Disturbance Monitoring at ISO-NE

A NASPI Success Story Presentation

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Outline

- History of disturbance monitoring in New England
- History of Enhancements
- What We Have Learned
- Future Enhancements



History of Disturbance Monitoring in NE

- Original Objective:
 - Collect data to benchmark stability simulations
 - 7 strategically selected sites
- First recorder installed in 1989
 - others added in 2003
- Continuous enhancements



History of Enhancements (continued)

- Pre-1989 Trigger-initiated recording
 - Simulations and experience suggested frequency based trigger
 - Field verification confirmed that this trigger would detect important disturbances.
- 1990's
 - Additional triggers (voltage, power, etc.)
 - Data conversion to PSS/E format for easy comparison with stability simulation

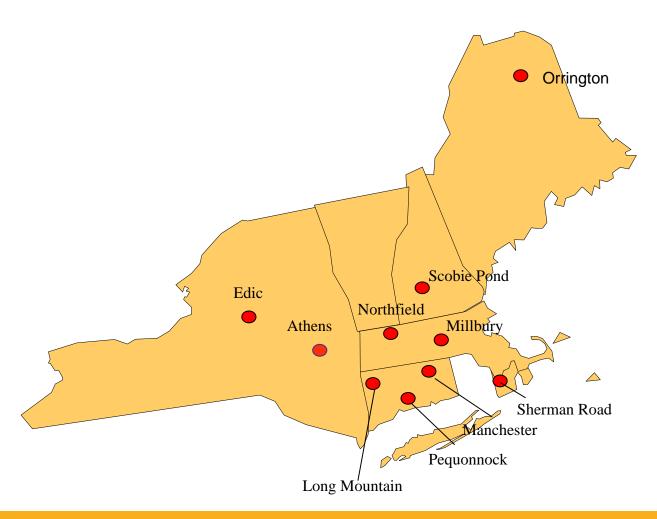


History of Enhancements (continued)

- Post-2000 Enhancements
 - Finally added recorders to all sites in NE (and NY)
 - Wide Area Measurements
 - Oscillation detection (ISO-NE R&D-driven capability)
 - Continuous recording (NERC's DDR function)
 - Two types of local recordings:
 - High sample rate (2880 per second) NERC/NPCC DFR and SER function
 - 2. 720 per second ISO-NE R&D-driven
 - Data streaming to TVA (NASPI-PMU function)

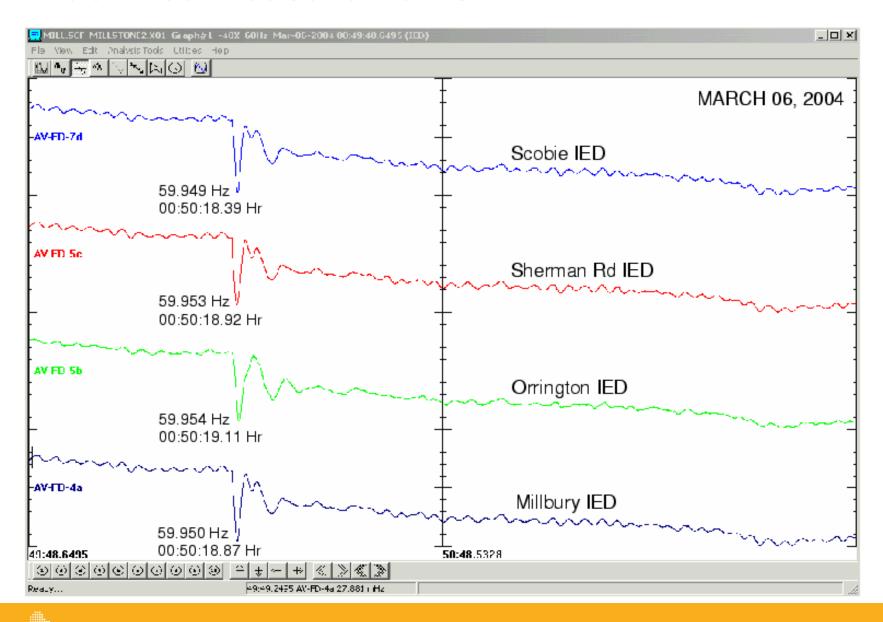


Disturbance Monitoring Sites



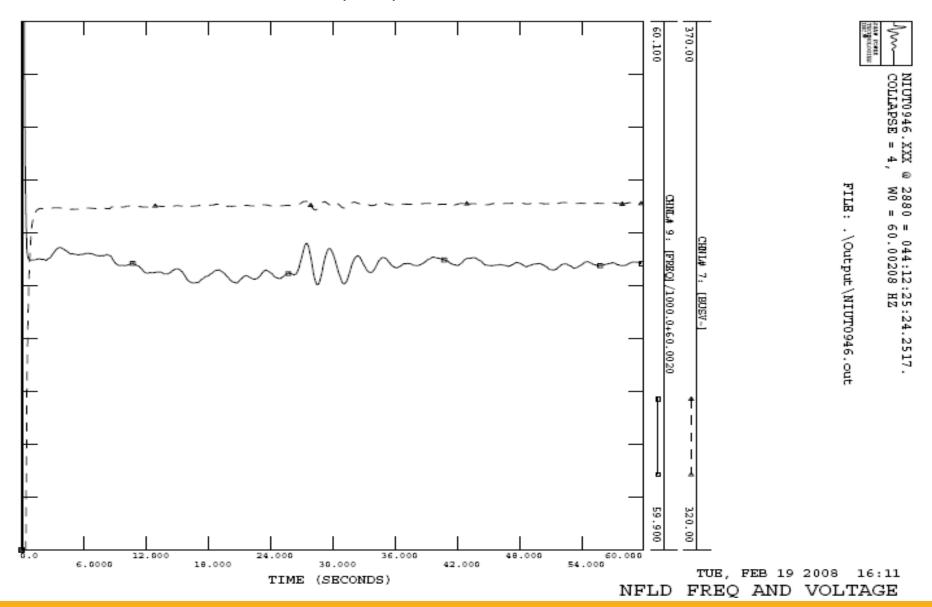


Wide Area Measurements



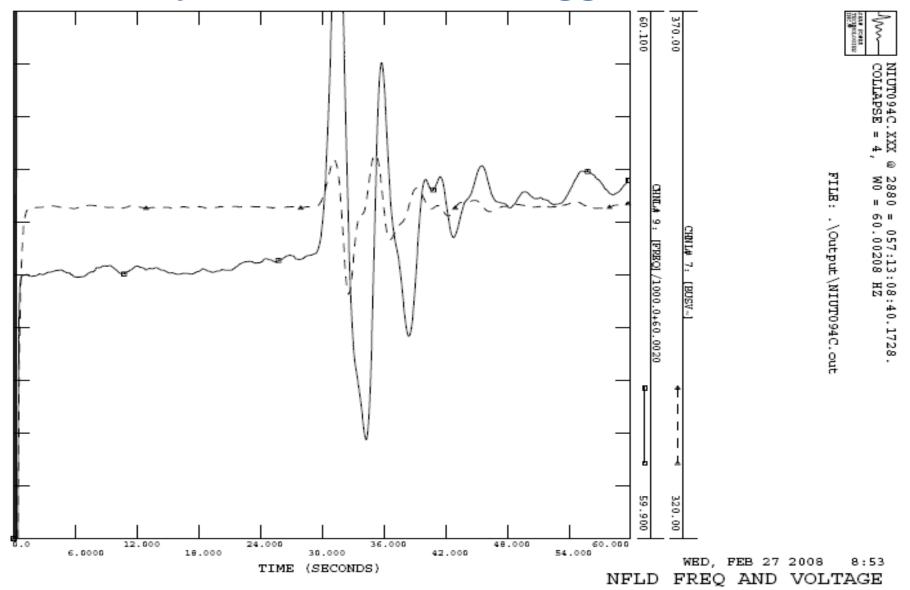


Oscillation Data (1 min.)



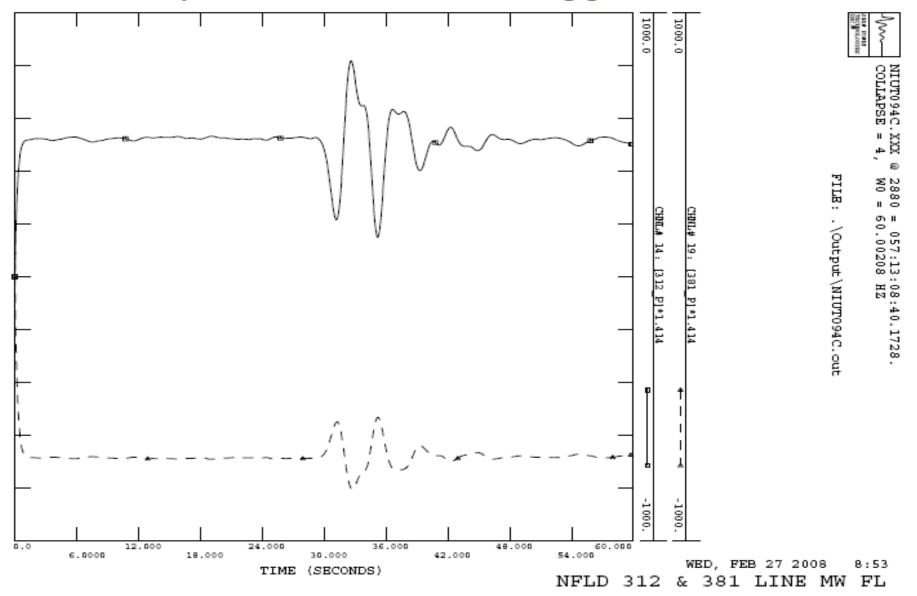


February 26, 2008 Event – Triggered Data (1 min.)



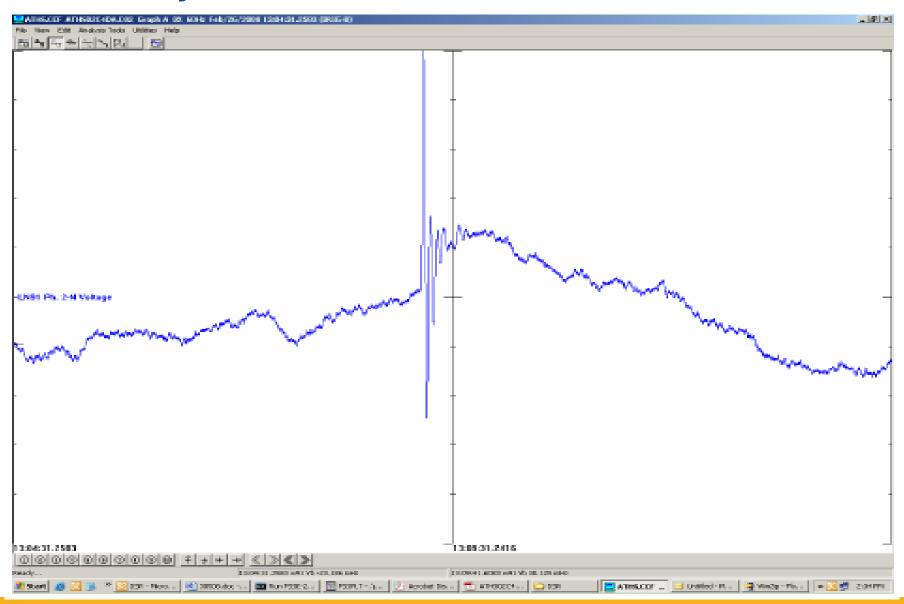


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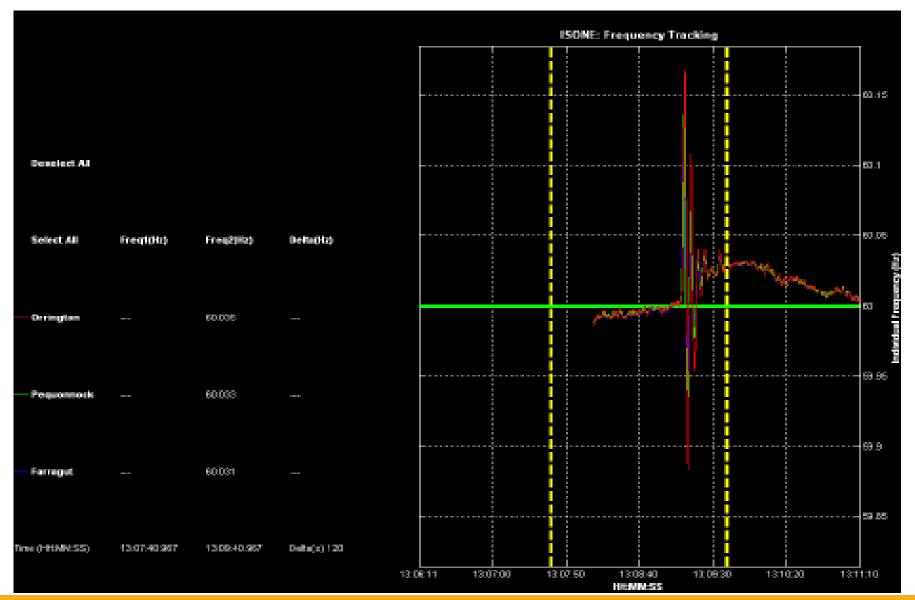


February 26, 2008 Event – Continuous Data(10 min.)





February 26, 2008 Event – Streaming Data(5 min.)





What We Have Learned

- Triggered recording
 - Frequency based triggers detect almost all events that other triggers might detect
 - Sufficient to capture data for events of interest.
 - Oscillation based trigger sometimes captures events that frequency based trigger does not
 - Oscillations usually have minor impact on the bulk power system
 - Data recorded at speeds higher than once per cycle provide additional useful information for event reconstruction and model verification.
 - Knowledgeable user can visually identify events that are of concern



What We Have Learned (continued)

Continuous Recording

- Augments trigger based recording
 - Provide ability to see long term trends
 - Assures availability of data for all time periods
 - Enables wide area visualization of events that trigger based recording might miss.
 - Supports real-time, near-real-time and off-line applications
- Multi-stream capability enhances event reconstruction



Further Research & Development

- Establish Phasor Data Concentrator at ISO-NE
 - Relieve TVA of responsibility for New England data
- Advanced analysis within New England
 - Improved real-time security margins
- Impact of external disturbances on New England
 - NE power system is at a corner of the Eastern Interconnection (end of a swing phenomenon).
 - Phasor measurements may allow assessment of how large external disturbances propagate into NE.
 - Is there a set of paths of least reactance in Eastern Interconnection that is most "accommodating" to disturbances
 - Disturbance super highway?

