Some Observations from FNET Measurements of 3 Major Interconnections

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Outline

- Statistical analysis of disturbances
- Islanding Detection
- Wireless PMU
- Situation Awareness --- information delivery format survey





Statistics of Disturbances between 2006 and 2008

- 960 major disturbances were identified in the three North America Interconnections from Jan. 23, 2006 to Jan. 31, 2008.
- 263 disturbances in EI, 468 in WECC, 229 in ERCOT.
- On average, every 3 days, the EI sees a disturbance in (ΔP>500MW).
- The WECC sees a disturbance in almost every 1.5 days (ΔP>200MW).





Event Distribution in the EI (by month)



- Number of generation-loss like events: 240. Number of load-loss like events: 23. Estimated amount > 500MW.
- The peak of generation-loss like events: not in summer







- The generation-loss events are more likely to occur between 1400 to 2000 UTC.
- Most load-loss like events occur between 0900 to 1100 UTC. Pumped storage turn off may play a major role





Event Distribution in the WECC (by month)



- Number of generation-loss like events: 333. Number of load-loss like events: 135. Estimated amount > 200MW.
- The peak of all disturbances and also generation-loss like events: July.
- Load-loss like events in WECC are more likely to occur in April.





Event Distribution in the WECC (by hour)



- One peak of disturbances occurred between 0400 and 0500 PST.
- Generation-loss like events are more evenly distributed though likely to occur between 1300 -1400 PST.
- Most (118 out of 135) load-loss like events occur between 0300 0800 PST.





Five Generation Loss Events in the EI (five minutes of data)



Five Generation Loss Events in the WECC (five minutes of data)



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Five Generation Loss Events in the ERCOT (five minutes of data)



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Five Load Loss Events in the

EI (five minutes of data)



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Five Load Loss Events in the WECC (five minutes of data)



Five Load Loss Events in the ERCOT (five minutes of data)







Generation Loss Events in Three Interconnections



- Generation/load loss amount ΔP=βΔf. β-frequency response characteristic. Larger β means smaller Δf for certain amount of power mismatch.
- Frequency excursions indicate control practices: governor control to arrest frequency drop; reserve development and AGC to replace the loss of generation.





Load Loss Events in Three Interconnections



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Conclusions

- Typical frequency excursions of disturbances differ from each other in three interconnections.
 Possible reasons include different frequency responses, contingency reserve distribution, reserve development and AGC actions.
- Plenty of information about systems' response to disturbances, as well as to control actions and protection schemes is reflected in measurements from FNET.





Situation Awareness- information delivery format survey

- Now: E-mail to FNET consortium members
- Future: IM, Text messaging?

From: Virginia Tech FNET Event Trigger [mailto:xiat@vt.edu] Sent: Friday, July 04, 2008 8:39 AM, To: EvtRcvr Subject: 760MW EI Generator Trip at 07/04/2008,12:39:06UTC Event Estimation:760MW EI Generator Trip at 12:39:06UTC, on 07/04/2008 near Edwin I Hatch>power plant (SERC).(Appling,GA 31513; Latitude: 31.7837, Longitude: -82.3486) PLEASE KEEP THIS INFORMATION CONFIDENTIAL.. This is just an ESTIMATE and Virginia Tech DOES NOT guarantee the accuracy of information which SHOULD NOT be used without secondary verification.





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Power System Islanding Detection

Characteristics of Power System Islanding

- Islanding is the situation in which a part of a power system becomes electrically isolated from the remainder of the power system.
- The power system of the islanded region undergoes severe frequency and power angle changes.
- The severity of transient and the frequency difference between the two isolated systems after transient is proportional to the generation to load imbalance.





Commonly Used Islanding Detection Methods

- df/dt
- Frequency Variation Example Follows
- Angle Difference
- Change of Angle Difference Example Follows





Frequency Variation





$$f_{th} = 20mHz \qquad \Delta t = 3s$$





Change of Angle Difference







Change of Angle Difference







Change of Angle Difference



$$\theta_{th} = 80^{\circ} \qquad \Delta t = 3s$$





Algorithm Analysis

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Detection Time







Generation Drop Example



$$\Delta f_{\text{max}} = 91.2 \text{ mHz}$$

$$(t_{\Delta f \ge f_{th}})_{\max} = 1.02 \text{ s}$$

$$\Delta \theta_{\rm max} = 12^{\circ}$$





Load Shedding Example



$$\Delta f_{\rm max} = 9.3 \,\rm mHz$$

$$(t_{\Delta f \ge f_{th}})_{\max} = 0$$

$$\Delta \theta_{\rm max} = 2.6^\circ$$





Line Trip Example







Oscillation Example



 $\Delta f_{\text{max}} = 266 \text{ mHz}$

 $(t_{\Delta f \ge f_{th}})_{\max} = 2.1 \text{ s}$







Summary of Disturbance Examples

Maximum# Example#	$\Delta f_{\max} $	$(t_{\Delta f \geq f_{th}})_{\max} \sim$	$\Delta heta_{\max} \cdot heta$
Generation Drop.	91.2 mHz₽	1.02 s.	12°,
Load Shedding.	9.3 mHz.	0 ₄⊃	2.6° ~
Line Trip.	16.0 mHz₽	0 ₄ ³	8.9° ₽
Oscillation .	266.1 mHz.	2.09 s.	58°.

$$f_{th} = 20mHz$$
 $\Delta t = 3s$ $\theta_{th} = 80^{\circ}$ \Longrightarrow No False Trigger





Overview of EPRI Wireless PMU Project



Phase One EPRI project is to complete the current sensor frequency measurement feasibility study





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Preliminary Lab Test Results









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