



# Electricity Distribution Resilience Framework through West Coast Alpine Fault Scenario

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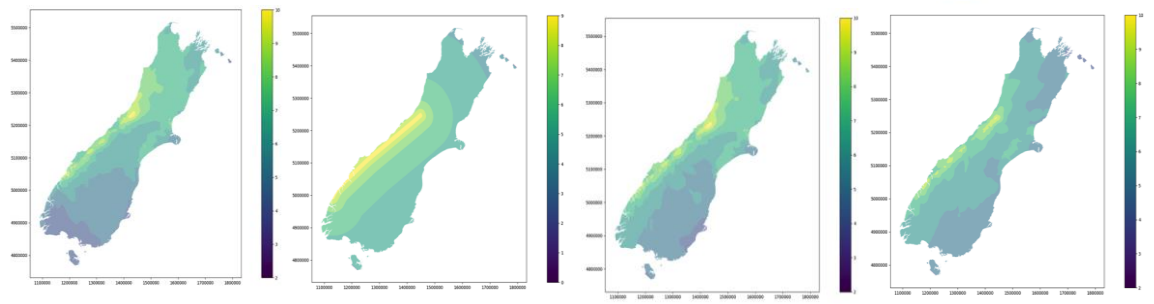
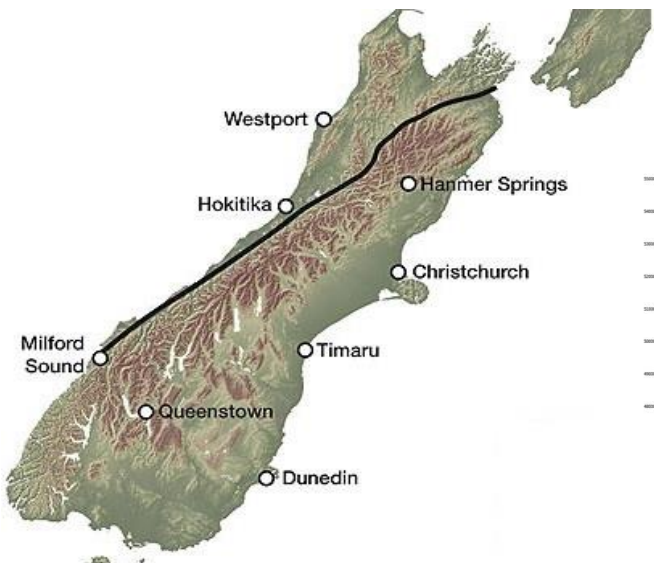
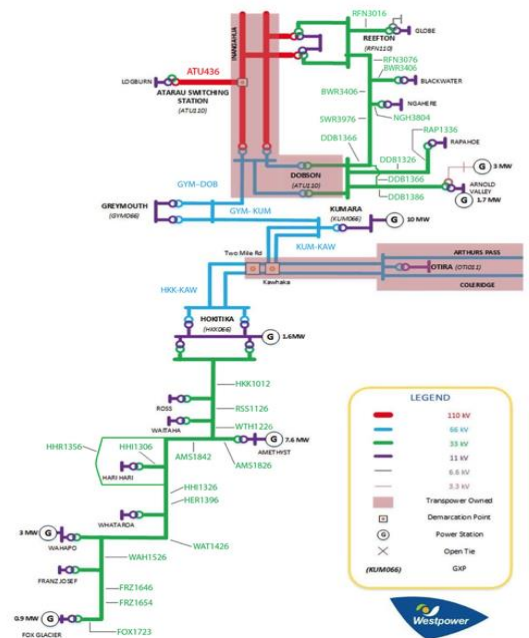
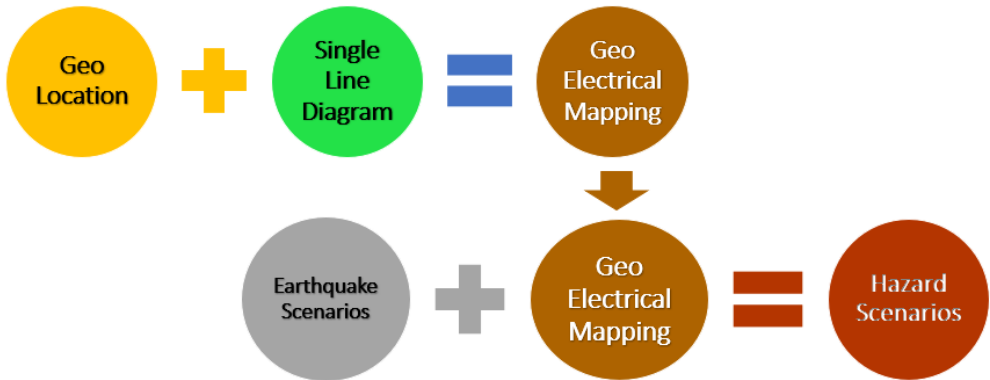
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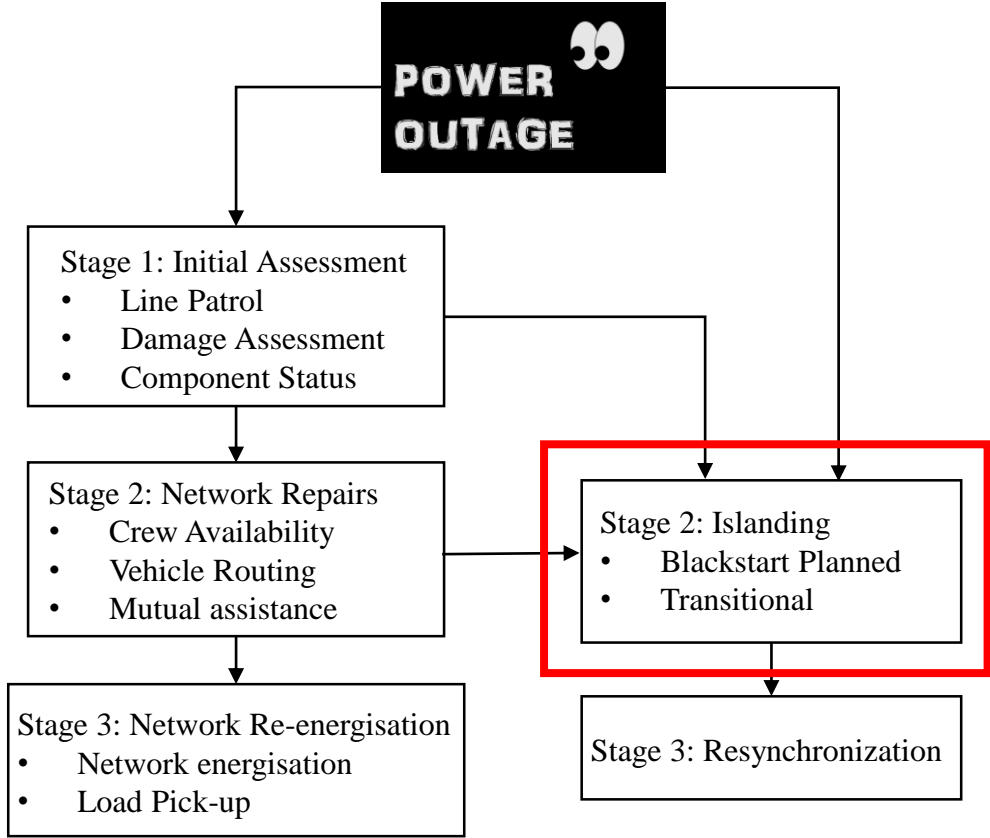
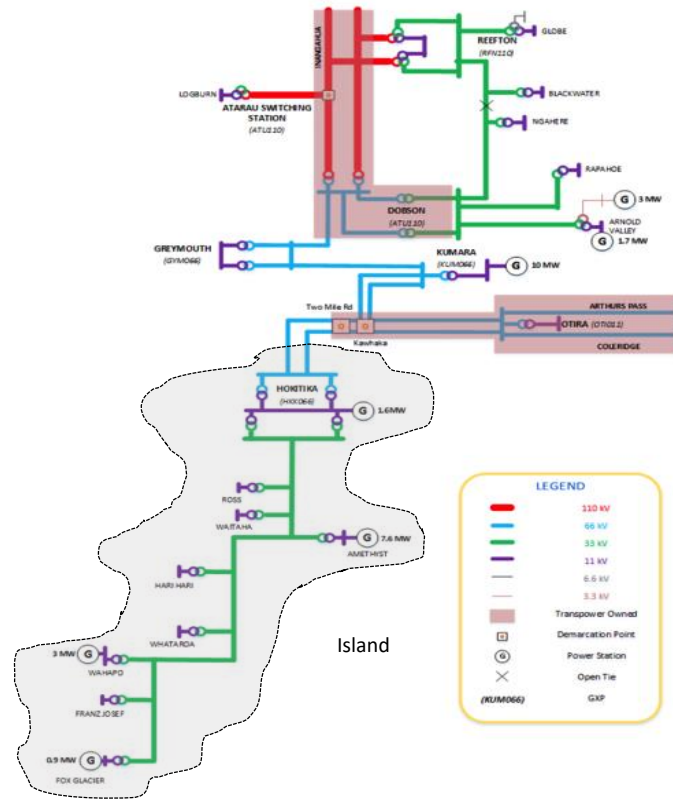
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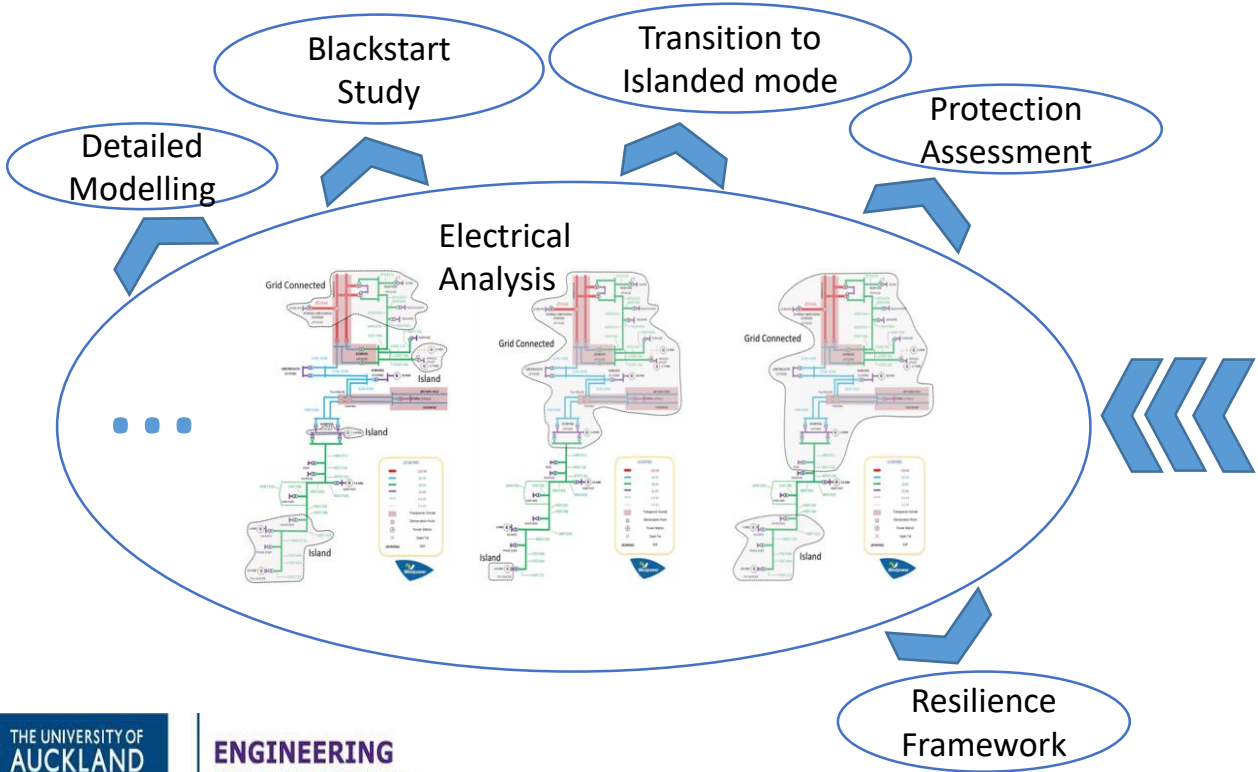
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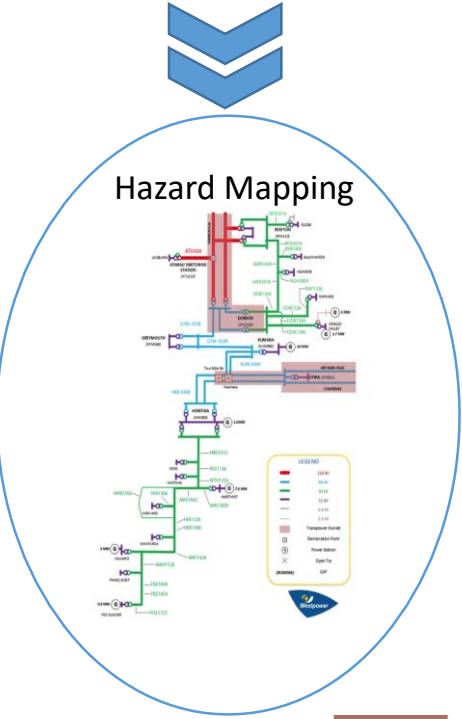


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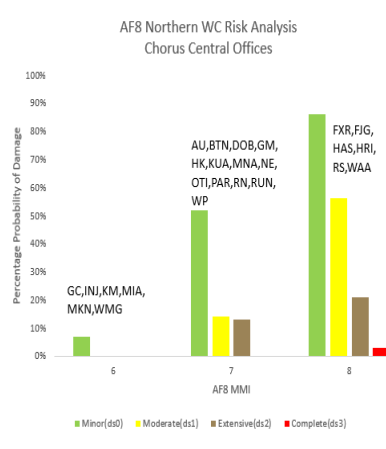
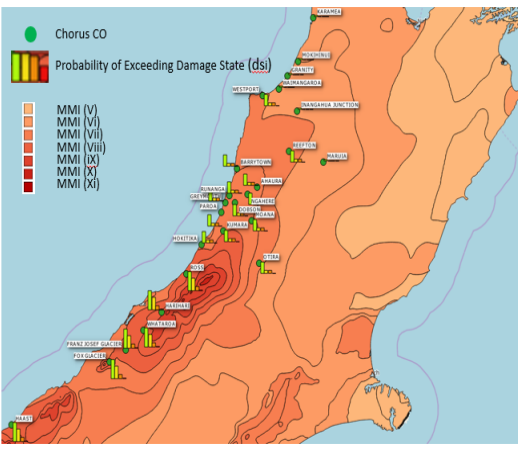
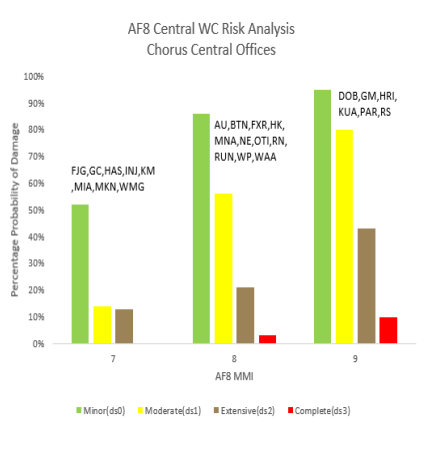
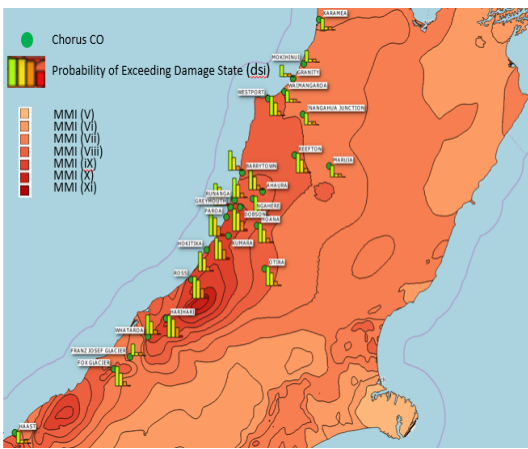
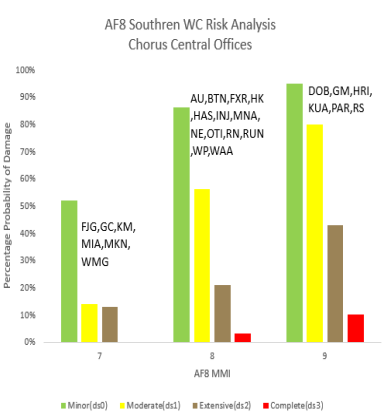
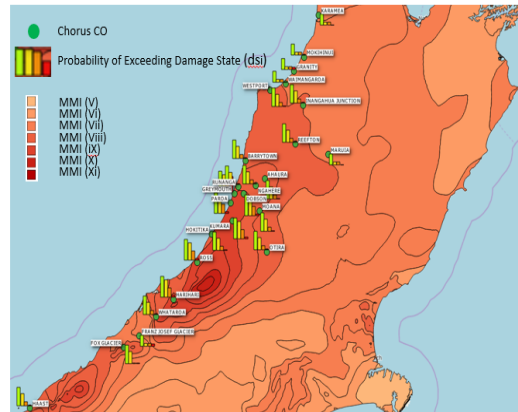
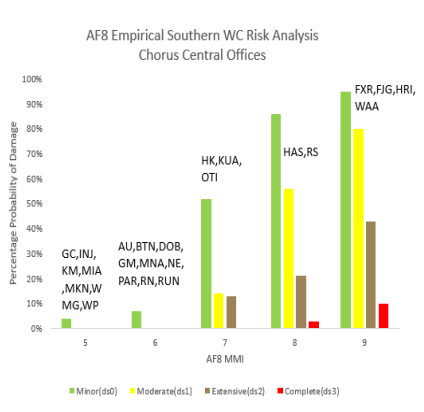
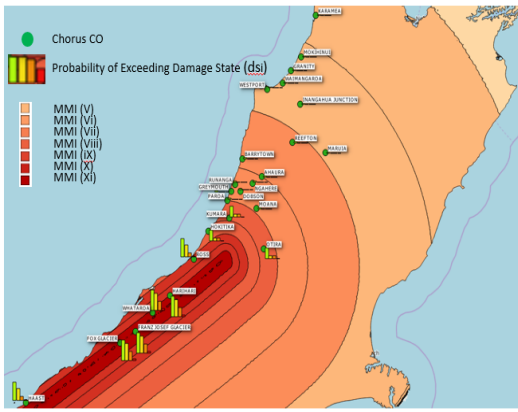
## Westcoast Electricity Network Resilience



- Earthquake scenarios:
- Central Hypocenter
  - Northern Hypocenter
  - Southern Hypocenter
  - Empirical Southern Hypocenter



# Milestone 2 – Communication Infrastructure

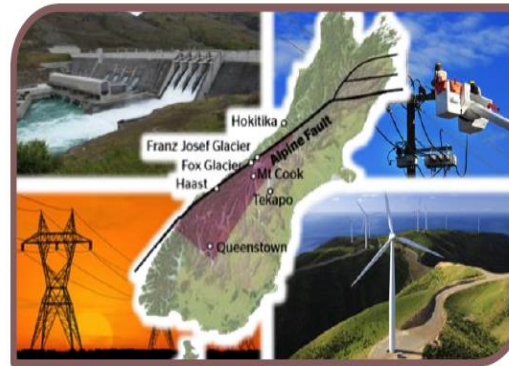




# General Findings

- Proper modelling of the different network components
- Possible switching sequences to be determined depending on the location of the blackstart generators
- Need to investigate different island detection techniques dependent on the specific network topology.
- Need to assess communication infrastructure and mutual dependency activities.

## NZ Electricity Distribution Network Resilience Assessment and Restoration Models following Major Natural Disturbance



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# Fault Detection in Transmission Lines — A Novel Voltage-Based Scheme for Differential Protection

**NETWORK COMPONENT MODELLING FOR BLACKSTART PLANNED ISLANDING**

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**Abstract**—Current based protection schemes such as distance, overcurrent, and differential relays are usually used to protect transmission lines (TL) in power systems where the high fault current plays a key role in detecting faults. The continuous development in the power network and emerging new technologies have made the power grid more complicated and users will start to affect the reliability of the existing protection schemes. Hence, the need for novel protection schemes, the effect of mutual coupling impedance of the TL, and emerging new power electronic based technologies have become major challenges in power systems from a protection perspective. To avoid all the current based protection this paper proposes a new voltage based relay principle for TL protection to indicate fault occurrence in transmission networks. The proposed scheme is based on the fault current which is highly sensitive to the extent it comes to rapid trip activation during any of the listed cases.

**Keywords**: Differential relays, negative sequence voltage, relay modeling, symmetrical components, transmission line protection, subsynchronous flow.

**I. INTRODUCTION**  
Transmission lines are subject to many events that might cause minor to both damage to them and to the other parts of the system. Events which do not affect TL include transformer (CT) saturation issue, zero current mutual coupling, fault location estimation, power electronic based devices (PED), and grid code obligations. As a result, a sensitive, reliable and fast protection scheme is required to reduce expected damage. Many protection strategies have been suggested for TL, in high, medium and low voltage parts of the power system.

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## INVESTIGATING TRAVELLING WAVE FAULT LOCATION TECHNIQUES FOR DISTRIBUTION ASSETS

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scheme depends on measuring the impedance of the protected TL to identify the faulted zone. However, [2] recognized that distance relays have some obstacles regarding the phase shift between voltage and current, fault resistance and fault zone misoperation [3]. The CT saturation effect appears prominently in the transmission network using distance protection schemes, hence it results in excessive tripping delay time [4-6]. The high fault current in some cases prevents CTs from sensing the actual current value to the relay, and the relay will receive only a relatively low current at the secondary side during severe faults. However, distance protection is recommended for distribution networks due to it having a directional element that increases its ability to trip with meshed networks. The high cost of this scheme might be an obstacle since it requires both voltage and current transformers. However, it is only viable for a small range of considerations and the correct settings may be more difficult to determine compared to the OCR [1].

Differential relays have also gained a wide recognition because it is a protection scheme used as highly sensitive, selective, fast and insensitive to the bidirectional flow of current when compared to the distance and overcurrent schemes [1], [7]. The differential relay operational concept is based on calculating current from the connected CTs across the protected section according to Kirchhoff's law. Differential relays face some issues due to the fault location discrimination besides the effect of CT saturation and CT saturation ratio, and grid code obligations [8]. Computer simulation based fault location techniques are used for long distances because of limited bandwidth channels over long distances also play a major role in reducing the effectiveness of this scheme. However, compared to distribution assets it can

# Negative Sequence-Based Schemes for Power System Protection - Review and Challenges

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**Abstract**—This paper presents a review of the negative sequence-based protection relays development and their applications on electrical power networks and discusses the related challenges. Recent power system requires selective, reliable, rapid fault detection and clearance mechanisms especially for the transmission lines that are highly exposed to environmental incidents. Most of the negative sequence protection techniques and recent challenges are especially line-line faults which are considered common events in power systems, in addition it advantages will be reviewed later in this paper.

**II. NEGATIVE SEQUENCE PROTECTION OVER**  
Negative sequence protection (NSP) is a pre existing protection scheme in power system elements of negative sequence component. It was first introduced

# Power system resilience through microgrids: A comprehensive review

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**Abstract**—This paper reviews the role of microgrids in power system resilience improvement. Different definitions of system resilience that are addressed in different works are analyzed and summarized. Framework and metrics in power system resilience improvement and assessment are discussed and reviewed. Finally different microgrid based solutions for system resilience improvements are categorized and discussed.

**Keywords**—microgrid, power system resilience, reconfiguration, operation, control, protection, hybrid microgrids

resilience. Third section explains the power framework, resilience metrics and hazard characterization. Fourth section covers the role of in power system resilience improvement and it provides a conclusion.



# Recovery Plan for Electric Distribution Networks under Major Impacts

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**Abstract**—Power distribution system recovery after typical failures which hardly result in long lasting outages is a common practice. However, network recovery after a major impact such as extreme weather or other natural hazards can be much more complicated and time-consuming. Such events can easily cause customers to experience an extended outage which is an associated economic and social cost. This paper reviews the evolution of an infirm

Outage management and network task if the blackout is associated with This situation which is mainly a case [2] shows an increase in the number

**Blackstart of DFIG-based Windfarm**  
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**Abstract**—Increased generation of DFIG-based windfarm demand their use not only in normal operating condition but also in recovery conditions. It is not feasible to have a blackstart plan taking advantage of self-recovery capabilities of VSC-HVDC and also enhanced voltage and frequency control has been discussed in [7, 8]. Blackstart of windfarm has been reviewed in [9] with focus on the available potential techniques of wind turbine blackstart and subsequent windfarm energization. Analysis has not been provided with respect to the blackstart process.

This work seeks to examine the starting process [10] of DFIG-based windfarm and its effect when started using a standby diesel generator. Energization using different sources of power has been explored by the same author in [11]. In this study, the DFIGs have been energized continuously to speed up the restoration process. Peak current during start has been designed and implemented to ensure the correct rotor speed during the starting process. The remainder of this paper is organized as follows: Section II defines the main study in this study. Section III describes the step-by-step process of DFIG starting with different peak current modes being applied at different stages to ensure smooth starting process under variable wind conditions. Results are discussed in section IV while the conclusion and future works is briefly provided in section V.

**II. TEST SYSTEM MODEL DESCRIPTION**  
The system under study is shown in Fig. 1.

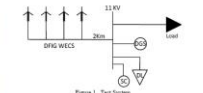


Fig. 1. Test System

# VOLTAGE AND FREQUENCY RESPONSE OF SMALL HYDRO POWER PLANT IN GRID CONNECTED AND ISLANDED MODE

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**Abstract**—Hydro-based power is gaining more interests as the penetration level of small-scale hydro power plants are being

operation is reviewed in [6]. General distributed generation siting techniques are first discussed after which a review of

## HOW DO YOU ASSESS AND QUANTIFY RESILIENCE FOR DISTRIBUTION NETWORKS?

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## EFFICIENT DISTRIBUTION NETWORK RECOVERY FOLLOW DISASTERS: NEW ZEALAND CASE STUDIES

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# DFIG-based Windfarm Starting Connected to a Weak Power Grid

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**Abstract** - Starting and energization of windfarms has always been done under strong grid conditions. With the increase in blackouts and desire to run parts of the system in island mode, it is necessary to examine the starting of windfarms under different system conditions. This work provides an analysis into the starting of DFIG based windfarms under weak grid conditions including using a diesel gen-set and a hydropower plant. The starting procedure of the DFIG based wind turbine has been explored after which multiple wind turbines have been started simultaneously. It is assumed that the windfarm substation will have a dump load to absorb excess power produced by

synchronization has been proposed and discussed in [11, 12]. [13] proposes the use of pre-charging resistors and separate rectifier circuit in charging the dc link capacitor. All of the above analysis into DFIG starting and energisation has only been provided under normal grid conditions. Limited work so far has provided analysis on DFIG windfarm starting under different system conditions, other than the normal grid condition. This analysis is important especially in understanding the restoration function of DFIG windfarms after a wide scale blackout.

The proposed work, through analysis of individual





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# Ongoing and up to 2028: UoA, RNC 1, RNC 2 and QuakeCoRE 2

## UoA

- High resolution regional and urban interdependency resilience assessment models for energy-transport
- Seismic Resilience Methods and Analysis for futuristic tightly coupled networks - Zero-carbon Grid 2.0 (Generation/Transmission/Distribution/Prosumer), Communication (5G, IoT), Data (Edge-Fog-Cloud, Deep-learning) and Transportation (low-carbon fuels, highly automated)

## RNC 1: Infrastructure and Built Environment Solution : Electricity Distribution Resilience Framework Project

- WC Communication Resilience (**Chorus**)
- WC Electricity Distribution Resilience (**Westpower**)
- Electricity Cable Fragility, Criticality & Resilience (**Orion**)



## RNC 2: Built Environment Theme : Horizontal Infrastructure Projects

- Telecommunications Resilience - telecommunications and electricity linkages: Wellington Scenario (**TBC: MBIE, Chorus**)
- Assessment of electricity system impacts and management strategies pre- and post- HIW events: Wellington Scenario (**TBC: Transpower, Wellington Electricity, Meridian Energy**)



## QuakeCoRE 2: Integrative Programmes (IP)

- A Resilient New Zealand Transport System (IP3)
- Harnessing Disruptive Technologies (IP4)

