

Tutorial Session on

“Role of Signal Processing, IoT and Deep Learning in AI-Enabled Power Quality Monitoring and Power-line Inspection: Concepts, Methods, Results and Future Directions”

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The smart grid paradigm has become to be promising solutions with integration of recent advancements in sensing, computing and wireless communication technologies, which can improve efficiency, effectiveness, reliability, security, stability, scalability and sustainability of the both decentralized and centralized power grids. Smart building energy management and automation can generate a huge amount of data measurements from smart meters, sensors and devices. Recent advancements in signal processing, internet of things (IoT), deep-learning Networks and edge computing technologies can provide promising sustainable smart grid solutions to remotely monitor, measure and control energy flows in real time and automatically regulate to changes in energy supply and demand accordingly and enable end-to-end node based energy monitoring, control and management solutions based on the power quality. The IoT enabled power grid monitoring is an intelligent solution to monitor the centralized and decentralized power grids in real time from the point of power generation to consumption. Although the design of IoT framework is well established conceptually with recent advancements in wireless radios and computing technologies, there are many practical implementation challenges that need to be addressed in the design and development of AI powered Internet of Smart Grid Things (AI-IoSGT). In order to prevent power outages and electricity fluctuation/interruption and ensure high reliability of electricity supply and good power quality to the customers, regular inspection of the power-line or transmission line components, including the insulators, poles, cross arms, top caps and faults related to the missing top caps, broken insulators, collapsed poles, cracks in poles and cross arms, broken power lines, woodpecker damage on poles, trees lying across and against power lines, and rot damage on cross arms that may lead to various power quality problems such as the any voltage fluctuation, short or long voltage waveform variations (sag, swell, interruption), transients, inter- and intra-harmonics and failure of supply due to various causes. This tutorial covers the concepts, techniques and architectures which can be used for development of AI-enabled PQ monitoring and power-line inspection systems.

This talk presents key concepts of analog and digital compressed sensing (CS) techniques for IoT enabled PQ sensing and control nodes, and design considerations for selecting best sensing matrix which plays major role in reducing hardware complexity and can also enable direct measurement of essential parameters (features) for detecting or predicting PQ events in compressed sensing domain. The signal analysis and deep learning architectures will be presented by directly estimating essential parameters from limited CS measurements and for development of low-latency CS based deep learning architectures for directly performing PQ event detection, classification and prediction from a limited number of CS measurements without original signal reconstruction. It will cover the fundamental concepts of compressed sensing for enabling data encryption and low latency, and deep learning networks (DLNs) for PQ data analytics. This will also cover different pre-processing approaches for reducing size of DLN model.

- Compressed Sensing: Concepts, Architectures and Reconstruction Techniques
- Signal Decomposition Techniques for PQ Disturbance Classification
- Lightweight Deep Learning Methods for PQ Data Analytics
- Internet of Smart Grid Things (IoSGT) Architecture with Event-Triggered IoT Protocols
- Unmanned Aerial Vehicle Assisted AI-Powered Powerline Inspection and Monitoring Architecture



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