

Engines Grid Support Control system

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GRID
STABILITY



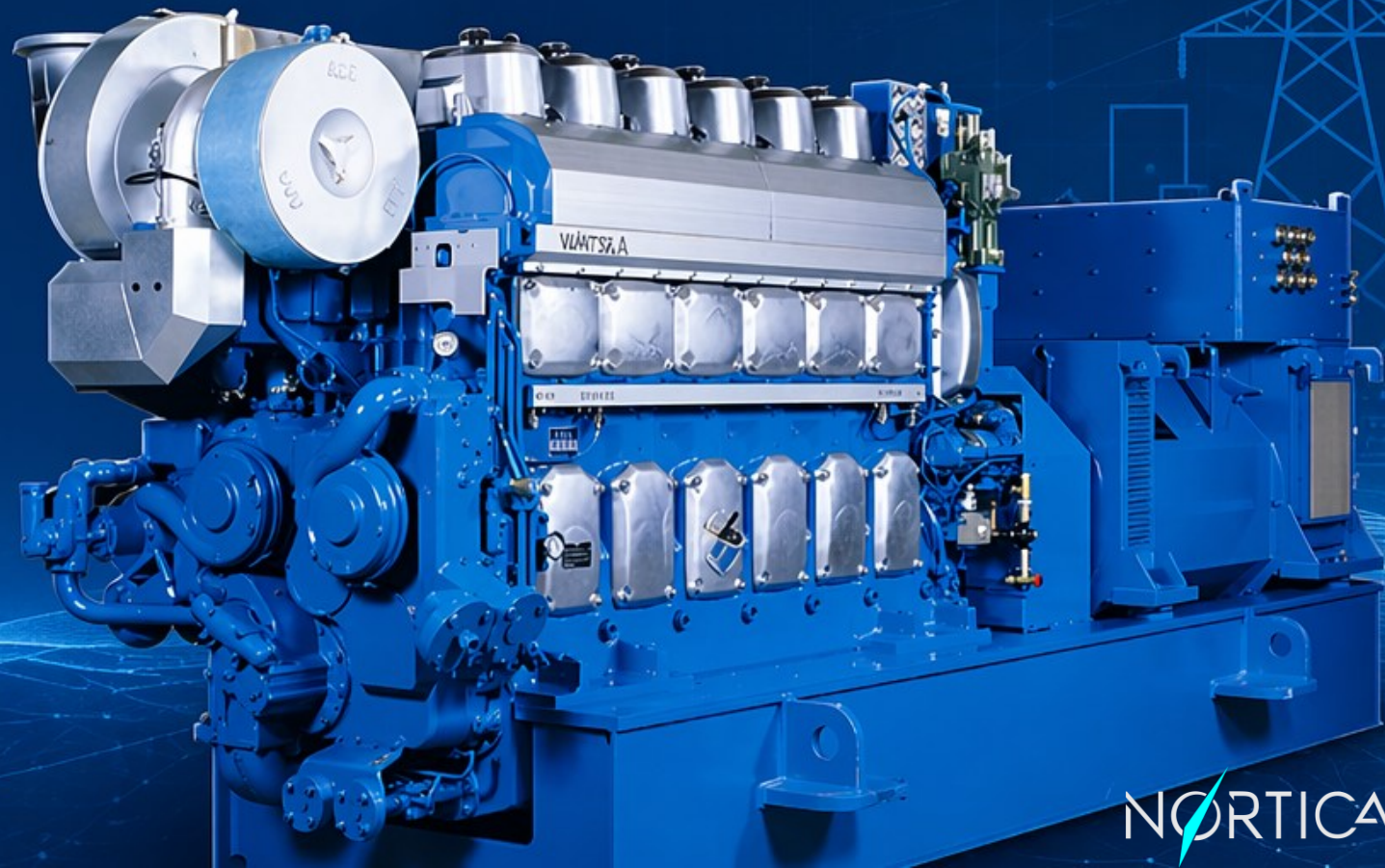
FREQUENCY
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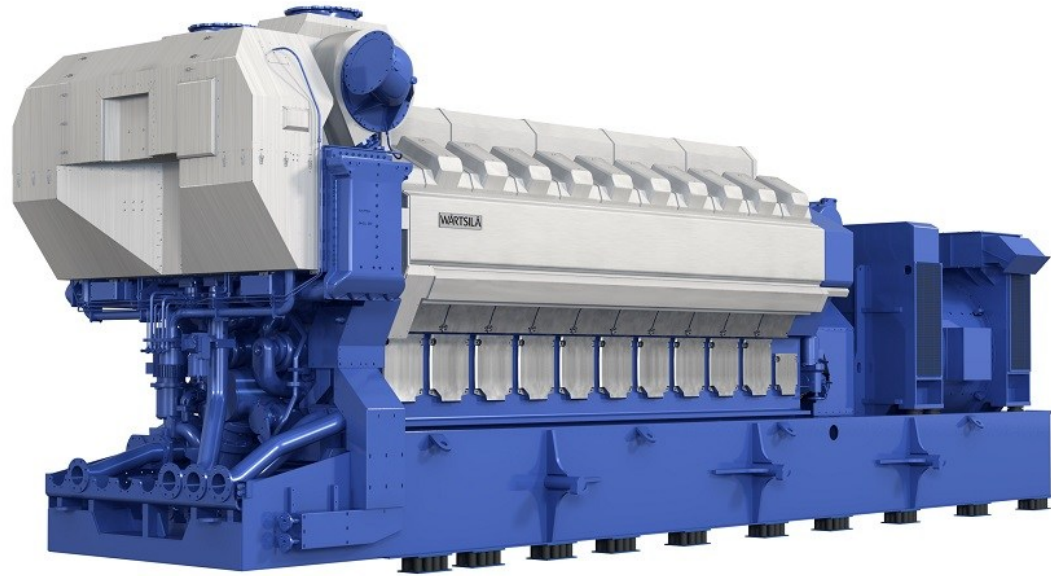
VOLTAGE
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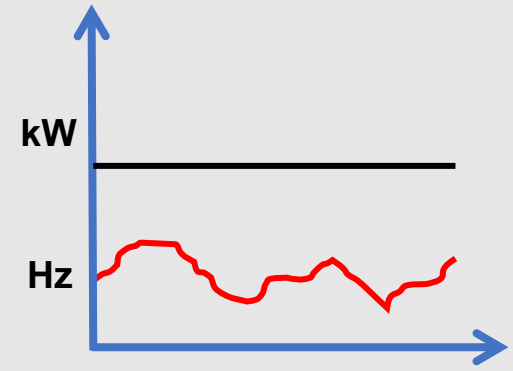
RELIABILITY
& SAFETY



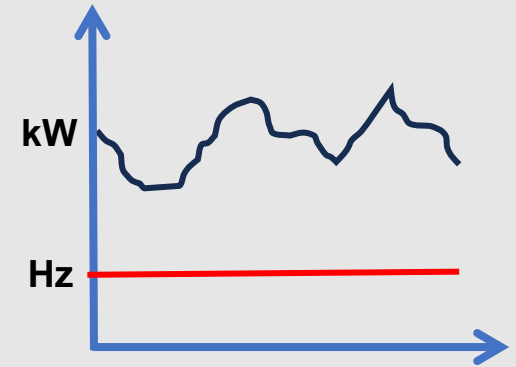
ENGINE CONTROL MODES



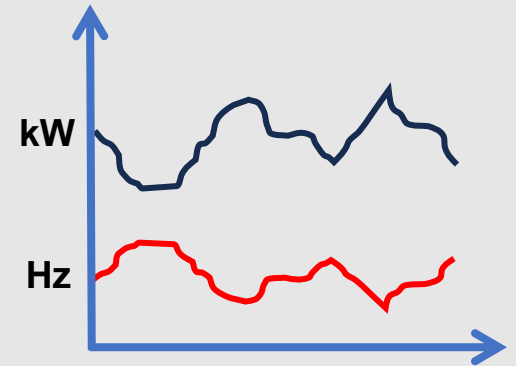
**kW (BASE LOAD)
MODE**



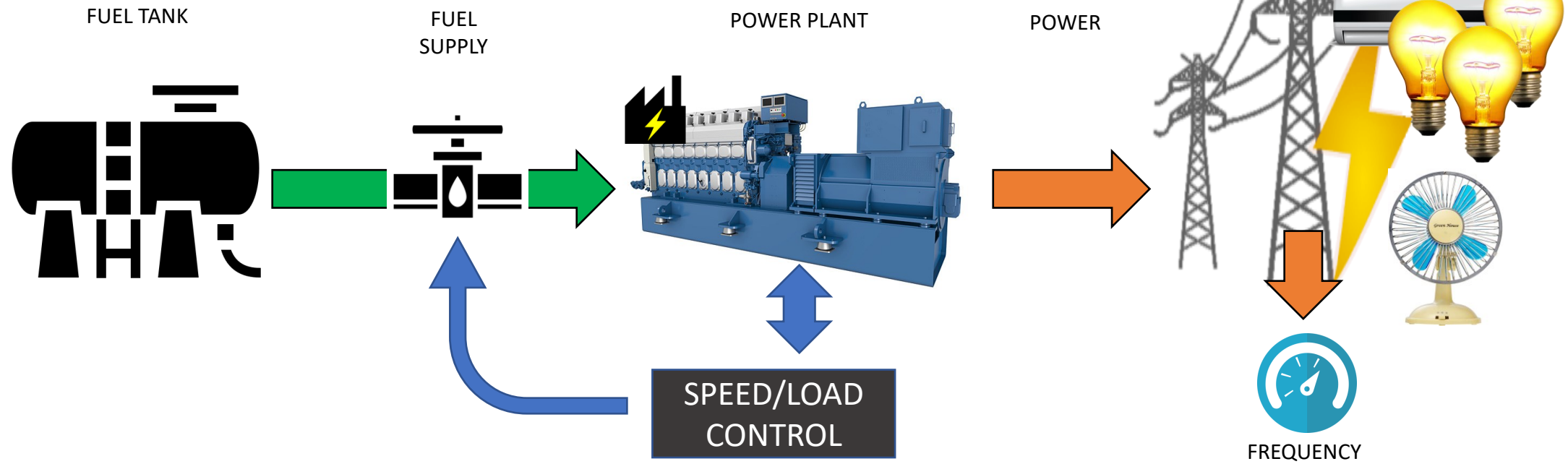
**ISOCHRONOUS
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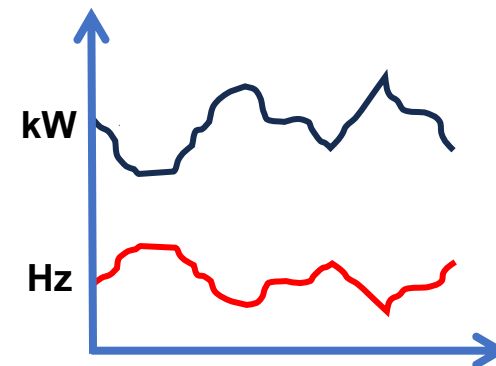
**DROOP
MODE**



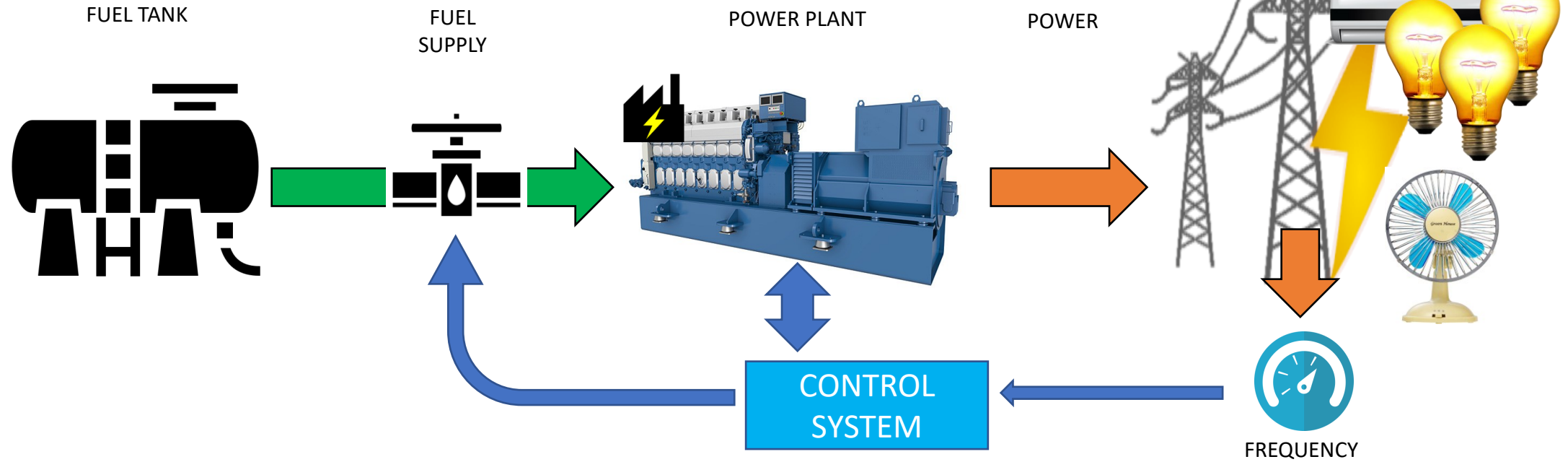
DROOP STANDARD MODE (ISLAND MODE)



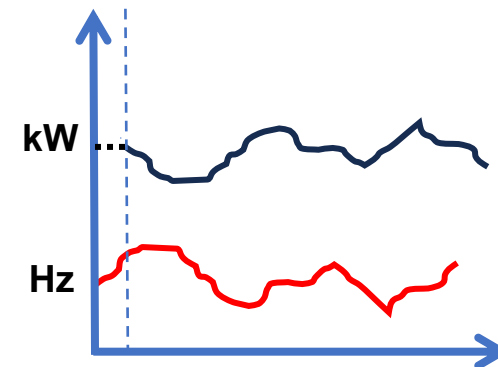
- High Speed / Faster response (up to 300 kW /sec.).
- No ramp (As fast as possible)
- Difficulty to have load limits



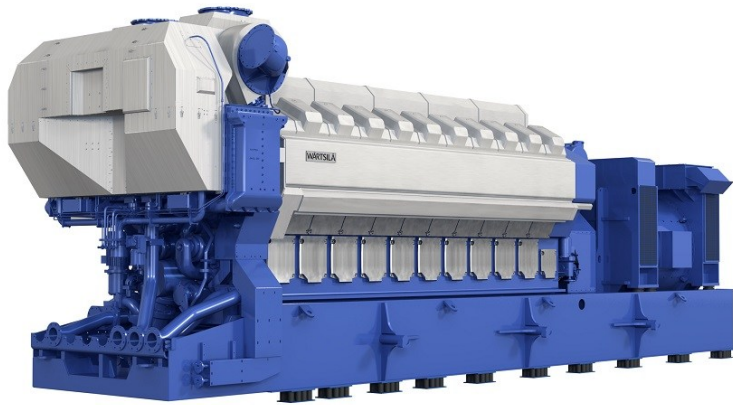
DROOP EMULATED MODE (PARALEL WITH GRID)



- Slow response (30 – 60 kW/sec.)
- Controlled Ramp.
- All protections activated.

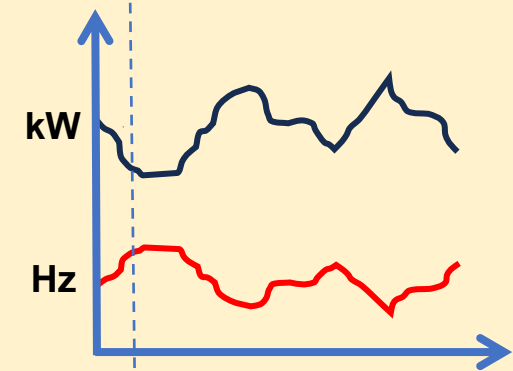


GRID SUPPORT / BETTER MODE ?



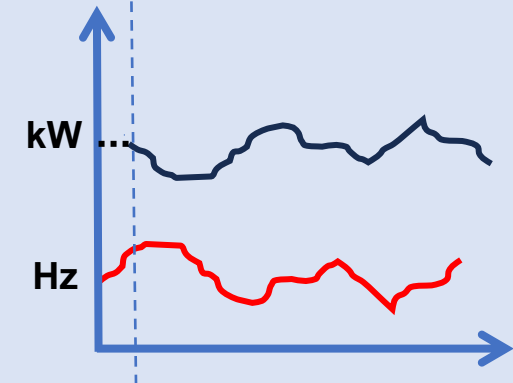
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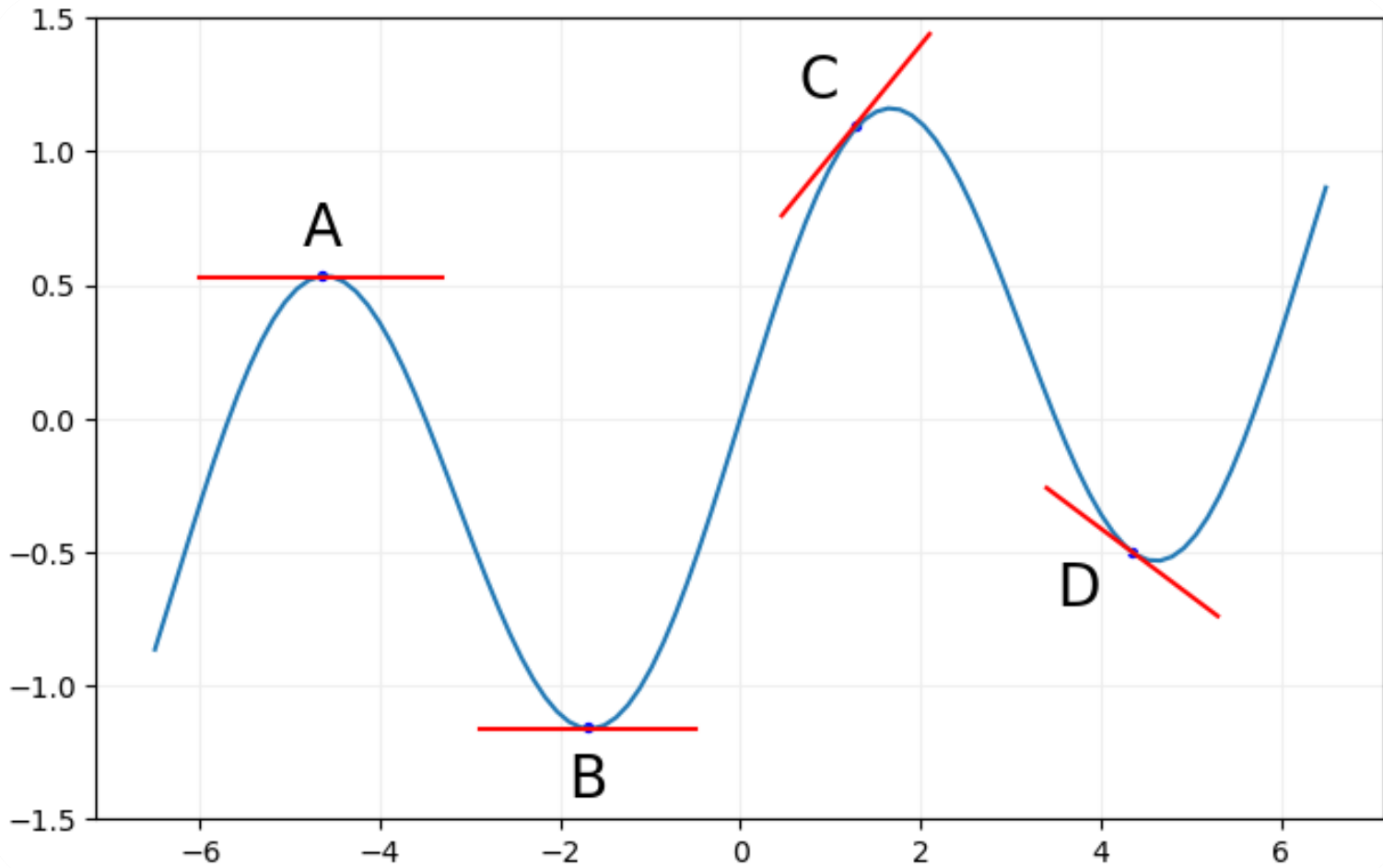
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ROCOF – RATE OF CHANGE OF FREQUENCY DERIVATIVE DETECTION

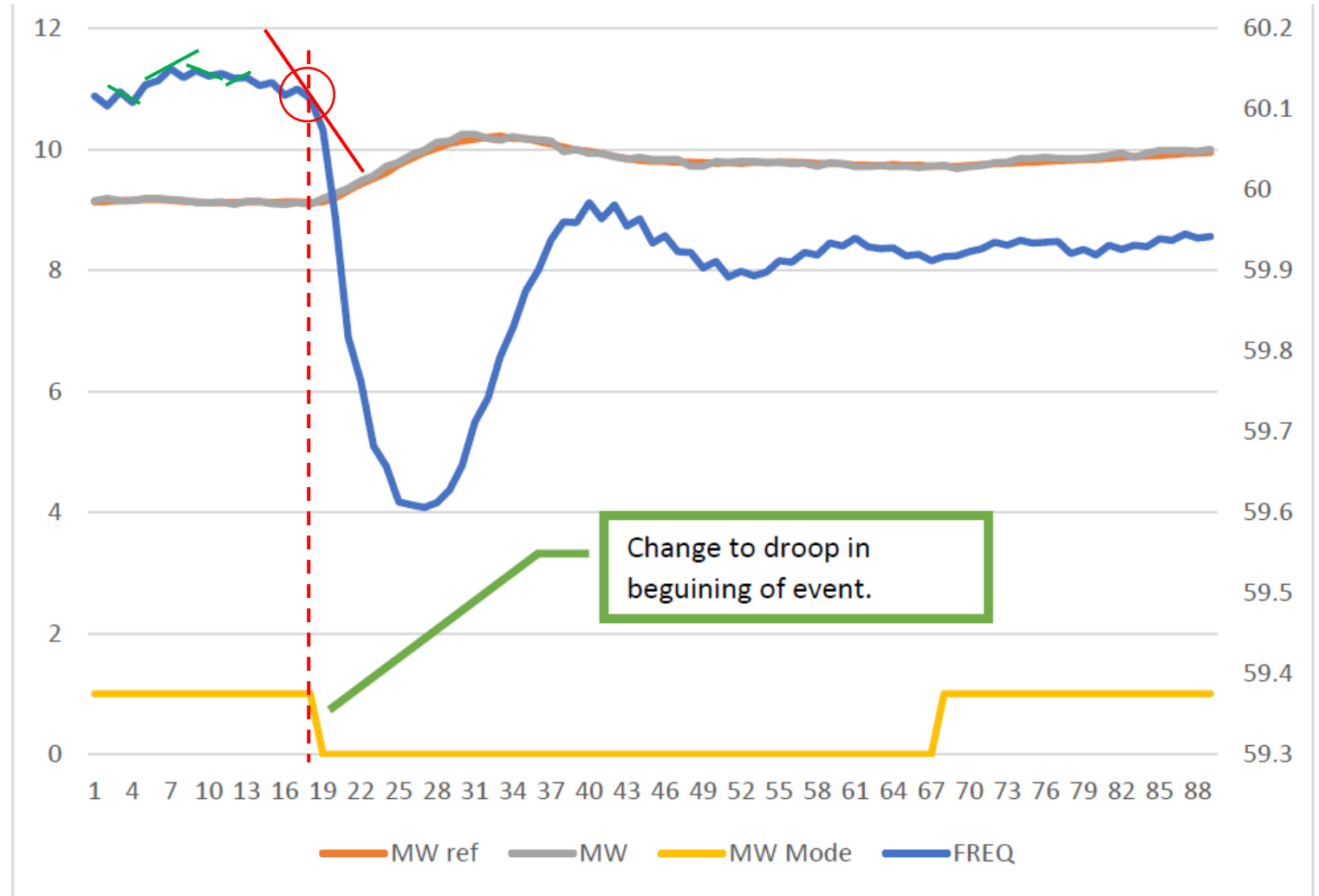
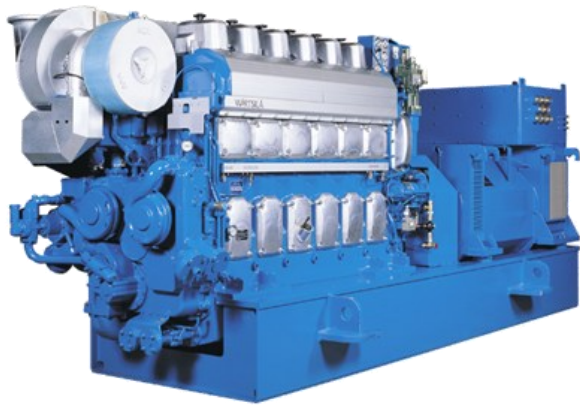
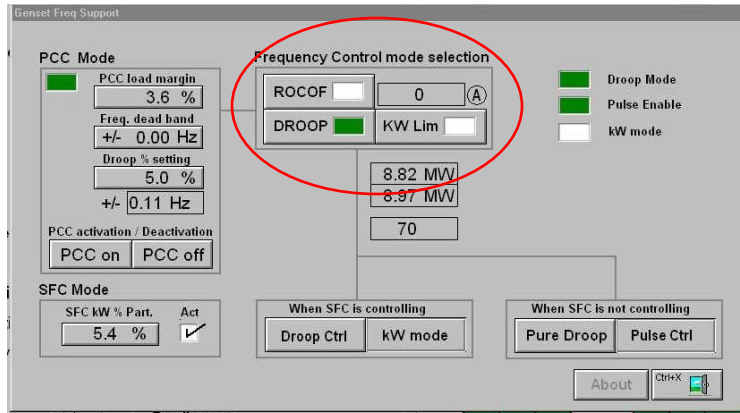


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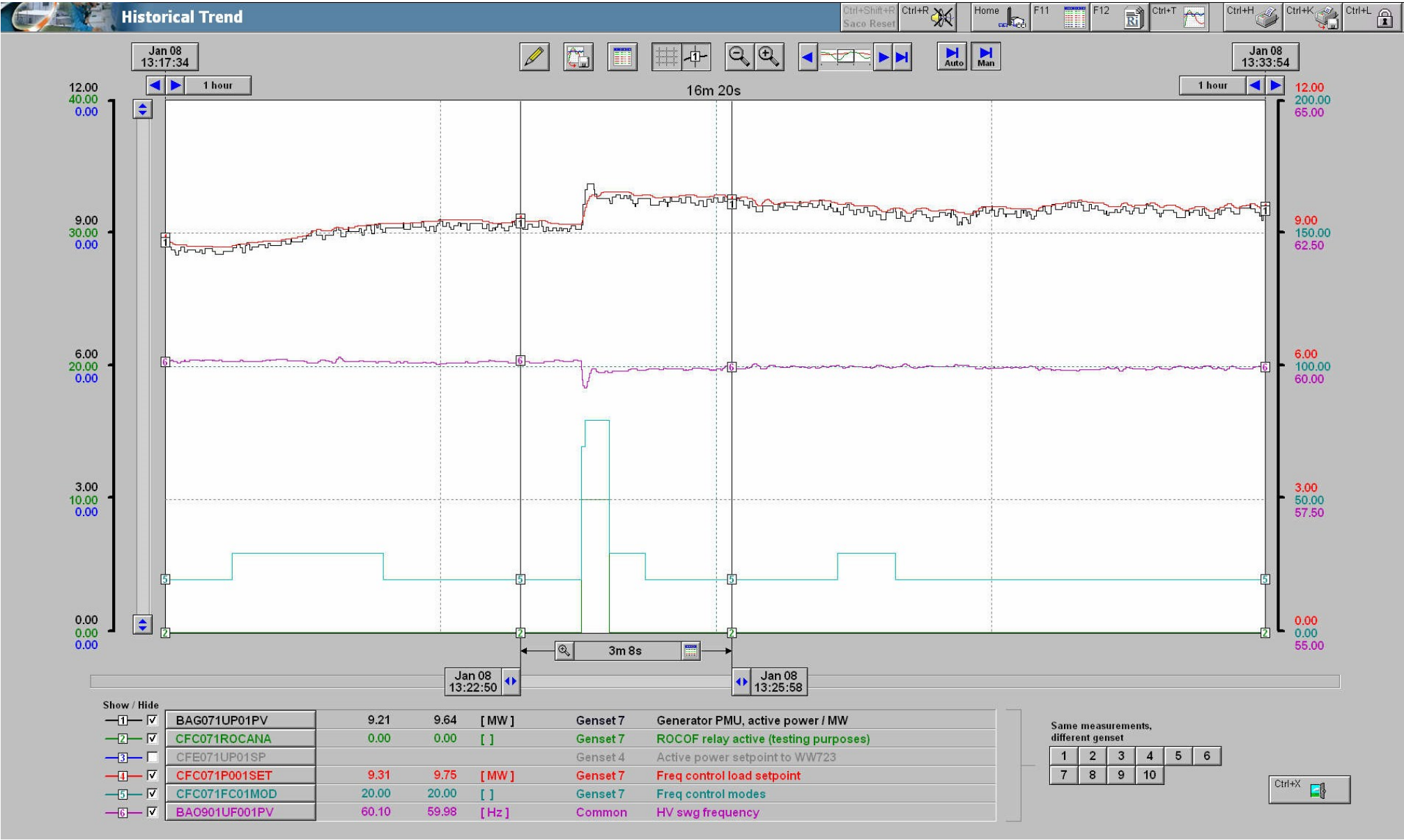


ROCOF Function.

Rate of Change of Frequency.

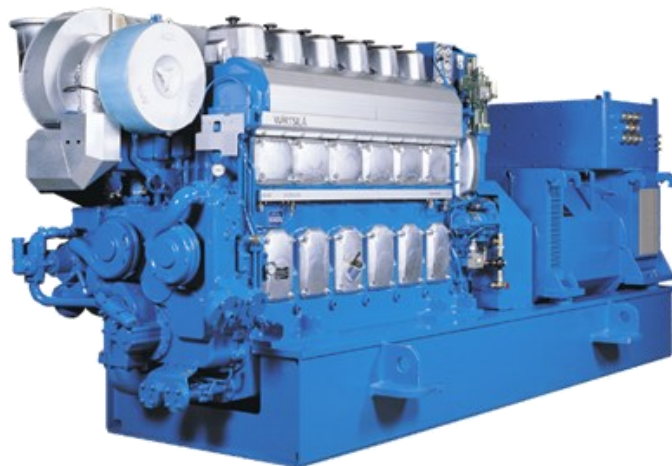


ROCOF Function.



Introduction

Main system purpose is to have engines ready to START and SYNCHRONIZE as soon as possible reducing the current online time (10 – 25 minutes)



Slow Manual Turning (13 Minutes):

- Stop lever to Stop position.
- Open Cilinder valves.
- Turning gear Engage
- Turn Engine with Prelub (10 minutes)

Ready Routine works (3 minutes):

- Visual check. (Leaking, sensors, etc.)
- Engine Manual Blowing.
- Engine Starting conditions.

Start Synchronizing (3 minutes).

- Engine start command
- No load running stabilization.
- Open Synchronizing system
- Engine breaker close.

Engine /Generator loading (3 Minutes):

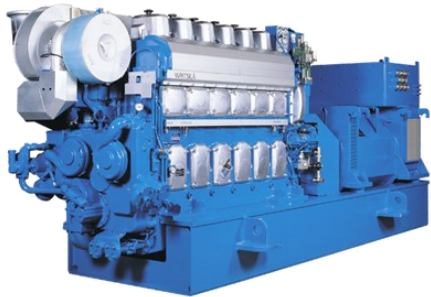
- Load ramp to max power.

STARTING CONDITIONS

- Lube oil pressure > 0.5 bar
- Fuel oil inlet pressure > 2.0 bar
- HT- water temperature > 50 °C
- Starting air pressure > 15 bar
- Control air pressure > 15 bar
- AVR MCB closed
- Turning gear disengaged
- Stop lever in running position
- Breaker conditions
- Engine is not running
- Stop solenoid and autostop inactive
- Engine room emerg. stop inactive
- Control room emerg. stop inactive
- Power plant emerg. stop inactive
- BJA emerg. stop inactive
- Breaker trip alarm inactive
- Engine shutdown alarm inactive
- Start failure inactive

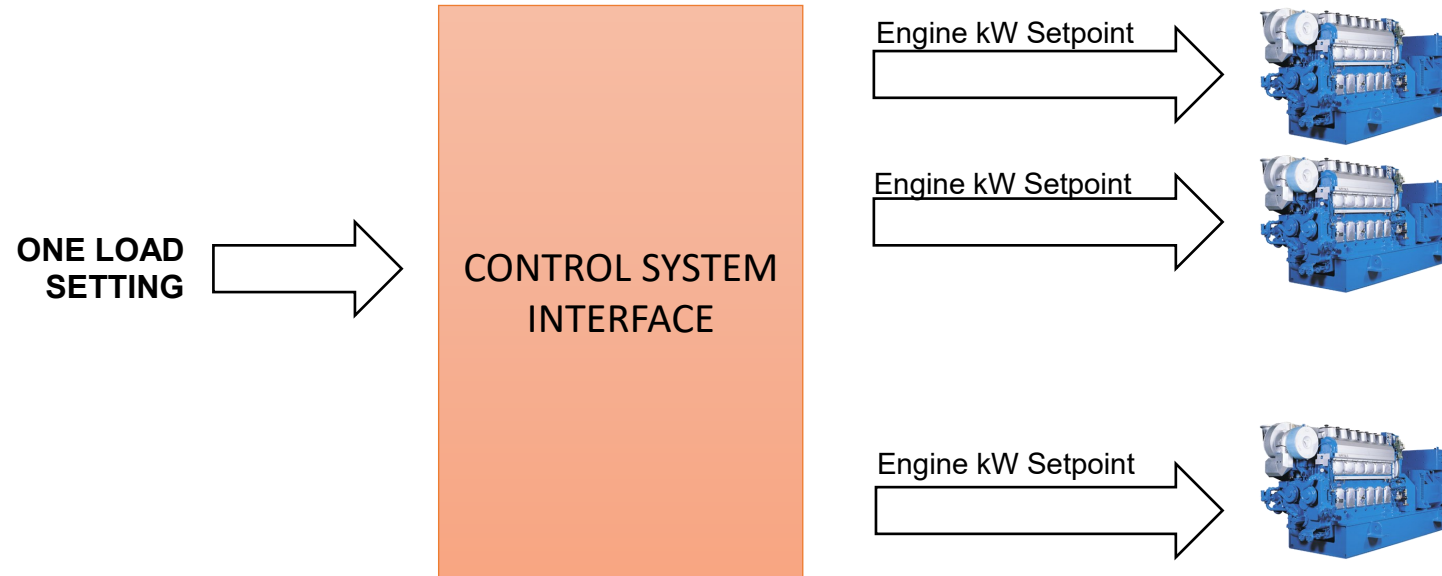
STARTING PROCESS

Engine availability and online mode summary table (LAESA LTD P1):



Activity	Mode	Current time	Update	New Time Theory)	REAL
Slow Manual Turning	MANUAL OPERATOR	0/13	Slow Turning Programable period.	0	0
Ready Routine works	MANUAL CONTROL SYSTEM	4 min	All task programmable period.	0	0
Start & Synchronizing	MANUAL CONTROL SYSTEM	3 min	Auto start by Frequency Conditions.	15 – 60 Sec,	23 – 45 Sec,
Engine /Generator loading	AUTOMATIC CONTROL SYSTEM	3-4 min	New ramp to be update according Engine Water temp.	1 - 2 min (10 - 30 sec. ROCOF)	1 - 2 min (10 - 30 sec. ROCOF)
Totals		10 – 25 min		2 - 3 Min / 1 min ROCOF.	2 – 3 min / 45 sec.(ROCOF)

ONE ENGINE / ONE SEPARATE PLANT.



- Response less than 0.5 secs.
- Calculated proportional values for correct load sharing.
- Make all engines acts as one plant.

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