



DIGSILENT GridCode:

Model validation according to the
German Grid Code and FGW-TR4



Model Validation according to the German Grid Code

German rules for generating plants connected to the grid can be found in:

- Law Renewable Energy Sources Act, EEG → Act on priority granting to renewable energy sources (Renewable Energy Sources Act, EEG)
- Ordinance on System Services from Wind Power Plants (SDLWindV)
- Verband der Netzbetreiber e. V. - VDN - beim VDEW (BDEW): TransmissionCode 2007, Der Verband der Netzbetreiber e. V. - VDN - beim VDEW (BDEW)
- FGW e.V. - Fördergesellschaft Windenergie und andere Erneuerbare Energien:
 - TECHNICAL GUIDELINE FOR POWER GENERATING UNITS. PART 3: DETERMINATION OF ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS OF POWER GENERATING UNITS CONNECTED TO MV, HV AND EHV GRIDS. REVISION 21 (March 2010).
 - TECHNICAL GUIDELINE FOR POWER GENERATING UNITS. PART 4: DEMANDS ON MODELING AND VALIDATING SIMULATION MODELS OF THE ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS OF POWER GENERATING UNITS AND SYSTEMS. REVISION 5 (March 2010).
 - TECHNICAL GUIDELINE FOR POWER GENERATING UNITS. PART 8: FOR THE CERTIFICATION OF ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS OF POWER GENERATING UNITS AND FARMS IN THE MEDIUM-, HIGH- AND HIGHEST-VOLTAGE GRIDS. REVISION 5 (July 2011).



Model Validation according to the German Grid Code

Procedure for model validation TR4:

- STEP 1: LVRT Field testing of the wind turbines according to the measurement procedures by FGW TR3 and German Grid Code.
- STEP 2: The dynamic simulation model is built.
- STEP 3: Simulations are executed reproducing the same events (voltage dips) performed during field testing.
- STEP 4: Results obtained from every simulation case are compared against the corresponding field test measurements → RMS simulation results are compared against processed data from field testing:
 - Reactive Current, positive and negative sequence (I_{r+} , I_{r-})
 - Active Power, positive and negative sequence ($P+$, $P-$)
 - Reactive Power, positive and negative sequence ($Q+$, $Q-$)
- STEP 5: The validation method is complex, every data series is divided into three periods (A, B and C). During each period, transient (TS) and steady state (SS) intervals are defined depending on fast changes or settled values (when the value settles within $\pm 10\%$ of its steady state value). The global error is calculated from the weighted average over the errors calculated in every interval. Error thresholds are in the following table, where:

Electrical parameters	F1	F2	F3	FG
Active Power Pos Seq ($\Delta P^+/P_N$)	0.10	0.20	0.15	0.15
Active Power Neg Seq ($\Delta P^-/P_N$)	0.10	0.20	0.15	0.15
Reactive Power Pos Seq ($\Delta Q^+/Q_N$)	0.07	0.20	0.10	0.15
Reactive Power Neg Seq ($\Delta Q^-/Q_N$)	0.07	0.20	0.10	0.15
Reactive Current Pos Seq ($\Delta I_{r^+}/I_N$)	0.10	0.20	0.15	0.15
Reactive Current Neg Seq ($\Delta I_{r^-}/I_N$)	0.10	0.20	0.15	0.15

- F1: Maximum deviation of the mean values for SS
- F2: Maximum deviation of the mean values for TS
- F3: Maximum deviation of Pos/Neg for SS
- FG: Total error as mean value of the weighted errors

In case of 2PH dips, it is admitted:

- F1, F2, F3, FG x 1.50 (for the Pos Seq variables)
- F1, F2, F3, FG x 2.00 (for the Neg Seq variables)

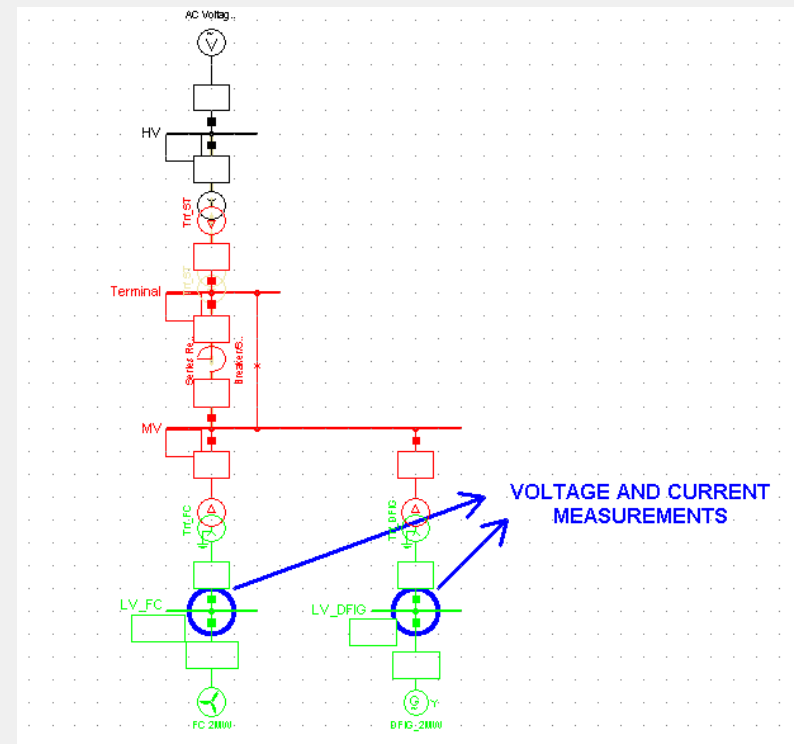


Example of Model Validation according to the German Grid Code

STEP 1: Building the example to test the German Case: DFIG model against FC model

To avoid using field measurements to illustrate the German method, the behavior of the dynamic model of a Doubly Fed Induction Generator (DFIG) is validated against the dynamic model of a Full Converter (FC) wind turbine. The following example is built in DIgSILENT PowerFactory 14.1.2 (x86). The project includes two wind turbine models from the DIgSILENT PowerFactory global library templates:

- 1xDFIG, rated 2MW
- 1xTRF DFIG 400V/20kV, rated 2.22 MVA
- 1xFC, rated 2MW
- 1xTRF FC 400V/20kV, rated 2.3 MVA
- PCC Voltage 110kV
- Substation TRF 110/20kV, rated 80MVA





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STEP 2: Simulation of LVRT events according to the German Grid Code:

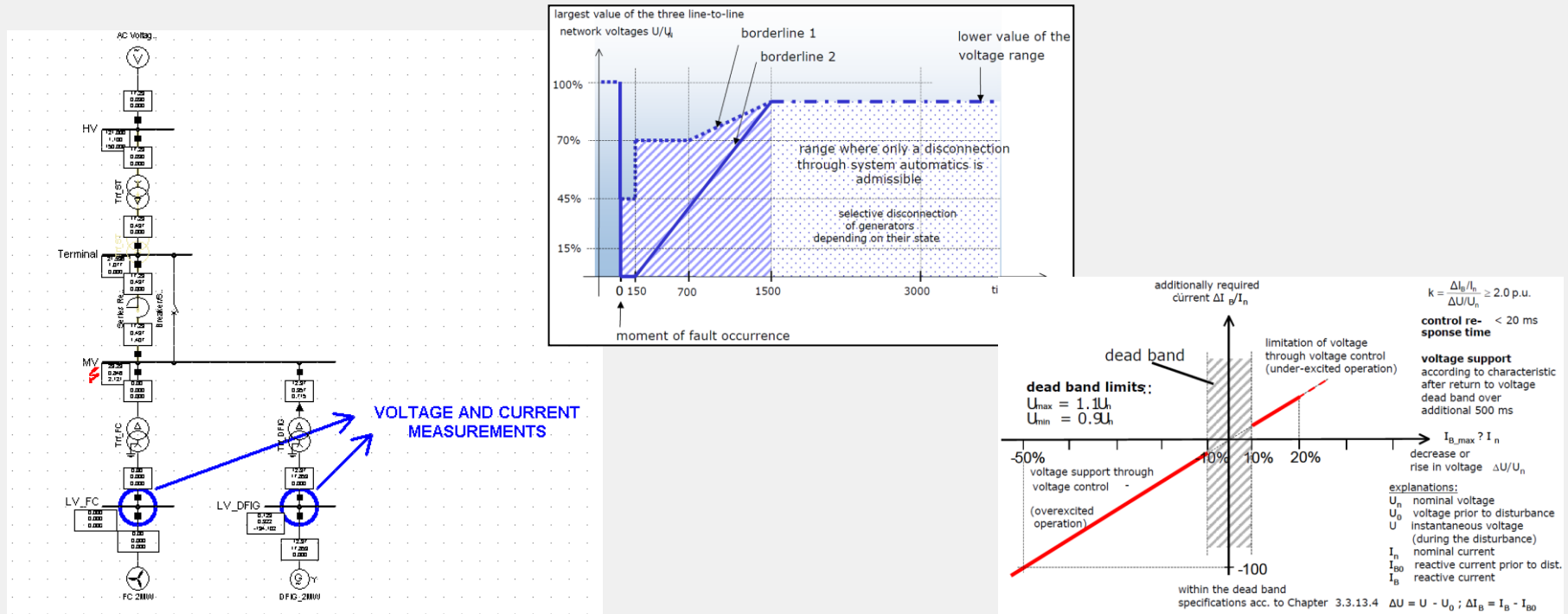
RMS simulation – 1ms time step

Events $\rightarrow T_{init} = 0s, T_{open/switch} = 1s, T_{dip\ init} = 2s, T_{dip\ end} = 2.15s; T_{close/switch} = 4.15\ s; T_{end\ sim} = 7.15\ s$

Filtering RMS results (low pass filter, cut off 15Hz) \rightarrow export signals

Voltage dip location: at the Wind Farm MV terminal, 20kV side \rightarrow serial reactance with parallel switch

Voltage dip measurements \rightarrow at the LV side of the wind turbines





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STEP 2: Simulation of LVRT events according to the German Grid Code:
 The field and simulation tests are included in the TR3-TR4 procedure:

Dip	Remaining voltage	Dip duration	Operating Point
3 PH	0 %	150 ms	$0.1P_n < P < 0.3P_n$
			$P > 0.9 P_n$
	20 %	550 ms	$0.1P_n < P < 0.3P_n$
			$P > 0.9 P_n$
	50 %	950 ms	$0.1P_n < P < 0.3P_n$
			$P > 0.9 P_n$
	75 %	1400 ms	$0.1P_n < P < 0.3P_n$
			$P > 0.9 P_n$
2 PH	0 %	150 ms	$0.1P_n < P < 0.3P_n$
			$P > 0.9 P_n$
	20 %	550 ms	$0.1P_n < P < 0.3P_n$
			$P > 0.9 P_n$
	50 %	950 ms	$0.1P_n < P < 0.3P_n$
			$P > 0.9 P_n$
	75 %	1400 ms	$0.1P_n < P < 0.3P_n$
			$P > 0.9 P_n$



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STEP 3: Export required signals from VIs in Digsilent PowerFactory:

Three phase fault at MV side, 0% remaining voltage, 150ms

Exported signals, textfile, white space/tab separated format:

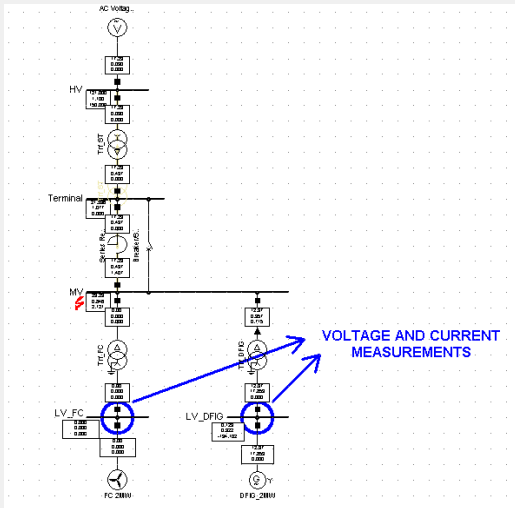
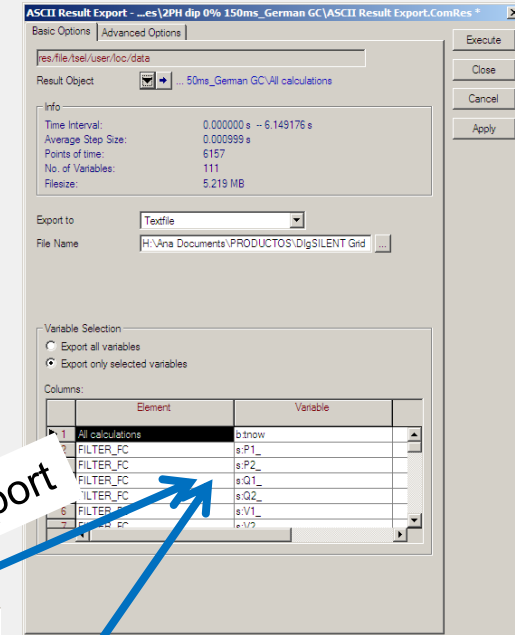
$$P^+(t), P^-(t)$$

$$Q^+(t), Q^-(t)$$

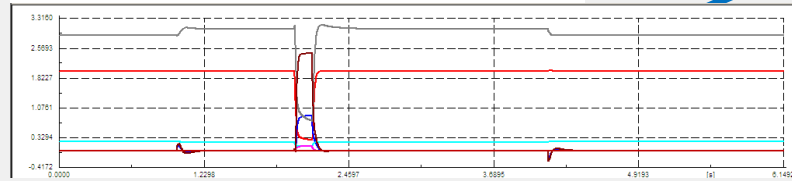
$$V^+(t), V^-(t),$$

$$I_p^+(t), I_p^-(t),$$

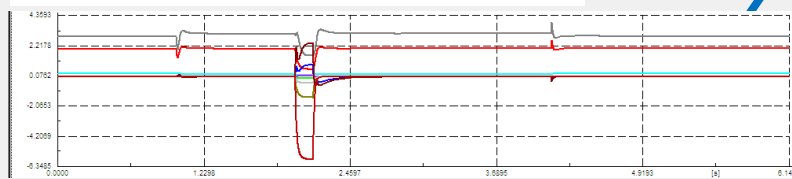
$$I_q^+(t), I_q^-(t)$$



Voltage dip 0% - DFIG



Voltage dip 0% - FC





Example of Model Validation according to the German Grid Code

STEP 4: Analysis with DIGSILENT GridCode → TR4 TOOL

Default window:

The screenshot shows the TR4 software interface with the following sections:

- Measurement:** File path (empty), File type (semicolon[1]), Generator (Default), and a Select file button.
- Simulation:** File path (empty), File type (semicolon[1]), Generator (Default), and a Select file button.
- Rated Values (Measurement):** Voltage (Line-to-line): 132 kV, Apparent Power: 1 MVA, Power Factor: 1 pu, Frequency: 50 Hz.
- Rated Values (Simulation):** Voltage (Line-to-line): 132 kV, Apparent Power: 1 MVA, Power Factor: 1 pu, Frequency: 50 Hz.
- Errors:** A table with columns for Alias, F1, F2, F3, and FG.

Alias	F1	F2	F3	FG
Vabs+	0.1	0.2	0.15	0.15
Vabs-	0.2	0.4	0.3	0.3
la+	0.1	0.2	0.15	0.15
la-	0.2	0.4	0.3	0.3
lr+	0.1	0.2	0.15	0.15
lr-	0.2	0.4	0.3	0.3
P+	0.1	0.2	0.15	0.15
P-	0.2	0.4	0.3	0.3
Q+	0.07	0.2	0.1	0.15

Update button

No files selected



Example of Model Validation according to the German Grid Code

STEP 4: Analysis with DiGSILENT GridCode → **TR4 TOOL**

STEP 4.1: File Types & Channels Editor → Create File Type to read DiGSILENT PowerFactory exported results.

The screenshot shows the TR4 File Formats dialog box. The 'File Type' is set to 'Measurement file - export RMS EEG2009'. The 'Function' is 'ReadFile' and the 'Type' is 'AsciiFile'. The 'Delimiter' is '\t' and the 'Sampling Rate' is '1000 Hz'. The 'Line To Line Measurements' checkbox is unchecked. Below these fields is a table with columns: Name, Index, Phase, Type, Sub Type, Units, ScalingFactor, and Offset.

Name	Index	Phase	Type	Sub Type	Units	ScalingFactor	Offset
time	0	ABC	time	rms	s	1	0
P1	1	pos	power	real	MW	1	0
P2	2	neg	power	real	MW	1	0
Q1	3	pos	power	reactive	Mvar	1	0
Q2	4	neg	power	reactive	Mvar	1	0
V1	5	pos	volts	abs	kV	1	0
V2	6	neg	volts	abs	kV	1	0
Ip1	7	pos	amps	real	kA	1	0
Ip2	8	neg	amps	real	kA	1	0
Iq1	9	pos	amps	reactive	kA	1	0
Iq2	10	neg	amps	reactive	kA	1	0
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Example of Model Validation according to the German Grid Code

STEP 4: Analysis with DlGSILENT GridCode → **TR4 TOOL**

STEP 4.1: File Types & Channels Editor

STEP 4.2: Open file 1 and 2 to compare, select file format and base values.

The screenshot shows the TR4 software interface with the following sections:

- Measurement:** File path (empty), File type (semicolon[1]), Generator (Default), and a Select file button.
- Simulation:** File path (empty), File type (semicolon[1]), Generator (Default), and a Select file button.
- Rated Values (Measurement):** Voltage (Line-to-line) 132 kV, Apparent Power 1 MVA, Power Factor 1 pu, Frequency 50 Hz.
- Rated Values (Simulation):** Voltage (Line-to-line) 132 kV, Apparent Power 1 MVA, Power Factor 1 pu, Frequency 50 Hz.
- Errors:** A table with columns for Alias, F1, F2, F3, and FG.

Alias	F1	F2	F3	FG
Vabs+	0.1	0.2	0.15	0.15
Vabs-	0.2	0.4	0.3	0.3
ia+	0.1	0.2	0.15	0.15
ia-	0.2	0.4	0.3	0.3
ir+	0.1	0.2	0.15	0.15
ir-	0.2	0.4	0.3	0.3
P+	0.1	0.2	0.15	0.15
P-	0.2	0.4	0.3	0.3
Q+	0.07	0.2	0.1	0.15

Update



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STEP 4: Analysis with DiGSILENT GridCode → **TR4 TOOL**

STEP 4.1: File Types & Channels Editor

STEP 4.2: Open file 1 and 2 to compare, select file format and base values.

The screenshot shows the TR4 software interface. The 'Measurement' and 'Simulation' sections have 'File path' fields with a 'Drag a file' button and a 'Select file' button. The 'File type' is set to 'semicolon[1]' and the 'Generator' is set to 'Default'. The 'Rated Values' section for both Measurement and Simulation shows: Voltage (Line-to-line) 132 kV, Apparent Power 1 MVA, Power Factor 1 pu, and Frequency 50 Hz. The 'Errors' table is as follows:

Alias	F1	F2	F3	FG
Vabs+	0.1	0.2	0.15	0.15
Vabs-	0.2	0.4	0.3	0.3
Is+	0.1	0.2	0.15	0.15
Is-	0.2	0.4	0.3	0.3
Iv+	0.1	0.2	0.15	0.15
Iv-	0.2	0.4	0.3	0.3
P+	0.1	0.2	0.15	0.15
P-	0.2	0.4	0.3	0.3
Q+	0.07	0.2	0.1	0.15

At the bottom left, it says 'No files selected'. An 'Update' button is at the bottom right of the Errors table.

**DRAG & DROP
SELECTED FILES
FROM FILE
EXPLORER**



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STEP 4: Analysis with Digsilent GridCode → **TR4 TOOL**

STEP 4.1: File Types & Channels Editor

STEP 4.2: Open file 1 and 2 to compare, select file format and base values.

The screenshot shows the TR4 tool interface with the following sections:

- Measurement:** File path (empty), File type (semicolon[1]), Generator (Default), Select file button.
- Simulation:** File path (empty), File type (semicolon[1]), Generator (Default), Select file button.
- Rated Values:** Voltage (Line-to-line) 132 kV, Apparent Power 1 MVA, Power Factor 1 pu, Frequency 50 Hz.
- Errors Table:**

Alias	F1	F2	F3	FG
Vabs+	0.1	0.2	0.15	0.15
Vabs-	0.2	0.4	0.3	0.3
ia+	0.1	0.2	0.15	0.15
ia-	0.2	0.4	0.3	0.3
ir+	0.1	0.2	0.15	0.15
ir-	0.2	0.4	0.3	0.3
P+	0.1	0.2	0.15	0.15
P-	0.2	0.4	0.3	0.3
Q+	0.07	0.2	0.1	0.15

OR SELECT FILES:
File 1: Measurement file
File 2: Simulation file

Select File Format

Select Base Values



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STEP 4: Analysis with DiGSILENT GridCode → **TR4 TOOL**

STEP 4.1: File Types & Channels Editor

STEP 4.2: Open file 1 and 2 to compare, select file format and base values.

The screenshot shows the TR4 software interface with the following sections:

- Measurement:** File path (empty), File type (semicolon[1]), Generator (Default), Select file button.
- Simulation:** File path (empty), File type (semicolon[1]), Generator (Default), Select file button.
- Rated Values (top):** Voltage (Line-to-line) 132 kV, Apparent Power 1 MVA, Power Factor 1 pu, Frequency 50 Hz.
- Rated Values (bottom):** Voltage (Line-to-line) 132 kV, Apparent Power 1 MVA, Power Factor 1 pu, Frequency 50 Hz.
- Errors Table:** A table with columns for Alias, F1, F2, F3, and F4. The table is circled in blue.

Alias	F1	F2	F3	F4
Vabs+	0.1	0.2	0.15	0.15
V+	0.2	0.4	0.3	0.3
ib+	0.1	0.2	0.15	0.15
ib-	0.2	0.4	0.3	0.3
ir+	0.1	0.2	0.15	0.15
ir-	0.2	0.4	0.3	0.3
P+	0.1	0.2	0.15	0.15
P-	0.2	0.4	0.3	0.3
Q+	0.07	0.2	0.1	0.15

CHECK ERROR LIMITS FROM TR4



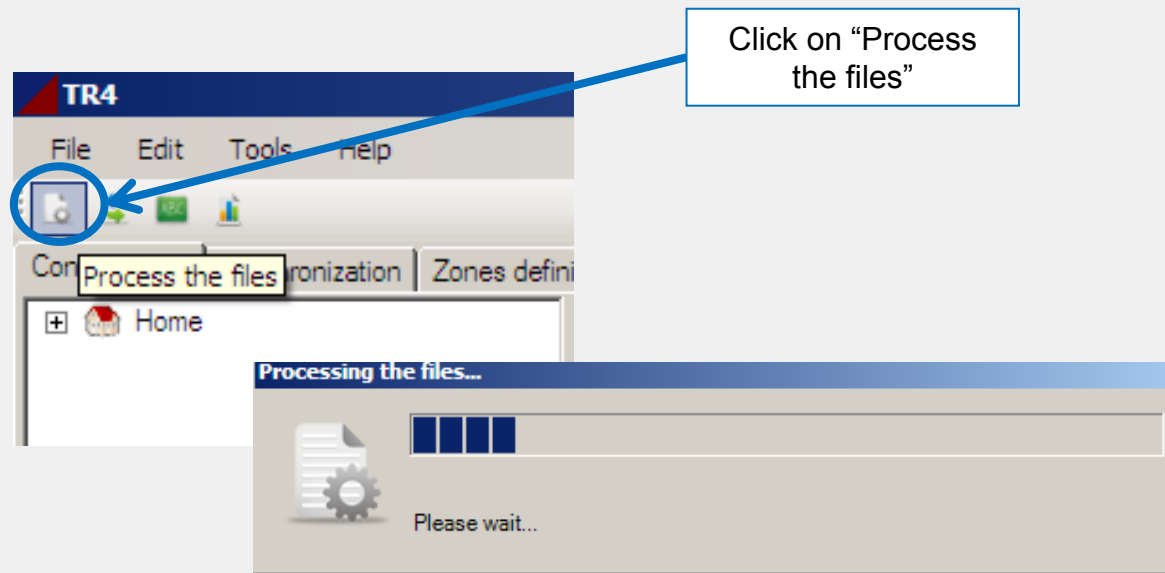
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STEP 4: Analysis with DIgSILENT GridCode → **TR4 TOOL**

STEP 4.1: File Types & Channels Editor

STEP 4.2: Open file 1 and 2 to compare, select file format and base values.

STEP 4.3: Process the files





Example of Model Validation according to the German Grid Code

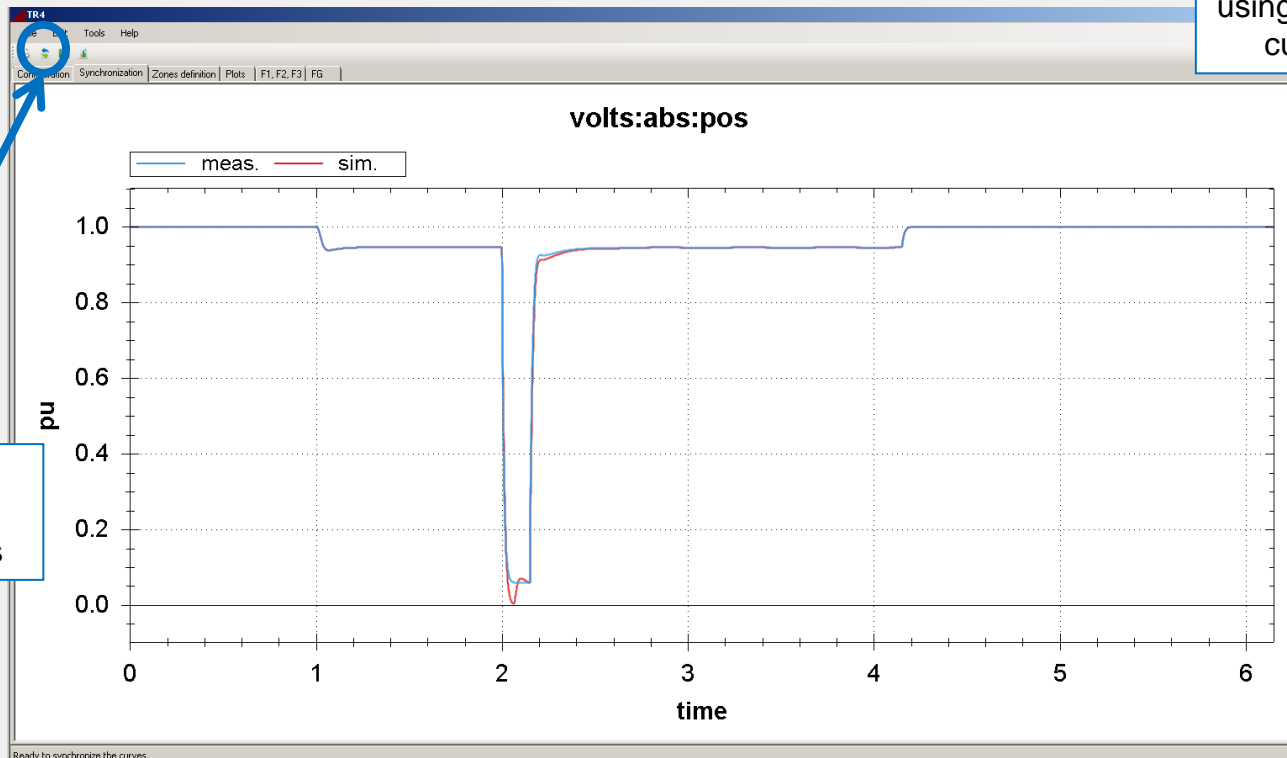
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STEP 4.1: File Types & Channels Editor

STEP 4.2: Open file 1 and 2 to compare, select file format and base values.

STEP 4.3: Process the files

STEP 4.4: Synchronization



Move manually File 2 using arrow keys or by cursor selection

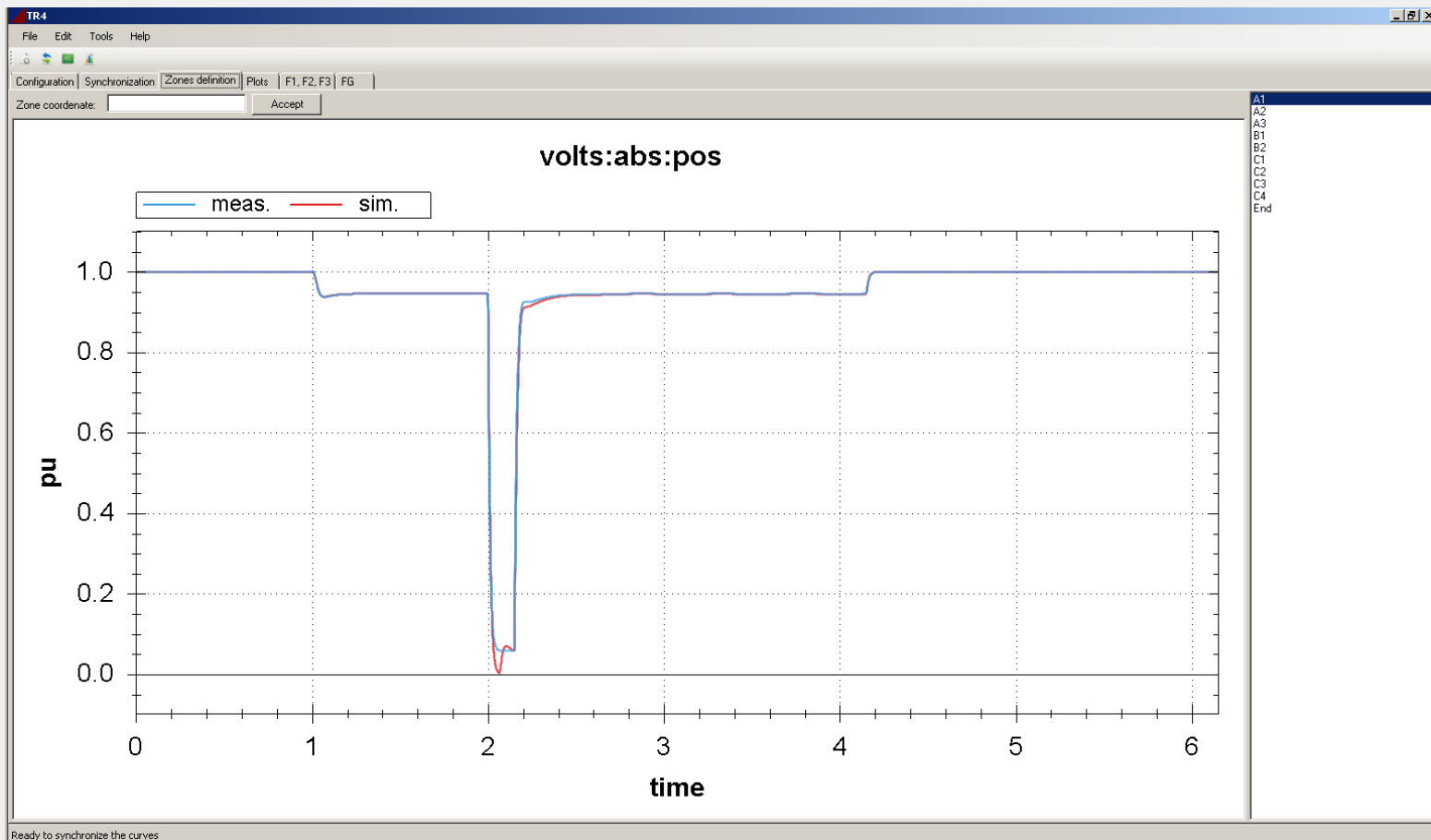


Accept manual synchronization to continue the analysis



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STEP 5: Define the zones A, B and C

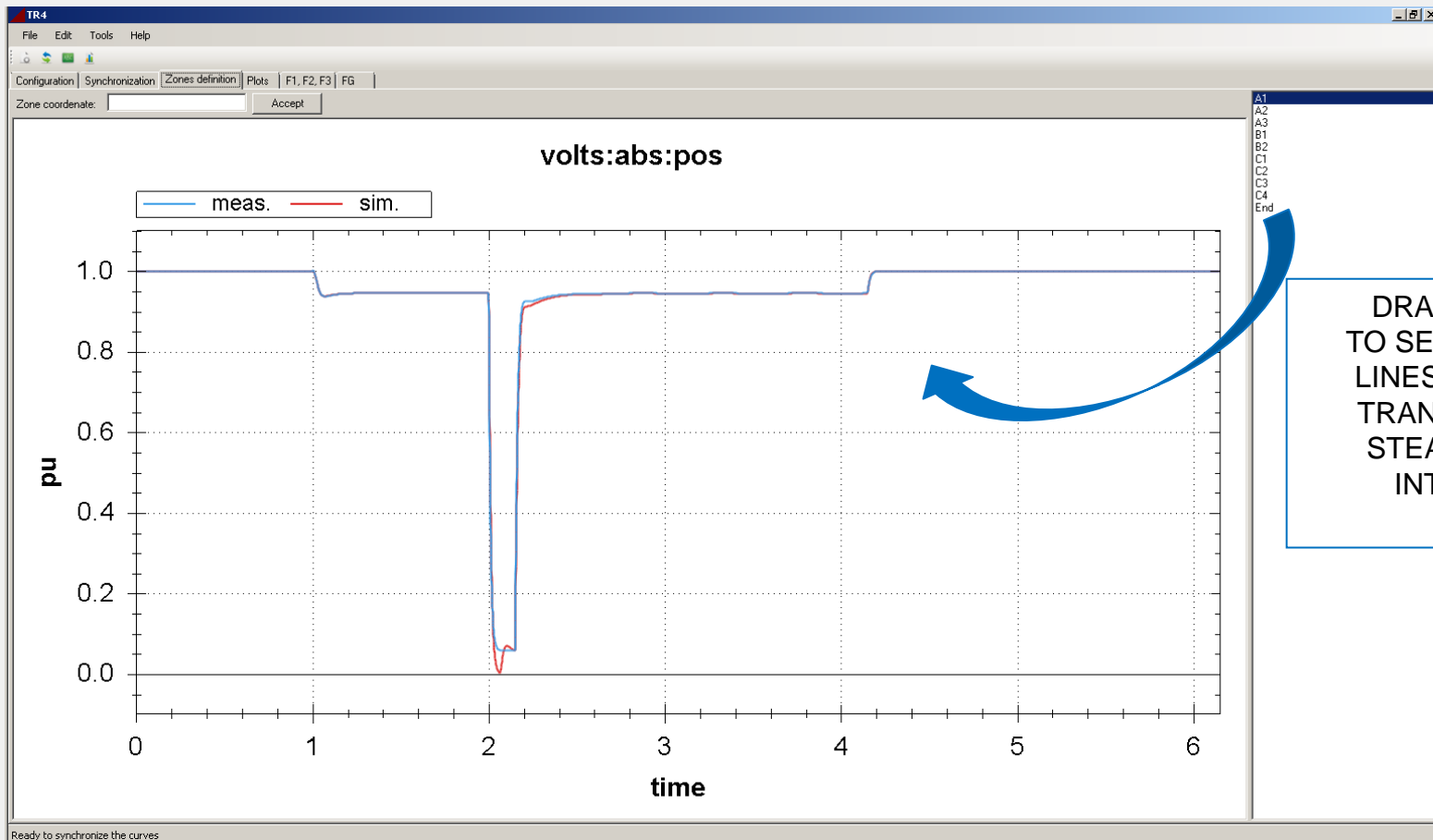




Example of Model Validation according to the German Grid Code

STEP 5: Define the zones A, B and C

STEP 5.1: Drag and drop vertical lines A1, A2, A3, B1, B2, C1, C2, C3, C4 and End

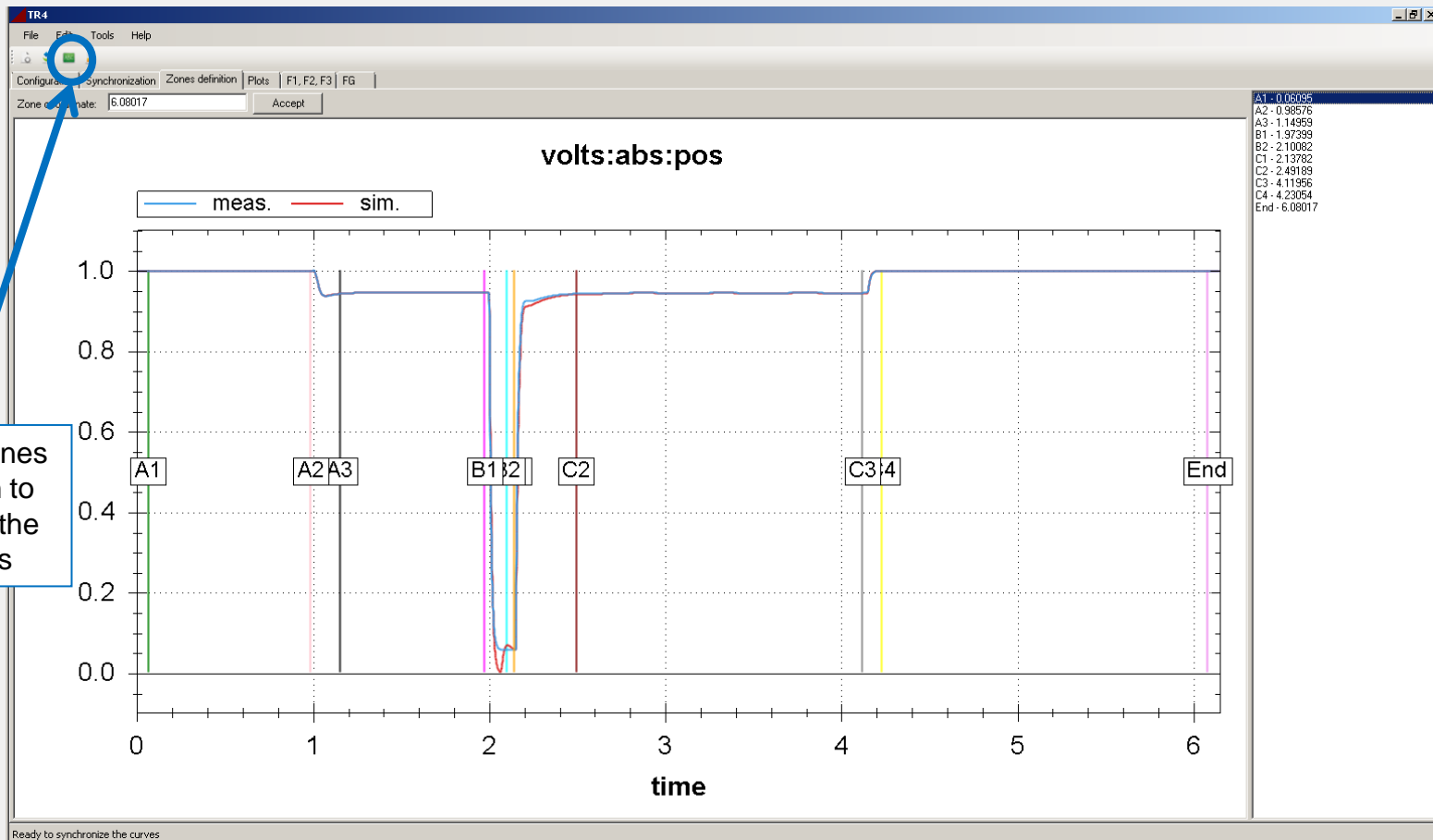




Example of Model Validation according to the German Grid Code

STEP 5: Define the zones A, B and C using positive sequence voltage series.

STEP 5.1: Drag and drop vertical lines A1, A2, A3, B1, B2, C1, C2, C3, C4 and End



Accept zones definition to continue the analysis

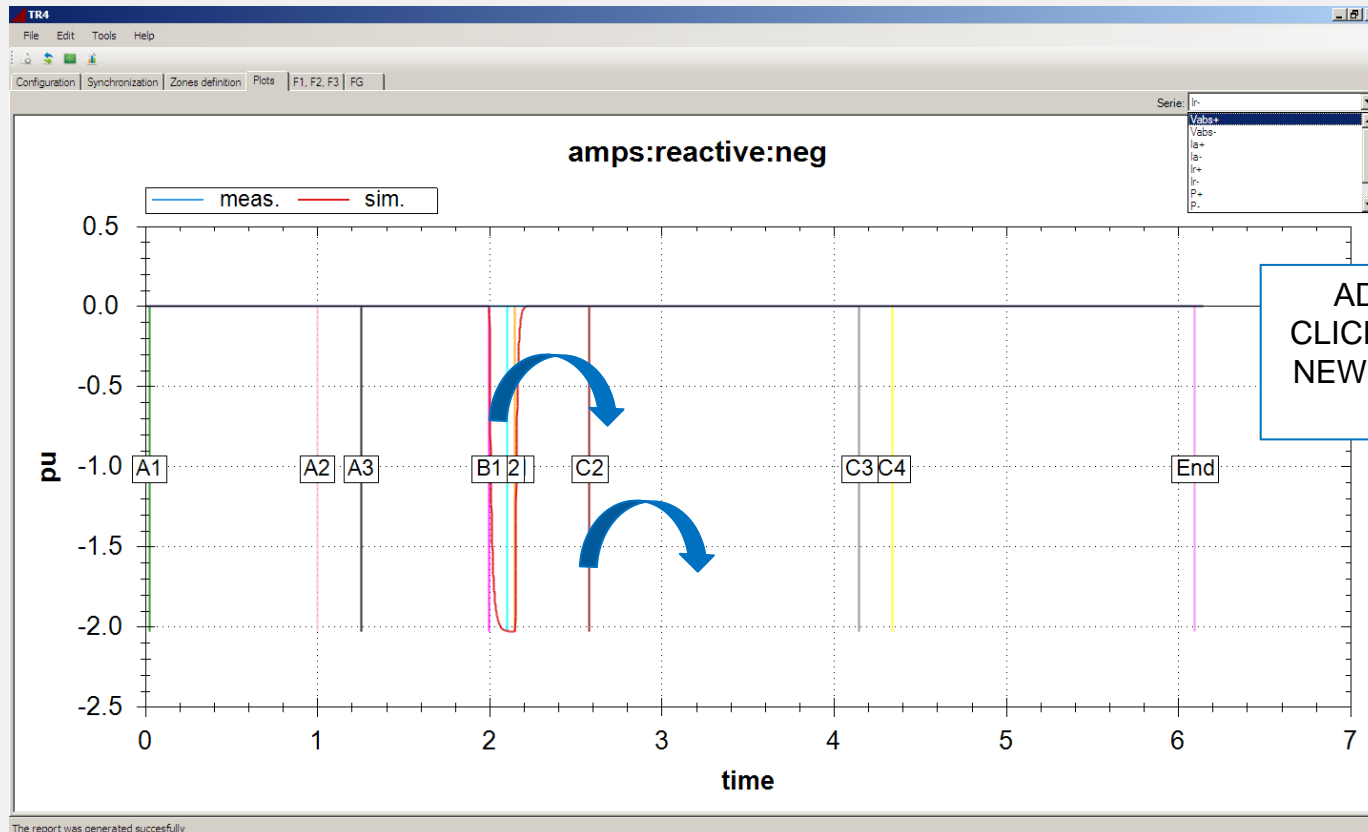


Example of Model Validation according to the German Grid Code

STEP 5: Define the zones A, B and C

STEP 5.1: Drag and drop vertical lines A1, A2, A3, B1, B2, C1, C2, C3, C4 and End

STEP 5.2: Check plots to adjust transient zones in the rest of data series (P, Q, Ip, Iq)



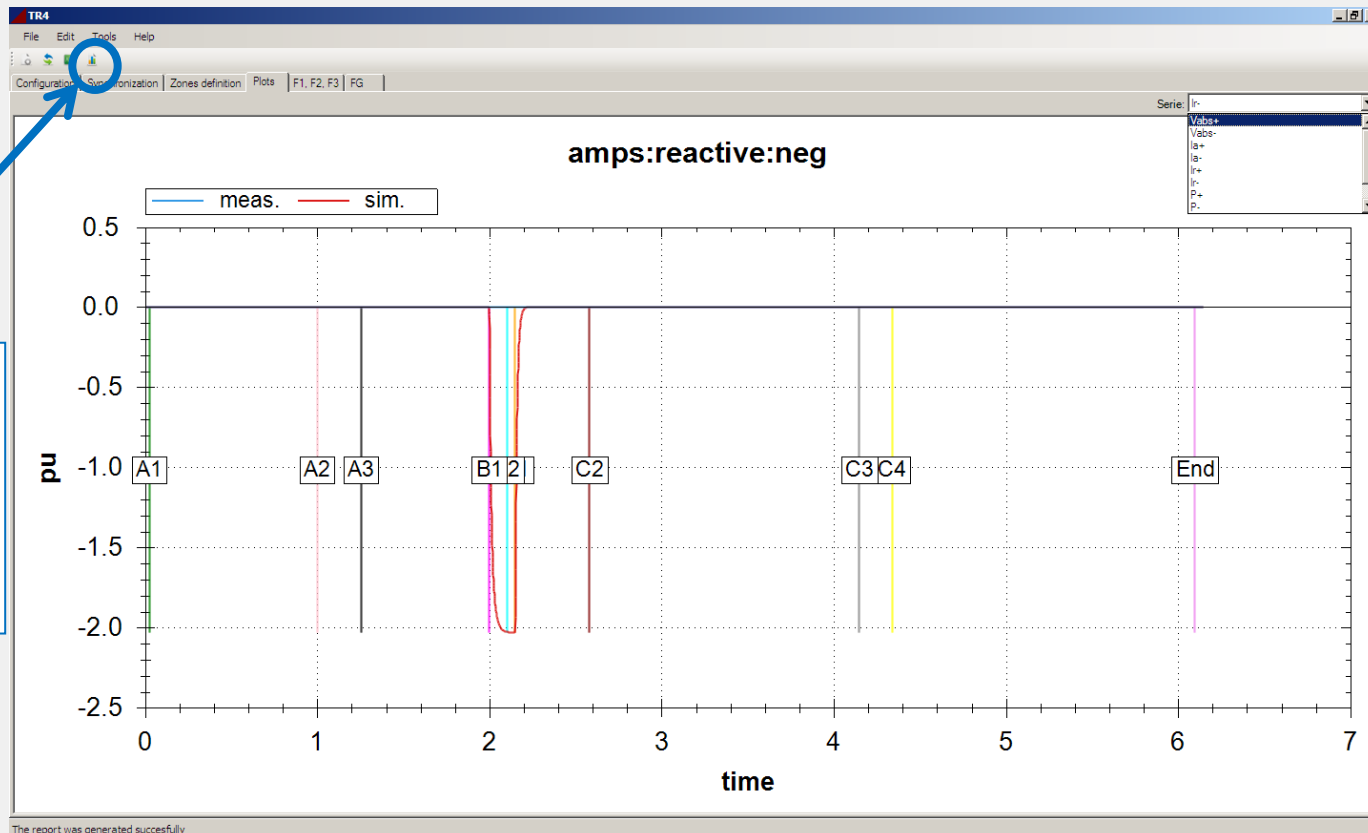


Example of Model Validation according to the German Grid Code

STEP 5: Define the zones A, B and C

STEP 5.1: Drag and drop vertical lines A1, A2, A3, B1, B2, C1, C2, C3, C4 and End

STEP 5.2: Check plots to adjust transient zones in the rest of data series (P, Q, Ip, Iq)



Accept zones definition in all data series to continue the analysis:
Click on
GENERATE REPORT



Example of Model Validation according to the German Grid Code

STEP 6: Analysis of results → Summary of results is reported in table format

STEP 6.1: F1: Maximum deviation of the mean values → Steady State Areas

F2: Maximum deviation of the mean values → Transient State Areas

F3: Maximum deviation of Pos/Neg → Steady State Areas

F1, F2 and F3

The screenshot shows the TR4 software interface with the 'F1, F2, F3' tab selected. The interface displays two tables of results.

F1, F2

Serie	A1 (F1)	A2 (F2)	A3 (F1)	B1 (F2)	B2 (F1)	C1 (F2)	C2 (F1)	C3 (F2)	C4 (F1)
Vabs+	0	0	0	0.002	0	0.006	0	0	0
Vabs-	0	0	0	0.093	0.112	0.004	0	0	0
Ia+	0	0.004	0.001	0.313	0.258	0.044	0.013	0.012	0.007
Ia-	0	0	0	0.128	0.155	0.005	0	0	0
Ir+	0	0.001	0	0.036	0.024	0.068	0	0.002	0
Ir-	0	0	0	1.718	2.071	0.065	0	0	0
P+	0	0.005	0.001	0.153	0.133	0.023	0.012	0.011	0.007
P-	0	0	0	0.045	0.056	0.002	0	0	0
Q+	0	0.001	0	0.02	0.013	0.086	0	0.002	0
Q-	0	0	0	0.603	0.75	0.023	0	0	0

F3

Serie	A1	A3	B2	C2	C4
Vabs+	0	0	0.001	0.001	0
Vabs-	0	0	0.11	0	0
Ia+	0	0.004	0.258	0.024	0.012
Ia-	0	0	0.152	0	0
Ir+	0	0	0.024	0.002	0.001
Ir-	0	0	2.03	0	0
P+	0	0.004	0.133	0.022	0.012
P-	0	0	0.055	0	0
Q+	0	0	0.013	0.002	0.001
Q-	0	0	0.736	0	0



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STEP 6: Analysis of results → Summary of results is reported in table format

STEP 6.1: F1: Maximum deviation of the mean values → Steady State Areas

F2: Maximum deviation of the mean values → Transient State Areas

F3: Maximum deviation of Pos/Neg → Steady State Areas

STEP 6.2: FG: Total error as mean value of the weighted errors

FG

Serie	A	B	C	FG
Vabs+	0	0	0	0
Vabs-	0	0.009	0	0.005
la+	0.001	0.033	0.006	0.022
la-	0	0.013	0	0.008
lr+	0	0.001	0	0.001
lr-	0	0.169	0	0.101
P+	0.001	0.017	0.006	0.012
P-	0	0.005	0	0.003
Q+	0	0	0	0
Q-	0	0.061	0	0.037



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STEP 7: REPORTING

Results are reported in Word format.

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GridCode v1.2 - Report Generator

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Date Plot: 07/12/2011 09:09:29

DIGSILENT Grid Code - Model Validation TR4

FILES:
MEAS 1
SIM 2

AVERAGE ERRORS TYPE F1(steady-states) & F2(transients) [%]

Serie	A1 (F1)	B1 (F2)	B2 (F1)	C1 (F2)	C2 (F1)
V308+	0.0	1.6	0.8	1.4	0.9
V308-	0.5	4.0	2.5	1.0	0.5
Ia+	0.7	5.1	1.4	3.4	1.1
Ia-	0.6	4.8	4.0	6.9	0.6
If+	0.0	0.0	0.4	3.5	0.5
If-	0.4	16.4	2.1	6.3	0.4
Ip+	0.8	2.1	0.1	3.2	0.9
Ip-	0.0	3.0	3.3	4.5	0.0
C1+	0.0	4.6	0.1	1.9	0.5
C1-	0.0	1.4	2.0	2.2	0.0

ERRORS TYPE F3(maximum errors - steady-states) [%]

Serie	A1	B2	C2
V308+	0.0	4.3	1.5
V308-	0.5	4.3	0.9
Ia+	2.0	13.8	4.3
Ia-	0.9	10.6	0.9
If+	1.2	7.0	1.7
If-	0.9	6.1	0.9
Ip+	2.1	8.8	3.9
Ip-	0.0	4.5	0.0
C1+	1.4	4.5	1.8
C1-	0.0	5.2	0.0

ERRORS TYPE FG(weighted errors) [%]

Serie	A	B	C	FG
V308+	0.0	0.4	0.0	0.2
V308-	0.4	1.3	0.0	0.3
Ia+	0.7	0.3	0.0	0.2
Ia-	0.6	2.1	0.0	1.3
If+	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.1
If-	0.4	1.0	0.0	0.6
Ip+	0.7	0.0	0.0	0.7
Ip-	0.0	1.8	0.0	1.1
C1+	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
C1-	0.0	1.1	0.0	0.7

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ZONES DEFINITION [s]

Serie	A1	B1	B2	C1	C2	End
V308+	8.069	10.029	10.193	10.607	10.803	19.907
V308-	8.069	10.029	10.193	10.607	10.803	19.907
Ia+	8.069	10.029	10.193	10.607	12.014	19.907
Ia-	8.069	10.029	10.193	10.607	10.803	19.907
If+	8.069	10.029	10.193	10.607	10.803	19.907
If-	8.069	10.029	10.250	10.607	10.803	19.907
Ip+	8.069	10.029	10.193	10.607	12.002	19.907
Ip-	8.069	10.029	10.193	10.607	10.803	19.907
C1+	8.069	10.029	10.193	10.607	10.803	19.907
C1-	8.069	10.029	10.193	10.607	10.803	19.907

PLOTS

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Example of Model Validation according to the German Grid Code

CONCLUSIONS

The German Method as proposed in the TR4 is verified with DIgSILENT GridCode, comparing two wind turbine models that separately can fulfill the requirements of the German Grid Code. The DIgSILENT GridCode tool is very flexible:

- Different file formats can be configured.
- Different data series can be compared: from measurements, simulations, etc.
- Data series compared are defined by TR4. Active current is also included in the comparison although TR4 does not require it.
- Manual synchronization is a good approach to overlap both series.
- Zone definition is a user-friendly process:
 - Drag and drop the bar.
 - Adjust the area definition for every data series.
- A summary of results in table format is shown.
- A report is automatically generated in Microsoft Word© format.
- More validation methods are rising worldwide and will be included in next versions:
IEC61400-27 validation method



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