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## Panel 3 – Innovative Energy Efficient Trackside

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# PILOT PROJECT FOR REVERSIBLE DC SUBSTATION

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## The context

- Transport Authorities and their suppliers today seek Energy Efficiencies as a contribution to both:
  - Their overall business performance
  - Their identity as a modern & responsible public service organisations
- This presentation is about the original design and validation of a reversible DC substation conceived by ALSTOM and shared with NRJ Trackage works:
  - It is one of several ALSTOM solutions developed to address customer demand for superior energy management capability in public transport.
  - It is also the fruit of thinking and initiatives that go back to a time before “Sustainable Development” became fashionable.

## Scope & Objectives

- INPUTS:

EVENT Report 2004 (UIC-IZT) recommendations for energy efficiency technologies with highest priority § 2.3 and 2.6 :

- ”Short term: Study potential for brake energy recovery
- Medium term: Assess and test options to enhance recuperation rates in DC systems
- Long term: Integrate recovery and storage options in early development stage”

## Scope & Objectives

- OUTPUTS:

Assessment and tests of Reversible DC substation for:

- Receptivity of the line: >99%,
- Possible suppression of on-board braking resistors,
- Dynamic balancing the power between adjacent substations to compensate dynamically fluctuations of primary voltage, control overloads, and avoid penalties on power contract subscription,
- Control of harmonic content and reactive power to comply with electricity provider regulations ,
- Sustainable solution for all DC power/energy and voltage systems.

## Scope & Objectives

- LIST OF ACTIVITIES:

- 1) Confirm the potential of braking energy recovery for regional and suburban lines in 1.5 and 3kV

- 2) Build a model of power converter to cope with traction and braking efficiency targets,

- 3) Build a research program for S/S power converter feasibility and architecture,

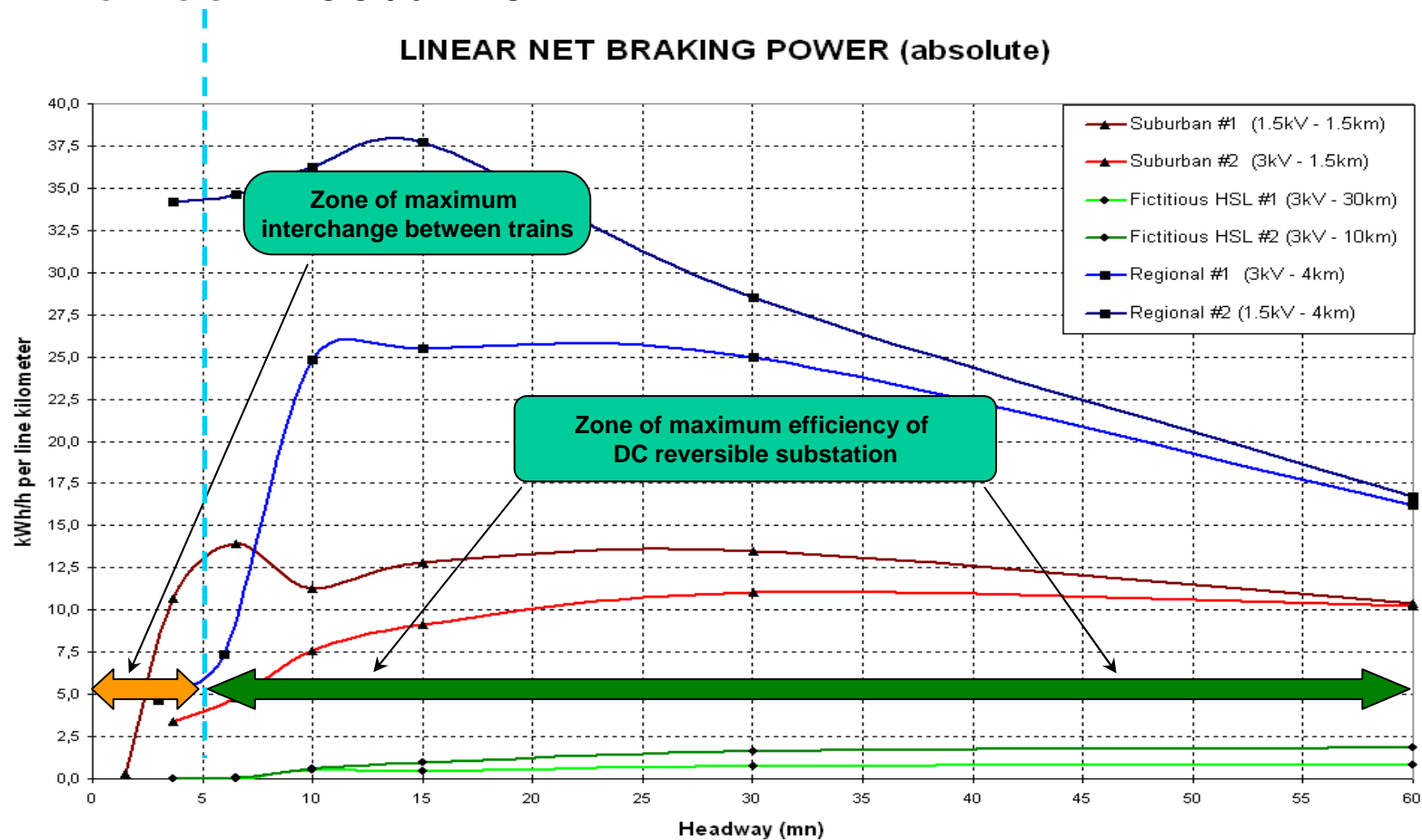
- 4) Validate the energy saving targets by simulations and Design Scenario SP2.5 and if possible on test track with vehicle(s) ,

- 5) Evaluate the LCC and Return On Investment (ROI)



## Activities performed & Status

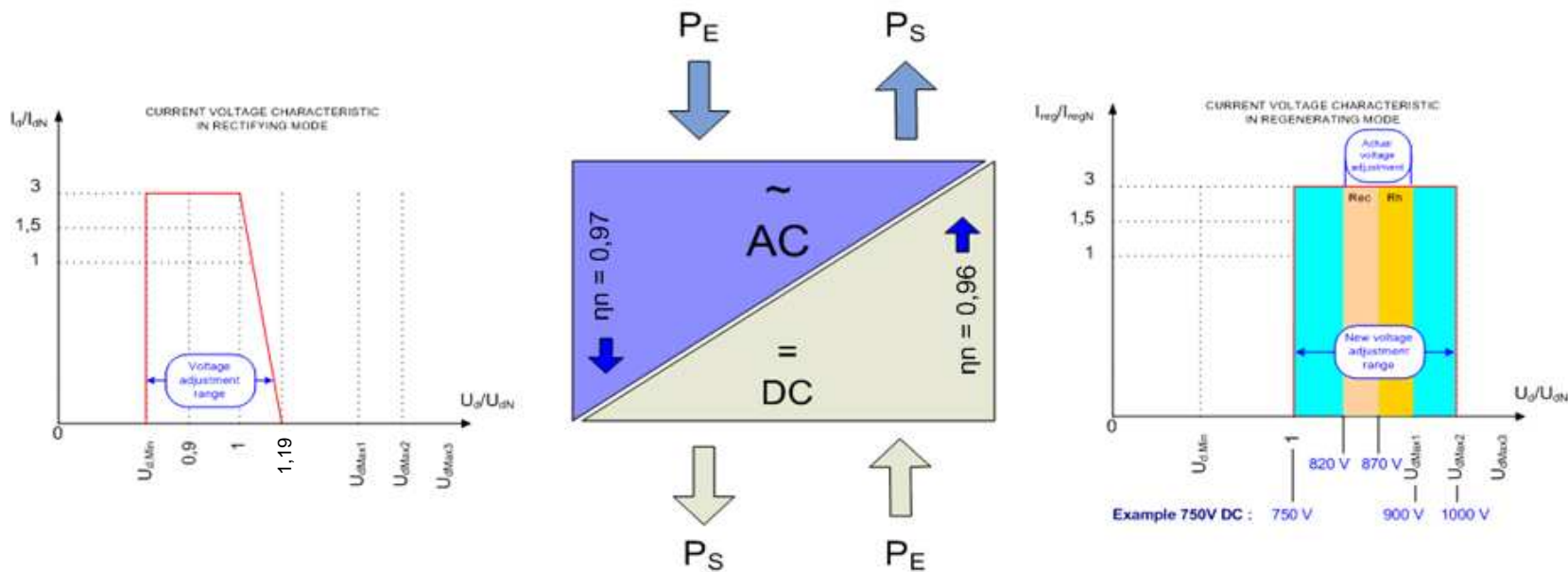
- 1) Confirm the potential of braking energy recovery into the fleet: 100%-M6





## Activities performed & Status

2) Build a model for S/S Power Converter-Functional Specification: M6 & M24:100% achieved

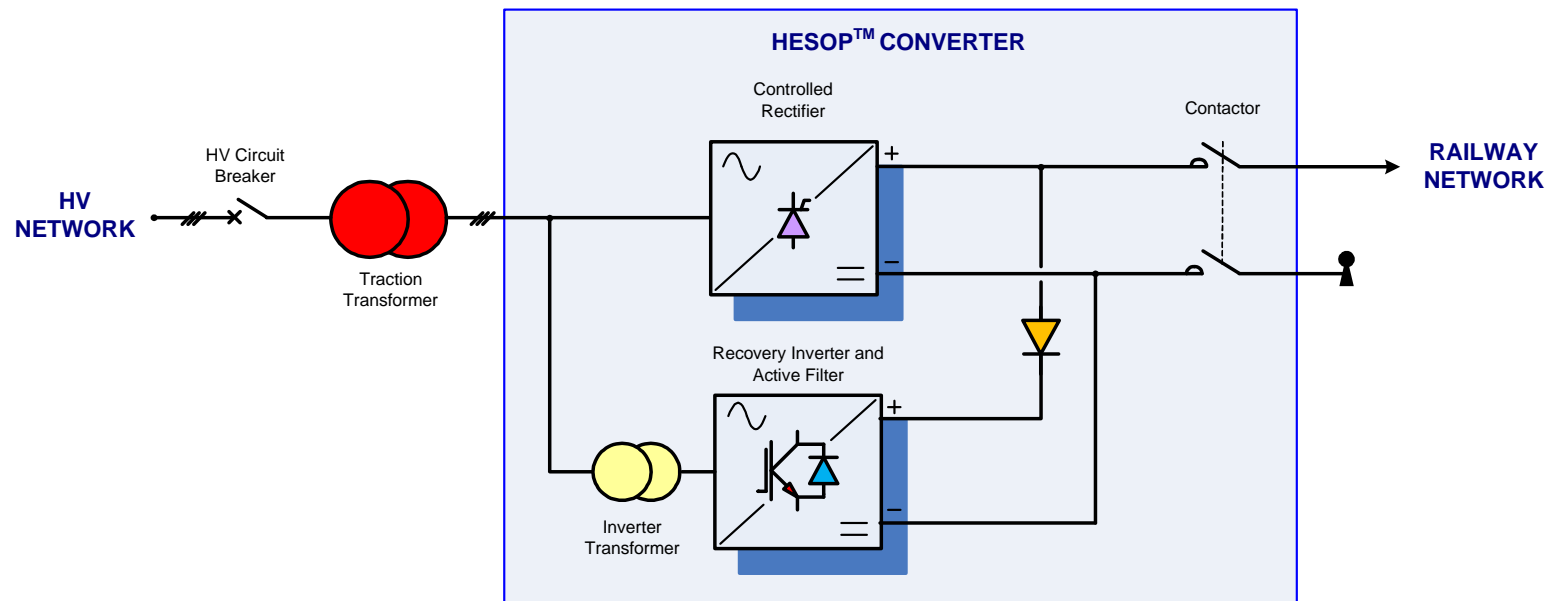


**Voltages  $U_{Max}$  et  $U_{Min}$  : According to EN50163**

## Activities performed & Status

- 3) Build a research program for S/S Power Converter development: Requirements and Architecture: M12 & M18 for prototype :100%

### HESOP™ Prototype Converter structure





## Activities performed & Status

- 4.1) Validate the Reversible DC substation technology according to Demonstration Scenarios and Use Cases as defined by SP2.5 with multi-train simulation tool:M30-M39: 50%
  - Work done by ENOTRAC with FABEL multi-trains simulation tool on a typical regional line ( DS3.3: Utrecht-Zwolle Netherlands) compared to base line scenario:
    - Inputs: Voltage vs current S/S characteristics
    - Losses vs current S/S characteristics
    - Outputs:Net Energy consumptions
    - Key performance indicators



## Activities performed & Status

- 4.2) Manufacture a reduced power converter prototype for validation on site with vehicle(s): M21-M32 100%

View of Reversible DC Substation Prototype :750V-300kW in factory;

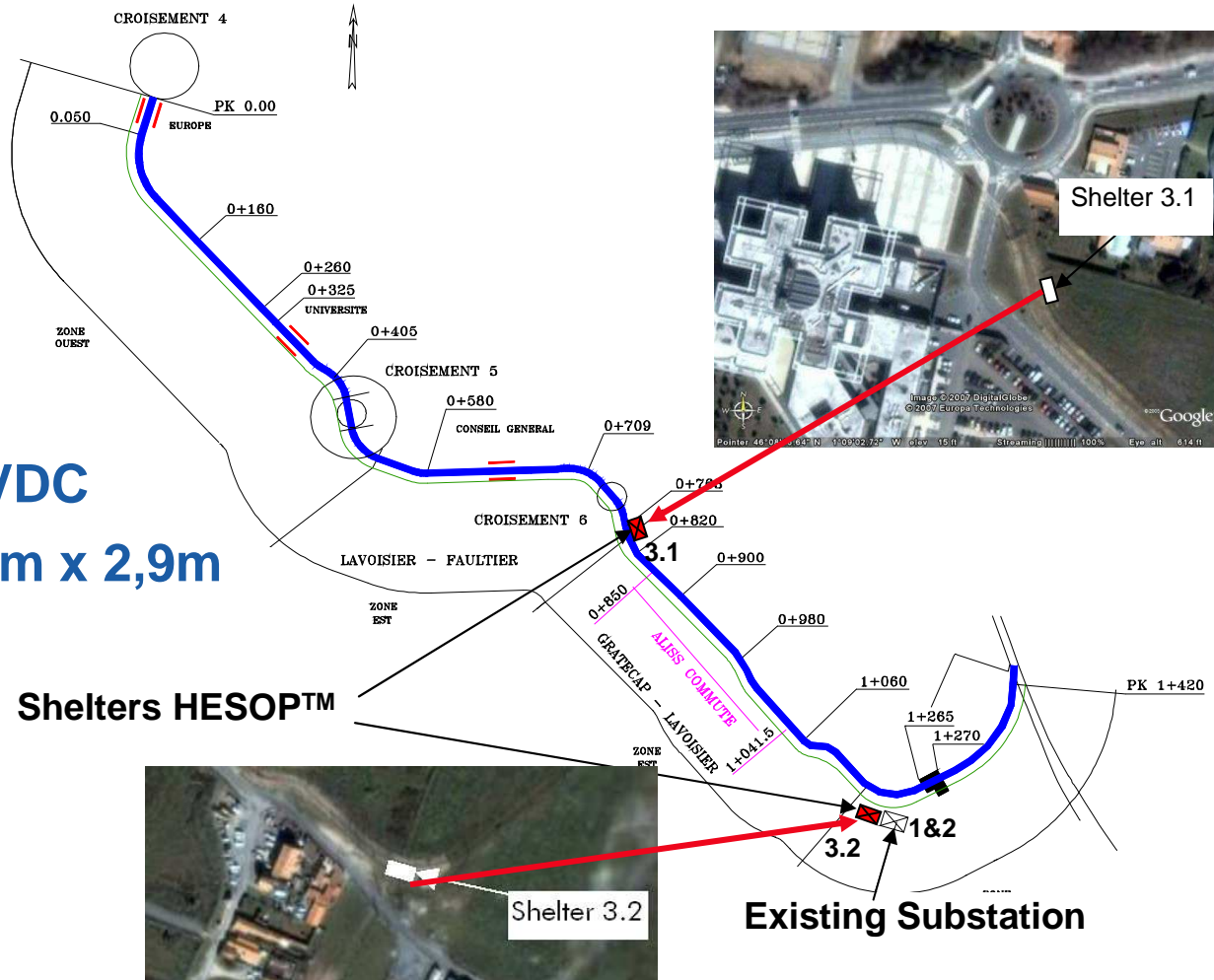




## Results achieved and implementation

### Site Implementation characteristics :

- Track: 1.5 km, 750VDC
- S/S Size: 5m x 2,8m x 2,9m
- S/S Weight: 7T





## Results achieved and implementation:M33

### ○ Site installation



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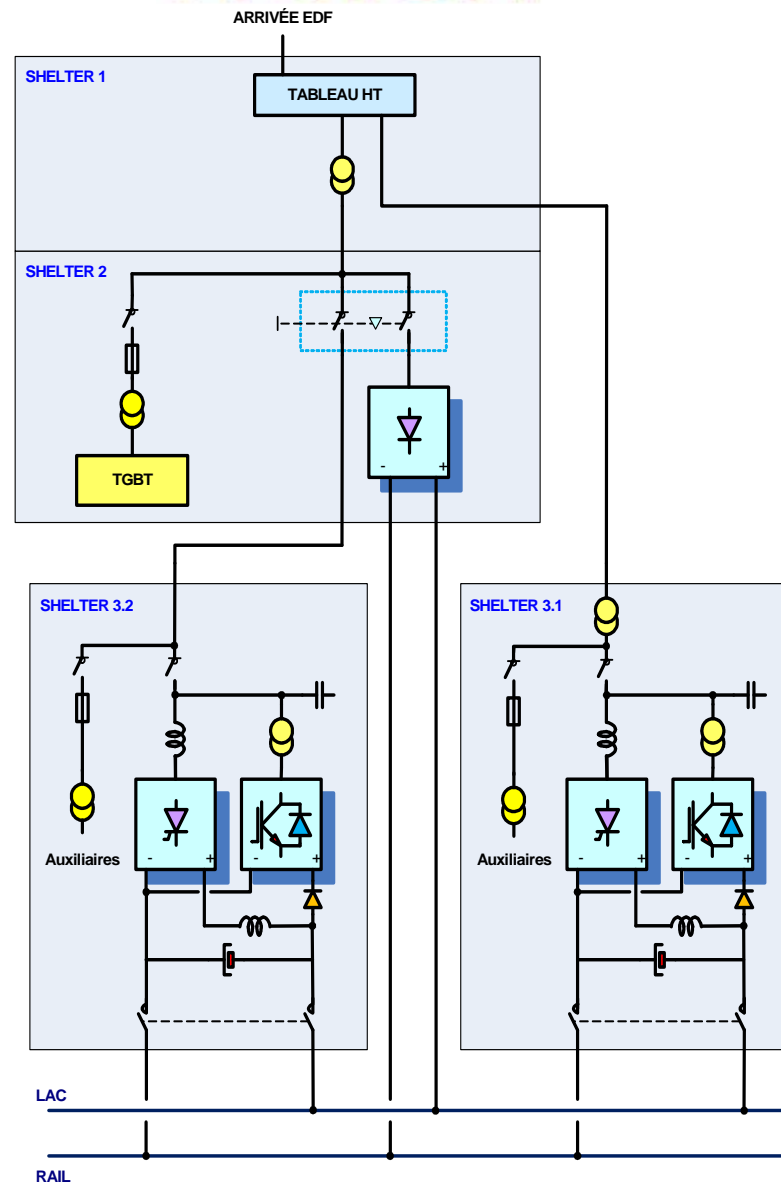


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Pilot Project for Reversible DC Substation  
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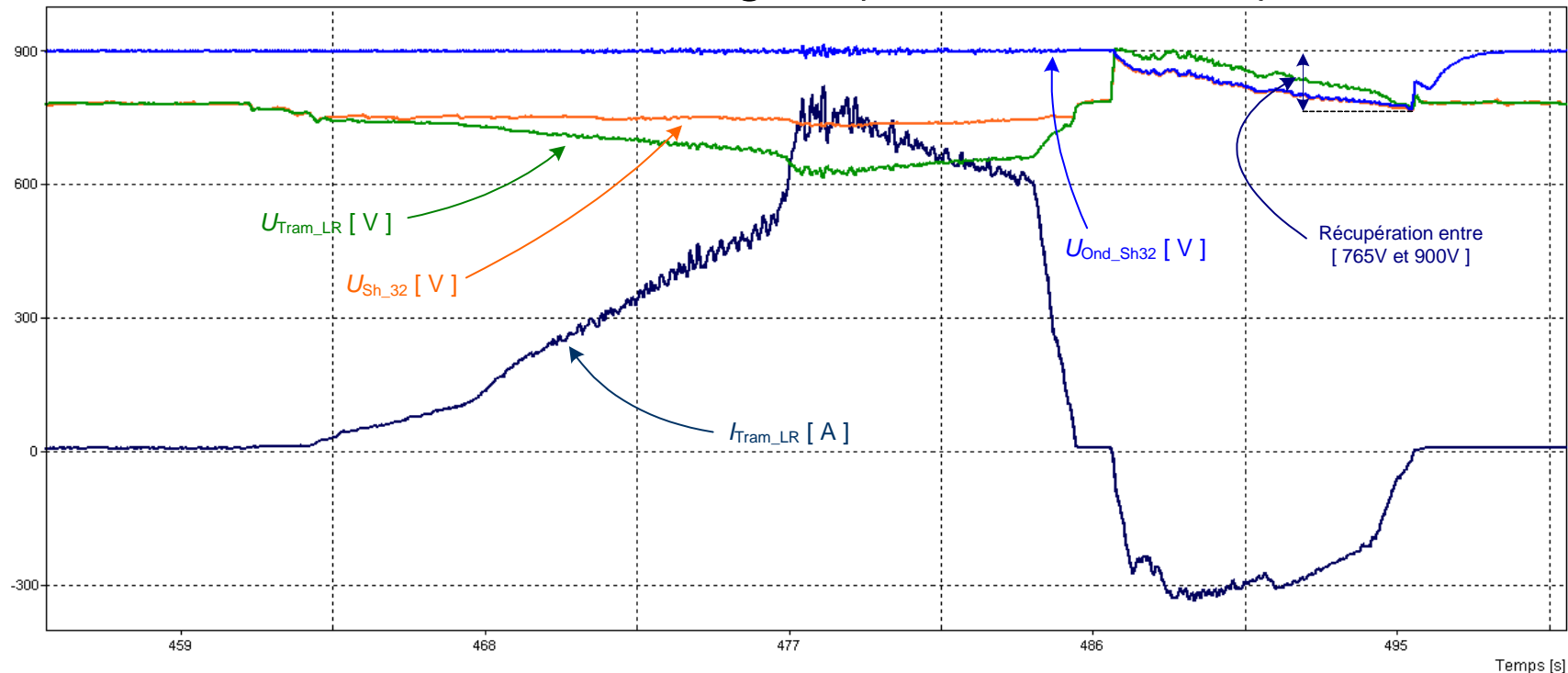
- Electrical architecture





## Results achieved and implementation

100% of dynamic braking energy effectively regenerated and restituted to national grid (1 Vehicle-1S/S)



## Next Steps & Outlook

- Pursue tests and validations on site:M35-M39
  - Energy balance:traction,braking, regeneration, efficiencies,
  - Power quality: Harmonics and reactive power compensation,
  - Environment: Noise, thermal balance, electromagnetic compatibility,
  - Priority of energy exchange between vehicles (2 veh)
  - Compatibility with adjacent diode rectifier substation,
- Provide a test report for energy saving results:M39

## Next Steps & Outlook

- Pursue validation of the technology with the results issued from SP2.5 and Demo scenes during M42-M48 for Technology Assessment Report (TAR):
  - Energy saving benefits,
  - Life Cycle Cost evaluation,
  - Return On Investment evaluation,
- ALSTOM is finalizing an industrial plan to develop and produce 750,1500,3000 VDC reversible substations ranging from 600 kW to 8 MW for Mass Transit and Railway applications completing its range of solutions, like SupraC on-board energy storage, to promote sustainable railways development .

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