Operationalizing Phasor Technology

Model Validation

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Model Use and Validation for Operations and Planning



Tune Model to Match System Response



Identify Root Cause for Differences e.g., Generator parameters



Presentation Outline

- Frequently asked questions
- What is a model?
- Types of power system models
- Why model validation is important
- How to validate models
- Model validation examples
- Summary
- Q & A





Frequently Asked Questions

- Why are models important?
- What models are used in operations and planning?
- Why do I need to validate a model?
- How do I validate the model?
- How do I prove that the model is accurate?
- Is phasor data sufficient to validate a model?



What is a Model?



- A modern Power System Model is a set of equations representing a real power system
- All components including generators, transformers, transmission lines, reactive devices, and loads are represented as model elements
- The system model includes all elements connected as they are in the real system
- For any given condition, it should produce the same response as the real power
- depends on an accurate system model



Types of Power System Models

Model	Time	Use	Tools
Steady State	sec	Power Flows; Operating Conditions	PSLF; PSS\E; Power World; Eurostag
Dynamic	ms	System response to disturbances e.g. oscillations, phase angle change	PSLF; PSS\E; Power World; RSCAD-RTDS; ePHASORSim
Transient	μs	Faults, Transients	EMTP;RTDS; PSCAD; Aspen



Why Do We Use Models?

Power Systems Are Complex Networks

- Thousands of components
- Loads are not clearly defined
- Exact state unknown
- Require models to understand system behavior
- Correct Models are Used for Simulating Power System to:
 - Establish safe operation limits
 - Develop operating guidelines
 - Study system contingencies
 - Analyze system events
 - Plan system expansion and resource integration



What Happens When Models Fail?

- WECC 1996 blackout
 - Model did not predict system oscillation
- EI 2003 blackout
 - Model did not predict power swing
- Pacific SW 2011 blackout
 - Model did not predict transmission overload
- Similar blackouts:
 - Italy 2003
 - Europe 2006
 - India 2012





How Do We Validate Models?

Validate Models Using Events

- Significant operation (large generation loss, etc.)
- Unexpected behavior

Calibrate Models Through Staged Tests

- Generator testing
- System testing

Tune Models By Comparing Events and Simulations

- Run model with same conditions as recorded data
- Compare measured performance with model results
- Tune Model to match recording



Validation Using a Significant Event



Model was NOT Accurate !



Model Tuning





Model Validation Example – Frequency Response



Generation Trip Event

- Measured Frequency Response (per NERC methods) ΔP / (10 * ΔF)
- Generation loss: ΔP = 655 MW
- ΔF = 0.089 Hz
- Frequency Response =
- 736 MW/0.1Hz
- Area Frequency Bias = 672 MW/0.1Hz
- % difference = (736-672)/736 = 8.7%

Frequency response is expected to match area bias within 10%. Model valid!

Voltage Oscillations Before and After Controller Adjustment



Screenshot of RTDMS - Real Time Dynamics Monitoring System



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Generator Model Validation Process

- Monitor voltage, current, and frequency
- Compare MW & MVAR of measurement & model
- Tune the model, adjust
 - Generator
 - Governor
 - Exciter
 - Stabilizer
 - Etc.



Bad Model



MW & MVAR responses very different

Good Model



MW & MVAR responses very close

On-line Generator Model Validation with PMUs

PMU Measurement

- At point of interconnection
- Records V, I, & F
- Equivalence system



Source: Dmitry Kosterev, "Hydro-Turbine Model Validation in Pacific northwest", IEEE Transactions on Power Systems, vol. 19, no.2, pp.1144-1149, May 2004.

Simulate model response using the equivalence

- Compare with measurement
- Tune the model

Generator validation on-line

Can validate frequently

Generator Model Validation Example – with Tuning



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Generator Model Parameter Tuning Tool Measurements – Equivalence – Tuning





Source: Chin-Chu Tsai, Wei-Jen Lee, Nashawati, E., Chin-Chung Wu, Hong-Wei Lan, "PMU based generator parameter identification to improve the system planning and operation," 2012 IEEE Power and Energy Society General Meeting, vol., no., pp.1,8, 22-26 July 2012



Generator Model Parameter Tuning Tool Automated Tuning

Simulation Results (50 Iteration)



NERC Requirements Standards on Model Validation

- MOD-012 requires power plant owners to provide power plant data for dynamic simulations
- MOD-026 requires power plant owners to verify that the provided dynamic models of excitation controls are accurate and up to date
- MOD-027 requires power plant owners to verify that the provided dynamic models of governors and turbine controls are accurate and up to date
- MOD-032-1 exists in conjunction with MOD-033-1, both of which are related to system-level modelling and validation



What Can YOU Do?

Analyze System Events

- Validate model prediction with actual system performance
- Check response as indicated by key measurements using tools such as RTDMS and PGDA
 - Frequency response
 - Voltage response
 - Oscillations
 - P&Q power flow







Periodically validate generator and load models

- Tune models when event and model data do not match
- Encourage PMU deployment at key locations (such as POI)

Key Model Validation Facts

- Power system operation and planning are based on models
- The model must be accurate for reliable operation and efficient planning
- Models need to be validated against actual operations
- Synchrophasor measurement provides the data needed for dynamic model validation
- Models have been improved using phasor data!



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Q&A

Thank You!

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