dead}}$$

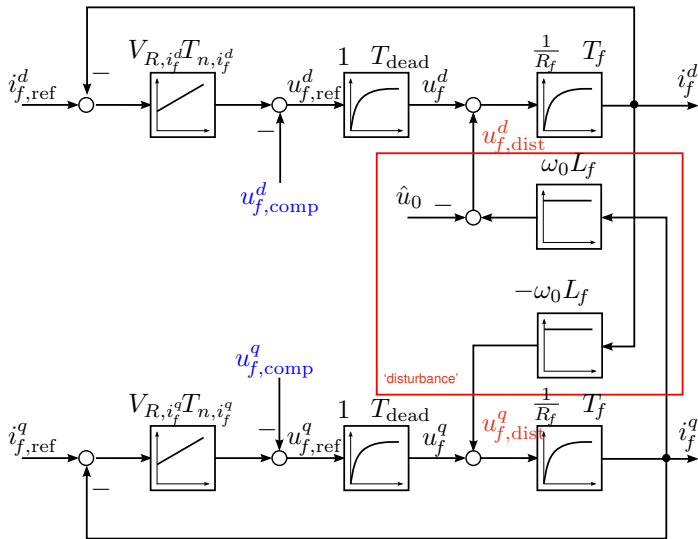
i.e.



Since $T_{\text{dead}} \ll 1$ we may assume

$$F_{CL,i_s^q}(s) = \frac{i_s^q(s)}{i_{s,\text{ref}}^q(s)} \approx 1 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \boxed{\forall t \geq 0: m_{m,\text{ref}}(t) \approx m_m(t)}$$

Grid-side current controller design

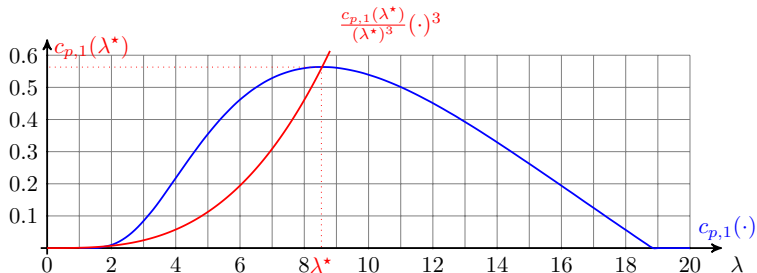


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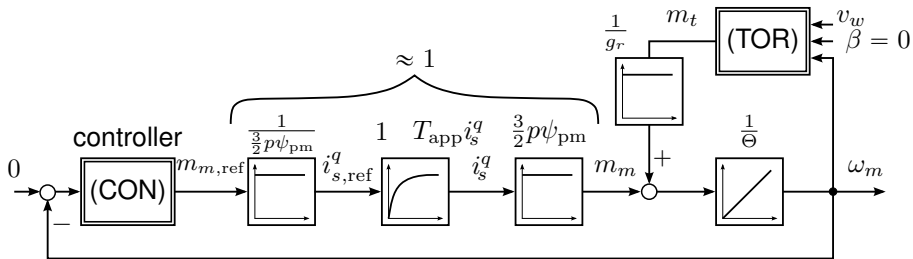
Power coefficient and turbine speed



$$\frac{d}{dt} \omega_m = \frac{1}{\underbrace{\Theta_m + \frac{\Theta_t}{g_r^2}}_{=: \Theta}} \left(\underbrace{c_0 \frac{c_{p,1}(\lambda)}{\lambda^3} \omega_m^2}_{=m_t/g_r} - \underbrace{k_p^* \omega_m^2}_{=m_{m,\text{ref}}} \right) \quad \text{where} \quad k_P^* = c_0 \frac{c_{p,1}(\lambda^*)}{(\lambda^*)^3}$$

$\Rightarrow \lambda \rightarrow \lambda^*$ (or $\omega_m \rightarrow \omega_m^*$) for all $\lambda \in (\lambda_{\min}, \lambda_{\max})$ and $v_w > 0$ (const.)

Turbine speed controller



turbine torque $m_t(\lambda, \omega_m) = c_0 \frac{c_{p,1}(\lambda)}{\lambda^3} \omega_m^2$ where $\lambda = \frac{r_t \omega_m}{g_r v_w}$ (TOR)

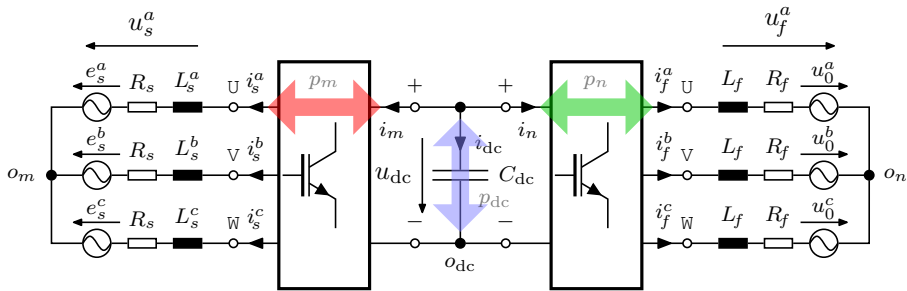
generator torque: $m_{m,ref} = -k_p^* \omega_m^2 \approx m_m$ where $k_p^* = c_0 \frac{c_{p,1}(\lambda^*)}{(\lambda^*)^3}$ (CON)

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Model of the DC-link



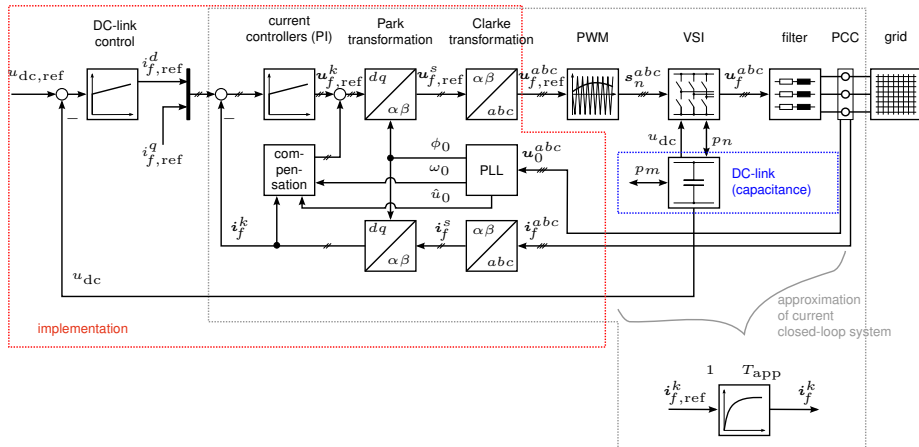
$$\blacksquare p_{dc} = u_{dc} C_{dc} \frac{d}{dt} u_{dc} = -p_m - p_n \implies$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} u_{dc} = \frac{1}{u_{dc} C_{dc}} (-p_m - p_n)$$

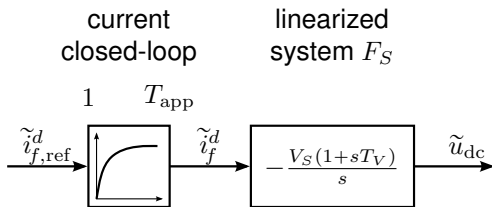
$$\blacksquare p_m = \underbrace{\frac{3}{2} R_s \left\| \mathbf{i}_s^k \right\|^2}_{p_{V,R_s}} + \underbrace{\frac{3}{2} p (\psi_{pm} i_s^q + (L_s^d - L_s^q) i_s^d i_s^q) \omega_m}_{p_{mech} = m_m \omega_m} + \underbrace{\frac{3}{2} \frac{d}{dt} (\mathbf{i}_s^k)^\top \mathbf{L}_s^k \mathbf{i}_s^k}_{p_{V,L_s}}$$

$$\blacksquare p_n = \underbrace{\frac{3}{2} R_f \left\| \mathbf{i}_f^k \right\|^2}_{p_{V,R_f}} + \underbrace{\frac{3}{2} \frac{d}{dt} L_f (\mathbf{i}_f^k)^\top \mathbf{i}_f^k}_{p_{V,L_f}} + \underbrace{\frac{3}{2} \hat{u}_0 i_f^d}_{p_{pcc}}$$

Overall system for DC-link voltage control



“Structurally varying” system dynamics



$$(S_1) \quad i_f^{d,*} = 0 \implies T_V = 0 \implies \frac{\tilde{u}_{dc}(s)}{\tilde{i}_f^d, \text{ref}(s)} = \frac{V_S}{s(1+sT_{app})} \quad (IT_1)$$

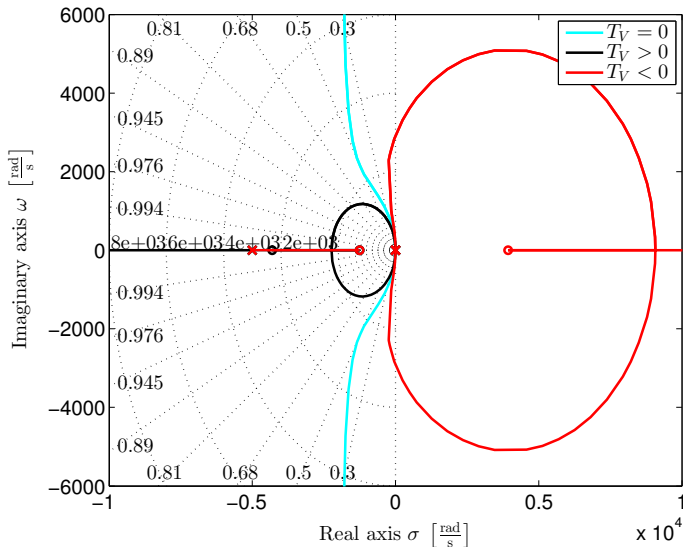
$$(S_2) \quad i_f^{d,*} > 0 \implies T_V > 0 \implies \frac{\tilde{u}_{dc}(s)}{\tilde{i}_f^d, \text{ref}(s)} = \frac{V_S(1+sT_V)}{s(1+sT_{app})}$$

(IT₁ + PD, minimum phase)

$$(S_3) \quad i_f^{d,*} < 0 \implies T_V < 0 \implies \frac{\tilde{u}_{dc}(s)}{\tilde{i}_f^d, \text{ref}(s)} = \frac{V_S(1-s|T_V|)}{s(1+sT_{app})}$$

(IT₁ + PD, **non**-minimum phase)

Root loci (depending on equilibrium)



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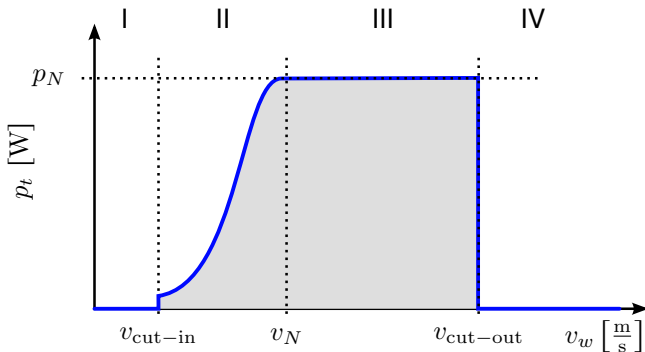
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Operation regimes for different wind speeds



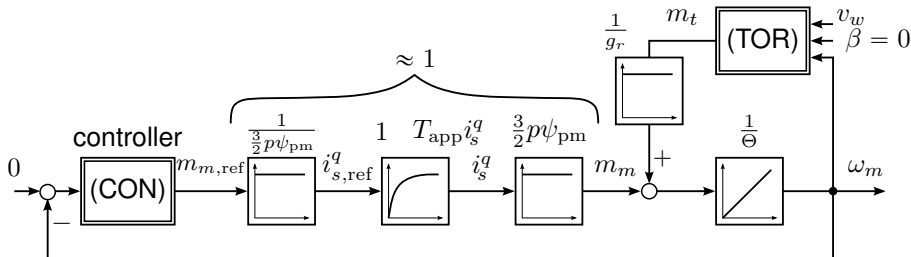
- Regime I: Stand still. No power output, i.e. $p_t = 0$.
- Regime II: Sub-nominal operation. Variable output power, i.e. $0 < p_t < p_{nom}$ (Goal: Maximum power point tracking).
- Regime III: Nominal operation. Output of nominal power, i.e. $p_t = p_{nom}$.
- Regime IV: Stand still (safety shut down), i.e. $p_t = 0$.

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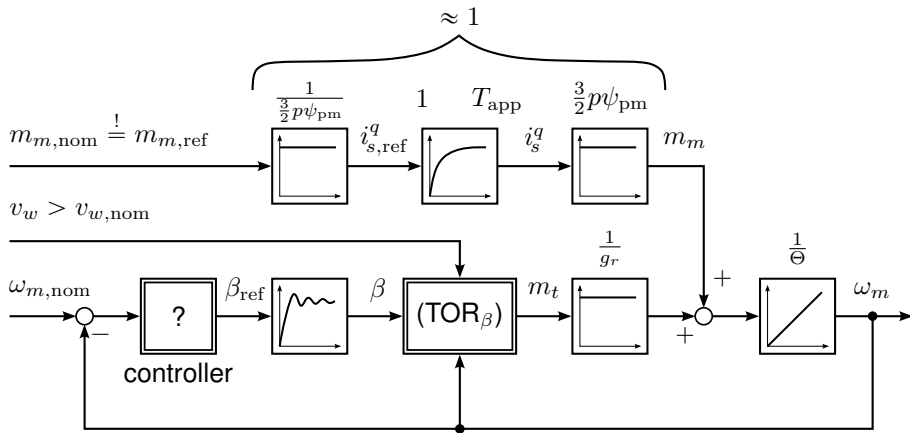
turbine torque: $m_t(v_w, 0, \omega_m) = c_0 \frac{c_P(v_w, 0)}{\lambda^3} \omega_m^2$ where $\lambda = \frac{r_t \omega_m}{g_r v_w}$ (TOR)

generator torque: $m_{m,ref} = -k_p^* \omega_m^2 \approx m_m$ where $k_p^* = c_0 \frac{c_P(\lambda^*, 0)}{(\lambda^*)^3}$ (CON)

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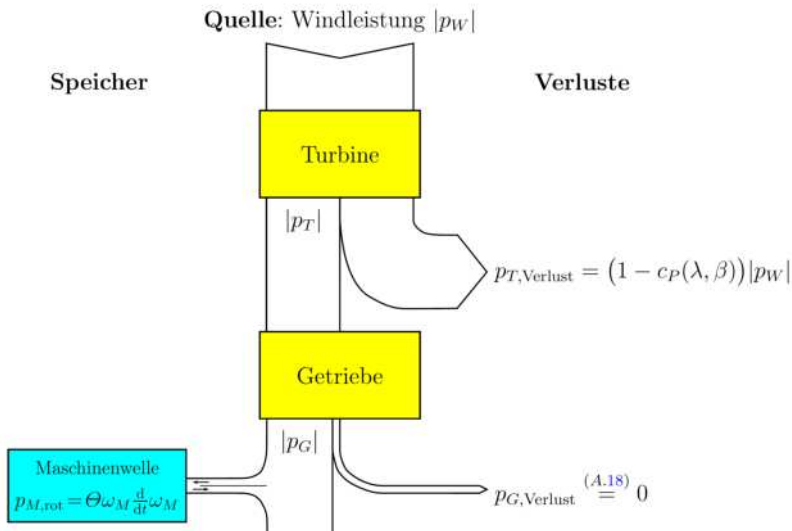
turbine torque:
$$m_t(v_w, \beta, \omega_m) = c_0 \frac{c_P(v_w, \beta)}{\lambda^3} \omega_m^2 \quad \text{where} \quad \lambda = \frac{r_t \omega_m}{g_r v_w (TOR_\beta)}$$

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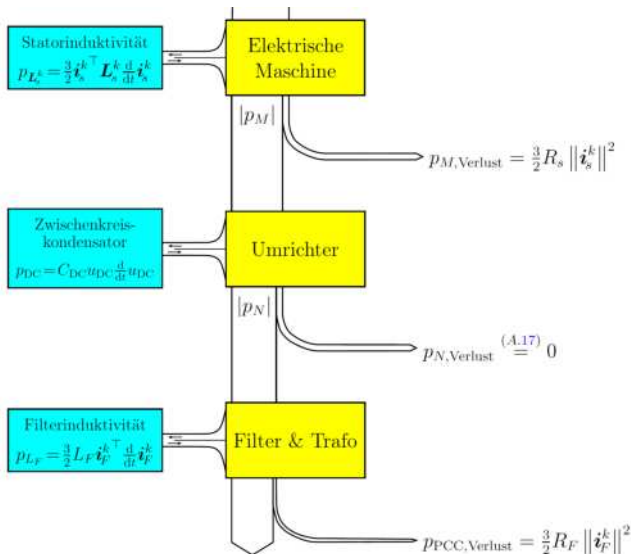
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Power flow (part 1)



Power flow (part 2)



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