

# DOE/OE Transmission Reliability Program

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## Measurement Based Stability Assessment

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# Overview

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- Task 1: Force Oscillations:
  - Distinguish between natural and FO.
  - Detecting and locate the source of a FO.
- Task 2: Conduct detailed comparison of Mode Meter algorithms.
- Participants:
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  - Graduate students
- Collaborations
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  - BPA (data)

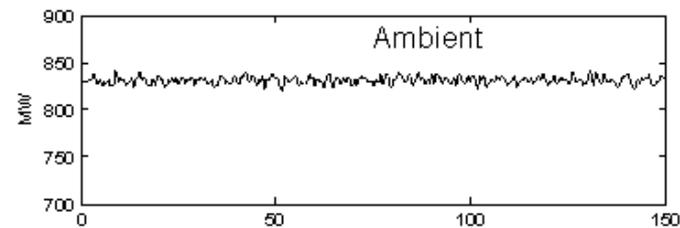
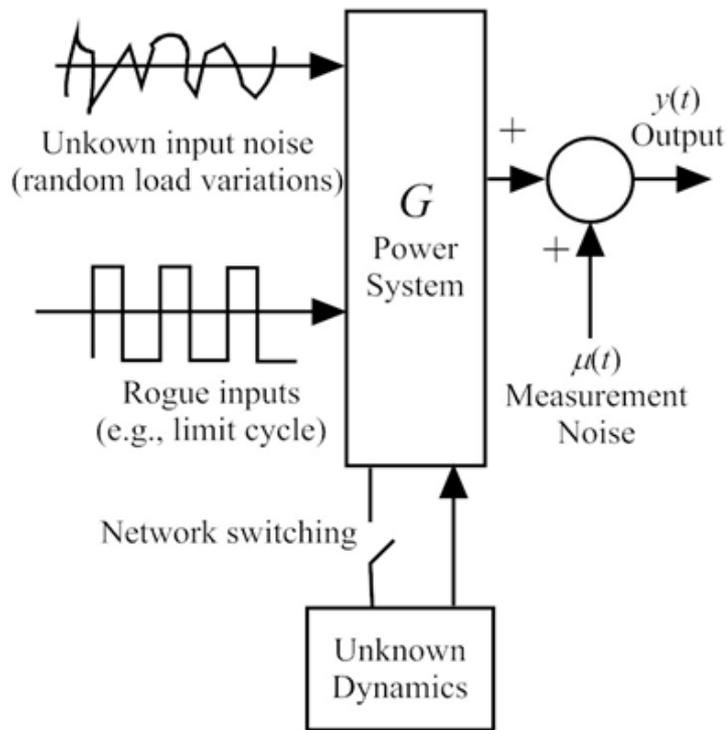


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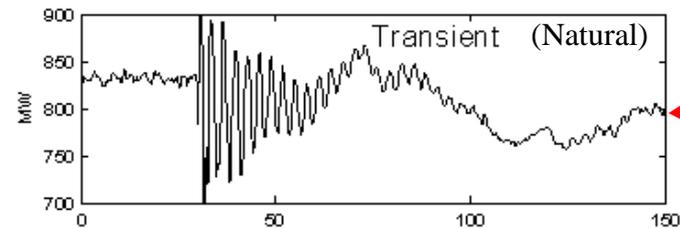
# Task 1: FO Research



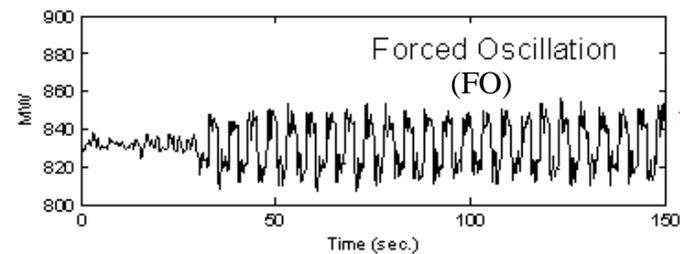
# System Model



Always Present



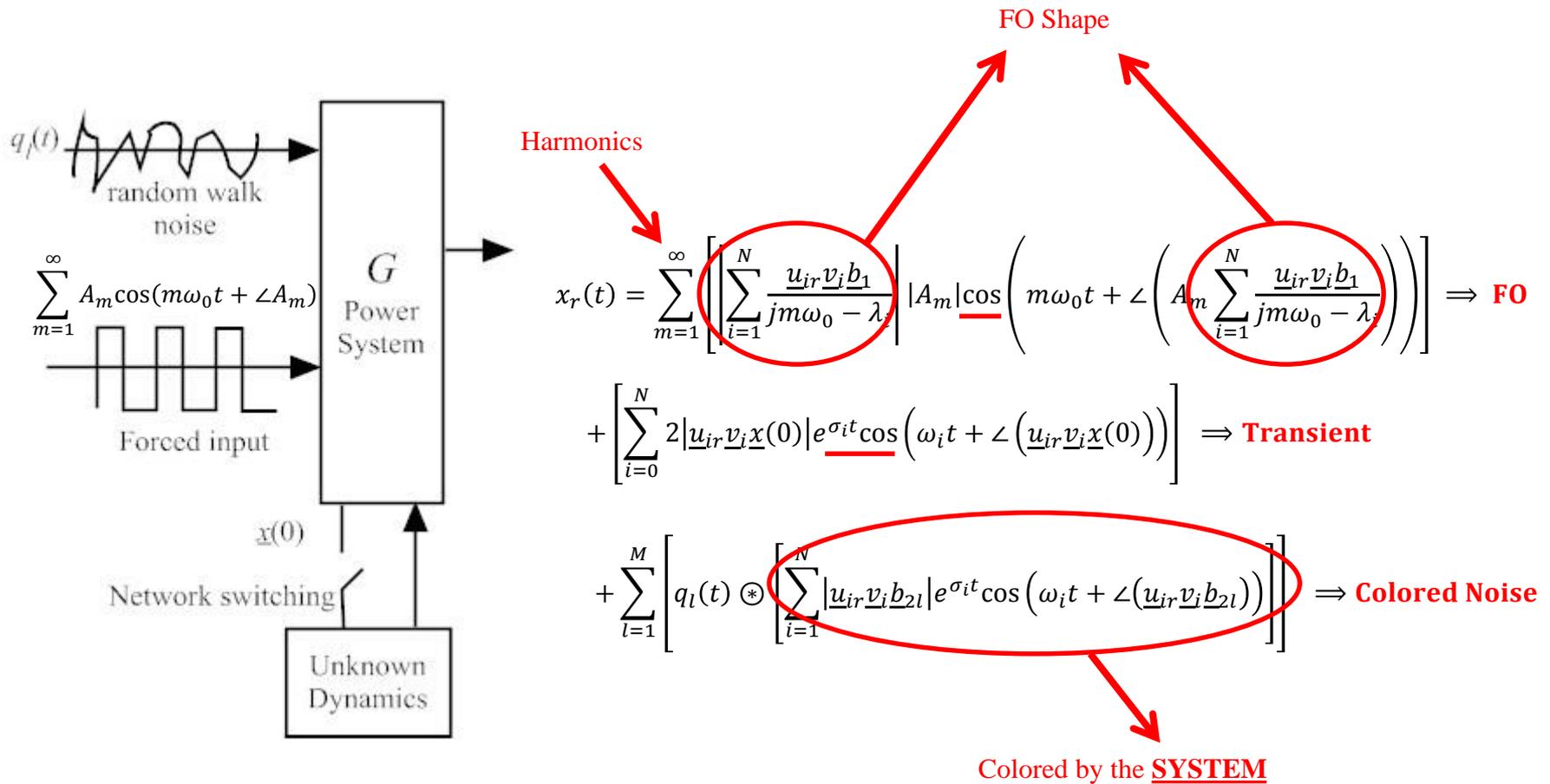
Determines stability  
Characterized by  
SYSTEM Modes



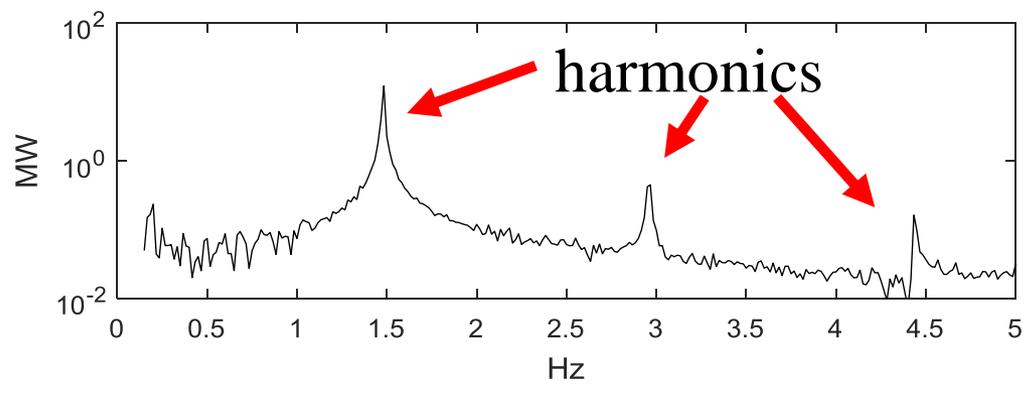
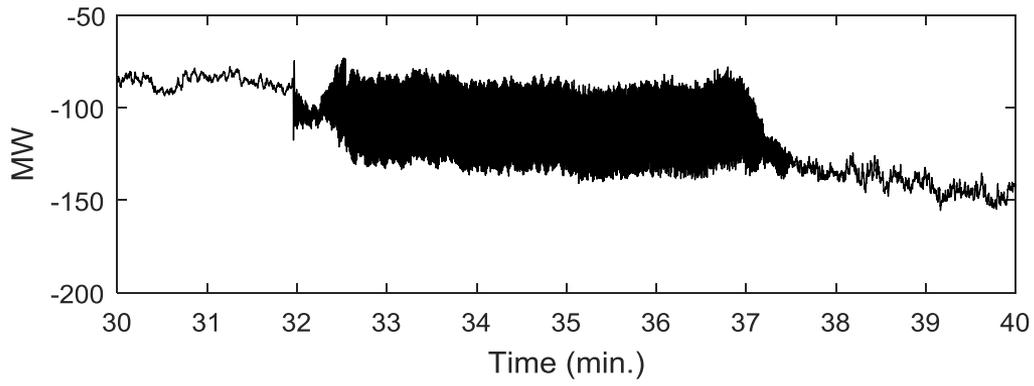
Caused by  
"Rogue" input only



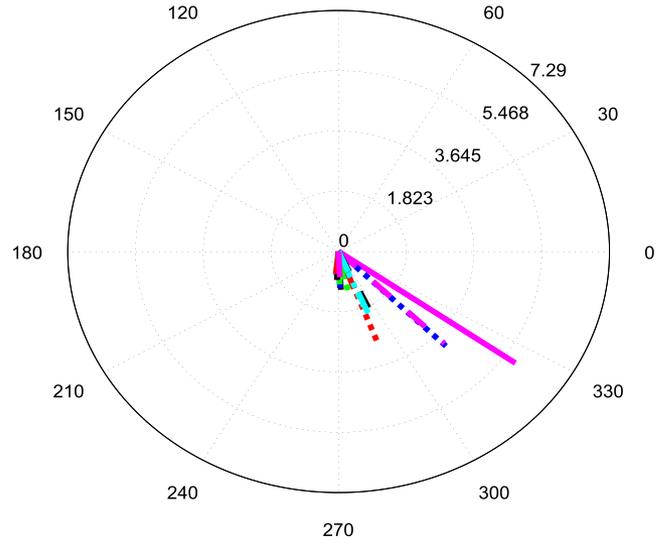
# FO Characteristics



# WECC FO, 2015



## 1<sup>st</sup> Harmonic Shape



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# Distinguishing between FO and Un-damped Transients



# Un-damped Transient vs FO

## Forced

$$\hat{x}_r(t) = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \left[ \left| \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{\underline{u}_{ir} \underline{v}_i \underline{b}_{1i}}{jm\omega_0 - \lambda_i} \right| |A_m| \cos \left( m\omega_0 t + \angle \left( A_m \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{\underline{u}_{ir} \underline{v}_i \underline{b}_{1i}}{jm\omega_0 - \lambda_i} \right) \right) \right] \Rightarrow \text{FO}$$

Harmonics

$$+ \sum_{l=1}^M \left[ q_l(t) \otimes \left[ \sum_{i=1}^N |\underline{u}_{ir} \underline{v}_i \underline{b}_{2l}| e^{\sigma_i t} \cos(\omega_i t + \angle(\underline{u}_{ir} \underline{v}_i \underline{b}_{2l})) \right] \right] \Rightarrow \text{Colored Noise}$$

## Transient

$$\hat{x}_r(t) = 2 |\underline{u}_{nr} \underline{v}_n \underline{x}(0)| \cos(\omega_n t + \angle(\underline{u}_{nr} \underline{v}_n \underline{x}(0))) \Rightarrow \text{Transient}$$

No Harmonics

$$+ \sum_{l=1}^M \left[ q_l(t) \otimes \left[ \sum_{\substack{i=1 \\ i \neq n}}^N |\underline{u}_{ir} \underline{v}_i \underline{b}_{2l}| e^{\sigma_i t} \cos(\omega_i t + \angle(\underline{u}_{ir} \underline{v}_i \underline{b}_{2l})) \right] \right] \Rightarrow \text{Colored Noise}$$

$$+ \sum_{l=1}^M \left[ q_l(t) \otimes [|\underline{u}_{nr} \underline{v}_n \underline{b}_{2l}| \cos(\omega_n t + \angle \underline{u}_{nr} \underline{v}_n \underline{b}_{2l})] \right] \Rightarrow \text{Sinusoid Noise}$$

Unique to a Transient



# Distinguishing Between FO and Transient

- Consider oscillating signal  $y_r$  at location  $r$  broken into 3 windows. The “cross-spectrum difference function” is defined as:

$$S_r[\Omega] \triangleq \tilde{Y}_{rw_1}^* \tilde{Y}_{rw_2} - \tilde{Y}_{rw_2}^* \tilde{Y}_{rw_3}$$

- We now define a “cross-spectrum index” between channels  $r$  and  $g$ :

$$C_{rg}[\Omega] \triangleq \frac{|\mathbb{E}\{S_r^*[\Omega]S_g[\Omega]\}|^2}{\mathbb{E}\{S_r^*[\Omega]S_r[\Omega]\} \mathbb{E}\{S_g^*[\Omega]S_g[\Omega]\}}$$

- LOTS of math shows:

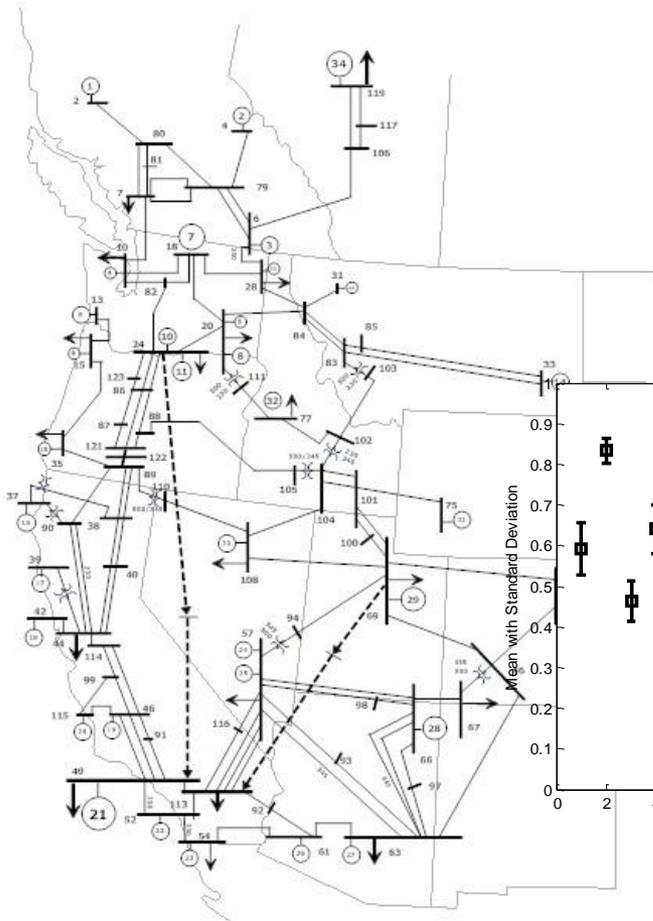
$$C_{rg}[\Omega_n] \cong 1 \text{ for a transient}$$

$$C_{rg}[\Omega_n] < 1 \text{ for an FO}$$

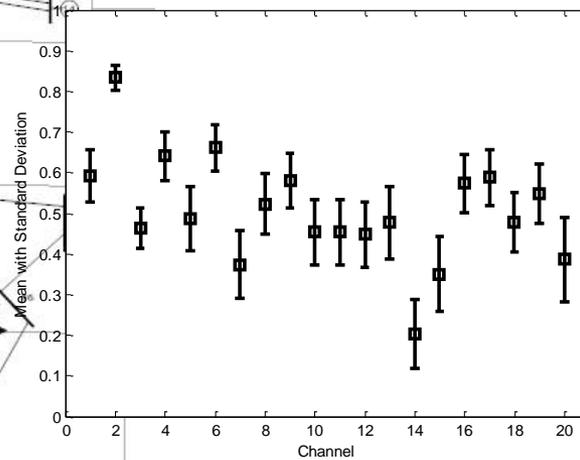


# Simulation Example

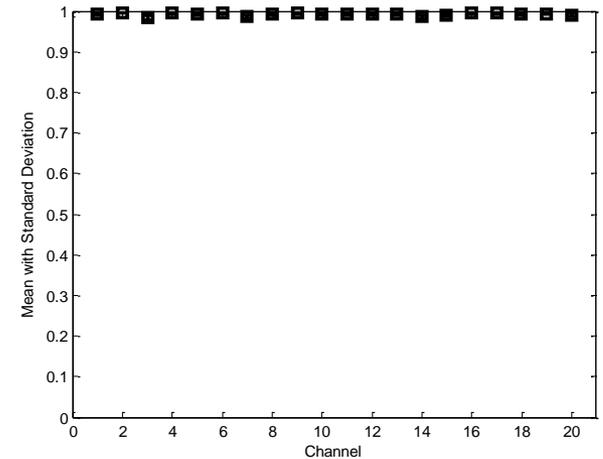
- Monte Carlo Simulation.
- System mode near 0.37 Hz.
- FO at system mode.



FO Case

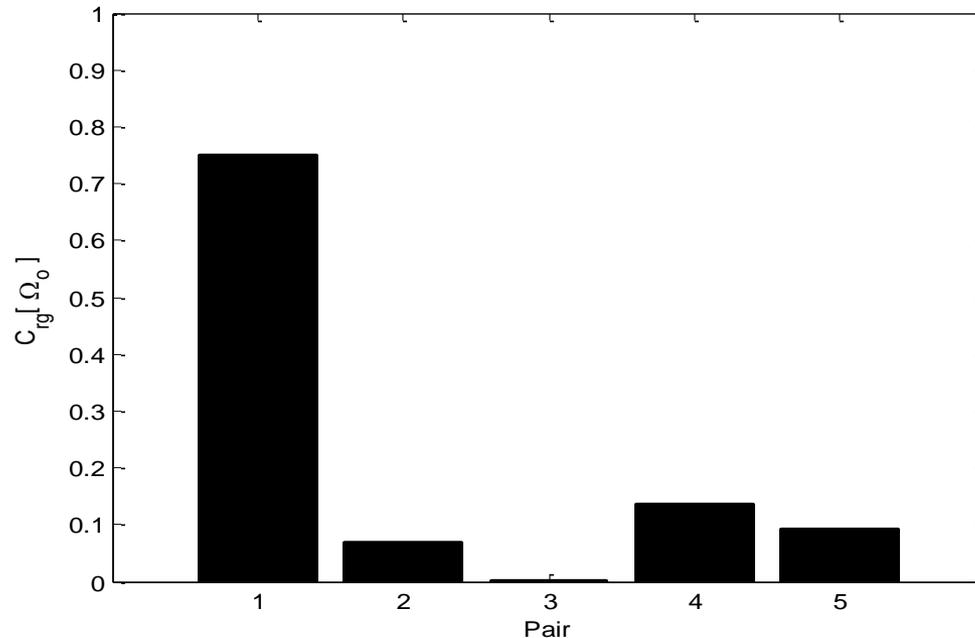


Natural Case



# Real-Life Example

WECC FO near system mode at 0.345 Hz for 15 min. (About 10 MW).



Research has shown:

- Algorithm works great at inter-area modes.
- Works OK at local modes.
- Requires LOTS of data (minutes).



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# Detecting and Locating FO sources



# Detection vs. Locating FO

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- Detection
  - Can one detect the existence of an oscillation? Statistics of a detection algorithm (e.g., likelihood oscillation exists)?
  - Distinguishing between an un-damped transient and FO.
  - Current research:
    - Studying the statistics of energy-based detection algorithms (which are commercially used).
- Locating
  - If an FO is detected, where is its source?
  - What is the magnitude of the source?



# Locating FO

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- Most FO locating research based on signal processing approaches with no model knowledge
  - ASSUME that an observed oscillation is an FO
  - ASSUME the source location is where the largest amplitude (or shape) is observed
    - Often true if FO is not near a system's natural mode
    - If FO is at system mode, FO shape converges to mode shape; therefore, amplitude and shape are misleading
- Current research is focusing on bringing power-system knowledge into the locating logic
  - Complete model knowledge
  - Minimal model knowledge



## Example: Locating Mechanical Torque FO

- Many FO originate from a faulty turbine control system (e.g., valve in a limit cycle).
- Consider the equation of motion for generator  $i$ :

$$2H_i s \Delta\omega_i(s) = \underbrace{G_{gov,i}(s)}_{\substack{\text{Mechanical} \\ \text{Torque from governor}}} \Delta\omega_i(s) + \underbrace{\Delta T_{f,i}(s)}_{\substack{\text{Mechanical} \\ \text{Torque from FO}}} - \Delta T_{e,i}(s)$$

- If  $H_i$  and  $G_{gov,i}$  are known (or approximated), signal processing can be used to estimate the existence of  $\Delta T_{f,i}$
- Current research is looking at this approach
  - Can we DETECT the location of  $\Delta T_{f,i}$  while reducing the dependence on the measurements?
  - How accurately can we estimate  $\Delta T_{f,i}$ ?



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## Task 2: Mode Meter Comparison



# Motivation and Approach

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- Many algorithms and been researched and developed (including commercial products).
- Fundamental Questions:
  - How accurate is the mode estimate?
  - Sensitivity to algorithm settings
  - Sensitivity to system conditions (e.g., ambient vs transient)
  - Percentage of time you get an answer
  - Response time (slowly changing ambient, sudden transient)
  - **Impact of forced oscillation**
  - Can the MM handle bad data?
- Approach
  - Monte Carlo simulations via the miniWECC model.
  - Transient simulations
  - Actual system tests cross-validated against ring down analysis



# Algorithms to be Tested

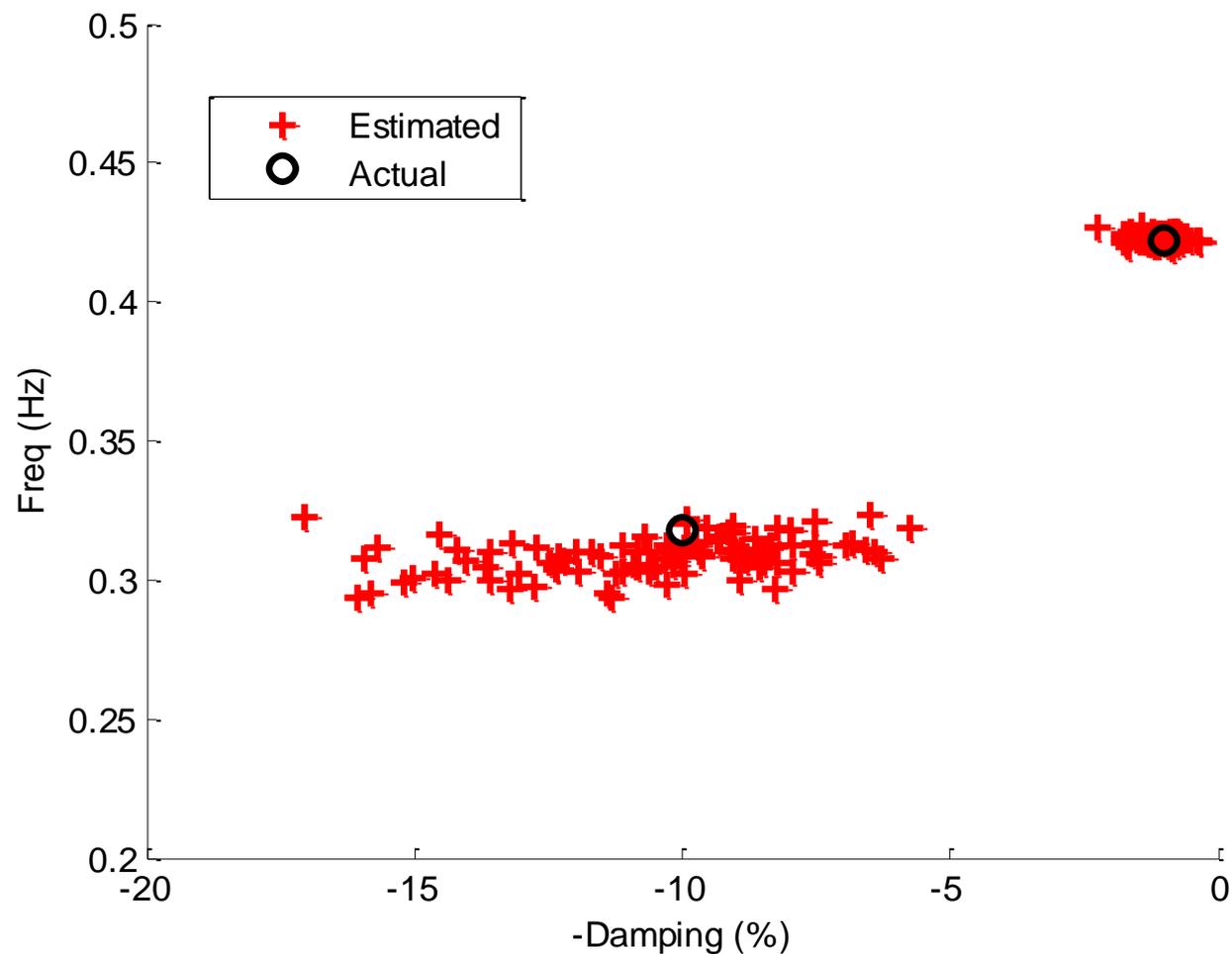
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- Established Approaches
  - YW, YW Spectral, N4SID
- Newer Approaches
  - LS ARMA+S
    - A two-stage LS algorithm which incorporates forced oscillations
  - YW ARMA+S
    - A reformulation of Yule-Walker method incorporating forced oscillations
  - RML (Recursive Maximum Likelihood Method)
  - Multichannel Transfer Function (Multichannel 2-stage LS)
  - Subspace Methods
  - VARPRO via Auto-correlation (U of Wisconsin)

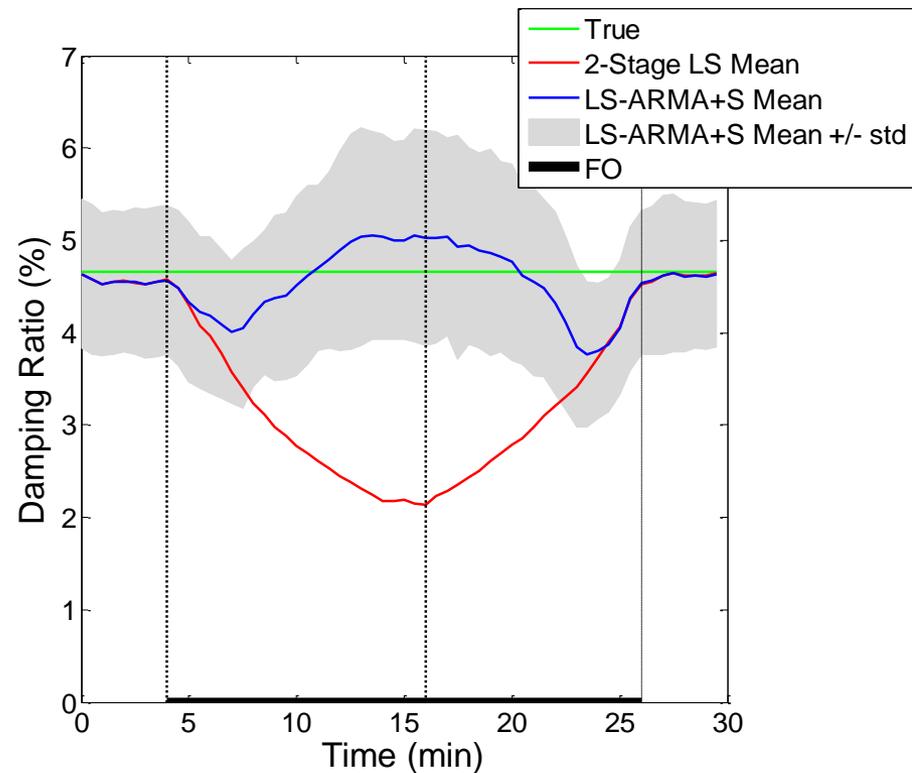
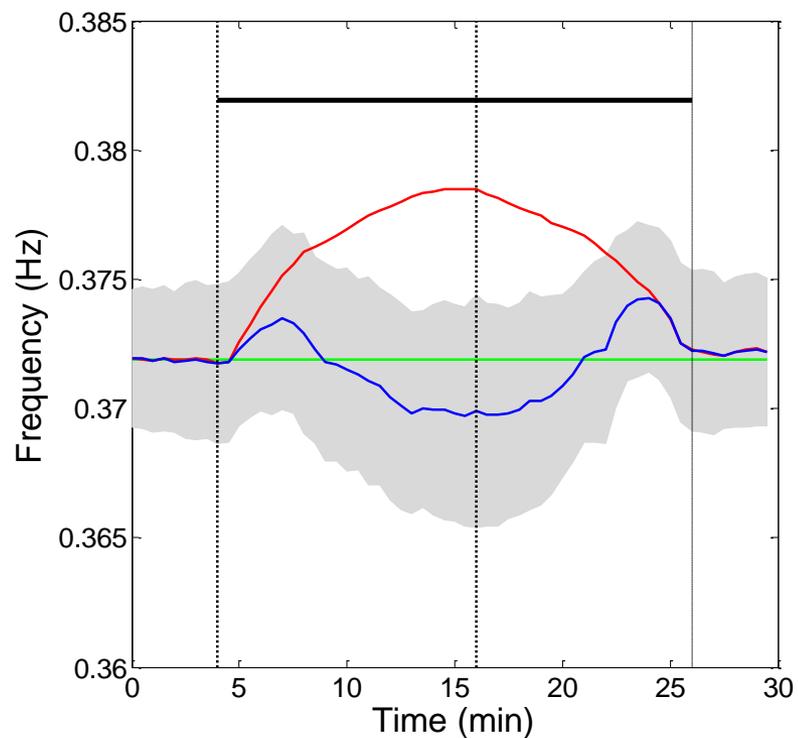


# NO MODE ESTIMATOR IS PERFECT!

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# Mode Meter Performance in Presence of FO



# Approaches to Simultaneously Estimating Modes and Forced Oscillations

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- Increase model order of existing mode estimation algorithms in an attempt to resolve both the forced oscillation and the modal oscillation.
  - Classic signal processing problem of resolving closely spaced frequency components
  - Higher model orders can lead to more variability in mode estimates
- Directly incorporate forced oscillations into the model and redevelop mode meter algorithms accordingly



# Project Accomplishments and Plans

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- Accomplishments
  - Task 1 (Detecting and Locating FO)
    - Developed algorithm to distinguish between un-damped transient and FO. Tested it on simulation data and one actual-system case.
    - Develop initial concept for locating FO using a full system model.
    - Develop initial concept for locating mechanical power FO with minimal model information.
  - Task 2 (Mode Meter Testing)
    - Developed testing approach.
    - Developed a set of test models and data.
    - Identified algorithms to tested.
- Plans
  - Task 1
    - Improve performance of FO/Transient distinguishing algorithm.
    - Further develop and test locating approaches that incorporate model information.
  - Task 2
    - Run Mode Meter algorithms thru tests.

