

Analysis and Mitigation of Resonant Forced Oscillations

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Presentation Outline

- Inter-Area Resonance - Oscillations
- Interactions of a forced oscillation with system modes
- Analysis of June 17, 2016 eastern event
- Theory base for the control
- Control for mitigation
- Future work

Small Signal Stability

- Oscillations must remain well-damped
- Either sustained oscillations or growing oscillations called small-signal instability
- Caused by unusual operating conditions or poor control designs
- Some eigenvalues become negatively damped resulting in small signal instability
- August 10, 1996 WECC blackout a classical example
- Forced Oscillations

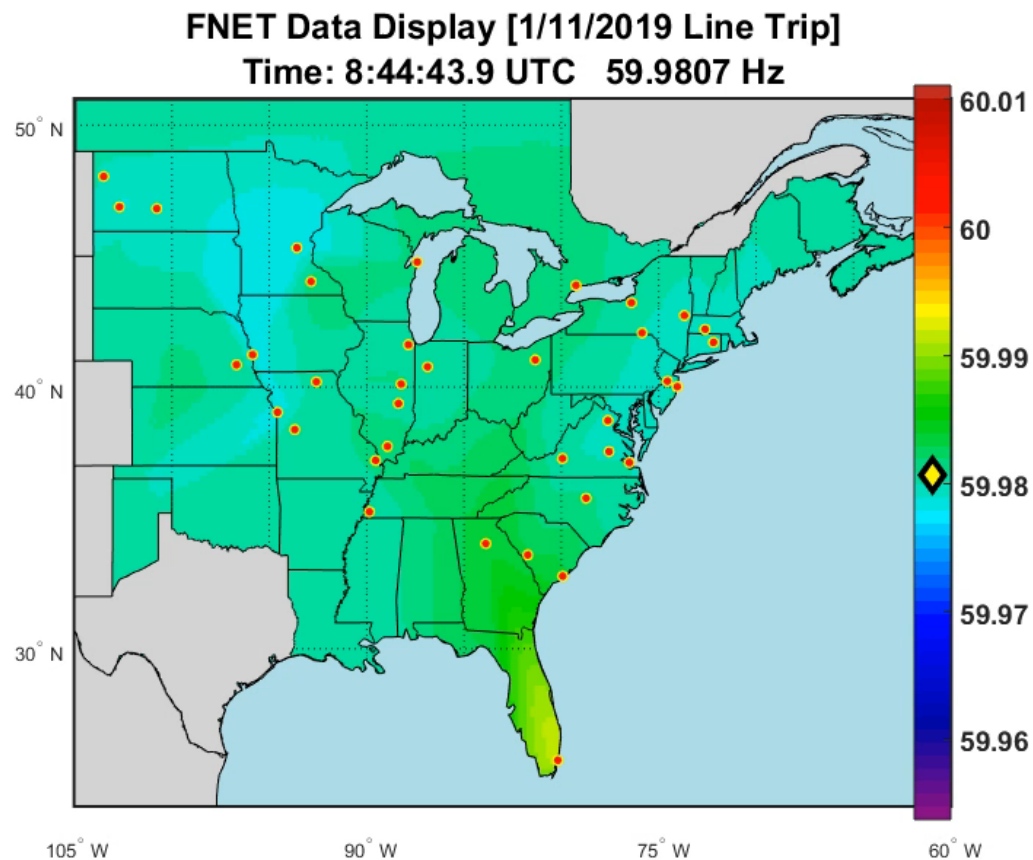
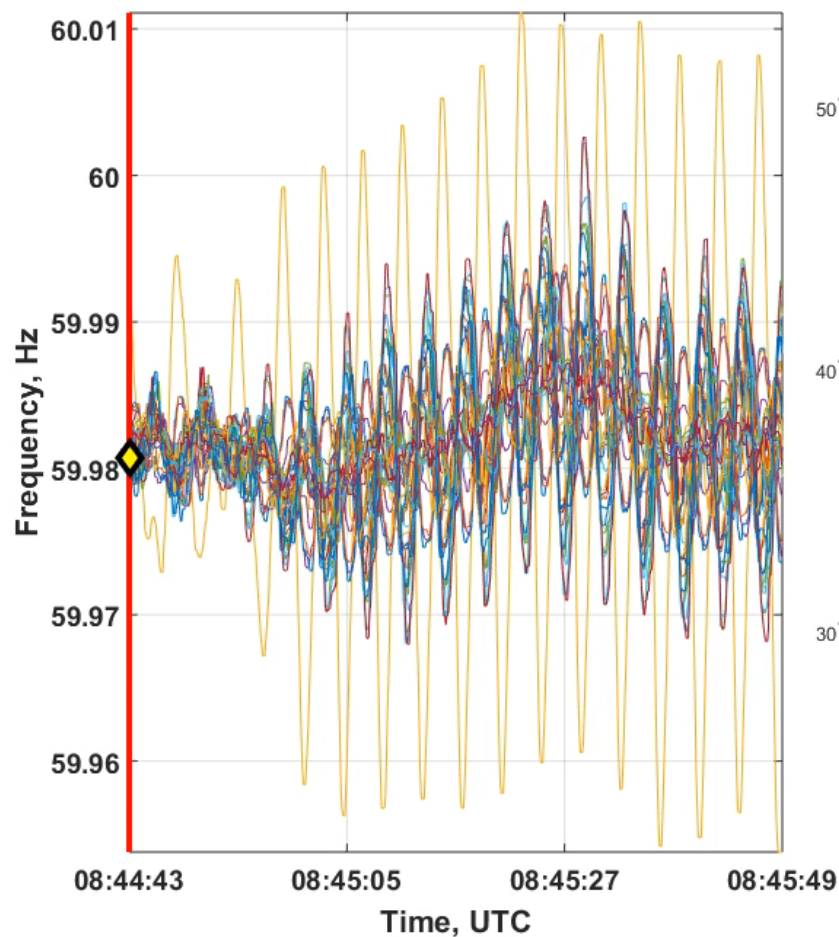
Forced Oscillation Sources

- Rough zone operation of certain hydro units (Francis turbines)
- Mechanical control failures (valves)
- Power electronics control issues (wind,solar,HVDC)
- Poor or incorrect designs (operation outside design range)
- Problematic loads: arc furnaces, oil refineries

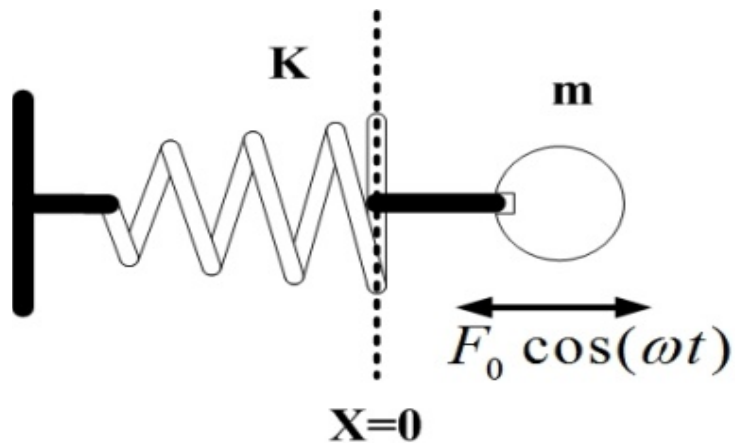
Forced Oscillations

- Signature: Sudden appearance and end of oscillations (not related to grid events)
- Mechanism: Root cause external to power grid operations
- Warning signs: Not much. Problem tends to repeat itself until corrected.
- Challenge: Effects are local usually. Can lead to **wide-area oscillations** sometimes from **inter-area resonance**.

Jan 11, 2019 Eastern System Event

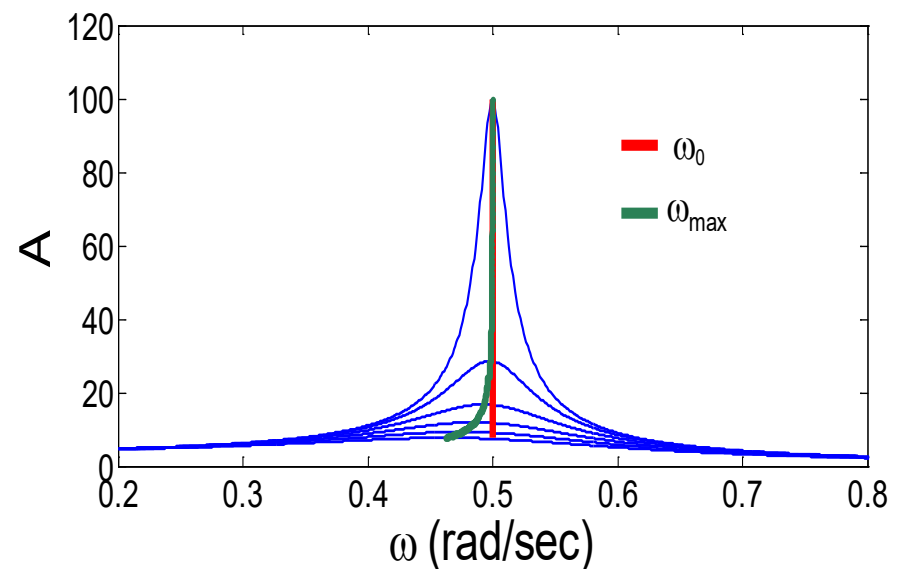


Resonance in Physics



$$\begin{cases} A = \frac{F_0/m}{\sqrt{(\omega_0^2 - \omega^2)^2 + (\omega\gamma)^2}} \\ \tan\delta = \frac{\omega\gamma}{\omega_0^2 - \omega^2} \end{cases}$$

High resonance effect when forced oscillation frequency **close to** system mode frequency and when system mode **poorly damped**.



Resonance with Inter-area Mode

Resonance effect high when:

(R1) Forced Osc freq near System Mode freq

(R2) System Mode poorly damped

(R3) Forced Oscillation location near distant ends (strong participation) of the System Mode

Resonance effect medium when:

- Some of the conditions hold

Resonance effect small when:

- None of the condition holds

(Source: Our 2016 paper in IEEE Trans. Power Systems)

Oscillation Shape Proposition

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{b}u, \quad u(t) = H \cos(\omega t + \gamma)$$

Sinusoidal steady state:

$$x_i(t) = A_{FR_i} \cos(\omega t + \Psi_{FR_i})$$

$$\mathbf{A}_{FR} \angle \mathbf{\Psi}_{FR} = -(H \angle \gamma) \left(\sum_{i=1}^{2n_c} \tilde{\mathbf{v}}_i \frac{|\tilde{\mathbf{w}}_i^T \mathbf{b}|}{\sqrt{\alpha_i^2 + (\omega - \beta_i)^2}} [\angle(\tilde{\mathbf{w}}_i^T \mathbf{b}) + \angle(\alpha_i + j(\omega - \beta_i))] \right. \\ \left. + \sum_{i=2n_c+1}^n \tilde{\mathbf{v}}_i \frac{|\tilde{\mathbf{w}}_i^T \mathbf{b}|}{\sqrt{\lambda_i^2 + \omega^2}} [\angle(\tilde{\mathbf{w}}_i^T \mathbf{b}) + \angle(\lambda_i + j\omega)] \right)$$

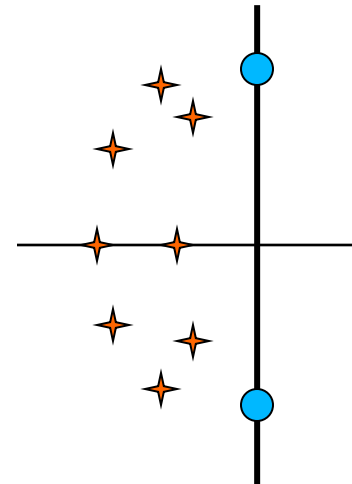
Y. Zhi and V. Venkatasubramanian, "Interaction of Forced Oscillation With Multiple System Modes," *IEEE Trans. Power Systems*, vol. 36, no. 1, pp. 518-520, Jan. 2021

Oscillation Shape Proposition

Oscillation shape is a **weighted sum** of mode shapes from all system modes.

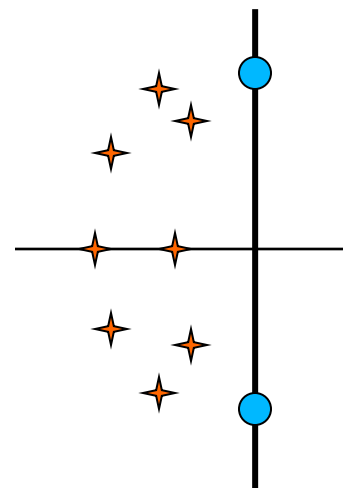
Each mode $\alpha_i + j\beta_i$ contributes its mode shape $\tilde{\mathbf{v}}_i$ multiplied by amplification factor A_i and shifted by rotation factor ψ_i

$$A_i = - \frac{|\tilde{\mathbf{w}}_i^T \mathbf{b}|}{\sqrt{\alpha_i^2 + (\omega - \beta_i)^2}}$$



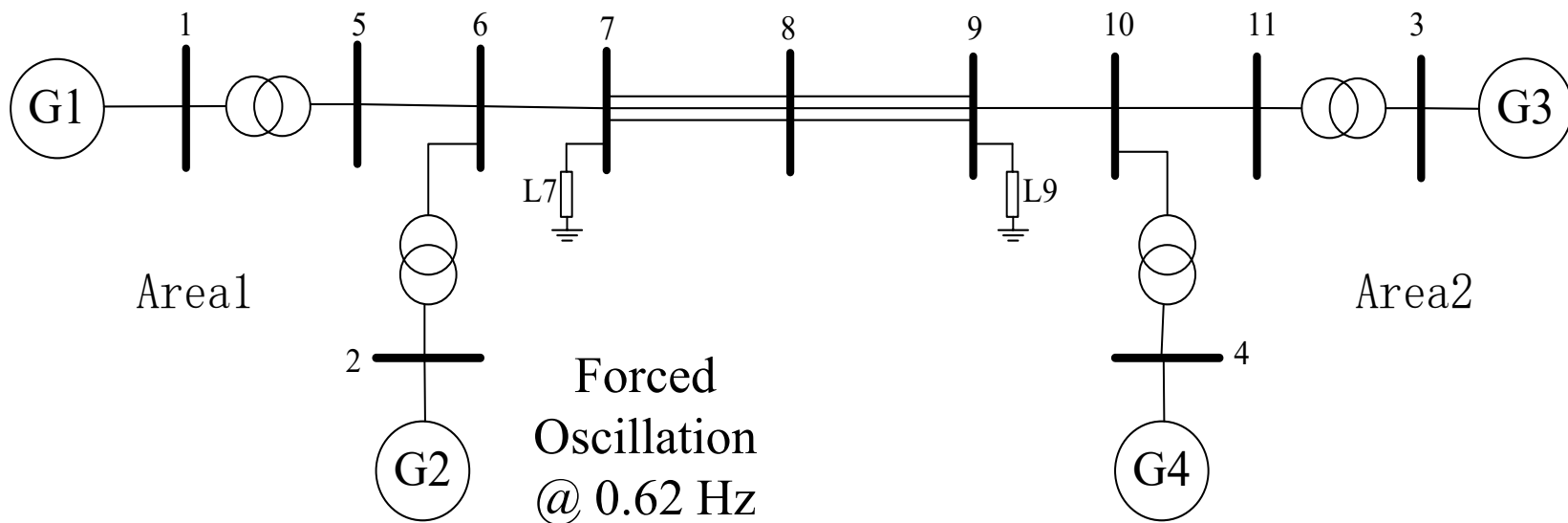
Modal Amplification Factors

$$|A_i| = \frac{|\tilde{\mathbf{w}}_i^T \mathbf{b}|}{\sqrt{\alpha_i^2 + (\omega - \beta_i)^2}}$$



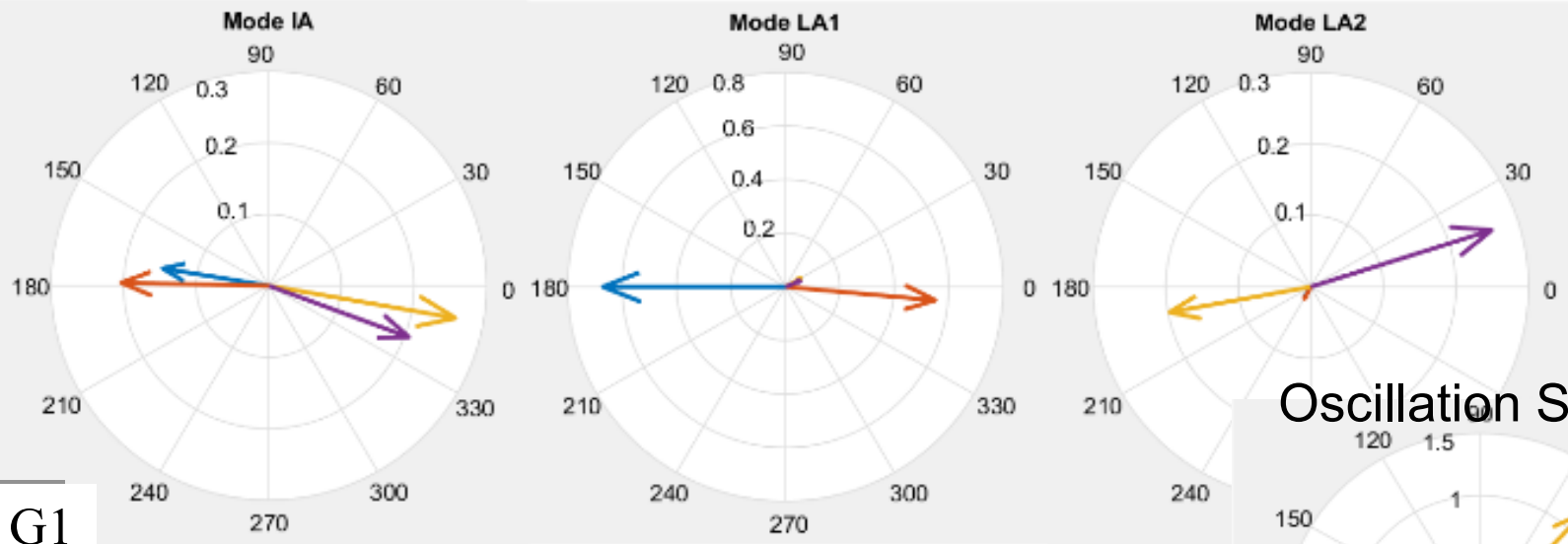
- $\tilde{\mathbf{w}}_i^T \mathbf{b} \Rightarrow$ Strong controllability (R3)
- $\omega \approx \beta_i \Rightarrow$ Close frequencies (R1)
- α_i small \Rightarrow Poor damping (R2)

Kundur System Example



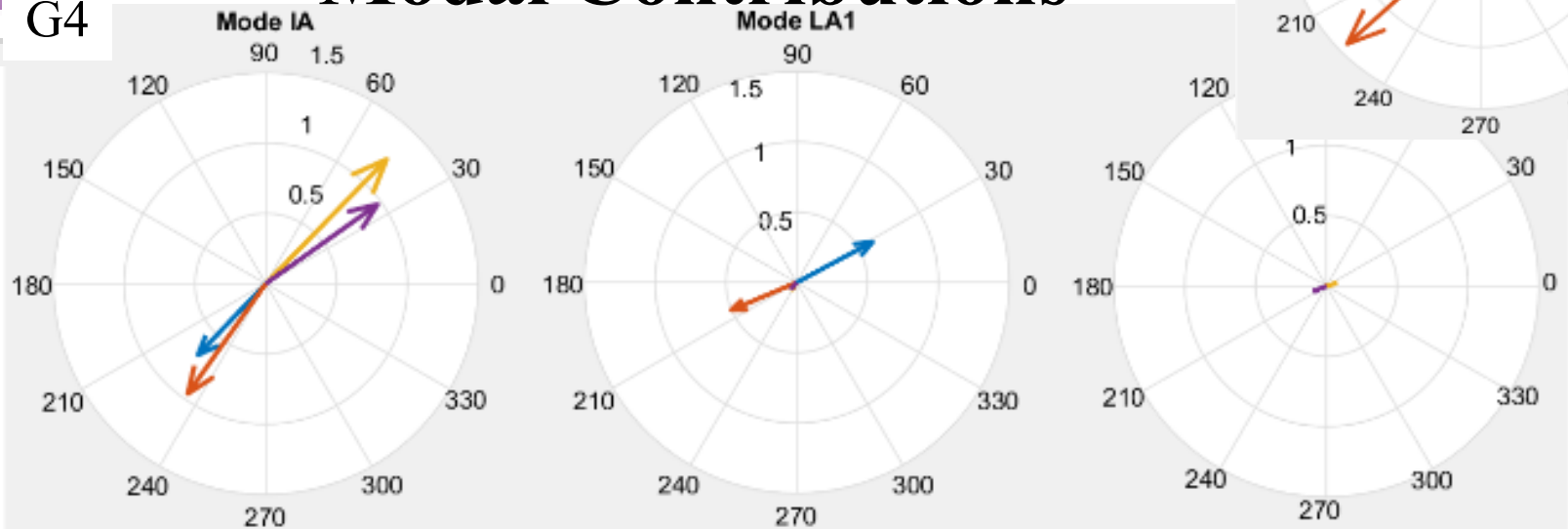
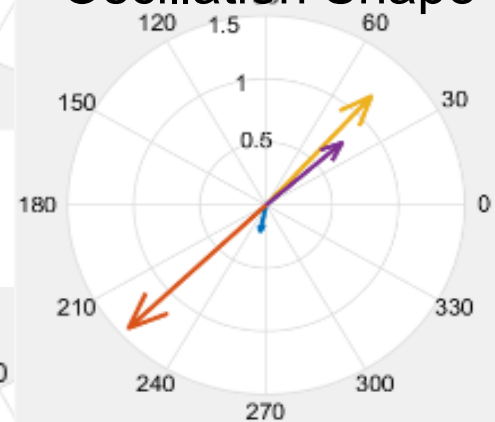
	Type	Frequency	Damping Ratio	$A_i \angle \psi_i$
Mode IA	Inter-area	0.62 Hz	3.0%	$4.70 \angle 56.0^\circ$
Mode LA1	Local (Area1)	0.56 Hz	6.8%	$0.91 \angle -151.7^\circ$
Mode LA2	Local (Area2)	0.67 Hz	1.4%	$0.36 \angle 174.7^\circ$

Mode shapes

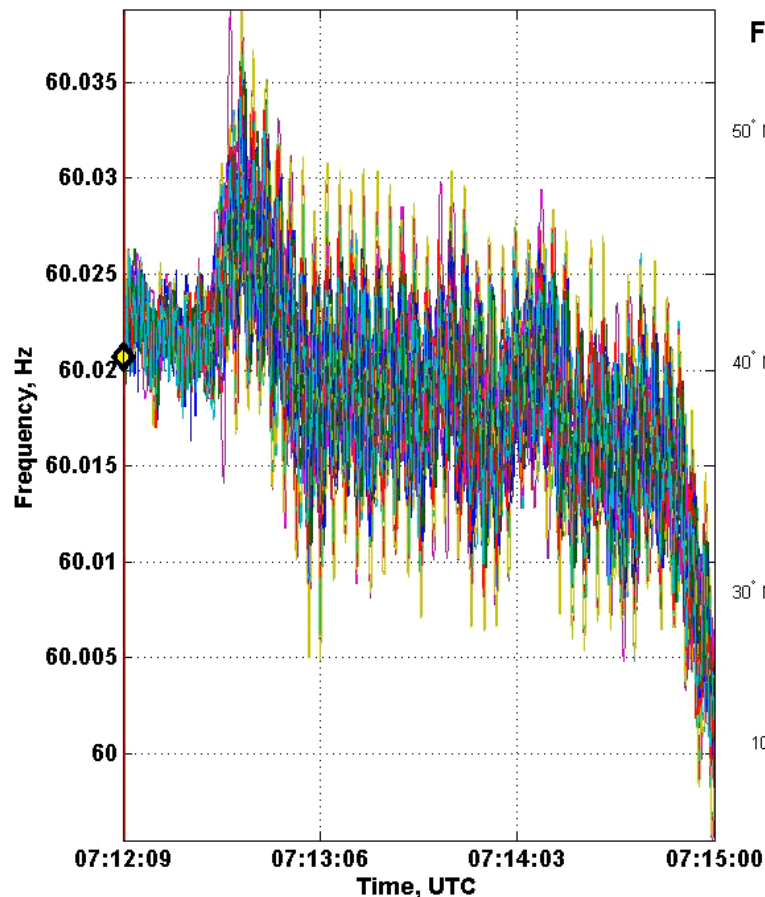


Modal Contributions

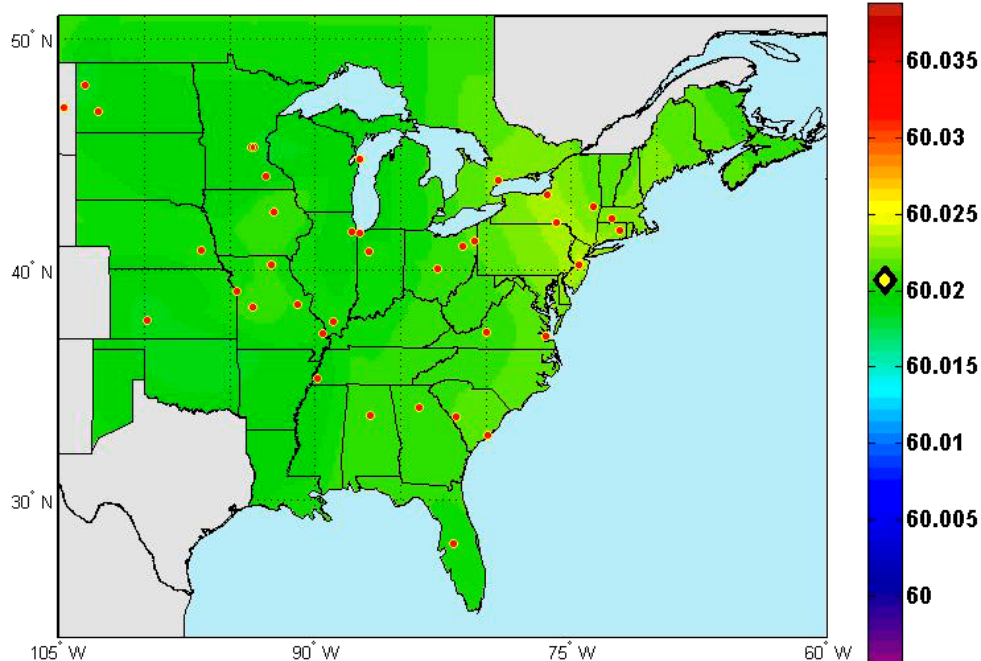
Oscillation Shape



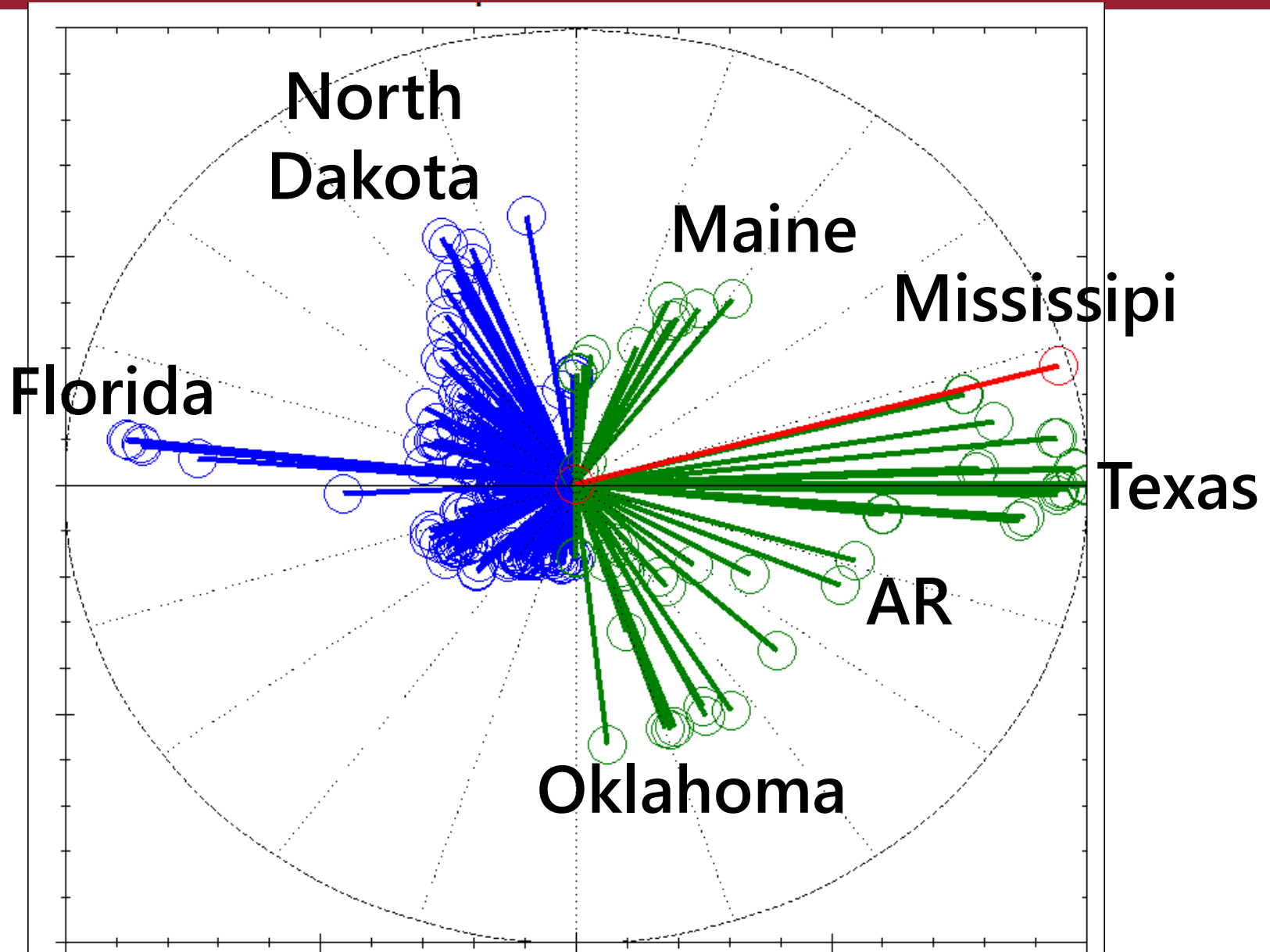
June 17, 2016 Eastern Event



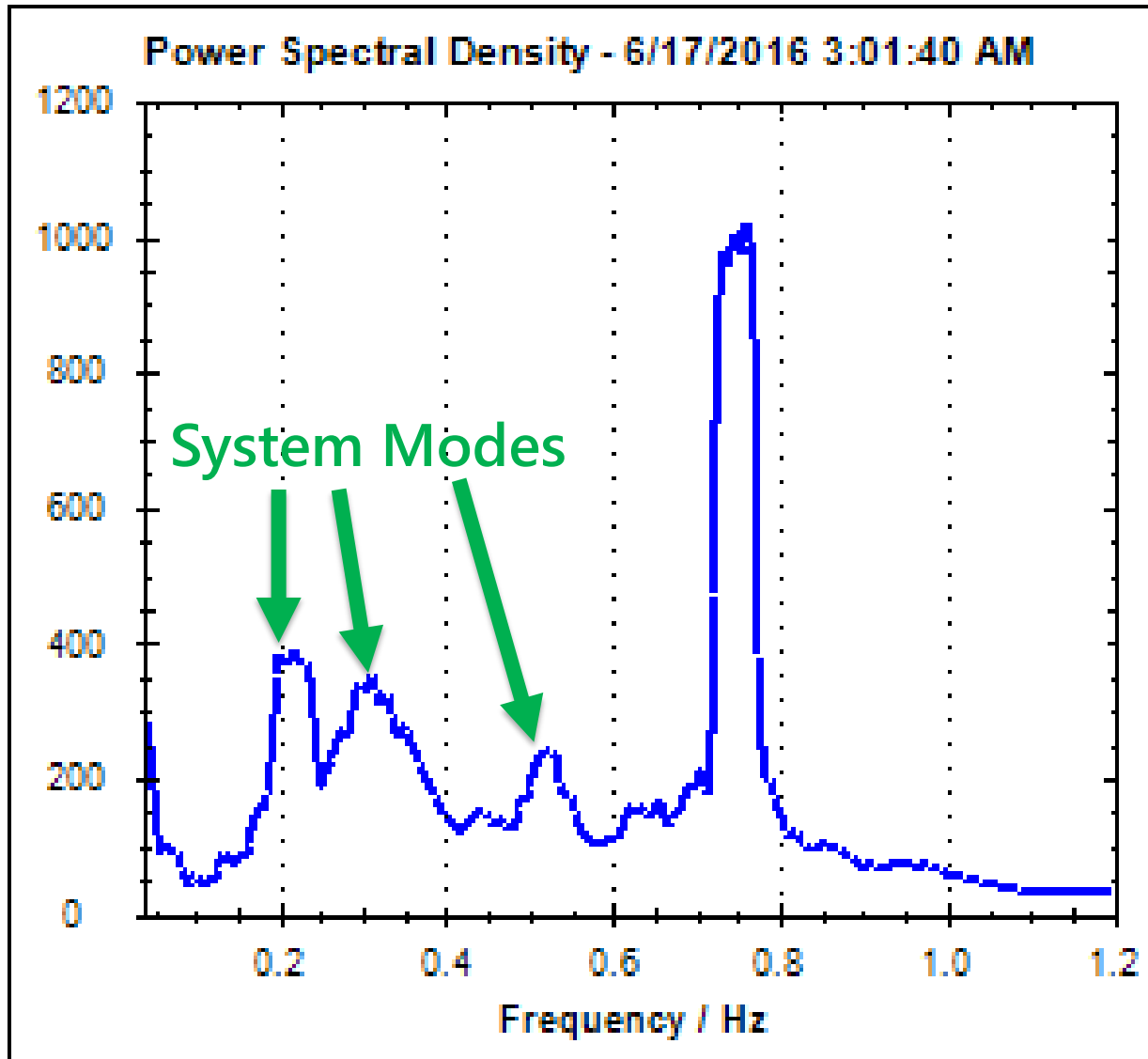
FNET Data Display [6/17/2016 Sustained Oscillation]
Time: 7:12:9.9 UTC 60.0207 Hz



0.28 Hz Oscillation Shape



FFDD Power Spectrum @ 3:01 AM (Before)



Main modes

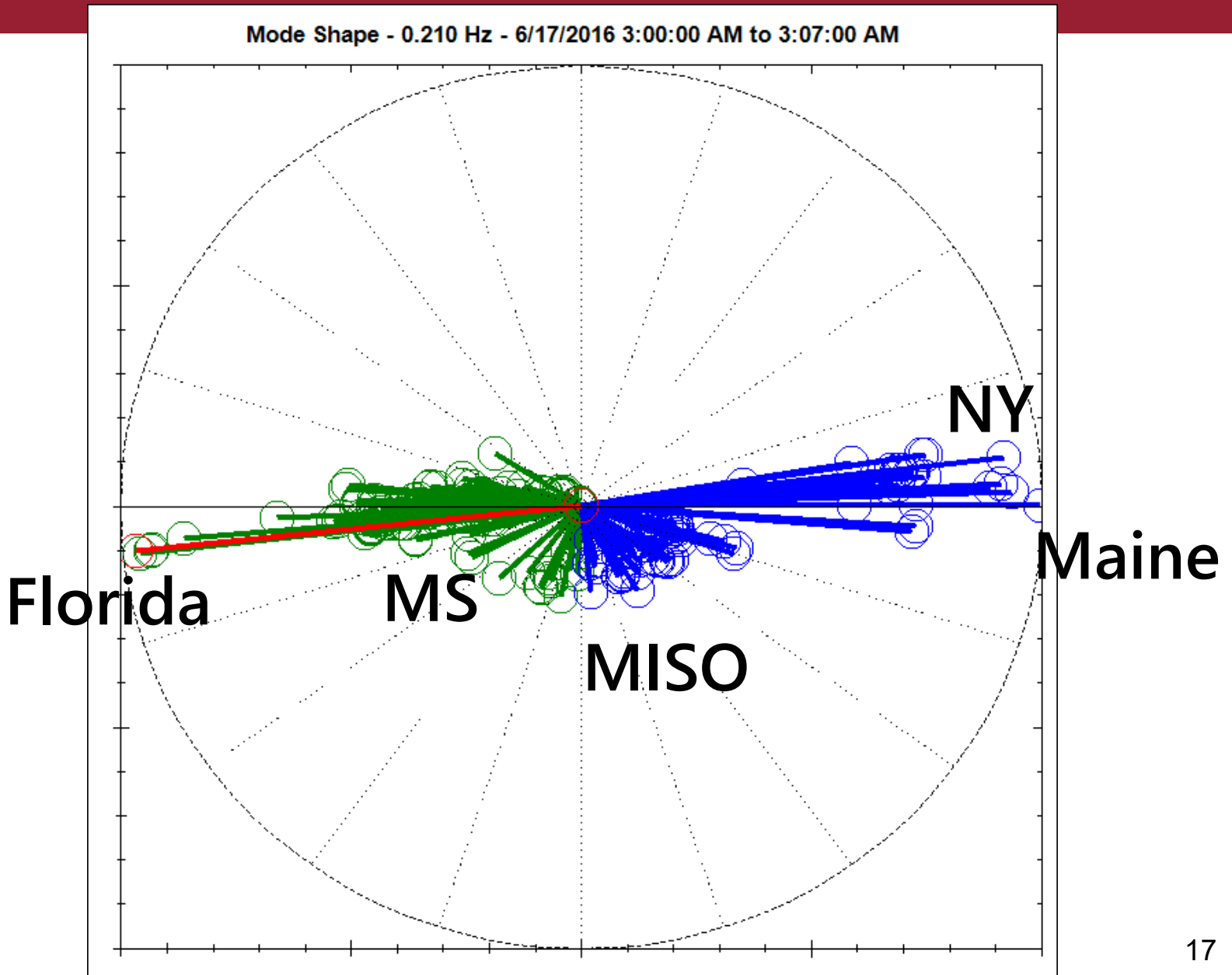
0.2 Hz

0.3 Hz

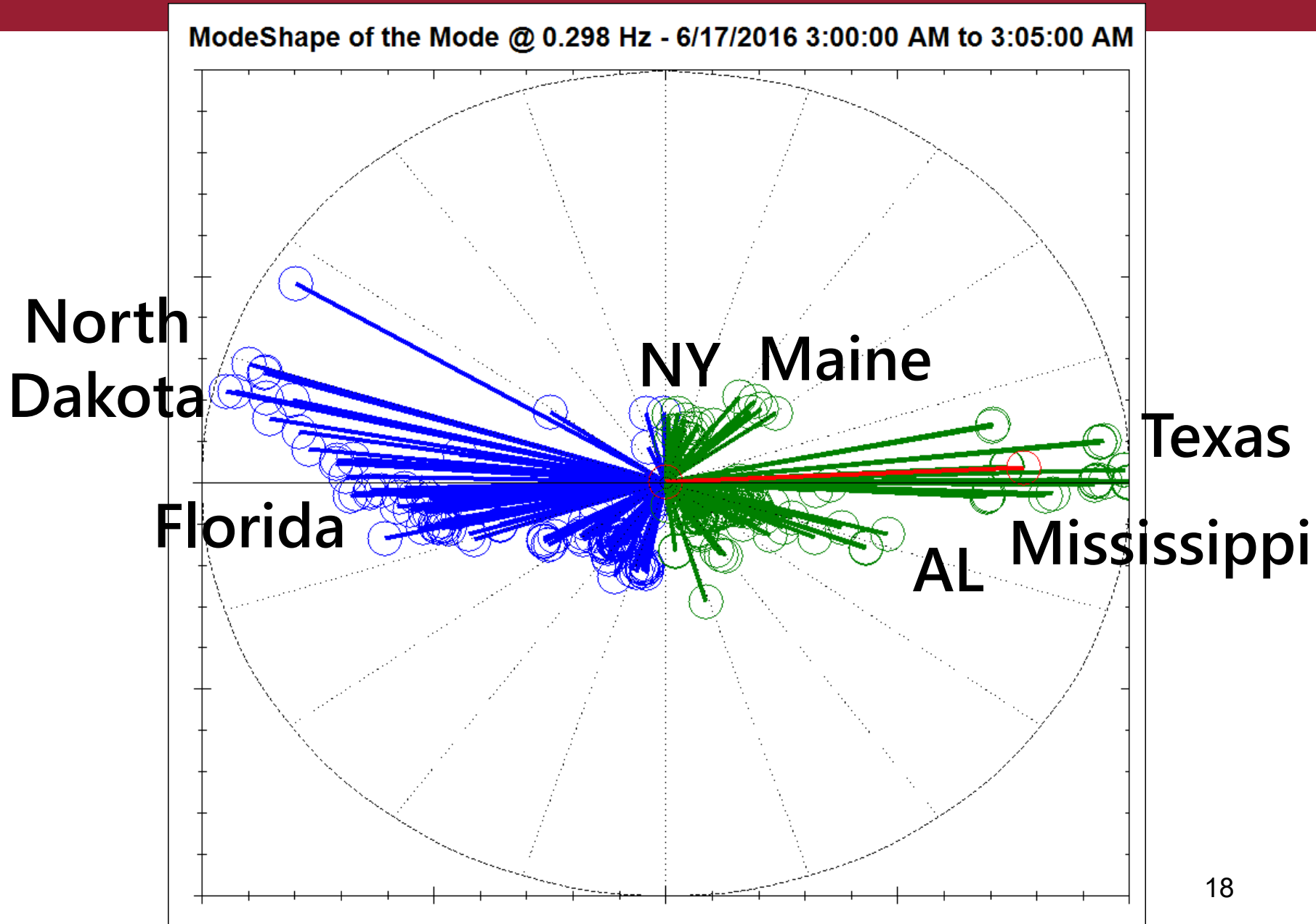
0.5 Hz

0.75 Hz

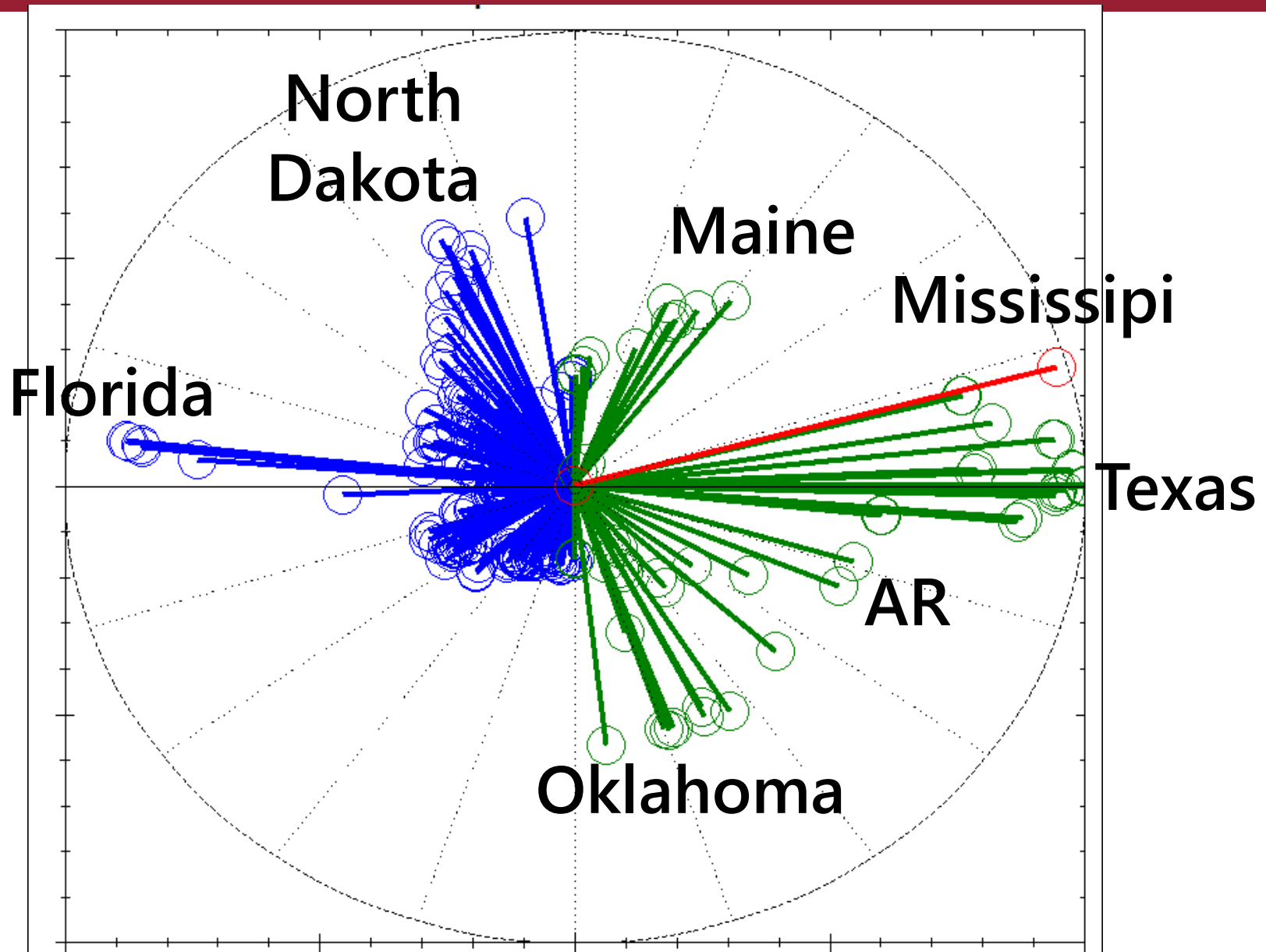
0.2 Hz North-South Mode from FSSI



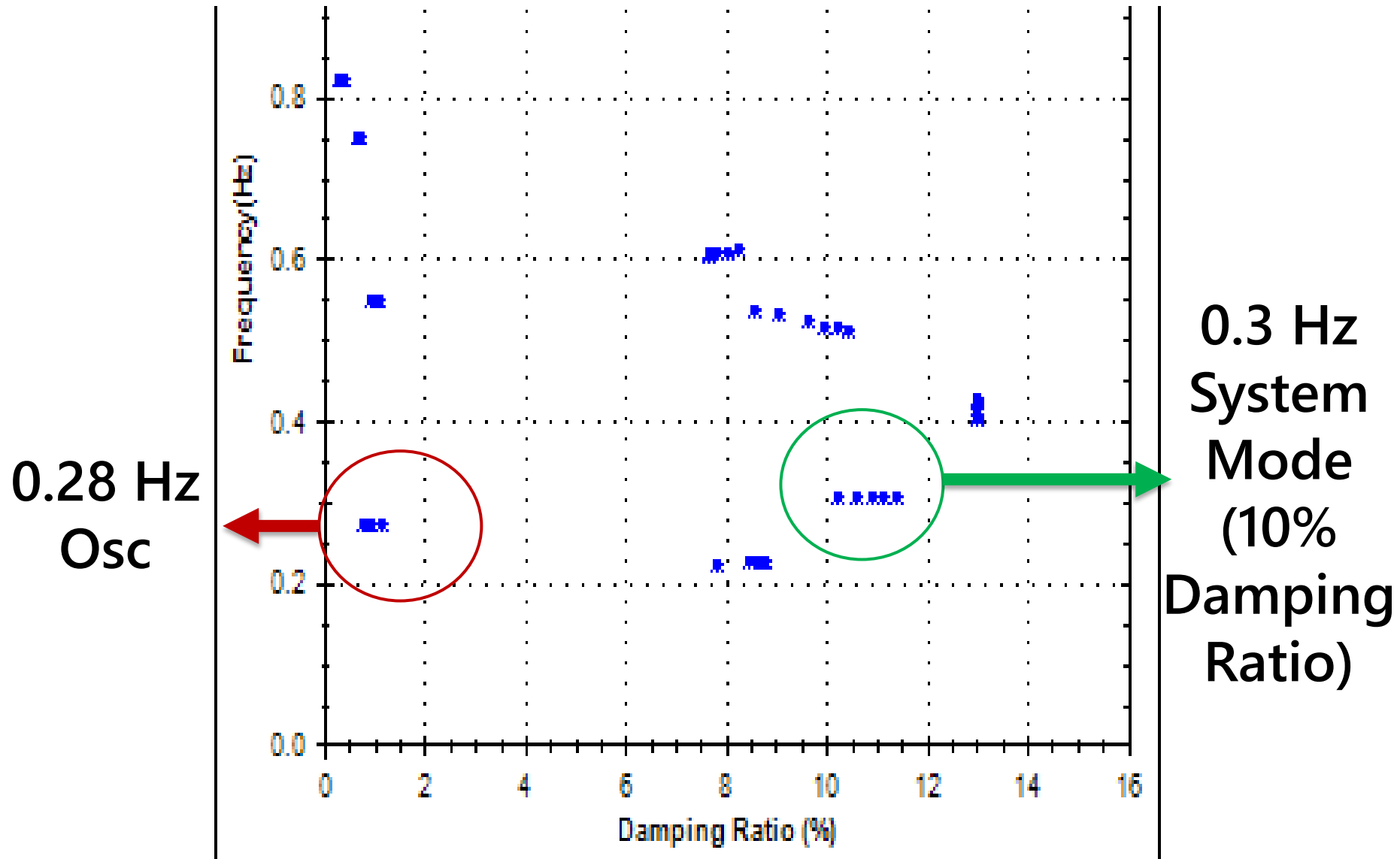
0.3 Hz North-South Mode from FFDD



0.28 Hz Oscillation Shape



FSSI Estimates During Event (3:13 to 3:17)



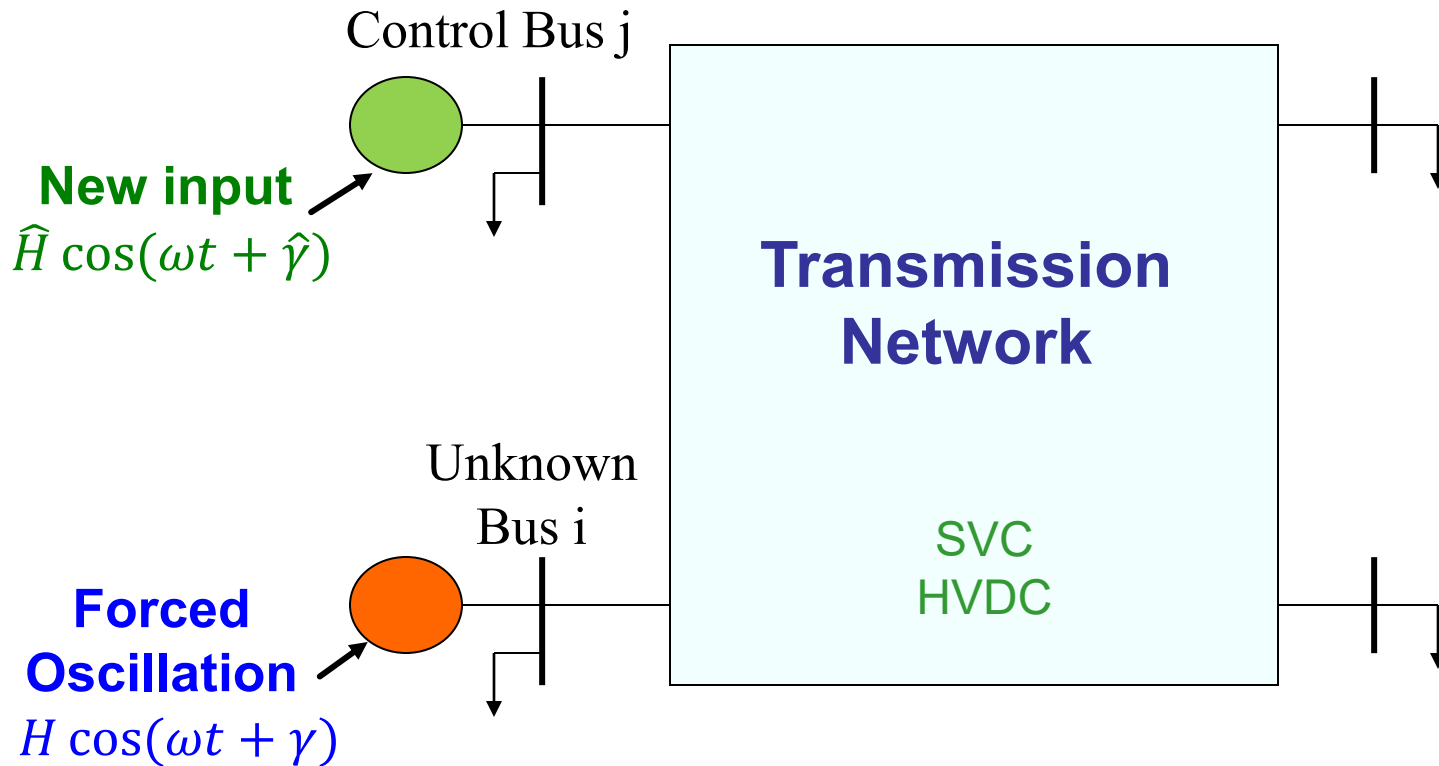
Resonance Conditions (June 17, 2016 event)

- (R1) Forced Osc freq near System Mode freq (**close**)
 - **0.28 Hz Oscillation versus 0.3 Hz Mode**
 - (R2) System Mode poorly damped (**invalid**)
 - **0.3 Hz Well-damped (10% Damping Ratio)**
 - (R3) Forced Osc location near the two distant ends (strong participation) of the System Mode (**true**)
 - **Mississippi Sensitive Location for the Mode**
- Only 1+ conditions valid: Resonance effect small.**

Mitigation of Resonant Oscillations

- How to stop the oscillations?
 - **Source location of forced oscillations**
 - **Many methods proposed**
 - **Problematic for resonant oscillations**
- How to reduce resonant oscillations?
 - **Increase the damping of inter-area mode**
 - **Closed-loop controls have been proposed**
 - **We propose an alternate open-loop control for interim reduction of oscillations**

Open-loop Control for Mitigation



Apply a strategically designed input at the same frequency with the correct phase and amplitude to “cancel out” the effects of unknown forced oscillation.

Superposition holds for small-signal analysis.

Theory Base

- Resonance mainly with one inter-area mode say $\alpha_r \pm j\beta_r$:

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{b}u, \quad u(t) = H \cos(\omega t + \gamma)$$

Sinusoidal steady state:

$$x_i(t) = A_{FR_i} \cos(\omega t + \Psi_{FR_i})$$

$$\mathbf{A}_{FR} \angle \Psi_{FR}$$

$$= -(H \angle \gamma) \tilde{\mathbf{v}}_r \frac{|\tilde{\mathbf{w}}_r^T \mathbf{b}|}{\sqrt{\alpha_r^2 + (\omega - \beta_r)^2}} \left[\angle(\tilde{\mathbf{w}}_r^T \mathbf{b}) + \angle(\alpha_r + j(\omega - \beta_r)) \right]$$

Theory Base

$u(t) = H \cos(\omega t + \gamma)$ at bus i.

$\hat{u}(t) = \hat{H} \cos(\omega t + \hat{\gamma})$ applied at bus j.

Sinusoidal steady state:

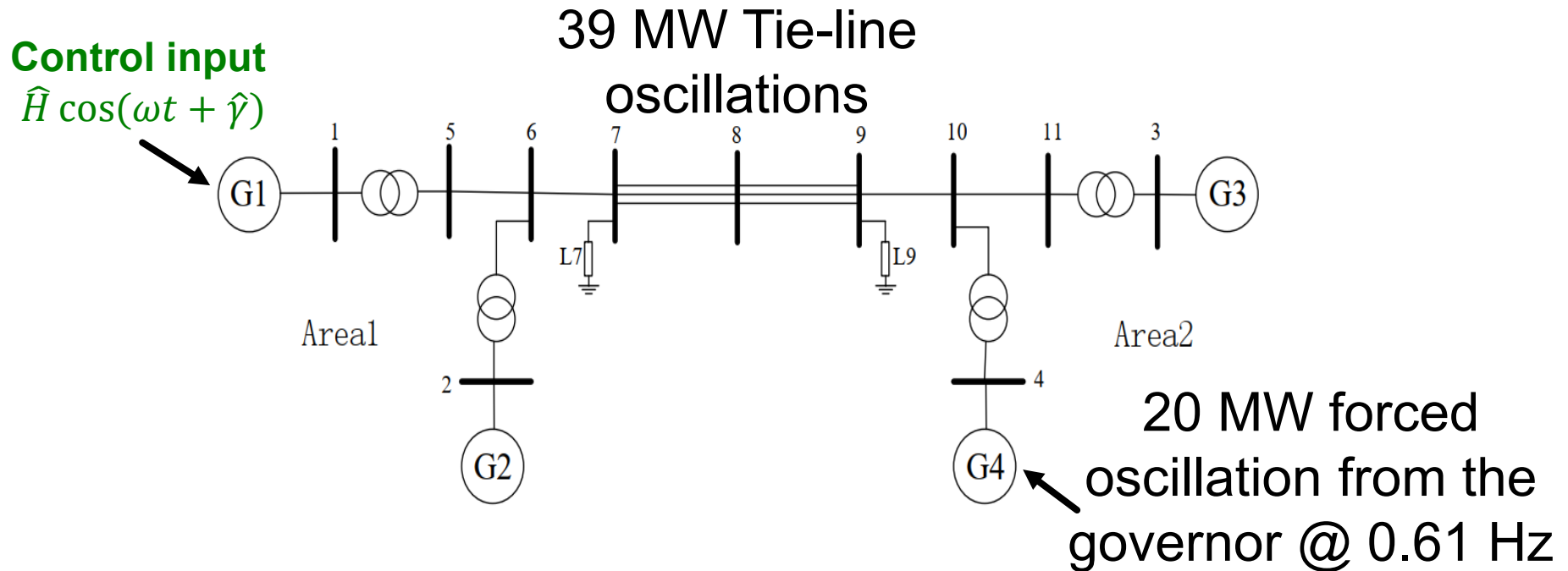
$$x_i(t) = A_{FR_i} \cos(\omega t + \Psi_{FR_i})$$

$$\text{Net Effect} = \tilde{w}_{ri} b_i H \angle \gamma + \tilde{w}_{rj} b_j \hat{H} \angle \hat{\gamma}$$

$$A_{FR_i} = 0 \text{ when } \hat{H} \angle \hat{\gamma} = - \frac{\tilde{w}_{ri} b_i H \angle \gamma}{\tilde{w}_{rj} b_j}$$

How to find the control signal amplitude \hat{H} and the phase $\hat{\gamma}$ using local measurements?

Control Example

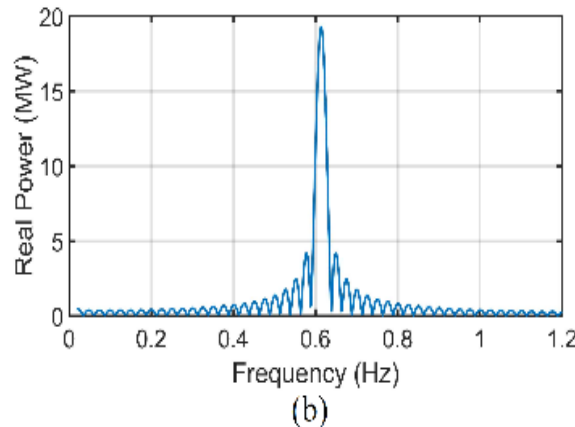
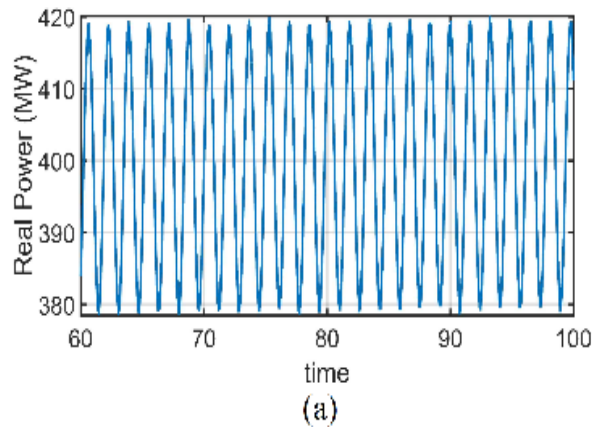


Step 1) Estimate forced oscillation frequency

Step 2) Estimate $\hat{\gamma}$ by iteration starting from \hat{H}_0 and $\hat{\gamma}_0$

Step 3) Adjust \hat{H} as relevant for effective mitigation

Step 1) Frequency Estimation

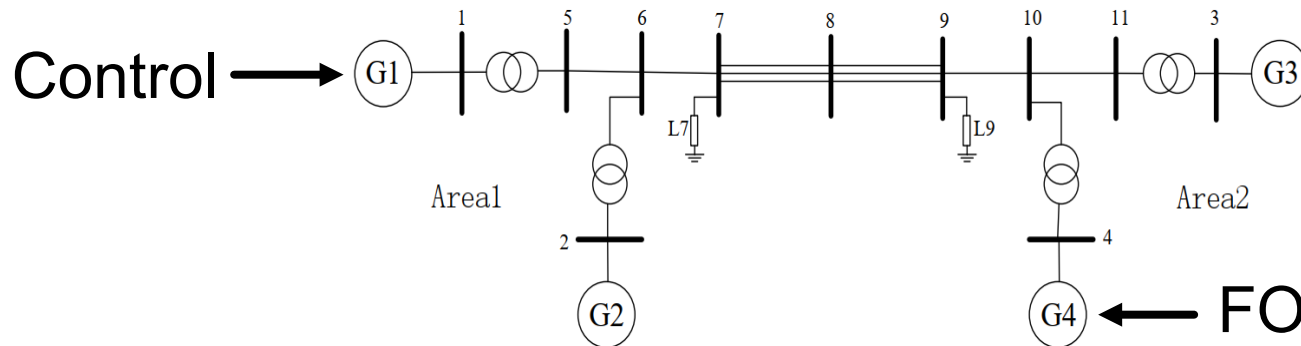


Estimate forced
oscillation
frequency
@ 0.61 Hz

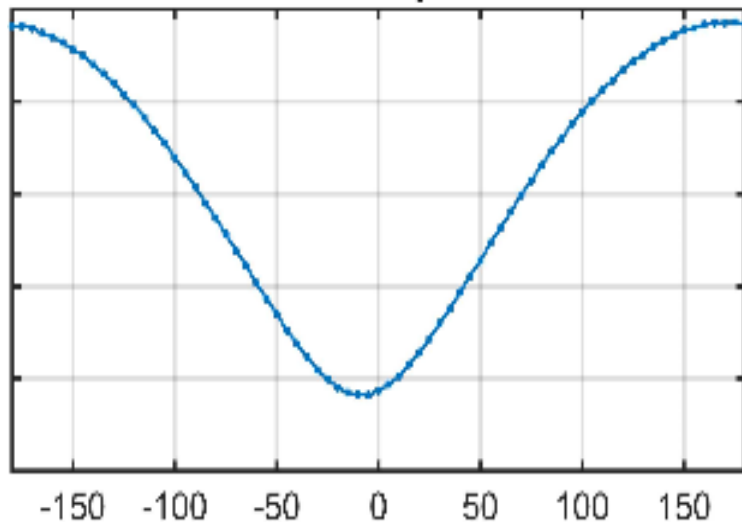
- We can use time-domain (Prony/HTLS/ERA) or frequency domain methods (FFT/PSD)
- Phase-Locked Loop

Method	Estimated Frequency (Hz)
FFT	0.61
Prony	0.61
Matrix Pencil	0.61
HTLS	0.61

Step 2) Phase Estimation



Use phase of P_{G1} to estimate $\hat{\gamma}_0$

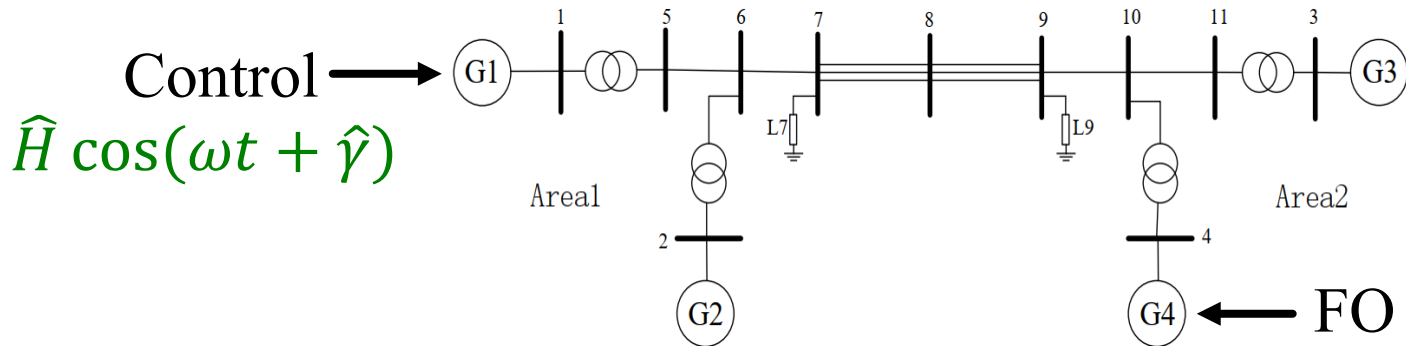


Control signal phase $\hat{\gamma}$

Minimum amplitude for $\hat{\gamma} = -9.9$ deg

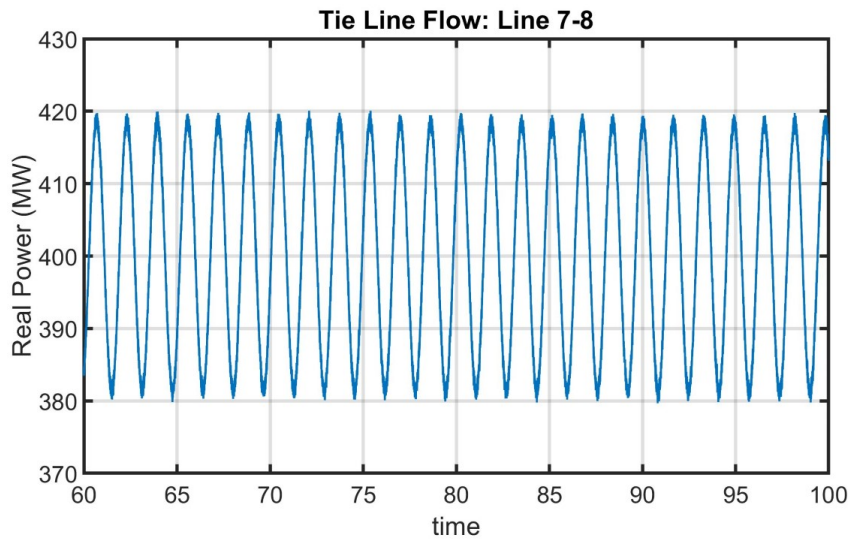
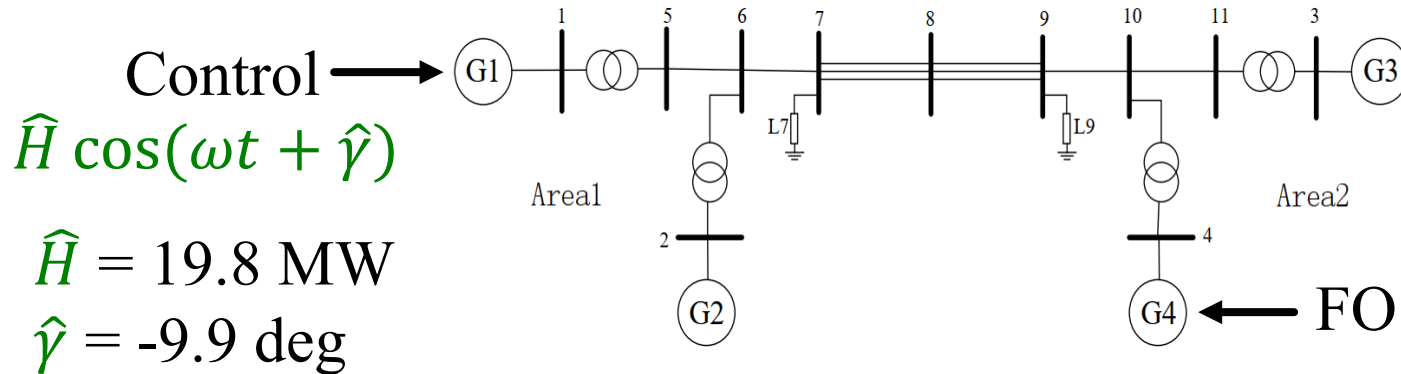
Control Angle (Degrees)	FO Magnitude P_{G1} (MW)	Gradient Search
10	20.26	Initialize
15	21.56	Flip
5	19.38	Continue
0	18.70	Continue
-5	18.22	Continue
-10	18.28	Stop

Step 3) Amplitude Estimation

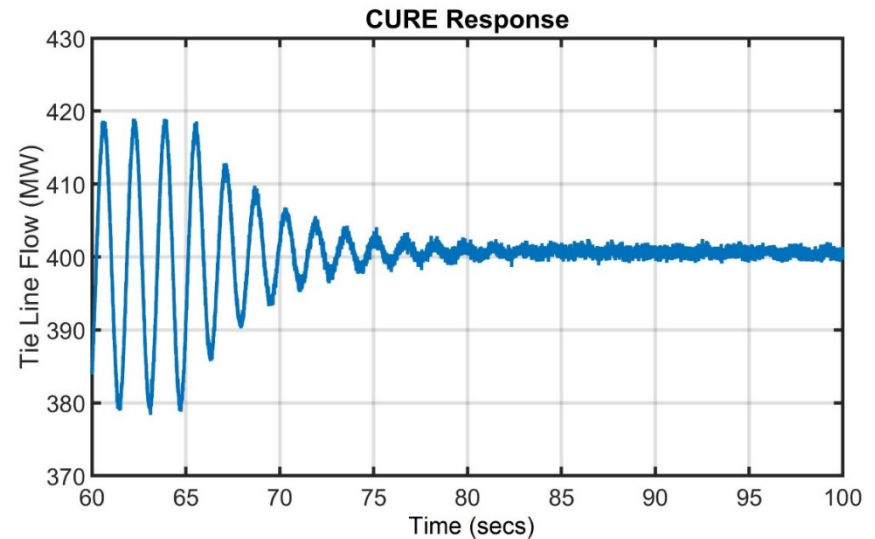


- Choose $\hat{\gamma} = -9.9$ deg, and $\hat{H}_0 = 10.4$ MW.
- Increase \hat{H} by $\Delta\hat{H}$ and estimate the change in tie-line flow oscillation amplitude.
 - 16.2 MW oscillations @ $\hat{H} = 10.4$ MW
 - 11.2 MW oscillations @ $\hat{H} = 15.6$ MW
- Using linear extrapolation, estimate $\Delta\hat{H}$ needed for desired mitigation. $\hat{H} \approx 19.8$ MW for 0 MW oscillations
- Apply the control with $\hat{H} = 19.8$ MW and $\hat{\gamma} = -9.9$ deg
- Tie-line flow oscillations nearly zero.

Control for Mitigation



Forced Oscillation response



Forced Oscillation and Control
(applied @ 65 sec) response

Resonant Forced Oscillation Events

- Many resonant forced oscillations observed in different interconnections.
- Need to understand dominant inter-area modes and track the damping of system inter-area modes
- Inter-area resonance – potential risk for operational reliability
- Effective source location algorithms needed
- Controls for mitigation of resonant oscillations need to be developed and tested
- Novel open-loop control proposed

Questions?

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