High-Speed Data Capture for Root-Cause Analysis and Data Management

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Self-Intro

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Motivation

**Generator**

High voltage
- ≥220 kV

High voltage
- 110 kV

Medium voltage
- 10–35 kV

Low voltage
- 110–400 V

Power plants
Motivation

Ideal grid voltage

Real grid voltage

-350 -250 -150 -50 50 150 250 350

0 0.005 0.01 0.015 0.02

U1 U2 U3
Motivation

- EN 50160
  - Reporting standard
- IEC 61000-4-30
  - Power quality measurement and calculations
- IEC 61000-4-7
  - Harmonic and interharmonic measurement and calculations
- IEEE 519
  - Relates to the calculation and limits on voltage and current distortions
- IEC 61000-4-15
  - Flicker measurements
- IEEE C37.118-2005
  - Synchrophasor
- Etc...

Src: https://imgs.xkcd.com/comics/standards.png
Motivation

- Frequency of voltage events
  - Dip / Swell
  - Drop (Interruption)
- Violation of harmonic limits
  - Limits of individual harmonics
  - THD
- Grid frequency
- Flicker
- Voltage unbalance
  - ...

![Diagram](image-url)

- Voltage dip
- Slow voltage variation
- Fast voltage variation
- Short interruption
- Long interruption
- Flicker
- Temporary over voltage
- Transient over voltage

- URMS
- +10%
- 100%
- -10%

- Voltage dip
- Slow voltage variation
- Fast voltage variation
- Short interruption
- Long interruption
- Flicker

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- 10 ms...1 min
- < 5%
- < 3 min
- >3 min
- P_{ff} = 1

- 3~ unbalance
- Voltage dip
- Slow voltage variation
- Fast voltage variation
- Short interruption
- Long interruption
- Flicker

- Up to some sec.
- Up to some ms
- < 6 kV
- < U_{L-N}

- Signal voltage
- Frequency
- Harmonics
- Inter harmonics
Data Capture Architecture

High voltage
110kV

Medium voltage
30kV

Low voltage
400V

ACQUISITION

STORAGE

ANALYZE

GPS satellite

Report
Using the Data

- Application Example 1: M2 Voltage Feedback

**The Background**
- The cycloconverter drive for propulsion Motor 2 faulted on a shipping vessel

**The Data**
- A recording of the motor voltage and current feedback signals for was taken.
- An analysis of the recording shows that even though the drive tripped on a Phase C fault the problem was caused by a loss of voltage feedback on Phase B.

**The Issue**
- The fault occurred due to an invalid current calculation in the motor Phase C

**The Solution**
- The voltage feedback transducer for Phase B was replaced to resolve the problem.
Using the Data
Using the Data

- Application Example 2: 110 kV Transmission Line

**The Background**
- Fault in the 110kV transmission line in Fürth leading to computer issues at the iba AG office

**The Data**
- High-speed data and derived values were captured to trend the transient event

**The Issue**
- Prolonged low voltage on phase L2 led to issues for the power supplies

**The Solution**
- Confirmed with the local power company that they had an issue with the transmission line
Using the Data
Using the Data

- Application Example 3: Significant Frequency Deviation
  - Below information are from: Link

The Background
- “On Jan. 10th, 2019 at 21:02 CET, the Continental Europe Power System registered for 9 seconds the largest absolute deviation since 2006.”

The Data
- Data collected at the iba head quarter in Germany captured the deviation.
- The power frequency can be observed to drop at the indicated time

The Issue
- “After a detailed technical analysis by the TSOs of Continental Europe, it appears the drop was caused by the superposition of a large deterministic frequency deviation on one hand, and another frequency deviation, due to a frozen measurement on four interconnection lines between Germany and Austria that lasted between 9 and 11 January, on the other hand.”

The Solution
- Immediate fix: “Activation of reserves across Continental Europe and of interruptible contracts with industrial consumers in France quickly brought the frequency back to normal range.”
- Further investigations/studies were launched by ENTSO-E to offer solutions for the future
Using the Data
Application Example 4: French-Spanish Interconnection

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The Background

“On Saturday, 24 July 2021, due to a major incident originated in France, France and Spain were disconnected at 16:36 CEST and were brought back into normal operation by the responsible TSOs of Spain and France at 17:09 CEST.”

The Data

Data collected at the iba head quarter in Germany captured the influence of this event happening a few countries away.

The Solution

TSOs executed predefined plans to minimize frequency deviations.

“Investigation and verification are currently ongoing on whether the forest fire along the line route was the root cause of the event.”

The Issue

“During the disturbance, the frequency deviation of the large part of the Continental Europe was kept within a narrow margin between 49.96 and 50.07 Hz, whereas in the Iberian Peninsula the deviation was more substantial and involved further emergency measures according to the predefined plans. The load and customers which were disconnected in the Iberian Peninsula after 16:36 CEST, were again connected and re-supplied after 17:09 CEST.”
Using the Data

16:36 CET

17:09 CET
Using the Data

- Application Example 5: G2 Power Surge

**The Background**
- The crew heard the main engines surge for a few seconds

**The Data**
- Analysis of data files shows that Generator 2 momentarily sped up causing it to take more load.
- The other two generators reduced load in order to keep the bus frequency at 60 Hz.

**The Issue**
- The event was too fast to observe meter readings.

**The Solution**
- A problem was found in the Generator 2 mechanical governor.
Using the Data
Other Types of Data

- High voltage: 110kV
- Medium voltage: 30kV
- Low voltage: 400V

ACQUISITION

- GPS satellite

STORAGE

- HD

ANALYZE

- PLC/Drives
Data Storage

**Events**

- Event 1
- E 2
- E 3
- E 4
- E 5
- E 6

**Data Acquisition**

- Time
- Measurement Data
- .dat
- Triggered
- Measurement Data
- .dat
- Dip
- Voltage Drop
- Flicker
- HD
- Continuous
- Measurement Data
Topology with n stations
Delay Incoming Trigger

Station A

Pre-trigger

Post-trigger

TCP/IP Outgoing Trigger

TCP/IP Incoming Trigger

Local Data Buffer

Station B

Pre-trigger

Post-trigger

Local Data Buffer

Delay
Data Storage

- Raw data storage may get expensive!
- Imagine a typical 3 phase power scenario
  - 8kHz * 6 channels (3 voltages + 3 currents) = 48 kSamples/sec
  - 48 kSamples/sec * 4 bytes/sample = 192 kB/sec
  - 1 hour = 691200 kB = 0.691GB
  - 24 hours = 16.7 GB
  - 365 days = 6.05 TB

Src: [Disk Drive Storage Price Decreasing with Time](jcmit.net)
Stake Holders

Data
- Operation Data
- Production Data
- Process Data
- PLC Data
- Machine Data
- Energy Data
- Vibration Data

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