



DOE/OE Transmission Reliability Program

Advanced Machine Learning for Synchrophasor Technology

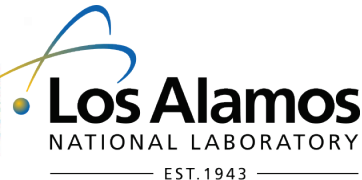
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Aiming at (in 5-10 years)

Making
real-time monitoring **situational awareness** and **control**

under **changing** system conditions

using

PMU/data-driven and **system-wide**

Machine Learning (**Applied Statistics**) technology

a standard **routine** for power system **utilities/practitioners**



Expected outcome (in 3 years)

Machine Learning approaches

- to identify parameters of
 - transmission network (static & dynamic)
 - generators (with controllers) & loads (passive and active)
- to detect network topology
- to estimate state (in parallel with all of the above)

normal/ambient

- develop taxonomy of events/anomalies
- localize events/anomalies

event

Demonstrate on reduced model of a selected utility (TBD)



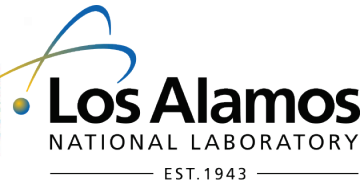
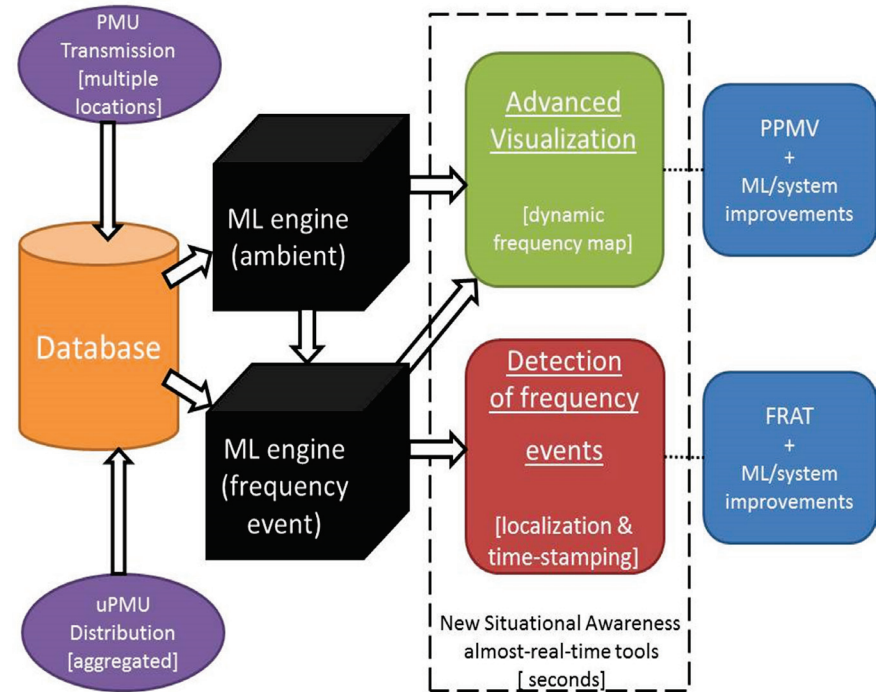
Anticipation beyond this project: 3+

1. For some of our methods and algorithms an additional fundamental R&D will be needed
 - DOE/OE
 - +
2. Algorithms that are ready or nearly ready for technology transfer
 - DOE/APRA-E funding
 - CRADA with industry (third party vendors and start ups)
 - +



Project Features/Description

- Operating conditions are changing
 - Operators do not have adequate tools for reliable **situational awareness**
 - even though ... PMUs **data** is available
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- Need **data-driven algorithms (engines)**:
 - state, topology & parameter estimations
 - event localization & timing
 - + **visualization** + **situational awareness**
+ embedding in & improving **existing tools**



Overall Project Objective

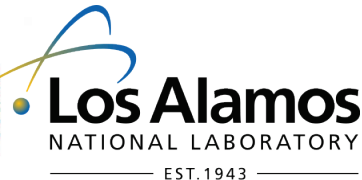
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Expected Outcomes --- Machine Learning and Analytics (MLA) toolbox

- Stochastic & dynamic modeling of the system
- New algorithms
 - State and Parameter estimation
 - Event localization
- Data-driven (synthetic → actual, PMU-measured)
- Validation and Integration into industry-grade platform(s)



2018



Looking Back: Major Accomplishments

[April 2016 -> June 2017]

- Static Graphical Model Reconstruction

- Streaming PCA & Event Detection

- Topology Learning

- Latent State Estimation & Detection

- Grid/model reduction

Main focus the first year:

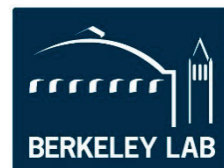
new **algorithms**
for ambient and event regimes

Preliminary work towards
industry-grade **situational**
awareness platform



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Major Modeling Principles behind our Algorithms

- **Scale separation** (spatial, temporal, voltage, phase)
 - e.g. state is changing fast, parameters slow
 - e.g. linearization around estimated AC solution
- **Model Reduction**
 - e.g. generalized swing equations with ``effective'' damping, inertia, etc
 - e.g. principle components (in our PCA) are few
- **Parameter learning** - validated & calibrated in real time through measurements/data

illustration



Model Reduction + Parameter learning

High fidelity models
of parts

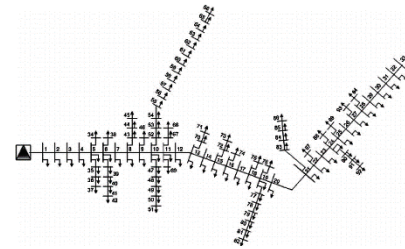


6th -order model of the plant



e.g. from PNNL/PPMV

Detailed model of the distribution



e.g. from LBNL including
induction motors,
transformers, other elements

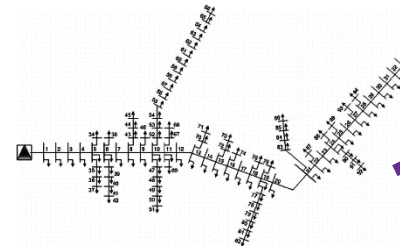
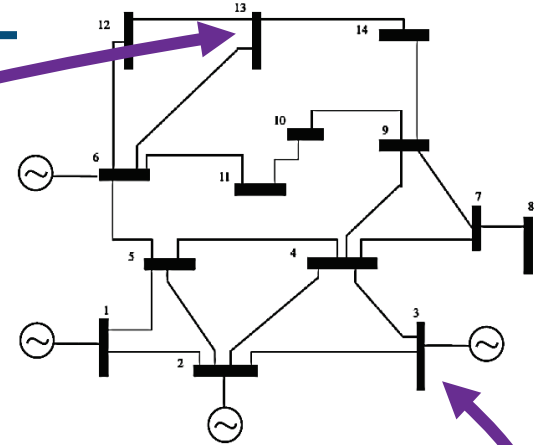


Model Reduction + Parameter learning

High fidelity models
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are substituted by
reduced
low-parametric
models

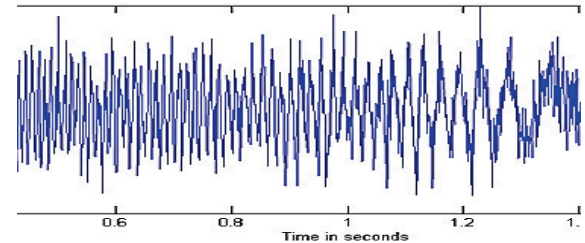


where **parameters** are **learned** – from PMU system-wide **measurements**

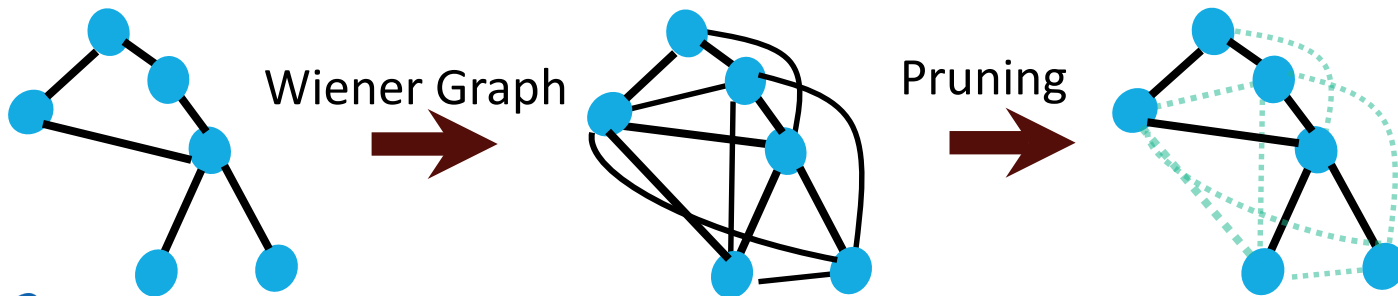


Highlights: Topology Detection

- Dynamic network eq. for normal transients
 - swing-eqs. or more complex dynamic models of generators & loads
- Noise Model
 - Stochastic Wide-Sense Stationary

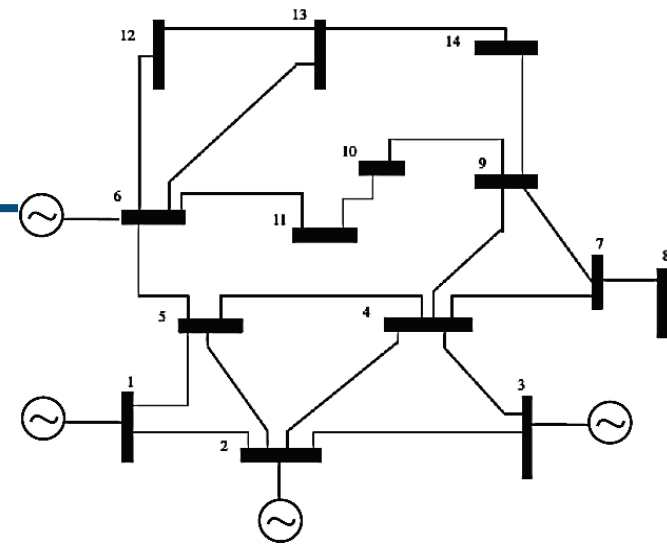
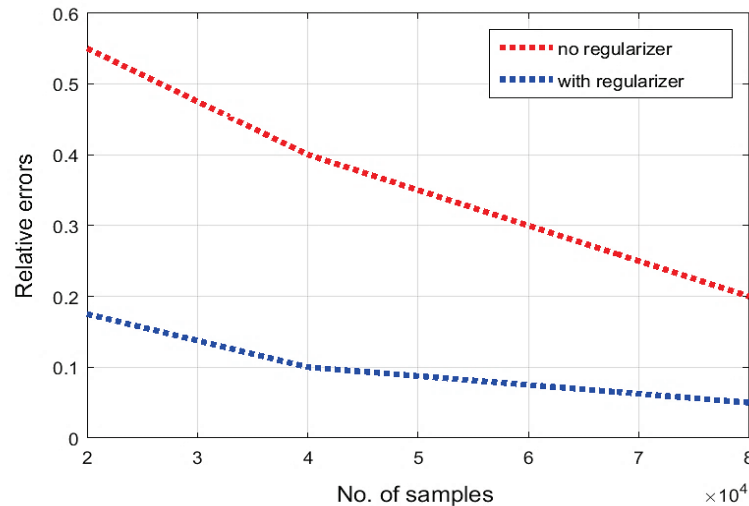


- Learn topology using (frequency response) **filters**
- New **general** method (do not need to know system parameters & noise details)
 - Precision matrix of phase (in Fourier domain) is constrained -> shows topology (implicitly)

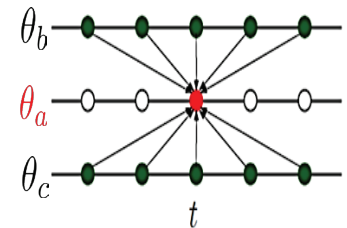


Topology Detection

-- 14 bus system, sampling time= 0.01 sec

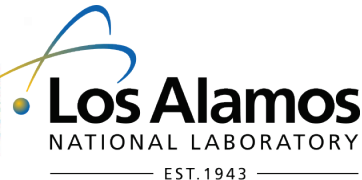


$$\min_{H_{ai}(z), i \neq a} \left\| \theta_a - \sum_{i \neq a} H_{ai}(z) X_i \right\|^2 + l_1 \text{ Regularizer}$$



Path forward:

- filter optimization
- sample complexity
- latent (sparse) detection
- robustness

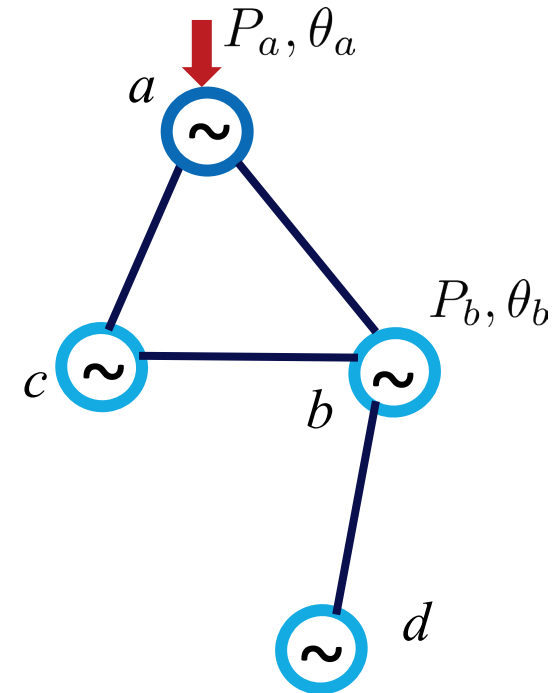


Highlight: Dynamic Parameter Estimation

- Discretize and Linearize Grid Dynamics

$$\theta_a^{t+1} - \theta_a^t = \Delta t f_a^t$$

$$f_a^{t+1} - f_a^t = \Delta t \left(-\frac{D_a}{M_a} f_a^t + \sum_{(a,b) \text{ is edge}} \frac{B_{ab}}{M_a} (\theta_b^t - \theta_a^t) + P_a^t \right)$$

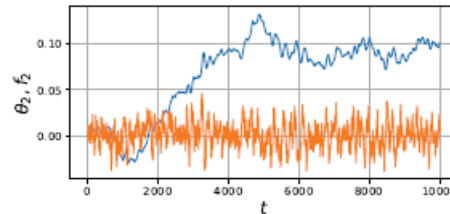


- I_2 Regression + Regularization:
 - Given: phase, frequency data
 - > reconstruct damping, inertia
 - Convex optimization with sample guarantees
 - topology + parameters are assumed known

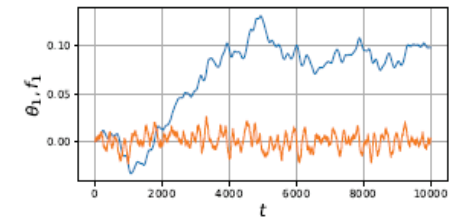
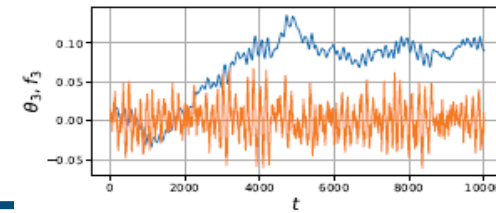
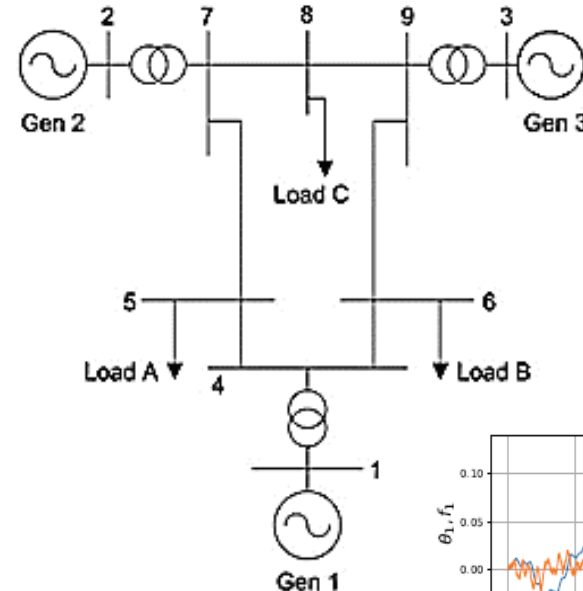


Dynamic Parameter Estimation

No. of samples	Error rate
1000	.09
10 000	.01
100 000	.003



9 bus, 3 generators
sampling time= 0.01 sec

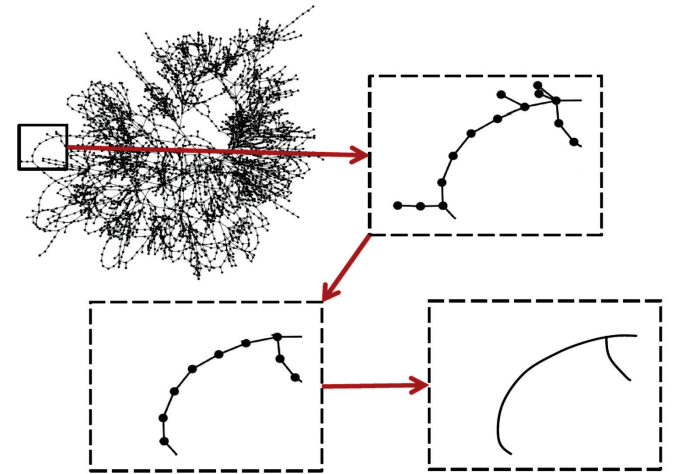
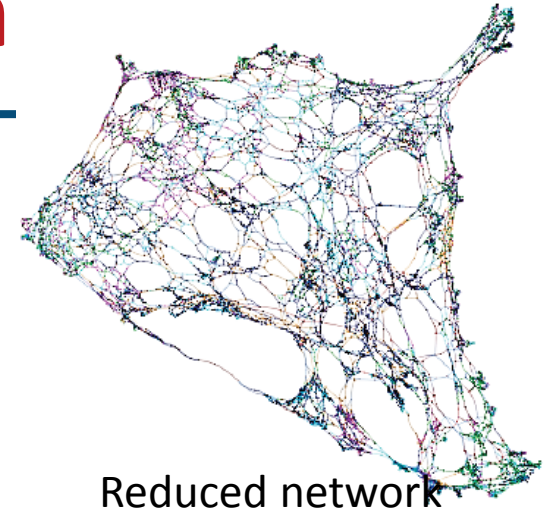


Path forward:

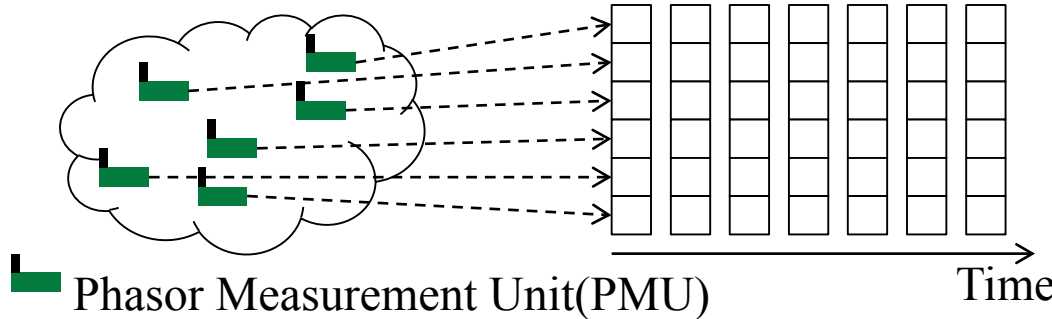
- **validation** on industry-grade network models, e.g. extension of FRAT – situational awareness PNNL/BPA tool
- learning **proper-order**-reduced/effective dynamics
- **joint** state & parameter & topology estimations
- **latent** (partial observability) regime

Highlights: Grid Reduction

- Physics & Topology aware reduction
 - Iterative degree-based
 - Reduce similar voltage nodes
 - Local reduction for topology consistency
- Original network (actual mid-west utility)
 - ✓ 53,155 buses, 4332 generators.
 - ✓ 268 PMU devices
- Reduction Stages
 - ✓ 32,891 buses, 43,568 lines (degree 1)
 - ✓ 9,716 buses, 18700 lines (degree 2)
 - ✓ 6,732 buses, 11,079 (triangles)

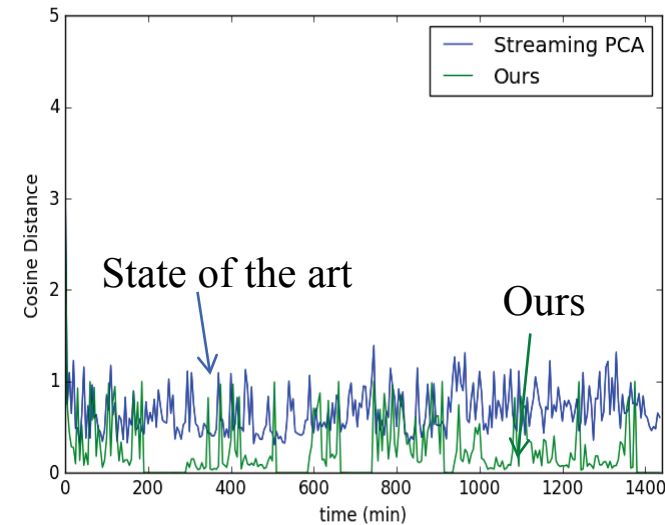


Highlights: Streaming Robust PCA



- 268 PMUs from a mid-west utility
- simultaneous phase **covariance**
- “**model free**”
- **streaming** (data storage is not needed)
- **robust** (universality, stability)

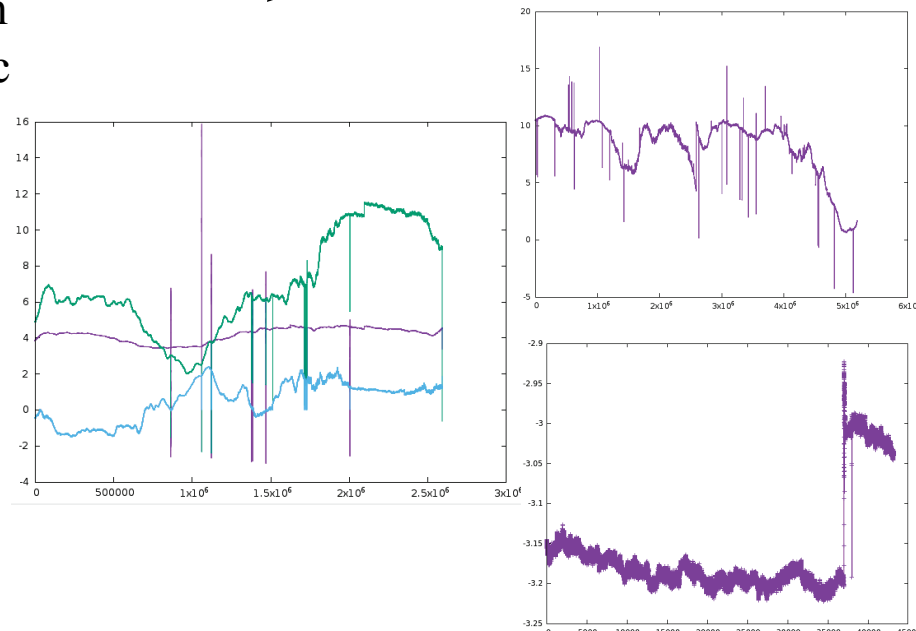
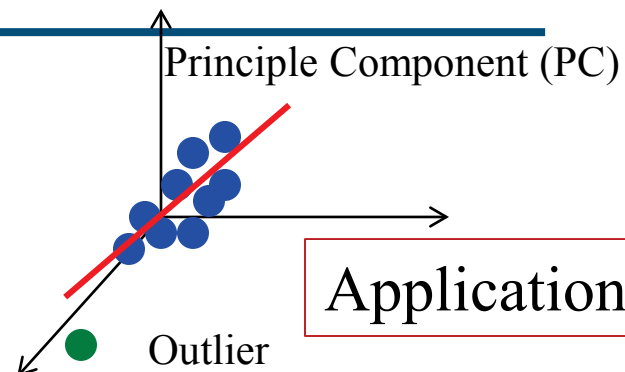
- New **Robust Streaming** Algorithm:
 - *Power Method* (non-stationary tracking)
 - + *Frequent Directions* (stable output)
- **Reduced** description:
 - 5-10 out of 268 eigenmodes are principle
 - others are dropped (assumed irrelevant = our data-verified model-reduction hypothesis)



Highlights: Event Detection with PCA

Path forward:

- Events = **outliers**
 - outlier instance = change of PC
- **Supervised Learning** of PC patterns [change detection]
 - Train on labeled events (taxonomy) from wind-farms, generators, transformers, etc
- Gradual enhancement towards **physics-based** modeling
- **Integration** into FRAT/PNNL +
- **field tests** with utility collaborator(s)
- **spatio-temporal** correlations & events



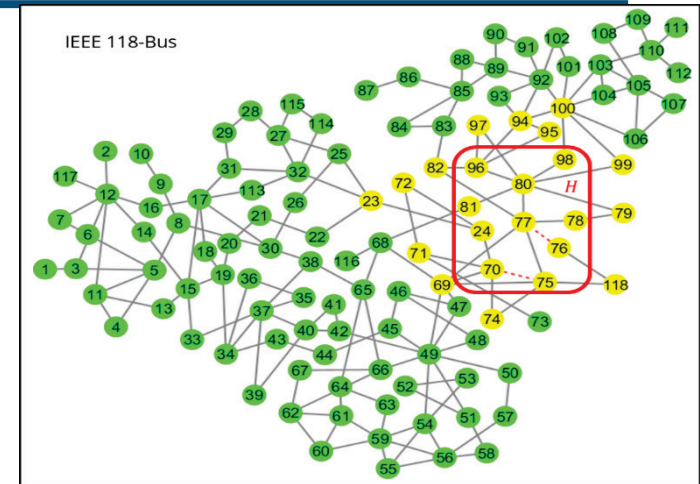
Highlights: Real or Communication event ?

Loss of visibility

- Detect: did PMU (**communications**) fail?
Or was it a real/**physical** failure?
- **Detectability** of the affected area, H
- Estimate the **invisible** part of the state

Path Forward:

- **Localize** the affected area
- Robust PMU **placement**
- Comparisons, **integration** into FRAT/PNNL
- **Field tests** with utility collaborators



External Conditions on H	Internal Conditions on H	Constraints on the failures to be detected by the algorithm
Matching	Acyclic	None
Matching	Planar	Less than half of the edges in each cycle are failed
Partial Matching	Acyclic	Less than half of the edges connected to an internal node are failed
Partial Matching	Planar	Two of the above conditions



(General) Model & Data Challenge

Dynamic Models and Data Generation:

- IEEE models + synthetic noise
 - dynamics of generators & consumers
 - small -> medium -> large
- IEEE models + synthetic noise
 - PSLF + (industry grade models)
 - More realistic synthetic noise, e.g. from actual PMU data and our algorithms
- Real Data/measurements (from our industry partners)
- Online field tests with an industry partner

already in place

coming months

in 6-12 months

in 18-24 months



Other General Challenges

Machine Learning as an advisory tool (for practical situational awareness)

- Online streaming already in place
- Partial/latent observations coming months
- Robust to noise, corruption, etc in 6-12 months
- Controlled perturbations to improve observability = reinforcement learning in 18-24 months



Looking Forward: Activities & Schedule

Short term:

- Regular bi-weekly meetings
- Multiple submissions to PSSC (extended abstracts, July 2)
- Presentation at NASPI on ambient learning (Sep 2017)
- Meeting with industrial partners
(coordinated by D. Sobajic, Sep 2017)



List of Publications + more coming

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Thanks! Questions?



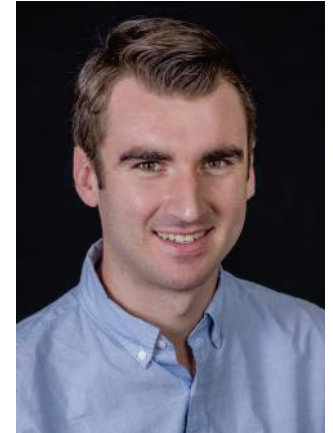
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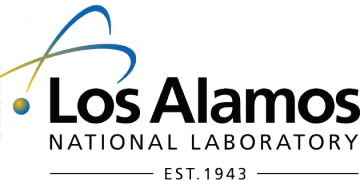


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(in the audience)



What we don't do directly ...

but collaborate with other GMLC projects on

- ML for distribution wrt model reduction/aggregation
 - with GMLC 1.4.9
- Real Time Contingency Analysis & ``new protection'' through analysis & optimization
 - GMLC Cat2 0076

