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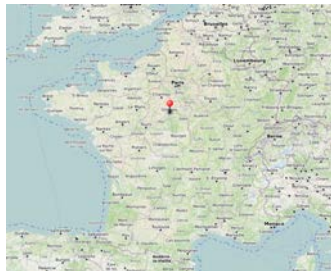


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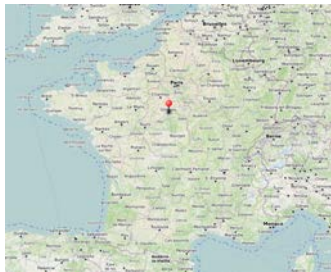
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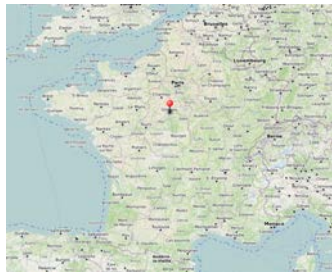
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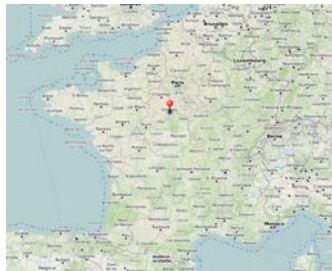
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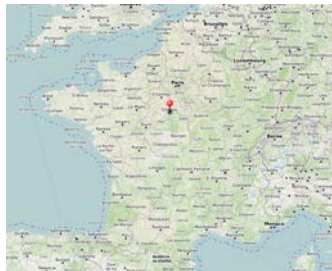
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- Specific grid protections have to be designed and properly set



Projects insights



Power hybrid systems by Vergnet

Vergnet has a long experience in connecting unpredictable renewable energy producers to weak grids: first installation of wind turbines on an small island diesel grid in 1989.

Date	Name	Location	Renewables P	Diesel P	Grid P	Remark
2018	Amdjaras	Chad	1.1 MW wind	500 kW	700 kW	300 kW/2.5 MWh storage Grid forming
2018	Yap	Micronesia	1.5 MW wind & PV	3x1.6 MW	grid 2MW max	
2017	Kiffa	Mauritania	1.3 MW PV			
2015	Bonriki	Kiribati	1.3 MW PV	5 5MW		
2013	Nouadhibou	Mauritania	4.4 MW wind	16 MW		
2013	Devil's point	Vanuatu	3.5 MW wind			
2011	Marsabit	Kenya	0.5 MW wind	2.4 MW		
2009	El Toqui	Chile	1.5 MW wind	6 MW		
2007	Coral Bay	Australia	825 kW			Low load diesel + Flywheel (Powercorp)
2005	Les Saintes	French Carribean	1.9 MW			



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Customer did not allow a full automation of diesel Genset so operating values are set by operators, a set of operating rules were defined to set the wind power plant power level according to grid state.



Nouadhibou, Mauritania — Results

We define the penetration ratio r by :

$$r = \frac{P_W}{P_L} \times 100 \quad (1)$$

Where P_W is wind power, P_L is load power.

“ Δ ” represents cases with a blackout risk due to lack of spinning reserve

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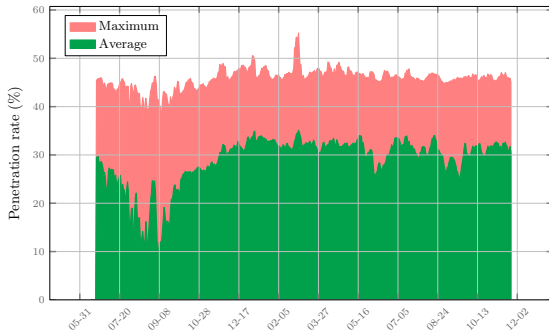
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Achievable long term penetration ratio



Nouadhibou, Mauritania — Results

very good results are achieved thanks to exceptional site conditions.



1.5 year daily penetration record, 7 days average

- Wind power plant output: $19 \text{ GW h year}^{-1}$
- Fuel savings : 4800 t year^{-1}
- Pollution avoided (CO_2 , NO_x , SO_2): $11\,500 \text{ t year}^{-1}$



Yap, F.S.Micronesia — Commissioned 2017

Tender citation

*“The goal for integration and control system is to achieve **highest possible renewable energy penetration**, while maintaining power system stability and electric energy supply reliability at the same time. To ensure this, the integration and control system will **take control over all other components in Yap power system**, scheduling of diesel generators, and dispatching wind and solar generation. . . .”*



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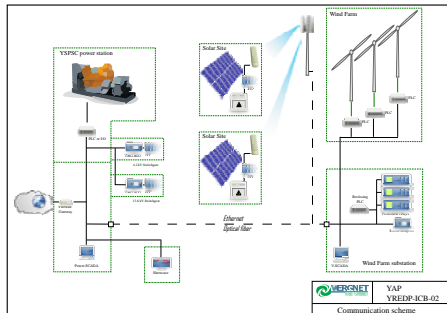
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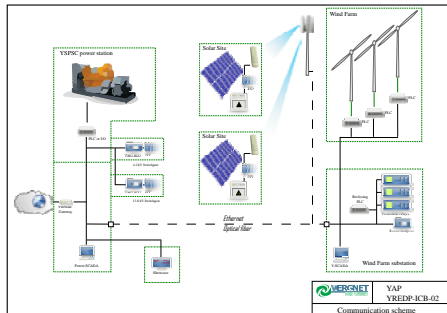
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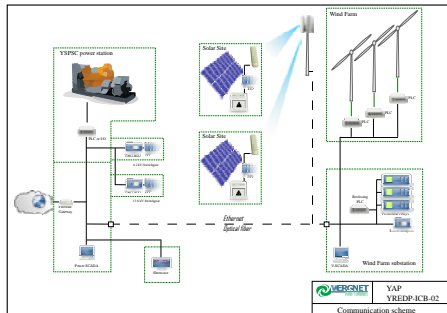
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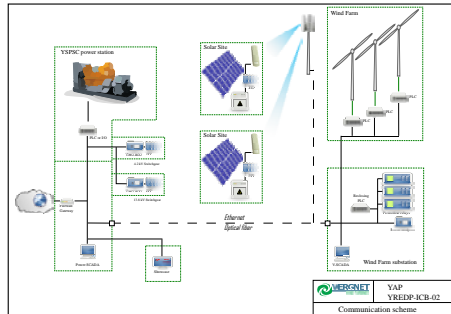
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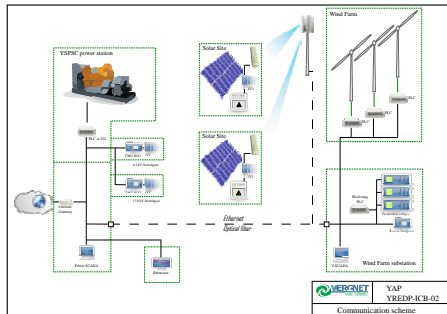
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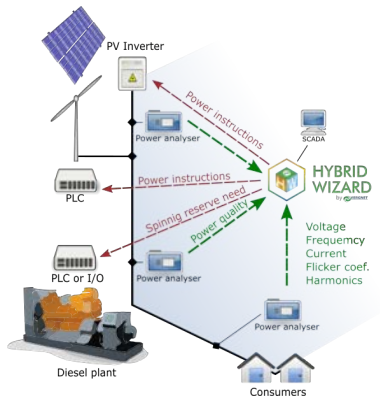
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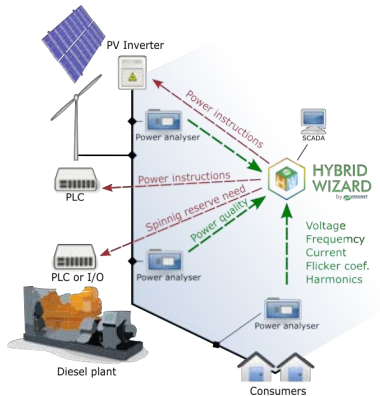
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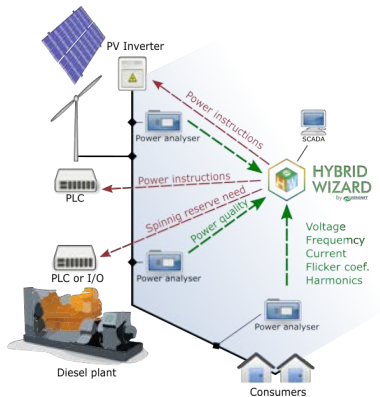


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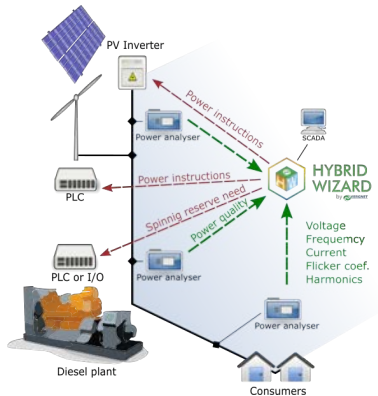


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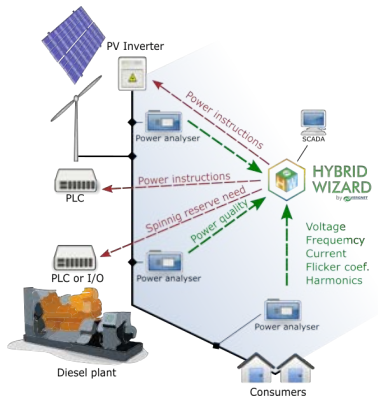


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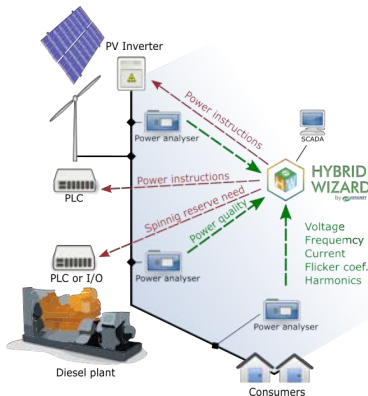


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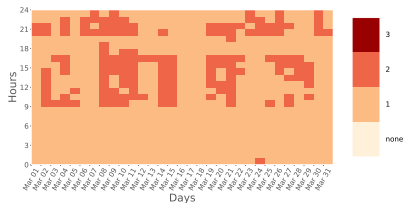
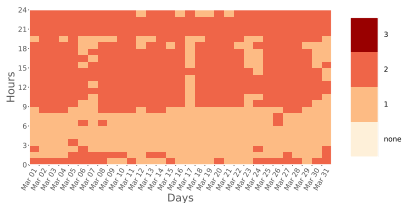
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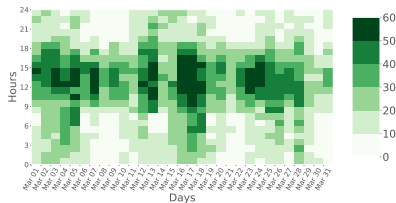
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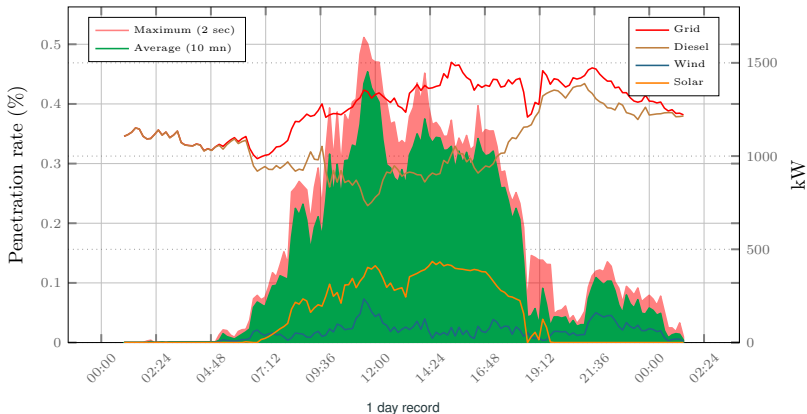
At bid time a simple load flow study was performed to assess performances



Above is heat map of connected diesels without and with renewable energy. Below is expected penetration rate. Data is on one month to remain legible.



Yap, F.S.Micronesia — First results



- Wind power plant output: $2.1 \text{ GW h year}^{-1}$
- Solar power plants output: $1.2 \text{ GW h year}^{-1}$
- Expected Fuel savings: 730 t year^{-1}



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 - If knowhow is not already present, include a capability building programme



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