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Efficient Uncertainty Analysis of Wind Farms in the Time Domain using the Unscented Transform

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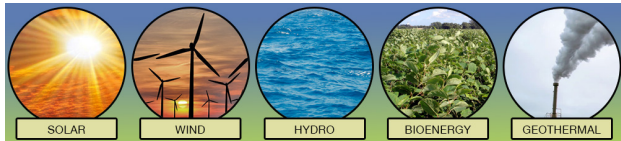


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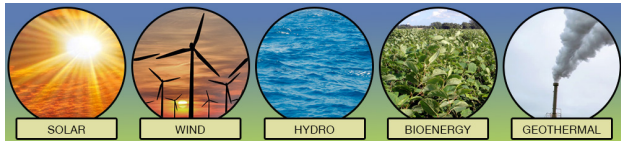


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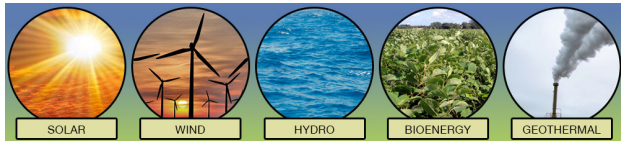


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- Expected value and the variance are obtained from a weighted average using the simulation outputs. (MENEZES et al., 2008)

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The Main Goal

The problem considered in this paper consists of determining the average (μ) and standard deviation (σ) of any model's output, given the average and standard deviation of N uncertain parameters.

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Input random variable: Wind Speed

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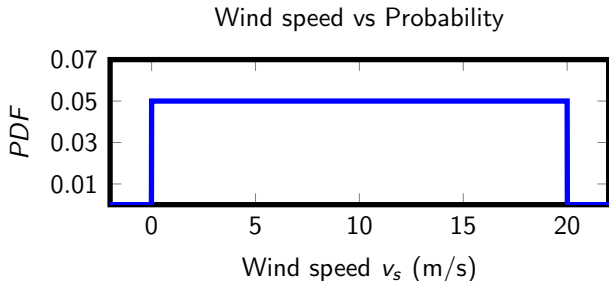


Figure 3: Probability density function of the wind speed, uniform, $\mu = 10\text{m/s}$ and $\sigma_s = 5,7735\text{m/s}$ (AUTHORS, 2017)

Random Variable: $\vec{U} = [\textit{Wind Speed}]$

Average Vector: $\vec{\mu}_u = [\textit{Wind speed average}]$

SD Vector: $\vec{\sigma}_u = [\textit{Wind speed standard deviation}]$

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Matlab/Simscape Power System toolbox example

- Wind farm with six turbines of 1.5MW each;
- A fault of 0.5 p.u. happens at 0.03s;
- The DC bus capacitor voltage was analyzed.

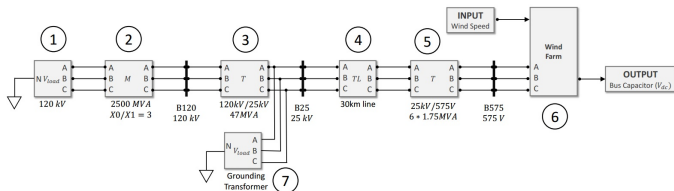


Figure 4: Model of the wind farm consisting of: (1) 120 kV faulting system, (2) three phase impedance with mutual coupling between phases, (3) 120/25 kV transformer, (4) 30 km transmission line, (5) 25 kV distribution system, (6) DFIG wind turbine, and (7) transformer providing a neutral to the three phase system. (MATHWORKS, 2016)

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Parameter	Value
Solver	Discrete, Fixed Step
Time step	$5\mu\text{s}$
Time for one simulation	38.8s
Computer used	Intel® Core™ i7 CPU @ 2.40GHz

Table 1: Simulation details. (AUTHORS, 2017)

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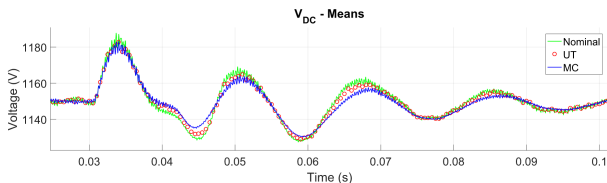


Figure 5: Nominal voltage: 1150V; Peak value: $\simeq 1185\text{V}$; Lowest value: $\simeq 1130\text{V}$. (AUTHORS, 2017)

V_{DC} Average behavior when the wind speed varies from 0 to 20 m/s.

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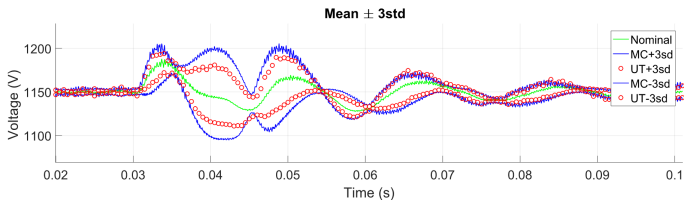


Figure 6: Upper and lower voltage bounds at 0.1% confidence levels. $1100V < V_{DC} < 1200V$. (AUTHORS, 2017)

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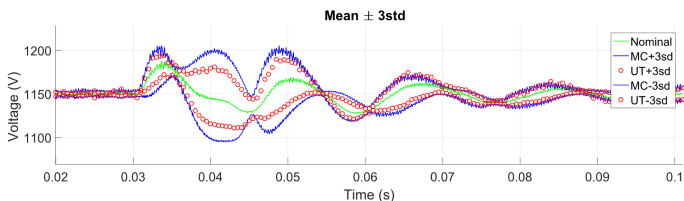


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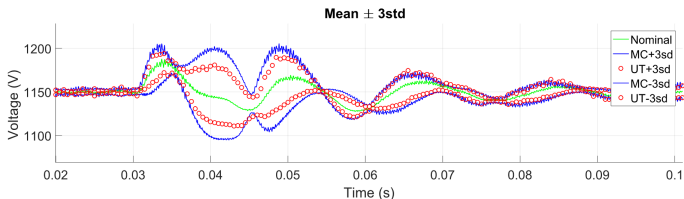


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Simulation Details

- ① Wind Speed $(0, 20)m/s$
- ② Line Capacitance
 - Positive Sequence Capacitance $(2.505, 7.515)nF$
 - Zero Sequence Capacitance $(5.665, 16.995)nF$
- ③ Fault Level $(0, 1)p.u.$

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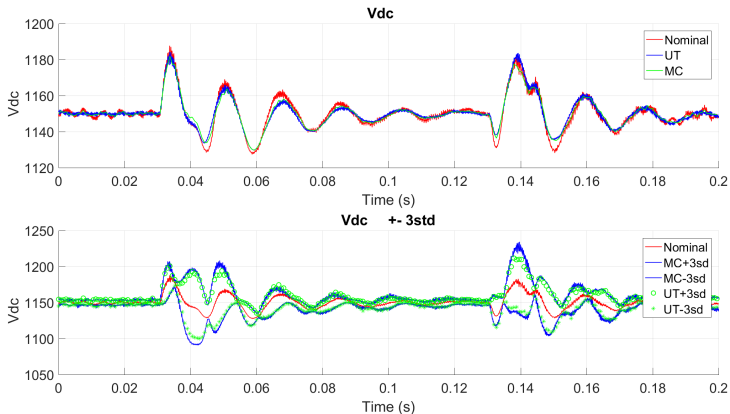


Figure 7: Averages and voltages bounds at 0.1% confidence levels.

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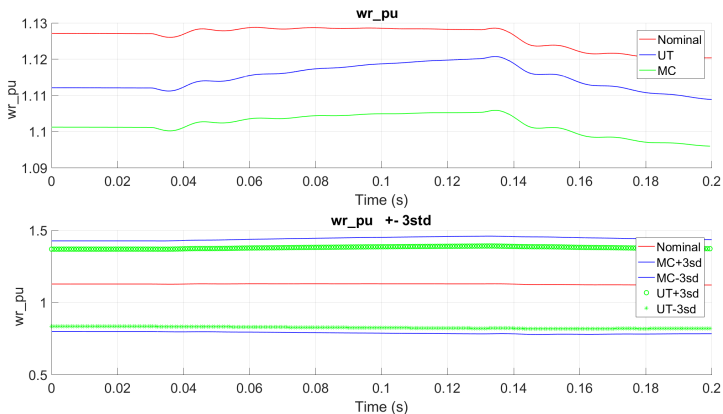


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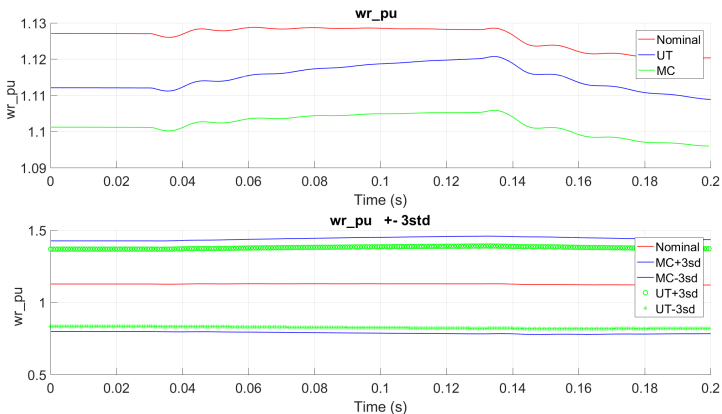


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25 KV bus, phase A's voltage.

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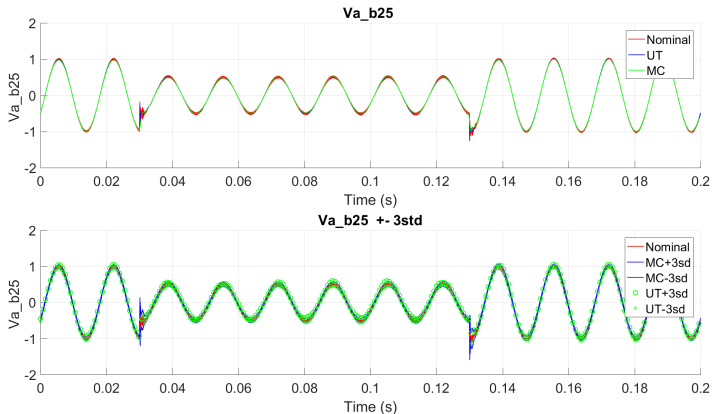


Figure 10: Averages and voltages bounds at 0.1% confidence levels.

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- UT method applied to a relevant model based on a real world wind farm;
- The method presented a similar accuracy to the MC method;
- The time reduction factor over 160;
- This work the importance of considering the wind speed variability for components specification was shown.

Future tasks

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- Implement multiple inputs;
- Evaluate multiple outputs;
- Application in different models.

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