

IEEE BDA Webinar Series: Big Data & Analytics for Power Systems

Big Data Access, Analytics and Sense-Making

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Abstract: Modern power systems have more and better sensors for observing and optimizing their system performance and economics. These sensors generate vastly larger volumes of data of various types and speeds that need to be handled efficiently and effectively for driving meaningful analytics. To compound this challenge, large-scale analytics involves modeling and simulation that generate even more data. All these data eventually need to be converted into knowledge and information that make sense to operators and planners, so actions could be taken to manage the complexity of power systems. This seminar will put the power system data challenge into perspectives compared with other domains and will look at borrowing techniques from other domains to enable large-scale data access, analytics and sense-making. The techniques include those in the areas of mathematics, computing and visualization. Tools and resources (some publicly accessible) will be discussed as examples of approaches to tackle the big data challenge in power systems.

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