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GE's Solution – 2021 IEEE-NASPI Oscillation Source Location Contest

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2021 IEEE-NASPI Oscillation Source Location (OSL) Contest



Tied for 1st Place: Team Woodpecker – from General Electric

Contest Objective:

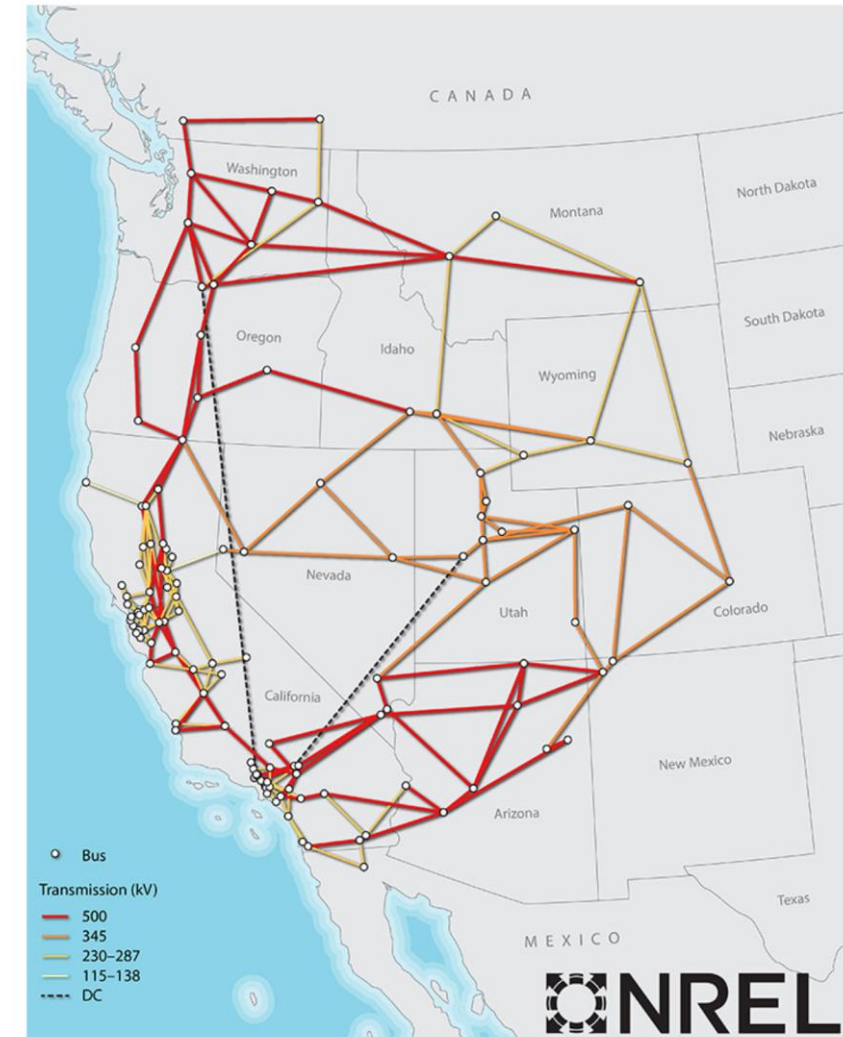
- **Oscillations** are a significant concern for reliable power system operation.
- **Locating the “sources”** is the first step to **mitigate** them
- **Evaluate** constants' OSL methods and highlight the robust methods

Contest Challenges:

- **White noise** is added to the load to mimic **random load fluctuations**
- **Data quality problems** present in the provided PMU data
- **A mix of P Class** (2-cycle window) **and M Class** (6-cycle window) **PMUs**
- Sustained oscillations may be **forced** or due to a poorly damped **natural** mode
- A forced oscillation may **resonate** with a natural mode
- Source(s): **synchronous machine, load, HVDC, or any combination**
- **Frequency and amplitude** of a forced oscillation may be **time-varying**
- **Source(s)** of an oscillation, **may not be monitored** by or close to a PMU
- A **short-circuit fault and/or a line tripping event** may initiate the oscillation(s)

13 cases reflect real-world challenges

Contest main website: <https://www.naspi.org/node/890>



The 240-bus Western Electricity Coordinating Council (WECC) model



Case Summary¹:

243 AC Buses

146 Generators at 56 power plants

- 109 Conventional model set with GOV, EXC, PSS etc.
- 37 Renewable model set

139 Loads

329 Lines and 122 Transformers

Four areas: NORTH, SOUTH, CALIFORNIA, and MEXICO

HVDC terminals at CELILO and SYLMARLA

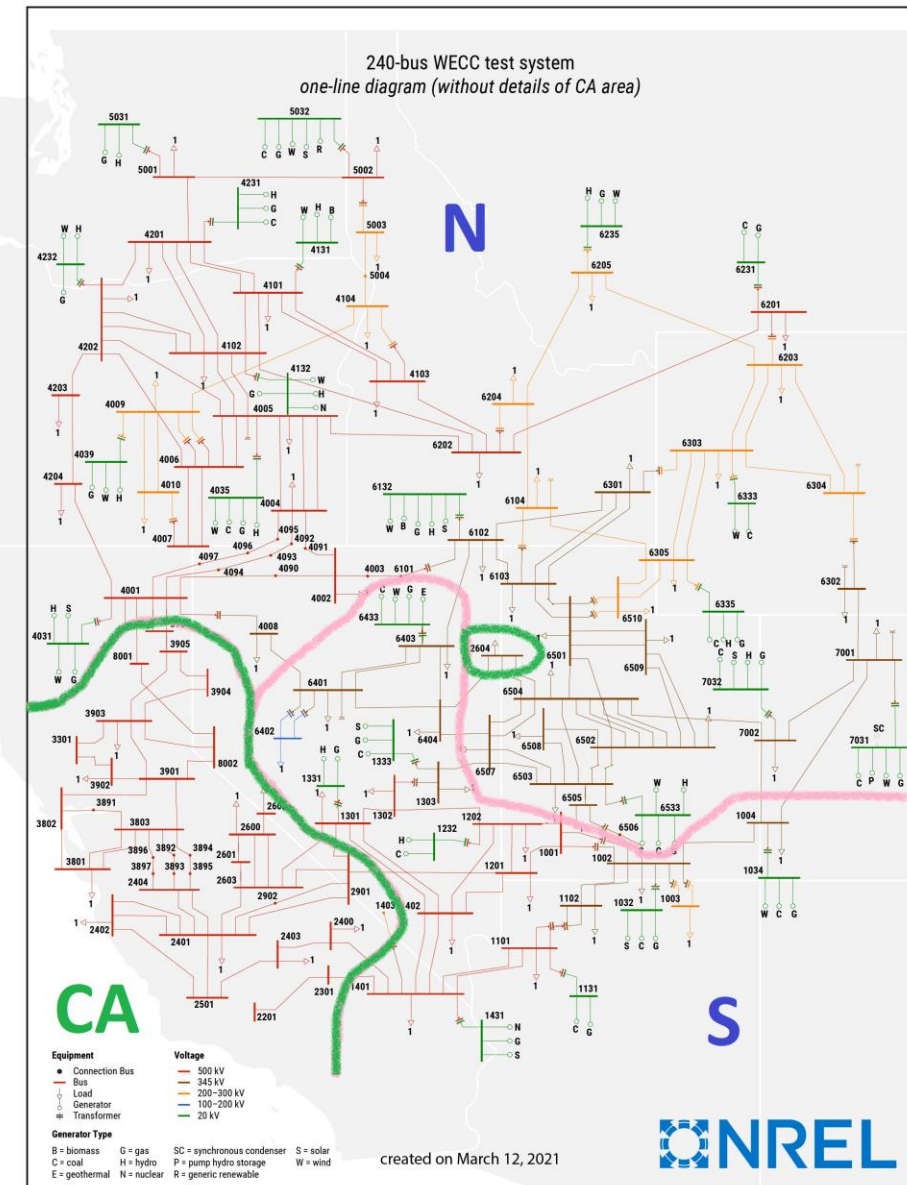
PMU Coverage in the Contest Dataset:

PMUs voltage phasors coverage:

- 58 of 243 buses are monitored

PMUs current phasors coverage:

- 23 of 56 power plants are monitored
- 23 tie-lines between areas
- Total current phasors: 49, 50, 68, or 89



¹ H. Yuan, R. S. Biswas, J. Tan and Y. Zhang, "Developing a Reduced 240-Bus WECC Dynamic Model for Frequency Response Study of High Renewable Integration," 2020 IEEE/PES Transmission and Distribution Conference and Exposition (T&D), 2020, pp. 1-5, doi: 10.1109/TD39804.2020.9299666.

Contest Evaluation Criteria



Scoring Criteria from contest committee:

1. Total score of for each field is listed on the solution template.
2. Evidence/explanation

Case #	Frequency (Hz)	Area Name	Bus #	Asset Type	Controller
N/A	N/A	3 pt.	+3 pt. – correct +1 pt. – within 1 bus +0 pt. – other	+1 pt. – correct +0 pt. – N/A -1 pt. – wrong	+1 pt. – correct +0 pt. – N/A -1 pt. – wrong

1. Total case **score = 0** if **Area is wrong**
2. Asset Type: choose from **Generator, Load, HVDC** or **N/A** if not sure or not specific.
3. Controller: choose from **Exciter, Governor, Other** or **N/A** if not sure or not specific.

Woodpecker's Results Summary



Unsure the Asset Type

Missed the OSL bus

Missed the Controller

Case	Frequency	Area	Bus	Asset Type	Controller	Bus/Brn monitored
1	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	58/89
2	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	58/89
3	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗	58/89
4	✓	✓	✗	✓	✗	58/89
5	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	58/89
6	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	58/ <u>50</u>
7	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	58/89
8	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	58/ <u>49</u>
9	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	58/89
	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
10	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	58/ <u>68</u>
	✗					
11	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	58/89
12	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	58/89
13	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	58/89
	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	58/89

Overlooked OSC Freq @1.22 Hz

Blue: OSL's flow is not monitored

Purple: Load, not Gen

Orange: HVDC, not Gen

Green: OSL's flow is monitored

Strategies used in this contest



Challenges	Countermeasures	Tools/Data	Impact
White noise is added to the load to mimic random load fluctuations	Oscillation detection	FFT	low
Data quality problems present in the provided PMU data	Data preprocessor	Bad data detection; Data gap filling	medium
A mix of P Class (2-cycle window) and M Class (6-cycle window) PMUs	Be mindful	Simple load flow estimation	high
Sustained oscillations may be forced or due to a poorly damped natural mode A forced oscillation may resonate with a natural mode	Select proper time window; DEF method; OSL verifications	Equipment models; Playback simulations	low
Frequency and amplitude of a forced oscillation may be time-varying	Target on one frequency	FFT, DEF	low
Source(s): synchronous machine, load, HVDC, or any combination	OSL verifications	Equipment models; Playback simulations	low
Source(s) of an oscillation, may not be monitored by or close to a PMU	Machine learning	System models; Simulations	high
A short-circuit fault and/or a line tripping event may initiate the oscillation(s)	Select proper time window	Oscillation time-window estimation	medium

Dissipating Energy Flow (DEF)



The **oscillation energy**¹ is flowing from the source to the devices, where the energy is **dissipated**.

Energy flow is composed of two components:

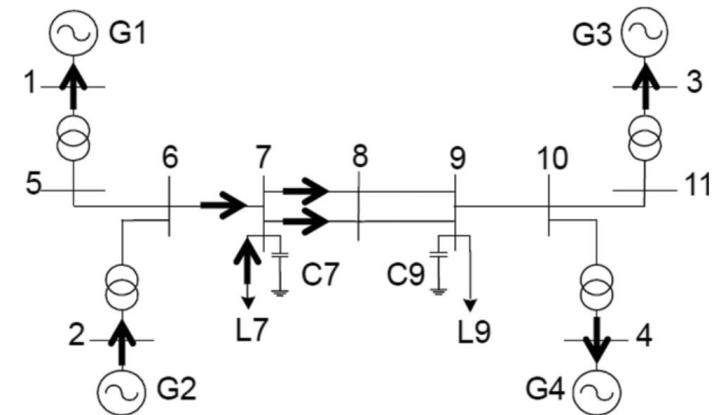
- transient energy
- energy dissipated

$$\int \text{Im}(-\mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{G}i}^* d\mathbf{U}_i) = \left(\frac{1}{2} T_{Ji} \omega_0 \omega_i^2 - P_{mi} \delta_i \right) + \int D_i \omega_0 \omega_i^2 dt.$$

The equation of the energy flow:

$$W_{ij} = \int (P_{ij,s} d\Delta\theta_i + Q_{ij,s} d(\Delta \ln U_i)) + \int (\Delta P_{ij} d\Delta\theta_i + \Delta Q_{ij} d(\Delta \ln U_i)).$$

ISONE² implemented DEF method for online OSL.



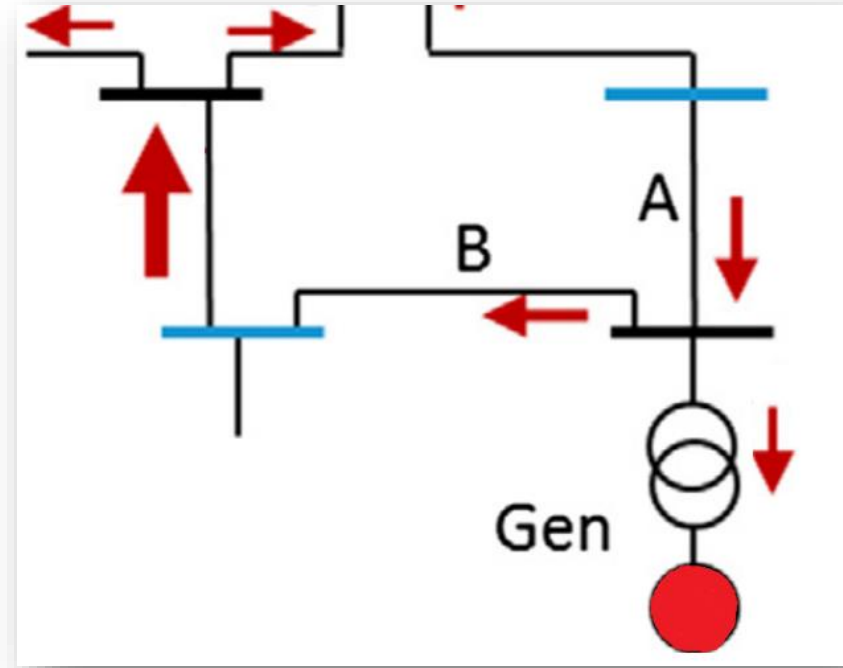
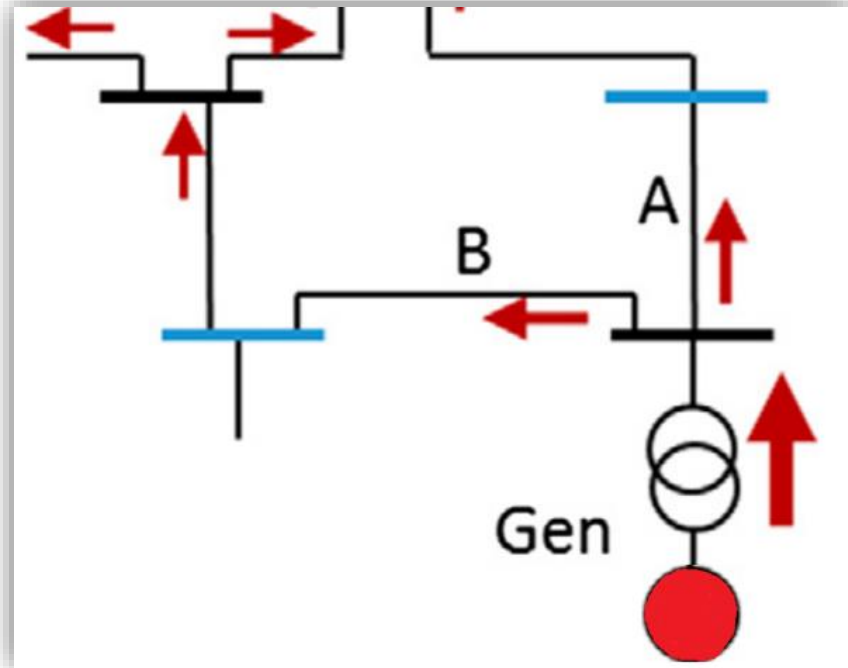
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Dissipating Energy Flow (DEF) - continued



- Impact to the DEF values²: resistances, load model, and etc.
- The pattern of DEF values may reveal the disguised OSL.



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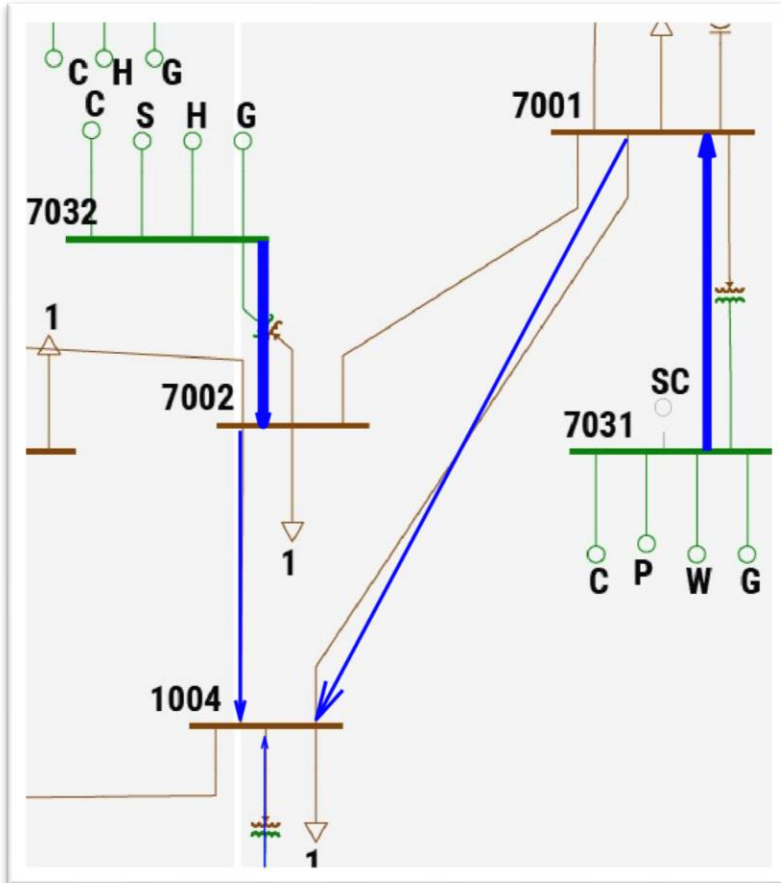
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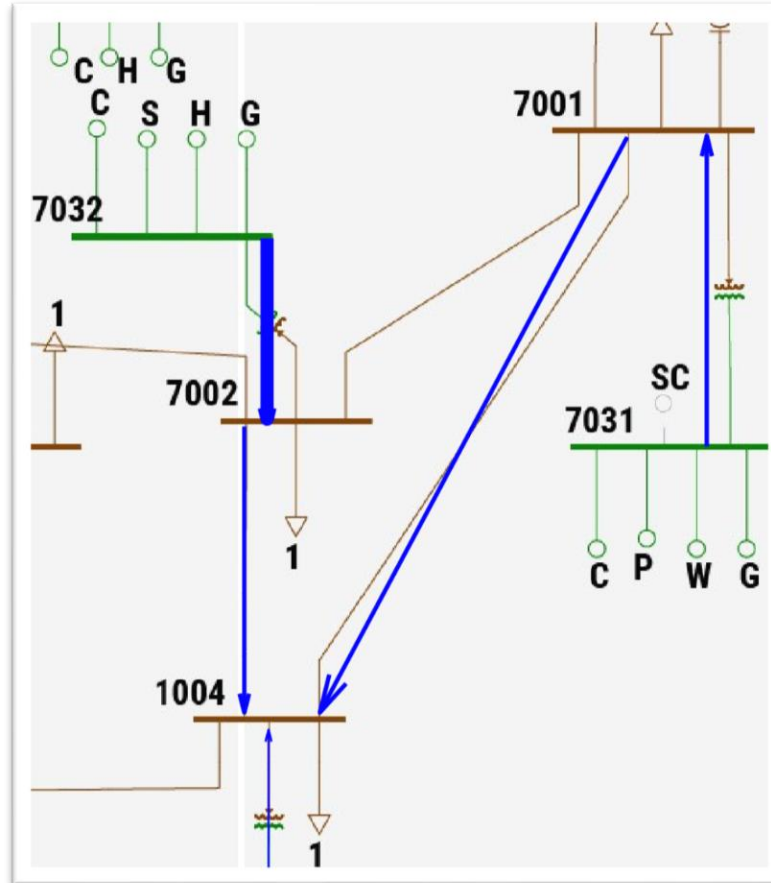


- A simulated case EXC FO at 7031 with varying the load composition

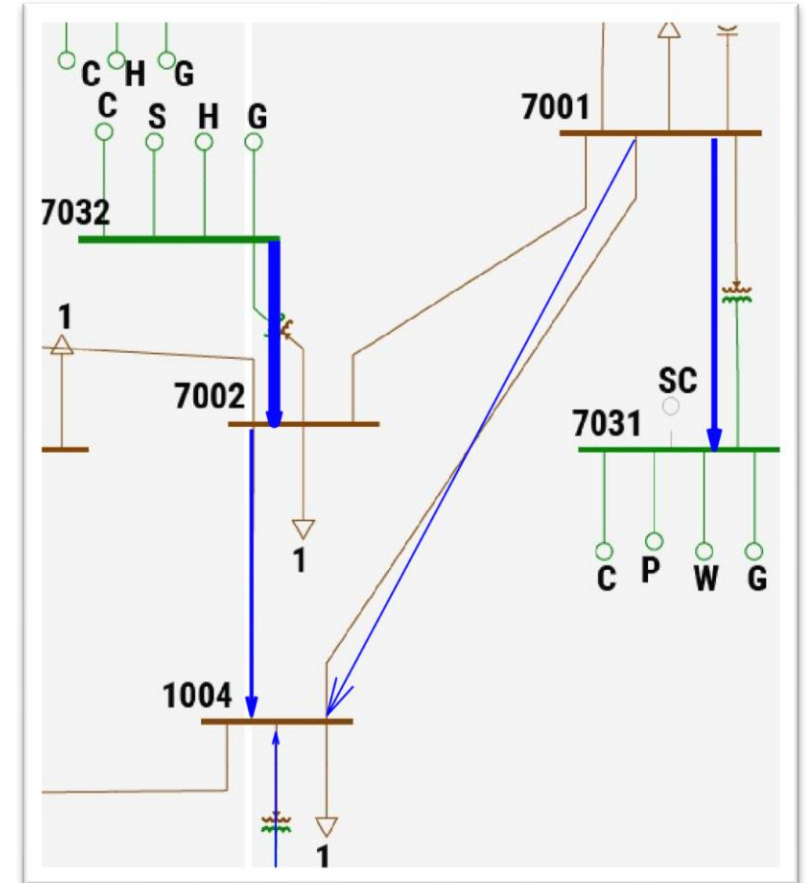
75% MVA + 25% Z Load



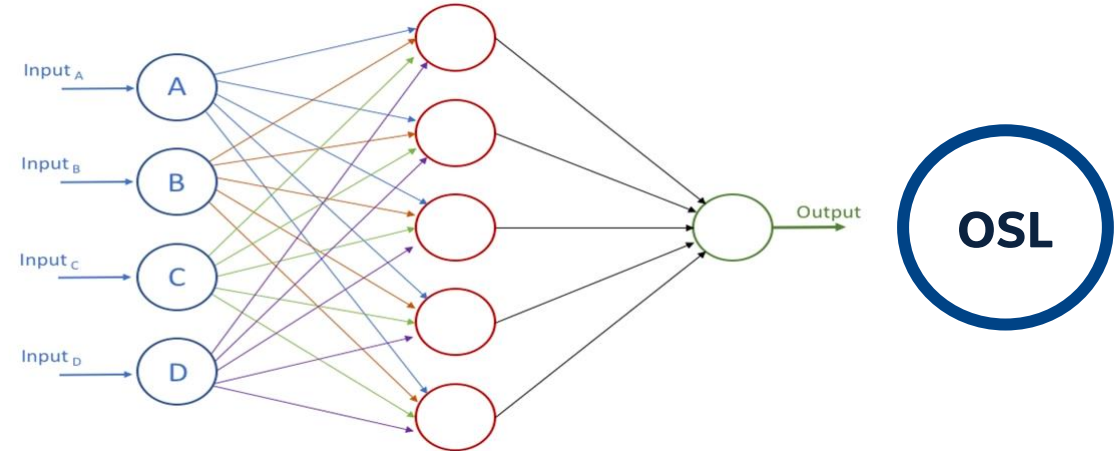
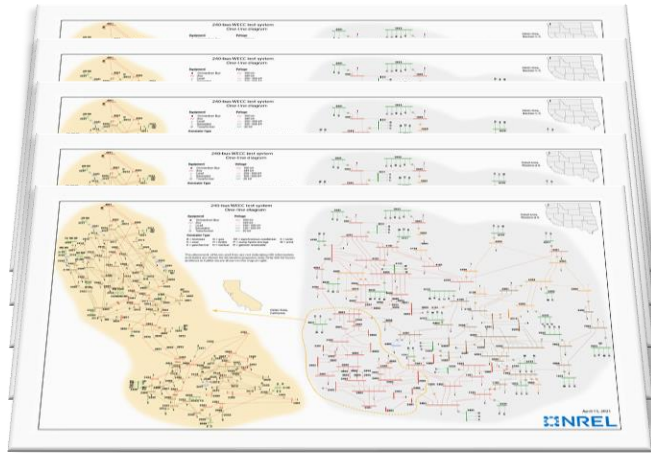
74% MVA + 26% Z Load



73% MVA + 27% Z Load



Machine learning pattern recognition (ML-PR) using DEF values as Input



Various oscillatory scenarios and factors, such as:

- generator/load location,
- controller type,
- ambient noise level,
- oscillatory frequency and magnitude,
- load model composition, etc.

DEF values of monitored branches

Neural Network

Predicted OSL Bus

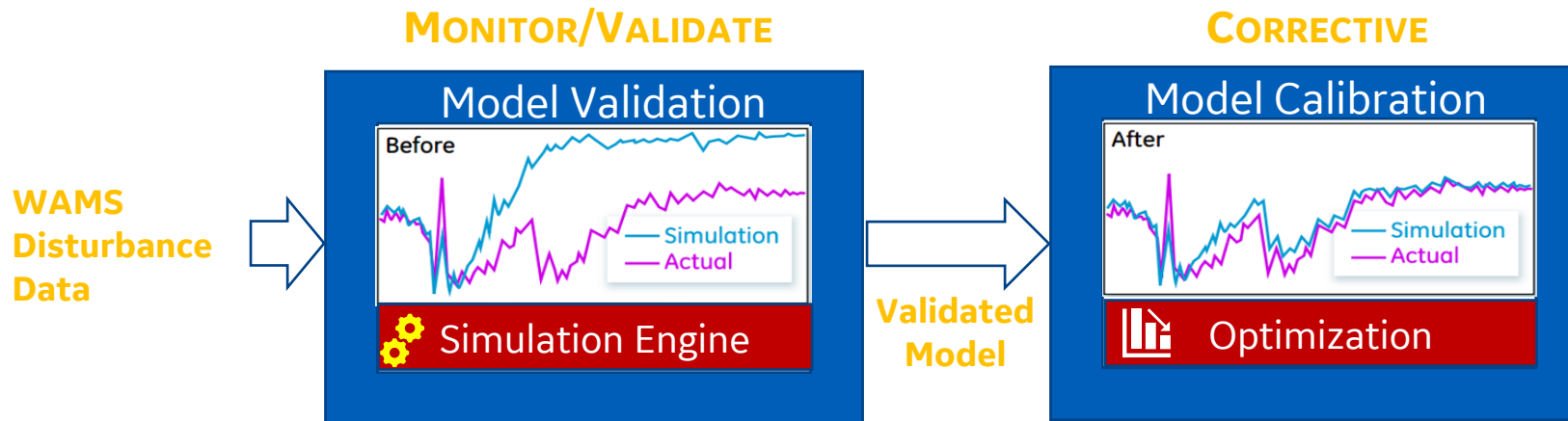
INFO:

- Over 20,000 cases were simulated
- The DEF values of monitored locations from simulated cases were used in ML-PR as the training dataset.
- The output of ML-PR (trained neural network) gives the bus number as the estimated OSL
- ML-PR was used to batch process all given cases and provide the initial estimation.
- When process the case, ML-PR used the same DEF values calculated through the DEF method
 - ML-PR generated its independent result.
- ML-PR showed good tolerance when the number of measurement points were changed.

OSL verifications



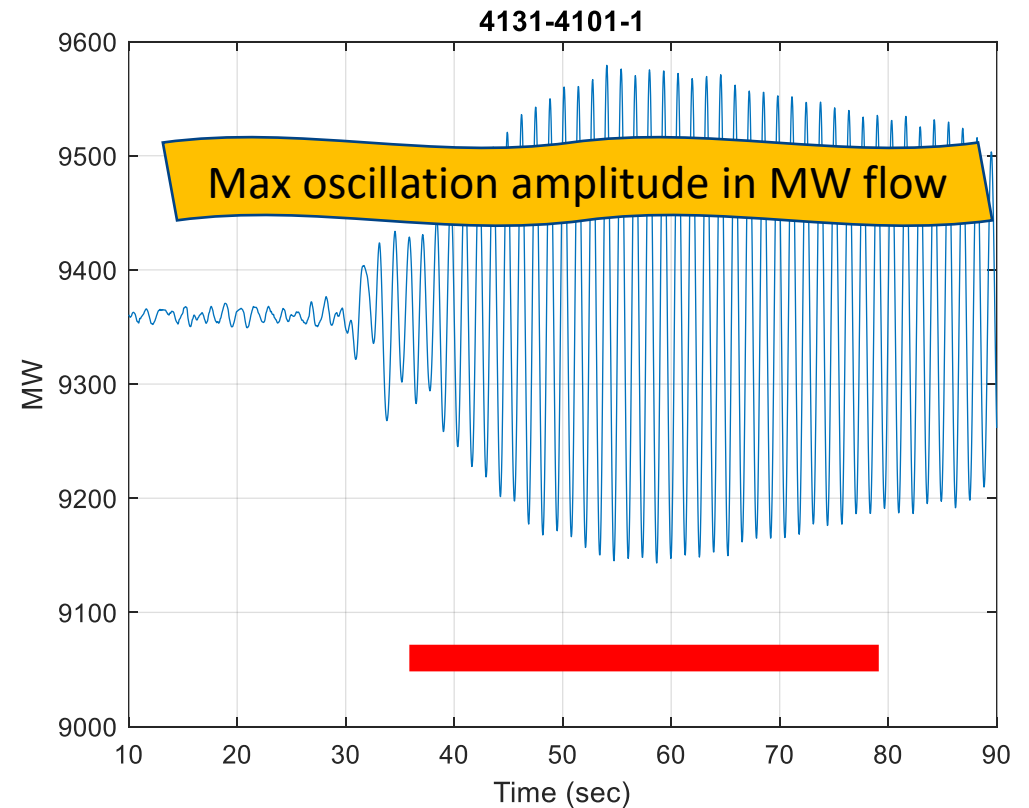
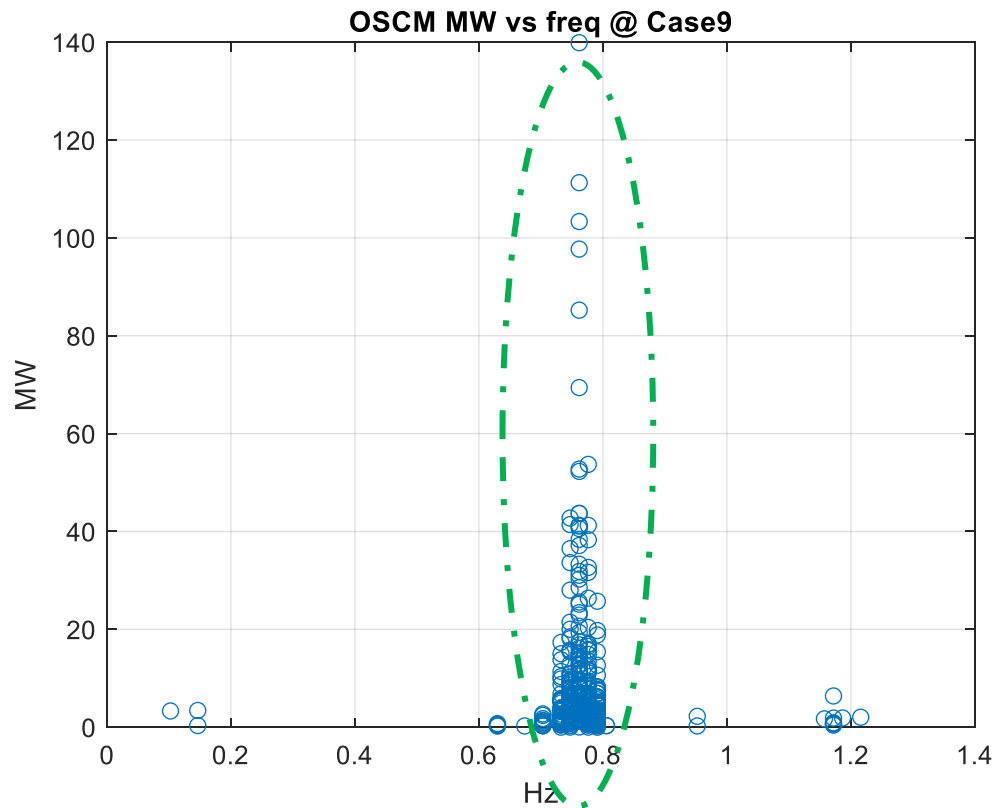
- Playback simulation (Model Validation type of simulation) at power plant level.
 - Pinpoint and verify the OSL bus and the faulty controller once potential OSL candidates were selected.
 - Residuals are mismatches between the simulated P/Q response and the actual response.
 - Residuals are used to determine if any significant deviation in the generators' dynamic performance.
- Controller parameter identification (Model Calibration type of simulation) at individual generator level.
 - Uses optimization method to estimate the possible type of faulty controller.



Case 9

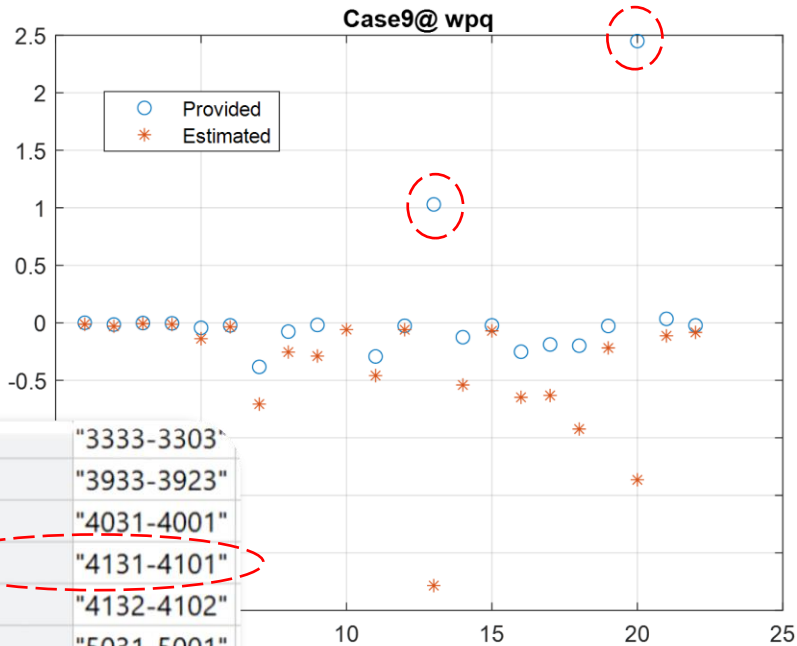


Case	Frequency	Area	Bus	Asset Type	Controller	Comment
9	0.762	NORTH	6533	Generator	Governor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Resonate with a natural mode Fault at bus 1131 at t=30s Max oscillation amplitude in MW flow is not at the source
	0.762	NORTH	4131	Generator	Exciter	

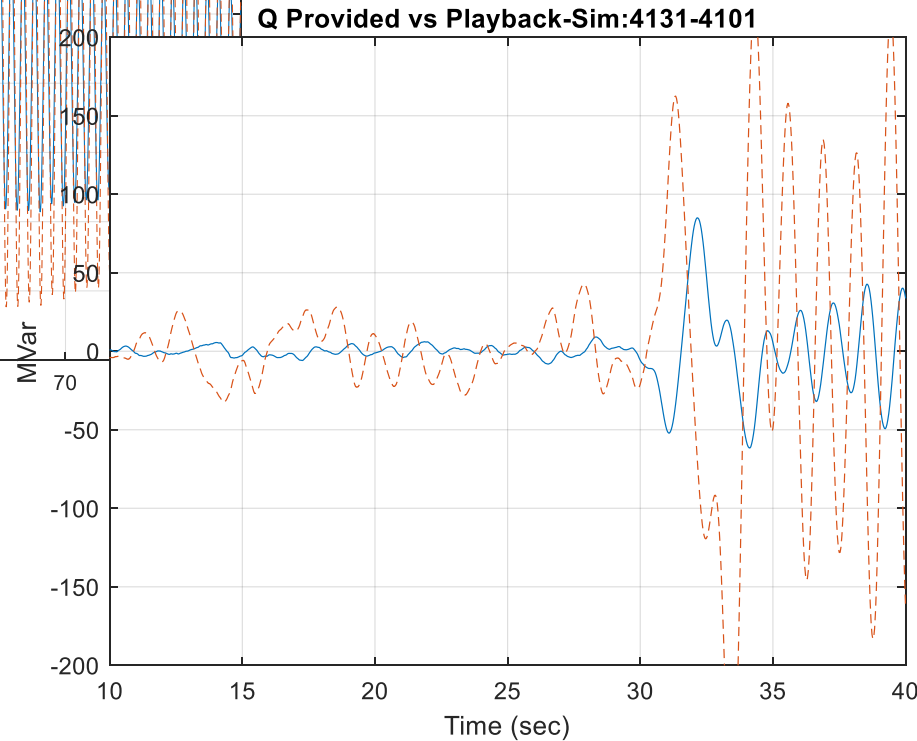
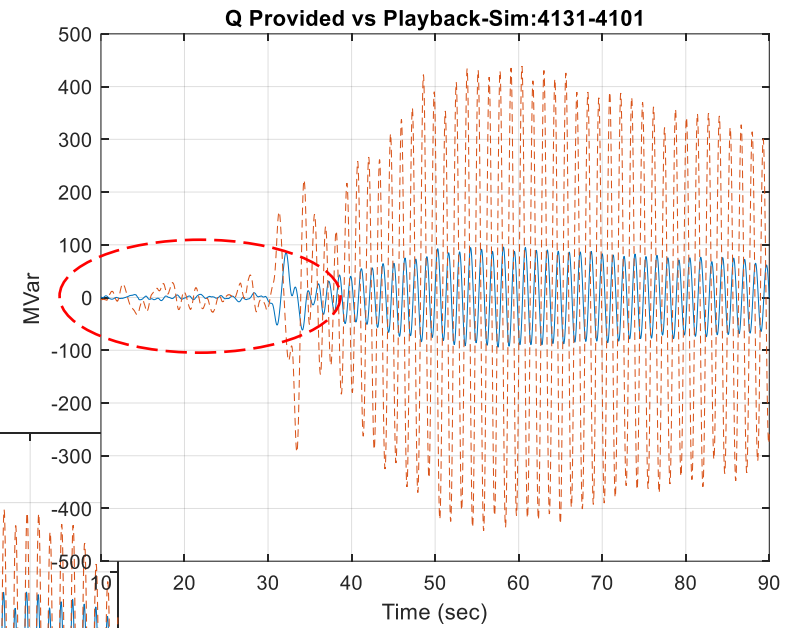
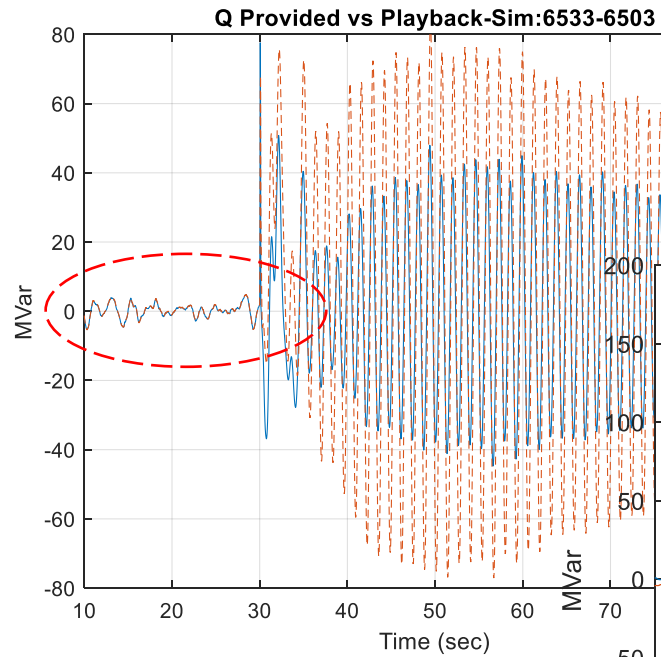


Case 9 - continued

1. Generators at Bus 4131 and 6533 are monitored (voltage and flow)
2. Verify the suspected OSL (Bus 4131 and Bus 6533)
3. Determine Controller Type: GOV or EXC?



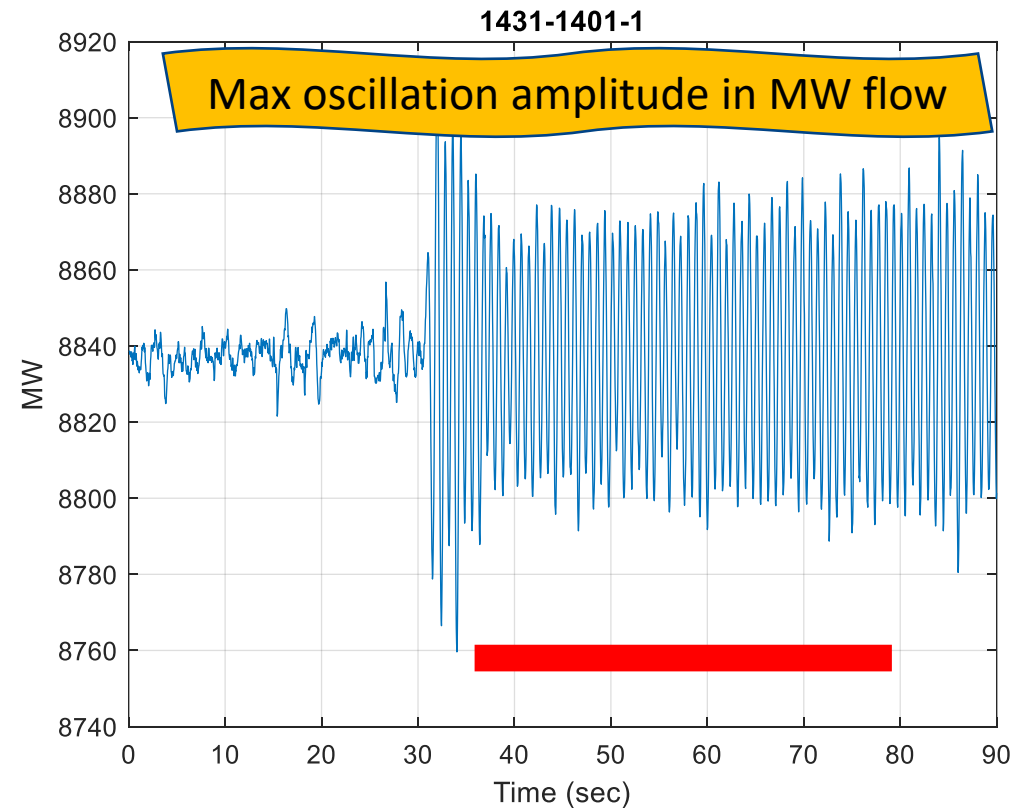
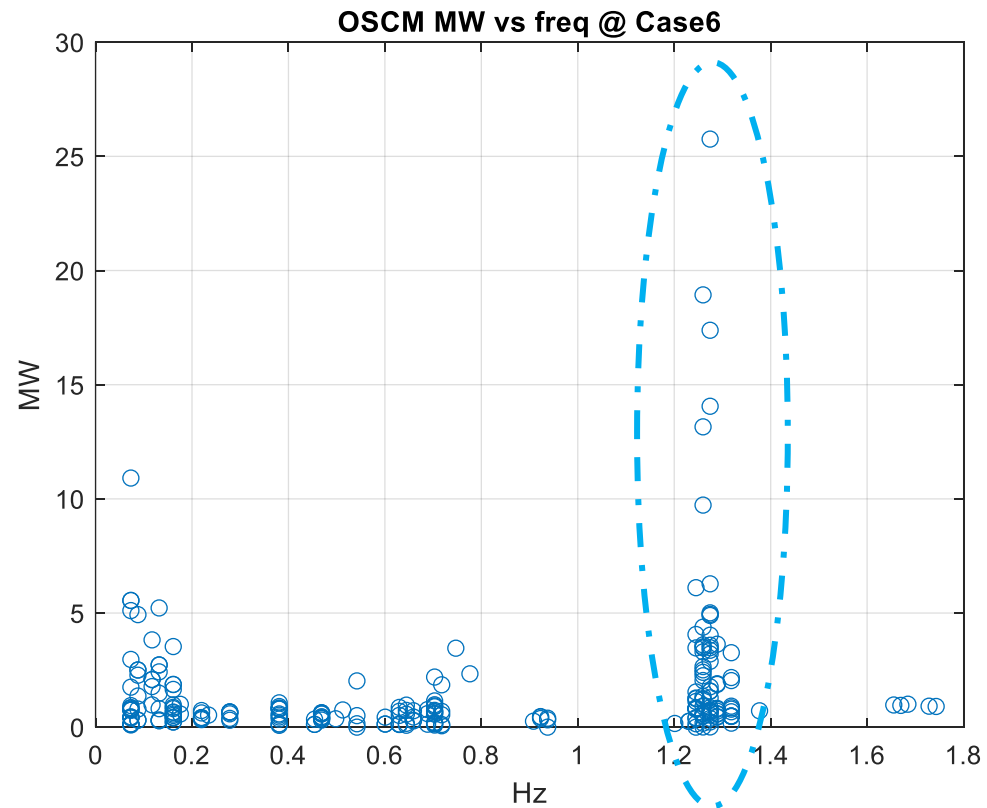
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14	"4132-4102"
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16	"5032-5002"
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19	"6433-6403"
20	"6533-6503"
21	"7031-7001"



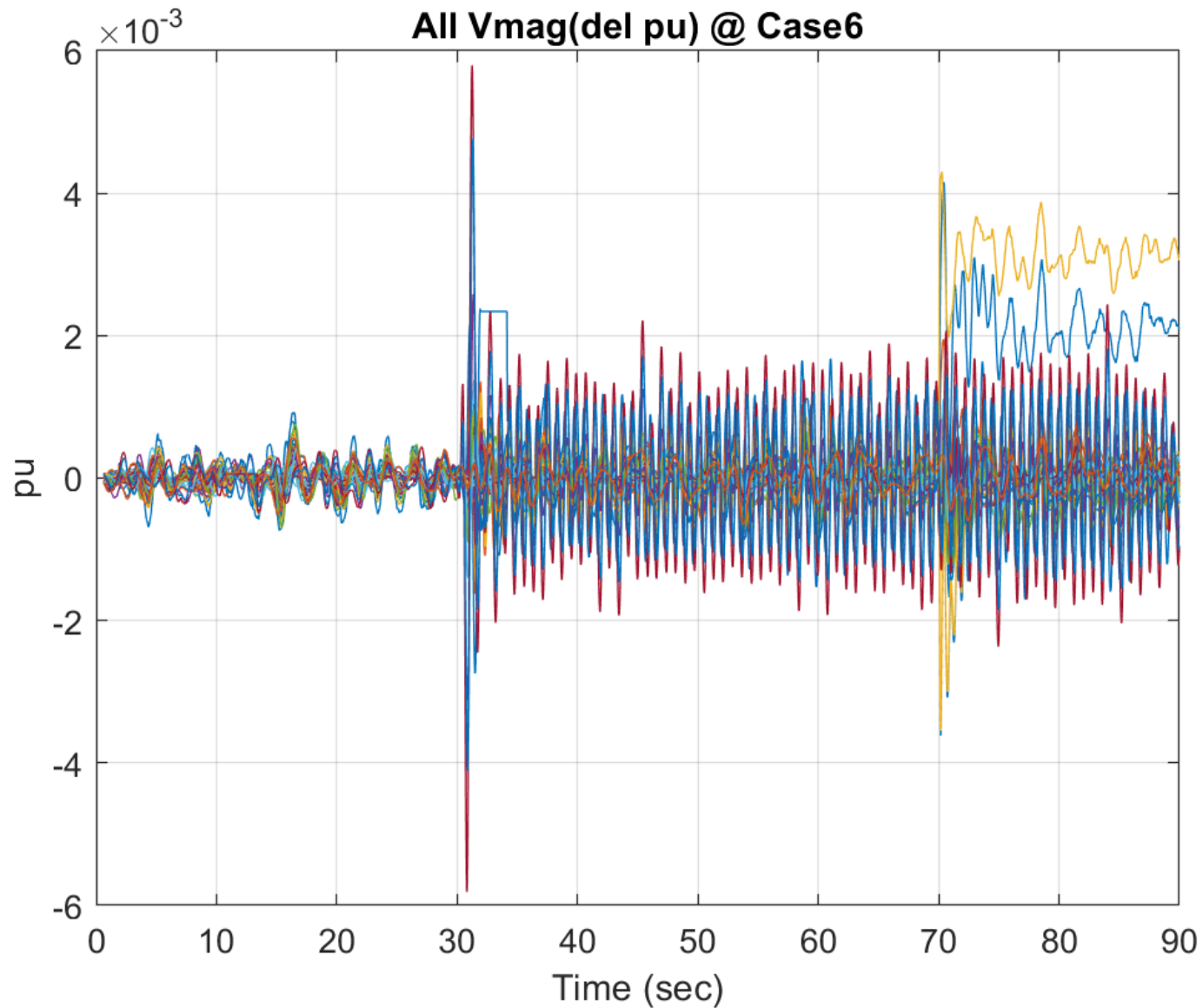
Case 6



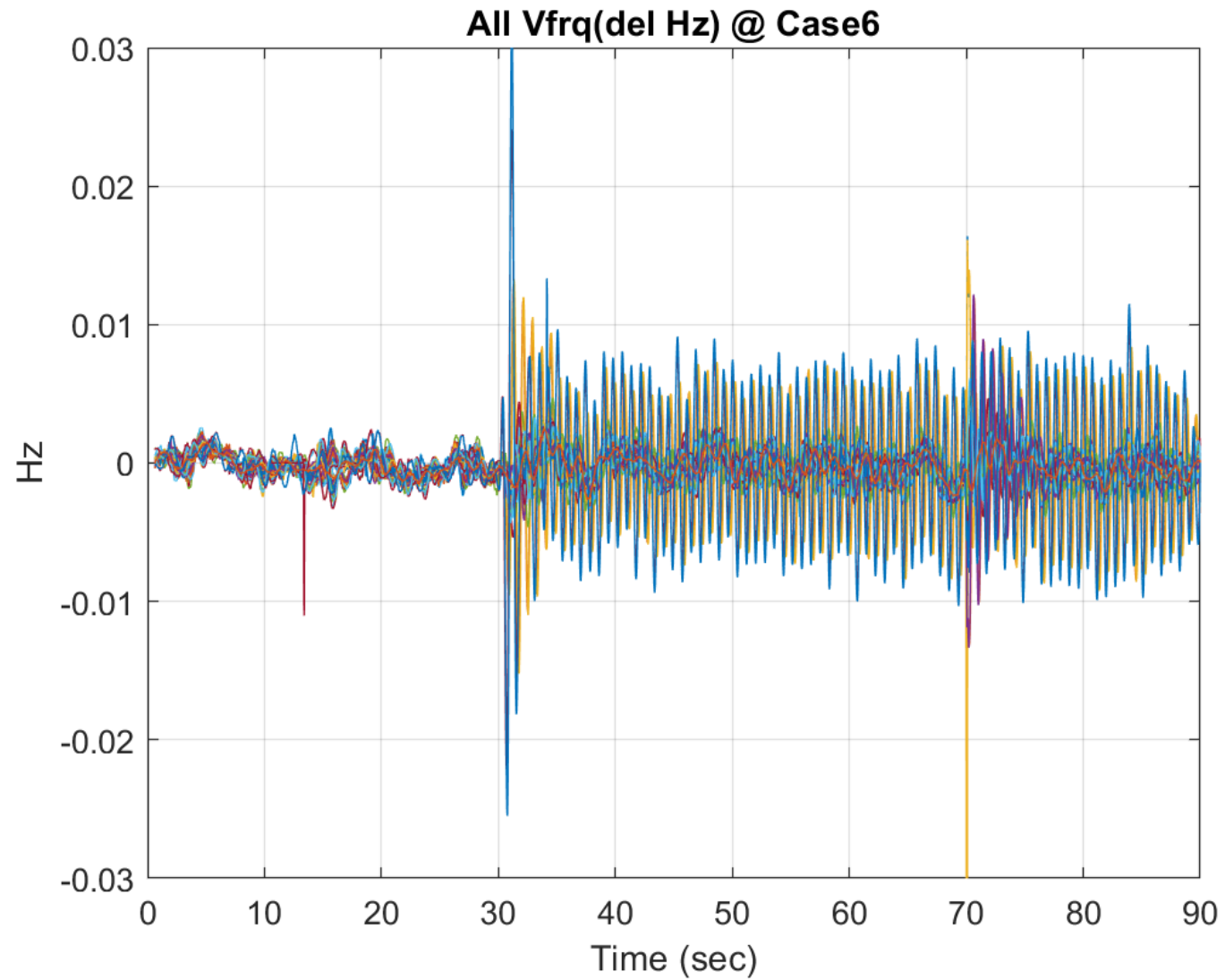
Case	Frequency	Area	Bus	Asset Type	Controller	Comment
6	1.27	NORTH	7031	Generator	Governor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Resonate with a natural mode Line 2604-6404_1 tripped at t=70s Voltage at bus 7031 is monitored but not current Only 50 lines are monitored Max oscillation amplitude in MW flow is not at the source



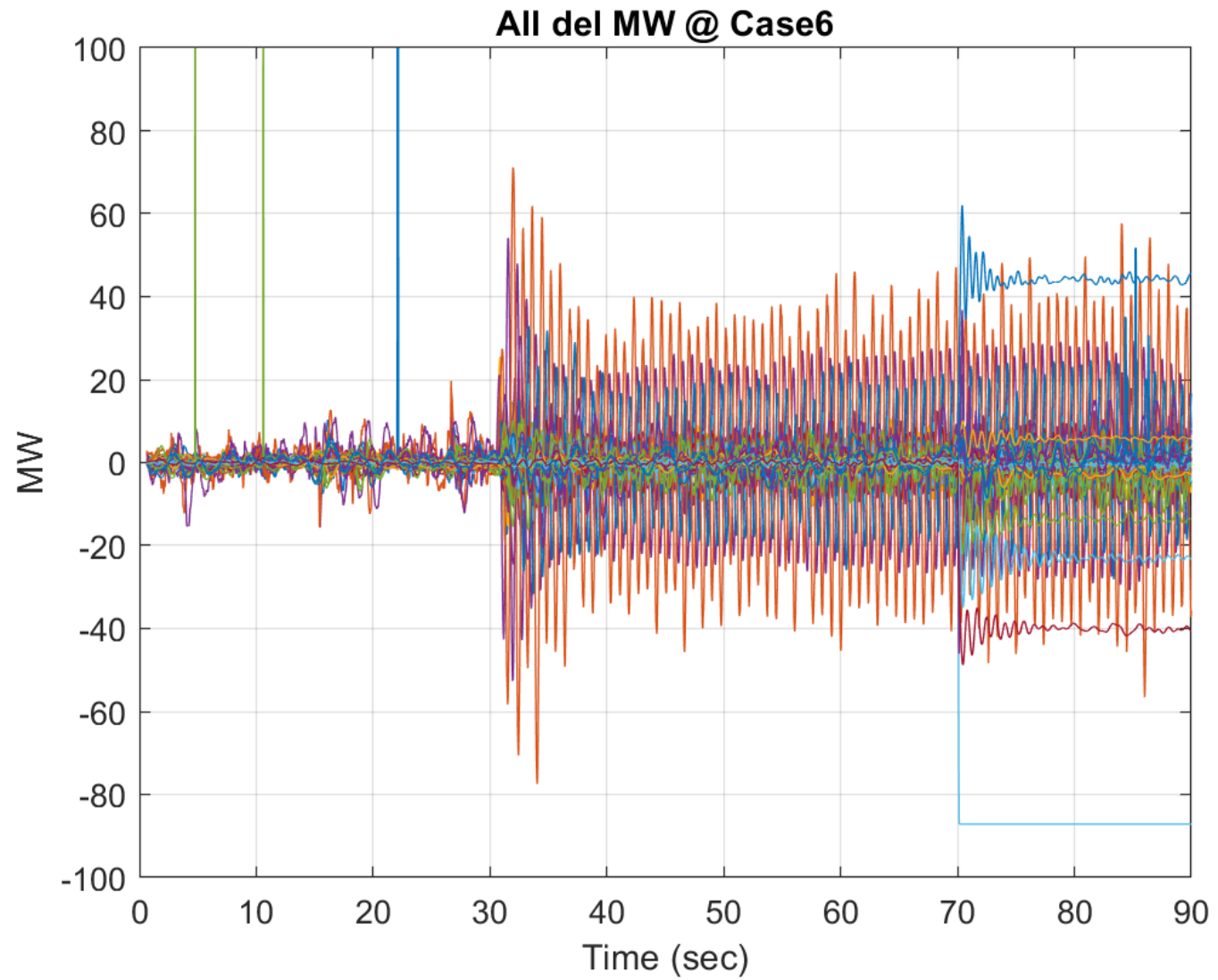
Case 6 - Voltage Profile



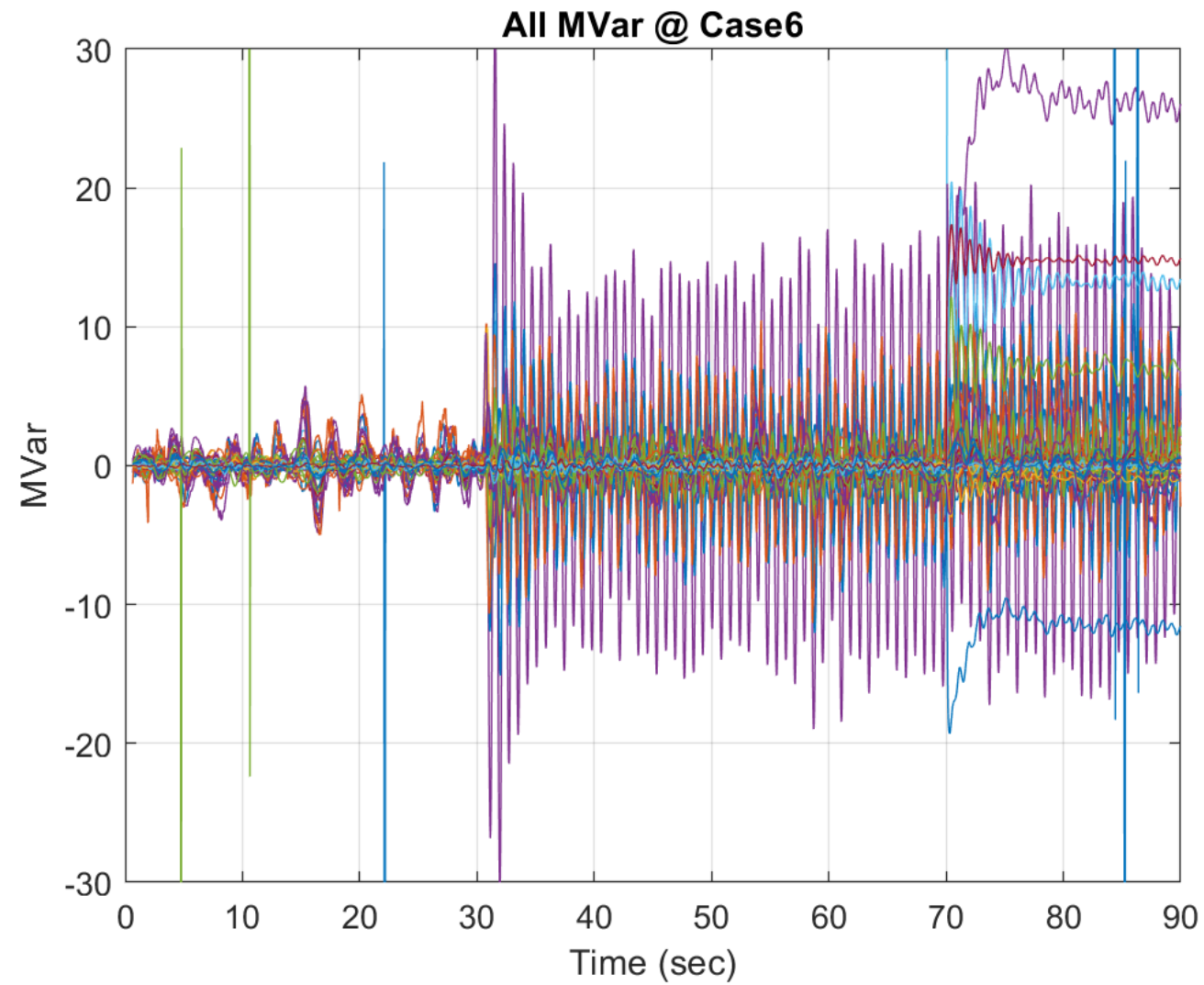
Case 6 - Frequency Profile



Case 6 - MW Profile



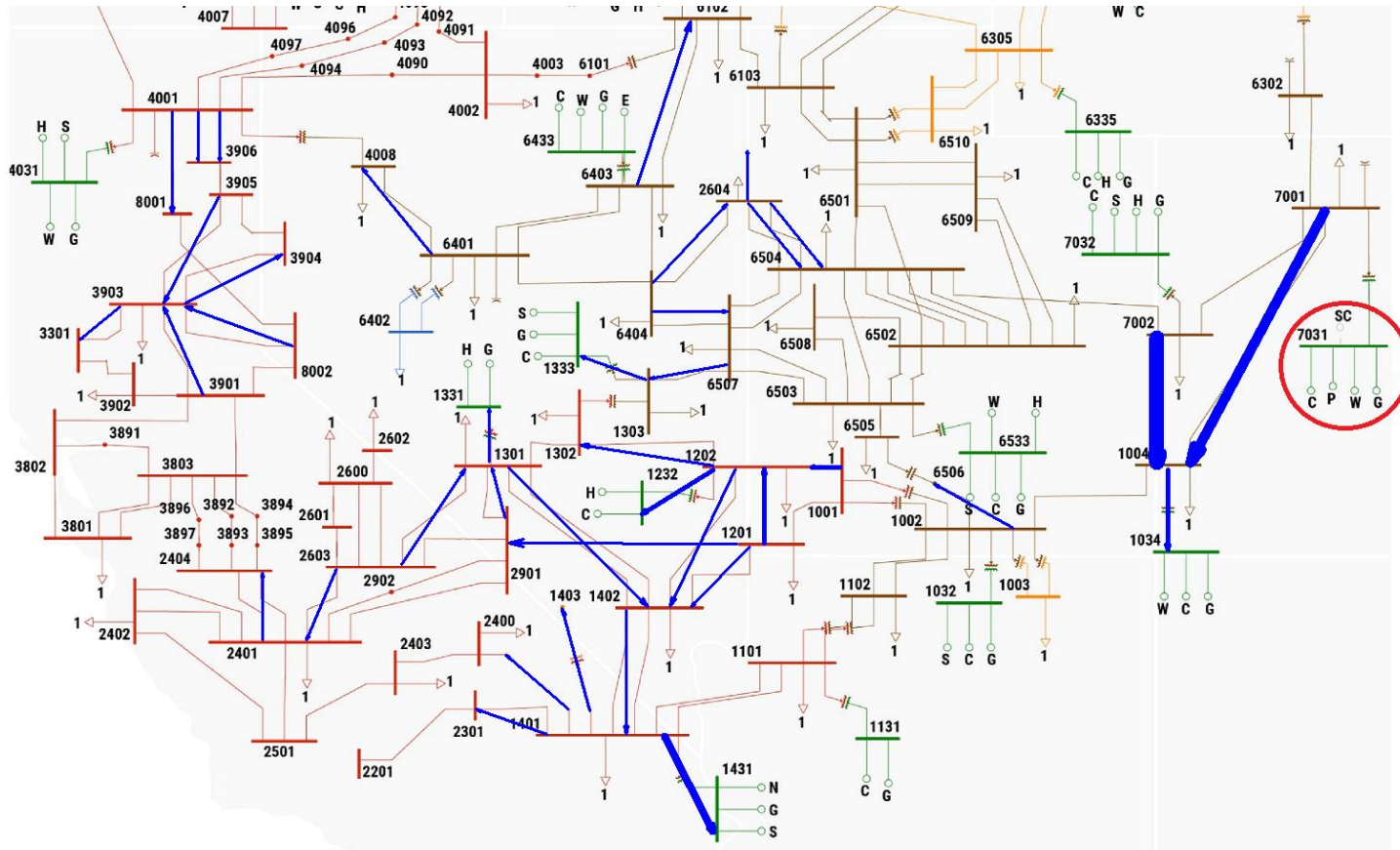
Case 6 - MVar Profile



Case 6 - continued



1. Machine learning classifier points to bus 7031
2. DEF flow factors shows oscillation source from bus 7031
3. Flow of power plant at bus 7031 is not monitored



Bus	ML
7031	0.951815
7032	0.040598
3234	0.002665
2438	0.002332
4131	0.001459
1034	0.000435
1232	0.000408
1333	9.11E-05

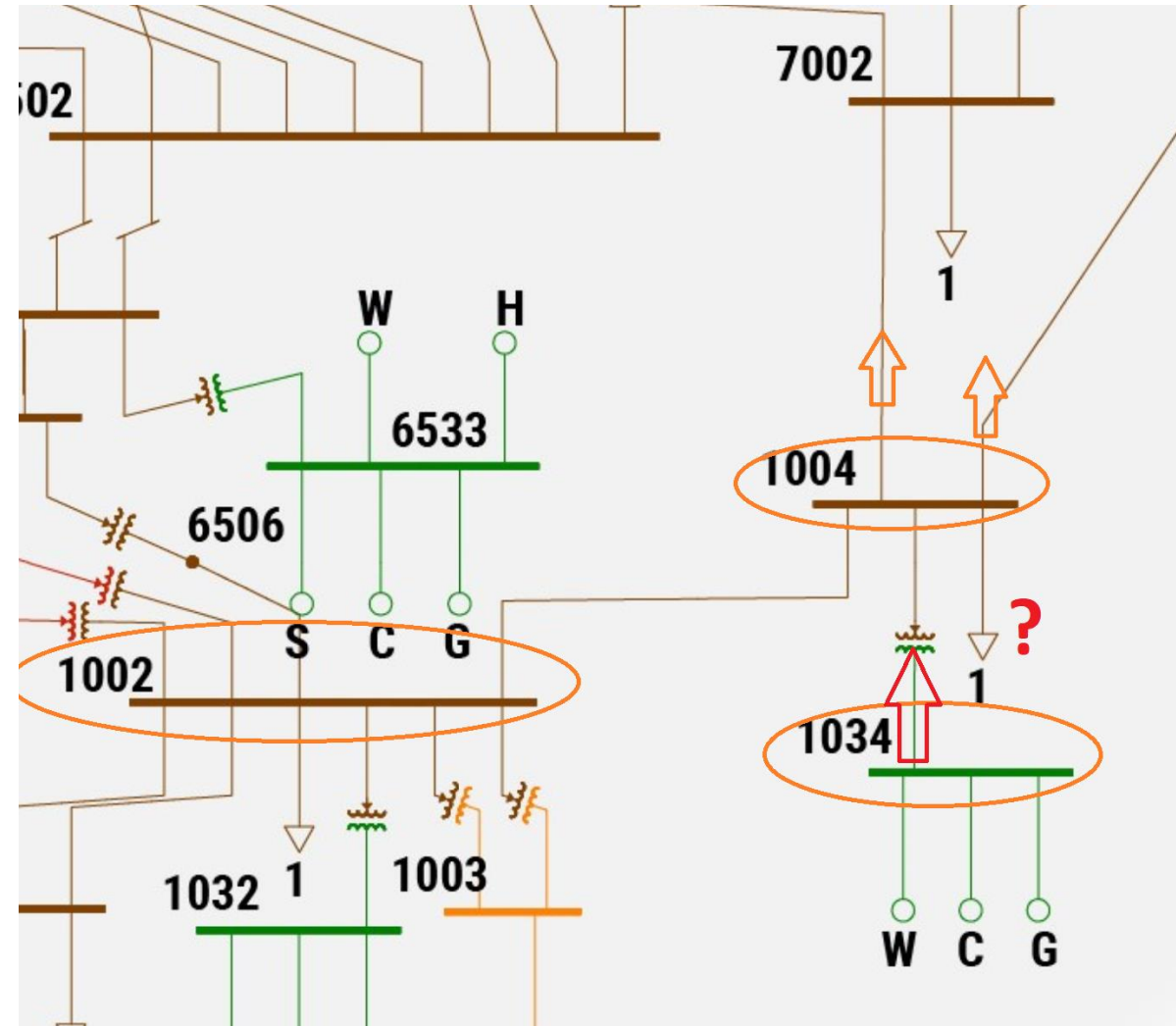
Branch	DEF
"1004-7002-1"	-1
"1004-7001-1"	-0.65
"1431-1401-1"	-0.4
"1232-1202-1"	-0.25
"1034-1004-1"	-0.24
"1202-1201-1"	-0.21
"1202-1001-9"	-0.11
"1202-1302-1"	0.07

Case 6 - continued



To estimate the load at Bus 1004

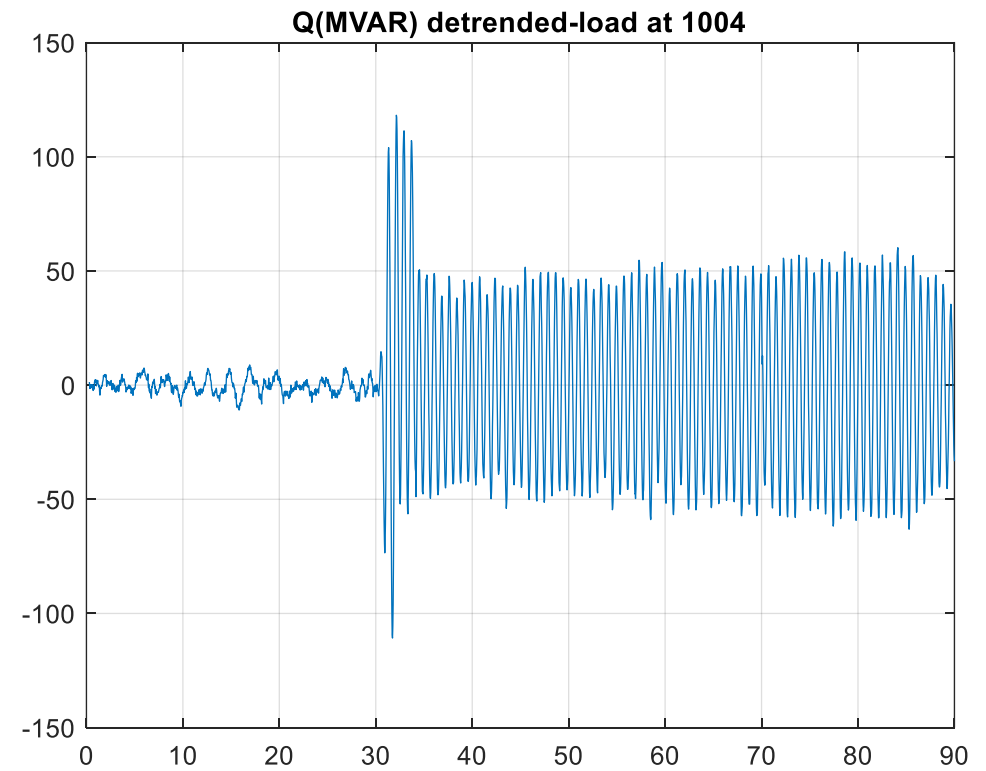
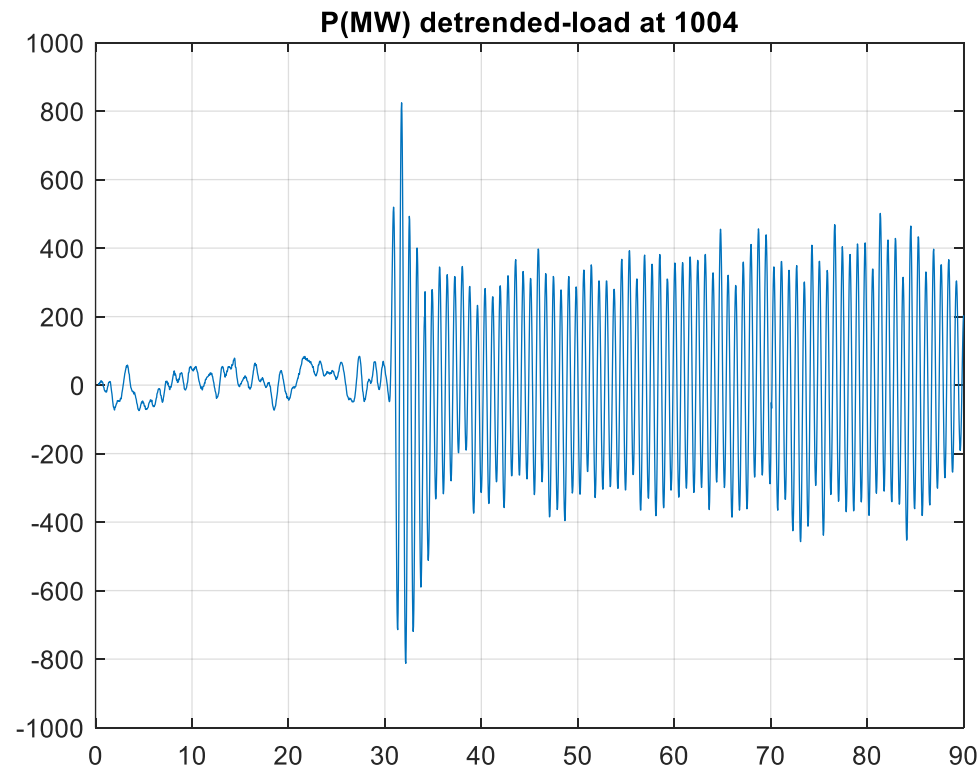
- The given are:
 - Voltage at 1034, 1004, 1002
 - Flow: 1034-1004-1, 1004-7002-1, 1004-7001-1
- So, the load intuitively is the sum of the followings:
 - 1004-7002-1 (given)
 - 1004-7001-1 (given)
 - 1004-1002-1 (calculated from voltage 1002 and 1004 using given impedance at line 1002-1004-1)
 - 1004-1034-1 (calculated from voltage 1004 and 1034 using given impedance at trf 1004-1034-1)



Case 6 - continued



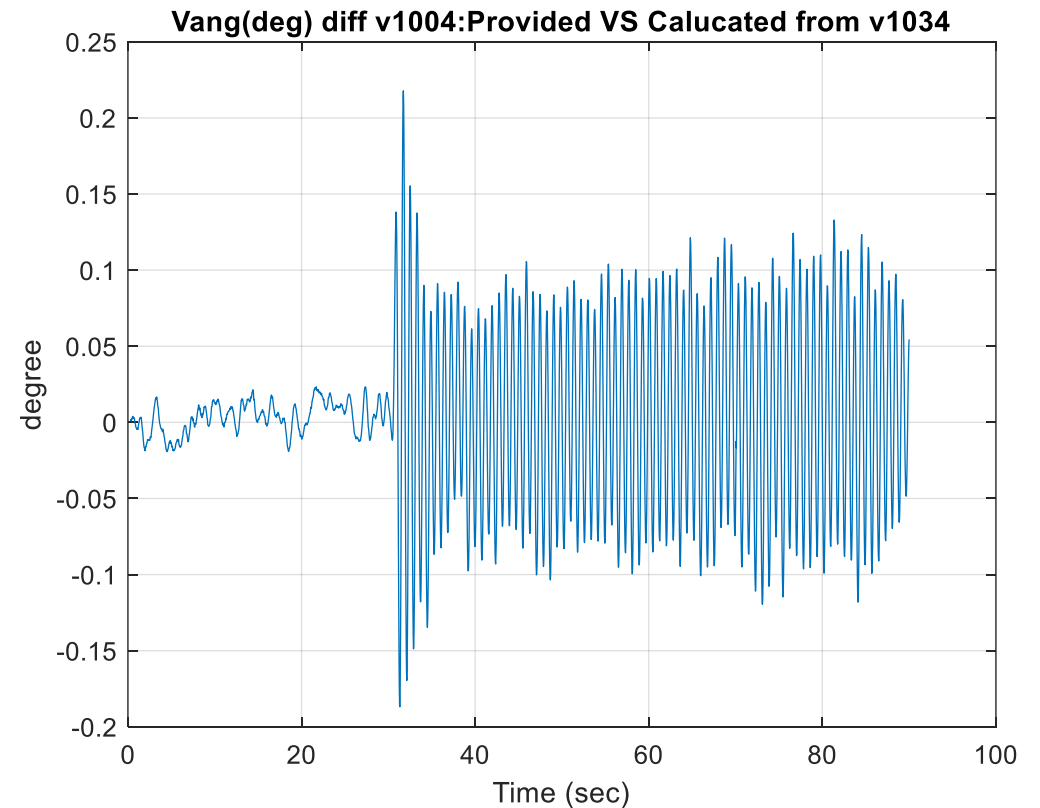
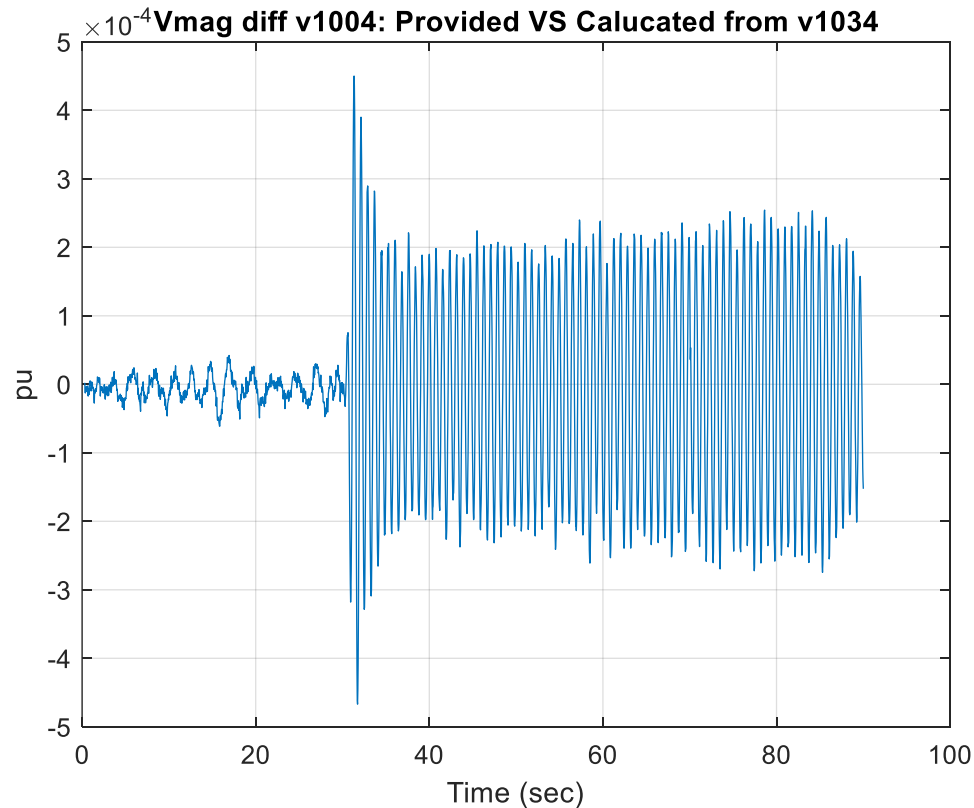
Estimated load shows significant oscillations...200~300 MW; 50 Mvar



Case 6 - continued



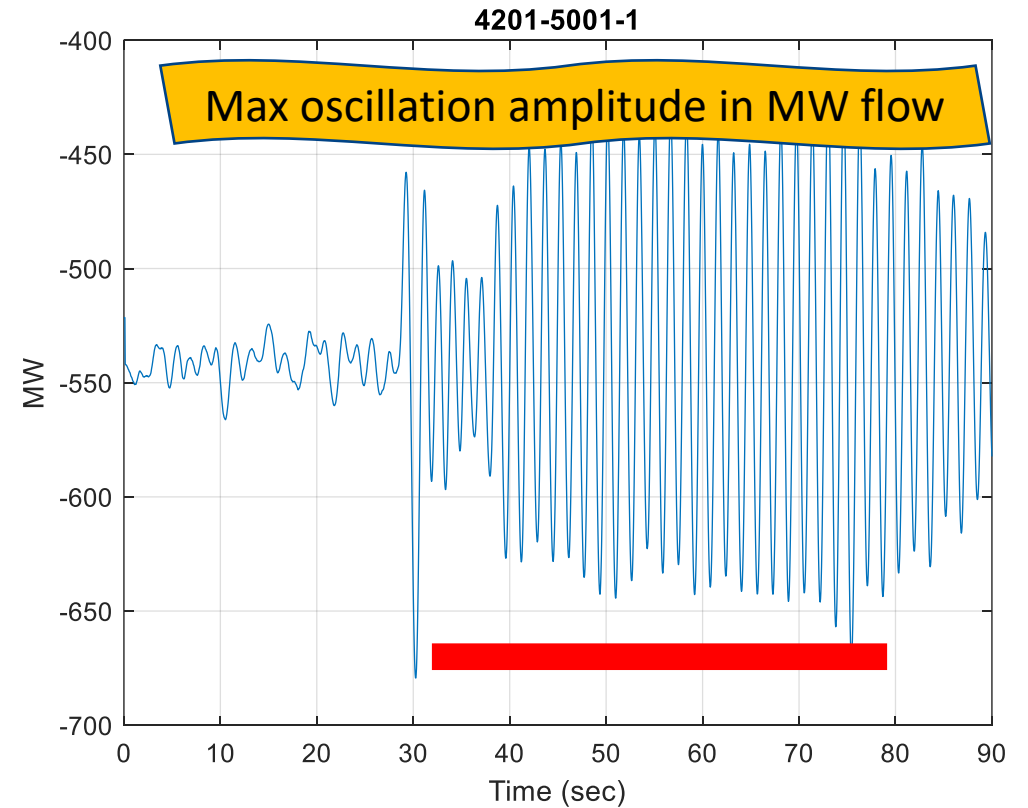
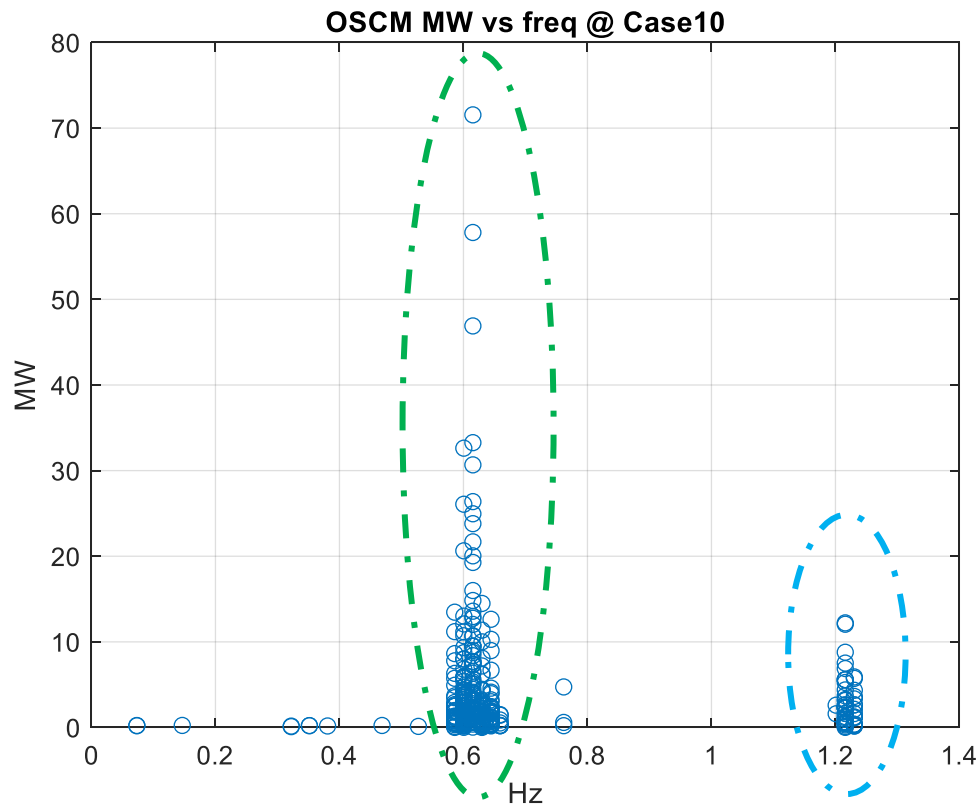
- Voltage at 1004 is not agree with the calculated value using voltage at 1034 and flow 1034-1004-1
 - Delta angle is as large as 0.1 degree
- Mixture of M class and P class PMUs could contribute to that...



Case 10



Case	Frequency	Area	Bus	Asset Type	Controller	Comment
10	0.614	NORTH	6335	Generator	Governor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Resonate with a natural mode Max oscillation amplitude in MW flow is not at the source Fault at bus 1131 at t=28s Bus 3931 is not monitored by a PMU
	1.218	CA	3931	Generator	Governor	



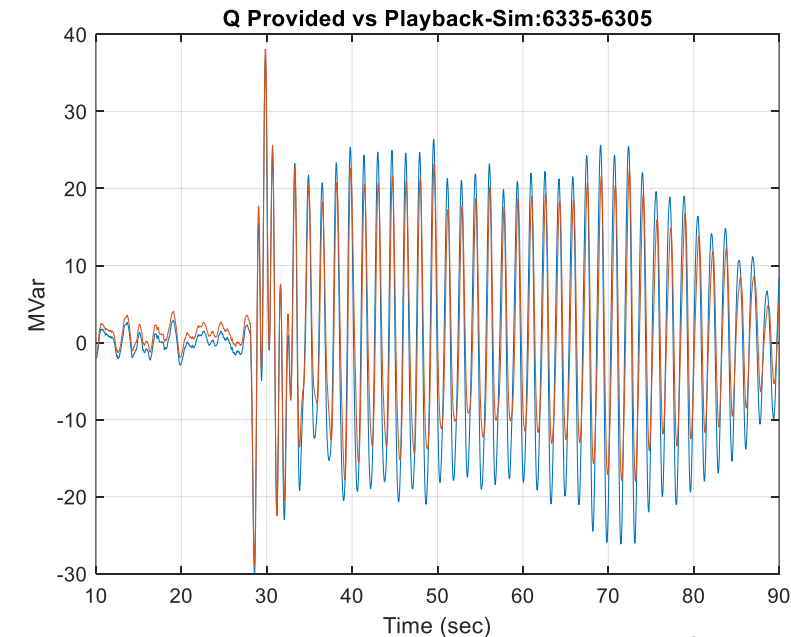
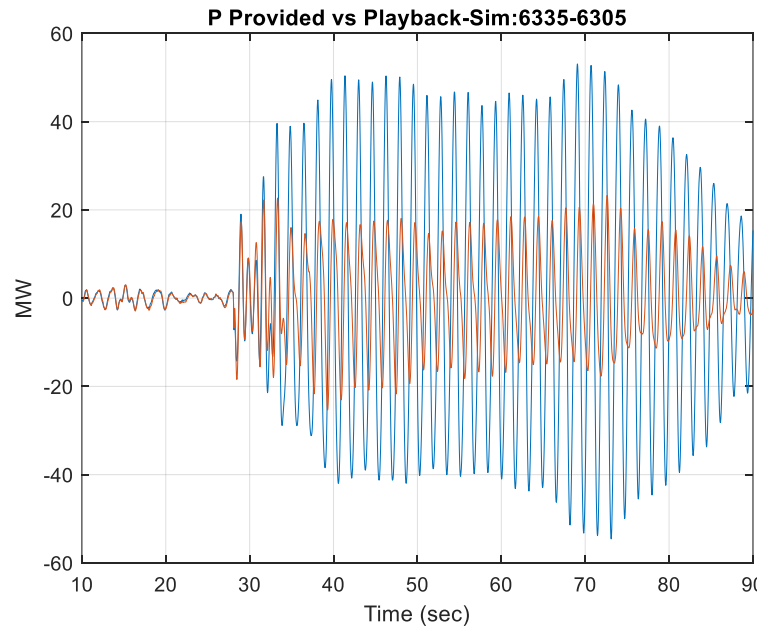
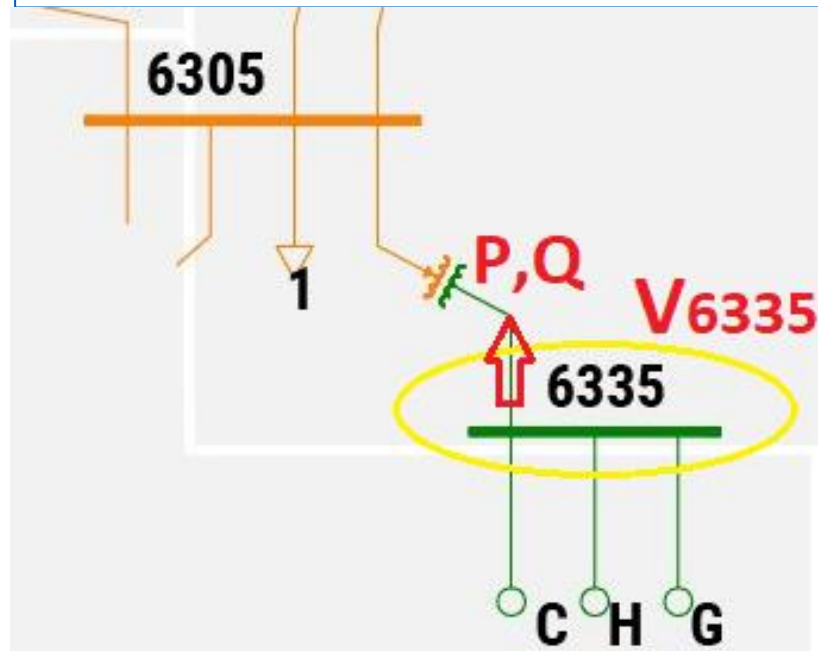
Case 10 - 0.614 Hz



1. Machine learning classifier points to bus 6335
2. DEF flow factors shows oscillation source from bus 6335
3. Generators at bus 6335 is monitored (voltage and flow)
4. Verify the suspected OSL (Bus 6335)
 - Playback simulation at bus 6335 using flow "6335-6305-1"
 - Compare MW and Mvar residues

Bus	ML
6335	0.99485
3135	0.00315
2030	0.00065
4231	0.0003
5031	0.00029
2233	0.00028
2630	0.00022
2130	0.00018

Branch	DEF
"6335-6305-1"	1
"6101-4003-1"	0.26491
"6102-6103-1"	-0.2062
"6202-6201-1"	-0.15733
"6202-4102-1"	0.1565
"3906-4001-1"	-0.13127
"3906-4001-2"	-0.13127
"8001-4001-1"	-0.12394

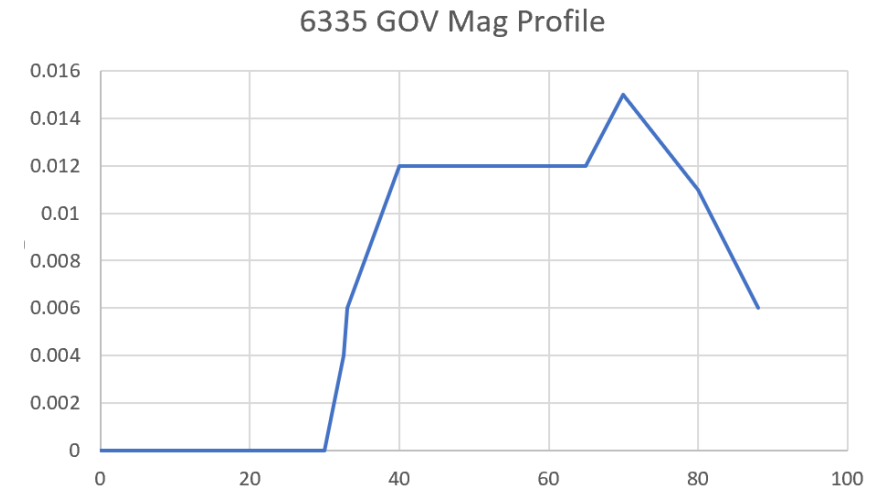
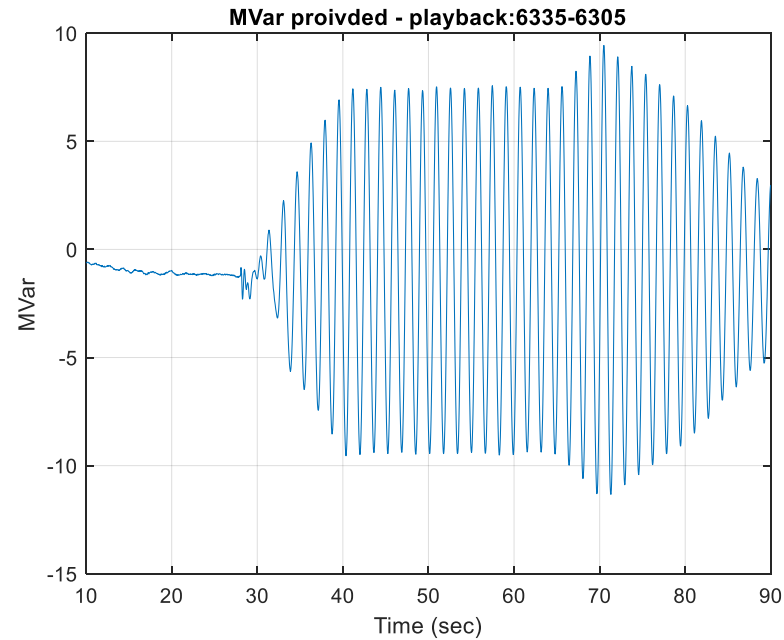
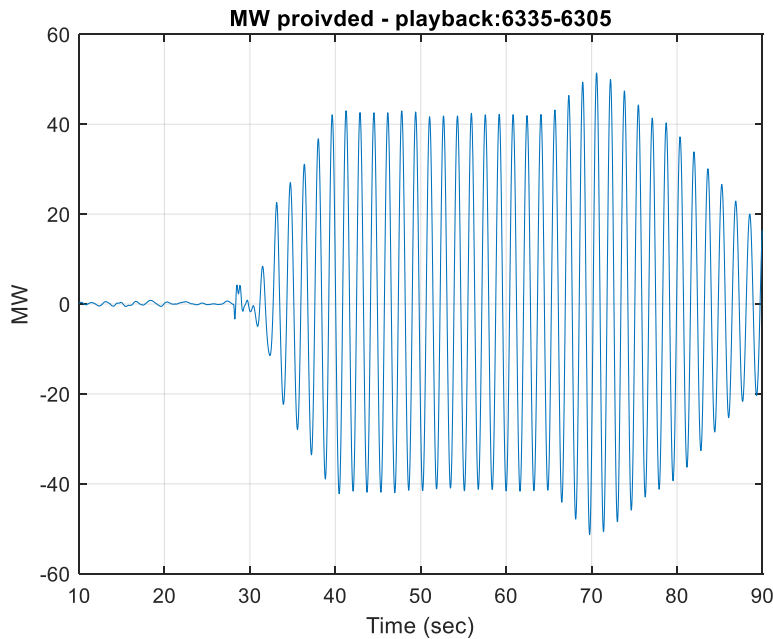
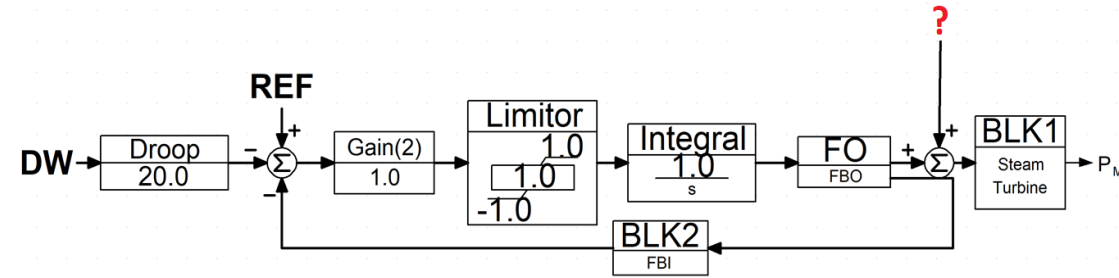


Case 10 - 0.614 Hz - continued



5. Determine Controller Type: GOV or EXC?

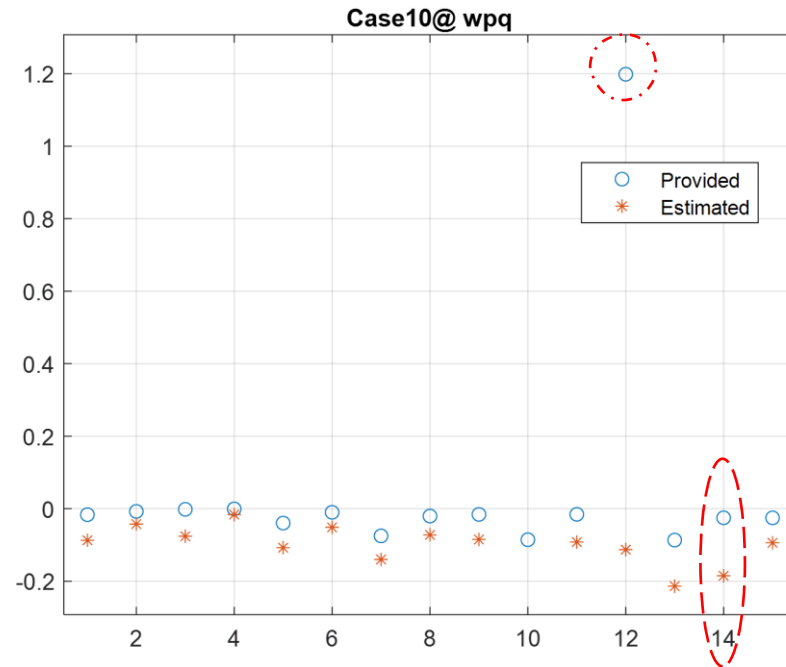
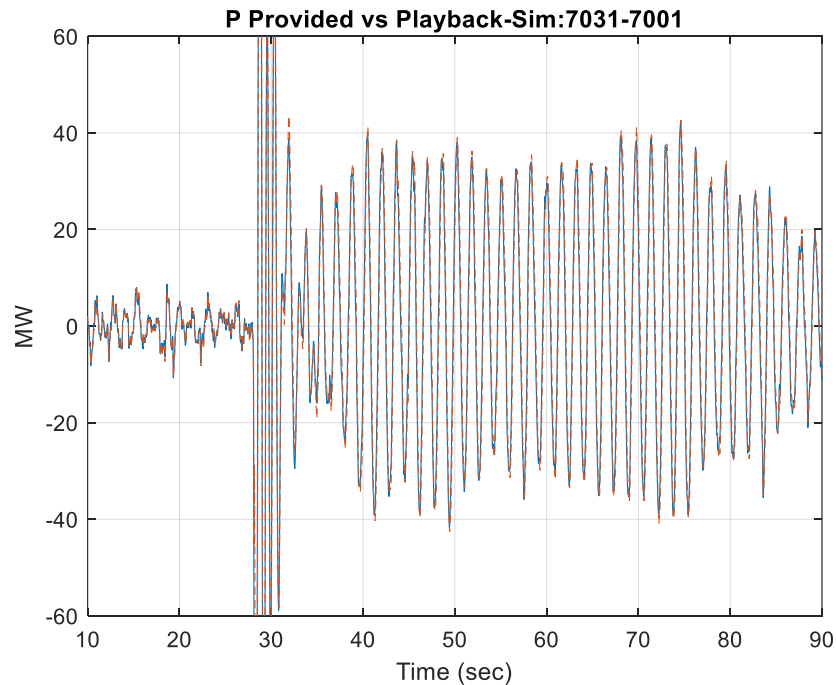
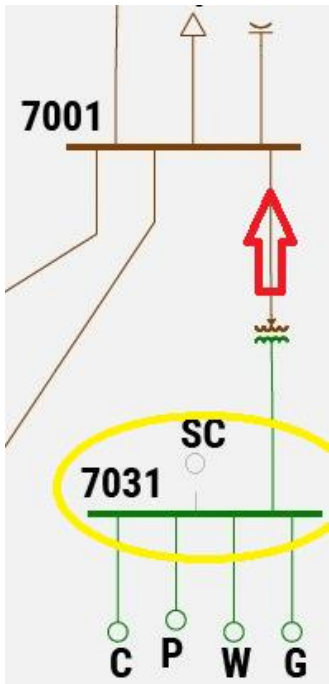
- Model calibration type of optimization problem...
- Estimate the changed variable to minimize the residues



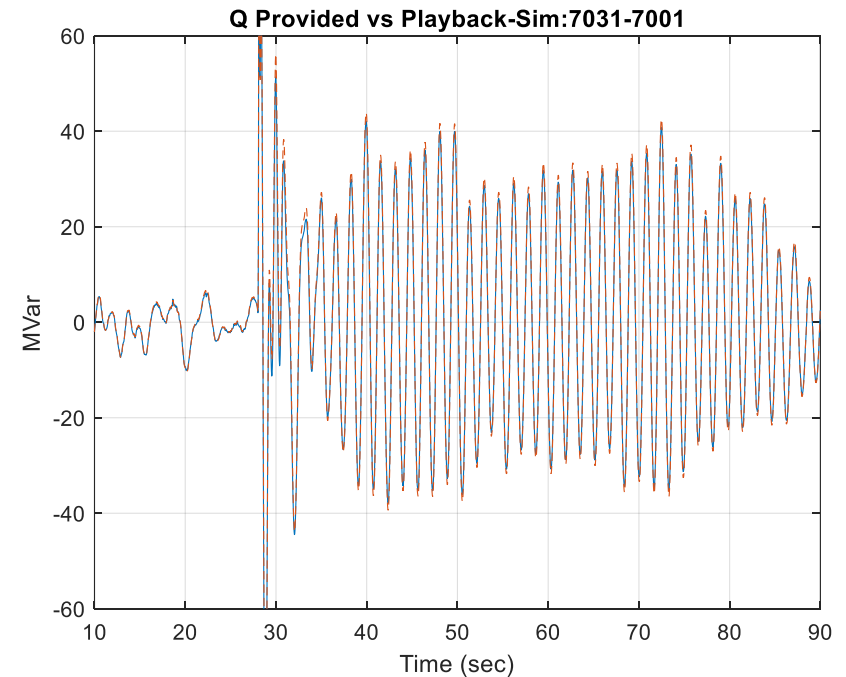
Case 10 - 0.614 Hz - continued

Additional Info:

1. What about other Gens who were also monitored...
 - take gen bus 7031 as example
2. Do need to compare MW&Mvar for all Gens? No...
 - A quick plot handy to check damping deviations



"5032-5002"	-0.0859
"6333-6303"	-0.0235
"6335-6305"	1.2100
"6533-6503"	-0.0585
"7031-7001"	-0.1093
"7032-7002"	-0.0193



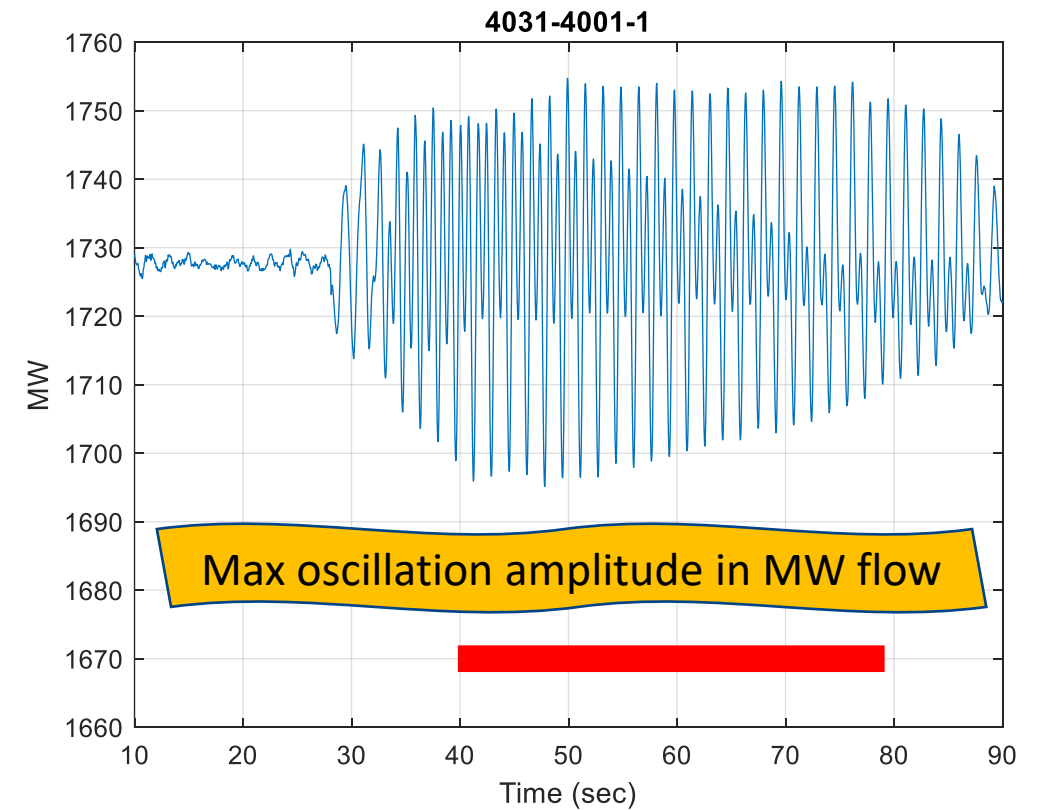
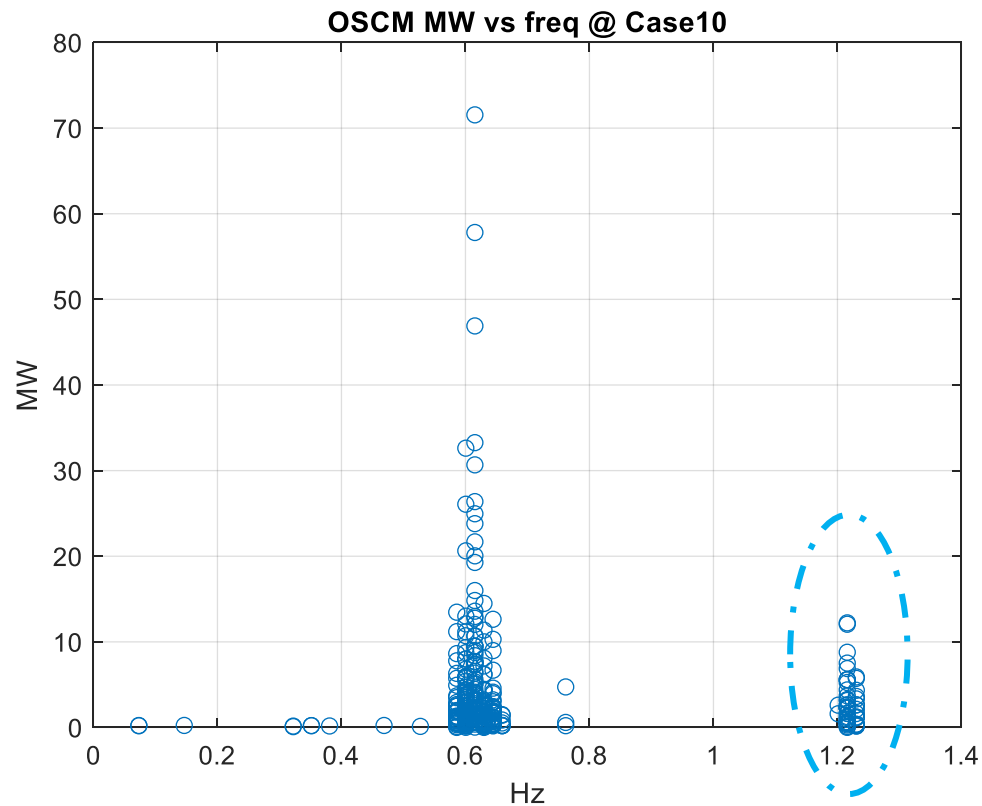
Case 10 - 1.218 Hz

1. Machine learning classifier points to bus 3931
2. DEF flow factors shows oscillation source near bus 3906
3. Generators at bus 3931 is not monitored



Bus	ML
3931	0.99965
6333	9.85E-05
3432	7.69E-05
3333	6.54E-05
1333	3.84E-05
6433	2.83E-05
5031	2.40E-05
1232	6.20E-06

Branch	DEF
"3906-4001-1"	1
"3906-4001-2"	1
"4031-4001-1"	-0.55981
"4131-4101-1"	-0.45557
"3903-3905-9"	-0.33832
"3933-3923-1"	-0.23259
"3903-3301-1"	0.20926
"3903-3904-1"	-0.13518



Summary



- **ML complements DEF:**
 1. **handle the network conditions**
 2. **estimate the OSL in unobserved network**
- **Dynamic models and model-based analysis:**
 1. **verify the estimated OSL**
 2. **estimate device/controller type**

