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Incorporating PMUs in Power System State Estimation for Smart Grid EMS

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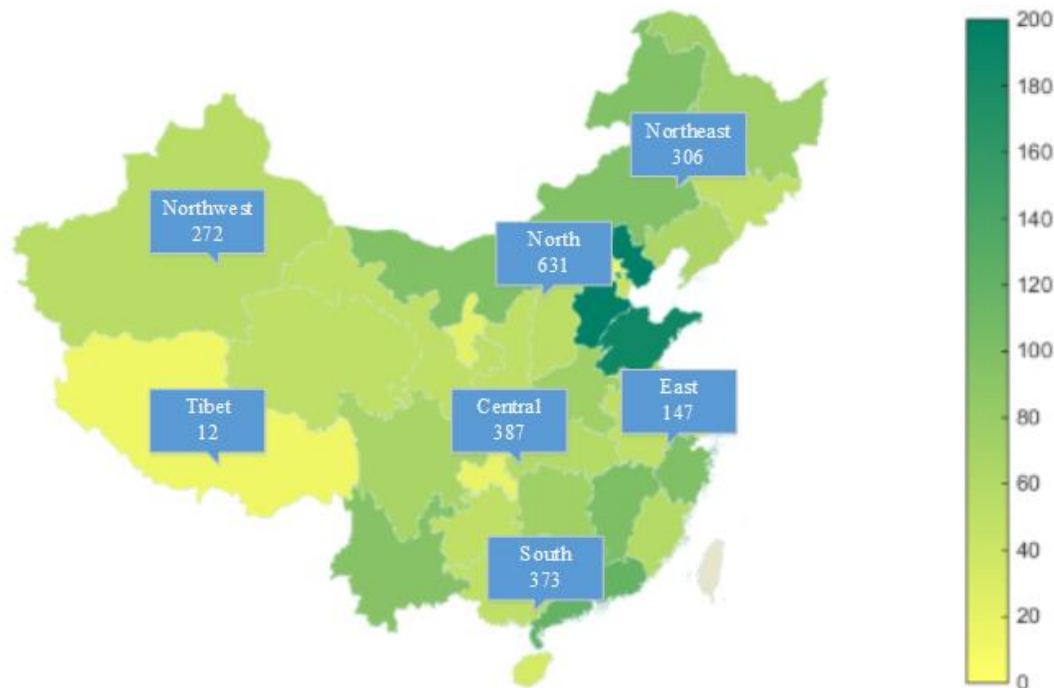
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PMU Deployment (1)

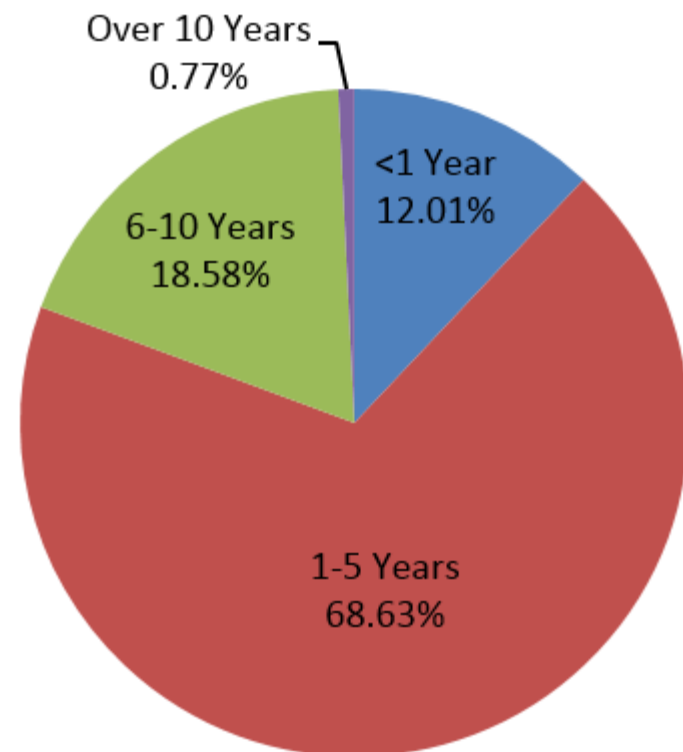
- Total number: around 2400
 - PMUs Cover all 500kV substations, all generators (>100MW), and some important 220/110kV substations
 - More than 30 WAMS center stations are in service



1000kV	7
800kV	6
750kV	39
660kV	26
500kV	723
330kV	165
220kV	861
110kV	200

PMU Deployment (2)

- Most PMUs are installed after 2006
 - Predominate manufactures: Sifang Automation, NARI-Technology, China EPRI, NARI-Relays (98%)
 - Chinese standards on PMUs are being updated to conform to IEEE standards C37.118.1 and C37.118.1a
 - Tests for supporting IEC 61850 is being conducted



PMU Deployment (3)

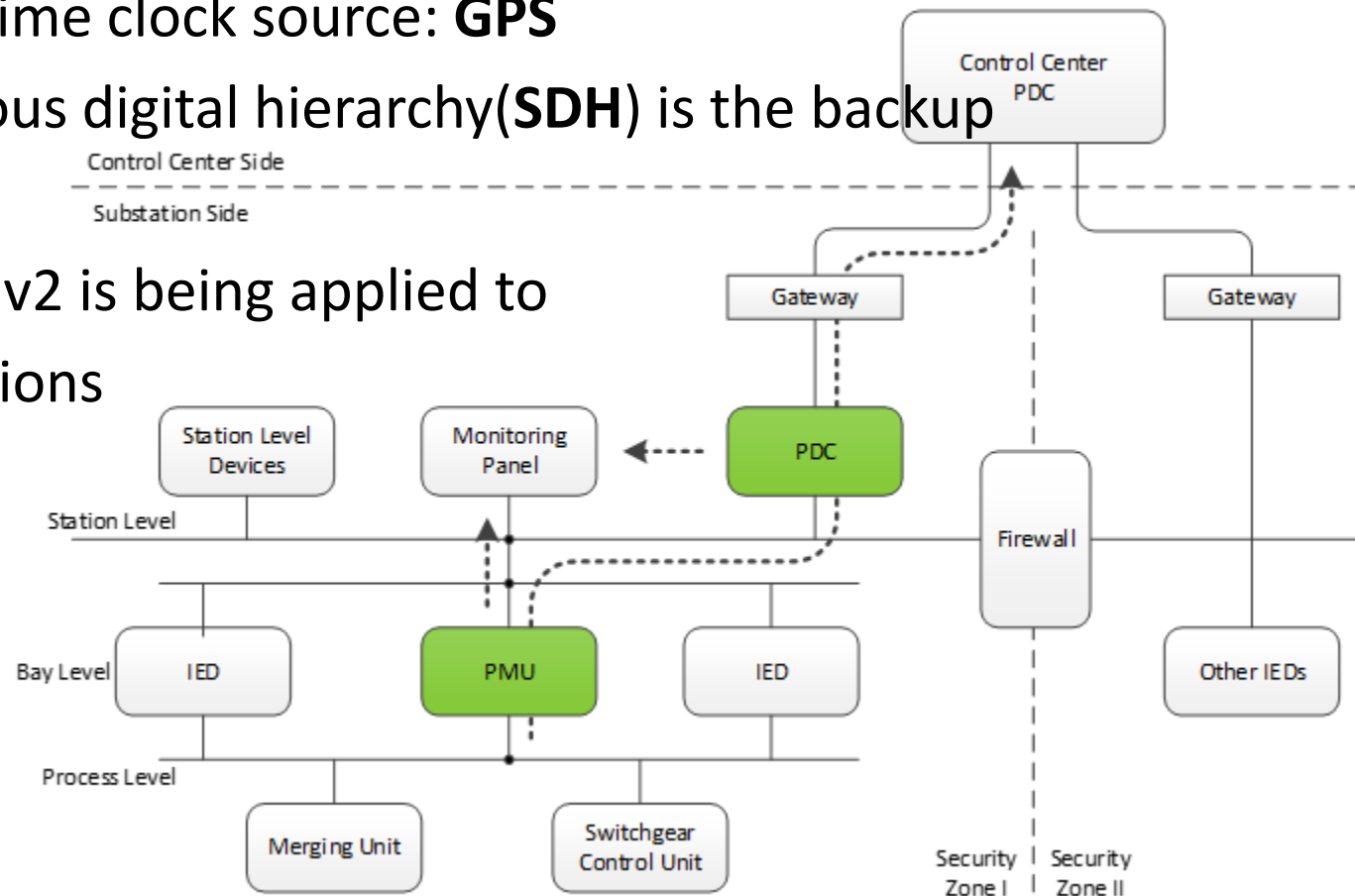
• Architectures

- Main clock source: **BeiDou** navigation satellite system
- Auxiliary time clock source: **GPS**
- Synchronous digital hierarchy(**SDH**) is the backup

solution

- IEEE 1588 v2 is being applied to communications

between substations and control centers



SE incorporating PMU (1)

- Method 1:
- Directly use \dot{V} measured by PMU in traditional SE
 - ① Wang Yong, Ju Ping, Study on state estimation with PMU equipped at partial nodes of power systems, *J. of Hohai University*, 2004, 32(3)
 - ② Liu Yi, The applying of GPS phasor measurement in electrical power system, *Master thesis, North China Electric Power University*
- Advantages: Simple and efficient;
- Drawbacks: impact of PMU measurement error on SE

SE incorporating PMU (2)

- Method 2:
- Convert PMU measurements to power measurements and use them as in traditional SE
 - ① Wang Keying, Mu Gang, Chen Xueyun, Precision improvement and PMU placement studies on state estimation of a hybrid measurement system with PMUs, *Proc. of the CSEE*, 2001, 21(8): 29-33
- Advantages: compatible with existing SE program;
- Drawbacks:
 - Loss the linearity of PMU measurements
- Predominate approach in real dispatch centers

Comparison between PMU & RTU (1)

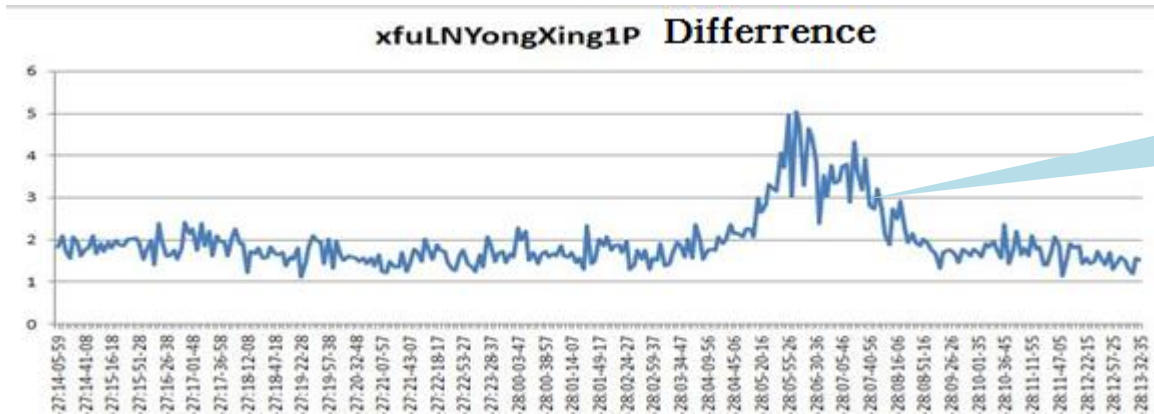
- Tests based on field data:
 - Measurements with extremely large or small values are excluded
 - Communication time: < 1s
 - differences between RTU and PMU

measurement	Δ
$P, I, \text{ and } V$	< 2%
Q	5% ~ 40%

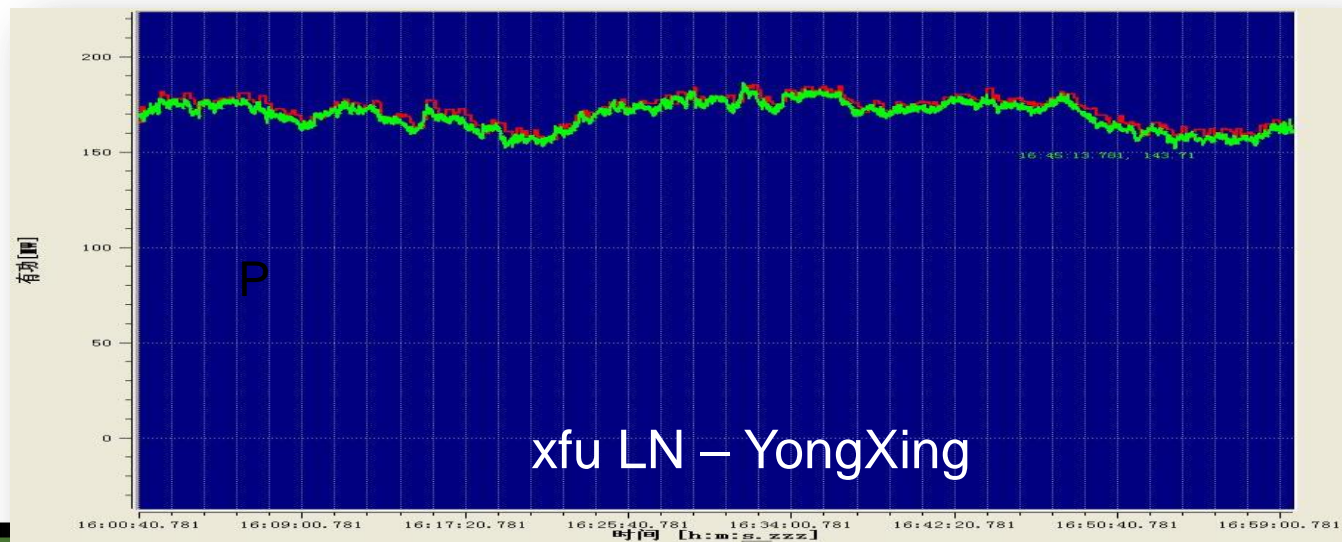
- 24% of Q measurements whose $\Delta > 10\%$
- this difference keeps stable

Comparison between PMU & RTU (3)

- Real P difference between RTU & PMU



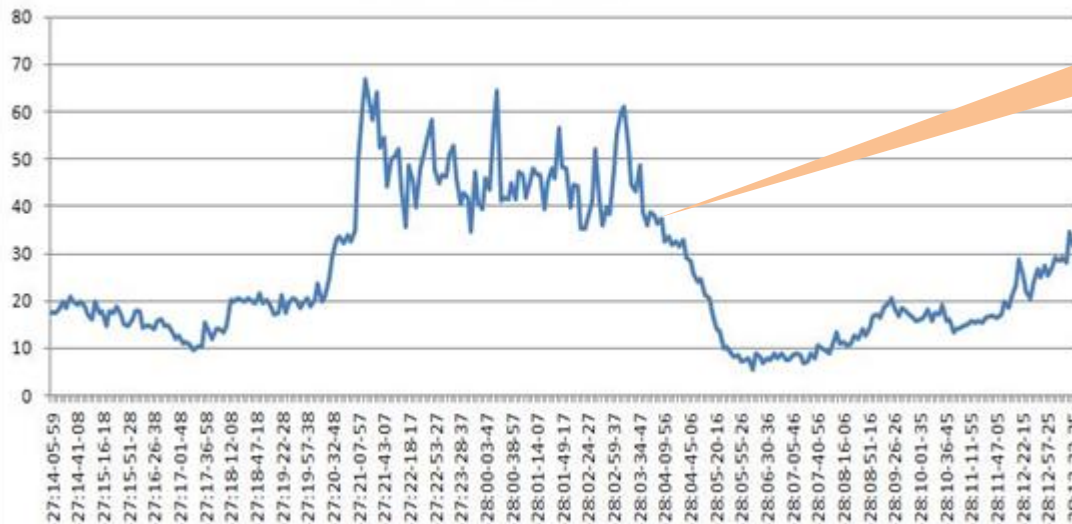
$1\% < P \text{ diff} < 5\%$



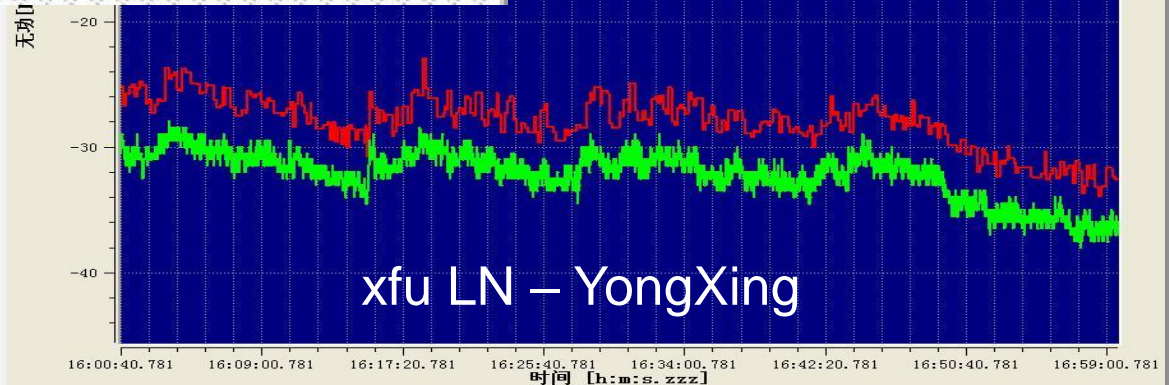
Comparison between PMU & RTU (4)

- Real Q difference between RTU & PMU

xfulNYongXing1Q Difference

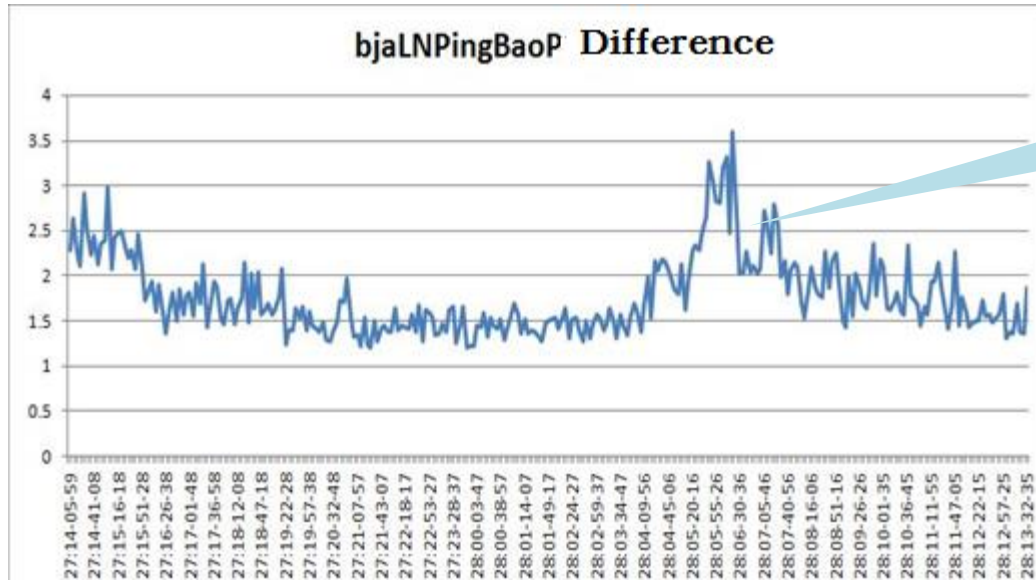


$1\% < Q \text{ diff} < 70\%$

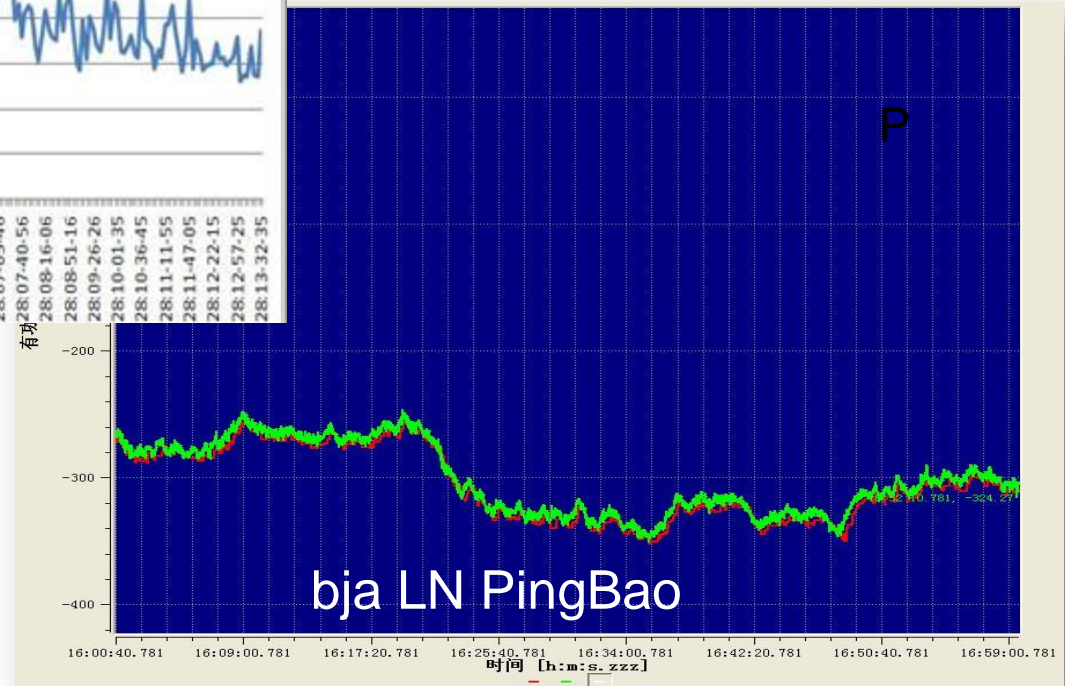


Comparison between PMU & RTU (5)

- Real P difference between RTU & PMU



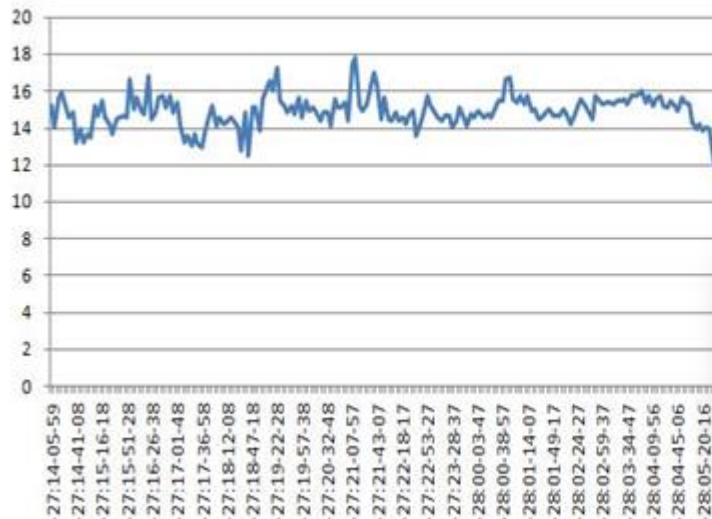
$1\% < P \text{ diff} < 3\%$



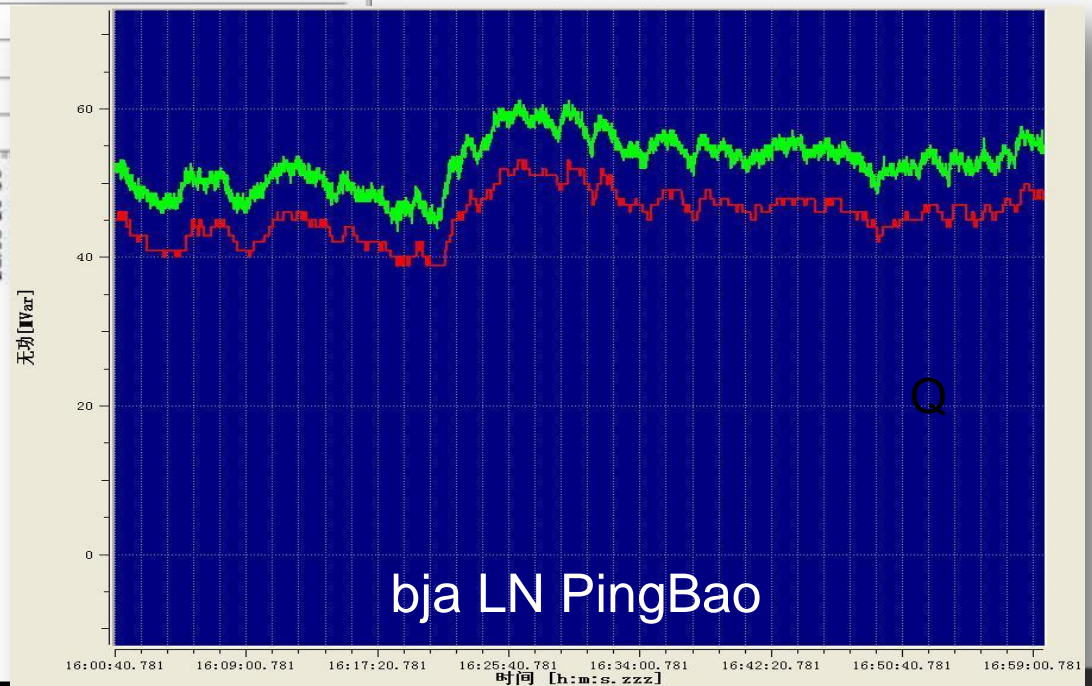
Comparison between PMU & RTU (6)

- Real Q difference between RTU & PMU

bjaLN PingBaoQ Difference



$10\% < Q \text{ diff} < 18\%$



Comparison between PMU & RTU (7)

- Large Error on Q caused by PMU measurement
 - The ways in computing Q
 - RTU:
$$Q = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=1}^N U_k I_{k+N/4}$$
 - PMU: $P = IU \cos \phi$, $Q = IU \sin \phi$
 - Error in P measurement is OK
 - If the measured ϕ has an error of 0.1° , the Q measurement will have 10% error ($\phi=1^\circ$)

→ better

$\Delta\phi$	$\phi=1$	$\phi=3$	$\phi=5$	$\phi=10$	$\phi=15$	$\phi=20$
0.1	9.9	3.3	1.9	0.98	0.6	0.4
0.3	29.9	9.9	5.9	2.96	1.9	1.4
0.5	49.9	16.6	9.9	4.94	3.2	2.3
0.8	79.9	26.6	15.9	7.91	5.2	3.8
1	99.9	33.3	19.9	9.89	6.5	4.7

Applications & Discussions (1)

- Summary: For PMU, $|V|$ is quite accurate, but the θ is some inaccurate, resulting in a significant Q error
- Suggestions by manufacturers
 - Calibrate the accuracy of PMU measurements periodically.
 - Introduce an artificial compensation factor to revise error of phase angle measurements. Update these compensation factors periodically.
 - Improve the computational method for Q

Applications & Discussions (2)

- Overall affect tests
 - SE with RTU measurements only vs. SE with hybrid RTU/PMU measurements
 - 4 scenarios, SE creditability assessed by acceptance percentage (percentage of the measurements whose residuals < certain thresholds)
 - Accuracy improvement is not significant, or even worse

	Scenario 1		Scenario 2		Scenario 3		Scenario 4	
	RTU	RTU/PMU	RTU	RTU/PMU	RTU	RTU/PMU	RTU	RTU/PMU
Meas. number	2728	4451	2728	4451	2734	4673	2734	4673
Acceptable meas.	2589	4227	2586	4205	2589	4453	2577	4423
Acceptance percent (%)	96.138	96.221	95.991	95.742	96.138	96.469	95.693	95.819

Applications & Discussions (3)

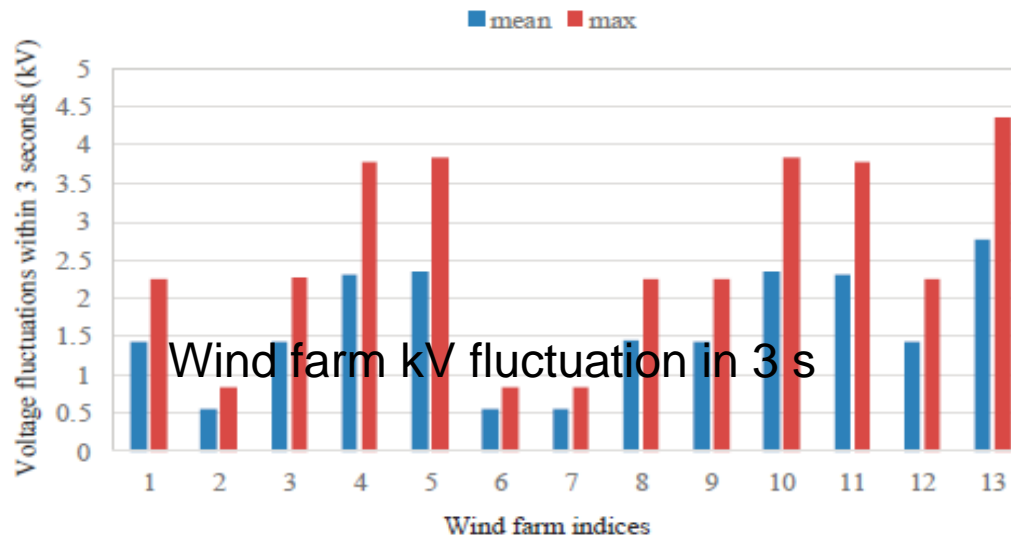
- Why PMU did not improve SE result ?
 - Phase angle measured is not so accurate.
 - More important: PMUs are used just as a supplementary measurement to conventional RTU measurements in current SE approaches
- The point of view :
 - RTU is just for steady state application, whiles PMU should be used for dynamic state application
 - suitable application scene should be identified

Applications & Discussions (4)

- PMU:
 - high sampling frequency
 - accurate time stamps
- These superiorities of the PMU should be utilized
 - Fluctuant and intermittent renewables generations should be monitored by using PMUs
 - For most part of the power grid, SE based on RTU is enough for power flow application.
- Multi-time interval state estimation will be a better choice

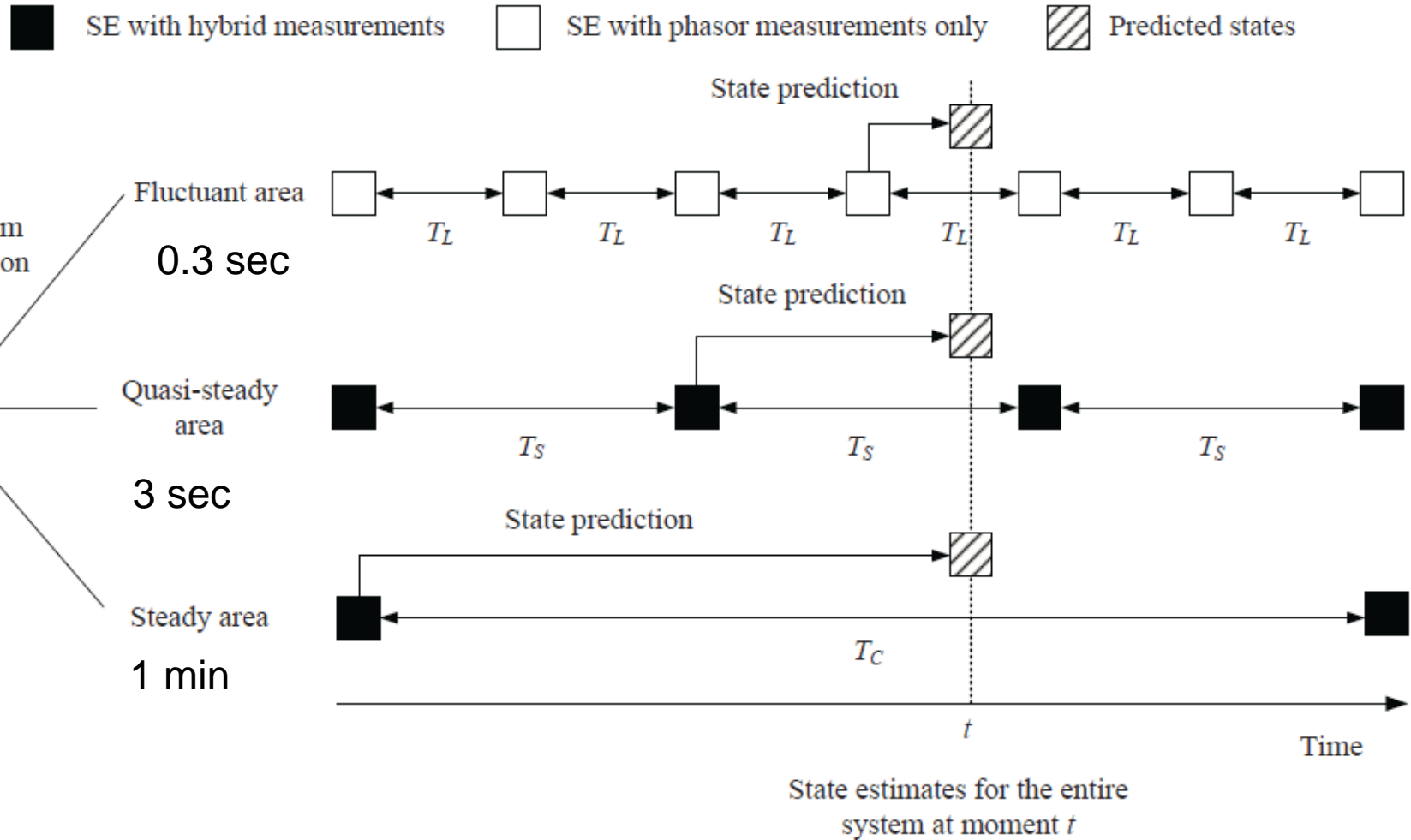
Multi-time interval dynamic state estimation (MTIDSE)

- Extensive integration of intermittent renewable generation is introducing a fluctuation, MTIDSE needed



- Conventional SE (calc. period: 1min) --- steady state
- SCADA (sampling period: 3s) --- asynchronism problem
- PMU SE ----- 0.3s

MTIDSE: Framework



MTIDSE: method (1)

- **System partition**

- Steady area: $\mathcal{S} = \{j \in \mathcal{N} | \Delta S_j \leq \epsilon_S\}$
- Fluctuant area: in which states may change significantly within 3s, PMU observable $\mathcal{F} = \{j \in \mathcal{N} | \Delta S_j > \epsilon_F \& j \in \mathcal{P}\}$
- Quasi-steady area: the rest area $\mathcal{Q} = \{j \in \mathcal{N} | j \notin \mathcal{S} \& j \notin \mathcal{F}\}$

- **How to partition? Based on load flow sensitivity!**

- Assess the fluctuation level of intermittent generators
- Calculate the fluctuation level of branches:

$$\Delta P_l = \sum_{i=1}^n |S_P(k_i, l) \Delta P_i|, \Delta Q_l = \sum_{i=1}^n |S_Q(k_i, l) \Delta Q_i|$$

- Estimate the fluctuation level of nodes, and then divide the system into different areas.

$$\Delta S_j = \sqrt{\Delta P_j^2 + \Delta Q_j^2},$$

$$\Delta P_j = \max_{l \in \mathcal{A}_j} P_l, \Delta Q_j = \max_{l \in \mathcal{A}_j} Q_l$$

MTIDSE: method (2)

- State estimation in steady area & Quasi-steady area
 - Use RTU/PMU measurements
 - SE interval: Steady area: ~ 1 min; Quasi-steady area: ~ 3 s

$$\min_{x_S} (z_S - h_S(x_S, x_{BS}))^\dagger W_S (z_S - h_S(x_S, x_{BS}))$$

- Perform and update SE for the entire system at 1 min
 - perform and update SE for quasi-steady area at 3 sec
 - perform and update SE for fluctuant area at 0.3 sec
- Linear SE model by PMU
 - State estimation in fluctuant area done directly by PMU at 0.3 sec.

$$\min_{x_F} (z_F - H_{F-F}x_F - H_{F-FS}x_{FS})^\dagger W_F (z_F - H_{F-F}x_F - H_{F-FS}x_{FS})$$

MTIDSE: method (3)

- Use dynamic estimator to predict the states between two consequent SEs
- Fusion of state estimates in all areas:

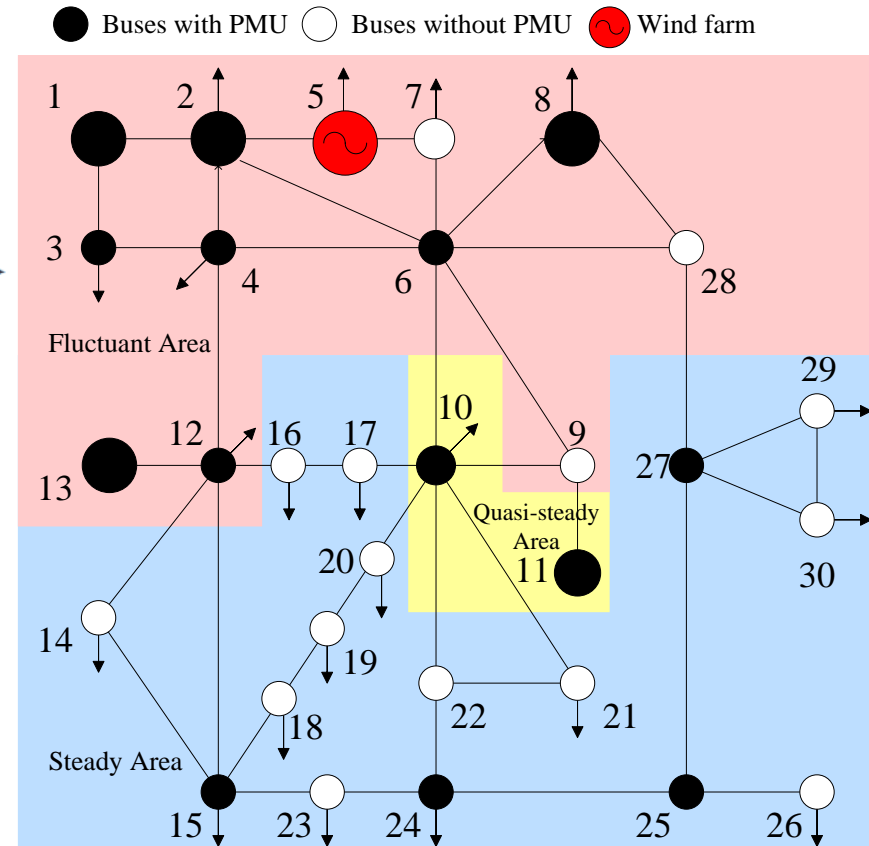
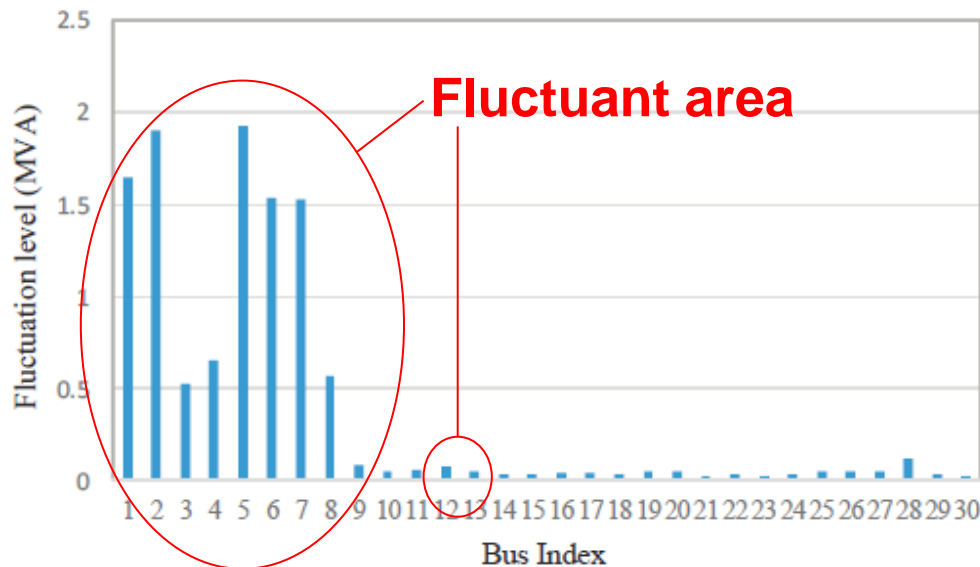
$$\tilde{x}(k+1) = F(k)\hat{x}(k) + g(k) \quad \tilde{x}(t) = \frac{t-t_S}{T_C}\tilde{x}(t_S + T_C) + \frac{t_S + T_C - t}{T_C}\hat{x}(t_S)$$

$$\hat{x}(t) \approx [\tilde{x}_S(t), \tilde{x}_Q(t), \tilde{x}_F(t)]$$

MTIDSE: Numerical tests (1)

- IEEE 30-bus system
 - System partition
 - Coincide with the true fluctuant levels

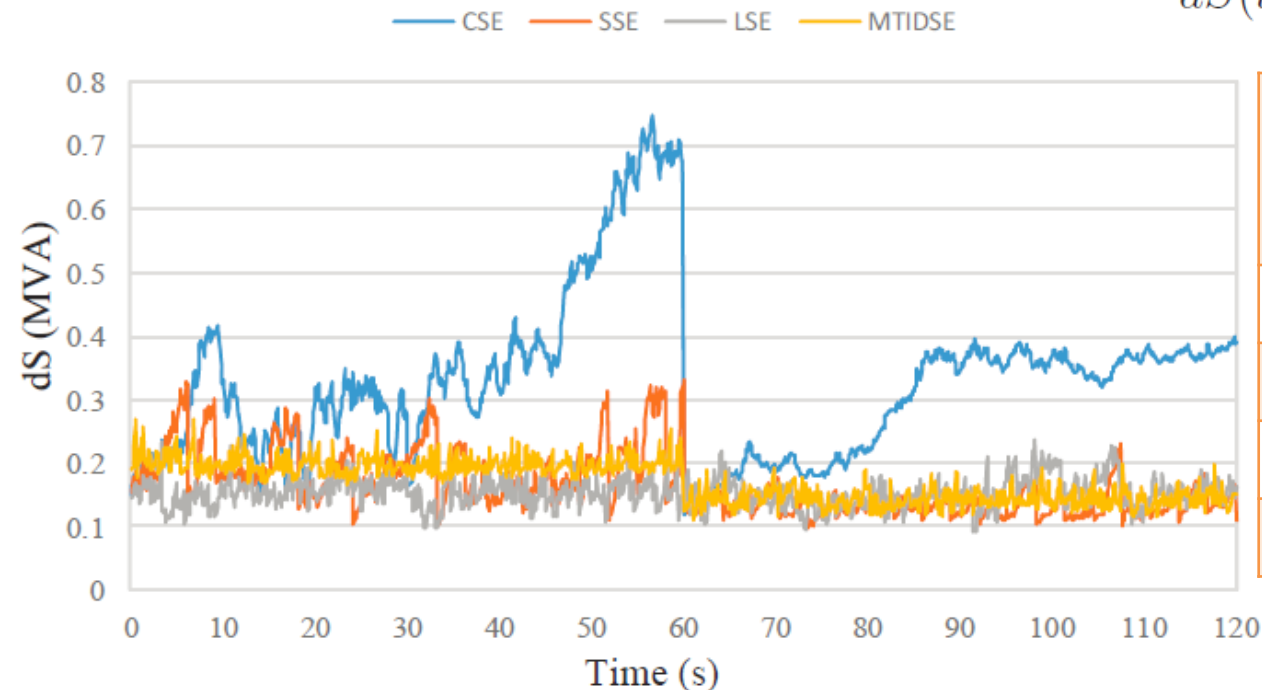
$$\Delta S_j = \max_{l \in \mathcal{A}_j} \{ \text{mean}(|S_{True,lj}(t) - \text{mean}(S_{True,lj}(t))|) \}$$



MTIDSE: Numerical tests (2)

- Comparison of four approaches
 - CSE: Estimate all states with 1 min, by RTU/PMU
 - SSE: Estimate all states with 3s, by RTU/PMU
 - LSE: Estimate all states with 0.3s, by RTU/PMU
 - MTIDSE: Multi-time interval dynamic SE

$$dS(t) = \text{mean}(|S_{SE}(t) - S_{True}(t)|)$$



	Est. Error (MVA)	Time cost (s)
CSE (1min)	0.3288	0.257
SSE (3sec)	0.1773	5.104
LSE (0.3s)	0.1528	48.691
MTIDSE	0.1714	3.916

Conclusions

- PMUs are widely deployed in China
 - The-state-of-art: perform SE with PMU/RTU by using P and Q calculated by PMU
 - Q calculated by PMU is inaccurate
 - Benefit from SE with PMU/RTU is insignificant
- A multi-time interval dynamic state estimator is proposed
 - In real systems, only a portion states, rather than all, are fluctuant and need do SE by PMU directly
 - Benefit: Balancing between accuracy and efficiency
 - The high sampling rate of PMUs is fully utilized

Thanks for your attention !