

ERIGrid Holistic validation procedure and test specification

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The Vision HOLISTIC SYSTEM VALIDATION



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"Holistic" System Validation

- I. System validation: alignment of Specifications & Testing
- П. Integrated hardware & software testing Validate "systems" not components.
- **III.** Tests that **combine multiple domains** e.g. Power, Comm. and Automation
- IV. Systematically design tests & integrate results from various experiments for a holistic assessment

i.e. combine simulation, co-simulation, HiL, PHiL, CHIL, different Labs, ...





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Specification | Testing

Smart Grid Infrastructure

Validation







System validation - a holistic procedure





'Design of Experiments'



efficient test design due to sampling-oriented approach



- Target measures / metrics e.g. "average control error"
- design sampling space on a 'need-to-know' basis
 e.g. 3 levels of package loss rate, 20 levels of disturbance, ...



Holistic Test vs. Component Test



SIMULATED SYSTEM / COMPONE

Component Test

- e.g. Inverter MPPT test, anti-islanding
- No interactions with the system
- Usually open loop test (predefined voltage, frequency etc setpoints are applied to the DuT)



PV simulator

Hardware inverter under test

AC gid simulator

Holistic/System Test

- Combining several tests

 (testing
 process)
- Using simulations



Figure 1.3: Improved methods and tools for Smart Grid validation and testing – possibility to combine virtual (simulated) and real components

Testing a system rather than just component





Images: Panos Kotsampopoulos (NTUA); DoA



The basics HOLISTIC TEST DESCRIPTION



Holistic test description









Holistic testing procedure – different mapping steps







Key Questions to be answered for test specification:

WHY TO TEST? WHAT TO TEST? WHAT TO TEST FOR? HOW TO TEST?







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Test System & Domain



System under Test (SuT):

is a <u>system configuration</u> that includes all relevant properties, interactions and behaviors (closed loop I/O and electrical coupling), that are required for evaluating an Oul as specified by the test criteria.

Object under Investigation (Oul): the

component(s) (1..n) that are subject to the test objective(s).

Remark: Oul is a subset of the SuT.

Domain under Investigation (Dul):

Identifies the domains of test parameters and connectivity relevant to the test objectives.







Functions under Test (FuT): the functions relevant to the operation of the system under test, as referenced by use cases.

Function(s) under Investigation (Ful): the referenced specification of a function realized (operation-alized) by the object under investigation.

Remark: the Ful are a subset of the FuT.





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Purpose of Investigation (Pol)



Verification



• Validation

Characterization

Modeling / Understanding Scoring / Performance

Test objectives/Pol: *Characterization and validation* of the DMS controller

- 1. Convergence of the optimization (validation)
- 2. Performance of the optimization under realistic conditions (*characterization*)
- 3. Accuracy of the state estimation (characterization)



Designing Test Criteria Detailing Sequence



- Test objective \rightarrow Pol \rightarrow Test Crit.
- Test criteria: How to break down the Pols?
 - Target metrics (criteria): list of metrics to quantify each Pol
 - Variability attributes: controllable or uncontrollable parameters to "disturb" SuT
 - Quality attributes (thresholds): test result level or quality of the TM required to pass or conclude the testing.

Target metrics:

- 1.1 convergence (when/how often?), 1.2. How fast?,
 1.3. solution quality
 - 2. 2.1 Voltage deviation
 2.2 number of tap changes,
 2.3 network losses
- 3. Voltage, P, Q estimation errors <u>Variability attributes:</u> Load patterns (realistic, annual variation; applies to criteria 1-3); Communication attributes (packet loss,

delays)

Quality attributes (thresholds):

"1.2: convergence within 2 sec" (validation)

"3.* estimation quality characterized with confidence 95%" ...





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Test Specification & Design





Given:

- Purpose of Investigation (Pol) & Test Criteria
- System & Domain categories and relations

To Specify:

- Precise system (specific system configuration)
- Which variables to manipulate & which to measure
- □ How to quantify the test metrics (based on test data)
 - Sampling of the input spaces (design of experiments methodology)
 - Combination and interpretation of the outputs
- The test design / procedure.
- Mapping to actual lab setup (experiment setup)



Detailing test setup & Mapping to the Lab

Scoping & specification of

test system.



Separate specification

of lab implementation







Can I just say, that it's very nice to get these questions sorted out now, rather than when you're sitting down and have to implement something.

You would then usually go "Oh shit, how does this work again?" – ERIGrid participant

FIRST APPLICATION EXPERIENCE



Collaboration with ELECTRA



TCR20

TCR26

TCR27

TCR28

TCR01

TCR04

TCR10

TCR12

TCR24

TCR30

IRPC+FCC

IRPC+FCC

PVC+PPVC

PVC+PPVC

FCC+BRC+BSC

TCR14

TCR15

TCR19

TCR31

TCR32

FCC+BRC+BS

PVC+PPVC

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WoC PoC ELECTRA – Web-of-Cells (WoC) concept large set of Use Cases: distributed control Cheaper than BAU concurrent development & lab implementation WoC Demo Objectives BETTER THAN TODAY **Challenge:** how to track & convince that ^{Closer} to equilibrium ongoing experiments actually "validate" the **ELECTRA WoC Result** (intermediate): Better stability Gap analysis based on Test Criteria & SCALABILITY RELATED System configuration vs. ELECTRA goals

 organization of test case clusters; collaborative design of test formulation



ERIGrid Transnational Access: *Preparation & Documentation*

- External Lab users apply description procedure
- E.g. DiNODR distribution network oriented application of demand response – currently ongoing in SYSLAB
- "The preparation work helped us a lot. Except minor changes in the plan and configurations due to a number of device, communication and control unavailabilities, we are following our test and experiment specifications. The template is also useful for our user team to exchange ideas in an organized and effective way. "
 Alparslan Zehir (DiNODR)



Conclusions & Future work



- A clear vision for "holistic validation"
- First results:
 - 3-level Test Description template & guidelines
 - Multi-Domain System Configuration description (CIM compatible)
 - Several successful applications & encouraging feedback
- Future work:
 - Further exemplify, simplify & detail description method
 - Develop & apply full holistic validation procedure





Thank you for your attention!

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Overall Specification & mapping procedure



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IEC TR 61850-7-6

Guideline for definition of Basic Application Profiles (BAPs) using IEC 61850

• 3.1 Compliance

Validation

Accordance of the whole implementation with specified requirements or standards. However, some requirements in the specified standards may not be implemented. [SOURCE: CEN-CENELEC-ETSI SG-CG Report on Interoperability CEN_9762_CLC_9624 – clause 12.1 Terms and definitions]

• 3.2 Conformance

Accordance of the implementation of a product, process or service with all specified requirements or standards. Additional features to those in the requirements / standards may be included. [SOURCE: CEN-CENELEC-ETSI SG-CG Report on Interoperability CEN_9762_CLC_9624 – clause 12.1 Terms and definitions]

3.3 Conformance test

Verification

check of data flow on communication channels in accordance with the standard conditions concerning access organization, formats and bit sequences, time synchronization, timing, signal form & level and reaction to errors. The conformance test can be carried out and certified to the standard or to specifically described parts of the standard. The conformance test should be carried out by an ISO 9001 certified organisation or system integrator. [SOURCE: IEC 61850-4]





Holistic Test Case Example

TEST CASE:

 Narrative: For a DMS controller in development stage (simple implementation) the performance of the DMS algorithm and controller should be evaluated under realistic conditions. This test, could be seen as the last step before installing the DMS in the field.

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- **SuT**: DMS, DER, OLTC, transformer, distribution lines, telecom network
 - <u>Ouls</u>: DMS_controller
 - <u>Dul</u>: Electric power and ICT
- FuT: DER P,Q control, measurements, OLTC tap control, comm. via ICT
 - <u>Ful</u>: optimization in the controller, state estimation
- Test objectives/Pol: Characterization and validation of the DMS controller
 - 1. Convergence of the optimization (validation)
 - 2. Performance of the optimization under realistic conditions (*characterization*)
 - **3**. Accuracy of the state estimation (*characterization*)
- **Test criteria** how to formulate these objectives?

<u>Target criteria</u> - <u>Variability attributes</u>: - <u>Quality attributes</u>

Potential Test setups:

- Pure simulation (e.g. co-simulation)
- Combination of virtual & physical interfaces and simulated components. PHIL and CHIL
- Full hardware setup

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[] Test criteria – <u>Target criteria</u>:

1. 1. convergence (when/how often?), 2. How fast?, 3. solutions quality (how suboptimal etc.?)

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- 2. Voltage deviation of all the nodes from 1 pu, number of tap changes, network losses
- 3. Voltage, P, Q estimation errors

<u>Variability attributes</u>: Load patterns (realistic, annual variation; applies to criteria 1-3); Communication attributes (packet loss, delays) <u>Quality attributes (thresholds)</u>:

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