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Description

The invention relates to the operation of wind energy converters of a wind farm, particularly in a power limitation mode. A power limitation mode corresponds in this case to a way of operating the wind energy converters in which only a very low electrical power, or even no electrical power, is intended to be delivered into a supply grid connected to the wind energy converters.

Besides conventional large power plants, which provide electrical energy for example by means of fossil fuels and are used to ensure the basic load level, wind energy converters are nowadays increasingly being connected to a supply grid in order to deliver electrical power together into the supply grid. Like gas, water and solar power plants, wind energy converters are often used to provide the medium and peak load levels in the supply grid.

One reason for the increased use of wind energy converters is that wind energy converters have the advantage over conventional power plants that the electrical power to be delivered can be adapted particularly flexibly in respect of its parameters to the demand of the loads connected to the supply grid within very short lengths of time. In contrast, for example, the process of increasing or reducing electrical power to be delivered by conventional large power plants is very slow. Adaptation, i.e. increasing or reducing the power to be delivered, can take several hours in the case of large power plants.

The increasing number of wind energy converters in order to ensure high flexibility, however, is ever more frequently leading to longer-term limitations of the electrical power to be delivered by individual wind energy converters, since the total amount of electrical energy provided by all the wind energy converters together cannot be taken by the loads. Not uncommonly, the electrical power to be delivered by the wind energy converters in this case remains limited for several hours or even days so that they must deliver very little energy or even no more energy into a supply grid. To this end, setpoint

values for a wind farm or individual wind energy converters are conventionally provided by the grid operator and sent via a data communication line to the wind farm or to individual wind energy converters.

In the case in which a grid operator sends a setpoint value, which may also be referred to as a power setpoint value, to a wind farm, which for example stipulates that the wind farm could no longer deliver any electrical energy into the supply grid connected to the wind farm, for the case in which electrical power is still being delivered into the supply grid a wind farm operator even has to reckon with “fines” instead of financial credit for the power nevertheless being delivered. From the viewpoint of the wind farm operator, it is therefore desirable to comply as accurately as possible with the setpoint value specifications given.

In the case in which a wind farm must then deliver only very little energy or even no more energy into the supply grid connected to the wind farm, the individual wind energy converters rotate with a low speed, and optionally only the self-excitation of the generator is still maintained. In the case in which this state of the individual wind energy converters lasts for several hours or days, particularly in unfavorable climatic conditions, for example during a storm and/or high air humidity, the risk arises that the electronic components of the wind energy converter, for example the generator or the inverters, will become moist or even wet. Besides normal corrosion damage which may occur because of this, the risk also arises that, in the case in which the power is intended to be increased again within a very short time, damage to the generator and the inverters will take place since high currents and voltages are applied to the moist or wet components and the conditions for unimpaired insulation are possibly no longer provided. In this case, damage may therefore take place, because of which the entire operation of the wind energy converter must be adjusted until repairs. Temporary total failure would therefore be the consequence.

In order to avoid damage by moisture or wetness, heating devices are known which are arranged in the region of the electronic parts of a wind energy converter and, in the case in which it is generating only very little energy or no energy, protect the electronic parts from becoming moist or wet. From
5 document DE 10 2014 206 884 A1 a wind turbine is known, which delivers energy into a supply grid and has the facilities to heat the wind turbine. In order to operate these heating elements, energy is often even drawn from the supply grid, which the converter operator must then pay for. Such payments are also undesirable.

10 The object of the present invention is therefore to operate a wind farm, in the case in which it is intended to deliver only very little power or no power into a supply grid, in such a way that it delivers as far as possible no power or at least very little power into the supply grid and that it also draws no power or only very little power from the supply grid. The intention is furthermore to prevent
15 the electrical component parts of the wind energy converters of the wind farm becoming moist or wet.

The German Patent and Trade Mark Office has consulted the following prior art in the priority application of the present application: DE 10 2015 201 431 A1.

20 To this end, the invention relates to a method for operating wind energy converters, in particular of the same wind farm, in a power limitation mode. In this case, the power limitation mode initially comprises turning off at least one of the wind energy converters and operating at least one wind energy converter different to the turned-off wind energy converter. Operation of a wind energy
25 converter in this case means that the wind energy converter provides electrical energy. Turning off a wind energy converter means that it does not provide electrical energy, i.e. generate electrical energy from kinetic wind energy. However, turning off does not mean that the rotor and the generator are stopped. Preferably, these also rotate in the off state of the wind energy
30 converter.

According to the invention, a generator heating of the turned-off wind energy converter is furthermore activated. In addition, the working wind energy converter is turned off at or after occurrence of a predefined event. Furthermore, the generator heating of the wind energy converters turned off at
5 or after the occurrence of a predefined event is activated.

The invention is based on the discovery that a wind energy converter which is operated merely in order to provide energy for heating another wind energy converter itself generates so little heat by this operation that this is not sufficient in order to avoid moisture precipitation or wetness in the region of the
10 electronic components. Heating of a wind energy converter which is in operation is, however, not possible with a generator heating since no generation of electrical energy is then possible because of the way in which the generator is connected in order to be able to use it as a heater.

By turning off of the wind energy converter which previously provided the
15 energy for the generator heating of another wind energy converter, heating of this wind energy converter which previously provided the energy is possible. The energy supply of the generator heating is then undertaken by another wind energy converter, which has preferably been heated beforehand and is therefore dry and free of moisture.

In this case, the predefined event is preferably elapsing of a predefined time
20 period or reaching of a predefined instant. Essentially, the wind energy converters are thus heated in order for a particular time, before then being operated for a particular time in order to provide a low energy for heating other wind energy converters. Before the risk of moisture can occur, however, the
25 working converters are turned off again and heated.

According to another alternative, the predefined event is at least one predefined sensor value of at least one predefined sensor. The sensor is, for example, arranged at the generator and configured as a moisture sensor and/or temperature sensor. If, accordingly, for example the risk of moisture of

the generator is detected with the sensor by occurrence of predefined moisture values, the working wind energy converter is turned off and heated with the generator heating.

Damage to wind energy converters by wetness or moisture is therefore
5 substantially counteracted. At the same time, no energy for the heating is drawn from the supply grid since at least one wind energy converter already provides this energy for the heating. On the other hand, no energy is delivered to the supply grid either, since the wind energy converters which provide the energy for the heating are operated at an operating point at which only the
10 energy which is actually required for the heating inside the wind farm is produced. In particular, the development of moisture in individual converters is thus counteracted by the alternate turning of the individual wind energy converters on and off according to the invention.

According to a first embodiment, the power limitation mode is carried out with
15 a delay or immediately when setpoint value specifications for the power to be delivered into a supply grid by the wind farm are equal to or fall below a predefined threshold value. Accordingly, the power limitation mode according to the invention, in which the wind energy converters are alternately switched to and fro between a state in which on the one hand generator heating is
20 activated in order to heat the wind energy converter and keep it free of moisture and on the other hand the wind energy converter generates energy in order to supply generator heating operations of other wind energy converters, is thus carried out with a delay or immediately when setpoint value specifications are equal to or fall below the predefined threshold value.

25 An advantage of delayed implementation of the power limitation mode is that, in the case in which the setpoint value specifications fall to or below the threshold value only for a short length of time, and a higher power output of the wind farm is therefore again required after only a short time, the entire wind farm does not have to be changed back into normal operation from the power
30 limitation mode which has only just been activated. In this case, it is then

accepted that small amounts of electrical power, for which payments must be made by the operator, are briefly delivered to a supply grid, although restarting of the wind energy converters in order to enter normal operation from the power limitation mode, which is likewise associated with drawing a certain amount of power from the supply grid, is avoided. If, however, according to the alternative the power limitation mode is carried out immediately, this offers the advantage that no costs are incurred for “too much” energy delivered to the supply grid.

According to another embodiment, the threshold value corresponds to a value of less than 5% or less than 2.5% of the rated power of the wind farm, for example 0 kilowatts. Accordingly, the threshold value is selected as a very small or low value in order to prevent the wind energy converters entering a power limitation mode even though their operation itself would possibly still generate enough heat and therefore would be sufficient for heating and therefore avoidance of moisture. Unnecessary entry into the power limitation mode can thereby be prevented.

According to another embodiment, in the power limitation mode, a fraction or all of the surplus energy is consumed in the wind farm, i.e. inside the wind farm, preferably with an additional load of the wind farm. This surplus energy comprises the electrical energy, i.e. the amount of electrical energy, which is being generated by one or more working wind energy converters in the power limitation mode and which is not required in order to supply one or more generator heating operations of the activated generator heating operations.

In this way, it is possible to ensure that, even in the case in which one or more of the wind energy converters are generating more energy than can be consumed by the generator heating operations, this surplus energy does not need to be delivered to the grid when a grid operator requires that less or no energy be delivered for the time being.

According to another embodiment, an amount of electrical energy for the electrical power to be delivered by the wind farm is specified, this being done using a setpoint value specification. Furthermore, according to this embodiment the amount of energy in the wind farm which corresponds to the
5 fraction of the surplus energy which lies above the amount of electrical energy defined by the setpoint value specification is consumed in the wind farm, in particular with an additional load of the wind farm.

Accordingly, it is thus possible to deliver exactly the amount of electrical energy defined by the operator using a setpoint value specification into a grid by the
10 wind farm, even if this amount is only very small.

According to another embodiment, the surplus energy is consumed in an additional load. According to various embodiments, a load comprises for example one or more actuators, namely for example one or more rotor blade adjustment drives and/or one or more azimuth drives of one or more wind
15 energy converters. As an alternative or in addition, the load comprises at least one heating device, namely for example at least one blade heater of one or more wind energy converters. Furthermore, at least one accumulator may be provided as a load in the wind farm as an alternative or in addition to the aforementioned loads. In addition or as an alternative, the load comprises a
20 chopper circuit of a wind energy converter or a plurality of chopper circuits of a plurality of wind energy converters, which are preferably arranged in or respectively in, an intermediate circuit of the wind energy converter or of the wind energy converters. In addition or as an alternative, the load comprises at least one inverter of a wind energy converter, which is not being operated,
25 which is operated in phase opposition to at least one inverter of a working wind energy converter.

Such loads are advantageously suitable for consuming a precisely defined amount of surplus energy which is not currently intended to be delivered to a grid. In most cases, the aforementioned loads are already present in a wind
30 farm and can be used directly.

According to another embodiment, the threshold value is adjusted by an installer and/or operator, or can be adjusted by an installer and/or operator. Accordingly, when the wind energy converters of a wind farm are installed, a suitable threshold value may already be specified by the installer on the basis
5 of specific prevalent weather conditions for the installation site. This may preferably also be readjusted later during operation by the operator.

An adaptation of the threshold value as a function of weather conditions specific to the installation site is therefore possible. In dry warm regions, for example, the power limitation mode is sometimes not necessary at all, while in
10 cold wet regions the need for heating a wind energy converter is already necessary even when it is being operated, for example, during operation in which only 5% of the rated power of the wind energy converter is being generated.

According to this exemplary embodiment, in addition or as an alternative, the
15 threshold value can be adjusted automatically as a function of prevailing and/or forecast weather data. Accordingly, depending on weather data received with a weather station, the threshold value is increased in the case of higher humidity and reduced in the case of lower humidity. This ensures that the power limitation mode is actually activated only in cases in which it is required.

20 According to another embodiment, the power limitation mode is activated and/or deactivated as a function of values, measured with at least one sensor, of the humidity and/or the temperature. Accordingly, if values which represent a risk of condensation on the generator are detected, and if a setpoint value specification of the power to be delivered by the wind farm to a supply grid is
25 set at or below a predefined threshold value, the power limitation mode is activated. According to another embodiment, the power limitation mode is carried out with a delay after a predefined waiting time has elapsed. The waiting time starts to run after the setpoint value specifications for the power to be delivered fall to or below the predefined threshold value. In this way, it is
30 possible to ensure that the residual heat still present in a previously operated

wind energy converter is initially used in order to protect the wind energy converter from moisture, if it has been turned off after operation. Heating is not yet necessary at this instant.

According to one embodiment, this waiting time is 4 hours or less than 4 hours,
5 preferably 2 hours or less than 2 hours.

According to another embodiment, a working wind energy converter in the power limitation mode generates an electrical power of less than 5%, in particular less than 2%, for example 1.5%, 0.1% or 0% of its rated power. This ensures that although energy possibly required for heating other wind energy
10 converters is provided, on the other hand reliably no energy for which payments must be made to the grid operator is delivered to the supply grid.

According to another embodiment, the activated generator heating of one or more turned-off wind energy converters of a wind farm is supplied in the power limitation mode with or at least predominantly with the energy which is provided
15 by the at least one working wind energy converter of the same wind farm. This ensures that only little or no energy for which the wind farm operator would have to pay needs to be drawn from the supply grid in the power limitation mode.

According to another embodiment, the activation of the generator heating
20 comprises short-circuiting of the generator stator and application of a predetermined excitation current to the generator rotor. The excitation current in the generator rotor therefore leads heating of the turns of the electrical conductors of the generator rotor by the resistance of the conductors when the excitation current is passed through these conductors. Furthermore,
25 the excitation of the generator rotor leads to the induction of a flow of current in the generator stator, which is likewise heated by the short circuit. This heating then leads to heating of the generator of the wind energy converter in the region of the gondola, so that at least electronic components which are located in the region of the gondola are also heated at the same time.

Preferably, the short circuit for activating the generator heating by a short circuit is carried out by the power semiconductors in the inverter in the base of the tower, so that the rectifier units and the inverters are also heated by the current and protected from moisture. The generator heating therefore heats
5 the entire converter. According to another embodiment, the current induced in the stator is regulated to a predetermined heating current.

According to another embodiment, in the power limitation mode, during a first interval of the predefined time period or up to one of the predefined instants, every second wind energy converter of the wind farm is operated and the other
10 wind energy converters are heated with the generator heating. After the predefined time period has elapsed or after the one of the predefined instants has been reached, a change then takes place between operation and heating, so that the previously working wind energy converters are heated with the generator heating and the wind energy converters previously heated with the
15 generator heating are operated. After the predefined time period has elapsed again or after a further one of the predefined instants has been reached, a new change takes place, the change between operation and heating taking place until the value of the setpoint value specification for the electrical power to be delivered lies above the predefined threshold value.

20 By this predefined change between normal operation, which is referred to here as operation for brevity, and heating operation, which is referred to here as heating for brevity, it is possible that the individual wind energy converters of a wind farm do not need to communicate with one another. Rather, the wind energy converters may independently determine with the aid of the established
25 predefined time periods or instants whether they need to activate the generator heating or provide energy for generator heating operations of other wind energy converters.

According to another embodiment, the predefined instants correspond to fixed times of day stored in each of the wind energy converters, at which the wind
30 energy converter, in the power limitation mode, preferably after the waiting time

has elapsed, is switched over between operation and heating or between heating and operation. Switchover of the wind energy converter without driving by an external superordinate regulator, such as a wind farm regulator, is therefore possible, and each individual wind energy converter can
5 automatically decide by itself, when receiving a predetermined setpoint value which lies at or below the threshold value, after activation of the power limitation mode, whether it is then heated or operated.

According to another embodiment, in the case in which the length of time between the instant from which the power limitation mode is activated and the
10 next forthcoming instant for the change from the heating mode to the operating mode or from the operating mode to the heating mode lies below a minimum duration, the change due at the next forthcoming instant is not carried out.

This ensures that a change from the heating mode to the operating mode or from the operating mode to the heating mode does not already take place in
15 the converters after brief activation of the power limitation mode, even though for example the generator heating operations in this short length of time, namely the minimum period, still had no effects on the wind energy converter in respect of drying and have already been turned off again. The minimum period is predefined and corresponds for example to a value of 15 minutes or
20 30 minutes.

The invention furthermore relates to a wind energy converter, in particular for carrying out an exemplary embodiment of the method. The wind energy converter comprises a wind energy converter controller, which is configured in order to operate the wind energy converter in order to electrically supply the
25 generator heating of another wind energy converter and at or after occurrence of a predefined event, for example, after a predefined time period has elapsed or after a predefined instant is reached, to turn off the wind energy converter and activate the generator heating of the wind energy converter.

The method can therefore be carried out without a wind farm controller. The converters accordingly organize the method themselves without the wind farm controller by means of their respective wind energy converter controller, preferably only by means of a time of day and a converter number. A setpoint value for the power may be specified externally, each converter preferably being able to change by itself into the power limitation mode as soon as the predetermined maximum power at the power input of the individual wind energy converters is constantly, for example for more than two hours, below an adjusted limit value of for example 1.5%. To this end, the times of day of the individual wind energy converters are synchronized and in the farm different converter numbers, for example with even and odd numbers, are assigned to the wind energy converters. Communication with a superordinate controller is only optional in this case.

The invention furthermore relates to a wind farm for carrying out a method according to one of the aforementioned embodiments. The wind farm comprises a wind farm controller and/or each of the wind energy converters comprises a wind energy converter controller, which are configured in order to carry out the method.

According to one embodiment, the wind farm controller comprises a data input for connection of a data connection to a grid operator and for receiving setpoint values. The invention furthermore relates to a wind energy converter for carrying out a method of the aforementioned embodiments.

Further embodiments of the invention may be found from the exemplary embodiments explained in more detail in the figures, in which

Fig. 1 shows a wind energy converter,

Fig. 2 shows a wind farm, and

Fig. 3 shows an exemplary embodiment of the method.

Fig. 1 shows a schematic representation of a wind energy converter 100 of a wind farm 112. The wind energy converter 100 comprises a tower 102 and a gondola 104 on the tower 102. An aerodynamic rotor 106 having three rotor blades 108 and a spinner 110 is provided on the gondola 104. During operation of the wind energy converter, the aerodynamic rotor 106 is set in a rotational movement by the wind and therefore also rotates a rotor of a generator, which is directly or indirectly coupled to the aerodynamic rotor 106. The electrical generator is arranged in the gondola 104 and generates electrical energy. The pitch angle of the rotor blades 108 can be modified by pitch motors at the rotor blade roots of the respective rotor blades 108.

Fig. 2 shows a wind farm 112 having by way of example three wind energy converters 100, which may be identical or different. The three wind energy converters 100 are therefore representative of in principle an arbitrary number of wind energy converters 100 of a wind farm 112. The wind energy converters 100 provide their power, i.e. in particular the current generated, via an electrical farm grid 114. In this case, the respectively generated currents or powers of the individual wind energy converters 100 are added together and a transformer 116 is usually provided, which transforms up the voltage in the farm 112 in order then to be delivered to the supply grid 120 at the feed point 118, which is also generally referred to as a PCC, grid node or grid feed node. Fig. 2 is only a simplified representation of a wind farm 112. The farm grid 114 may for example also be configured differently, in which for example a transformer 116 is also provided at the output of each wind energy converter 100, to mention only one other exemplary embodiment.

Furthermore, Fig. 2 shows a regulator 10, which in this case is a wind farm regulator 10, which is connected by means of a bus system 12 to each individual wind energy converter 100. Fig. 2 furthermore shows a control center 14 of an operator, namely of a grid operator or of a farm operator. The control center 14 is connected to a data input 15 of the wind farm regulator 10 by means of a connection 16. The connection 16 corresponds, for example, to a TCP/IP connection.

Each of the wind energy converters 100 respectively comprises generator heating, which is not represented in detail. The generator heating comprises the generator of the wind energy converter 100, which has a stator and a rotor. The stator has connection terminals, at which the electrical energy can be taken off during normal operation. The rotor likewise comprises connection terminals via which the excitation current is supplied.

Between the connection terminals of the stator, a contact is provided, which is actuated by a control instrument and short-circuits the stator connections. In order to activate the generator heating, the contact between the connection terminals of the stator is closed and a short circuit is thereby induced. As an alternative, activation is achieved by fully turning on the step-up converter IGBTs in the inverter. A predeterminable excitation current is then fed into the rotor via its connection terminals. The current which is induced in the stator of the generator, and which results from rotation of the generator, can be influenced by the level of the excitation current fed into the rotor. When the stator is short-circuited, the stator voltage is very small and a very high current then flows (short-circuit current) which causes corresponding heat to be formed in the stator. By this heat, the generator, the rectifier and the inverter as a whole are heated, so that the moisture evaporates inside the gondola 104 and the tower 102 when the generator heating is activated.

Fig. 3 shows the sequence of an exemplary embodiment of the method. In a step 30, a setpoint value, which may also be referred to as a power setpoint value and which is specified by the grid operator, is monitored. In step 32, it is detected that the setpoint value lies below a threshold value, whereupon a waiting time is waited in step 34. If the setpoint value increases back above the threshold value within this waiting time, the method returns to step 30 and again monitors the setpoint value.

In the case in which the setpoint value does not rise back above the threshold value within the waiting time, in step 36 a power limitation mode is activated. In the power limitation mode, in step 38 generator heating of at least one wind

energy converter 100 is activated, and in addition the operation of at least one wind energy converter 100 whose generator heating is not activated is activated in step 40.

Next, in step 42, a time period is waited or waiting is carried out until an instant.

5 Once the time period has elapsed or the instant has been reached, in step 44 a change is then carried out so that at least one of the wind energy converters 100 which was previously being operated is now turned off and its generator heating is activated. In order to supply the generator heating, another wind energy converter 100 is in turn used. So long as the setpoint value lies below
10 the threshold value, steps 42 and 44 are carried out alternately. If the setpoint value exceeds the threshold value in any of steps 38 to 44, the power limitation is turned off in a step 46 and the setpoint value is again monitored in step 30.

Patentkrav

5 1. Fremgangsmåde til drift af vindenergianlæg (100), især en vindpark (112), i en effektbegrænsningsmodus, hvor effektbegrænsningsmodusen omfatter de følgende trin:

- frakobling af mindst et af vindenergianlæggene (100) og drift (40) af mindst et vindenergianlæg (100), der er forskelligt fra det frakoblede vindenergianlæg (100),

10 - aktivering (38) af en generatoropvarmning af det frakoblede vindenergianlæg (100),

- frakobling (44) af det drevne vindenergianlæg (100) ved eller efter en forekomst af en foruddefineret hændelse og

- aktivering (44) af generatoropvarmningen af vindenergianlægget (100), der frakobles ved eller efter forekomsten af den foruddefinerede hændelse.

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2. Fremgangsmåde ifølge krav 1, hvor den foruddefinerede hændelse er et udløb af et foruddefineret tidsrum, en opnåelse af et foruddefineret tidspunkt eller mindst en foruddefineret sensorværdi af mindst en foruddefineret sensor, fortrinsvis mindst en fugtighedssensor og/eller mindst en temperatursensor, som er fortrinsvis anbragt i området af generatoren.

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3. Fremgangsmåde ifølge krav 1 eller 2, hvor effektbegrænsningsmodusen udføres forsinket eller øjeblikkeligt, når indstillingsværdiangivelser for den elektriske effekt, der skal tilføres, af den elektriske effekt, som tilvejebringes ved hjælp af vindparken (112), ligger på eller falder under en foruddefineret tærskelværdi, hvor tærskelværdien svarer fortrinsvis til en værdi på mindre end 5 % eller 2,5 % af vindparkens (112) mærkeeffekt, fortrinsvis 0 KW, og/eller tærskelværdien indstilles fortrinsvis af installatøren og/eller operatøren og/eller indstilles automatisk afhængigt af de eksisterende eller prognosticerede vejrdata.

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- 5 **4.** Fremgangsmåde ifølge et af de foregående krav, hvor i effektbegrænsningsmodusen en andel eller den samlede overskydende energi, nemlig elektrisk energi fra det drevne eller de drevne vindenergianlæg (100), som ikke forbruges til forsyning af en eller flere generatoropvarmninger, forbruges i vindparken (112), især med en yderligere forbruger af vindparken (112).
- 10 **5.** Fremgangsmåde ifølge krav 4, hvor der for vindparken (112) angives en ved hjælp af en indstillingsværdiangivelse defineret mængde af elektrisk energi for vindparkens (112) elektriske effekt, der skal tilføres, og mængden af elektrisk energi forbruges i vindparken (112), især med en yderligere forbruger af vindparken (112), hvilken mængde svarer til andelen af den overskydende energi, hvilken andel ligger over en mængde, der er defineret af indstillingsværdiangivelsen.
- 15 **6.** Fremgangsmåde ifølge krav 4 eller 5, hvor en andel eller den samlede overskydende energi forbruges i en forbruger, og den yderligere forbruger omfatter mindst en aktuator, f.eks. mindst et rotorvingeindstillingsdrev eller mindst et azimutdrev, og/eller mindst en varmeindretning, f.eks. mindst en varmeopvarmning, og/eller mindst en akkumulator og/eller mindst et chopperkredsløb i
- 20 et vindenergianlæg (100), som f.eks. er anbragt i en mellemkreds i et vindenergianlæg (100), og/eller mindst en omformer af et vindenergianlæg (100), som ikke drives, hvilken omformer drives i modfase til mindst en omformer i mindst et drevet vindenergianlæg (100).
- 25 **7.** Fremgangsmåde ifølge et af de foregående krav, hvor effektbegrænsningsmodusen udføres (36) forsinket efter udløb af en foruddefineret ventetid, hvor ventetiden begynder at løbe, efter at indstillingsværdiangivelserne for effekten, der skal tilføres, af energien, der tilvejebringes ved hjælp af vindparken (112), falder på eller under den foruddefinerede tærskelværdi, hvor
- 30 ventetiden er fortrinsvis 4 timer eller mindre end 4 timer, fortrinsvis 2 timer eller mindre end 2 timer.

8. Fremgangsmåde ifølge et af de foregående krav, hvor det drevne vindenergianlæg (100) eller de flere drevne vindenergianlæg (100) i effektbegrænsningsmodusen genererer en effekt på mindre end 5 %, især mindre end 2 %, f.eks. 1,5 %, 0,1 % eller 0 %, af deres mærkeeffekt.

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9. Fremgangsmåde ifølge et af de foregående krav, hvor den aktiverede generatoropvarmning af det mindst ene frakoblede vindenergianlæg (100) i effektbegrænsningsmodusen forsynes med eller i det mindste overvejende med den samme vindparks (112) effekt, som tilvejebringes af det mindst ene drevne vindenergianlæg (100).

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10. Fremgangsmåde ifølge et af de foregående krav, hvor aktiveringen (38) af generatoropvarmningen omfatter at:

- kortslutte generatorstatoren og

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- påføre generatorrotoren en forudbestemmelig exciteringsstrøm og fortrinsvis - regulere strømmen, som er induceret i statoren, til en forudbestemmelig varmemstrøm.

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11. Fremgangsmåde ifølge et af de foregående krav, hvor der i effektbegrænsningsmodusen under et første interval af det foruddefinerede tidsrum eller på et af de foruddefinerede tidspunkter drives hvert andet vindenergianlæg (100) i vindparken (112), og/eller de øvrige vindenergianlæg (100) opvarmes med generatoropvarmningen, og der efter udløb af det foruddefinerede tidsrum eller efter opnåelsen af det ene af de foruddefinerede tidspunkter indtræffer et skift (44) mellem driften og opvarmningen, således at de tidligere drevne vindenergianlæg (100) opvarmes med generatoropvarmningen, og vindenergianlægene (100), som tidligere blev opvarmet med generatoropvarmningen, drives, og der efter et nyt udløb af det foruddefinerede tidsrum eller efter opnåelsen af et yderligere af de foruddefinerede tidspunkter indtræffer et nyt skift, hvor skiftet mellem driften og opvarmningen sker, indtil værdien af indstillingsværdiangivelsen overstiger den foruddefinerede tærskelværdi.

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- 5 **12.** Fremgangsmåde ifølge et af de foregående krav, hvor de foruddefinerede tidspunkter svarer til faste tidspunkter, der er lagret i hvert af vindenergianlægge (100), og på hvilke vindenergianlægget (100) i effektbegrænsningsmodusen, fortrinsvis efter udløb af ventetiden, omskiftes mellem en drift og en opvarmning eller mellem en opvarmning og en drift.
- 10 **13.** Fremgangsmåde ifølge et af de foregående krav, hvor, i tilfælde af at den tidsmæssige afstand mellem tidspunktet, hvor effektbegrænsningsmodusen aktiveres, og det næste forestående tidspunkt for skiftet (44) fra varmemodusen til driftsmodusen eller fra driftsmodusen til varmemodusen ligger under et minimumstidsrum, skiftet (44), som skal til at begynde på det næste forestående tidspunkt, ikke udføres.
- 15 **14.** Vindpark, til udførelse af en fremgangsmåde ifølge et af kravene 1 til 13, hvor vindparken (112) har en vindparkstyring, som er indrettet til at frakoble mindst et vindenergianlæg (100) i vindparken (112) og at drive mindst et vindenergianlæg (100) i vindparken (112), som er forskelligt fra det frakoblede vindenergianlæg (100), at aktivere (38) en generatoropvarmning af det frakoblede vindenergianlæg (100), at frakoble det drevne vindenergianlæg (100) ved
20 eller efter en forekomst af en foruddefineret hændelse og at aktivere generatoropvarmningen af vindenergianlægget (100), som er frakoblet ved eller efter forekomsten af den foruddefinerede hændelse, hvor vindparkstyringen har fortrinsvis en dataindgang (15) til tilslutning af en dataforbindelse (16) med en netværksoperatør og/eller operatør og til modtagelse af indstillingsværdier.
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- 30 **15.** Vindenergianlæg, til udførelse af en fremgangsmåde ifølge et af kravene 1 til 13, hvor vindenergianlægget (100) har en vindenergianlægsstyring, som er indrettet til at drive vindenergianlægget (100) for at forsyne elektrisk generatoropvarmningen af et andet vindenergianlæg (100) og ved eller efter forekomsten af en foruddefineret hændelse at frakoble vindenergianlægget (100) og aktivere generatoropvarmningen af vindenergianlægget (100).

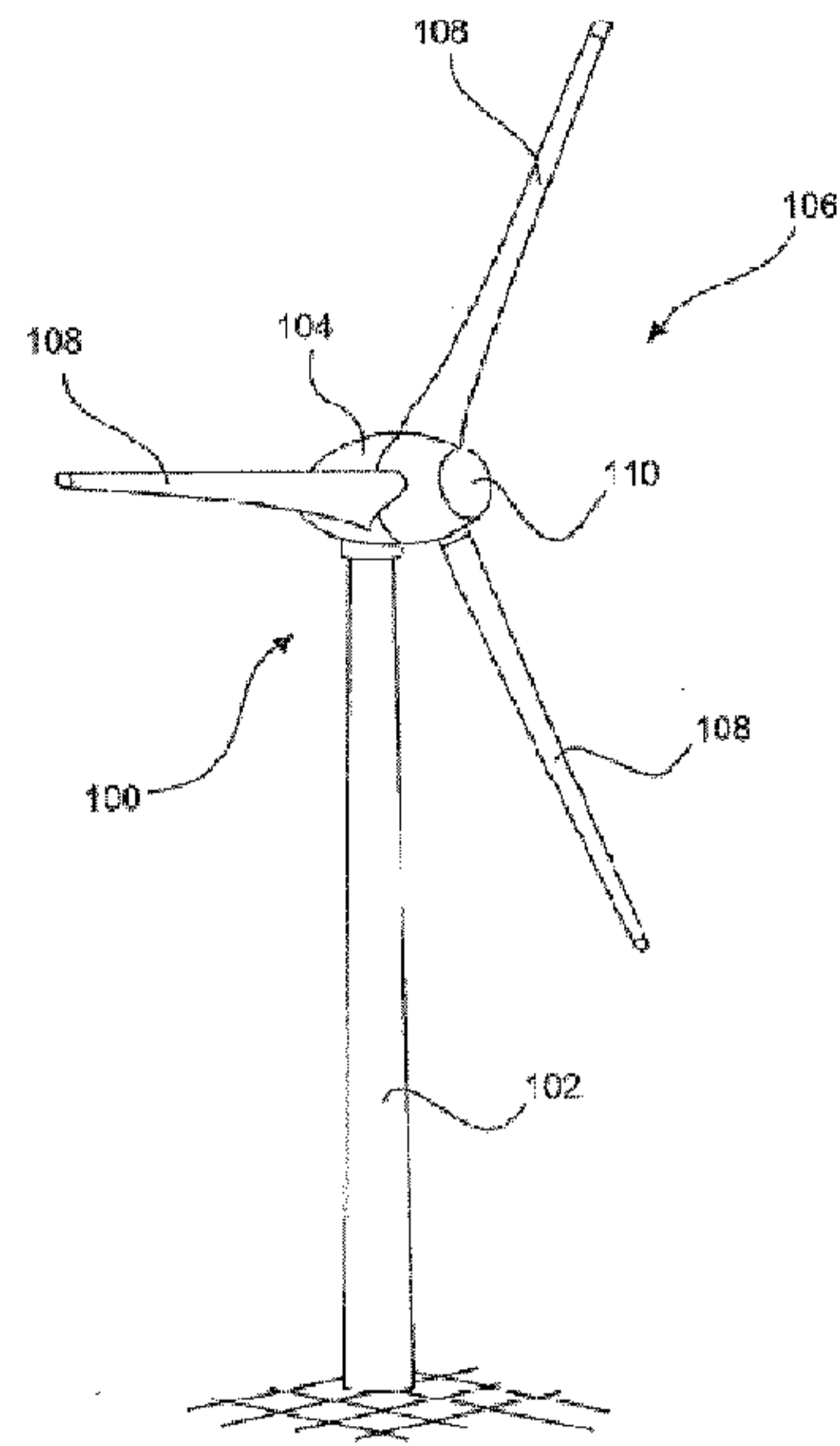


Fig. 1

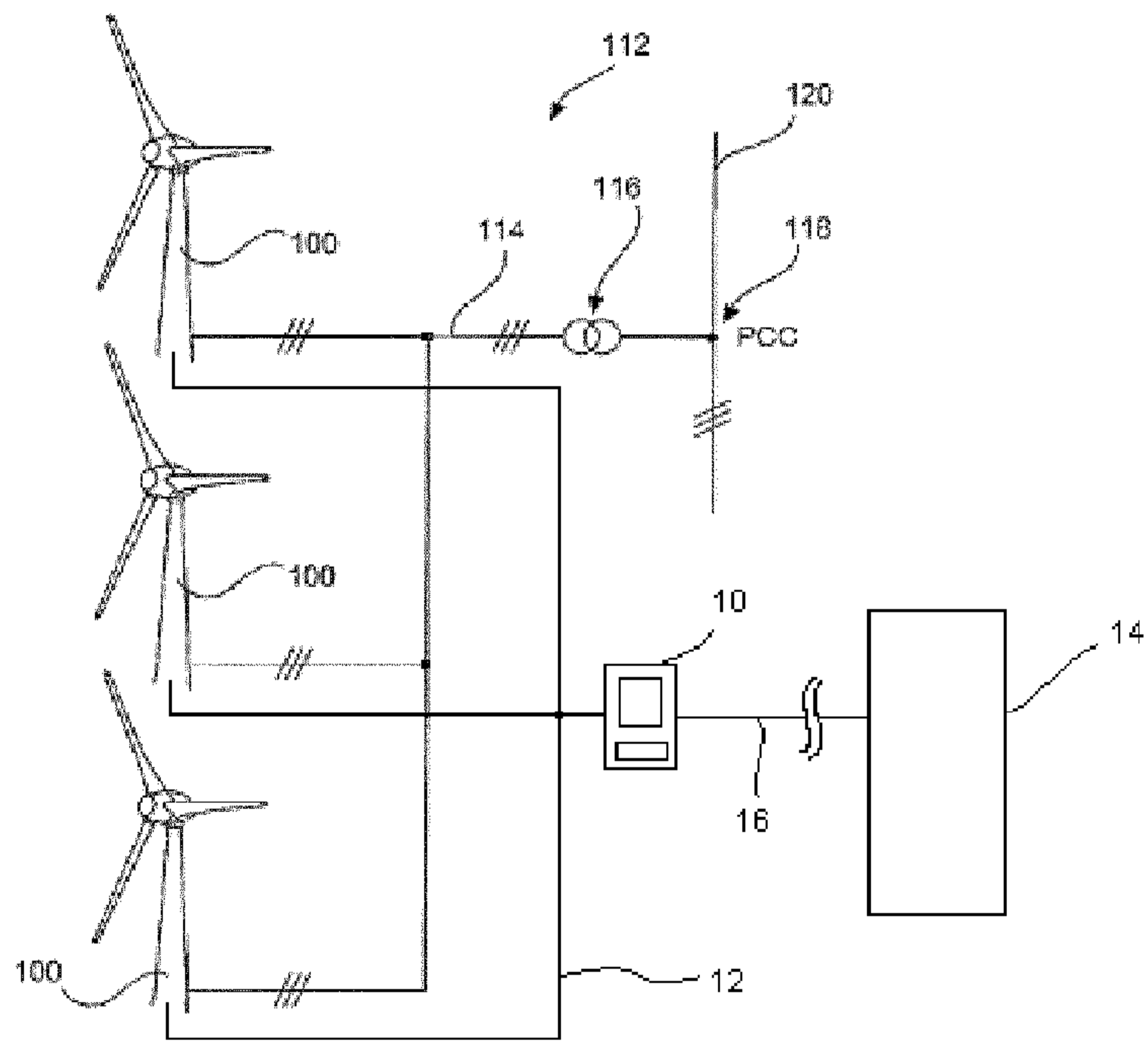


Fig. 2

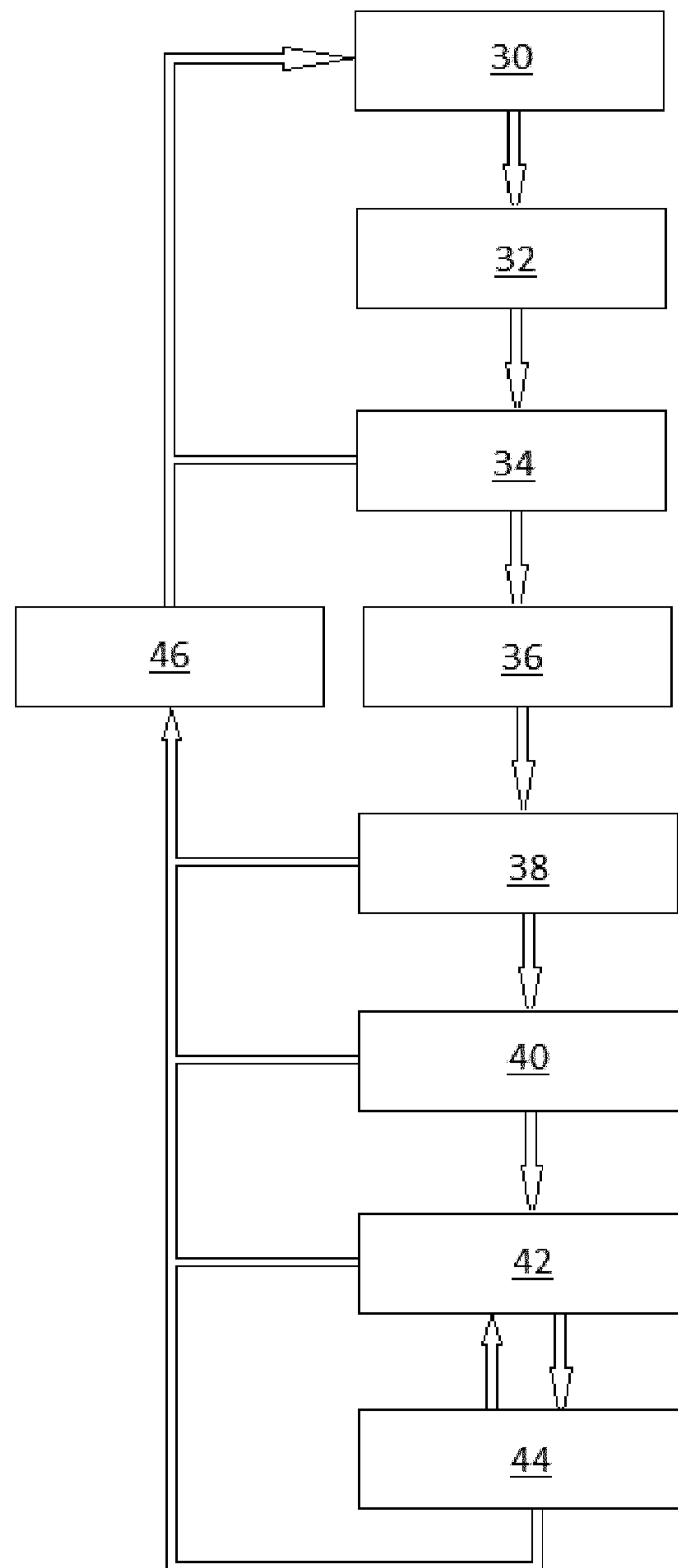


Fig. 3