



# A Smart PMU with Edge Processing at the UCSD Synchrophasor **G**rid **M**onitoring and **A**utomation Lab

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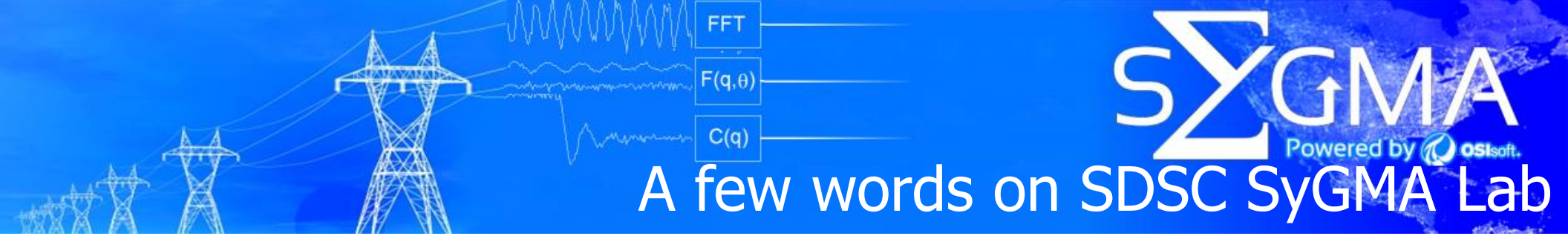


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# A few words on SDSC SyGMA Lab

The SyGMA lab: key player in the emerging technology on electric grid instrumentation, development of new data processing, modeling and model validation tools based on synchrophasor data for advanced grid monitoring and automatic control of electric networks.



Data Storage and Data Processing



PMU hardware and Control Algorithms



PMU applications and Control Algorithms on RTDS



Facilities and business services



# Industry Sponsored Lab at the SDSC

<http://sygma.sdsc.edu/>

- Show case for industrial software (OSISOFT, NI) through research
- Lab facilities with data acquisition
- Collaborations with utility companies
- Access to students with experience
- Joint proposals for (micro)grid monitoring and automatic control
- Foster collaborations between industrial partners and UCSD
- Shared IP and PMU applications on NI hardware and OSISOFT PI server

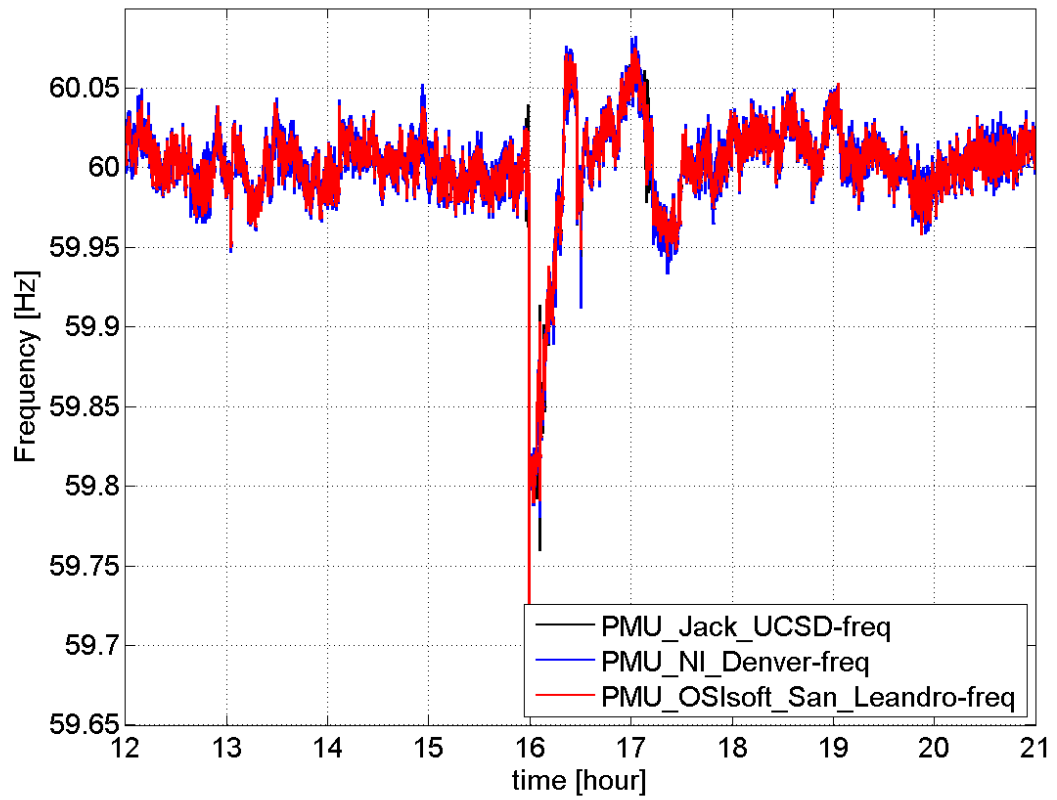
The screenshot shows the SYGMA website with the following sections:

- Industrial Collaboration and Training Environment:** Text describing the lab's mission to foster collaborations between industry, faculty, and students at UCSD.
- Management:** Profile of Raymond de Callafon, Full Professor at UCSD, who directs the lab.
- Current Students:** Profiles of Xin Zhao (graduate student) and Sai Akhil Reddy (MS PhD student).
- Location:** Information about the lab's location on the 2nd floor of the San Diego Supercomputer Center (SDSC).



### “Smart” PMU: *local* signal processing and detect/store events *centrally*

- How to implement “local” signal processing?
- Can “local” processing used to detect individual events?
- Can event detection be distributed on each PMU?



May 30 data: 972000 data points (30Hz sampling noon-9pm)

Infrastructure based on real-time local processing of PMU data:

- National Instruments Compact RIO system (cRIO)
- cRIO configured as a 3 phase PMU system (with control output)
- Filtering of phasor data to obtain Filtered Rate of Change signal
- Formulate event detection based on FRoC signal



Compact Reconfigurable I/O (FPGA + microprocessor hardware) with TCP/IP communication



- 667 MHz Dual-Core Processor and Artix-7 FPGA with 1 GB nonvolatile storage, 512 MB DDR3
- NI Linux Real-Time OS with 2 Gigabit Ethernet, 1 USB device, 1 USB Hi-Speed host, and RS232
- 4-slot Artix-7 FPGA chassis



General purpose “control box” with reconfigurable hardware/slots



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- 4-slot Artix-7 FPGA chassis



General purpose “control box” with reconfigurable hardware/slots becomes a “PMU” with

- 3 Phase Voltage/3 Phase current input
- GPS antenna module
- Proper NI LabView software

**End Result:** real-time streaming phasor data in a cRIO



### Reconfigurable hardware for cRIO PMU:

- NI 9246: 20 A, 30 A<sub>peak</sub>, 24-Bit, 50 kS/s/ch, 3-Ch AI Series Module
- NI 9242: 250 V<sub>rms</sub> L-N, 400V<sub>rms</sub> L-L 24-Bit, 50 kS/s/ch, 3-Ch AI Series Module
- NI 9467: GPS Time Synchronization Module



### Software:

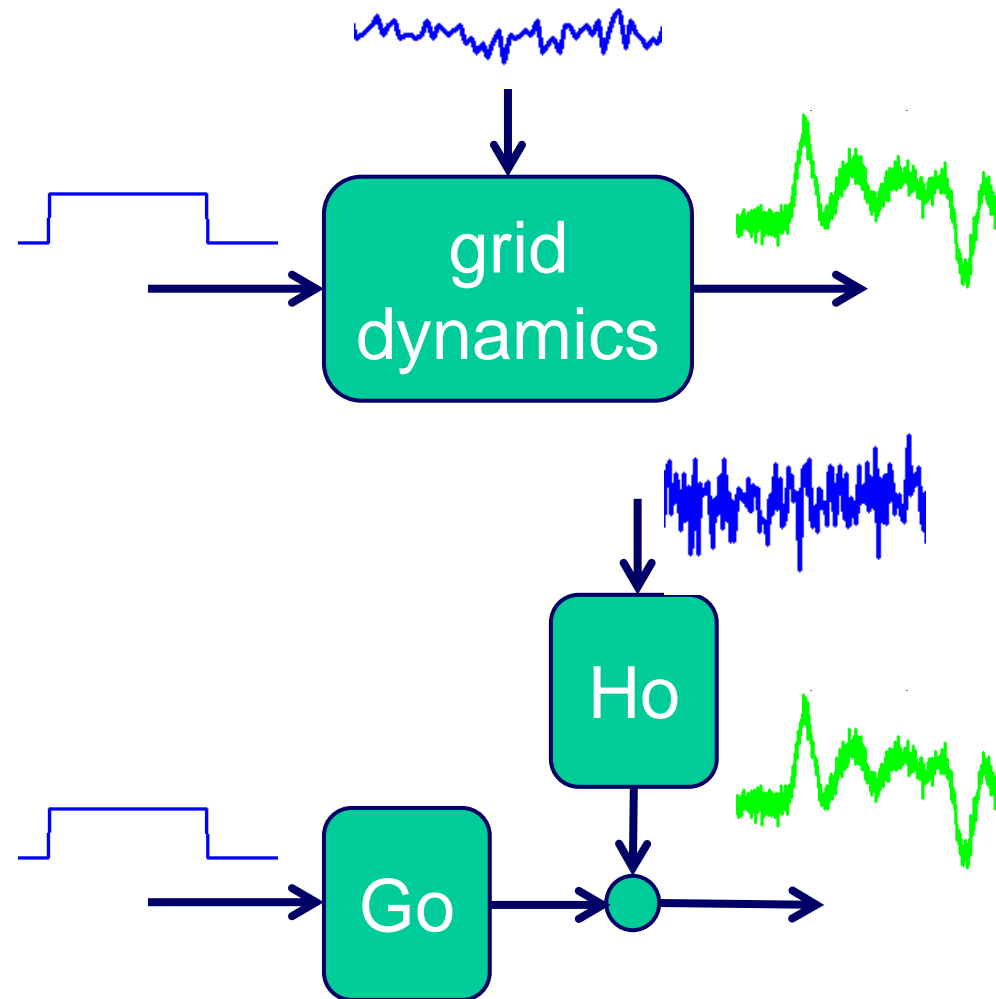
- LabVIEW 2015 base with RT and FPGA modules
- Electrical Power Suite (EPS) 2015
- PMU source code (under development)





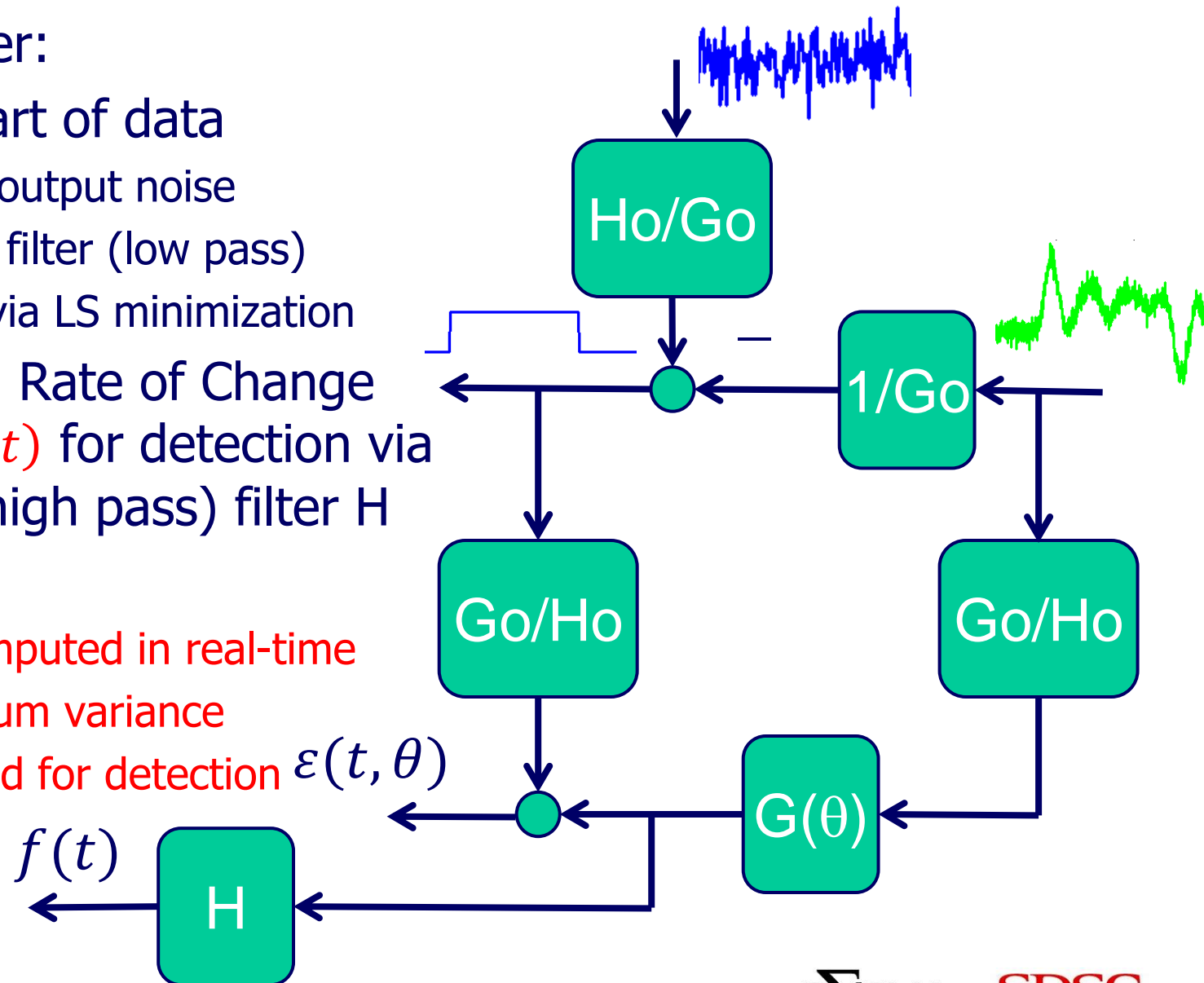
Approach is based on dynamic and statistical analysis of PMU data

- Assume PMU observation is linear combination of:
  - Main event signal filtered by grid dynamics
  - Small/random events filtered by grid dynamics
- What's new here:
  - Use **knowledge on main modes** (grid frequency and damping)
  - Compute **optimal detection signal** by reconstruction of (filtered) main event signal

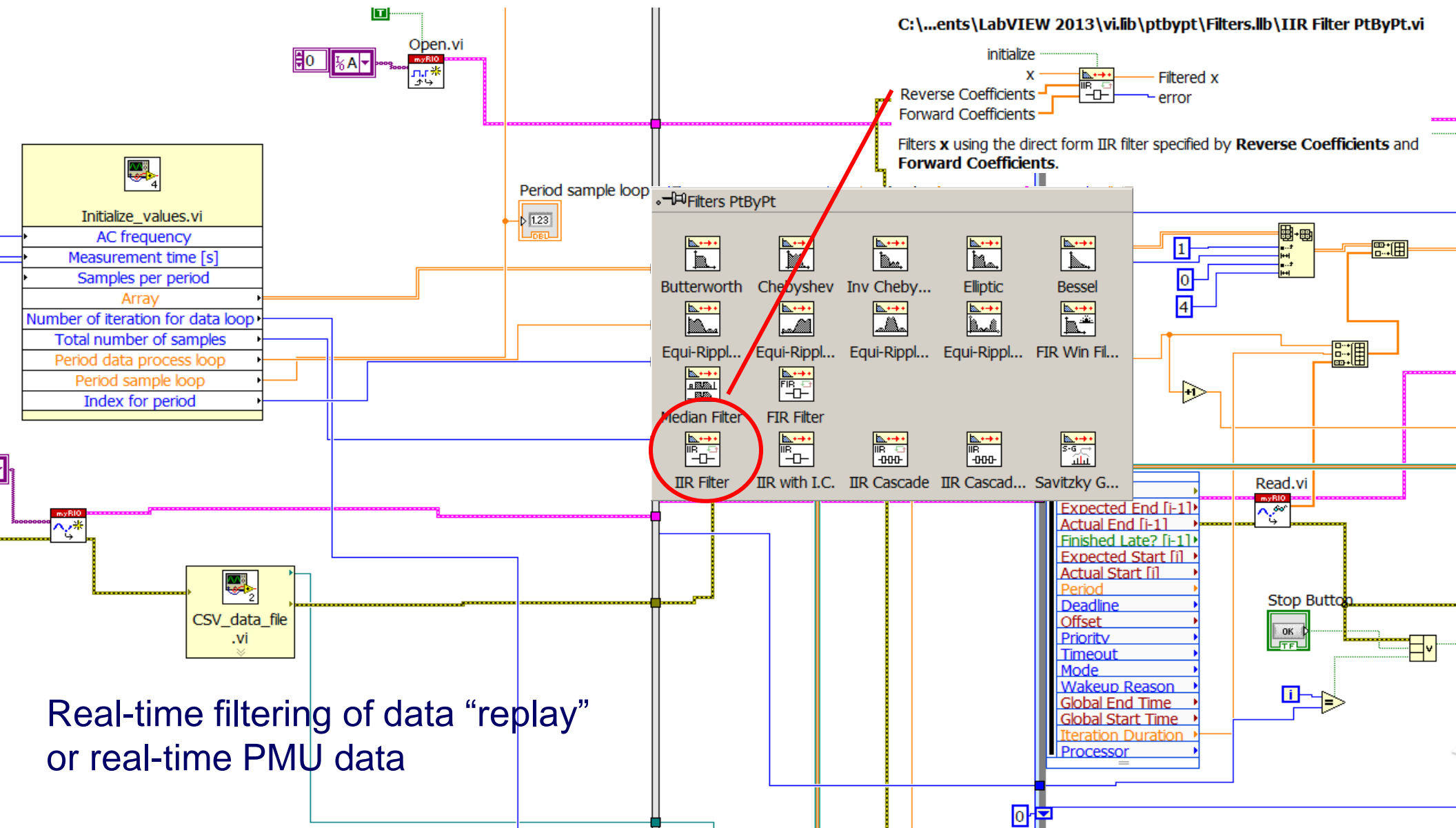


## Computation of filter:

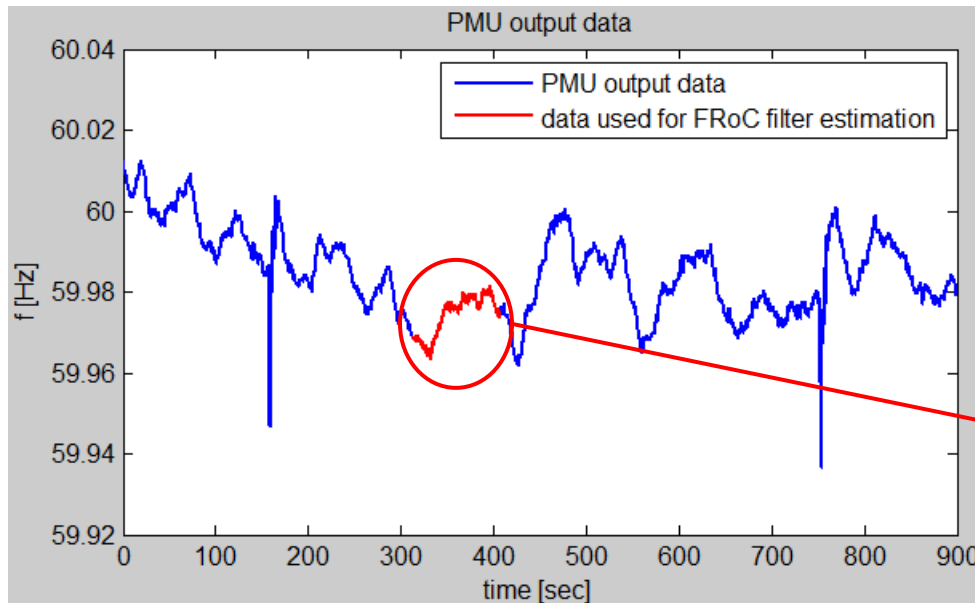
- Select "small" part of data
  - Model noise as output noise
  - Add fixed noise filter (low pass)
  - Compute filter via LS minimization
- Define a Filtered Rate of Change (FRoC) signal  $f(t)$  for detection via differentiation (high pass) filter  $H$
- End Result:
  - $f(t)$  can be computed in real-time
  - $f(t)$  has minimum variance
  - $f(t)$  can be used for detection  $\varepsilon(t, \theta)$



# Filter Implementation in LabVIEW

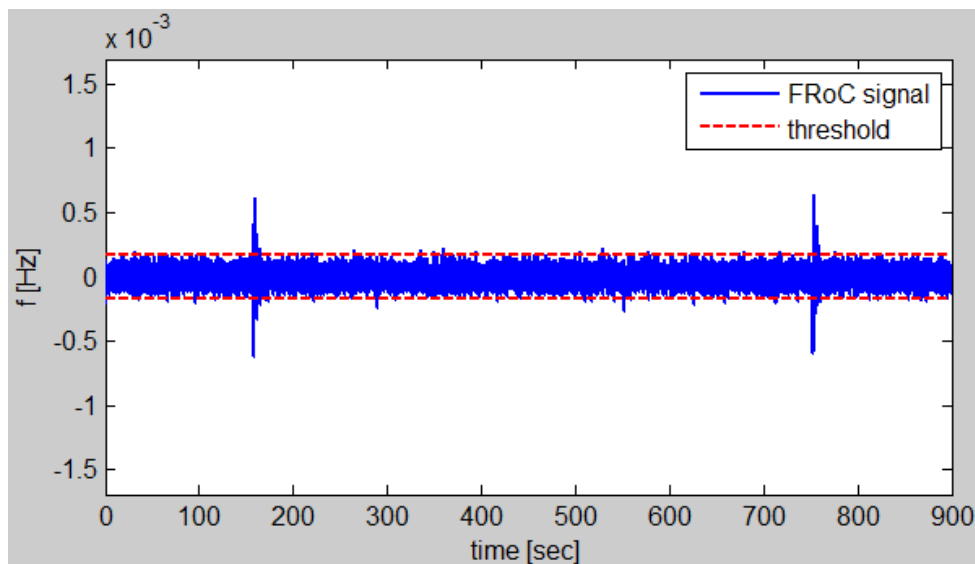


Real-time filtering of data "replay"  
or real-time PMU data



Select “small”  
part of data

Phasor data (only  
frequency here) **used**  
**for the identification** of  
the real-time filter



Create FRoC  
signal

Based on “small” part of data:

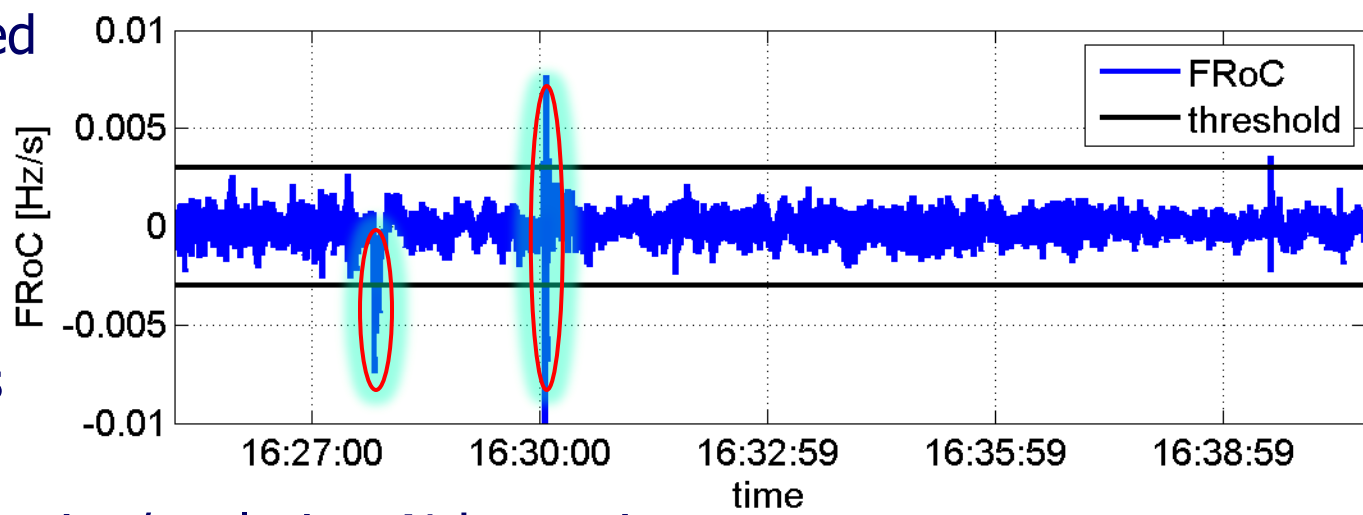
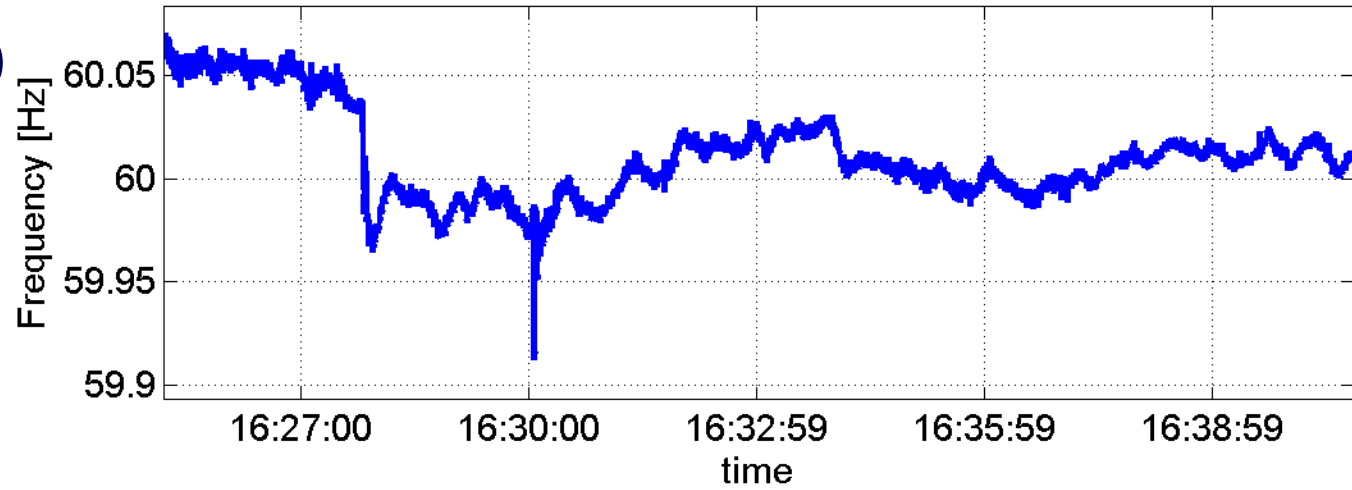
- Compute FRoC signal
- Compute 3 sigma bounds

- Small thresholds with small  $FRoC(k)$  during ambient behavior

- Detection of events via:

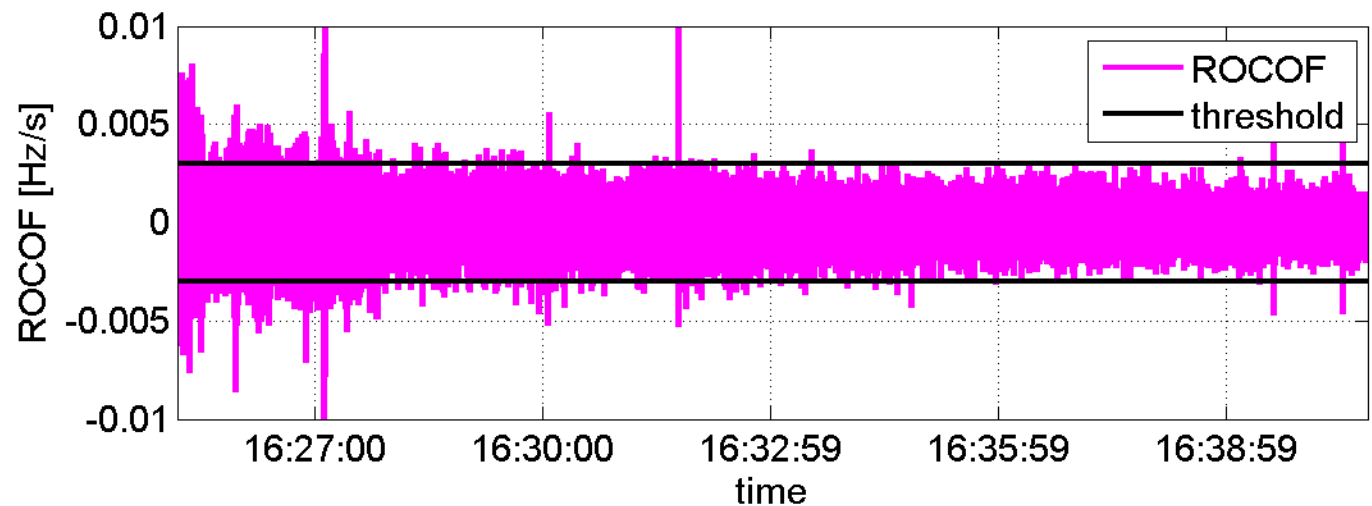
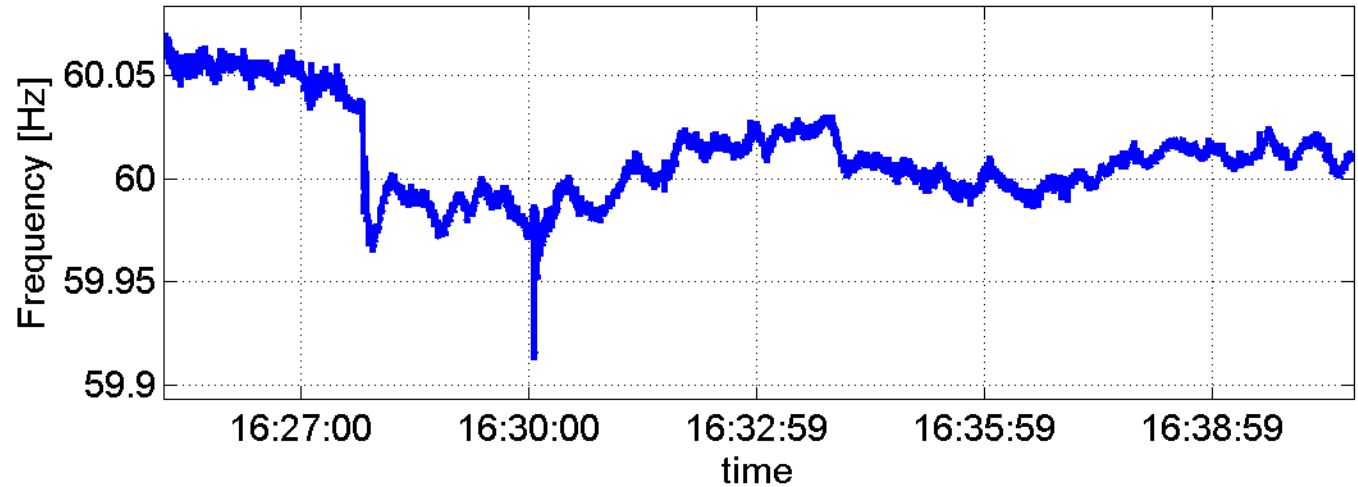
- Set **threshold** based on ambient data
- $FRoC(k)$  **outside threshold for  $m$  consecutive points**

- Classify event by saving/analyzing  $N$  data points



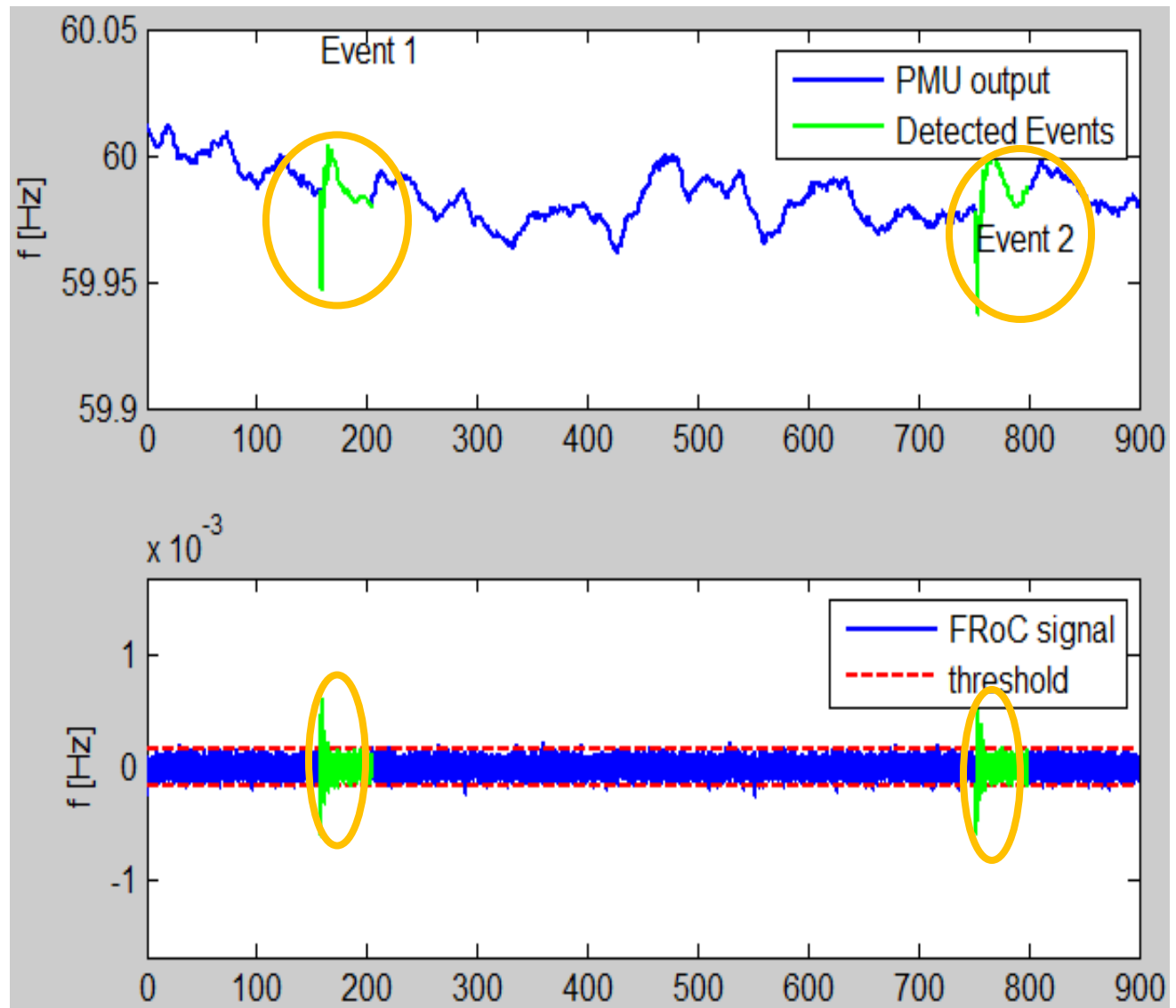
## Compare with standard ROCOF

- Much larger than  $FRoC(k)$ !
- More false alarms

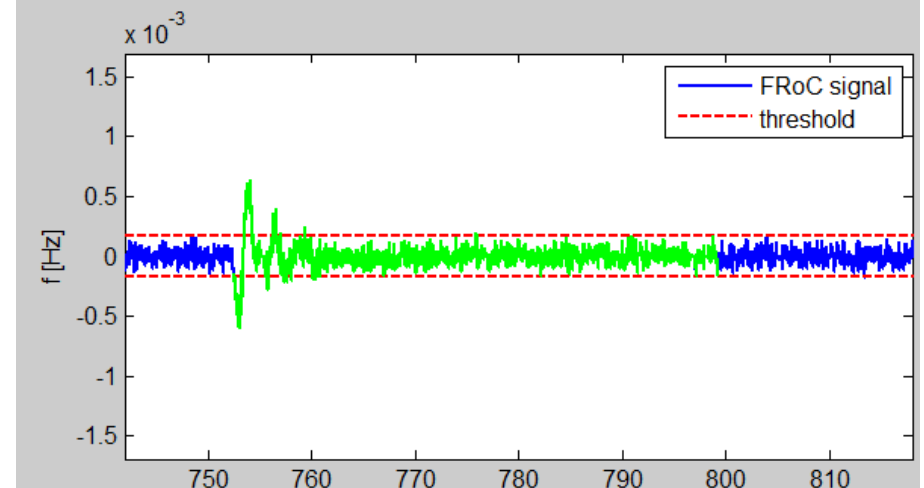
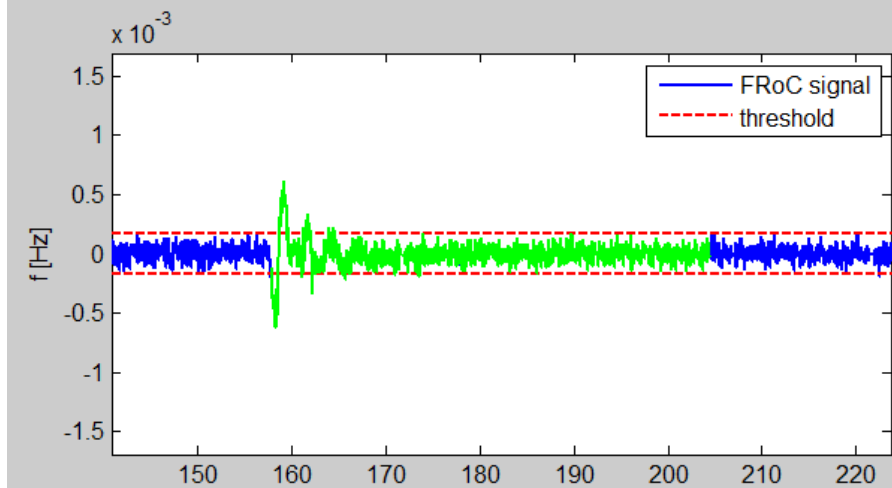
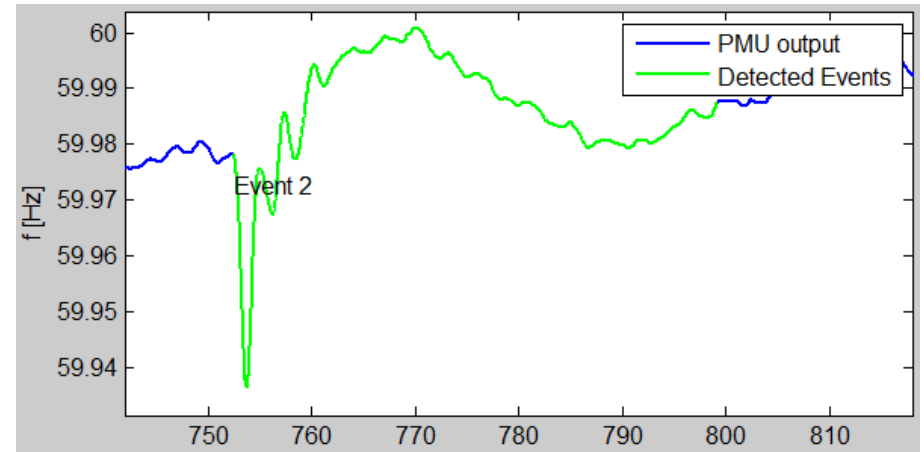
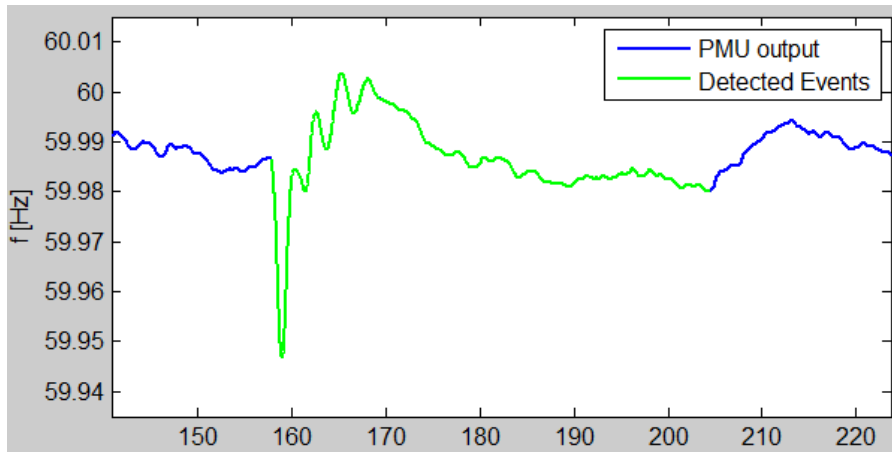


Automatic:

- **Event Detection** (via threshold on Filtered Rate of Change signal)
- **PMU data and edge processing** can all be implemented on the same device!



## Event 1 and Event 2 in data (Chief Joe Break Test)







## NI PMU with edge processing

- NI hardware based on compactRIO
- Special modules for 3 phase current/voltage measurements
- Special module for GPS time synchronization
- Processing of 3 phase voltage/current and GPS via
  - LabVIEW 2015 base with RT and FPGA modules
  - Electrical Power Suite (EPS) 2015
  - PMU source code (under development)
- Real-time filtering of phasor data for edge processing implemented in LabView
- Automatically detect events via
  - Adaptive filter estimation for  $FRoC(k)$  + thresholding
  - Detect when  $FRoC(k)$  **outside threshold for  $m$  consecutive** points