

# Multistability of Phase-Locking and Topological Winding Numbers in Locally Coupled Kuramoto Models

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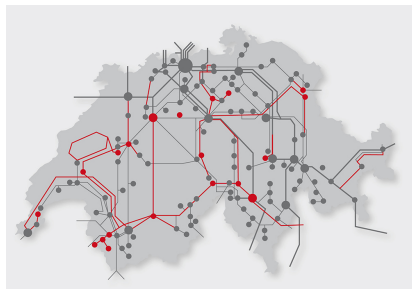
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# Motivation



## Electrical network



Source: Swissgrid

A **graph** with:

- ▶  $n$  **vertices (buses)** characterized by a voltage:  $|V_j|e^{i\theta_j}$ ,
- ▶  $m$  **edges (lines)** with admittance:  $Y_{jk} = G_{jk} + iB_{jk}$ .

## The model



**Power Flow Equations:** for all  $i = 1, \dots, n$

$$P_i = \sum_{j=1}^n |V_i| |V_j| [B_{ij} \sin(\theta_i - \theta_j) + G_{ij} \cos(\theta_i - \theta_j)] ,$$

$$Q_i = \sum_{j=1}^n |V_i| |V_j| [G_{ij} \sin(\theta_i - \theta_j) - B_{ij} \cos(\theta_i - \theta_j)] .$$

High voltage networks,  $\forall i, j$ :

$$G_{ij} \approx 0 \quad \text{and} \quad |V_i| \approx |V| .$$

Other assumption,  $\forall \langle i, j \rangle$ :

$$K_{ij} := |V|^2 B_{ij} = K .$$

## The model



We obtain the following reduced **Power Flow Equations**:

$$P_i = \sum_{j \sim i} K \sin(\theta_i - \theta_j) \quad \forall i.$$

We denote the **transmitted power** on line  $\langle ij \rangle$ :

$$I_{\langle ij \rangle} = K \sin(\theta_i - \theta_j) = K \sin(\Delta_{ij}), \quad \Delta_{ij} \in (-\pi, \pi]$$

Kirchhoff's Current Law (**KCL**):

$$P_i = \sum_{j \sim i} I_{\langle ij \rangle}$$

# Stability



Dynamics are given by the **Swing Equations**, which reduce here to the **Kuramoto model**:

$$\dot{\theta}_i = P_i - \sum_{j \sim i} K \sin(\theta_i - \theta_j) .$$

For a given solution  $\{\theta_i^{(0)}\}$ , linear stability is given by the eigenvalues of the **stability matrix**:

$$M_{ij} := \begin{cases} K \cos(\theta_i^{(0)} - \theta_j^{(0)}) , & \text{if } i \neq j , \\ - \sum_{k \sim i} K \cos(\theta_i^{(0)} - \theta_k^{(0)}) , & \text{if } i = j . \end{cases}$$

**Remark:**  $\lambda_1 = 0$  and  $\lambda_2 > \dots > \lambda_n$ . A solution is stable if and only if  $\lambda_2 \leq 0$ .

## Two solutions differ by loop flows



### Theorem

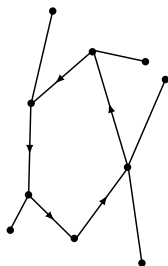
Let  $G$  be a graph and  $P \in \mathbb{R}^n$  a vector of power injections and consumptions. Two flow repartitions  $I', I'' \in \mathbb{R}^m$  satisfying KCL differ by a collection of loop flows.

### Proof.

Let  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$  be the incidence matrix of  $G$ ,

$$P = AI' = AI''.$$

Thus  $(I' - I'') \in \ker(A)$ , which is generated by the cycles of  $G$ .  $\square$



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# Example



Let  $G$  be a tree,

$$\implies \exists! I \in \mathbb{R}^m \text{ st. } AI = P,$$

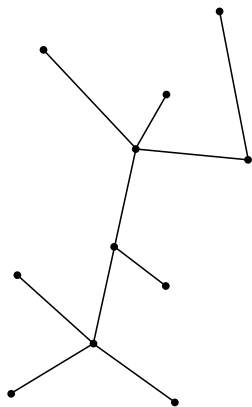
and for any edge  $\langle ij \rangle$ ,

$$\Delta_{ij} = \arcsin(I_{\langle ij \rangle} / K)$$

or

$$\Delta_{ij} = \pi - \arcsin(I_{\langle ij \rangle} / K).$$

Implying, **a priori**,  $2^{n-1}$  solutions.



## Taylor's Proposition

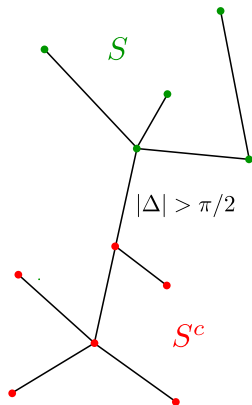


## Proposition (Taylor, 2012)

Let  $\{\theta_i^{(0)}\}$  be any stable solution of the Kuramoto model on  $G$ . Then for any non-empty vertices subset  $S$ ,

$$\sum_{\langle ij \rangle: i \in S, j \notin S} \cos(\Delta_{ij}^{(0)}) \geq 0.$$

Then if  $G$  is a tree, there is a **unique** stable solution.





# One cycle

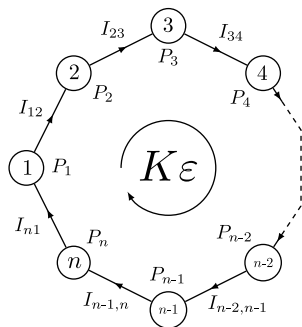


Let  $G = \mathcal{C}_n$ . For  $i = 1, \dots, n$ ,  
define

$$I_{\langle i, i+1 \rangle}^* := \sum_{j=1}^i P_j.$$

Any flow repartition  $I \in \mathbb{R}^m$  can  
be written

$$I_{\langle i, i+1 \rangle} = I_{\langle i, i+1 \rangle}^* + K\varepsilon.$$



And the corresponding angle differences

$$\Delta_{i, i+1} = \begin{cases} \arcsin \left( I_{\langle i, i+1 \rangle}^* / K + \varepsilon \right), \\ \pi - \arcsin \left( I_{\langle i, i+1 \rangle}^* / K + \varepsilon \right). \end{cases}$$

## Angle differences



According to Taylor's Proposition there is at most **one** angle difference

$$|\Delta_{\langle i, i+1 \rangle}| > \pi/2.$$

One can show (Delabays, Coletta, and Jacquod, 2016) that for  $K \rightarrow \infty$  (or  $P \rightarrow 0$ ), stable solutions have all

$$\Delta_{\langle i, i+1 \rangle} \in [-\pi/2, \pi/2].$$

## Sum of angle differences

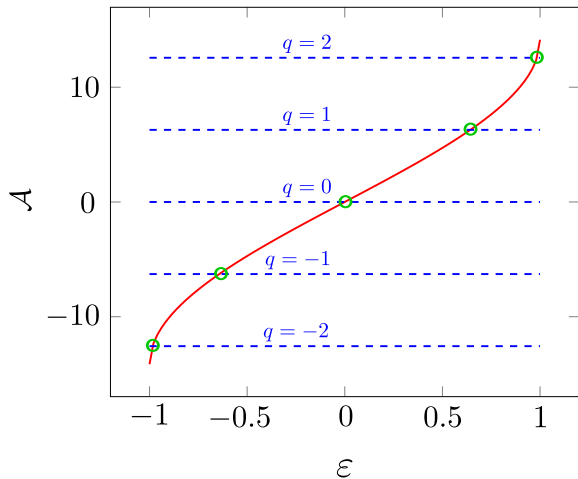


Considering  $\Delta_{i,i+1} \in [-\pi/2, \pi/2]$ , the sum of angle differences around the cycle reads:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{A}(\varepsilon) &= \sum_{i=1}^n \Delta_{i,i+1} \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \arcsin \left( I_{\langle i,i+1 \rangle}^* / K + \varepsilon \right) \\ &\stackrel{!}{=} 2\pi q, \quad q \in \mathbb{Z}. \end{aligned}$$

Any solution is then characterized by a topological **winding number**,  $q \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

## Multiple solutions, cycle of length 9



## Bound on the number of solutions



For  $K \rightarrow \infty$ ,

$$\mathcal{A}(\varepsilon) \rightarrow n \arcsin(\varepsilon), \quad \varepsilon \in [-1, 1]$$

$\mathcal{A}$  takes value in  $[-n\pi/2, n\pi/2]$ .

Each multiple of  $2\pi$  gives a solution.

The number of solutions is

$$\mathcal{N}_\infty = 2 \cdot \text{Int}(n/4) + 1.$$

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## To conclude



Theorem (Delabays, Coletta, and Jacquod, 2016)

*The number  $\mathcal{N}$  of stable solutions of the Kuramoto model on a cycle is an increasing function of  $K$ .*

Corollary

*The number of stable solutions is bounded by*

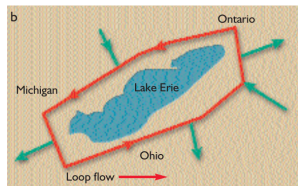
$$\mathcal{N} \leq 2 \cdot \text{Int}(n/4) + 1.$$

**Remark:** When  $K$  decreases, some solutions may have one angle difference  $|\Delta| > \pi/2$ .

# Conclusion



- ▶ Real-life networks (e.g. Lake Erie);
- ▶ Unnecessary losses.



Next steps:

- ▶ Loop flow generation;
- ▶ Multiple cycles.

