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**HTM based Power System  
Stability Pattern  
Recognition**

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## HTM Technology

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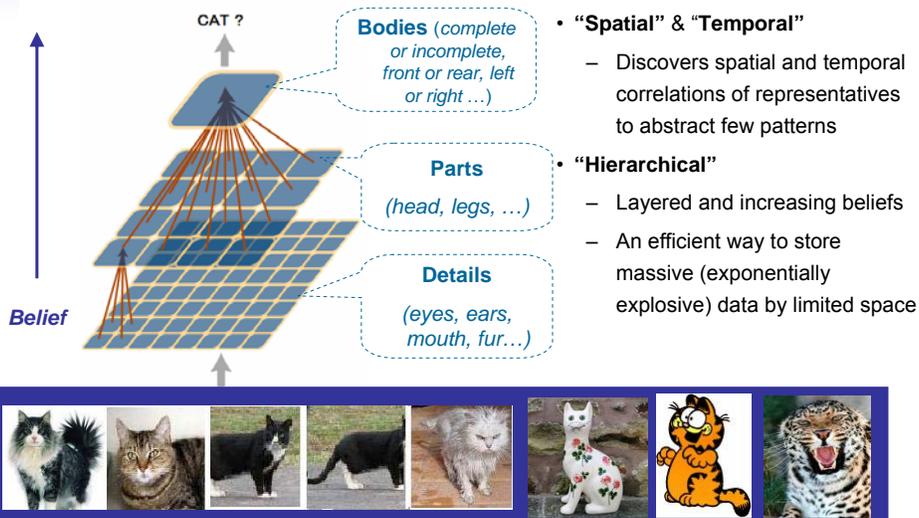
- HTM (Hierarchical Temporal Memory) by Jeff Hawkins
  - The memory system best simulating the learning process of the human brain (neo-cortex)
  
- NuPIC (Numenta Platform for Intelligent Computing)
  - A functions library to realize HTM algorithms
  - First version was released in Mar. 2007
  
- System Requirements for NuPIC
  - Operation Systems: Linux, Mac OS X and Windows (Released on Aug 28, 2007)
  - Programming Language: Python v2.4.4

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## How Does HTM (Neo-cortex) Work?



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## What Can HTM Do?

- Generally speaking, HTM can do something easy for humans but hard for traditional AI technologies
  - By hierarchical inference, it can understand whether cases A and B belong to the same object despite their spatial or temporal differences.
- In detail, four functions:
  - **Classifying patterns:**
    - Making use of **available sensor inputs**
  - **Predicting forward in Time:**
    - Predicting the **coming sensor inputs** to identify potentially harmful situations
  - **Completing patterns:**
    - Able to tolerate noisy and **missing sensor inputs**
  - **Detecting surprising events:**
    - Signal an anomaly when detecting **unmatched sensor inputs** (the actual values are different from the values predicted)

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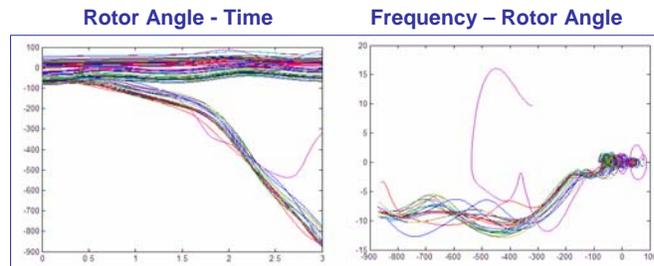
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## A Case Study: Classifying Stability Patterns

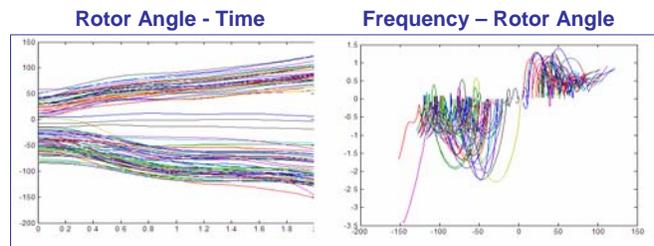
- Classify post-contingency transient rotor angular curves
  - 2-second time windows
  - Typical “stable” and “unstable” phase-space curves from Eastern Interconnection systems are selected as training cases (32x32 pixels bitmap images)
  - A HTM network was trained to classify “stable” and “unstable” patterns
  - A GUI-based stability pattern recognition program was developed in both Linux and Windows XP

## Post-Contingency Curves of EI Systems

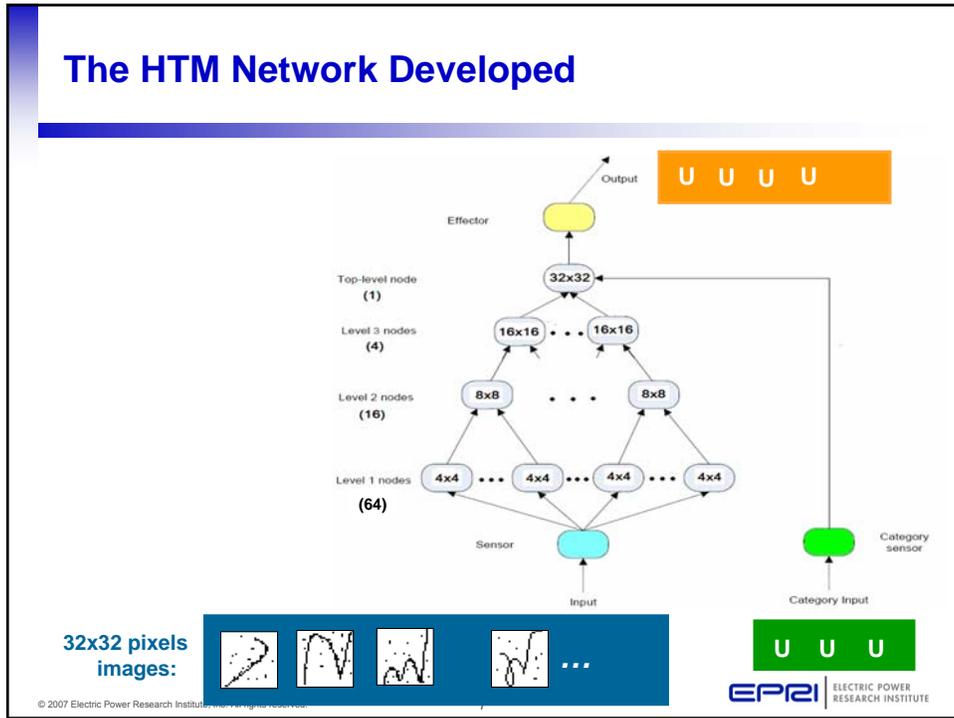
*Scenario 1*



*Scenario 2*

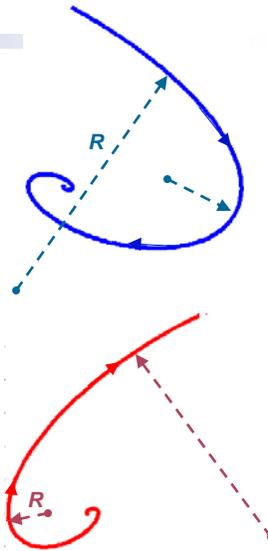


## The HTM Network Developed



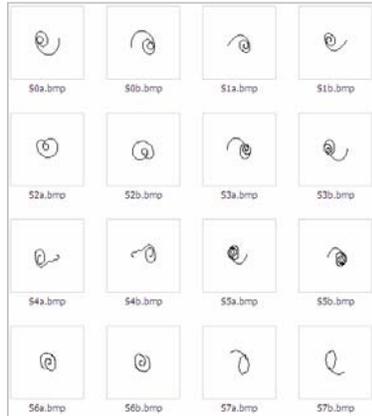
## Common Knowledge

- **Trend to “Stable”:**
  - The arc radius  $R$  tends to be smaller
- **Trend to “Unstable”:**
  - The arc radius  $R$  tends to be larger

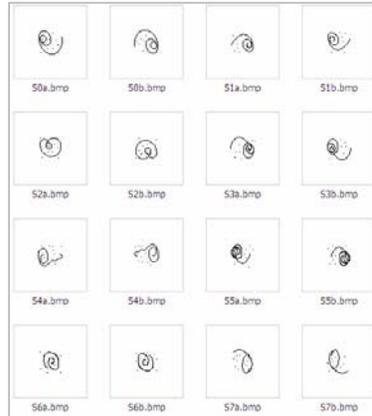


## All Cases Used for Learning

Typical "stable" frequency vs. rotor angle curves:



Clean images



Images with noise

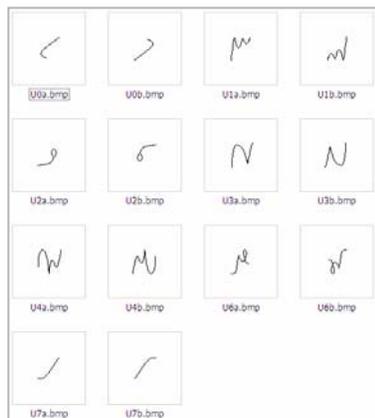
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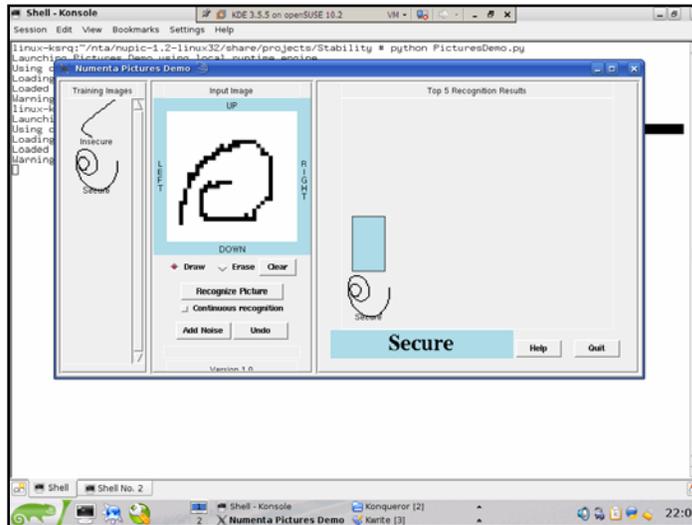
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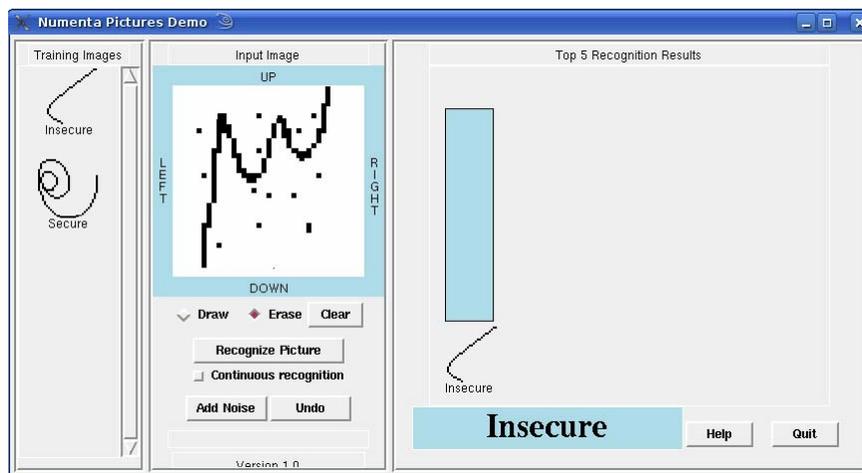
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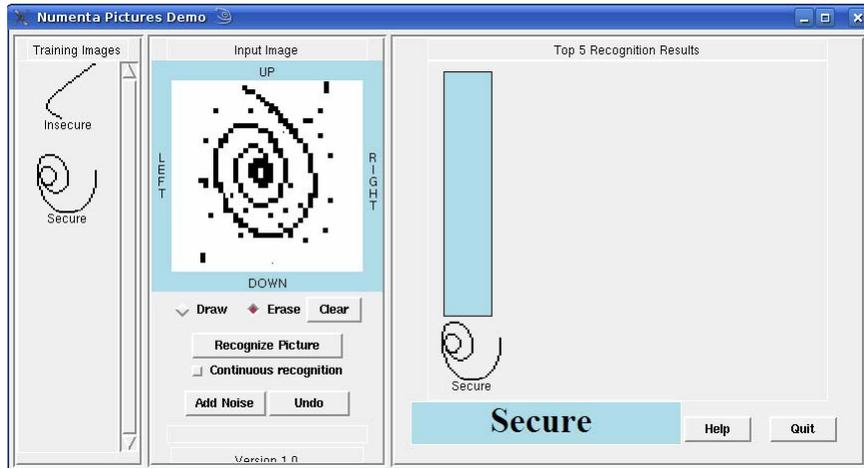
## Stability Pattern Recognition Program



## Stability Pattern Recognition Program - Insecure



## Stability Pattern Recognition Program - Secure

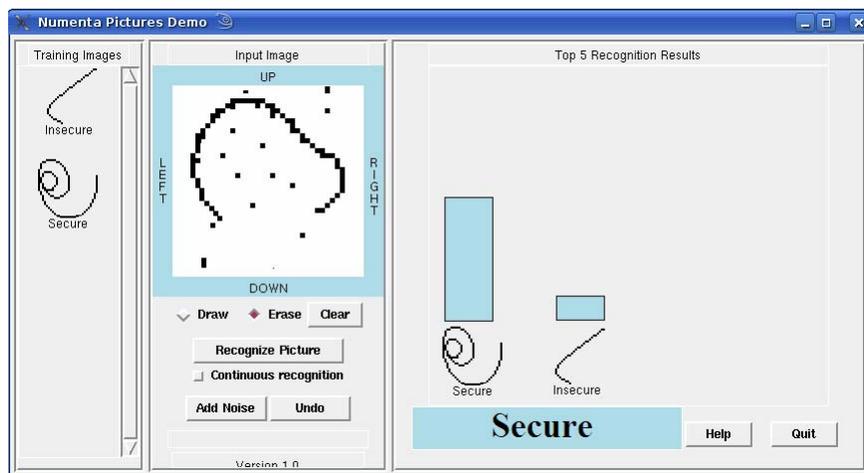


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## Stability Pattern Recognition Program – More Likely Secure Than Insecure

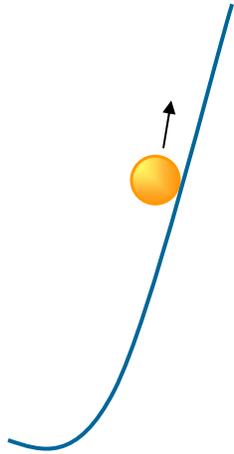


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## Investigation into the Use of Energy Functions for Detecting Precursor Signals of Cascading Outages



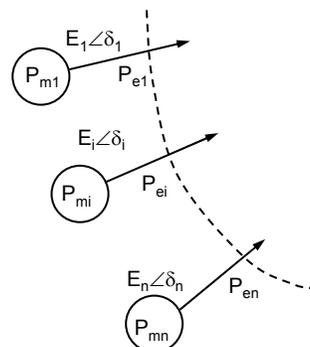
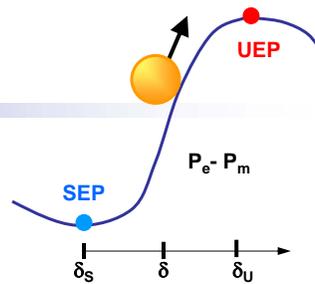
### Potential Energy

- Potential Energy is a simple, important security index
  - SEP ~ Zero Potential Energy
  - UEP ~ Maximal Potential Energy ( $V_{CR}$ )

$$V_p \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \sum_{i=1}^n \int_{\delta_s}^{\delta} (P_{ei} - P_{mi}) d\delta_i$$

$$P_{ei} = E_i^2 G_{ii} + \sum_{j=1, j \neq i}^n (E_i E_j B_{ij} \sin \delta_{ij} + E_i E_j G_{ij} \cos \delta_{ij})$$

- $E_i$  and  $\delta_i$  ← PMU measurements
- $G_{ij}$  and  $B_{ij}$  ← Network topology



# Potential Energy

• Calculation

$$V_p = V_{\Delta} + V_{Pos} + V_{Loss}$$

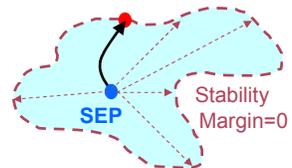
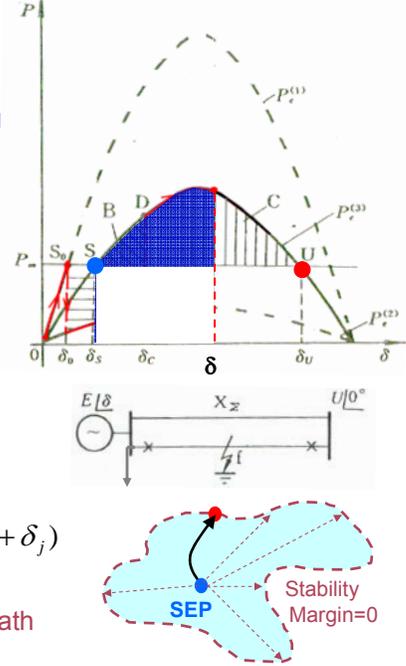
$$V_{\Delta} = \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{j=i+1}^n E_i E_j B_{ij} (\cos \delta_{S,ij} - \cos \delta_{ij})$$

$$V_{Pos} = - \sum_{i=1}^n (P_{mi} - E_i^2 G_{ii}) (\delta_i - \delta_{S,i})$$

- Needs to know the zero-potential-energy point

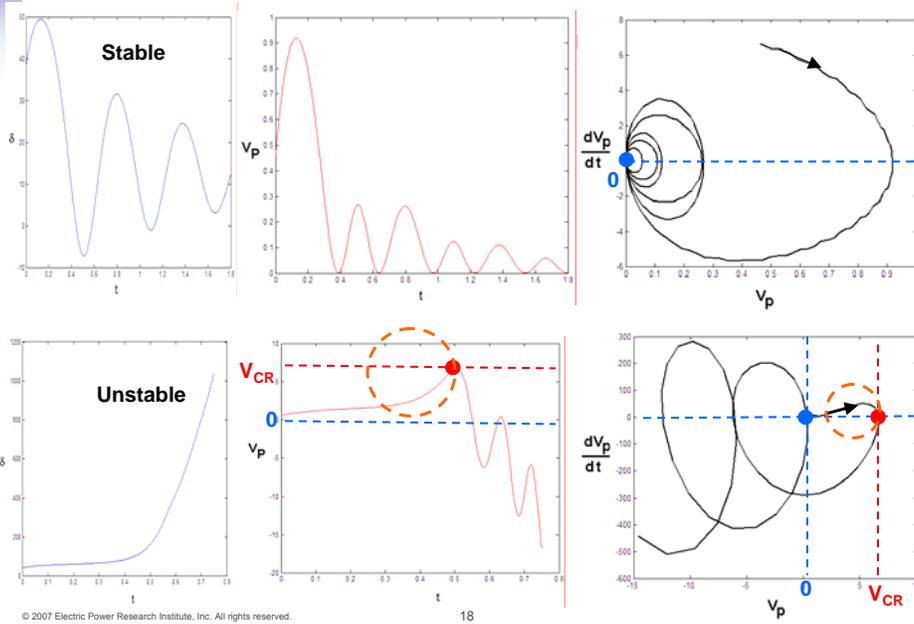
$$V_{Loss} = \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{j=i+1}^n \int_{\delta_s}^{\delta} E_i E_j G_{ij} \cos \delta_{ij} \cdot d(\delta_i + \delta_j)$$

- Depends on the unknown “ $\delta_c - \delta$ ” path



# Patterns of Potential Energy Curves

- SEP
- UEP



## Recognize Potential Cascading Outages

- Define an energy-like function  $V(X)$ 
  - Doesn't have to be a real energy function
  - Can indicate how far the system is away from the original operating point  $X_0$  ( $V(X_0)=0$ )
  - Can be calculated in real time by measurements (WAMS)
  
- Identify danger patterns of  $V(X)$  when the system approaches the edge of cascading outages (stability margin  $\rightarrow 0$ )

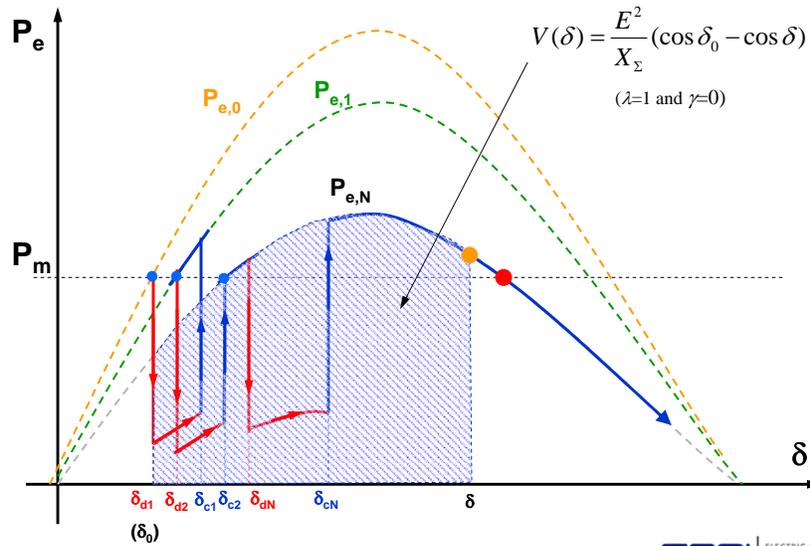
## Definition of Energy Function V

- Assume: any changes in topology can be detected in real time

$$V(\delta) = \lambda \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{j=i+1}^n E_i E_j B_{ij} (\cos \delta_{0,ij} - \cos \delta_{ij}) - \gamma \sum_{i=1}^n (P_{mi} - E_i^2 G_{ii}) (\delta_i - \delta_{0,i})$$

- $\delta_{0,ij}$ : Original operating point  $X_0$  (not the zero potential energy point)
- $\delta_{ij}$ : Current operating point from PMU measurements
- $G_{ij}$  and  $B_{ij}$ : Real-time updated network topology
  - If the during-fault topology is unknown, the old topology is used
  - The post-fault topology is the network with fault lines removed
- $E_i$ : From PMU measurements

## Single Machine Infinite Bus System

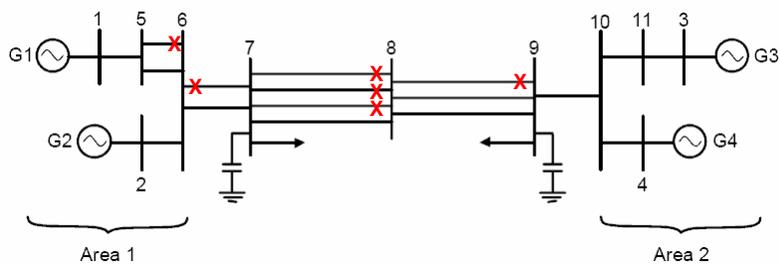


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## Two-area System Simulations



- 6 faults occur successively at 0s, 10s, 20s, 30s, 40s, and 50s and are cleared by opening the lines after 6 cycles
- Instability occurs after the fault 6 (at about 50s)

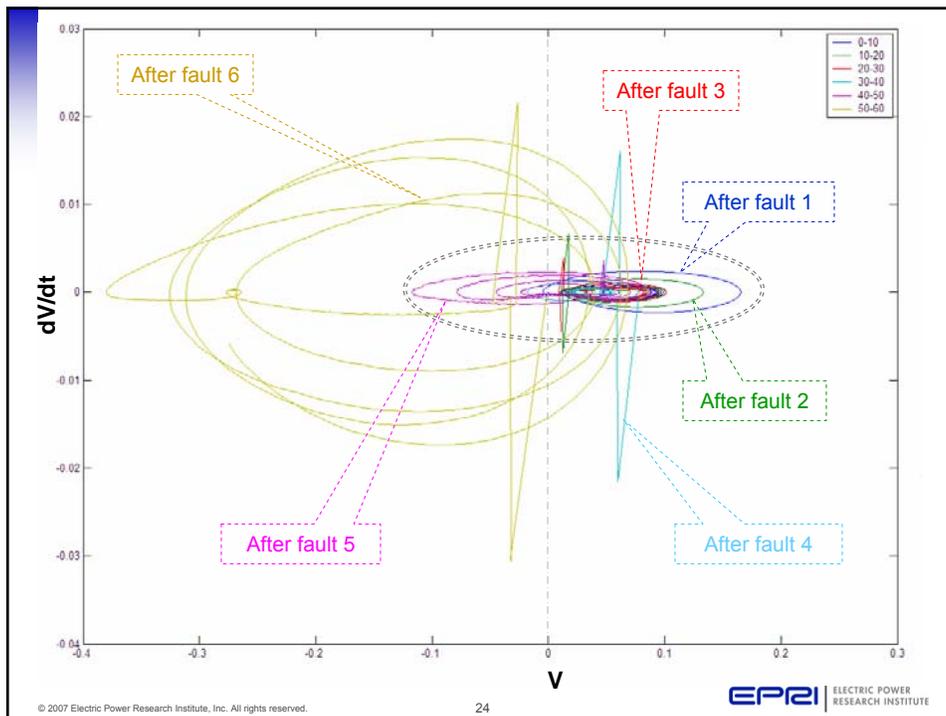
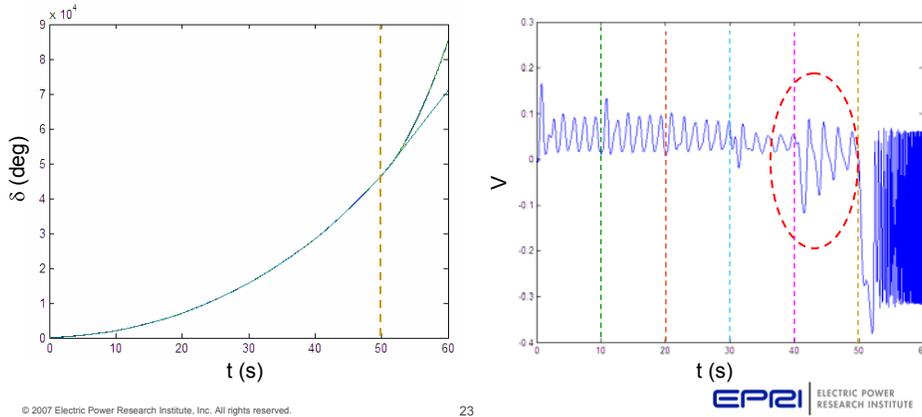
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## Simulation Results

- Instability occurs after fault 6 but V(X) patterns after fault 5 have become abnormal
- That means the system's stability margin has approached zero
- HTM might predict this to prevent potential cascading outage



## Consideration of Re-initialization

- Main idea:
  - Critical energy (stability margin=0) is hard to be estimated
  - But  $V(X)$  pattern may look abnormal when the stability margin is close to 0.
  - Changes in Topology and Generation Status may necessitate re-initialization of  $V$  to  $V(X_0)=0$

## Questions?