

Oscillation Monitoring System

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Overview of S29 project

- S19 project from June 2002 to May 2005
- S29 project from June 2006 to July 2008
- Detection, Prevention and Mitigation of Cascading Events
- Three tasks:
 - Task I: Detection: Mladen, Texas A&M
 - Advanced warning
 - Task II: Prevention: Mani, Wash. State
 - Wide-area monitoring and controls
 - Task III: Mitigation: Vijay, Iowa State/ASU
 - Adaptive islanding
- S29 Focus on Prototype Implementations



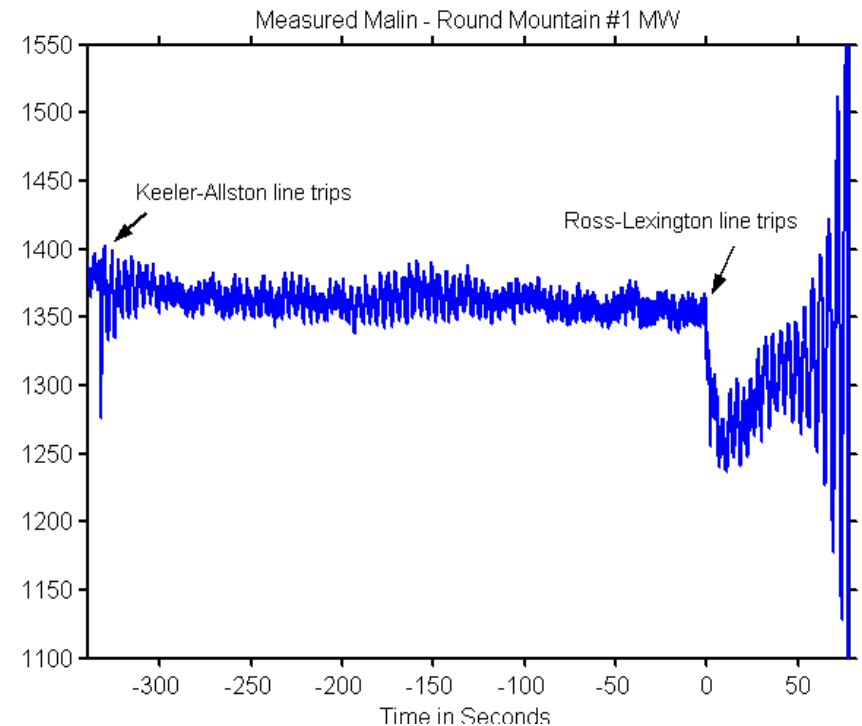
Task II: Mitigation

- Implementation of Wide-area Small-signal Stability controller, Wash. State University
- Two subtasks:
 - **Reliable Oscillation detection:**
 - Multi-input Prony, Matrix Pencil and HTLS algorithms
 - Rules for real-time analysis of data
 - Noise? Linear versus nonlinear? Switching events?
 - **Real-time design of damping controls:**
 - Which control to trigger? What design?
 - Not part of the prototype testing



Problem Overview

- Low frequency electromechanical oscillations
 - Local or inter-area oscillations
 - Insufficient damping
 - Example - Aug 10, 1996 WECC blackout
- Detection and control of small signal stability problem in power systems
- Research supported by PSERC, TVA, Entergy, BPA and EPG (CERTS)





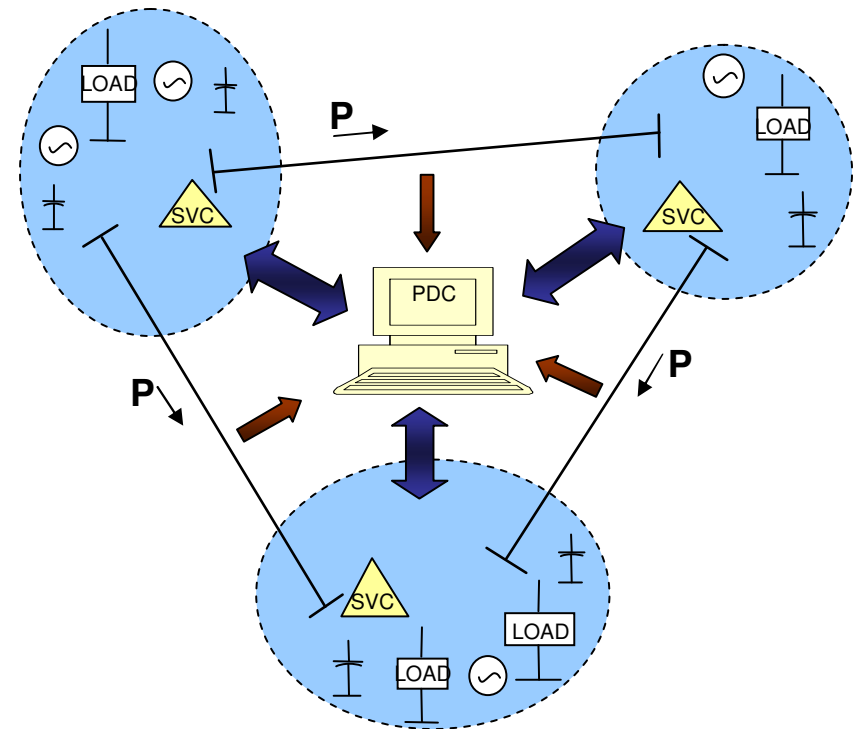
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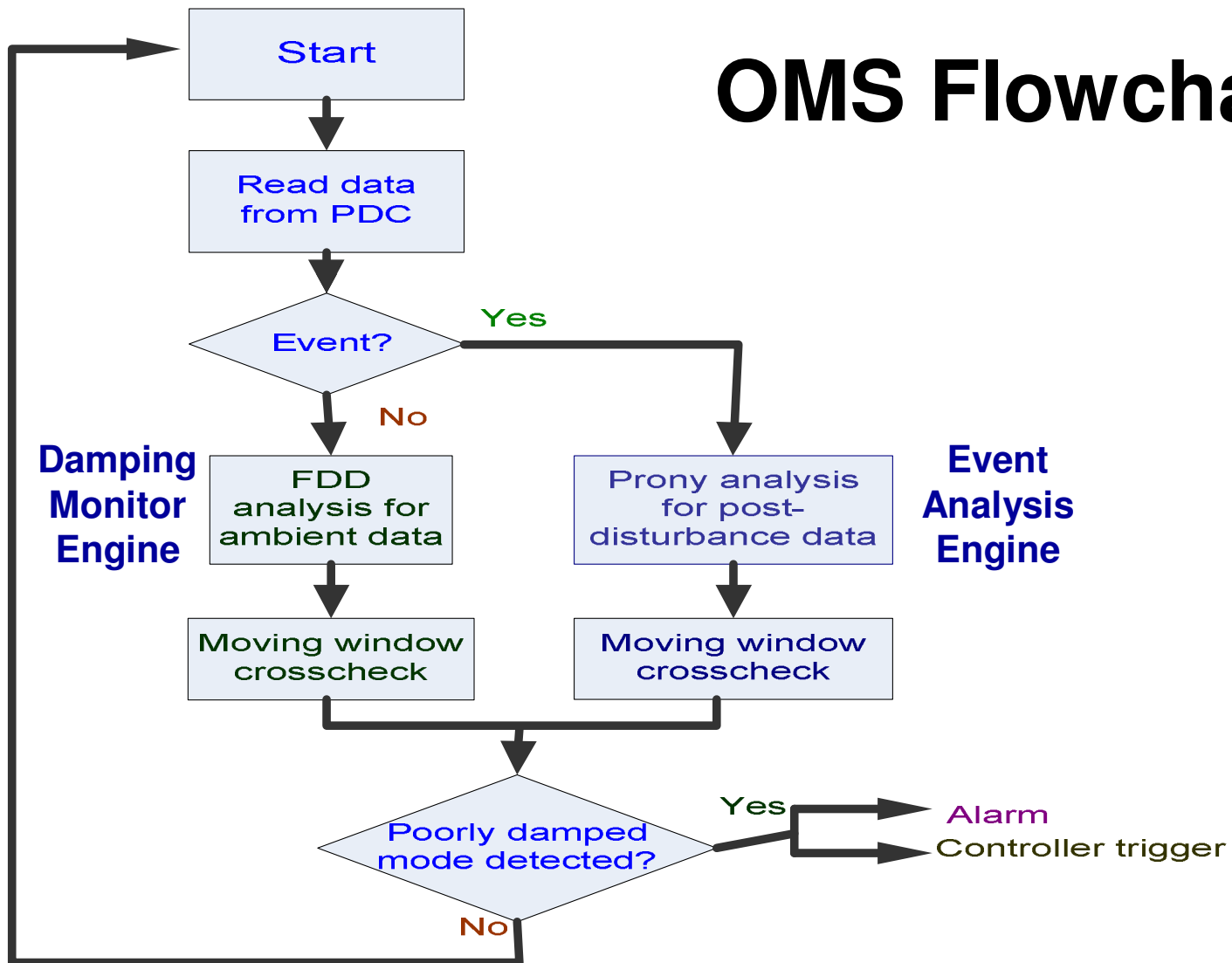
Oscillation Monitoring System (OMS)

- Goal of Oscillation Monitoring System (OMS)
 - Early detection of poorly damped oscillations as they appear
 - Trigger warning or control signals
- OMS is made possible by Wide Area PMU Measurements
 - Growing numbers of PMUs across the power grid
 - Fast algorithms available for online measurements
 - Rule based automatic analysis of PMU measurements
 - Prototype implementation at TVA





OMS Flowchart

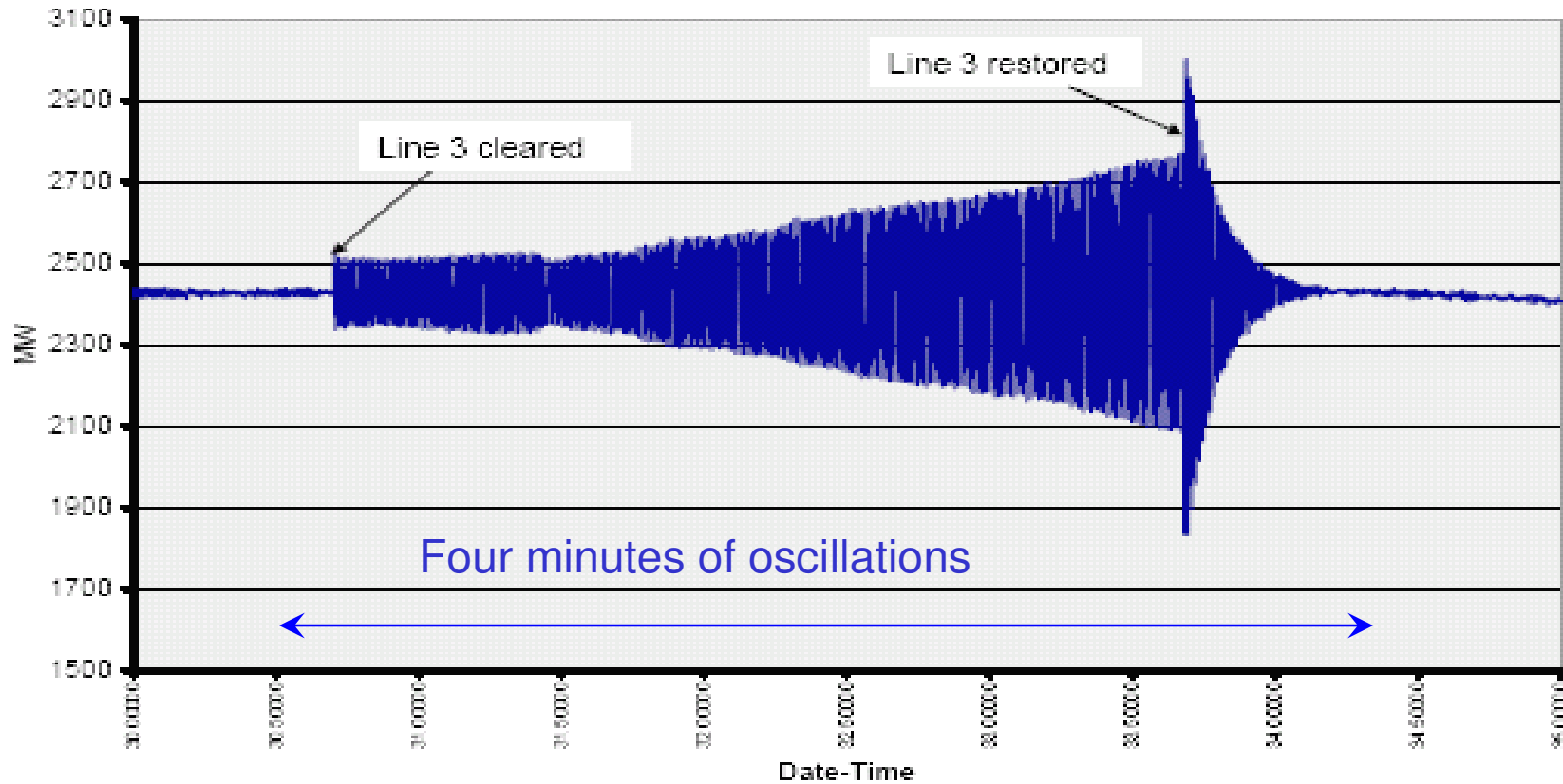




TVA Cumberland event

9/18/2006
MW Oscillations on Generators

— Line summation = Unit 1 + Unit 2 MW





TVA Cumberland Event

- **Recent oscillatory event at TVA:**
 - Oscillations at Cumberland plant 9/18/2006
 - PMU recordings enabled the analysis
 - Local 1.2 Hz mode changed from +1.5% damping to -0.2% damping and back to +1.5% damping during the event
 - PSS installed at the plant subsequently
 - PMU based real-time alarm coded by TVA into TVA PDC as back-up measure – uses standard deviation thresholds – plant operators to reduce MW output when alarm received.



Oscillation Monitoring System

- Software Engines built into TVA PDC
- Real-time streaming data input to the engines
- Fast detection of poorly damped oscillatory modes: mode frequency, damping and mode shape
- Multiple algorithms integrated by expert system like rules
- Focus on Redundancy and Reliability

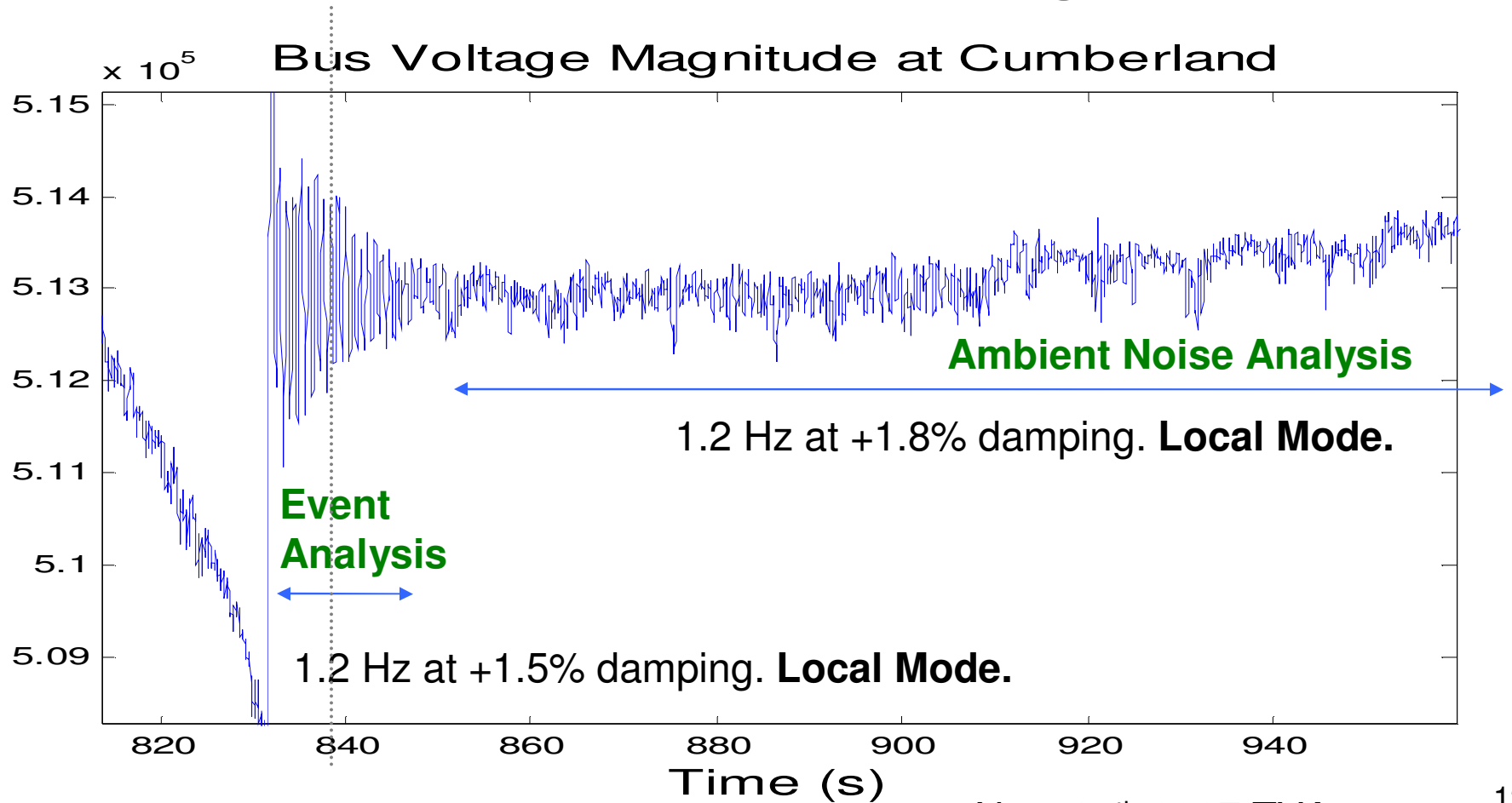


OMS Engines

- Event Analysis Engine
 - Automated Prony type analysis of oscillatory ringdown responses
 - *Five seconds* of PMU data analyzed every *one second*
- Damping Monitor Engine
 - Automated analysis of ambient noise data
 - *Three minutes* of PMU data analyzed every *ten seconds*
 - Provisional Patent application filed by WSU



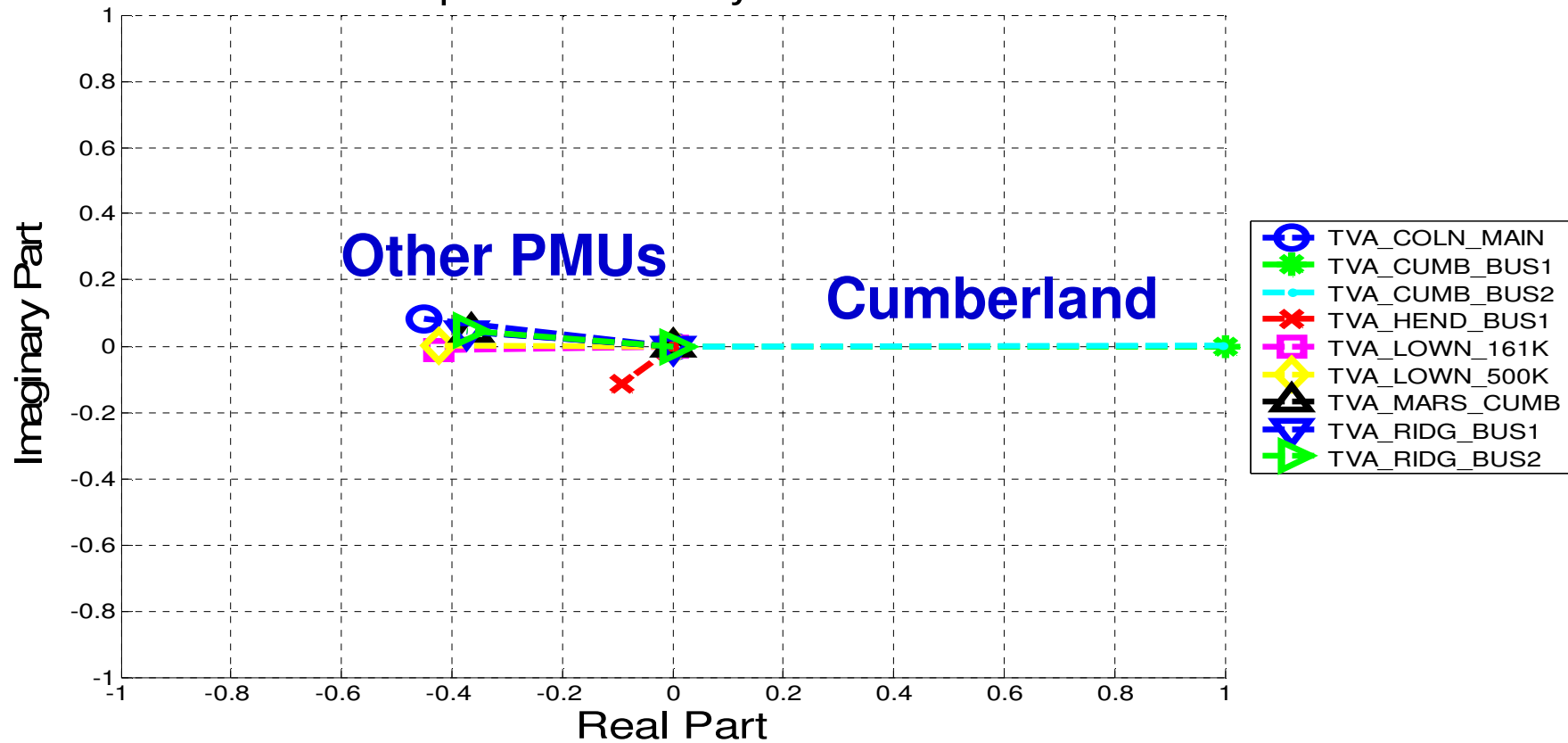
Results from Two Engines





Mode Shape – Local Mode

Mode Shape Identified by FDD at 1.224 Hz



Cumberland oscillating against rest of system



Basics of Prony Analysis

$$\dot{x} = A x + B u$$

$$y = C x + D u$$

$$y_i(t) = \sum_j c_{ij} e^{-\zeta_j \omega_{nj} t} \cos(\omega_{dj} t - \varphi_j) + \sum_j c_{ij} e^{-a_j t}$$

- Assumptions: Linear Time-Invariant System, Distinct Eigenvalues, Step changes in input, ...
- Any output is a linear combination of fundamental modal responses
- Well-suited for Prony type curve fitting methods. Estimate oscillatory frequency, damping ratio and mode shape.
- Estimates should be consistent:
 - **Moving time-windows (Linearity of responses)**
 - **Different groupings of outputs (Superposition)**

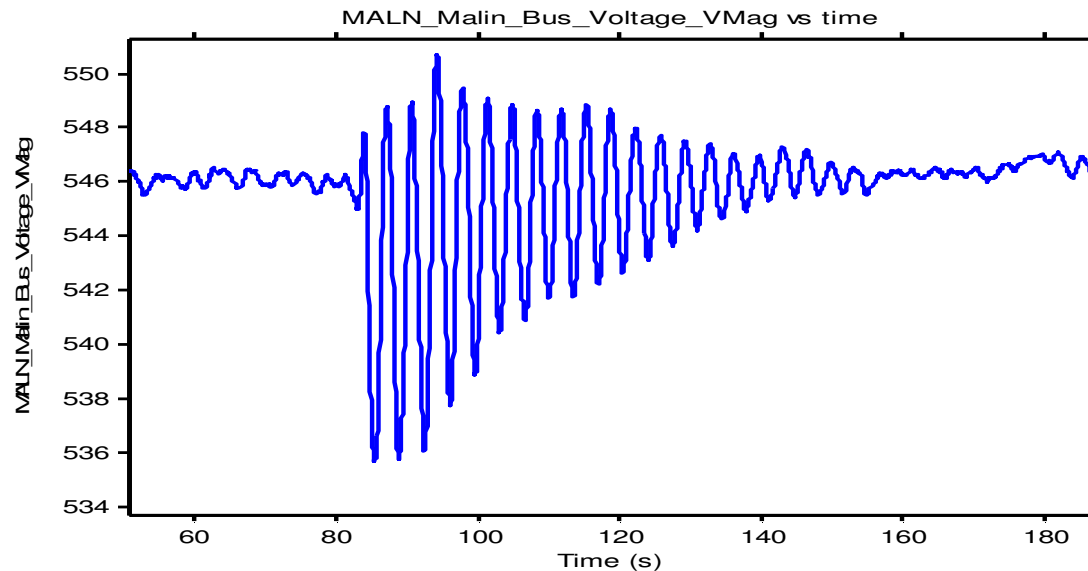


Power System Prony Analysis

- Nonlinear Large Scale System
- In theory, Prony Analysis works well for analyzing “Small-disturbance responses”
- Nonlinearity dominant just after large disturbances
- Switching of lines and cap banks in the middle of analysis windows
- Noise effect on results if disturbance “fades away”
- How to get reliable estimation automatically?



Rules for Real-time Prony Analysis

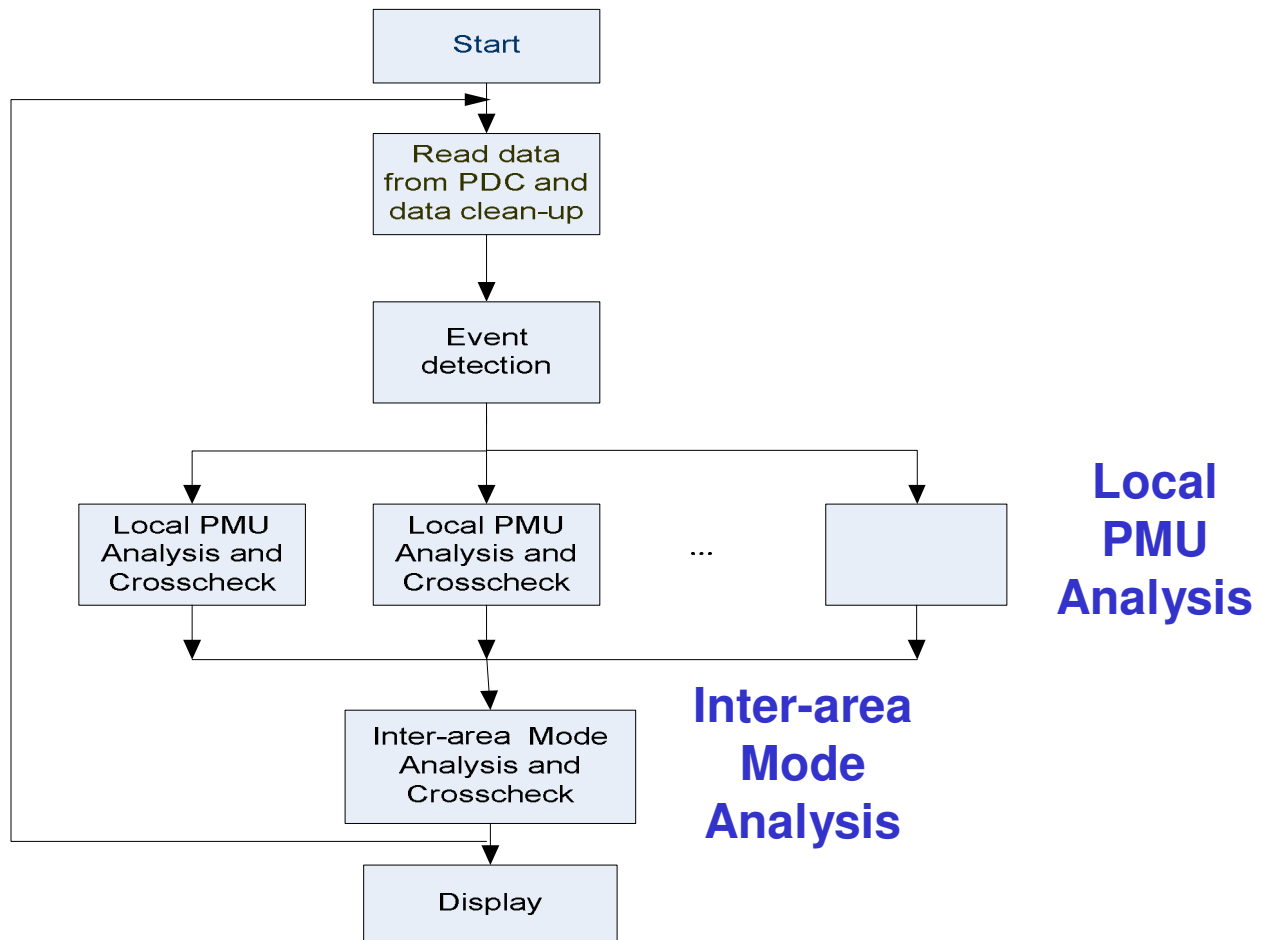


Three types of Consistency Crosscheck rules

- Different Curve-fitting Methods (Redundancy)
- Different Signal Groups (Superposition)
- Moving Window Analysis (Linearity of Responses)



Event Analysis Engine





Local PMU Analysis

- Signals from one PMU used at a time
- Parallel implementation of multiple PMU analysis
- Parallel implementation for multiple algorithms
- Check for consistency using rules:
 - Crosscheck results from Prony, Matrix Pencil and HTLS
 - Crosscheck results among moving time-windows



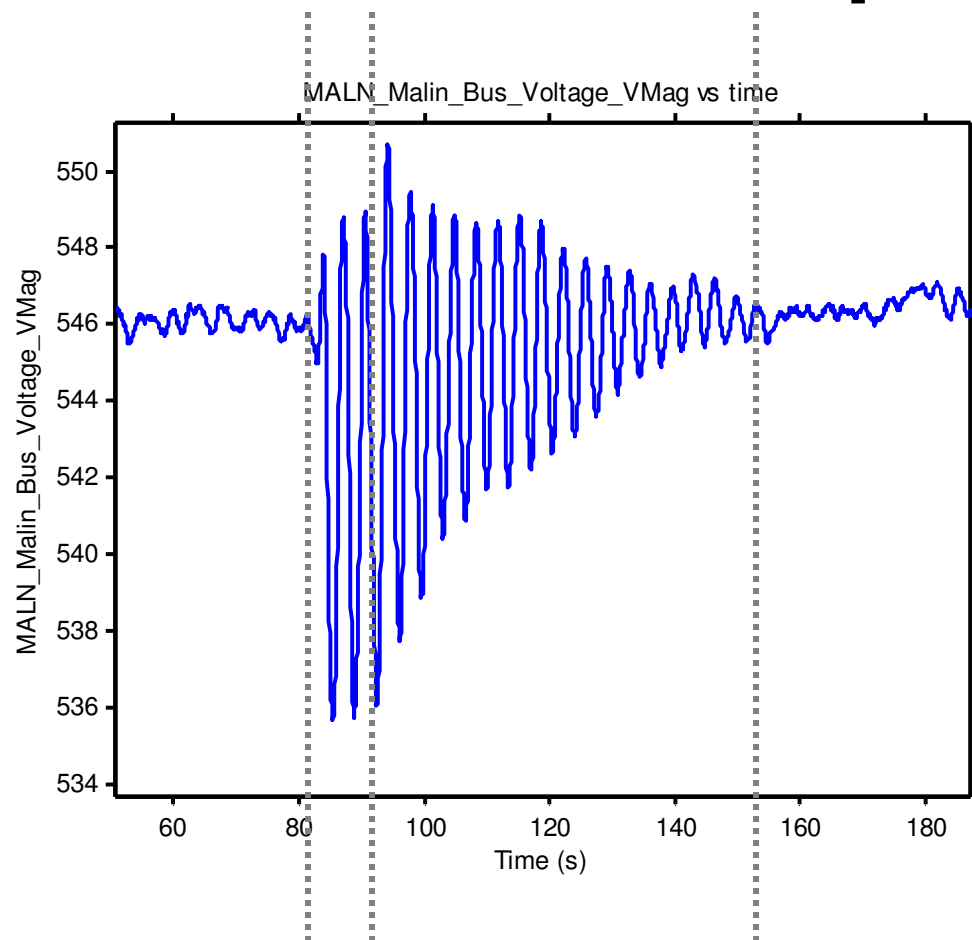
Interarea Mode Analysis

- Identify interarea modes and related PMUs from local analysis
- Grouping of signals from relevant multiple PMUs
- Check for consistency using three sets of rules:
 - Crosscheck results from Prony, Matrix Pencil and HTLS
 - Crosscheck results among moving time-windows
 - Crosscheck results from different groupings
- Parallel implementation for different interarea modes



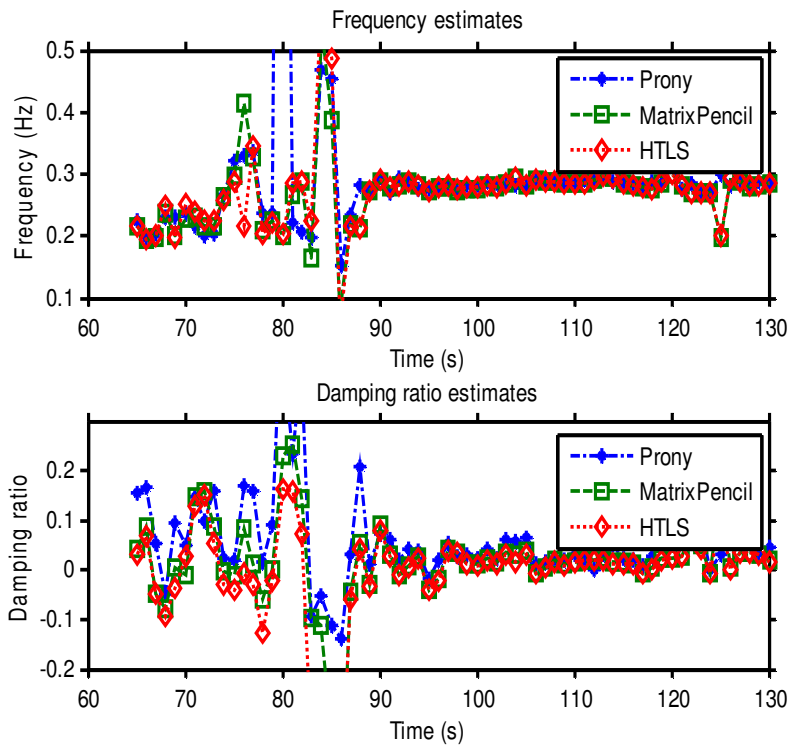
Event Analysis – Inter-area Example

- WECC Aug. 4, 2000
- Alberta system separated at 19:56 GMT
- 0.27 Hz oscillation is poorly damped

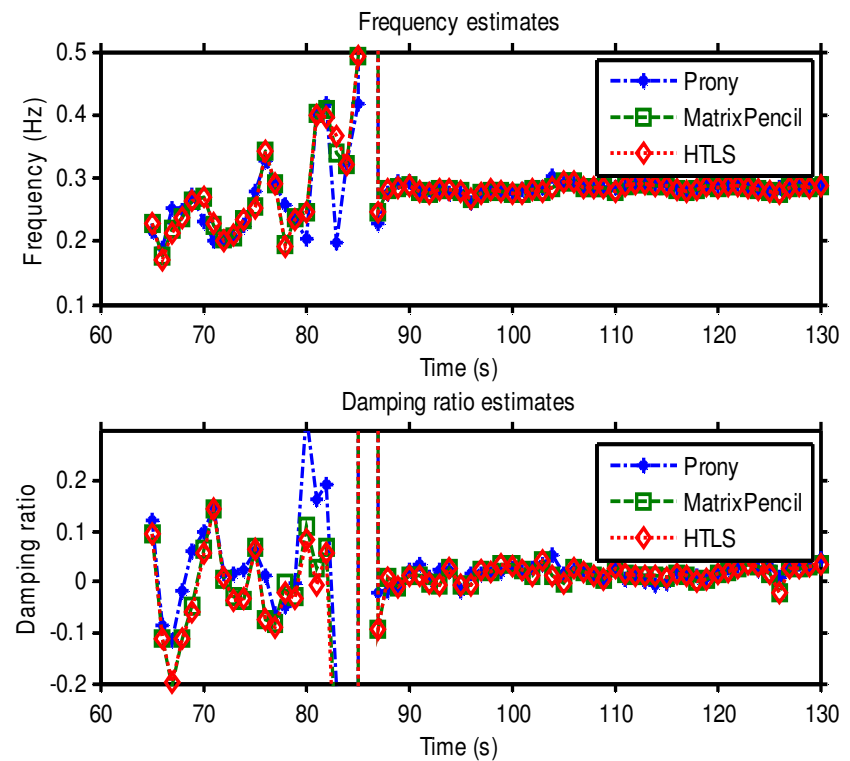




Case Study 1 – Local PMU Analysis



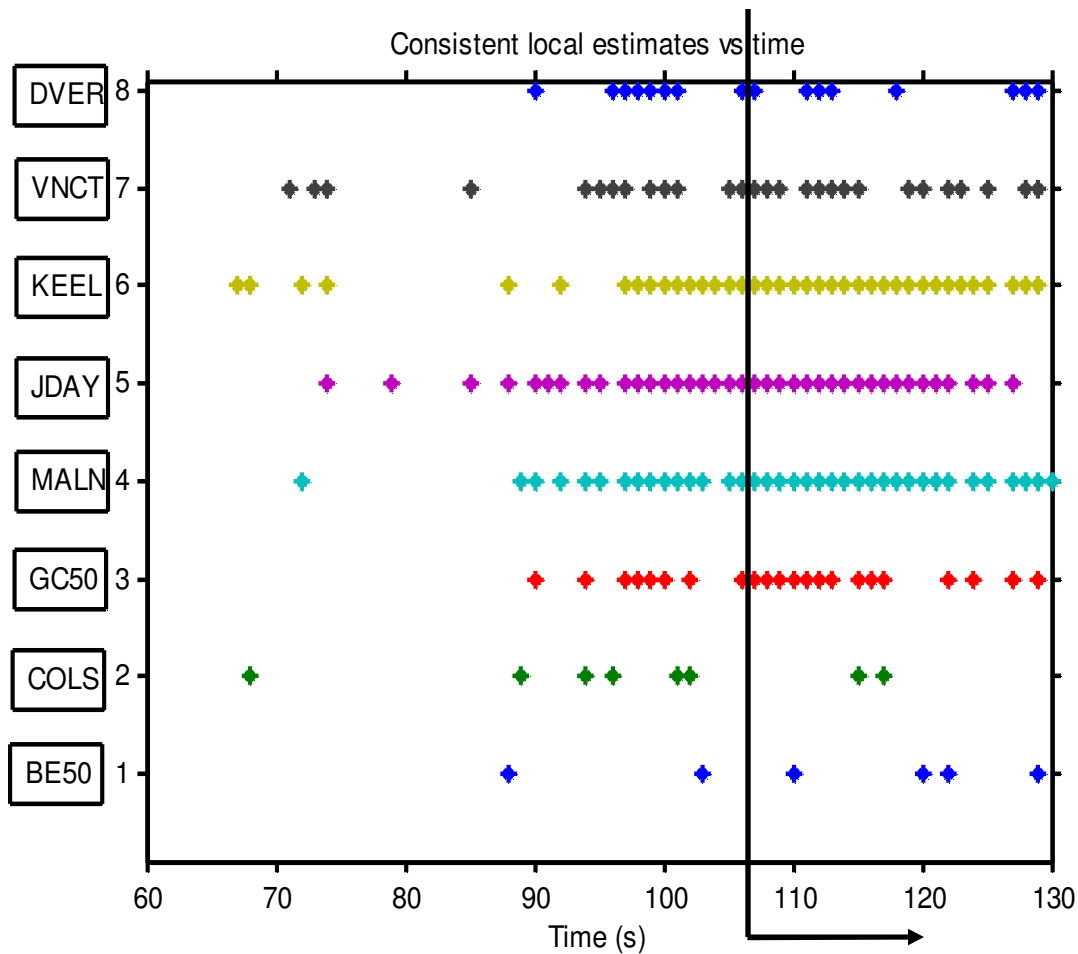
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Inter-Area Oscillation Mode



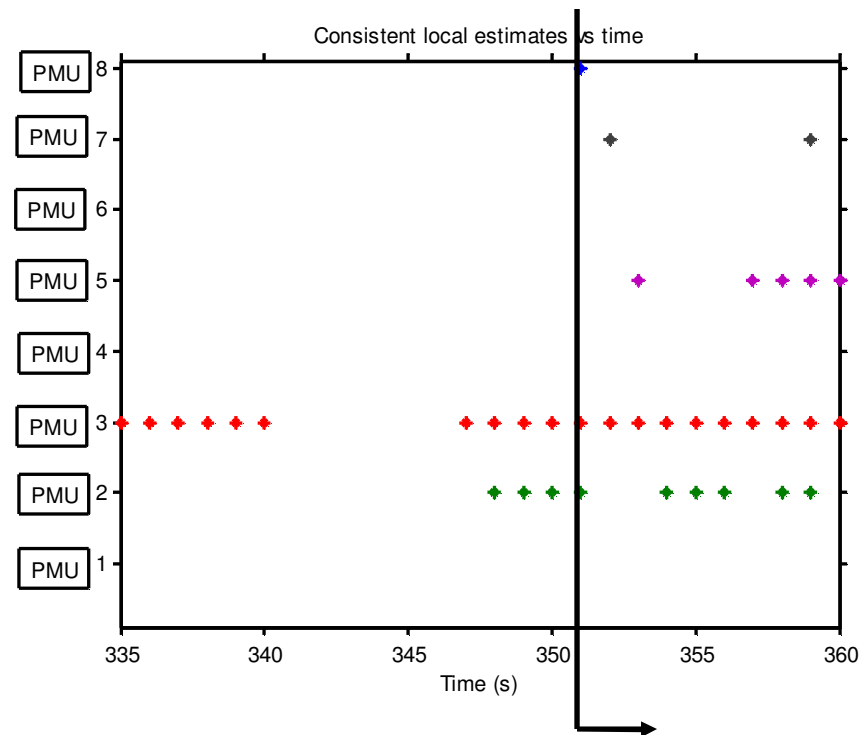
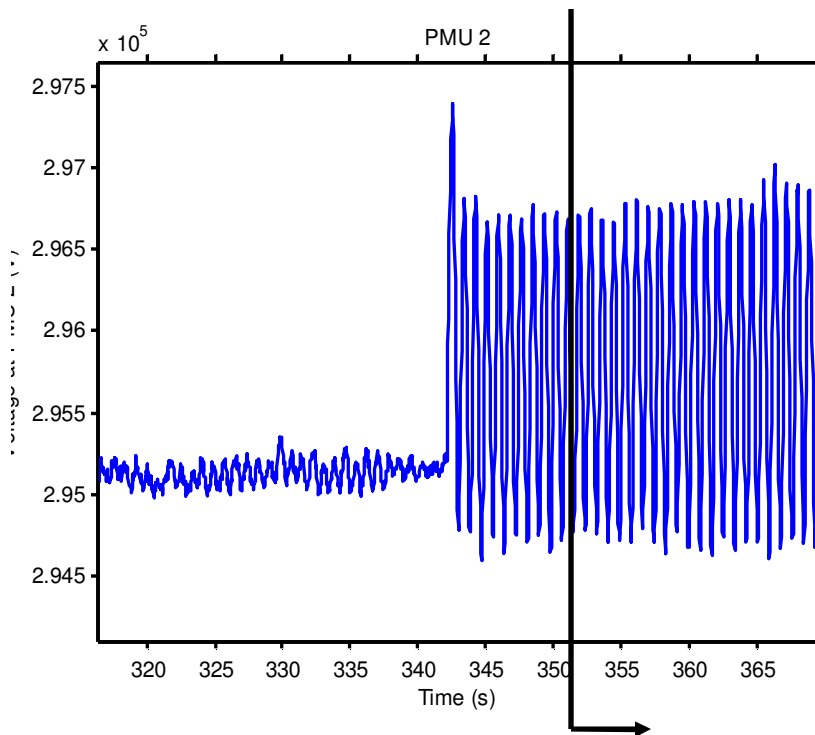
Consistent estimate
at 106 sec

Oscillation frequency =
0.286 Hz

Mean damping ratio =
+2.77%



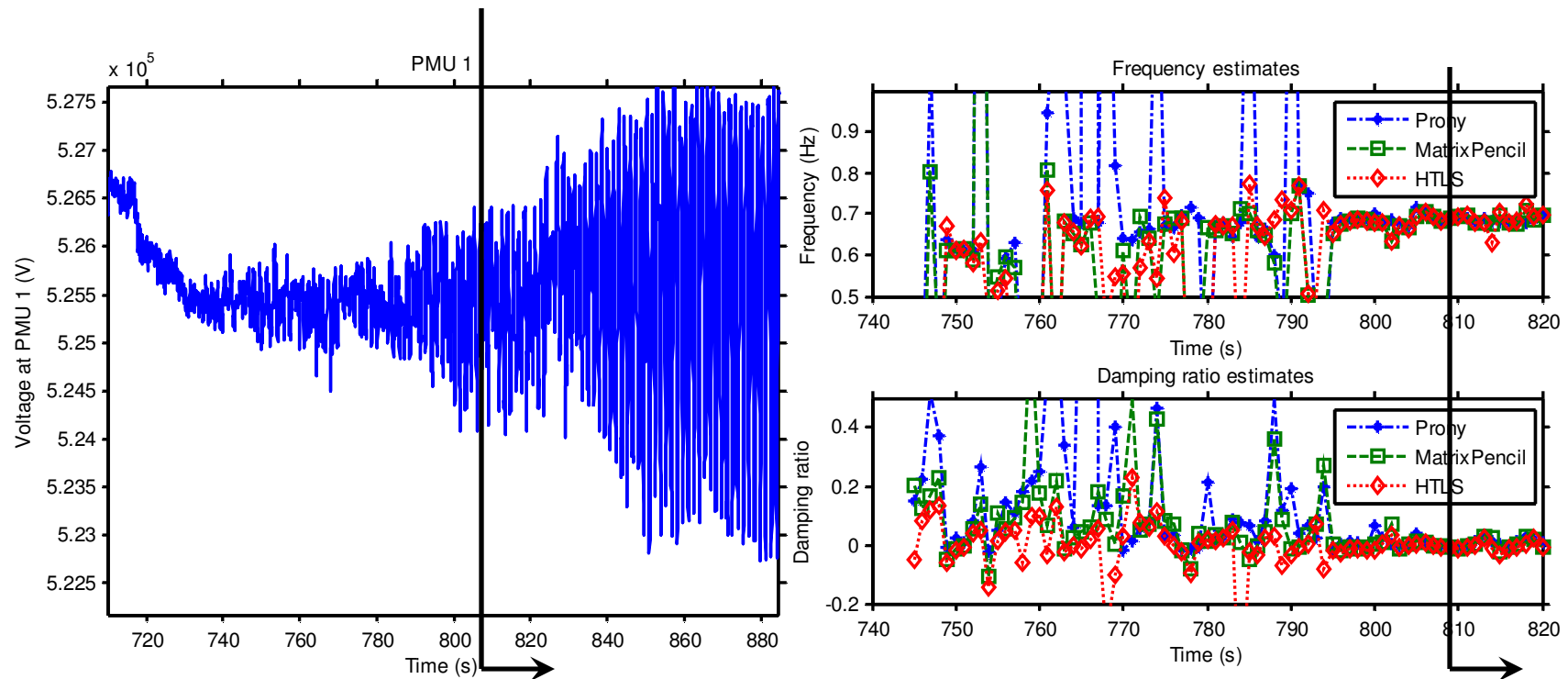
Event Monitor – Local Mode



- Consistent estimate at +9 sec
- Frequency = 1.1785 Hz. Damping at 0.04%



Case Study 3 – Growing Oscillations



- Consistent estimate at 809 sec; Local mode.
- Frequency = 0.6930 Hz. Damping ratio = -0.12%



Damping Monitor Engine

- Frequency Domain Decomposition (FDD) algorithm proposed for off-line analysis in other areas
- Extended for real-time PMU analysis by Guoping
- Can detect damping ratio as well as mode shape of poorly damped oscillatory modes using short spans of ambient PMU data
- Mode shape information critical for correctly identifying problematic mode towards control actions
- Excellent results for modes with damping ratio up to +10%

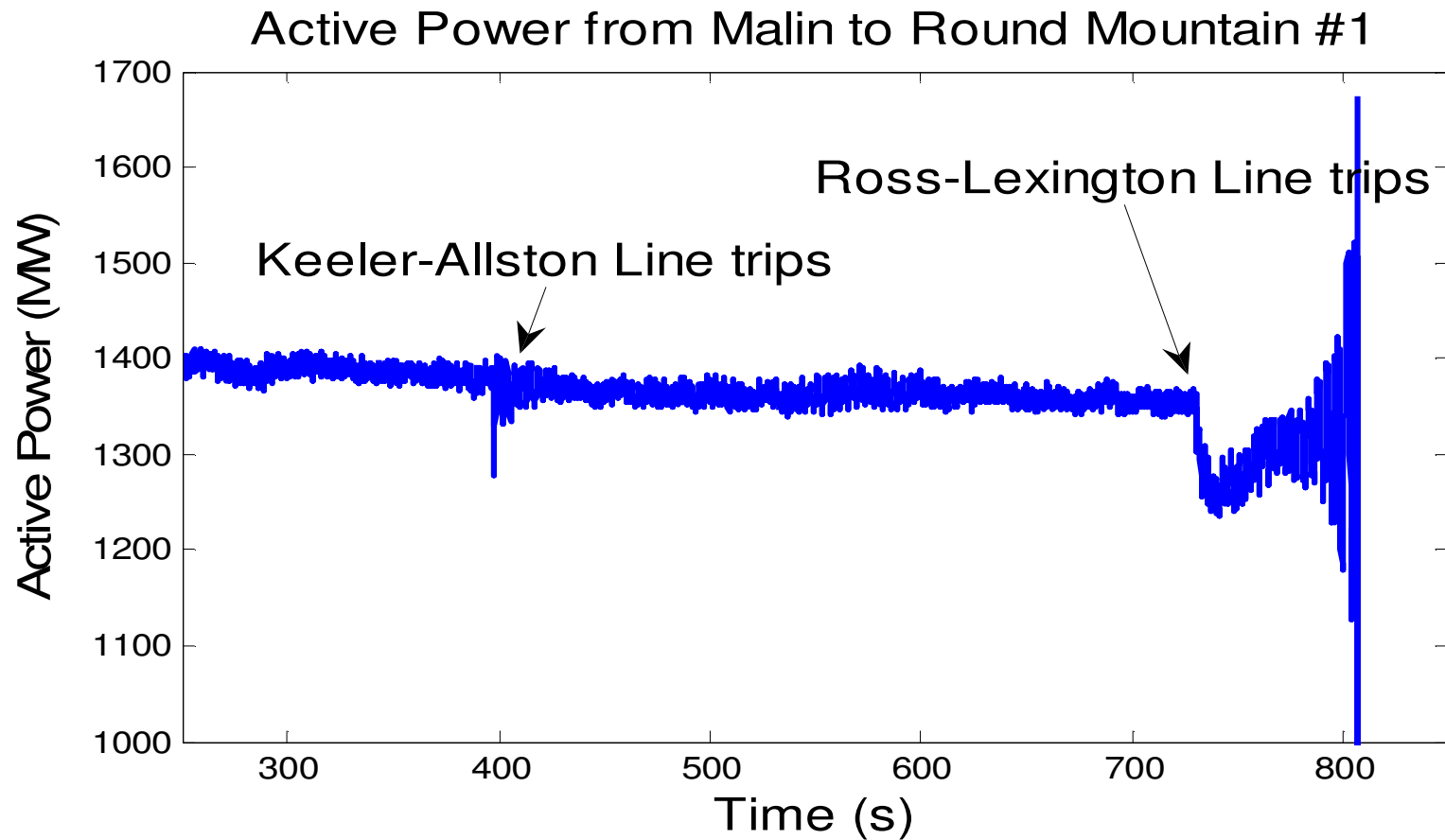


FDD for Ambient Analysis

- FFT and Power Spectra from multiple signals
- Clean up spectra using Singular Value Decomposition procedure near dominant modes
- Prony type damping analysis after Inverse FFT around dominant modes
- ISCAS 2008 paper
- **Simultaneous extraction** of mode damping and mode shape from ambient data

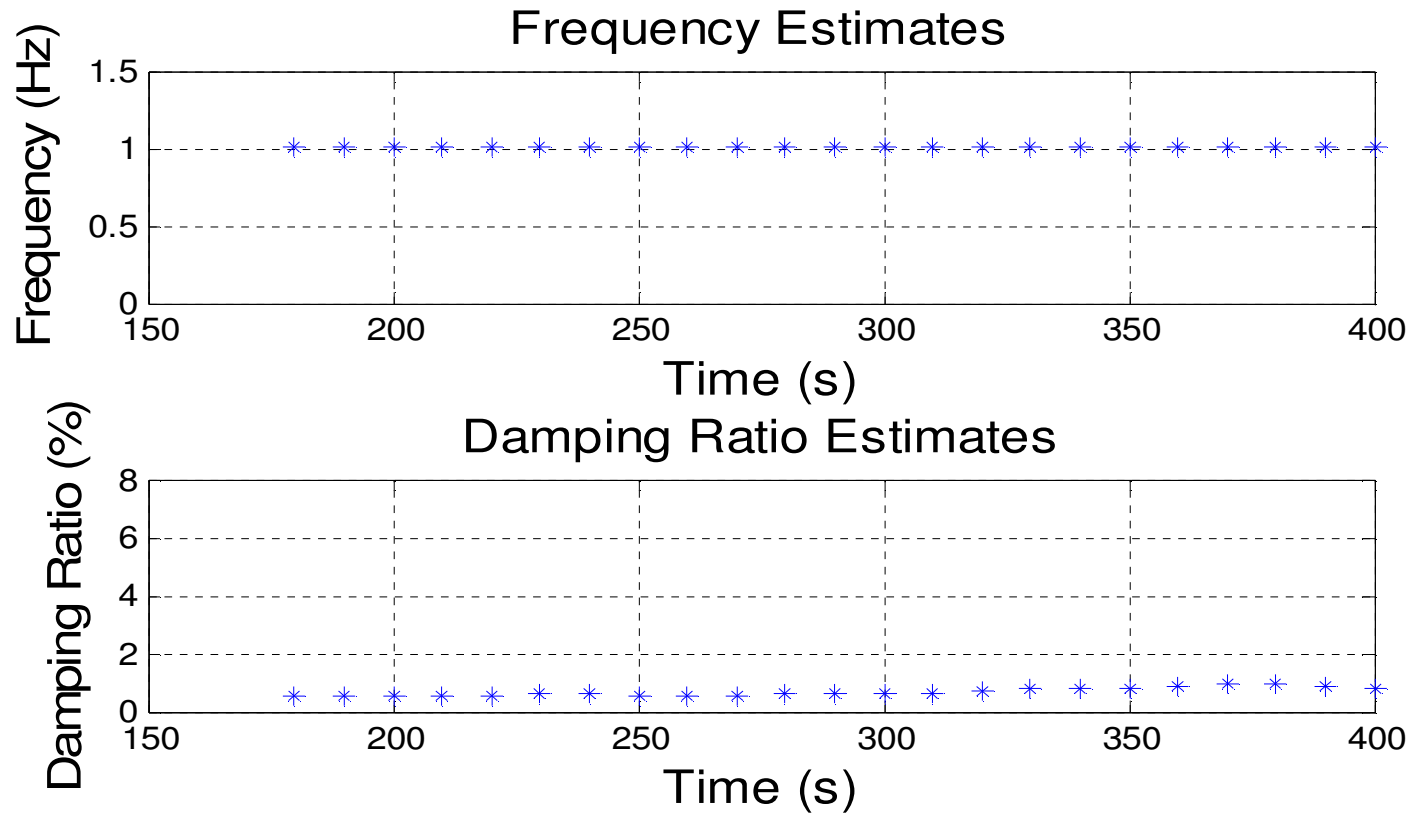


Example of Damping Monitor Engine





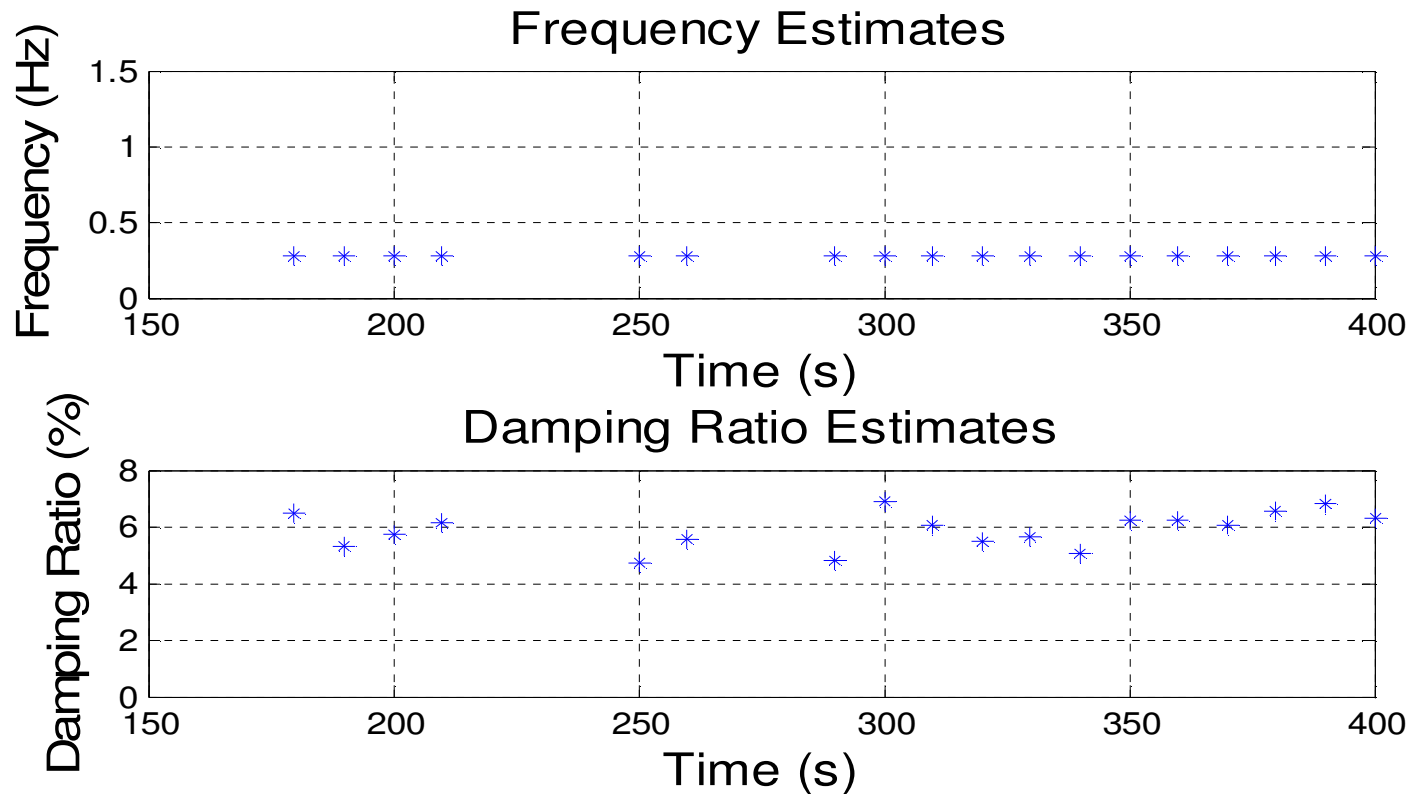
Before Keeler-Allston Trip



Dominant mode is McNary **local** mode



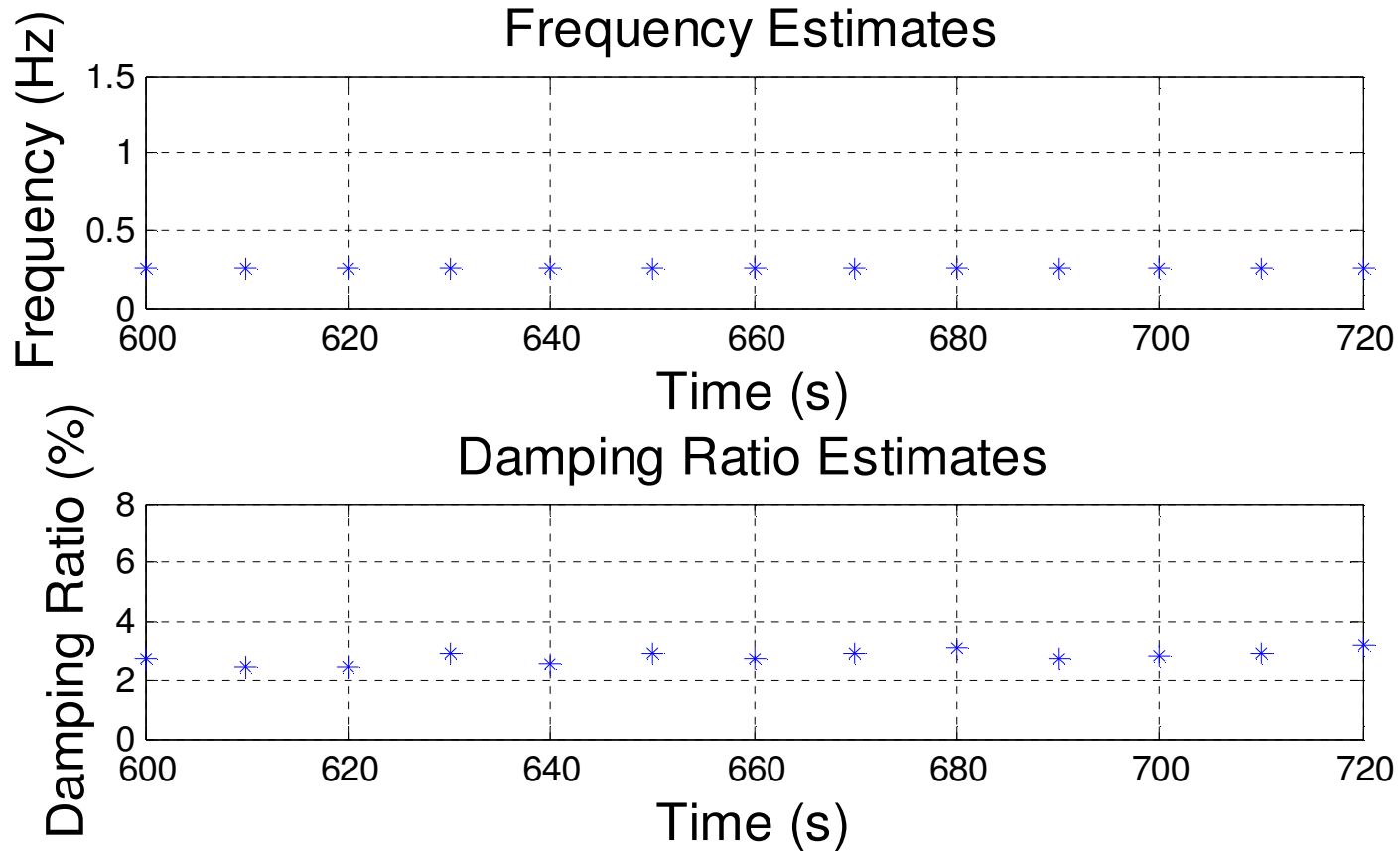
Before Keeler-Alston trip



Second Dominant mode is COI **interarea** mode



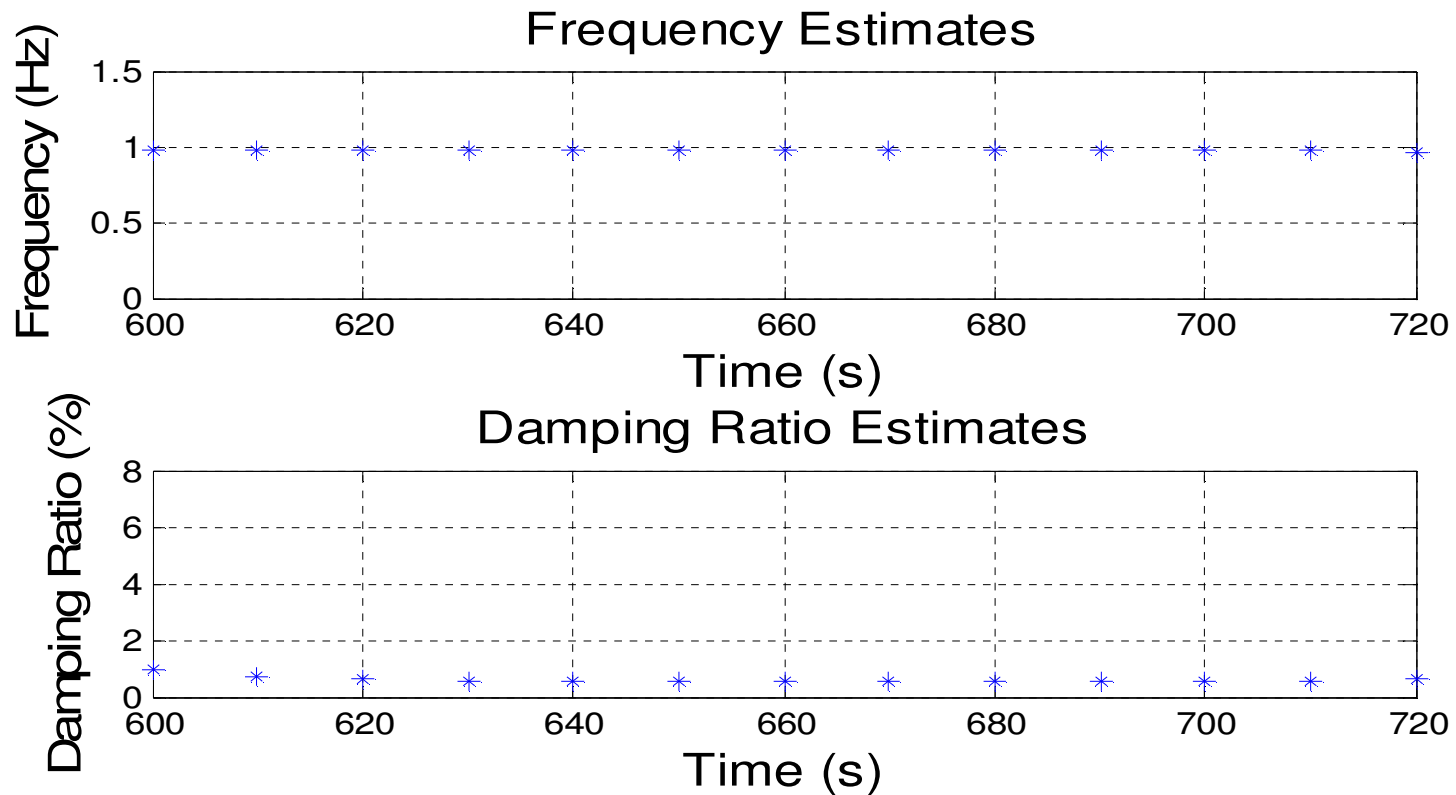
After Allston-Keeler Trip



Dominant mode is COI **interarea** mode



After Keeler-Allston Trip



Second Dominant mode is McNary **local** mode



Complementary Engines

- **Event Analysis Engine**
 - Three algorithms: Prony, Matrix Pencil and Hankel Total Least Square. Crosscheck Rules.
 - Aimed at events resulting in **sudden changes** in damping
- **Damping Monitor Engine**
 - Ambient noise based. Continuous.
 - Frequency Domain Decomposition Algorithm. (Prony). Crosscheck Rules.
 - Provides **early warning** on poorly damped modes



Example of results for TVA

Damping history of 1.2 Hz mode	Event Analysis	Damping Monitor	PSS Status
Sept. 18, 2006	+1.7%	+1.7%	No PSS (2U)
Dec. 16, 2006	+7.2%	No data	PSS installed (1U)
Nov. 29, 2007	+1.5%	+1.8%	PSS offline (2U)
Feb. 5, 2008	+4.0%	+3.0%	PSS offline (1U)

PSS status and effectiveness from the damping level of the local mode. *PSS not effective for two units in service. PSS hardware problem detected and fixed (June 2008).*



Eastern System Interarea Mode

- Interarea mode frequency varies between 0.4 Hz to 0.5 Hz depending on season.
- Damping Monitor (ambient noise) showed the mode to be poorly damped around +3% to +5% seasonally.
- 0.47 Hz Interarea mode clearly visible in Event Analysis of Feb. 26th 2008 Florida blackout event.
- Mode involves many eastern control areas
- Frequency ~ 0.47 Hz, damping ~ +7%, on Feb. 26th 2008
- Likely not related to the blackout. Mode damping at +7% is comparable to the interarea modes in the western system.



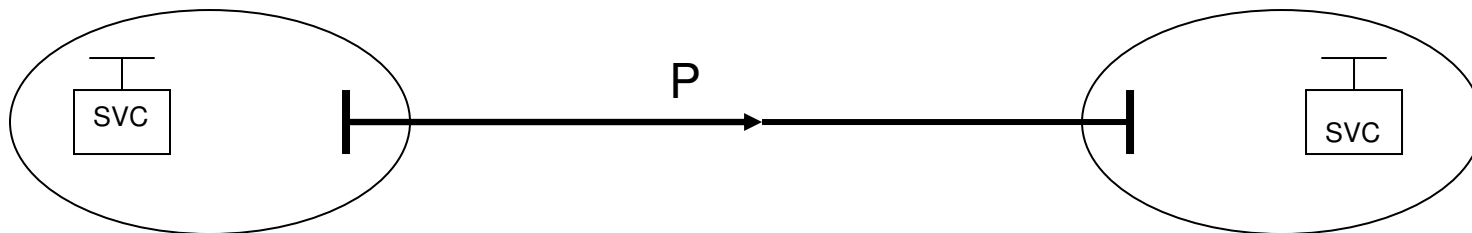
Possible Control Actions

- Operator Actions
 - Reduce Critical Tie-line Transfers
 - Switch Damping Enhancement Controls at Specific Thyristor Devices – SVC, HVDC
- Automatic Control Actions
 - Switching of Damping Controls: Series Capacitors, Shunt Capacitors, Thyristor Devices
 - Generation Rescheduling



SVC Damping Control

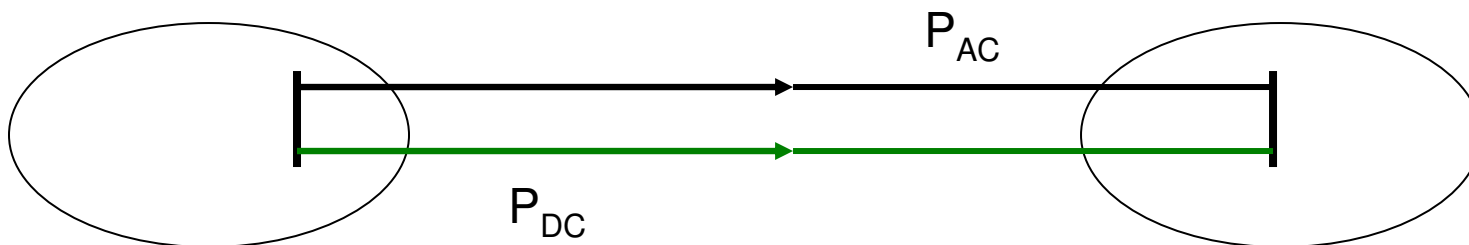
- Stressed Operating Condition
- Near-by tie line active power-flow used as control input
- Sending end => Phase Lag Compensator
- Receiving end => Phase Lead Compensator





HVDC Damping Control

- Stressed Operating Condition
- Phase Angle Difference used as Control Input
- Phase Lead Compensator for HVDC Modulation
- Effective Improvement in Damping of Interarea Mode for Diverse Levels of AC Power Transfer





OMS Summary

- Successful implementation of real-time code into TVA PDC
- Advanced signal processing algorithms for oscillation analysis of events and ambient noise
- Automatic detection of poorly damped electromechanical modes and their mode shape
- Operator alerts, Operator alarms, Control actions, ...
- Provides early warning on emerging oscillatory problems
- Can validate effectiveness and status of PSS at generators when PMU near generator



Future Work

- Testing and tuning at TVA
 - Conversion of OMS code to 64 bit architecture
 - New dedicated eight processor machine with 32 GB dynamic memory at TVA
 - OMS Engines for Eastern Grid?
 - Operator Alerts and Alarms? Operator Actions?
- Implementation and testing at BPA and California ISO in collaboration with EPG, Operator Actions?
- Implementation at Entergy