

# Protecting the LVDC last mile: translating concepts to technologies

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# Concept: Multi-function LVDC protection scheme

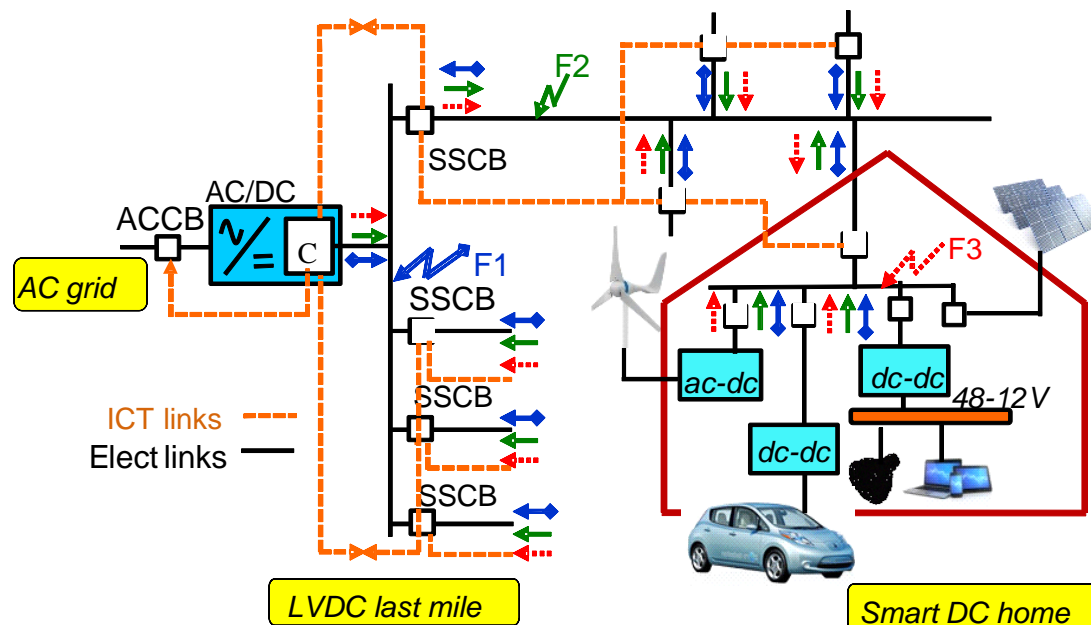
## Features

Communication-assisted

Fault detection and locations are based on DC current directions and magnitudes, and DC voltages

Using multiple IEDs

Using solid state circuit breakers for interrupting DC faults



LVDC last mile

Smart DC home

## Offered Functions

Fast detecting and locating DC faults

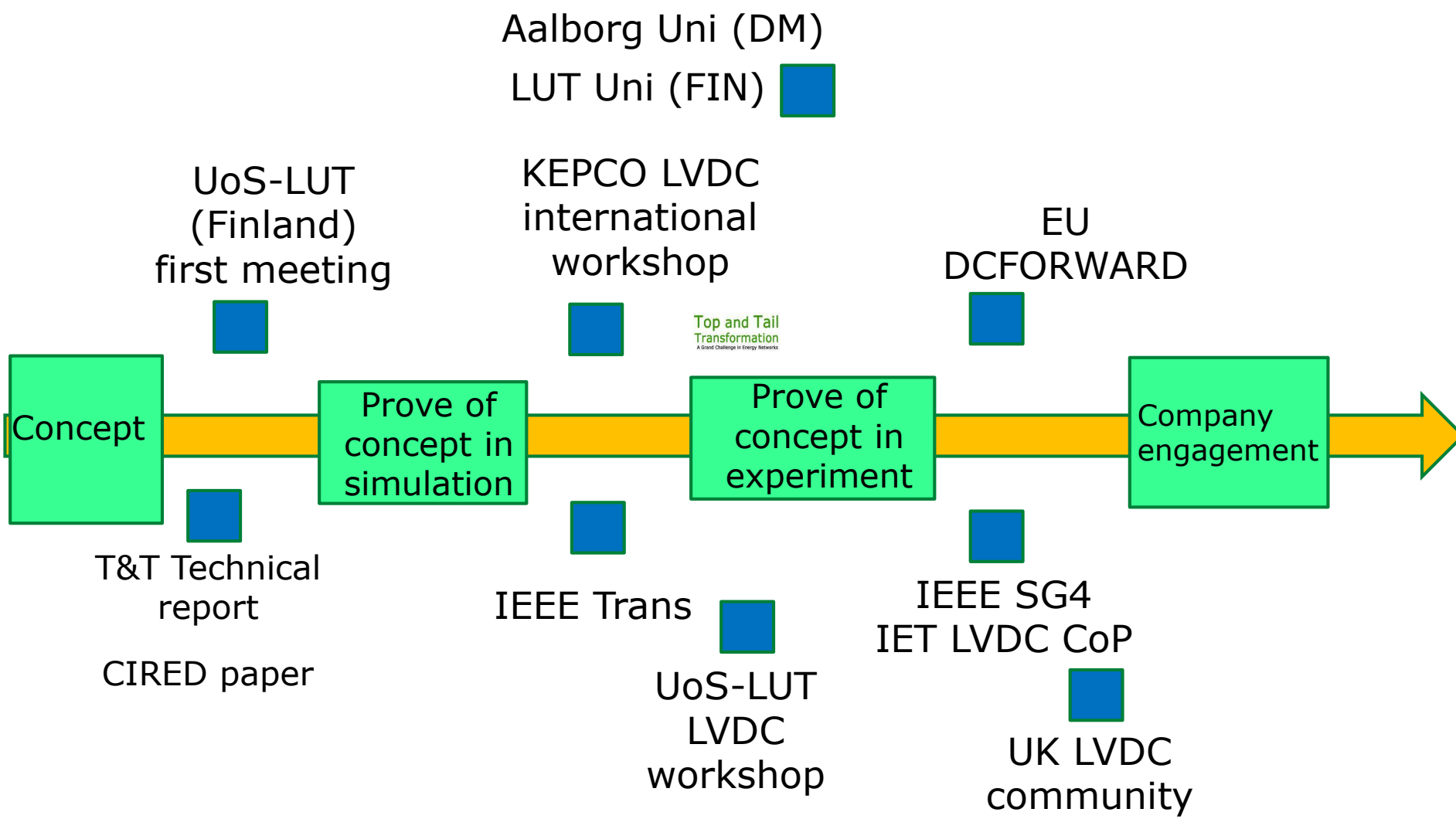
Good level of selectivity

Fast interrupting DC faults at low level

Blocking reverse DC fault current

Fast reclosing function

# From concept to realisation of technologies



# International collaborations

- Invited talk: LVDC international workshop 2013 by KEPCO South Korea (29-30<sup>th</sup> Oct 2013)
- Ustrath (UK)-LUT (Finland) LVDC workshop (29<sup>th</sup> Nov 2013)
- DCFORWARD consortium across EU (2014) (good LVDC networking opportunity)



Strathclyde PNDC and DC protection facilities (UK)

LUT LVDC network (Finland)

Aalborg DC home (Denmark)

# Supporting standards and policy (IEC SG4 and IET CoP)

## IEC SMB SG4

- Set up in 2009
- Title:  
LVDC distribution systems up to 1500V DC
- The objective

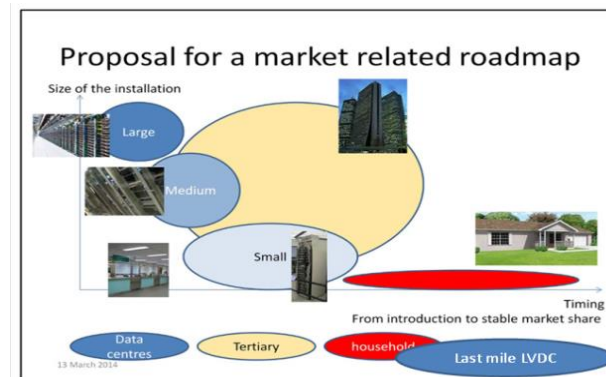
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### Code of Practice for LOW AND EXTRA LOW VOLTAGE DIRECT CURRENT POWER DISTRIBUTION IN BUILDINGS

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Editorial Notes

- Presented last mile LVDC work in Milan 16-17/April/2014
- Issues with existing IEC61660 (reported in the minutes)
- Last mile LVDC has been added to the SG4 LVDC roadmap
- More companies joined DCFORWARD

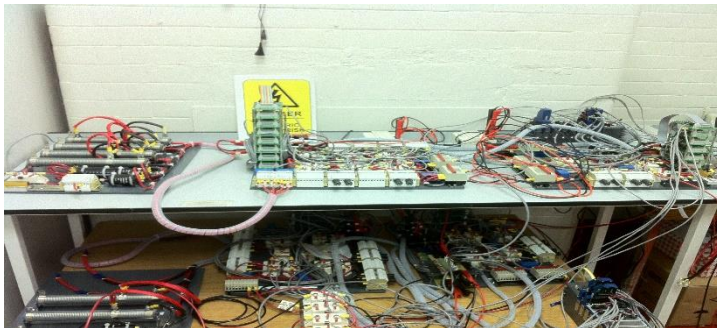


*The agreed potential roadmap between the IEC SMB SG4 and the DCFORWARD consortium (IEC SG4 meeting April 2014 Milan)*

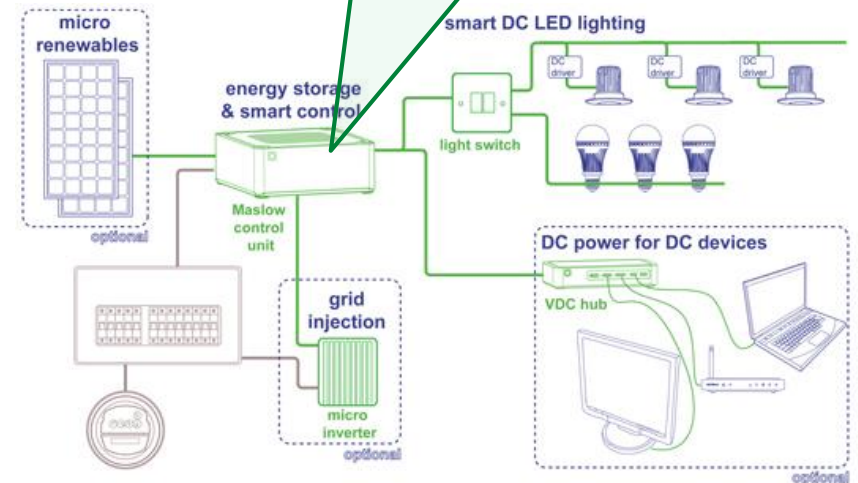
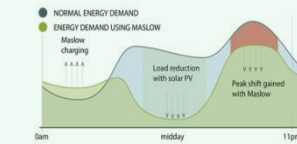
- Joined the IET TC2.4 on LVDC power systems
- Supporting the new IET LVDC CoP, available at [www.theiet.org/dc-cop](http://www.theiet.org/dc-cop) for public consultation

# Industrial engagement

- New company engagement
  - Collaboration with Moixa Technology (testing DC RCD <500mA on the rig)
- Winning other EPSRC fund



Balancing the Grid

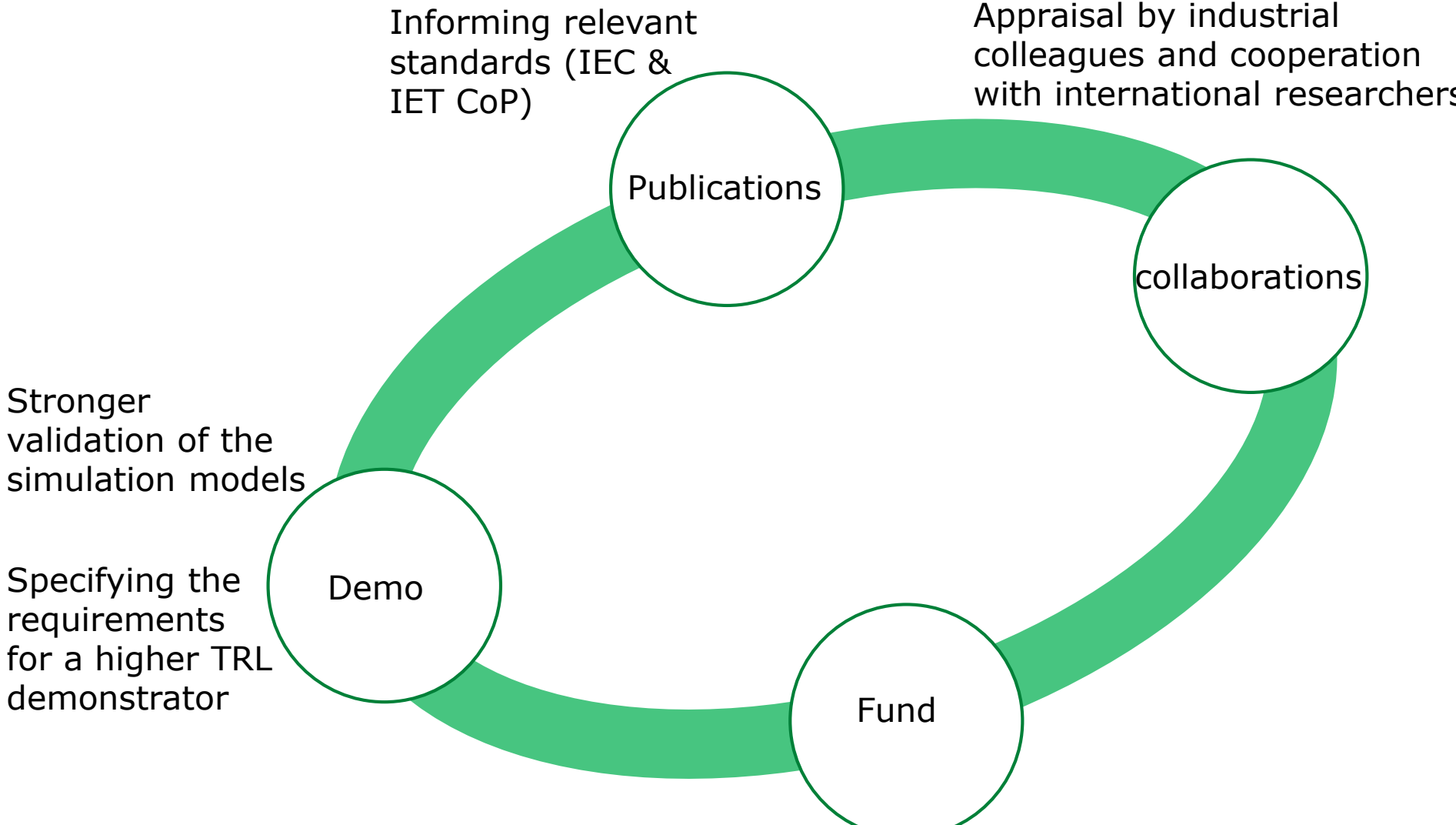


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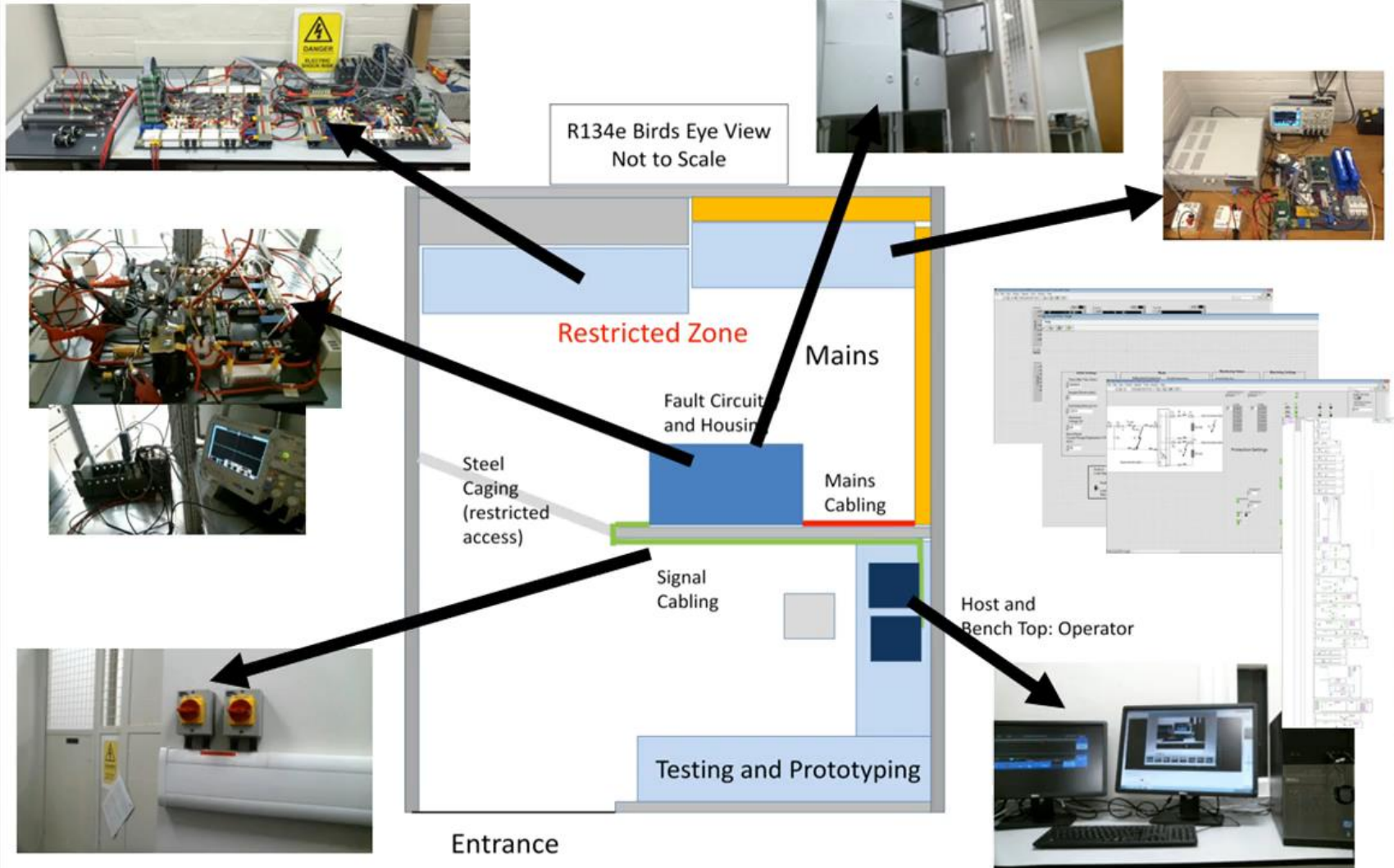
Moixa Battery-LVDC sub-systems:  
MASLOW

# Conclusions

## What has the Top and Tail demo used for?



# LVDC testing facilities





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