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CIGRE C4-63 – Harmonic power quality standards and compliance  
verification – a comparative assessment and practical guide

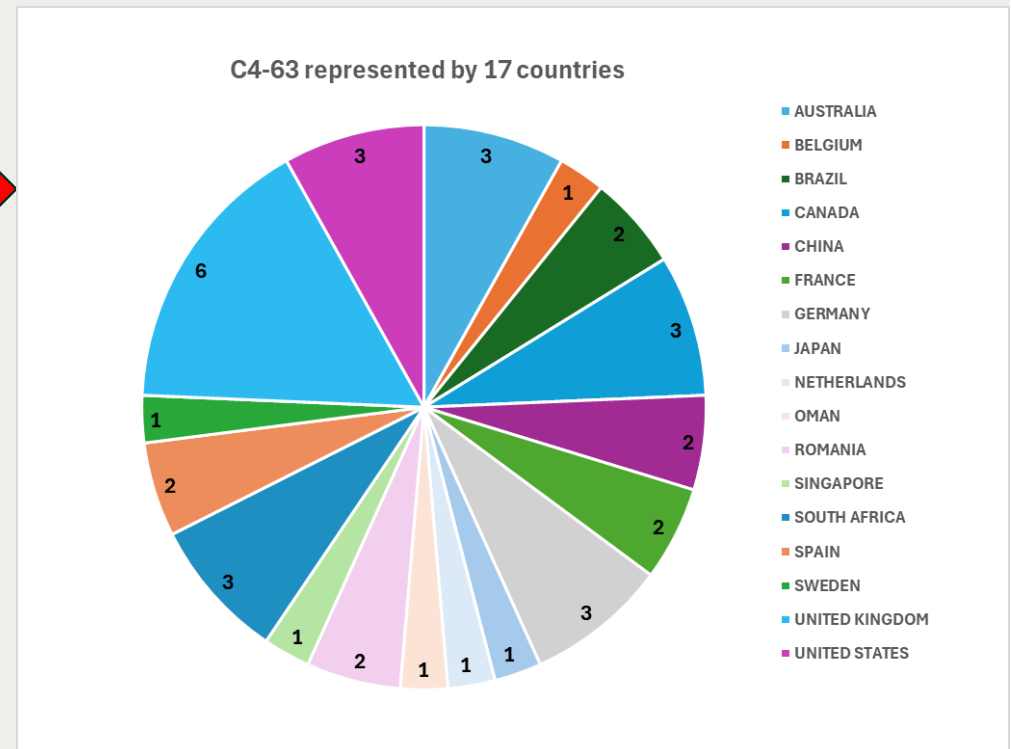
The working group UPDATE presented by Dr Kah-Leong Koo

## Presentation contents

- Aims of working group and purpose
- Composition of working group
- Standards, industry guidance and practice
- Stakeholders' engagement across industries – questionnaire and survey
- Main chapter areas for WG work
- Remaining work

# Wealth of working group expertise

- ❑ Convenor → Dr Nigel Shore
- ❑ Number members → 39
- ❑ Geographical jurisdictions by countries → 
- ❑ Industry sectors represented:
  - ❑ Utilities transmission and distribution (e.g. NGET, Hydro-Quebec, RTE, TenneT, Brazilian ESO, SPEN, AEMO, Eskom, Singapore Power)
  - ❑ manufacturers (e.g. Hitachi, Dominion Energy, EMTP)
  - ❑ consultants (e.g. PSC UK, Independent Insulation Group Sweden)
  - ❑ institutions (e.g. Technische Universitaet Dresden, North-West University South Africa, EPRI)



## Aims of working group and purpose - address challenges of power quality specifically for harmonics

- Involving the different stakeholders and respective responsibilities in respect of:
  - **What are their challenges?**
  - **What are the differences – approach and methodology?**
  - **What are the needs and changes?**
- How?
  - **Reviewing all relevant standards and present snapshot of main ones to get an idea of the adequacy and fitness of current guidance**
  - **Transmission, distribution, industrial, generation, demand etc. practices and governance – limits, studies, modelling, compliance, measurements, investigation are all areas covered**
- Where and what to address?
  - **Across utilities, different jurisdictions**
  - **Practices – what works and doesn't work**
  - **Recommendations from these WG and identify gaps**
- Other relevant WG work:
  - **CIGRE WG C4-40 for review of range of IEC 61000 series for power quality**

## Standards, industry guidance and practices

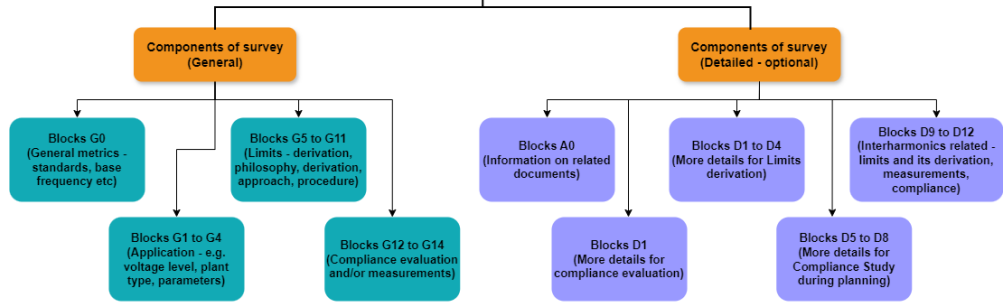
- Work to collate and compile all standards from WG members – this was an important first step at the inception of the WG work and crucial to:
  1. Review of these main documents and cast critical eye on the history, development and its application
  2. Get understanding of the prevalence and application of the standards
  3. How the adopted standards are enforced and interpretation in the various jurisdictions
- The next key step which was carried out was to establish and develop the key metrics used as foundation for benchmarking and making comparative analysis of the content of the important harmonic standards documents.

**Major tasks carried out to date - chronological order:**

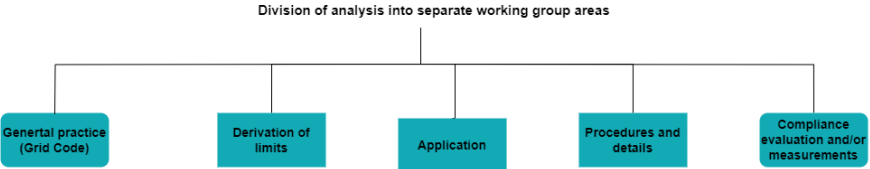
**Step 1: Initial task**  
 - Collect and compile all relevant main industry guidance from WG members (IEC 61000-x, IEEE 519, ENA G5, NZ Code Practice 36, EN 50160 etc)

**Step 2: Matrices for Benchmark/comparisons**  
 Task and expected outcome:  
 - Derive metrics, indices, parameters etc.  
 \*\* relevant for WG deliverables

**Development & design of questionnaire:**



**Conducting the survey and analysing responses (central to this WG):**

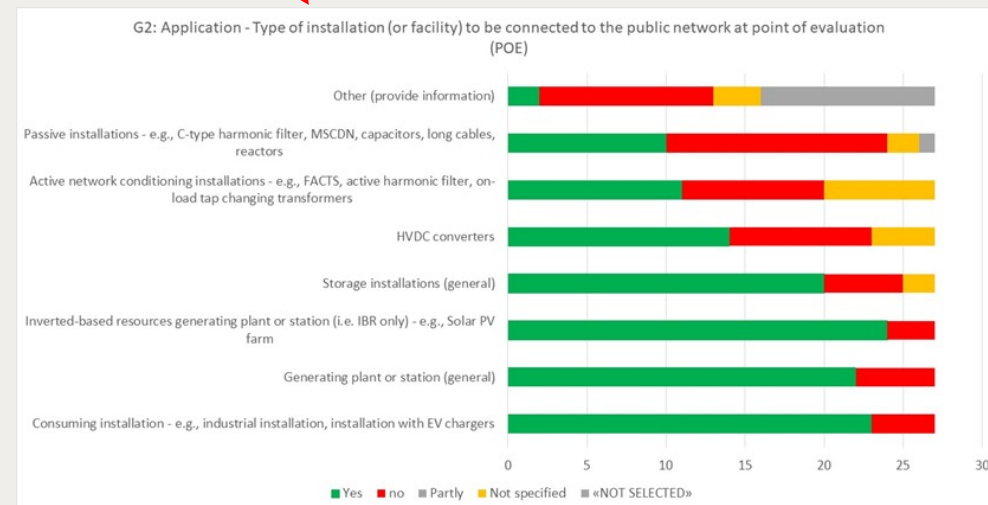
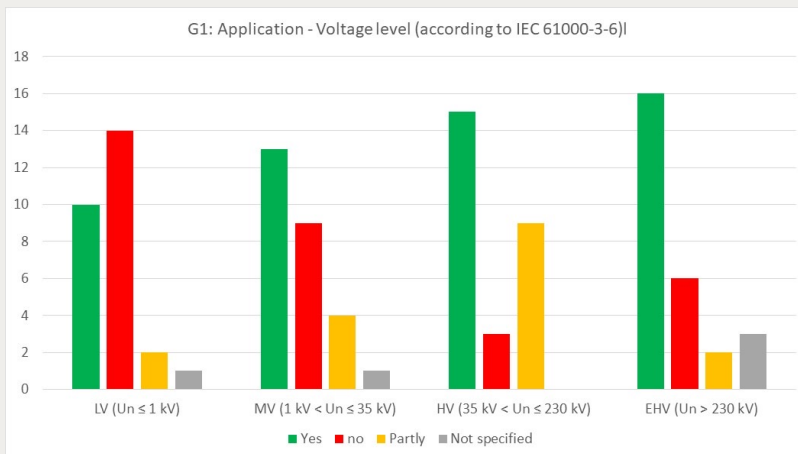


# Stakeholder engagement – industry survey

□ Stakeholders' engagement across industries and jurisdiction- questionnaire design and survey – response, compilation and results analysis and critical analysis:

- 21 respondents responded to full detailed questionnaire (general and detailed blocks)
- 6 respondents responded to full questionnaire (ONLY general blocks)

## Examples of analysis of results from survey as below:



## Summary focus areas:

- Harmonic limitation philosophy and strategy
- Voltage and current limits
- Calculation and modelling
- Network impedance and background distortion
- Compliance evaluation and measurements

**An important key objective is to analyse and derive approaches and procedures and align requirements that will facilitate connection of power electronic based devices for accelerating net zero.**



## Going forward – what remains?

### **Completed:**

- ✓ *Facilitate visibility of the many different standards and practices in use*
- ✓ *Categorize the similarities*
- ✓ *Indicate differences*

### **Remaining:**

1. *Explain the reasoning behind differences, if this is known.*
2. *Explain the implications of differences to understand the impact in terms of study results and equipment design for all stakeholders.*
3. *Where possible, assess and recommend “best practice” and future trends.*



Oscillation Modes Identification via SVD and PCA – CIGRE 2024  
Paris Session Paper SC C4-11448

Presented by Dr Carlos Ferrandon

## Presentation contents

- Introduction
- Test system utilised
- Data description
- Methodology
- Initial results
- Potential clustering approaches
- Future work

# Introduction

- Power system oscillations can be expected within a large interconnected grid. Most of them are usually naturally damped.
- The sustained and poorly damped ones require our attention!
- The oscillation can be present in:
  - Frequency
  - Voltage
  - Current
  - MW
- Objective: to leverage on the available data from Phasor Measurement Units (PMUs) by utilising practical-and-ready dimensionality reduction techniques such as Principal Component Analysis (PCA) and Singular Value Decomposition (SVD), in order to determine the existence of the oscillatory phenomena.
- Oscillation Detection and Monitoring in real-time: out of scope... for now

## Post-mortem tool?

- Pre-processing:
  - Bad data identification needed. Sometimes simple eye-screening checks can reveal bad data traces! Voltage traces for example
  - Use PMUs data quality checks
  - Special care with ambient data and internal PMUs clocks[1]

[1] Mishra, C., Vanfretti, L., Delaree, J., & Jones, K. D. (2024). Internal clock errors in synchrophasor ambient data: Effects, detection, and a posteriori estimation-based correction. *International Journal of Electrical Power and Energy Systems*, 161. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ijepes.2024.110208>

## Post-mortem tool?

- Two dimensionality reduction techniques[2] are utilized for a matrix of observations  $A$ :
- Singular Value Decomposition (SVD). Contains the singular values, representing the strength or impact of each mode.
- PCA (Principal Component Analysis) uses the foundations of SVD, with the difference of scaling the original data by shifting it to the origin and standardizing it, making it is visually easier to see representations of the projections from it.
- Both methods look to extract relevant information of the data observed and project it in the most significant representation, that although reduced, still captures the variability of them as much as possible.
- **Main strength: off-the-shelf, quick screening method**
- Although straightforward engineering judgement is still required

[2] . R. Messina, Wide area monitoring of interconnected power systems, 2nd Edition. IET, 2022.

# Test system and data available

- Wide area ISO-NE oscillation phenomena in 2017
- Assessment of available PMU data [3]
  - Voltage
  - Current
  - Frequency
- Data available in certain substations, but not in all of them.
- Sampling rate: 0.033 s, 30 samples per second.
- 350 seconds of data analysed.
- **Goal:** prove that the set of measurements carry a certain correlation, and that the cumulative variance can be explained a minimum of Principal Components.

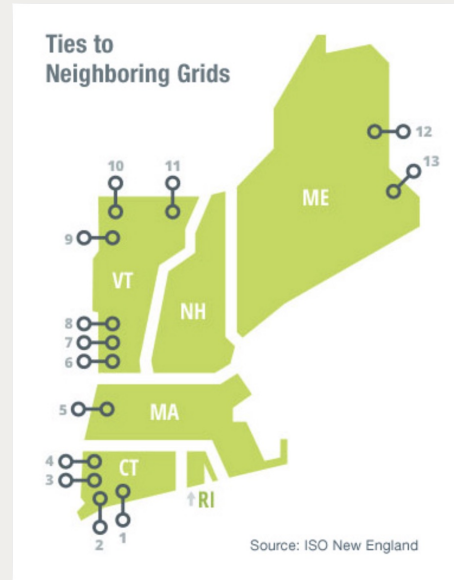


Figure 1 – ISO-NE map[4]

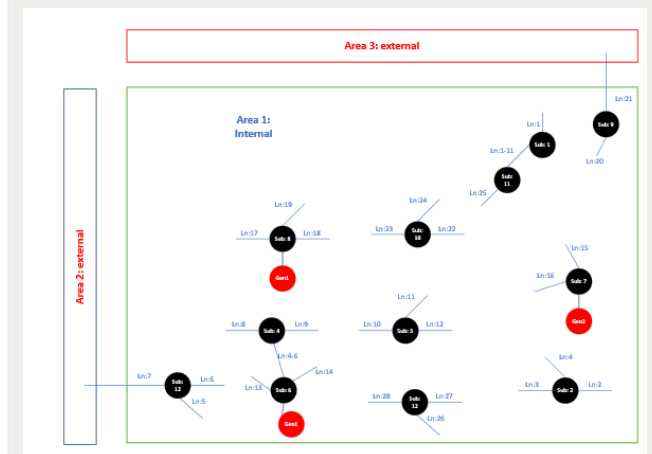


Figure 2 – ISO-NE observed substations

[3] . S. Maslennikov et al., “A Test Cases Library for Methods Locating the Sources of Sustained Oscillations,” in 2016 IEEE Power and Energy Society General Meeting (PESGM), Boston, MA, USA, 2016, pp. 1–5. doi: 10.1109/PESGM.2016.7741772.

[4] ISO New England, “ISO New England,” <https://www.iso-ne.com/about/key-stats/maps-and-diagrams> Accessed: July 18, 2024. [Online]. Available: <https://www.iso-ne.com/about/keystats/maps-and-diagrams>

## Test system and data available

- Previously known event:

```
ISO-NE-case2_MASLENNIKOV_ISO-NE.txt
1 Case: ISO-NE_case2
2
3 -----Description-----
4 Power system: ISO New England is a North-East part of the Eastern Interconnection in the USA
5 Peak load is about 26,000 MW
6
7 Date of event: October 3, 2017
8
9 Type of oscillations: multi-frequency, wide-spread oscillations
10
11 Frequency: dominant modes 0.08Hz, 0.15Hz and 0.31Hz
12
13 Peak-to-peak magnitude: up to 130 MW
14
15 Is it a resonance condition case?: No
16
17 Location of the source: outside of ISO-NE; in Area 3, see map ISO-NE_map.pdf
18
19 Details of the source: large generator in Area 3
20
21 Confidence level on the known location of the source: 100%
22
23 Duration of time interval of submitted PMU data: 6 min
24
25 Comments:
26 An issue in the governor of a large generator outside of ISO-NE has created a multi-frequency process
27 with growing magnitude during 5 minutes. Oscillations with significant MW magnitude were observed in
28 multiple locations of the New England power system.
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31
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Figure 3 – Known data



# Methodology and results

## 1) Observed data:

26 rows of **voltage** observations for 10800 samples in time.

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} v_{sub1(1)} & v_{sub2(1)} & \dots & v_{subm(1)} \\ v_{sub1(2)} & v_{sub2(2)} & \dots & v_{subm(2)} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ v_{sub1(t)} & v_{sub2(t)} & \dots & v_{subm(t)} \end{pmatrix}$$

## 2) Mean-centered data

Mean-centered data of observations

$$\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{A} - \bar{\mathbf{A}}$$

Standardize each element of **B**

$$z_{ij} = \frac{B_{ij}}{\sigma_j}$$

Better comparability between variables is achieved, allowing to spot inputs with highest variability and potential anomalies in the data.

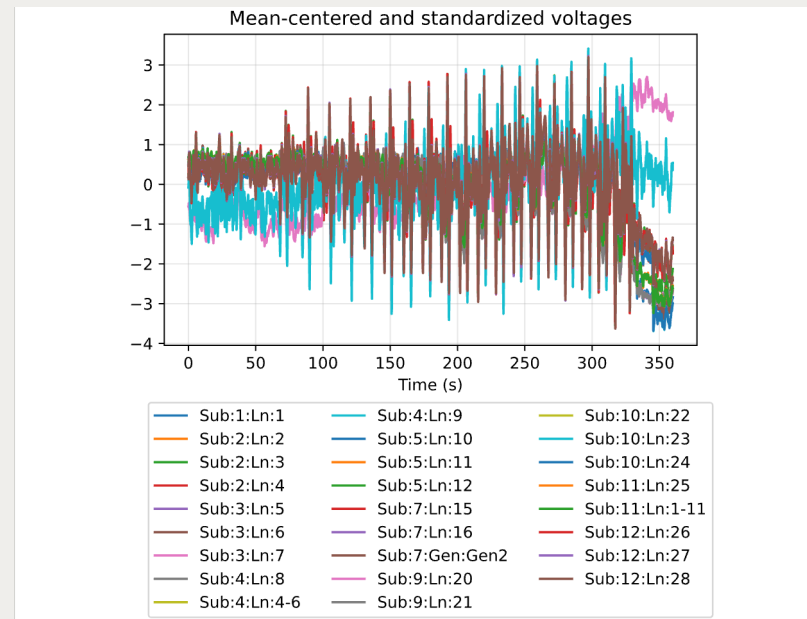


Figure 3 – Mean-centered and standardized voltages

# PCA: Cumulative variance explained

- The 3 main modes of oscillation identified by the three most significant Principal Components represent a hierarchical coordinate system based on data that will represent the statistical variation in the data set[5].

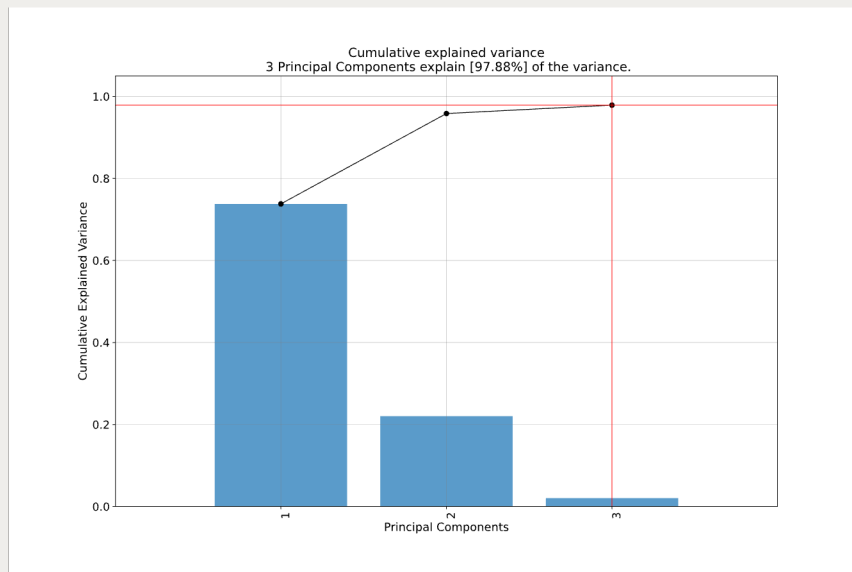
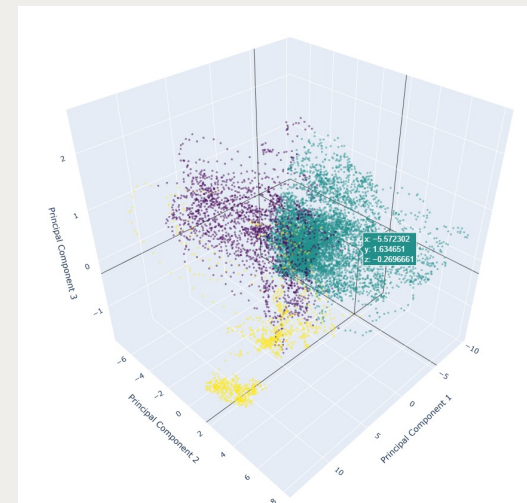


Figure 4 – Cumulative variance explained by the first three principal components

## Can we cluster the 3 Principal Components?

By graphing the three most significant principal components, certain clusters can be visualised in the data. By applying a clustering technique, such as k-means clustering, these clusters can be shown.



Clustering can be improved!

Figure 5 – Principal component space of PMU voltage measurements - clustered via k-means clustering

[5] S. L. Brunton and J. N. Kutz, Data-Driven Science and Engineering, 2nd edition. Seattle, WA: Cambridge University Press, 2022. doi: <https://doi.org/10.1017/9781009089517>.

# Conclusions and further work

- SVD and PCA can effectively being utilized as dimensionality reduction techniques of large datasets, such as the ones found in PMU input.
- Readiness and usefulness of the methods that are easily used in Python.
- Pre-processing of data is important, in order to avoid anomalies that can affect the techniques, specially for PCA.
- Both techniques, SVD and PCA, are linear methods i.e., they identify clusters from measured data but they are not able to capture nonlinearities. On the example of this work, inter-area oscillation modes occurred, i.e. linear modes of motion. PCA was effectively able to capture most of the variability in the first three principal components. Should the event under analysis included highly non-linear dynamics, particularly under stressed conditions, PCA on its own may have not captured the essence of non-linear interactions in its duration.

Thank you!

## Other techniques to test?

