An OMNeT++ Model of the Control System of large-scale Concentrator Photovoltaic Power Plants

Poster Kickoff Presentation



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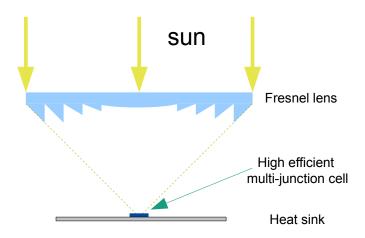
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1. Introduction and Background

Concentrator Photovoltaic (CPV) Power Plants

Technology:



Direct irradiation

Accurate 2-axis sun tracking

Power Plants:



Increasing size of power plants

Communication necessary





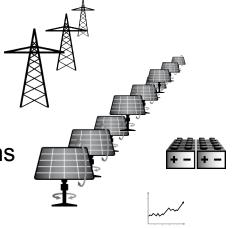
1. Introduction and Background Challenges and Objectives

Challenges of the control system:

- New functional requirements in the future due to grid requirements and energy management functions
- Plant operators and investors also demand new functions for maintenance
- Up to now control system no focus of research

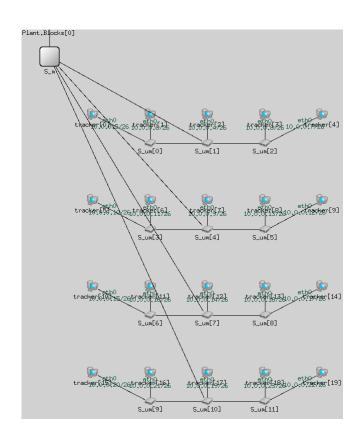
Objectives of communication simulation:

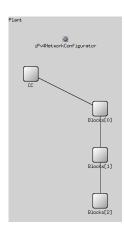
- Ethernet model for comparing state of the art with new promising approaches (e.g. WMN, PLC)
- Quantitative statements for timing and data occurrence for all scales of plants with passable effort
- Development of new approaches (e.g. auto-configuration)



2. Generic Model of Communication System Features

- Fully scalable
- Positioning in TCL/TK visualization
- Configuration concept for small-scale and largescale power plants
- R scripts for data analysis





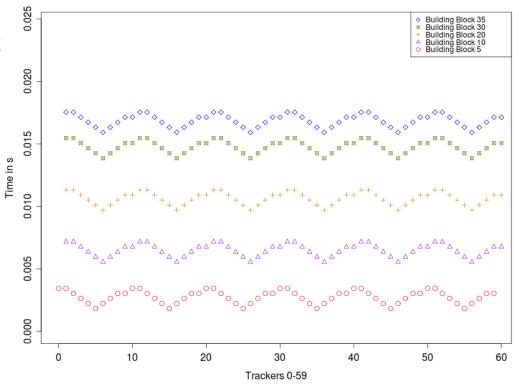
3. Results and Discussion

First results of ongoing work

- Timing experiment for 2,100 trackers power plant
- Calibration in testbed was necessary

Outlook

- Further validation experiments in real plant
- Development of autoconfiguration methods and layer-3 version



Thank You Very Much for Your Attention!

Looking forward to see you at the poster session!



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