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Synchrophasor Based Tracking Three Phase State Estimator and Its Applications

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Project Objectives

Develop and Implement a novel Synchrophasor-based tracking state estimator

Develop Transducer Calibration Techniques

Develop Tools for the characterization and analysis of unbalanced conditions

Develop tools for detecting and monitoring islanding

Develop visualization tools for the 3-phase tracking state estimator



Phase 1 Analytical Studies Tasks

- ✓ Task 2: Establishment of study system database
- ✓ Task 3: Tracking Three Phase State Estimator
Development and implementation of tracking estimator algorithm
- ✓ Task 4: Tracking Three Phase State Estimator Applications
*Monitoring and tracking generator unbalance currents
Transducer Calibration, Islanding Application*

Phase 2: Prototype Demonstration Tasks

- ✓ Task 6 PDC/Server System Integration, specification and selection
PDC and Application Server configuration, selection and acquisition
- ✓ Task 7 Tracking Three Phase state estimator Lab testing and demonstration
Simulation of system data in daily load cycle, Performance verification

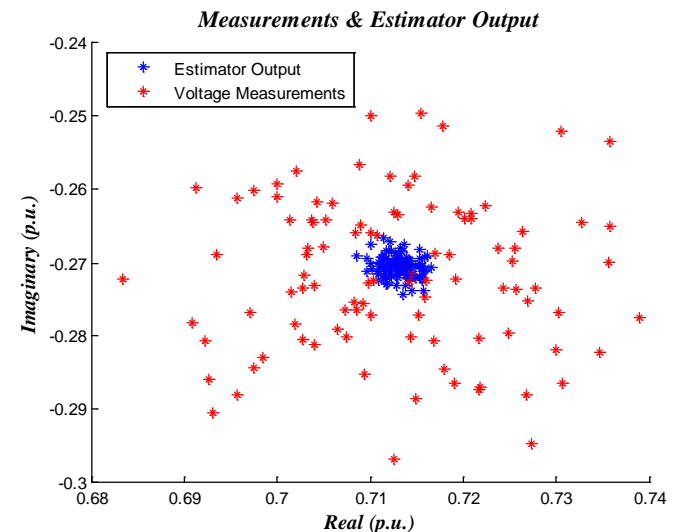
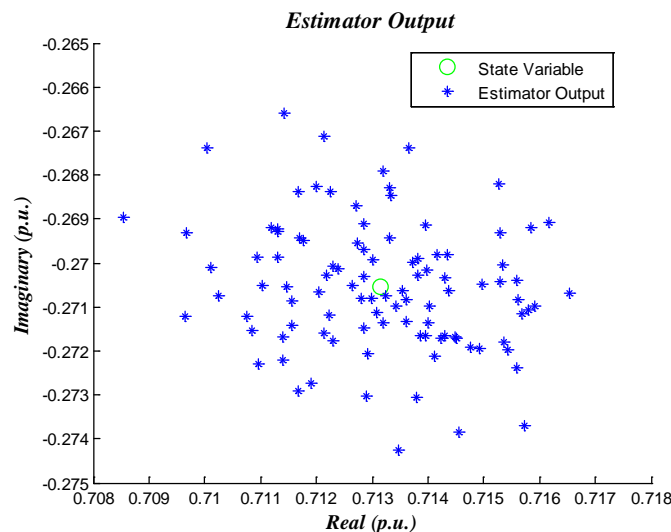
Task 3 Development of Tracking Estimator Algorithm

Three-Phase Linear State Estimator algorithm was implemented and tested in Matlab ✓

Used close to 600 voltage and current phasor measurements to determine the system state

A topology processor was implemented and tested ✓

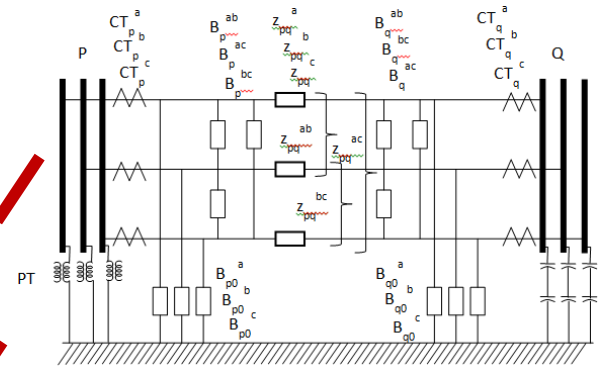
Uses current phasors magnitude and breaker statuses from PMUs and other devices to determine network topology

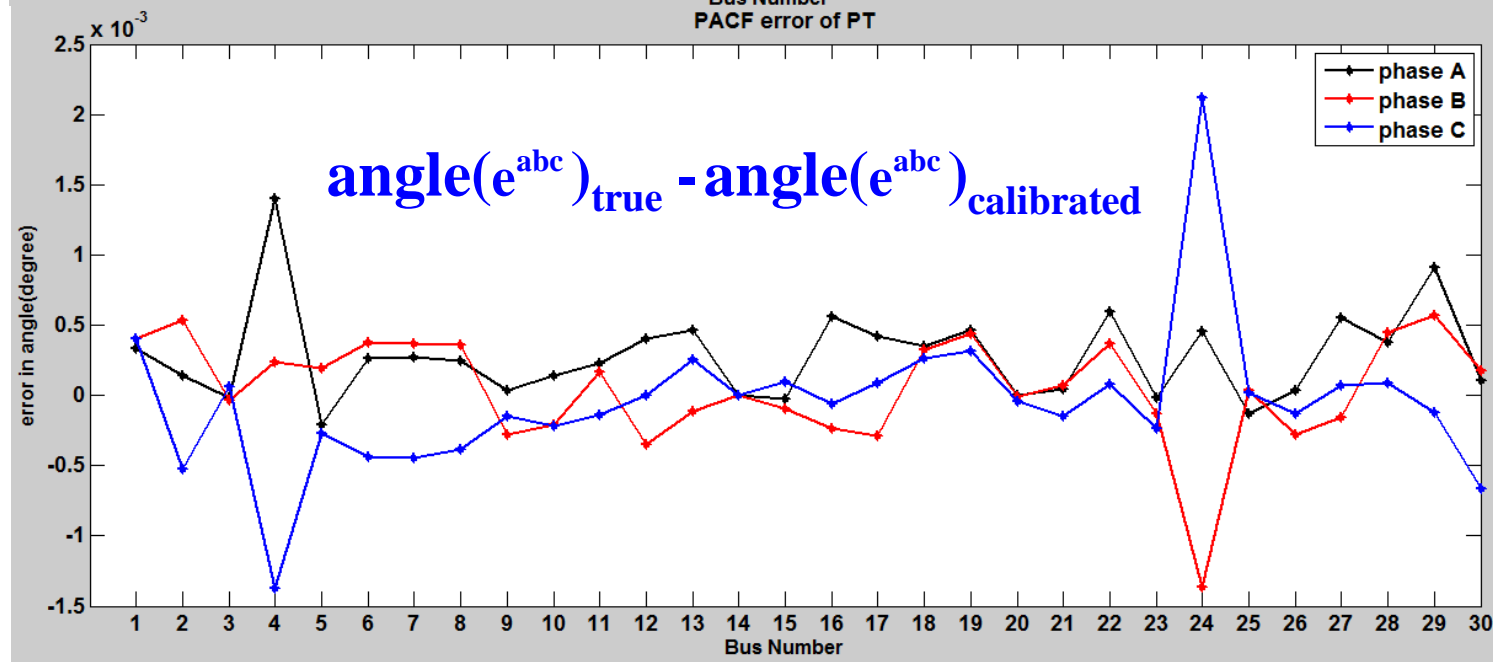
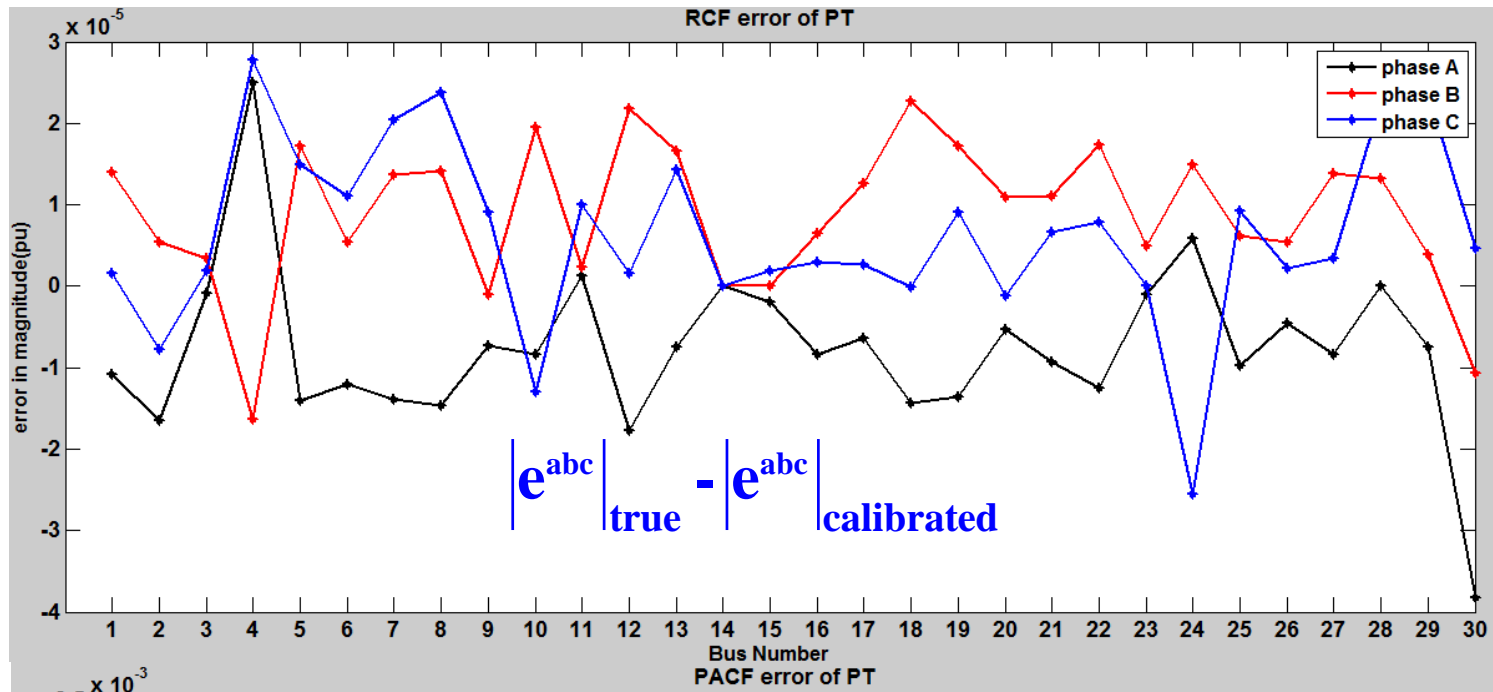


Task 4 Application: Instrument Transformer Calibration

Procedure:

- 1) Three phase error base model was created ✓
Derive a three phase system model
Assume ratio correction factors for all CTs and CVTs
- 2) Three phase error data base was generated ✓
Load flow analysis used daily load curves
Converted data to secondary values
- 3) Developed an error estimation algorithm ✓
Derived Error model
Used different load conditions to obtain redundant data
Used least square techniques to estimate CT and CVT errors
- 4) Used known model to determine estimation error ✓





Task 4 Application: Islanding Detection

Three locations in the Dominion's system were identified for possible islanding contingencies

Analysis of all possible islanding scenarios has been performed on the selected locations under load variation

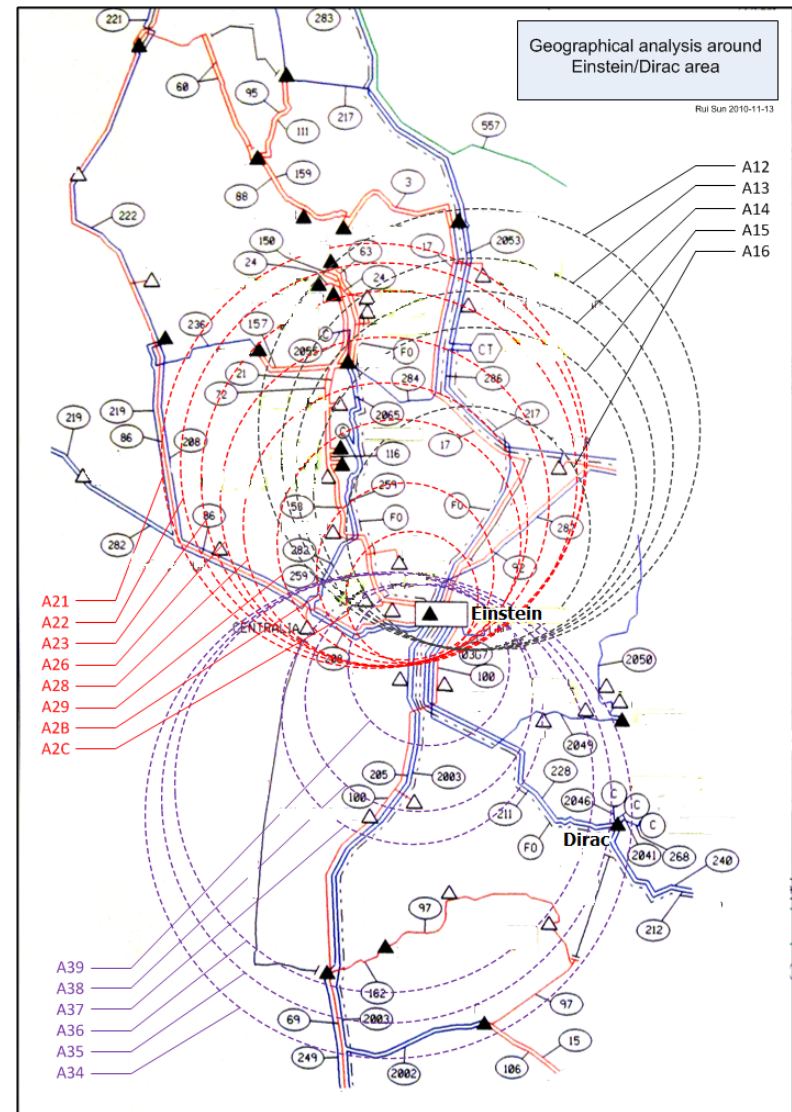
Number of islanding cases derived for each location

Location 1, 396 cases

Location 2, 130 cases

Location 3, 159 cases

Three Decision Trees implemented and tested



Islanding scenarios for one of the locations

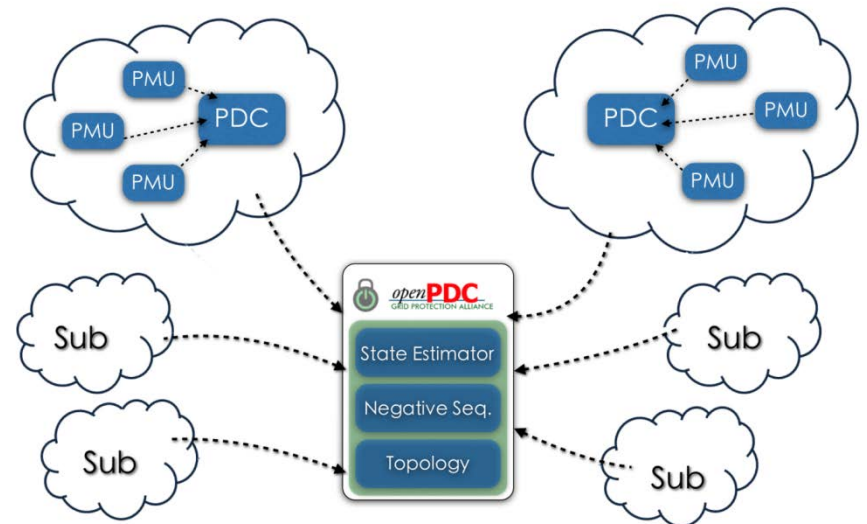


Task 4 Application: Monitoring and tracking generator unbalance currents

- 1) Created a three-phase unbalance base case
- 2) Used the base case to calculate all negative sequence currents in the network
- 3) Determined negative sequence currents at generators and compare with generator limits
- 4) Set alarms for negative sequence currents that approach limits at generators

Task 6: PDC Selection (OpenPDC) and integration

- OpenPDC offered best solution for all known requirements
- RTO requirements: name translations & phase angle rotation
- Offered Platform to create the custom Synchrophasor applications





Task 7 Implementation of tracking estimator software

Matlab code was converted to C# for used in selected platform OpenPDC

- 1) Custom adapters (class libraries) in C# were developed
- 2) State Estimator and Topology processor were implemented and tested
- 3) Completed troubleshooting of State Estimator/Topology Processor application as adapter in OpenPDC
- 4) Used simulators and lab equipment to test software with simulated system data



Phase 3: Full Scale Demonstration Tasks

Task 8 PMU and PDC field installation

8.1 Phased installation of PMUs ✓

8.2 PDC installation and Synchrophasor unit network formation ✓

Task 9 Tracking estimator field installation and verification

9.1 Field installation of estimator ✓

9.2 Verification of the system performance ✓

Task 8.1 Phased Installation of PMUs and PDC

Electric Transmission

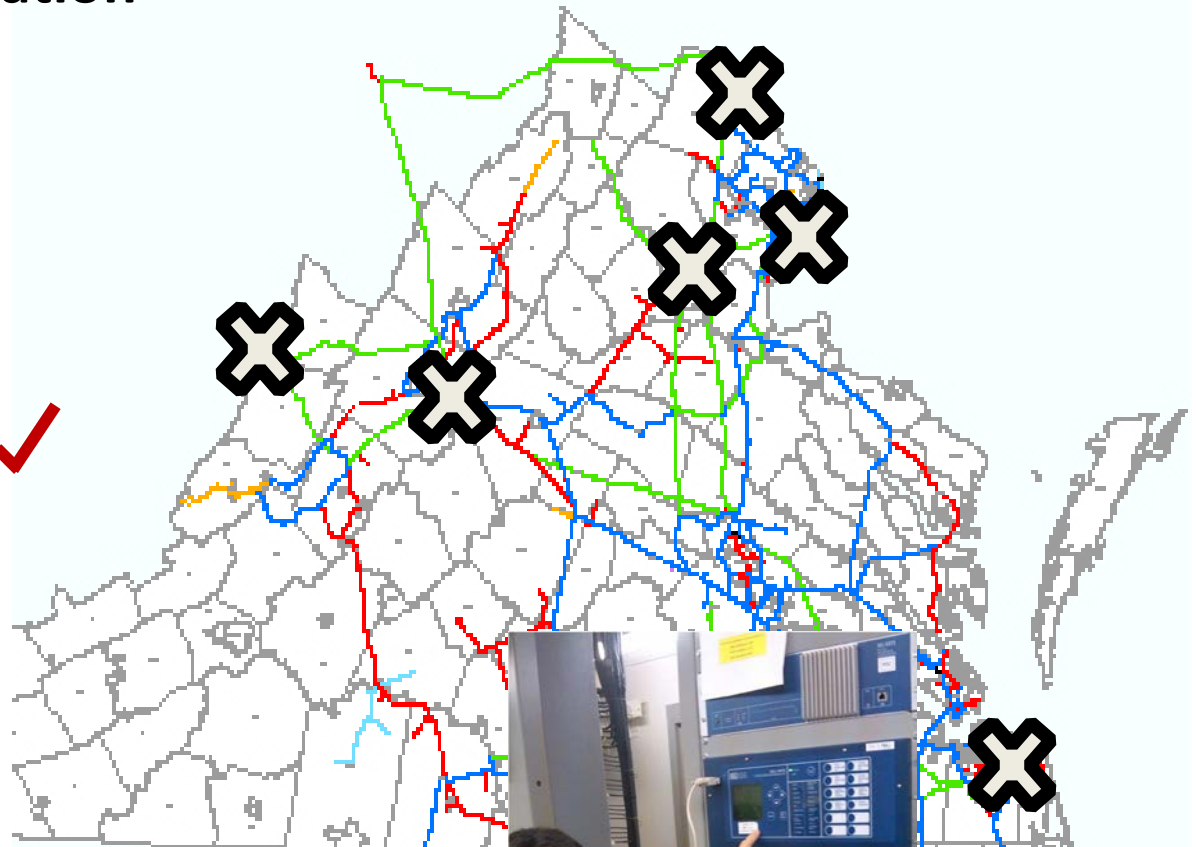
Phase A

PMU Installed at:

- 1. North Anna Generating Station ✓
- 2. Surry Generating Station ✓

Operations Center Activities:

- 1. Data concentration and calculation architecture developed ✓
- 2. PDC hardware procured ✓



Synchrophasors units are from SEL digital relays:

- Relays are either stand-alone PMUs or dual-use devices

Scalability from dual-use relays

Simple to include in existing & future construction projects

- Each synchrophasor substation has a local PDC:
 - Stores highest res. data (60 frames/sec) for short term (one month)
 - Output down-sampled (30 frames/sec) data to SOC

Task 8.1 Phased Installation of PMUs and PDC

Phase B PMU

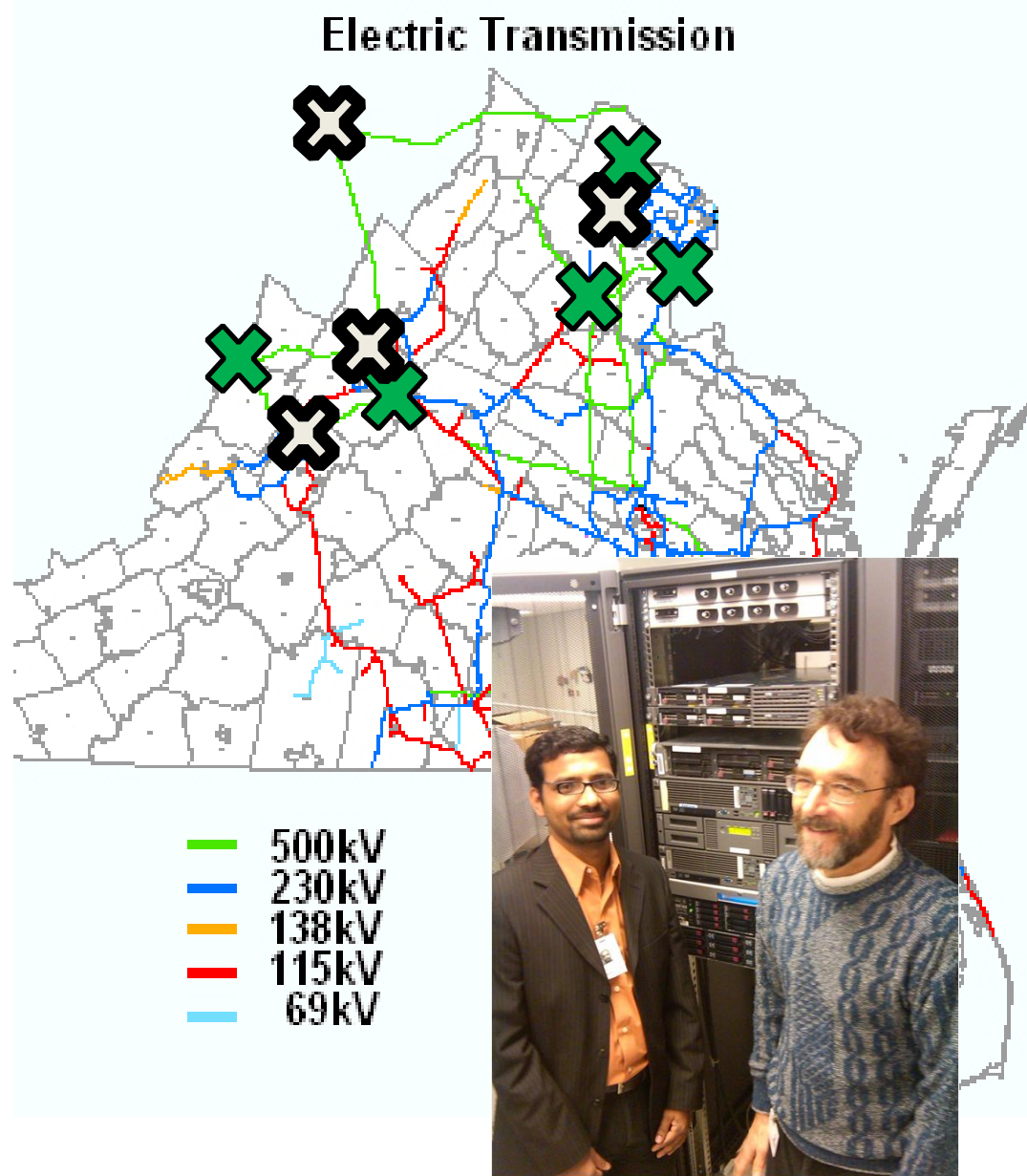
Installations:

- 1. Chesapeake Substation ✓
- 2. Suffolk Substation ✓
- 3. Valley Substation ✓

Operations Center Activities

(under way):

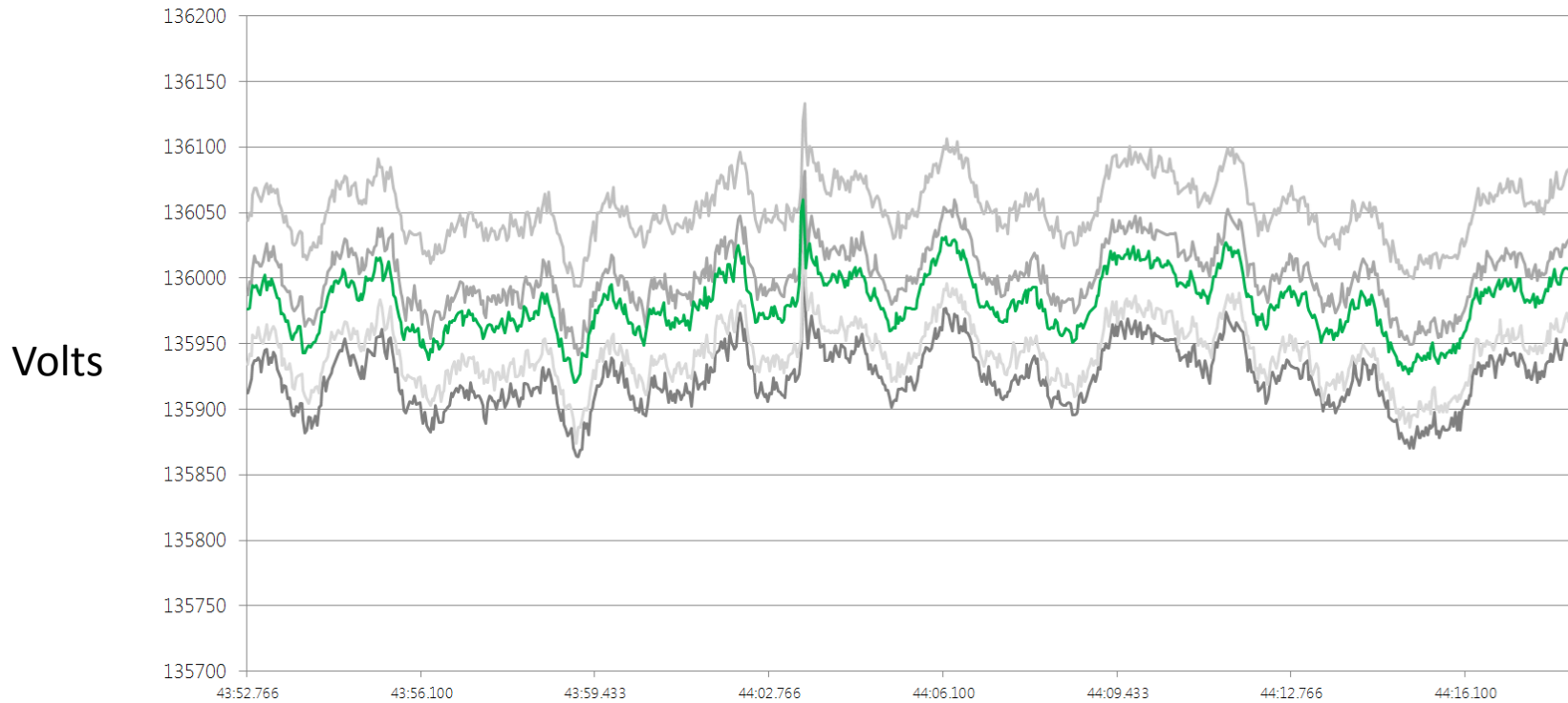
- 1. PDC Architecture Refinement ✓
- 2. OpenPDC deployment ✓
- 3. Basic Visualization mock-ups ✓



Project Status

- Data streaming to operations center/central PDC architecture
- Three Phase Estimator, Topology Processor, Negative Sequence Monitor installed and running on central PDC
- Almost all substation installations complete. Last installation scheduled for December
- Many other applications were developed in conjunction as need aroused: naming convention, phase angle rotation, and breaker status mapping to PJM, signal-to-noise ratio, zero sequence, status flag parsing

Phase A Voltage Magnitude 230 kV Bus

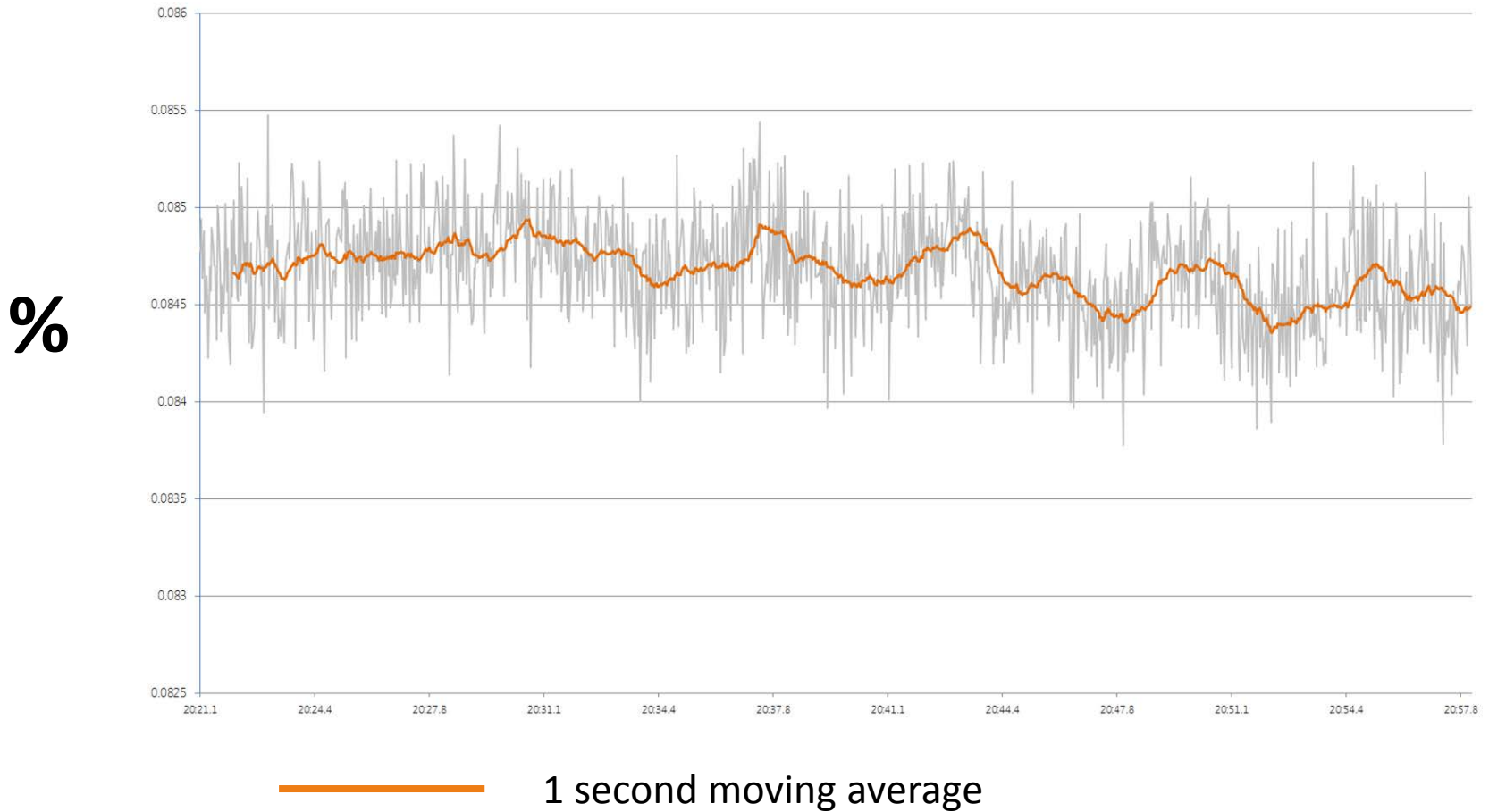


Phase A
Measurements



Phase A estimate

Ratio of Negative Sequence to Positive Sequence of 230 kV line



Remaining Work

Substation installations are almost complete, but many still need connected to operations center

Islanding & Calibration applications will come online once enough data is streaming to central PDC

Visualization Applications interface to OpenPDC real time data is being implemented

Questions?