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# **Renewable electricity sources and System Stability**

## **Network codes : New responsibilities for Power Park Modules**

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# **Introduction to Network Codes**



# General information

## Principle

A set of rules applying to one aspect of the energy sector

Which are developed by ACER, ENTSO-E & market participants

And become legally binding after the Comitology process

Hence they will have the same status as any other Regulation

### 3 Connection Network Codes

- set requirements for
- Generators
  - Demand-side
  - HVDC connections

### 3 Market Network Codes

- set market rules for
- Day ahead/intraday & Capacity calculation
  - Long-term timeframes
  - System balancing

### 4 Operational Network Codes

- set common rules for
- Assessing adequacy
  - Planning outages
  - System security
  - Emergency situations

# Grid connection Network Codes

## Focus on RfG

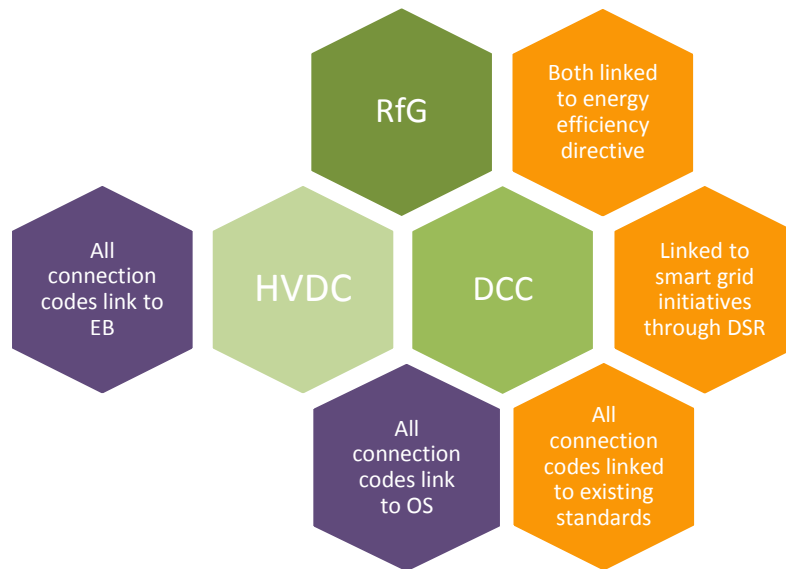
Grid Connection network codes :

- Define technical requirements for grid connection to ensure secure system operation within the interconnected transmission network
- are a basis for ancillary services defined by Operational Codes

RfG (Requirement for Generators) developed first, followed by DCC and HVDC.

RfG Overview :

- Provide a set of coherent requirements for generators (of all sizes) in order to meet the future power system challenges.
- Entry into force : May 17th 2016
- Contents: technical requirements, operational notification procedure for connection, compliance, derogations





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## **RfG : Main technical requirements for PPM**

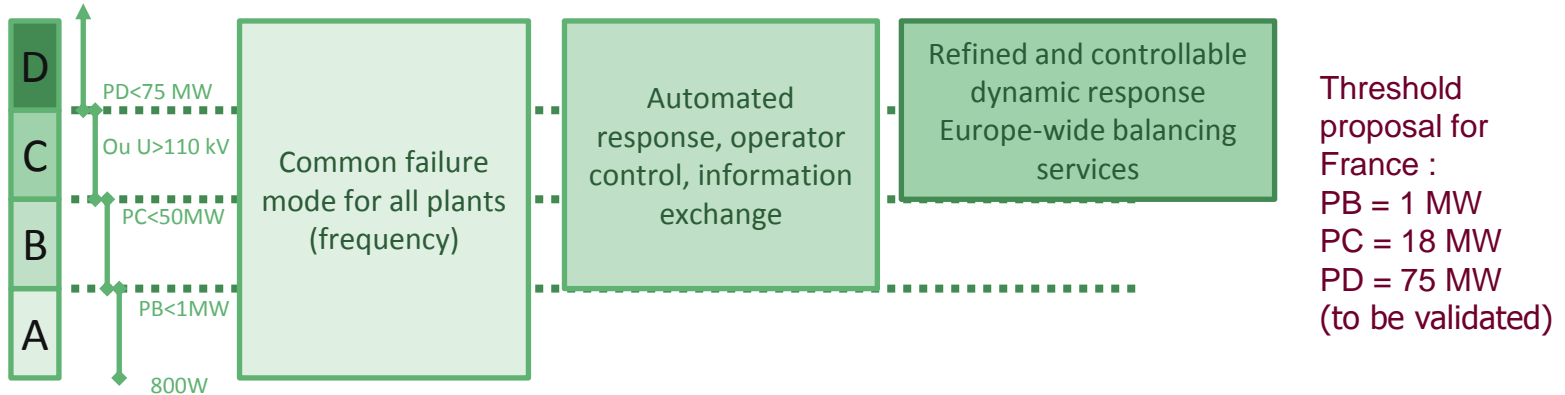


# RfG Technical Requirements (1/2)

Two kind of production unit : either a synchronous power-generating module or a power park module (PPM)



Requirements depend on the voltage connection level and the active power capacity of the unit :



# Frequency and voltage stability

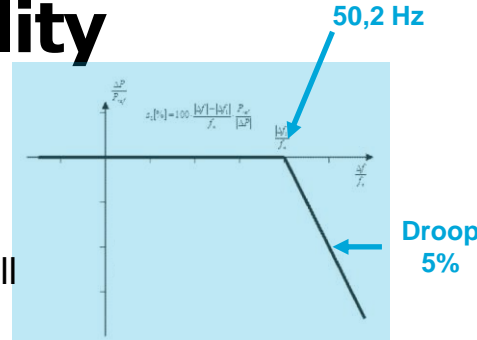
## PPM contribution to

### Active Power frequency response capability

➤ Coordinated response to frequency variations at synchronous area level (by all system users who provide frequency response).

- Limited Frequency Sensitive Mode - overfrequency (LFSM-O)
- Rate of change of frequency withstand capability
- Limited Frequency Sensitive Mode - underfrequency (LFSM-U)
- Synthetic inertia
- Frequency Sensitive Mode (FSM) → **FCR contribution**

**Emergency state**



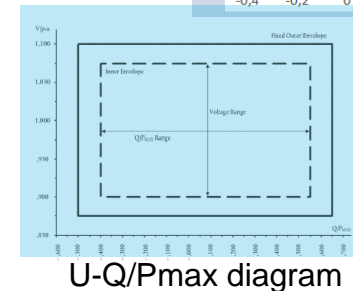
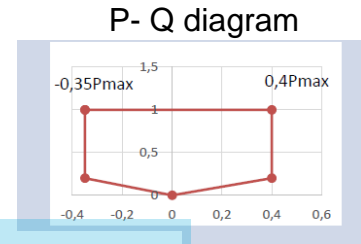
### Reactive power capability and control

➤ To ensure system security and power quality for consumers, the TSO need to limit voltage unbalance during operation.

PPM connected to french TSO network :

- PV : operate at  $P < 20\% P_{max}$  for 30% to 40% of the time.
- Wind : operate at  $P < 10\% P_{max}$  for 20% of the time (on average).

→ **Reactive power provision below max capacity is needed**





# Voltage stability and Robustness

## PPM capabilities

### Fast fault current injection :

- Improve transient stability of synchronous units
- Limit propagation of voltage dip during a fault

### Fault Ride Through (FRT) :

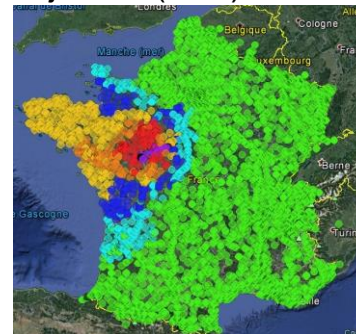
- avoid the loss of a large amount of units due to a fault at transmission voltage level.
- FRT-profile defined by each TSO, depending on network protection schemes

## Retained voltage during a symetrical fault at 400 kV voltage level

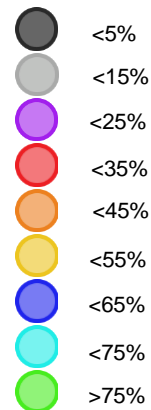
Without fast fault current injection (K=0)



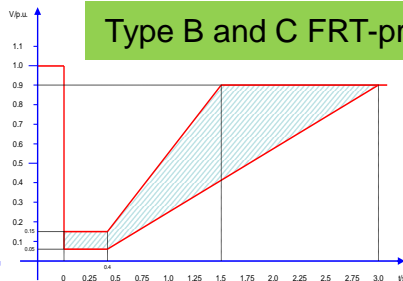
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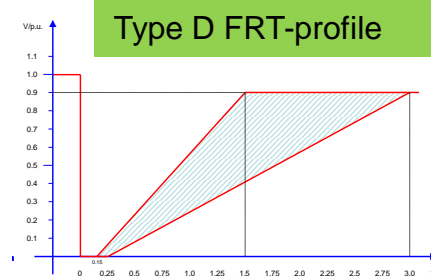
Retained voltage



### Type B and C FRT-profile



### Type D FRT-profile





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**What's next**



# What's next ?

Power-electronics-based components also constitute new means of flexibility for the power system of the future, which should be put to optimal use.

## R&D EUROPEAN PROJECTS :

- **MIGRATE** <https://www.h2020-migrate.eu/>

⇒ **Future changes in Grid Connection Codes to include those new capabilities (grid forming,...)**

