HIGH-DIMENSIONAL DATA ANALYTICS OF PMU MEASUREMENTS BY EXPLOITING LOW-DIMENSIONAL MODELS

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Abstract
The increasingly denser coverage of phasor measurement units (PMUs) enables dynamic visibility into power systems. The large amounts of data obtained by PMUs impose significant challenges to data management and information extraction. Interestingly, the spatial-temporal blocks of PMU data exhibit low-dimensional structures despite the high ambient dimensions. Such low-dimensionality can be exploited to enable and simplify multiple PMU data analysis tasks under the same framework.
In this talk, I will describe some examples of exploiting the low-dimensional structure for PMU data management. Specifically, I will talk about the recovery of missing PMU data, the detection of cyber data attacks, as well as our recent progress on PMU data privacy enhancement. Our proposed approaches have analytical performance guarantees and are evaluated on recorded PMU datasets.

Biography
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