

Physics-based Data-Driven Approaches for Monitoring and Mitigating Voltage Instability

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The Power Grid is a Critical National Infrastructure

- The power grid is a critical infrastructure of a nation; secure operation is key for a reliable grid societal and commercial cost
- Stability analysis is essential for secure operation of the grid after large disturbances -classic problem in power systems
- Trends impacting grid stability & control :
 - IBR penetration
 - T&D interaction
 - Sensors



Trend 1 – Increasing Inverter Based Resources (IBRs)



Renewables connected via inverters will rise and will be more dispersed in the grid



Trend 2 – Rising Active Resources in Distribution Systems

- Devices in the distribution grid are becoming active participants in the grid Consumers to Prosumers – Referred as DERs
- FERC 2222 DERs can get paid for supporting transmission



New T&D interactions over Multiple Timescales



Trend 3 – Increasing Sensors

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 Phasor Measurement Units (PMUs) provides real-time measurements of grid dynamics – also being introduced in distribution systems (μPMUs)



Sensors in Transmission and Distribution
 Online Monitoring & Control

Renewable Integration Impact Assessment Study

- The 2021 Renewable Integration Impact • Assessment study by Midcontinent Independent System Operator (MISO) found that beyond <u>30% IBR penetration</u>:
- System wide voltage instability is the • main driver of dynamic complexity
- The system is prone to **oscillations during** • peak renewable conditions - Reduced Damping & Inertia





Source: Midcontinent Independent System Operator, "Renewable Integration Impact Assessment", RIIA report [https://www.misoenergy.org/planning/policy-studies/Renewableintegration-impact-assessment]

Challenges and Opportunities

The increasing IBRs reduce damping, inertia while introducing variability

Dynamics of the system is more complex due to increasing IBRs

Use the flexibility of bulk IBRs+DERs to provide support – P2800 & FERC 2222

Use sensors to monitor and analyze the dynamics to quickly identify & control instability





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Focus on Online Short-Term Voltage Instability Monitoring & Mitigation

Fault Induced Delayed Voltage Recovery (FIDVR) in Transmission Systems





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Source: Department of Energy, "DOE - NERC FIDVR Workshop", April 22 2008.

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FIDVR in transmission system

- Sustained low voltages may cause devices in nearby regions to trip – DERs can get disconnected
- Many hundreds of stalled AC motors
- Prefer a local method at substation PMU to monitor and control



How do we characterize and mitigate FIDVR locally?



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- Existing online monitoring & mitigation methods use voltage to monitor FIDVR
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Source: Workshop Presentations Fault-Induced Delayed Voltage Recovery (FIDVR).pdf (nerc.com)

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- In high damping scenarios, voltage is a reasonable indicator of severity (Halpin 2008, ٠ Kolluri 2015)
- In simulations with poor damping in system observed that the voltage is not a ٠ reliable metric for monitoring FIDVR
- System operation in regions where control gains are not tuned \Rightarrow poor damping ٠



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- Solution: The stalled 1ϕ IM is an admittance, so estimate it from measurements & model.

$$Y_{1\phi} = Y_{PMU} - (Y_{elec} + Y_{stat} + Y_{3\phi})$$

$$\boxed{\frac{P + jQ}{|V|^2}}$$
Function of Voltage
and Model

PSERC Source: Modeling and validation work group, "WECC Dynamic Composite Load Model Specifications," Western Electricity Coordinating Council, Technical Report

Observations from Simulations

- Monitoring the stalled 1ϕ motor Admittance gave a much better understanding unique aspect as none have looked at admittances for monitoring stability
- Susceptance (B) plot shows two distinct sections with minimal oscillations $t_1 \& t_2$
- Key result is to estimate the recovery time immediately after fault using B_{stall} given by $t_1 + t_2$



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Observations from Real Data

- <u>Reconstructed</u> total conductance plots for real FIDVR events in distribution & transmission systems from P and V data [A] [B]
- The overall behavior of the plots is like the simulation results $-t_1 \& t_2$



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Analysis of Load Dynamics during FIDVR

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• The stalled admittance of the 1ϕ IM varies with time due to thermal protection.



- This is a physics inspired reduced model representing the key dynamics observed in FIDVR
- Represent this system by a switched non-linear differential equation for the dynamics of the motor temperature, θ , as the slowly varying state in this system

Analysis of FIDVR Recovery Time - I



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For a <u>non-oscillatory</u> V_{stall} , we can solve the non-linear differential equations to get

$$t_1 \approx -k_0 \cdot \ln\left(1 - \frac{k_1}{\left(\frac{V_{stall}^2}{Stall} \cdot B_{stall}\right)}\right)$$

$$t_2 \approx \frac{2k_2}{\left((V_{stall}^2 + 1)B_{stall} - k_3\right)}$$

 $k_0, k_1, k_2 \& k_3$ are functions of thermal relay parameters

Total recovery time = $t_1 + t_2$

Challenge: The $t_1 \& t_2$ expressions include V_{stall} which is oscillatory.

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Analysis of FIDVR Recovery Time - II

- Solution: Learn an expression for the times $t_1 \& t_2$ in terms of the measured B_{stall} at the PMU from various offline simulations
- As $V_{stall} \propto \frac{1}{B_{stall}}$, a first order approximation of the expressions leads to a linear relation between the recovery times and B_{stall}

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$$t_{1} = \alpha_{0} \cdot B_{stall} + \alpha_{1}$$

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Data-driven Learning for FIDVR Recovery Time

• Estimate the linear regression model for $t_1 \& t_2$ using multiple simulations

 $t_1 = \alpha_0 \cdot B_{stall} + \alpha_1$ Model fits the actual data with $t_2 = \beta_0 \cdot B_{stall} + \beta_1$ >95% accuracy for various systems

• The coefficients encode the behavior of the grid, the load and depend on the disturbance in the grid – plots below show variation for various faults



Recovery Time Prediction – Results on 162 node system

• Coefficients trained on few 1ϕ IM % and tested

1 ¢ IM %	Actual $(t_1 + t_2)$	Estimated $(t_1 + t_2)$	Error %
20%	13.6	13	4 %
25%	15.1	14.6	3.2 %
30%	16.5	16.1	2.5 %
35%	18.2	17.5	3.4 %
40%	20	19.1	4.4 %
45%	21	20.5	2 %

• The values of B_{stall} just after fault are used – quick identification of severity

Admittance works for Monitoring. Mitigation?



Mitigation of FIDVR using Local Controls

• AC disconnection using smart thermostats is the best approach as these motors are the reason for FIDVR – will lead to sudden drop in B_{stall}



• τ_0 is the control time of AC disconnection and includes communication latency



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- Determine γ so that $t_1 + t_2 \leq t_{spec}$

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• γ is the solution of a quadratic equation derived from the $\alpha_0, \alpha_1, \beta_0, \beta_1, t_{spec}$ and τ_0

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Results on 162 node system in PSSE

- The actual recovery time with no control is 16 sec.
- Various specified recovery times (t_{spec}) with different AC disconnection time (τ_0) are tested.





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Results - Cyber Physical Real Time Test Bed

- The Real-Time Cyber-Physical Test Bed consists of Opal-RT, RTDS, SEL-421 PMU's, OpenPDC, Python & MATLAB to perform data analysis
- Composite load model implemented as Modelica Functional Mockup Unit



Overall workflow for FIDVR Monitoring & Mitigation



- More robust than purely voltage-based approaches for online FIDVR mitigation
- Also applicable to partial stalling of aggregated 1ϕ motor
- Can be used to systematically design remedial action schemes



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FIDVR Event in Southern California Edison

- Micro-PMUs in distribution node and PMUs at upstream Transmission substations
- Transmission voltage is mostly unaffected distribution voltage is impacted





Features of the Distribution Networks

- No oscillations, <u>but voltage measurements cannot localize FIDVR</u>. <u>Admittance can</u> <u>localize FIDVR</u>.
- DER control \Rightarrow Analytical expressions of $t_1 + t_2$ should be used





Features of the Distribution Networks

- DER control \Rightarrow Analytical expressions of $t_1 + t_2$ should be used
- Radial nature allows aggregation of devices for monitoring with less μ PMUs
- <u>Deploy control on Full System OpenDSS + MATLAB</u>





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Linear Formulation with DER + Load control

• Voltage at cluster *j* changes due to control $(u_{AC} \& u_{DER})$ at cluster *i*

$$\begin{aligned} t_{1,j} &\approx -k_0 \cdot \ln\left(1 - \frac{k_1}{V_{stall,j}^2} \cdot B_{stall,j}\right)\right) \\ t_{2,j} &\approx \frac{2k_2}{\left(\left(V_{stall,j}^2 + 1\right)B_{stall,j} - k_3\right)} \end{aligned}$$

Linear approximation for the change in recovery time



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Substation

Control Formulation – Linear Approximation

- Linear approximation for the change in recovery time at cluster *j* due to control (*u*) at cluster *i*
- More generally, $\Delta t_{rec} = A \cdot u$

$$\min c^{T} \cdot |u|$$

s.t.
$$A \cdot u \ge t_{spec} - t_{rec}$$
$$u_{min} \le u \le u_{max}$$



- Different control constraints can be applied
- Limit 50% AC disconnection in each area
- DER Q-injection up to 44% of rating as per IEEE 1547



Online FIDVR mitigation in IEEE 37 node feeder – 25% DER



Control triggered 2s after FIDVR detected, $\Delta t_{rec} = 3.5$	5 <i>S</i>
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Control Method	Total Load Disconnection
Uniform load control	275 kW
Optimal load control	200 kW
Optimal load + DER control	145 kW







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Conclusion

- The admittance-based approach can successfully *localize regions of motor stalling* and quantify the severity of FIDVR in both transmission and distribution systems
- The physics inspired reduced model based on admittances and thermal dynamics can *simplify the FIDVR* analysis and provide analytical recovery times
- The linear relation derived from the data can be used to both *monitor and mitigate FIDVR* in transmission systems
- The optimization formulation based on the recovery time sensitivities can utilize the DER Q-injection and can *reduce the load disconnection* by 40%



Questions ?

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