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European Power Grid Development and Its Compatibility with Global Energy Interconnection Zhengyi Han Supervisor: Prof. Ettore Bompard, Prof. Tao Huang

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Research context and motivation

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- Power system needs a strong transformation, to accommodate increasing variable generation from renewables. Global Energy Interconnection (GEI) aims at promoting higher final use electrification and renewables penetration, by the construction of a super grid connecting the main renewable production areas to the major consumption zones.
- Our earlier research showed that, by forming the power transmission corridors between Europe and its neighboring areas, GEI would bring down not only the European cost by 63.5% and 65% but also the European GHG emission by 92% and 69% for the years 2030 and 2050, respectively.



Corridors	2030		2050	
	Cap [GW]	Lines	Cap [GW]	Lines
Africa	300	25	900	75
Arctic region	100	9	1000	84
China	200	17	500	42

• GEI has proposed a possible solution for the global decarbonization process, but also set new challenges to regional power grids, further work should be done to study the compatibility of regional power grids with GEI solution.



Adopted methodologies



• From the EU point of view, this research is to assess the compatibility of its current planning with GEI scenario with massive power flows injected into EU power grid.

Addressed research questions/problems

EU Grid Modelling. Different network models were evaluated. Latest information from TYNDP-2018 is used to update the 257 buses model (Hösch et al.) and eventually the updated model contains the geographic information essential to consider the interconnections from different directions.



Optimizing the Locations of the Interconnectors. 1) allocate the interconnectors to different countries by A'WOT method according to the information of geography, economies, the potentials of power grid, etc.; 2) optimizing the locations of buses in the assigned country, with multiple objectives and constraints.

Novel contributions

This study develops a framework of assessing the impact of other scenarios on the official ENTSO-E development plans for the EU network. Optimization models were developed to consider the external constraints imposed on the already planned network for accommodating further/other development originally not introduced. Depicts a picture of the future European power grid in the context of GEI scenario as an application. The results show that the proposed method can optimally arrange the interconnectors with minimal impact on the EU network. • The ex-post analysis can also identify the frequent congestion bottle-necks of the EU network, such as between the Scandinavia area and the European continent.

- O1: minimization of the congestion in the EU network, and
- O2: minimization of the electricity costs from the EU generators under the unified EU electricity market assumption,



Solver

- C1: the power balance of the entire network should be guaranteed,
- C2: the power flows should avoid exceeding the maximum current rating of transmission lines (if possible)
- C3: the needed interconnections should be distributed as evenly as possible, and
- C4: the set of interconnector-connected buses in 2030 should be included in the set of 2050.

Future work

- Based on the static computation results in this study, the next step is to design a method to choose the HVDC technologies that support the implementation of such network.
- Dynamics of the scenarios with selected HVDC technologies will be examined based on a set of indices.

External Research

• Dynamic Dimensioning of Power Cables for Wind Farms





Submitted and published works

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• Developing High-voltage Direct Current Cable Accessories







List of attended classes

- 02LWHRV Communication (16/05/2019, 6.67)
- 08IXTRV Project management (14/02/2019, 6.67)
- 01RISRV Public speaking (19/02/2019, 6.67)
- 01SYBRV Research integrity (05/07/2019, 6.67)
- 01SWPRV Time management (08/02/2019, 2.67)
- External Academic writing essentials (17/02/2019, 4)
- External Punctuation Mastery (06/02/2019, 3)
- External Modern communication technology and computer network (20/11/2018, 32)
- External Dynamic power system theory and method (19/11/2018, 32)
- External Modern control theory (06/11/2018, 32)
- External Electromagnetic basis of modern electrical engineering (09/10/2018, 32)
- External Wind Power System Technology (09/10/2018, 32)
- External Advanced functional analysis (08/10/2018, 48)



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