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Impedance Modelling and Passivity Design for Power Electronics-Dominated Power Systems

With rising renewable energy integration, power electronics significantly impact power system stability. This GreenTech tutorial introduces impedance theory and its applications in power electronics-based systems. Topics include historical context, high- and low-frequency modeling, and damping strategies. It targets researchers, engineers, and graduate students focused on converter- and system-level modeling and control.

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Abstract:

With the increasing penetration of renewable energy, the power system is experiencing a transition, and the effect of power electronics should be considered for the stability analysis. This tutorial is closely aligned with the GreenTech subtopic of IECON 2025, focusing on impedance theory and its applications in power electronics-based power systems. It comprises five sections: Section 1 offers historical insights into impedance theory; Sections 2 and 3 cover high-frequency modeling and damping strategies, while Sections 4 and 5 address low-frequency modeling and damping techniques. The tutorial is intended for researchers, engineers, and graduate students interested in modeling and control at both the converter and system levels.

Schedule:

1. Introduction of Impedance Theory

Presenter: Marta Molinas

- > Fundamentals of Impedance-Based Stability Analysis: A Historical Perspective
- > AC impedance models and basics of impedance-based analysis

2. Cost-effective high-frequency passivity design

Presenter: Chuan Xie, Shan He

- Damping design through observers and passive filters
- Damping design through multi-sampling

3. Passivity design for infinite gain controllers

Presenter: Chuan Xie, Shan He

- Repetitive controller design
- Resonant controller design

4. Impedance modeling and stability control

Presenter: Chen Zhang

- > Impedance modeling, property and measurement
- Adaptive grid-connected oscillation control

5. Wideband passivity design

Presenter: Zhiqing Yang

- Low-frequency damping design
- Wideband damping design

6. Summary and discussion

7. Wideband passivity design

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- Low-frequency damping design
- Wideband damping design

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