
Synchrophasors in System Operations at Dominion Energy

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Dominion Energy

- 2.6 million customers in Virginia and northeastern North Carolina
- 6,700 miles of electric transmission lines
- 58,510 miles of distribution lines
- 31,000 megawatts (MW) of electric generating capacity
- Net Zero carbon and methane emissions by 2050



Synchrophasors in Dominion Energy

2009 – Kicked off synchrophasor initiative; DOE SGIG kickoff;

2012 – Began standardized relay/PMU sensor deployment

2013 – DOE SGIG Demonstration
Linear State Estimator v1.0 released as OSS

2014 – CERTS Synchrophasor Data Conditioning and Validation Project

2015 – DOE FOA970 Kickoff

2017 – DOE FOA970 Demonstration
Linear State Estimator v2.0

2017 – DFR PMU Conversion begins
Total transmission system coverage

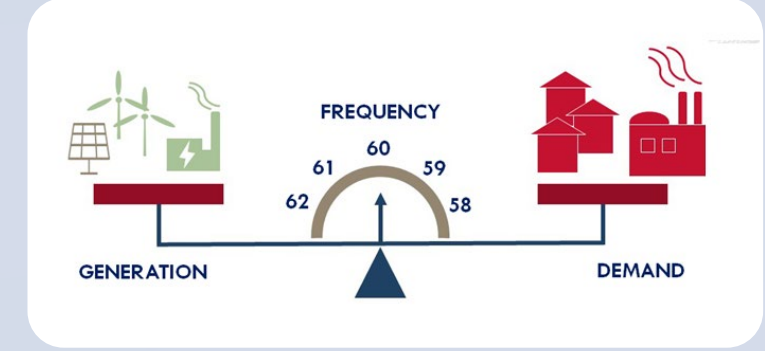
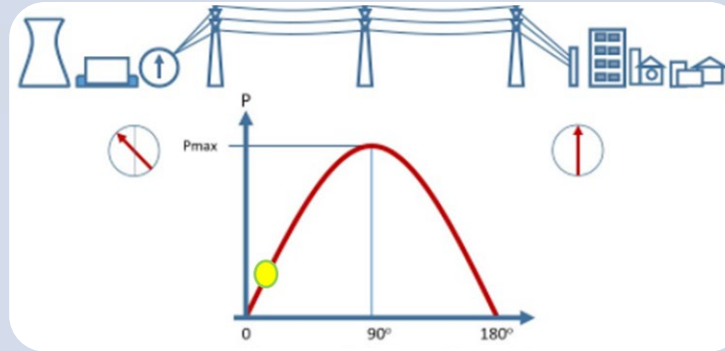
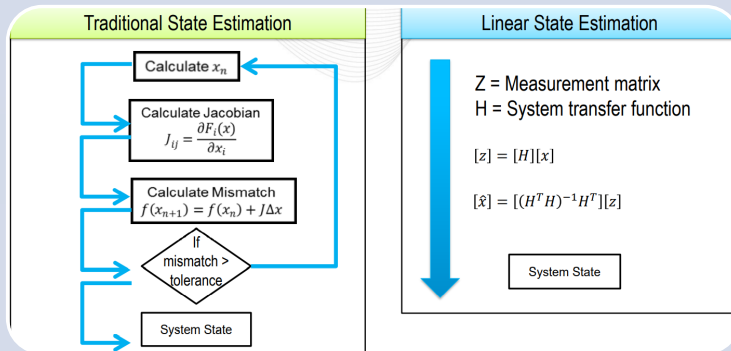
2019 – Scaling towards Sustainability
High Performance Analytics Sandbox for Use Case Development

- Over 400 PMUs installed
- 5-year project to upgrade relay with PMU capability
- Data Analytics Engineering Group
- Synchrophasors in Operation

Synchrophasors in Operation

- Primary Drive
 - Spare tire: system observability when losing EMS
 - Ability to ensure EMS solutions and check questionable scenarios
- Expanded Functionality
 - Wide area frequency monitoring
 - Oscillation detection and mode monitoring
 - Islanding detection and control
 - System transient and dynamics monitoring
- 500kV Pilot Project – Full Observability
 - Three main applications
 - Real time contingency analysis

Pilot Project Applications



LSE

Direct matrix transform
 Always solves
 Serve its own
 downstream contingency
 analysis

Phase Angle Monitoring

System stress indicator
 Prevent cascading
 events
 Reclosing/Resynchroniza
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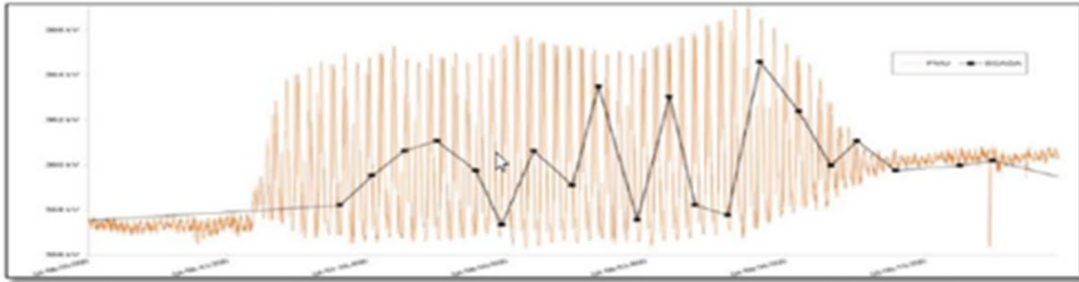
Frequency Monitoring

System power balance
 indicator
 Major Generator
 Trip/Load Shedding
 Oscillation Detection

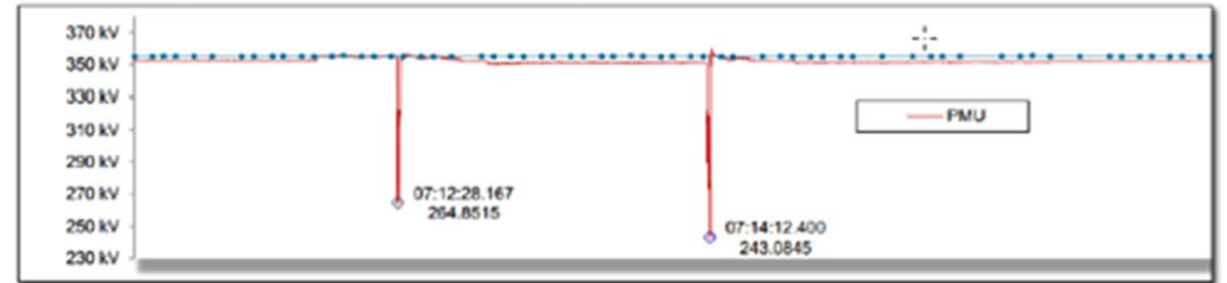
Operator Acceptance - Training

- Cycle Training: Three Cycle Trainings last year
- Connection Point
 - Show Case
 - Historic Event seen by SCADA vs. Synchrophasor Data
 - Operational Concerns vs. Synchrophasors Solution

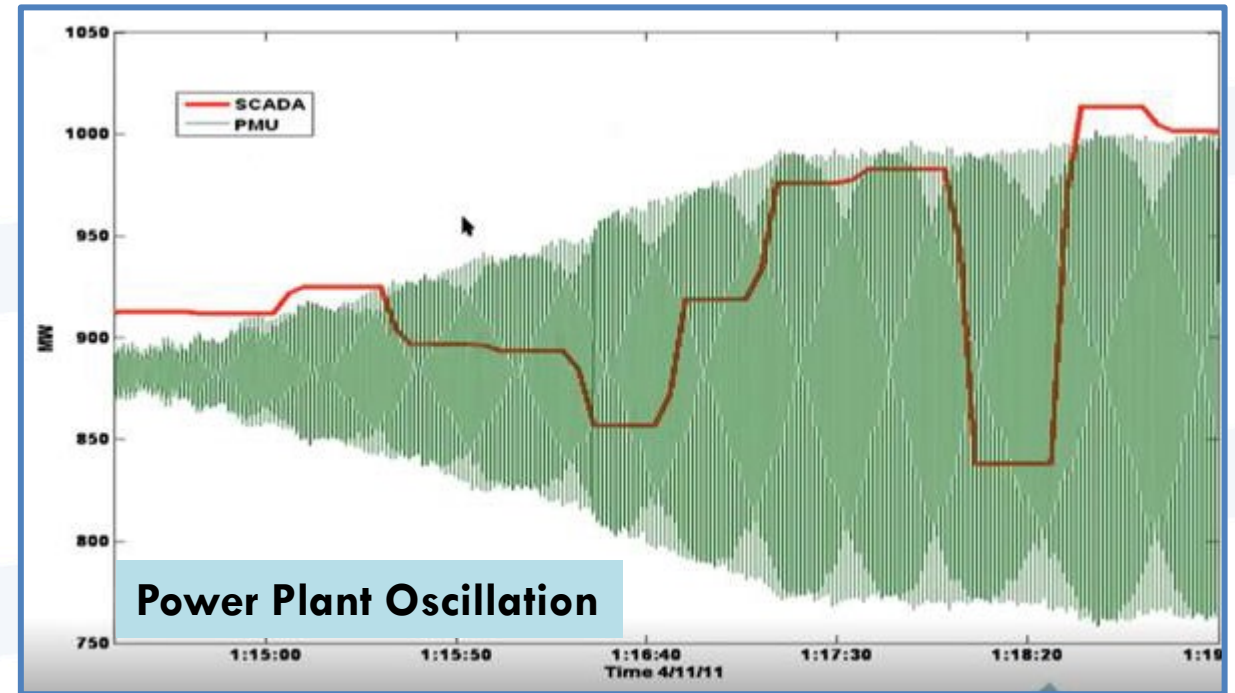
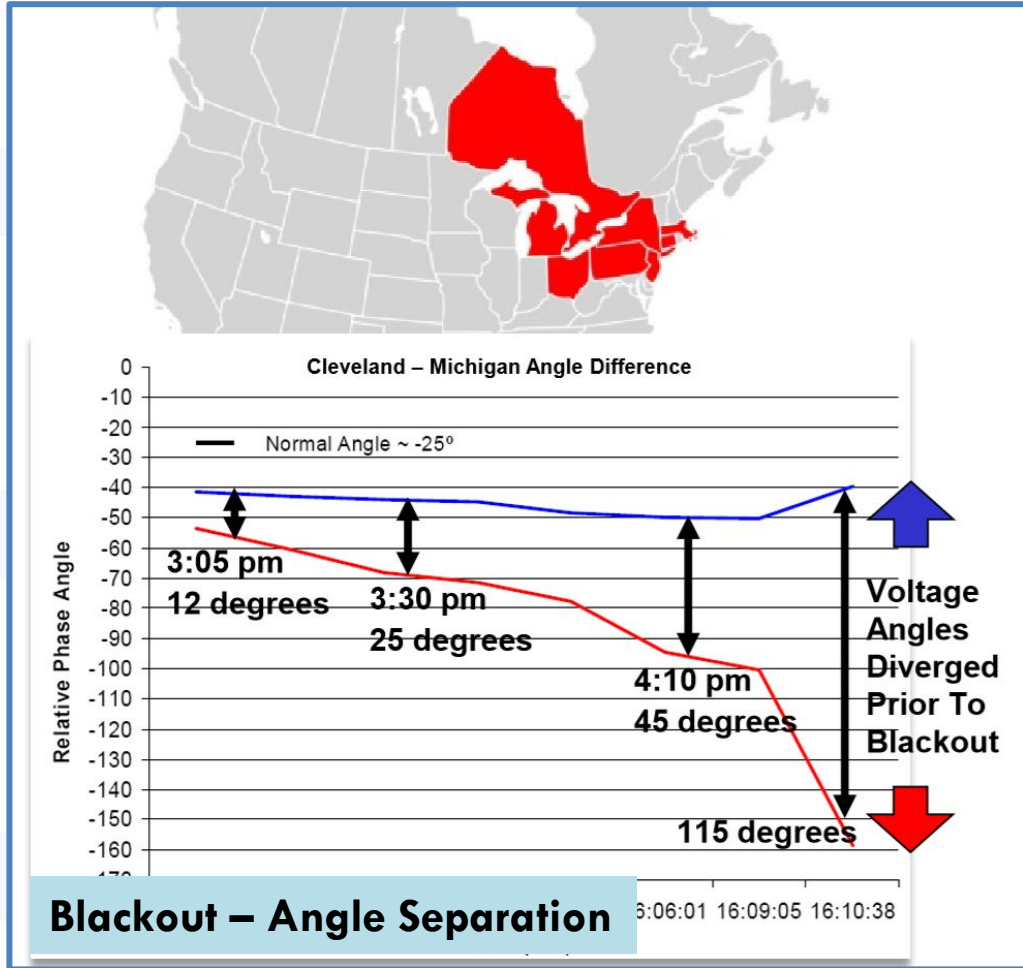
• Oscillations



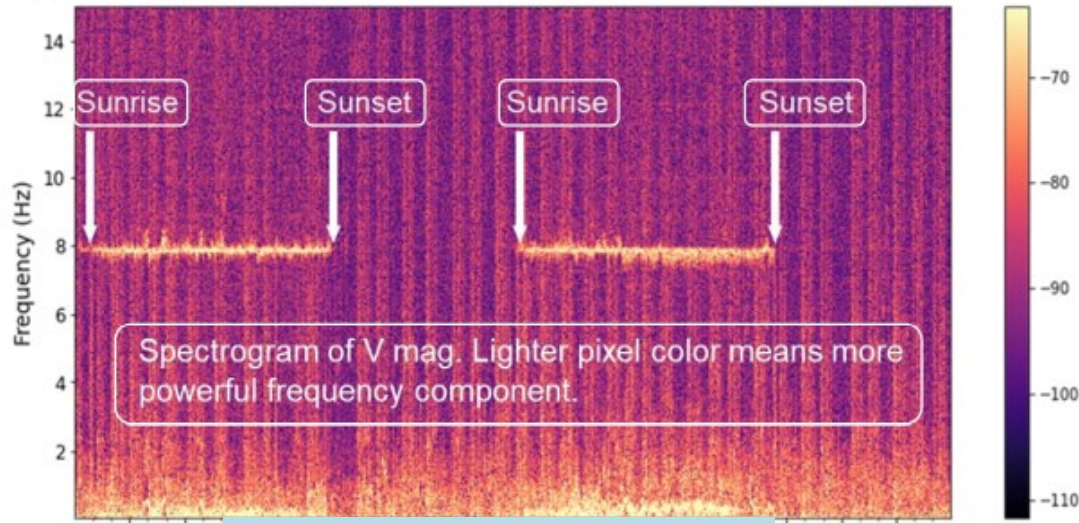
• Voltage Drops Missed by SCADA



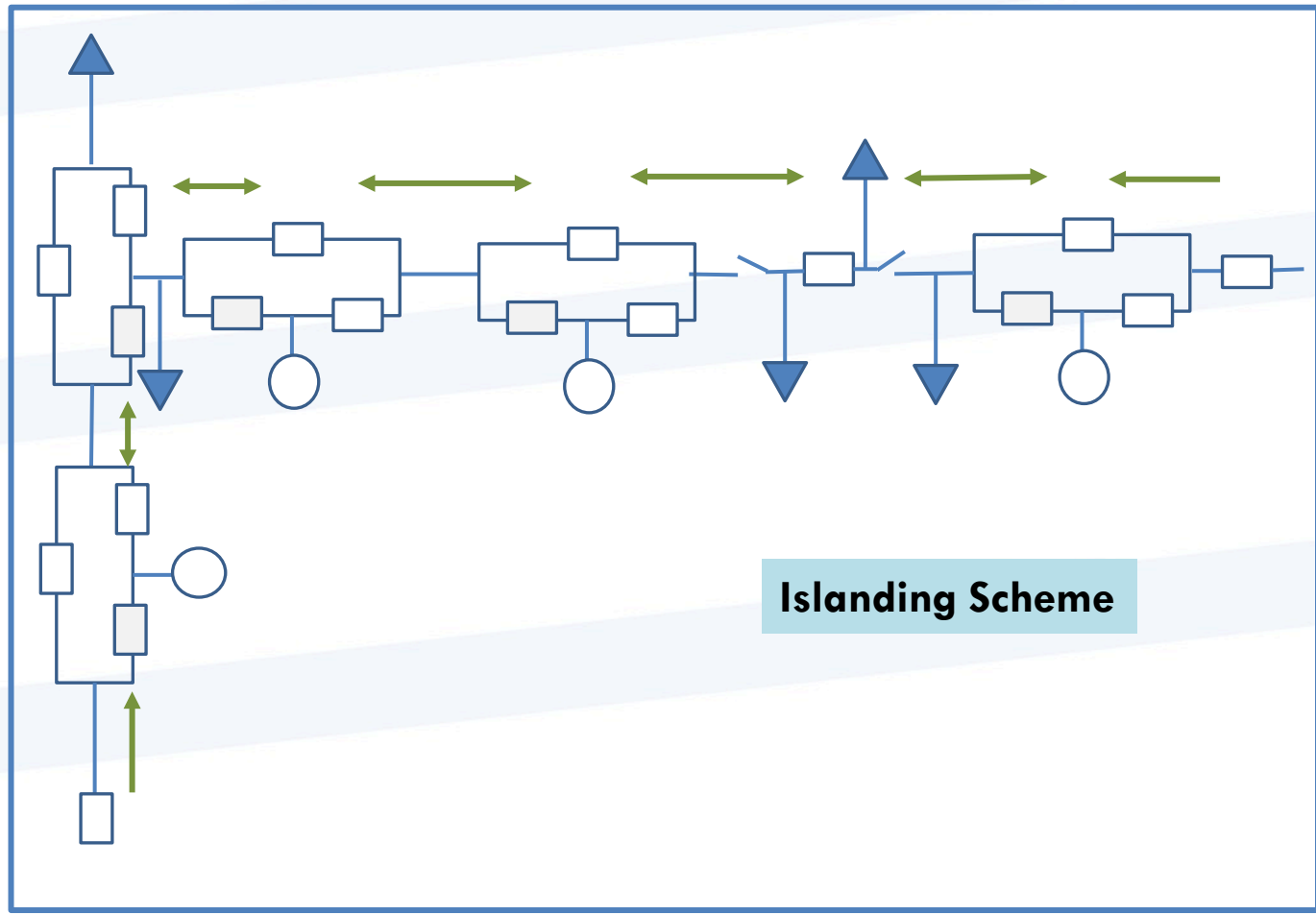
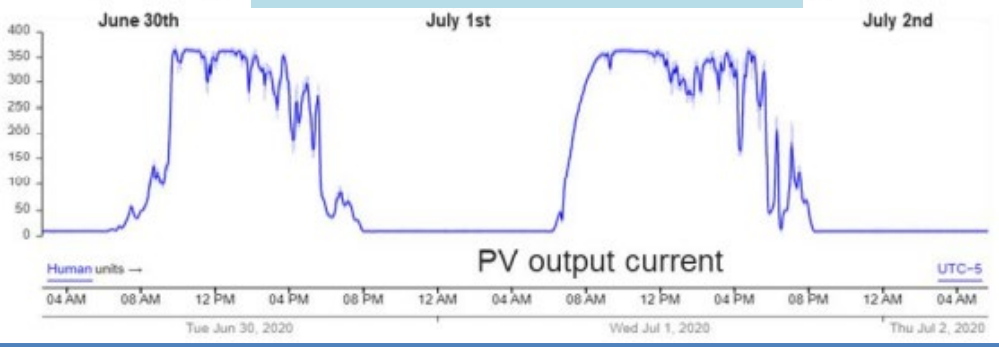
Operator Acceptance - Historic Event



Operator Acceptance - Operational Concerns



Forced Oscillation from PV



CIP Implementation

- Architecture and data flow to support real-time and non-operational use cases.
- Ensure data flow is secure and meets all the security requirements:
 - Comply with NERC requirements and guidelines for WAMS
 - Comply with all relevant NERC CIP Security Requirements as required to utilize LSE inside of a SOC environment
 - Other needs as surfaced from IT, security, networking, and compliance

Recommendation

- Relay PMU Standard
 - Communication Protocol
 - Relay setting and substation control drawing
 - Substation PDC and OpenPDC Configuration
 - Data check out process
- Relay PMU Data Quality
 - Report and Maintenance
 - Substation Technician
- Increase Support Head Count
 - Compare to SCADA support for EMS system