

# Electric Grid Monitoring using Synchrophasor Data

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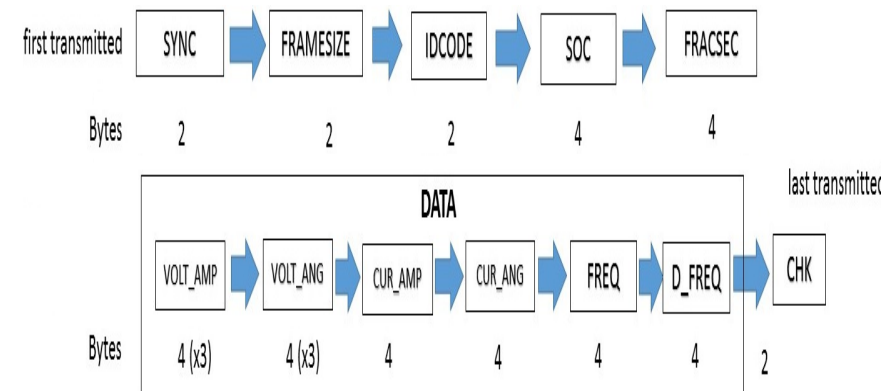
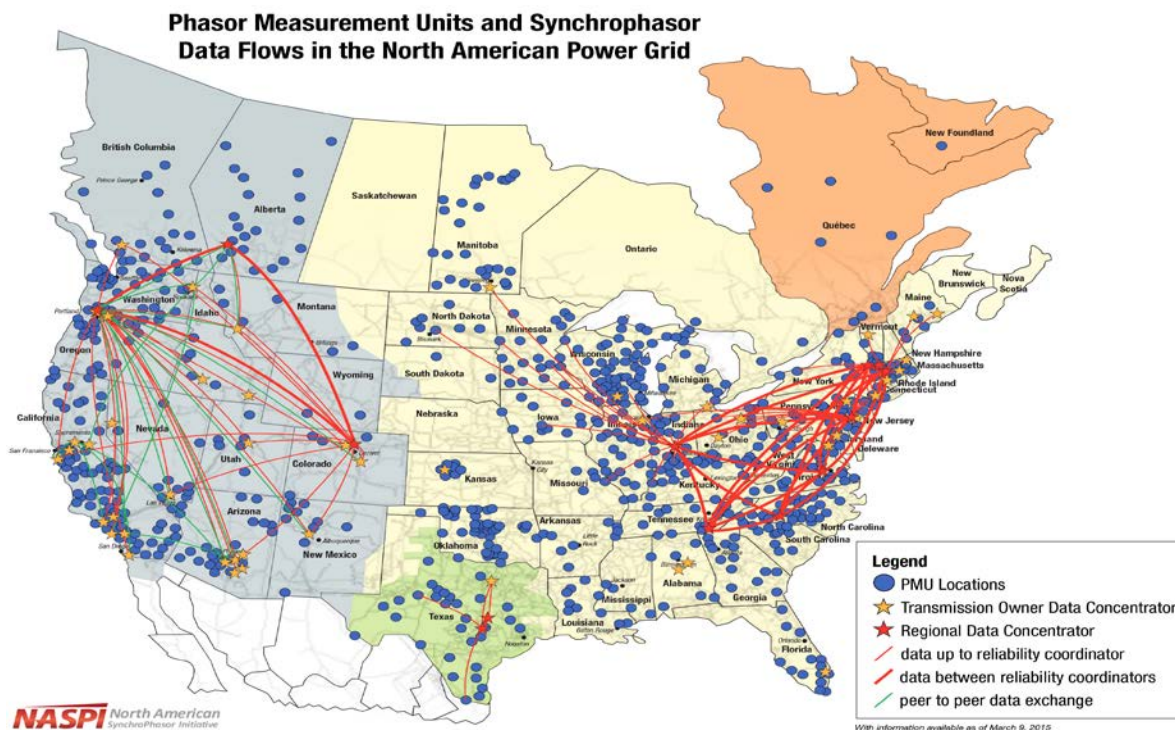
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# Synchrophasors

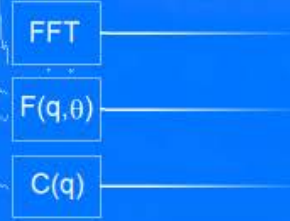
- Three phase signals sampled at 512x samples/cycle
- Produces 3 phase voltage and current phasors & frequency @ 60Hz
- Data streamed in real-time using transport layer (TCP/IP, UDP)



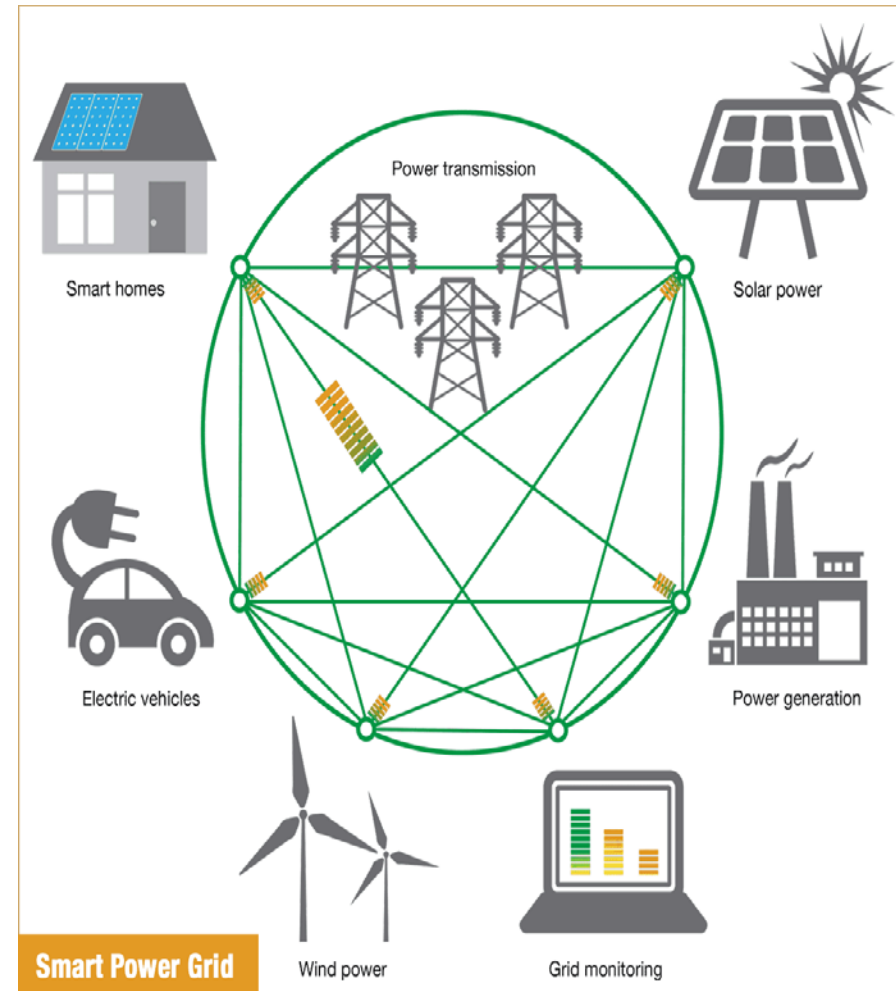
## Cons:

- Missed data
- Latency
- Filtering
- Noisy data
- Cybersecurity

# Introduction



- Intensification of distributed renewable energy resources, storage systems
- Rising need to monitor power flow and quality more accurately, rapidly in the electric grid
- Phasor Measurement Units (PMU):
  - GPS time synchronized
  - 3 phase AC electric signal
  - AC frequency
- Automate data analysis and use it for real-time distributed control



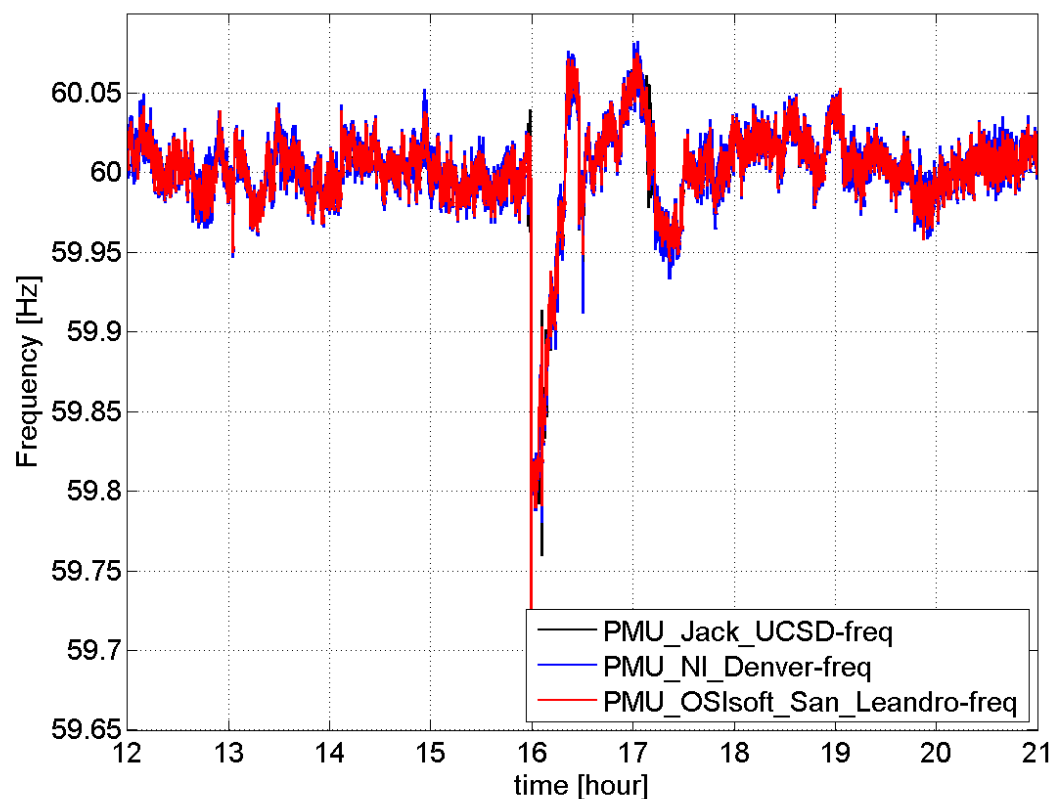


# Motivation

FFT  
 $F(q, \theta)$   
 $C(q)$

“Smart” PMU: *local* signal processing and detect/store events *centrally*

- How to implement “local” signal processing?
- Can “local” processing used to detect individual events?
- Can event detection be distributed on each PMU?



May 30 data: 972000 data points (30Hz sampling noon-9pm)

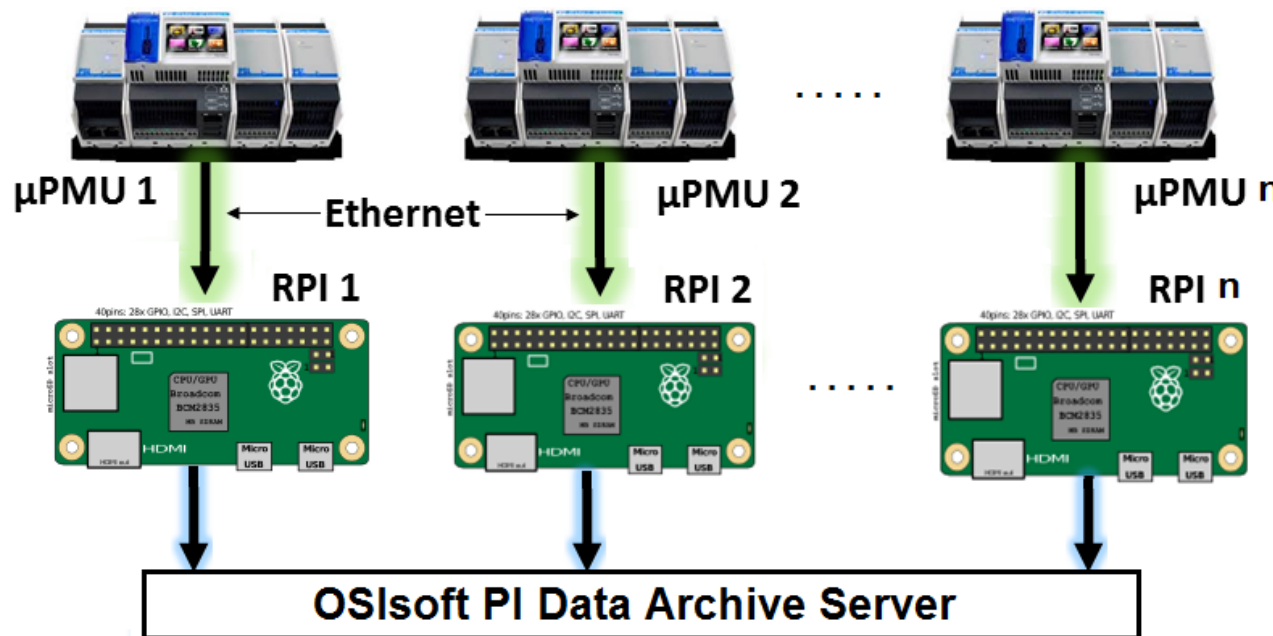
# Content

- ❑ Grid Event Detection
- ❑ Grid Event Classification
- ❑ Grid Event Localization

# PMU based Grid Event Detection

Infrastructure based on real-time local processing of PMU data:

- Decode the **IEEE C37.118** data frames from **microPMUs**
- Filter phasor data to obtain Filtered Rate of Change (**FRoC**) signal
- Formulate **event detection** based on the obtained FRoC signal
- Store finite batch size of PMU data in case of an event only

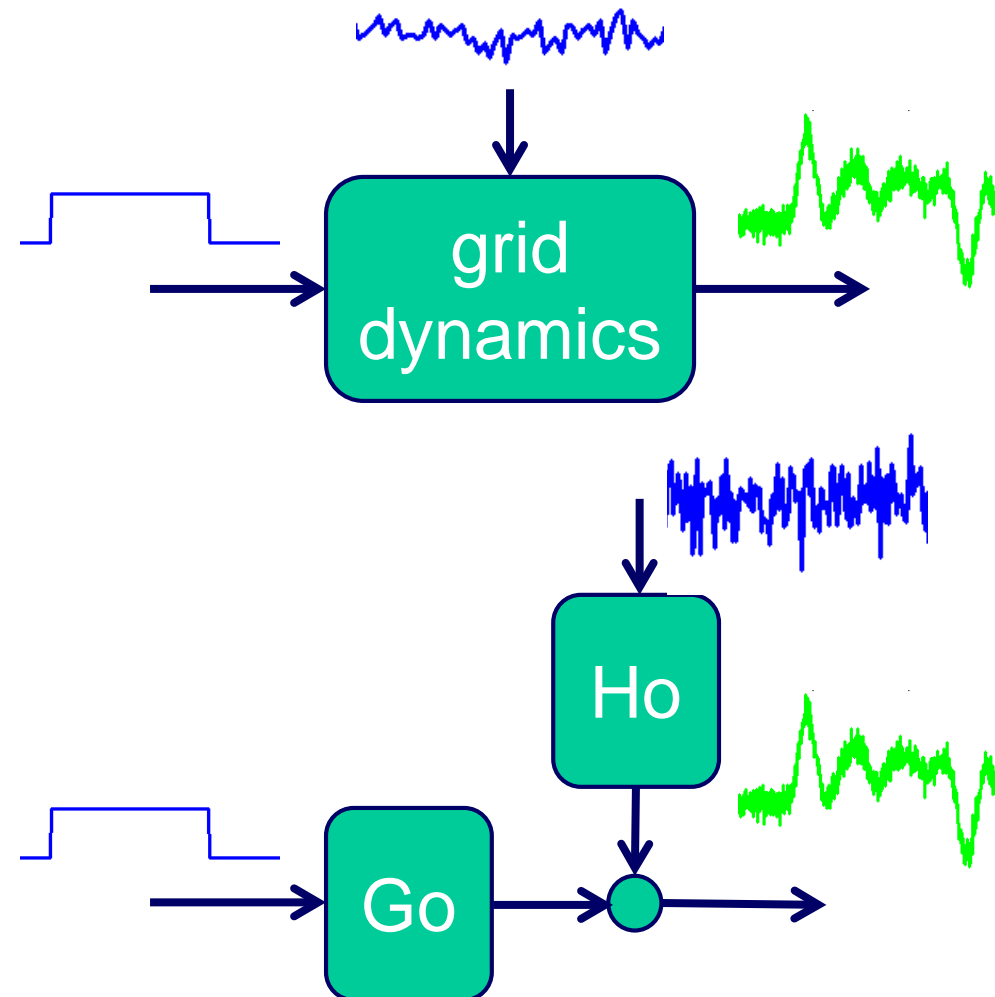


- Data ported on a wired Ethernet over TCP/IP
- TCP sockets to capture PMU data in python
- Real time decoding and filtering of C37.118 data
- Data available for event detection

# Filtering the Phasor Data

Approach is based on dynamic and statistical analysis of PMU data

- Assume PMU observation is linear combination of:
  - Main event signal filtered by grid dynamics
  - Small/random events filtered by grid dynamics
  
- What's new here:
  - Use **knowledge on main modes** (grid frequency and damping)
  - Compute **optimal detection signal** by reconstruction of (filtered) main event signal

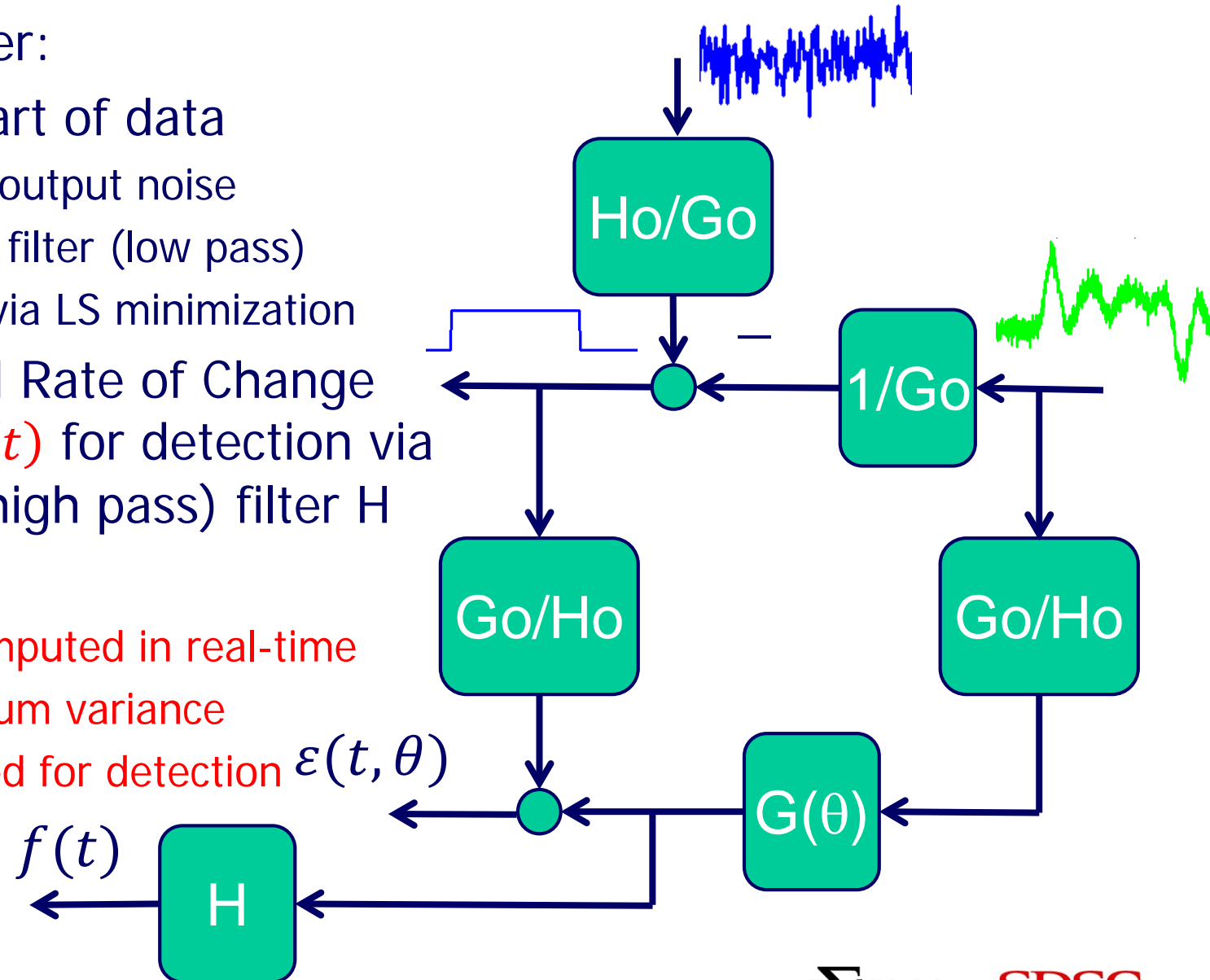




# Filtering the Phasor Data

Computation of filter:

- Select “small” part of data
  - Model noise as output noise
  - Add fixed noise filter (low pass)
  - Compute filter via LS minimization
- Define a Filtered Rate of Change (FRoC) signal  $f(t)$  for detection via differentiation (high pass) filter  $H$
- End Result:
  - $f(t)$  can be computed in real-time
  - $f(t)$  has minimum variance
  - $f(t)$  can be used for detection  $\varepsilon(t, \theta)$





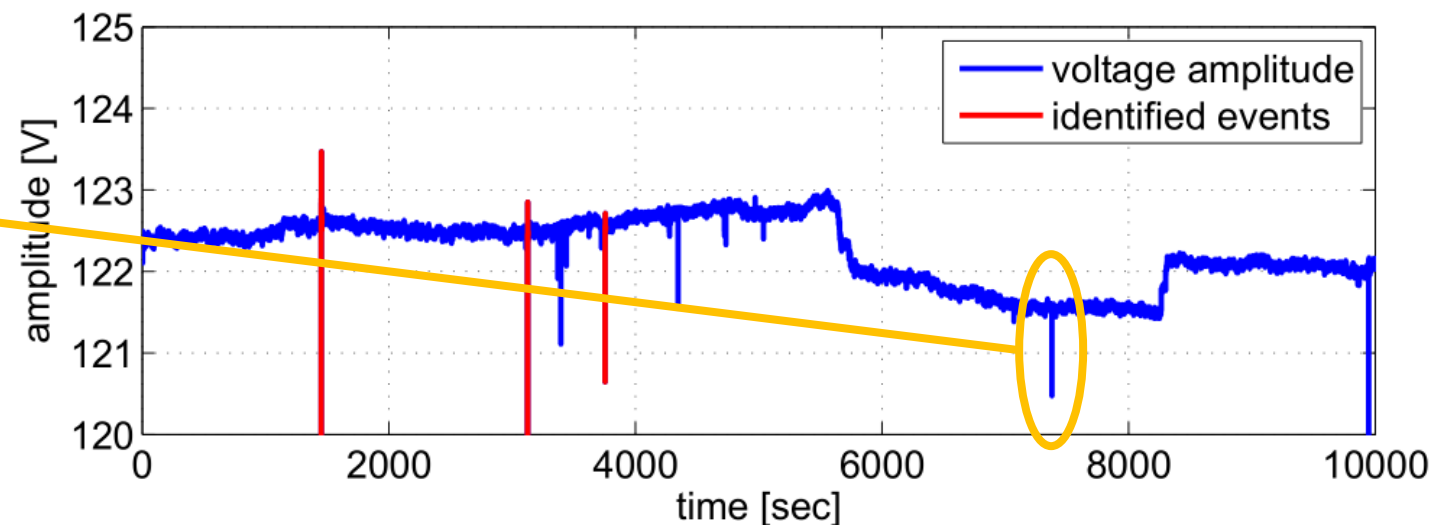
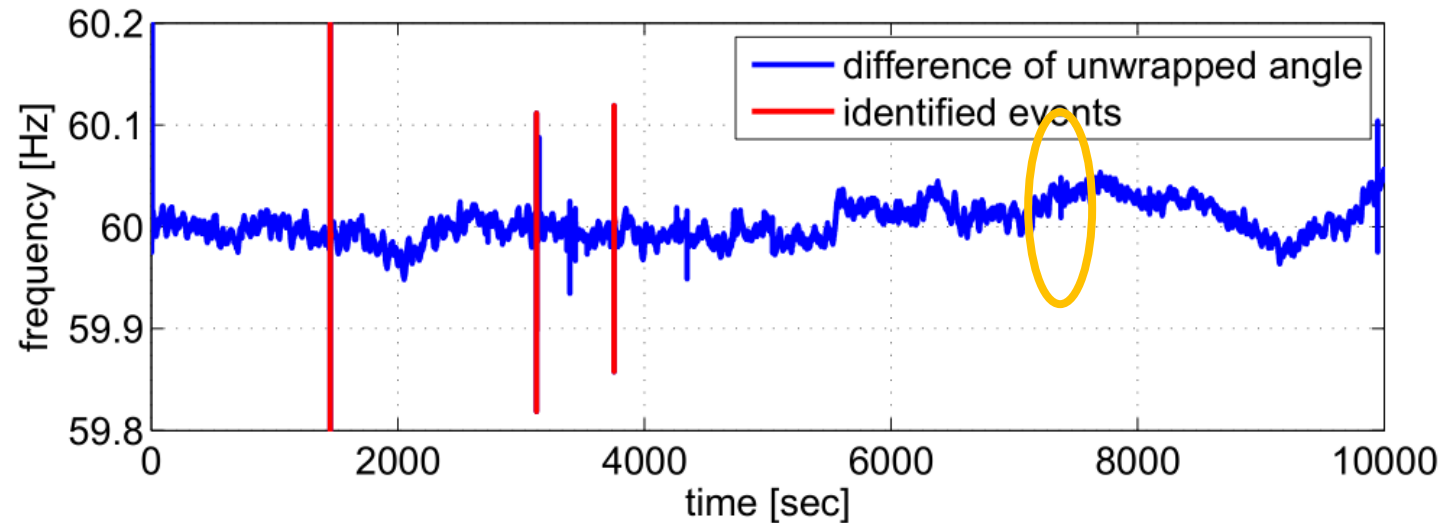
# Local/Edge Event Detection

Automatically:

- Detect events  
(via threshold on  
Filtered Rate of  
Change signal)
- Store event data
- Notification/email

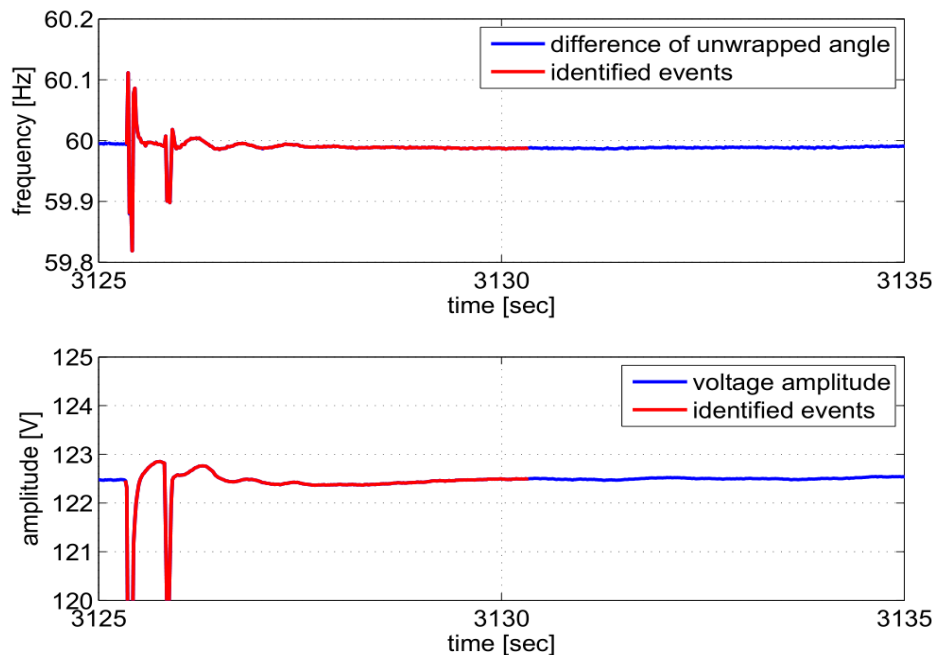
Note:

- Not every disturbance is an "event"!
- Hard to see, but clear with edge processing



# Feature Extraction

- Large interconnected grid (e.g. WECC) -> High complexity
- Highly coupled non-linear dynamic behaviour
- Derivation of swing equations becomes an unwieldy task
- **Solution:** Deploy System identification techniques using event data for model estimation



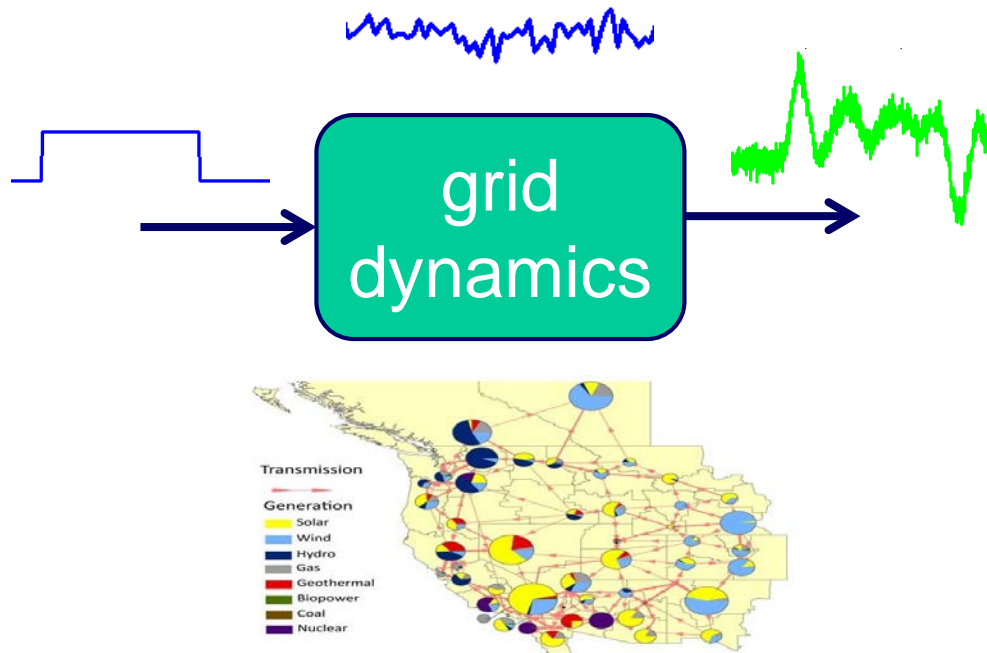
$$M \begin{cases} x(k+1) = A x(k) + B u(k) \\ y(k) = C x(k) + D u(k) \end{cases}$$

- $\{A, B, C, D\}$  computed using Realization algorithm

Mathematical tools used:

- Singular Value Decomposition
- Hankel Decomposition

# Feature Extraction



Feature set estimation based on known system parameter "A":

$$f_i = \frac{|s_i|}{2\pi}; \quad \zeta_i = \frac{-a_i}{2\pi f_i};$$

$$P_i = |\phi_i \psi_i|$$

$$\Delta F = \frac{1}{N_1} \sum_{k=N_1-k_0}^{k_0-1} F(k) - \frac{1}{N_2} \sum_{k=k_0+N}^{k_0-N+N_2-1} F(k)$$

$$s_i = f_s * \ln(\lambda_i) = a_i \pm j b_i$$

Extracted features for classification include:

1. Oscillation frequency ( $f_i$ )
2. Damping ratio ( $\zeta_i$ )
3. Participation Factor ( $P_i$ )
4. Post-event frequency deviation ( $\Delta F_i$ )

$$[A - \lambda_i I] \phi_i = 0$$

$$\psi_i [A - \lambda_i I] = 0$$

where  $\psi_i, \phi_i$  are left and right eigenvectors.

# Clustering based Classification

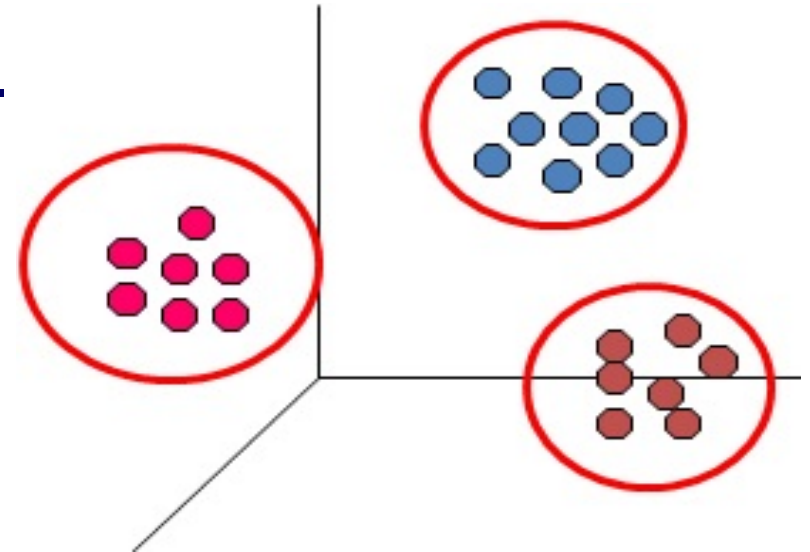
➤ Unsupervised classification technique

➤  $k$ -means: city block, Euclidean etc.

➤  $p$ -dimensional subspace method

➤  $J(c, C) = \sum_{j=1}^k \sum_{x_i \in C_j} |x_i - c_j|$

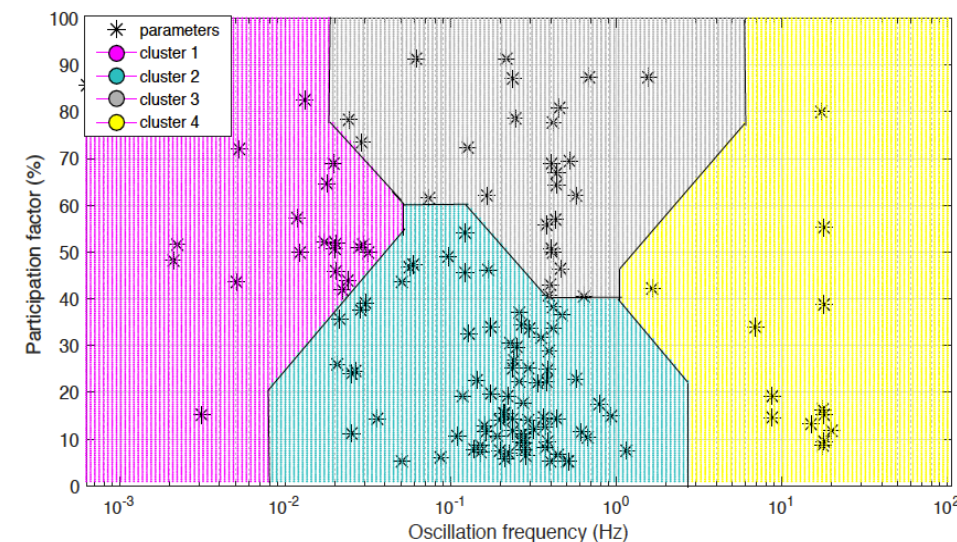
➤ Data grouped into clusters for event classification using feature sets





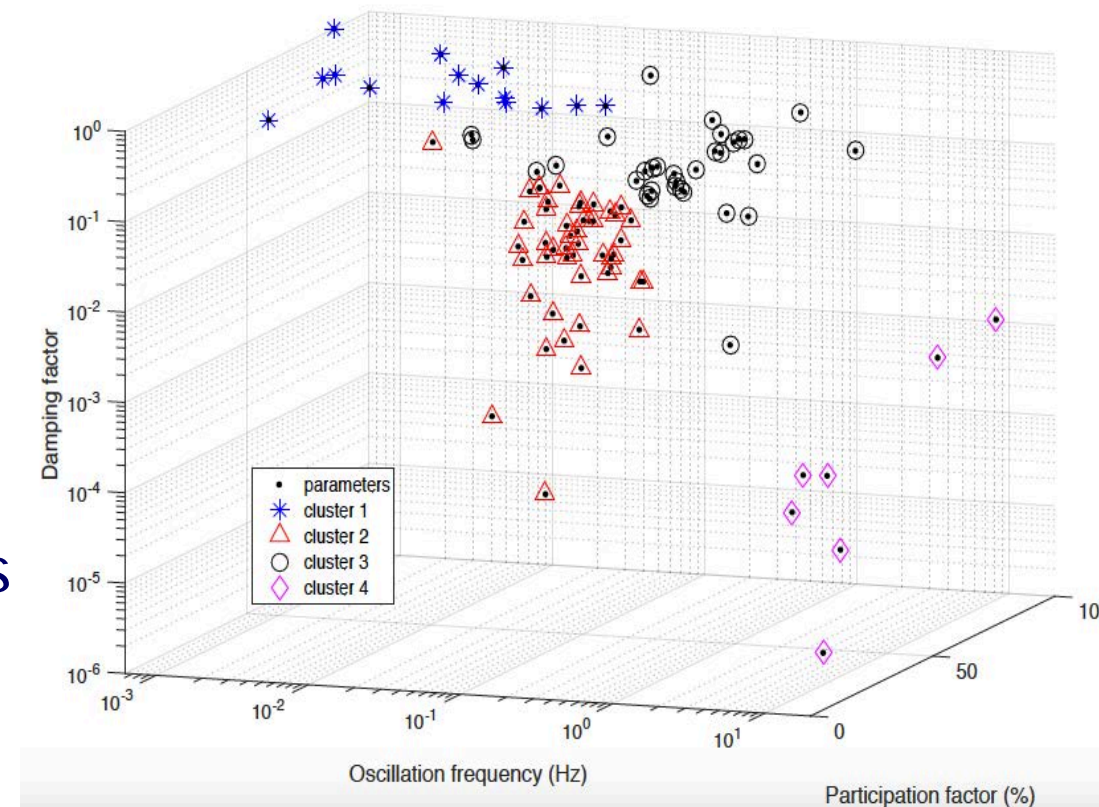
# Event Classification

- Event detection based on **V & f** PMU data.
- Feature set extraction using Realization algorithm.
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- *k-means* clustering for unsupervised classification,  $P$ -dimensional clustering of the feature set.



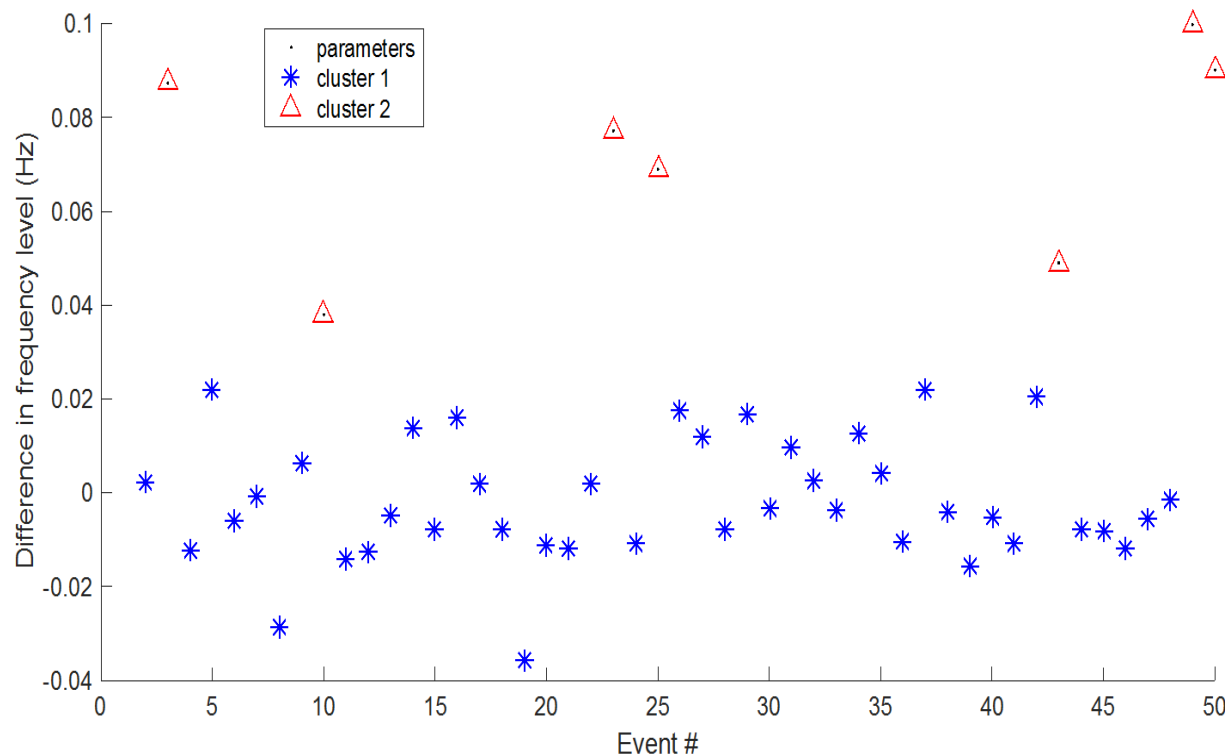
# 3-D Clustering Analysis

- Oscillations grouped again into 4 clusters based also on damping ratio ( $\zeta_i$ )
- Clear distinction of clusters with damping levels: local vs non-local events
- Highly damped components likely seen in non-local events due to damping controllers



# Level Based Clustering

- Steady State Frequency Deviation ( $\Delta F_i$ ) Clustering
- Information on steady state power loss or power surplus.



- $\Delta F_i < 0 \Rightarrow$  Overload (or generation loss)
- $\Delta F_i > 0 \Rightarrow$  Surplus generation (or load loss)



Validation of classification algorithm on (known) recorded events:

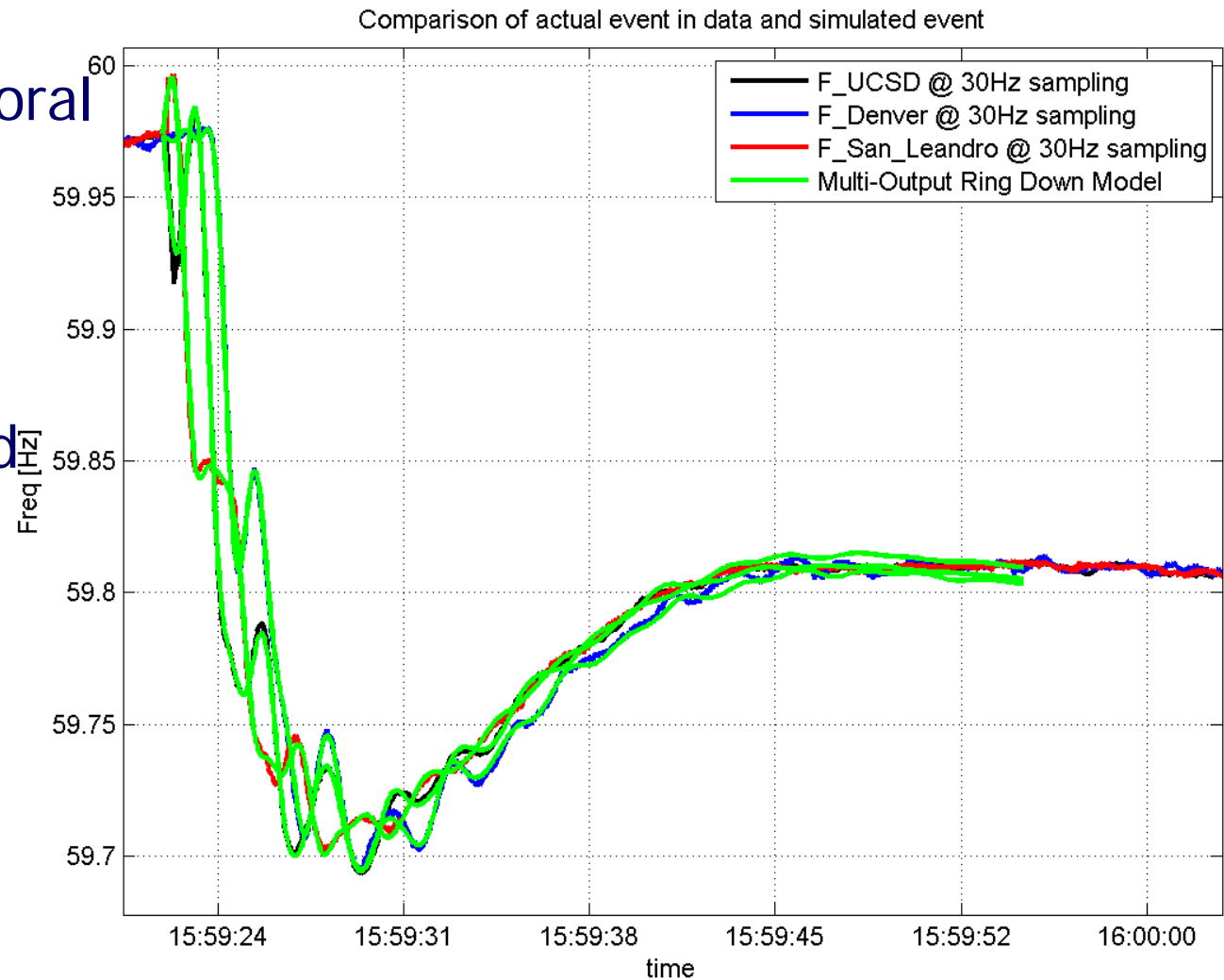
- Event 1- BPA Chief Joseph Brake test: **HPFI, non-local event without any power loss.**
- Event 2- San Diego Tornado warning: **LPFI, local event without any power loss.**
- Event 3- Montana generation loss: **HPFI, non-local event with generation loss.**

Test Events (Cluster)	Classifier 1				Classifier 2				Classifier 3	
	C1	C2	C3	C4	C1	C2	C3	C4	C1	C2
Event 1 (April 14 <sup>th</sup> , 2015)	X	-	X	-	X	-	X	-	X	-
Event 2 (January 6 <sup>th</sup> , 2016)	X	X	-	-	X	X	-	-	X	-
Event 3 (January 21 <sup>st</sup> , 2016 )	X	-	X	-	X	-	X	-	-	X



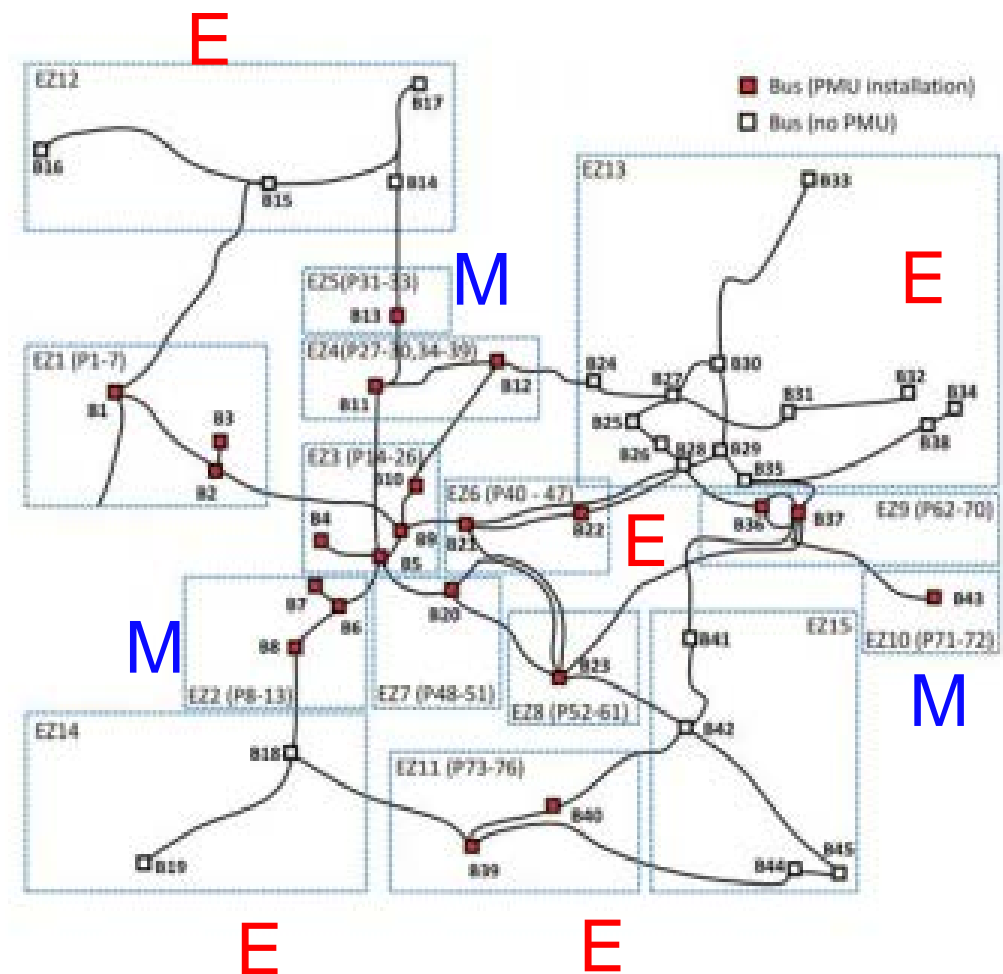
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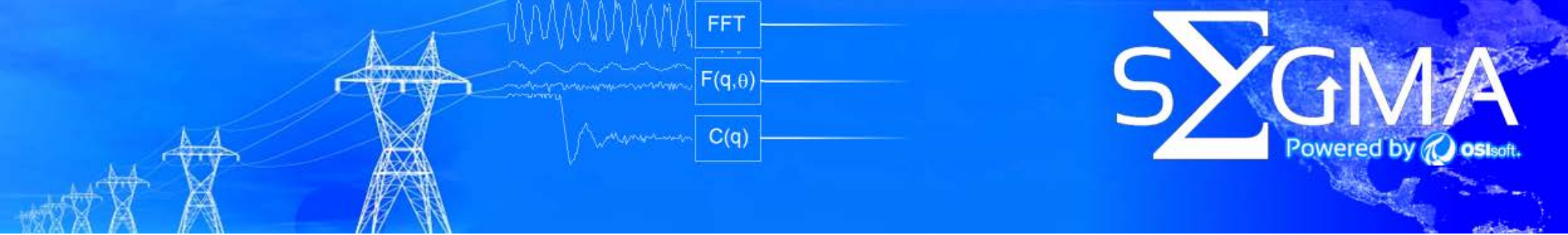
- Use spatial and temporal knowledge of PMU measurements
- Use PMU network and topology
- Dynamic Model.  
(ring down analysis)



# Localization- Grid Dynamics

- Use known (estimated) grid dynamics
- Inverse estimation problem:
  - Known model:  $G_{ij}(\theta)$  between M-nodes and E-nodes;
  - Extract nodal signatures;
  - Run nodal model analysis at occurrence of each event;
  - Estimated model:  $\hat{G}_{ij}(\theta)$
- Look for signatures of event causing nodes





# Thank you!