# Improve system operations with continuous recording



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### Today's systems are nonsinusoidal

Nonsinusoidal waveform is deviation from sinusoidal waveform



### Never miss an event

#### **CONTINUOUS SYNCHRONIZED WAVEFORM RECORDING**

- Waveform measurement unit (WMU)
- WMUs with 1 µs resolution waveform sampled data



Source: NASPI-2020-TR-004

### Never miss an event

#### **CONTINUOUS SYNCHRONIZED WAVEFORM RECORDING**

- High availability, streamed from WMUs
- UTC precise time-stamped time source, < 100 ns</li>



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#### Nonsinusoidal 345 kV compensated lines



#### Even continuous steady state is useful

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### Current unbalance and harmonic content causes power to ripple

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## EV charging creates waveform distortion, notching, and ripple



 $p[k] = v_1[k] \cdot i_1[k] + v_2[k] \cdot i_2[k]$ 

## EV charging waveform recording

#### EV

Level 2 charger

240 V source

Waveform recorder



## Are distribution transformers rated for current waveform distortion from multiple EVs?

- Triangular waveshape
- Notching at zero crossing
- High-frequency ripple
- Increased I<sup>2</sup>R losses



### **Current distortion at zero crossing captured by 1 Msps sampling**

- ~1 A plateau occurs at zero crossing
- Switching between two polarized transistors is likely cause
- 10 ksps undersampled the distortion





## Millisecond streaming can improve inverter response times



### Next steps

- Adapt to evolving power system of today
- Apply improved tools
- Perform field trials to validate laboratory results

- Utilize synchronized waveform
  measurements from WMUs
- Collect higher sample rate data to provide more insight

### Thank you



