Real-Time Hardware-in-the-Loop Validation for WAMPAC: Power System Protection and Communication



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•Motivation for RT-HIL Approach

•SmarTS Lab: An RT-HIL Lab for WAMPAC Apps Dev.

•Model-To-Data Workflow for SIL and RT-HIL Validation

•Recent Projects at SmarTS LAB for Power System Protection and Communication

Power System Modeling of Protective Relays
Power System Communication (GOOSE and Sampled Values) Validation using RT-HIL

•Interfacing RTS for Station Bus and Process Bus Implementation

•Comparison of Conventional and RT-HIL approaches for Power Protection Relay Testing

 A software development toolkit for developing and testing PMU based applications for Wide Area Monitoring, Protection and Control





Timeline for M. Shoaib Almas

- Almas joined KTH, The Royal Institute of Technology, in 2009 to pursue his Masters in Electric Power Engineering majoring in Power Systems. Previously he has obtained a Bachelors in Electrical Engineering from National University of Sciences and Technology (NUST), Pakistan.
- He has two years of experience working as a Design Engineer for designing protection schemes for substations (132kV, 220 kV and 500kV) through microprocessor-based relays.
- His professional experience includes substation automation and coordination of protective relays to minimize the effect of faults in power transmission networks.
- He performed his master thesis "PMU-Assisted Local Optimization of the Coordination between Protective Systems and VSC-HVDCs" at the Electric Power System (EPS) division of KTH.
- Currently PhD. Candidate, Project Title "Real-Time Wide-Area Control of Hybrid AC and DC Grids"





Motivation

- Each substation has in average 50 IEDs performing protection (differential, busbar, overcurrent, over/under voltage, over/under frequency etc.) and communicating with various protocols/standards (C37.118, GOOSE, SV, MODBUS, DNP 3.0)
- In order to accurately model a power system, these IEDs along with their respective communication techniques need to be modeled precisely with the same settings as the real hardware relay
- With substations adopting IEC-61850 standards, RT HIL approach proves beneficial to exploit interoperability, the use of Station/Process Bus effectiveness, etc.
 Power System Communication
- Digital Real-Time Simulators are compatible with long-established modeling software like MATLAB/SIMULINK (Opal-RT) and are IEC 61850 compliant (GOOSE & Sampled Values)
- RT-HIL approach provides freedom to carry on research related with Smart Transmission Grids:
 - Wide Area Monitoring Protection and Control (WAMPAC)



- Smart Grid require Smart Operation, Smart Control and Smart Protection:
 - The ultimate goal should be to attain an automatic-feedback self-healing control system
- Measure Communicate Analyze (System Assessment and *real* limits) Determine Preventive/Corrective Actions – Communicate – Control and protect
- To achieve this vision, new applications need to be developed in a controlled environment, allowing testing and considering the ICT chain





The SmarTS Lab Architecture











Recent Projects at SmarTS LAB 1. Model Validation of an Over-Current Relay





1. Model Validation of an Over-Current Relay (contd.) Protection Algorithm Implemented in the Overcurrent Relay Model

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1. Model Validation of an Over-Current Relay (contd.) Test Case Model Developed in SimPowerSystems (MATLAB/Simulink) HIL Implementation





2. Power System Communication (Station & Process Bus Implementation Comparison of the Real-Time Results with Stand Alone Testing Using Freja-300 (Relay Test Set)

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The only way to validate the RT-HIL results for protection IEDs is to compare results with existing technology (stand-alone tests)





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PMU Recorder Light (PRL)







Prototype Implementation (PMU App. SDK Beta)







Comparison with a commercial monitoring tool



a. Results from developed synchrophasor based monitoring application (with Statnett)



b. Results from vendor specific (SEL-5073 PDC monitoring) tool



PMU Based Application Example *Real-Time Mode Meter*

Estimates frequency of the electromechanical modes of the power system

Three different spectral estimators are used ensuring accurate signal spectrum estimation:

- Welch's method,
- Auto-Regresive (AR)method
- Auto-Regresive Moving Average (ARMA) method





Conclusions and Further Work

- Smart Transmission Grids will benefit from RT HIL simulation for developing new technologies.
- Modeling for real time simulation is necessary:
 - Developing more models for protection functions like Distance protection, differential protection, over/under voltage, over/under frequency protection etc. to have available a library for protection functions.
- Consideration of actual measurement and automation streams is necessary:
 - Exploiting IEEE C37.118 (Synchrophasors from PMU) and IEC 61850 (Substation Automation) can be useful to develop applications which can serve as online oscillation detection, mode estimation, power oscillation damping, etc.
- PMU-Based applications can enable flexibility:
 - Developing a Real-Time controller which can read data from power system / substation components irrespective of the vendor protocol and can translate it to take either distributed or global control actions.
- RT HIL simulation can help us to achieve broader goals:
 - Power system which is more reliable and more flexible





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Thank you!