



# **Hybrid Simulation/Measurement-Based Framework for Online Dynamic Security Assessment**

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# High-Performance Hybrid Simulation/Measurement-Based Tools For Proactive Operator Decision-Support

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### Project Objective and Outcome

- Develop a set of new algorithms and computational approaches for improving situational awareness and support operator decision making by means of:
  - **real-time assessment of system dynamic performance**
  - **operational security risk**
- Outcomes:
  - Computational approach for ultra-fast power-system dynamic simulation
  - Mathematical algorithms for synchrophasor-based and hybrid DSA
  - Specification for advanced visualization software

**Outcomes are expected to contribute to new generation of real-time Dynamic Security Assessment tools**

# Technical Approach

## Measurement Based Analysis

- Identifies criticality of the system when simulation results are not available
- Identifies vulnerable regions and critical grid components
- Triggers emergency control actions
- Model reduction

## Simulation Based Analysis

- “What-if” analysis. Identifies potential N-1 violations
- Preventive control actions recommendations
- HPC enabled faster than real-time performance

## Hybrid Approach Intelligence



- Combines strengths of both approaches
- Analyzes, manages, coordinates, and post-processes results from the different modules to generate actionable information
- Information and visualizations with focus on the operator needs & perspective

**Real-time Stability  
Margins**

**Real-Time Alerts**

**Emergency  
Automated Actions**

**Preventive/remedial  
Actions**

# Areas of Development



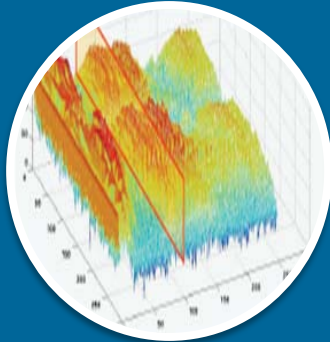
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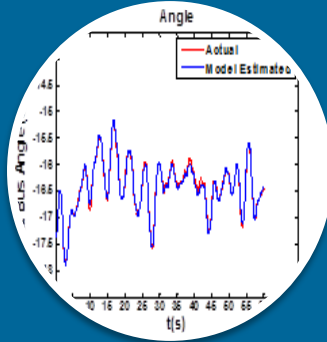
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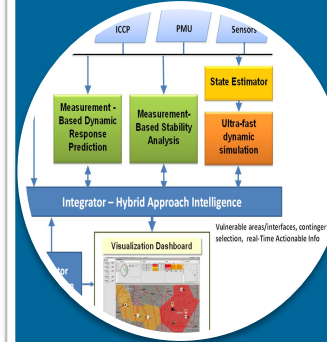
**High  
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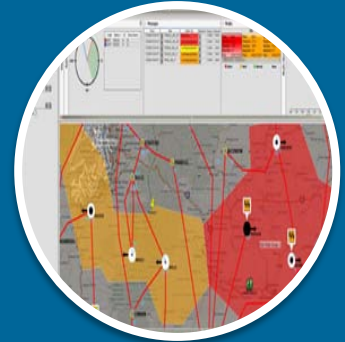
**Measurement  
Based  
Voltage and  
Angular  
Stability  
Analysis**



**Measurement  
Based  
Dynamic  
Response  
Prediction  
and System  
Reduction**



**Hybrid  
Approach  
Intelligence**



**Advanced  
Visualization**



# High Performance Dynamic Simulation Software

Improvement of EPRI's Extended Transient Midterm Simulation Program (ETMSP)



Identified bottlenecks



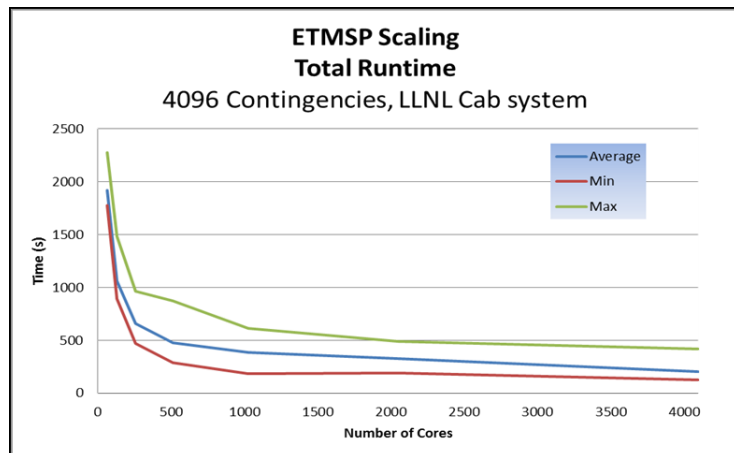
Parallelization of contingencies



Speedup of single contingency simulation



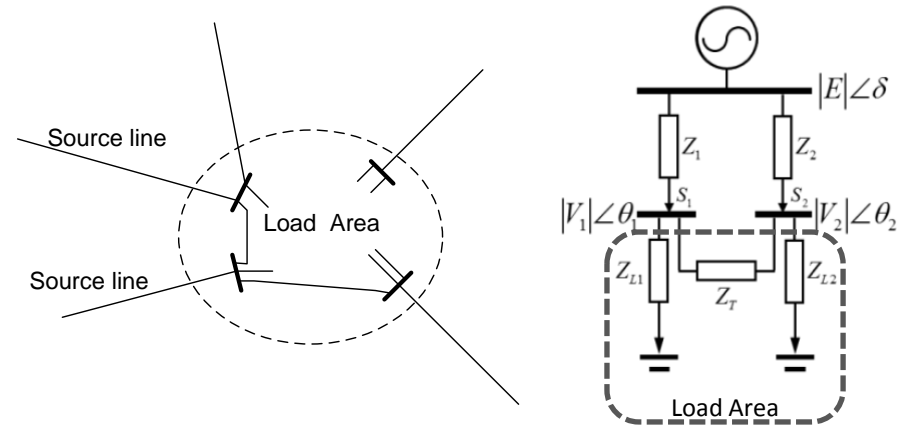
- Reduce time due to Input/Output
- Replace ETMSP's Linear Solver with SuperLU\_MT (No significant advantage)
- Use variable time step integration algorithm (~60% Speedup for a single contingency)



# Measurement-Based Algorithms

## • Measurement-Based Voltage Stability Assessment

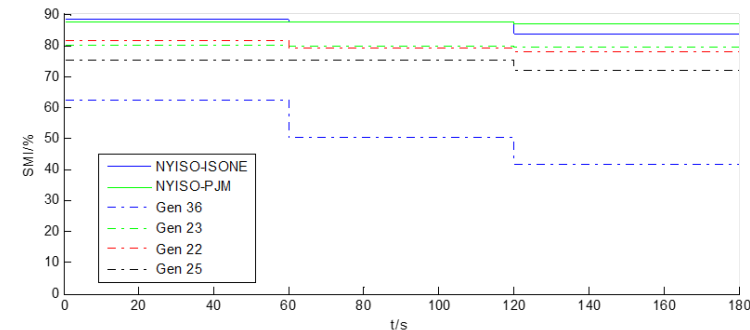
- Multi-terminal equivalent.
- Stability margins are expressed as real and reactive power transferred through the interface of the load area



## • Measurement-Based Angular Stability Assessment

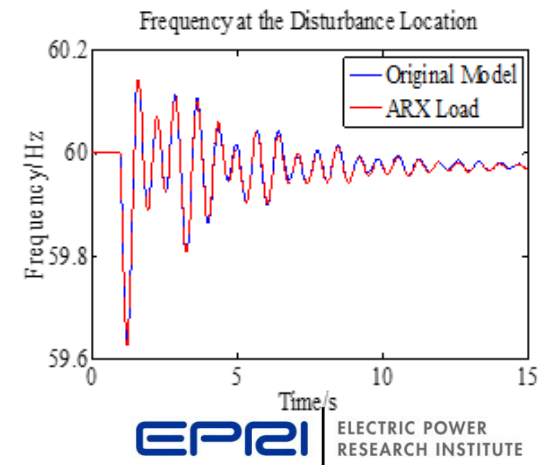
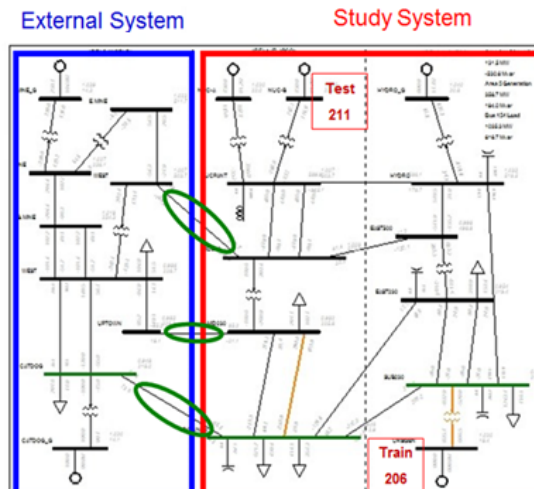
- Stability margin index based on fluctuation of the oscillation frequency about a dominant mode

$$SMI = \frac{\omega_{\min}}{\omega_{\max}} \times 100\%$$

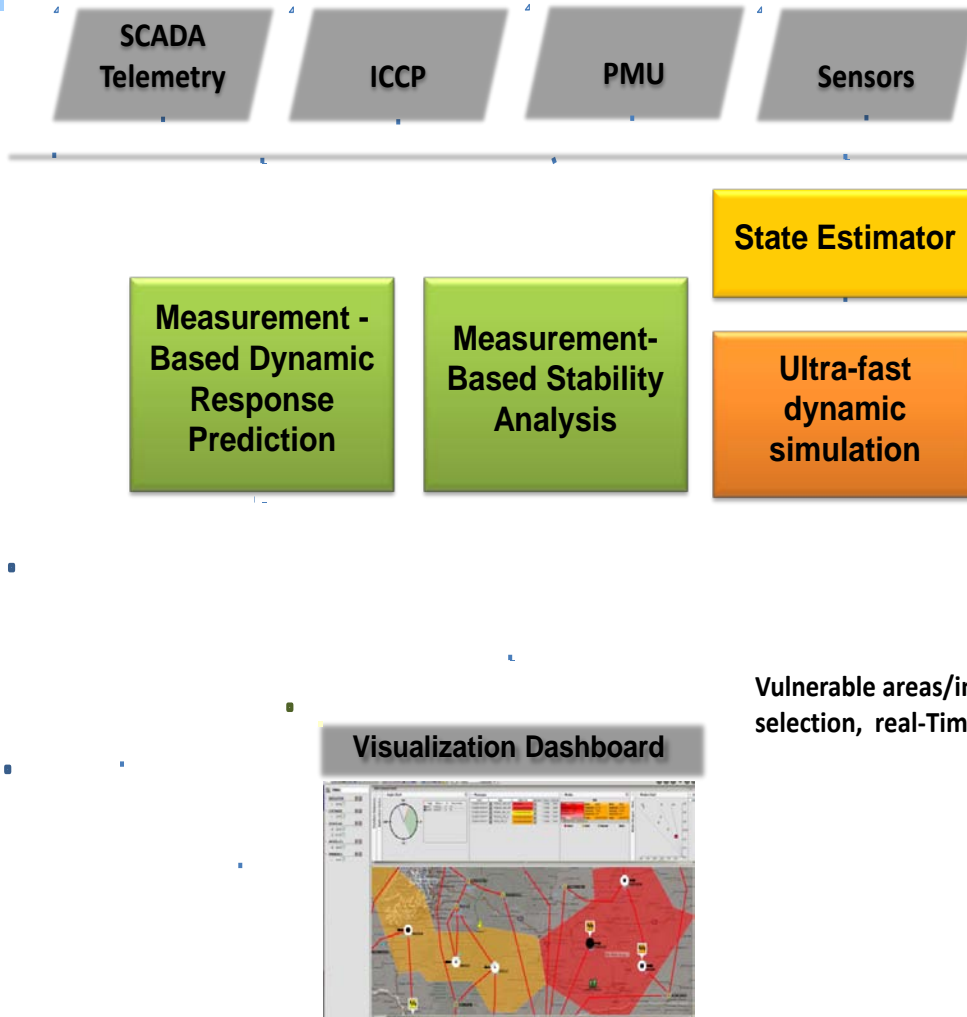


## • Measurement-Based System Reduction

- ARX (transfer function) model used to represent the external system
- ARX model constructed using synchrophasor data at the interface



# Hybrid Framework

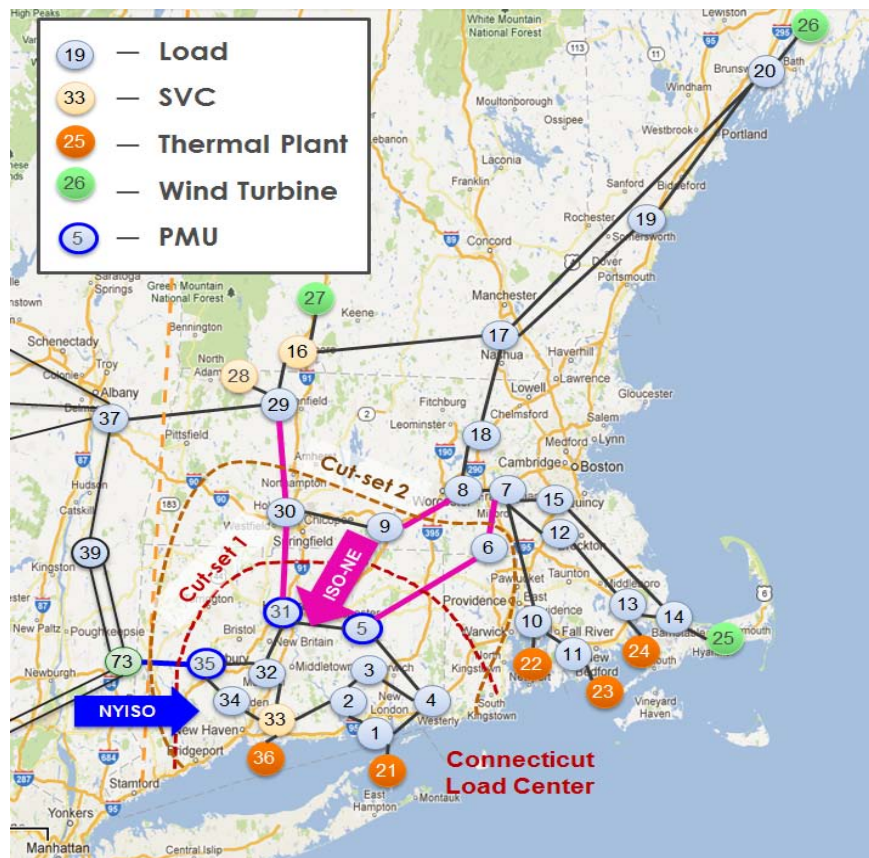


## Hybrid Approach Intelligence

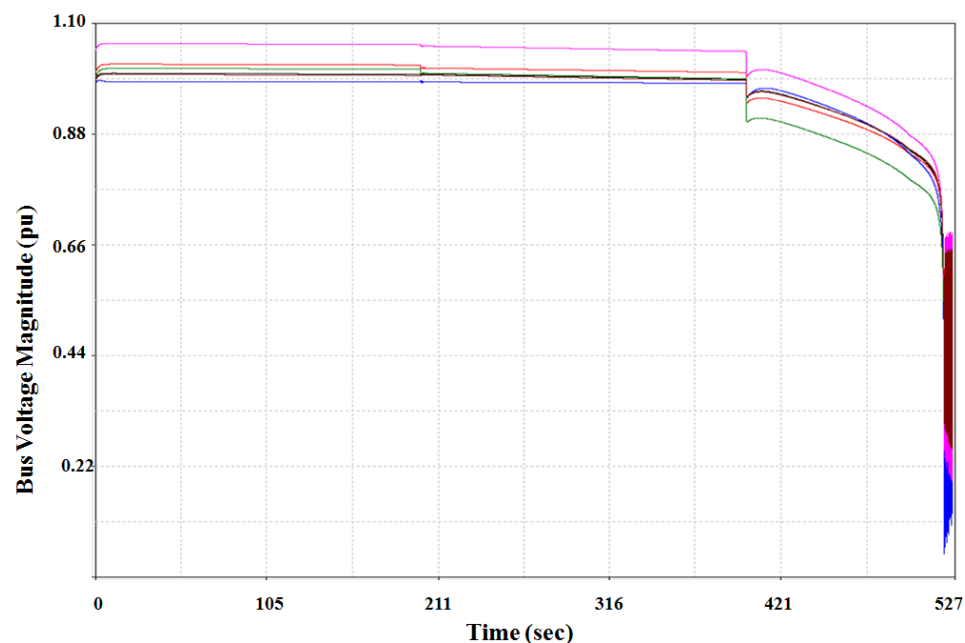
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# Illustrative Example



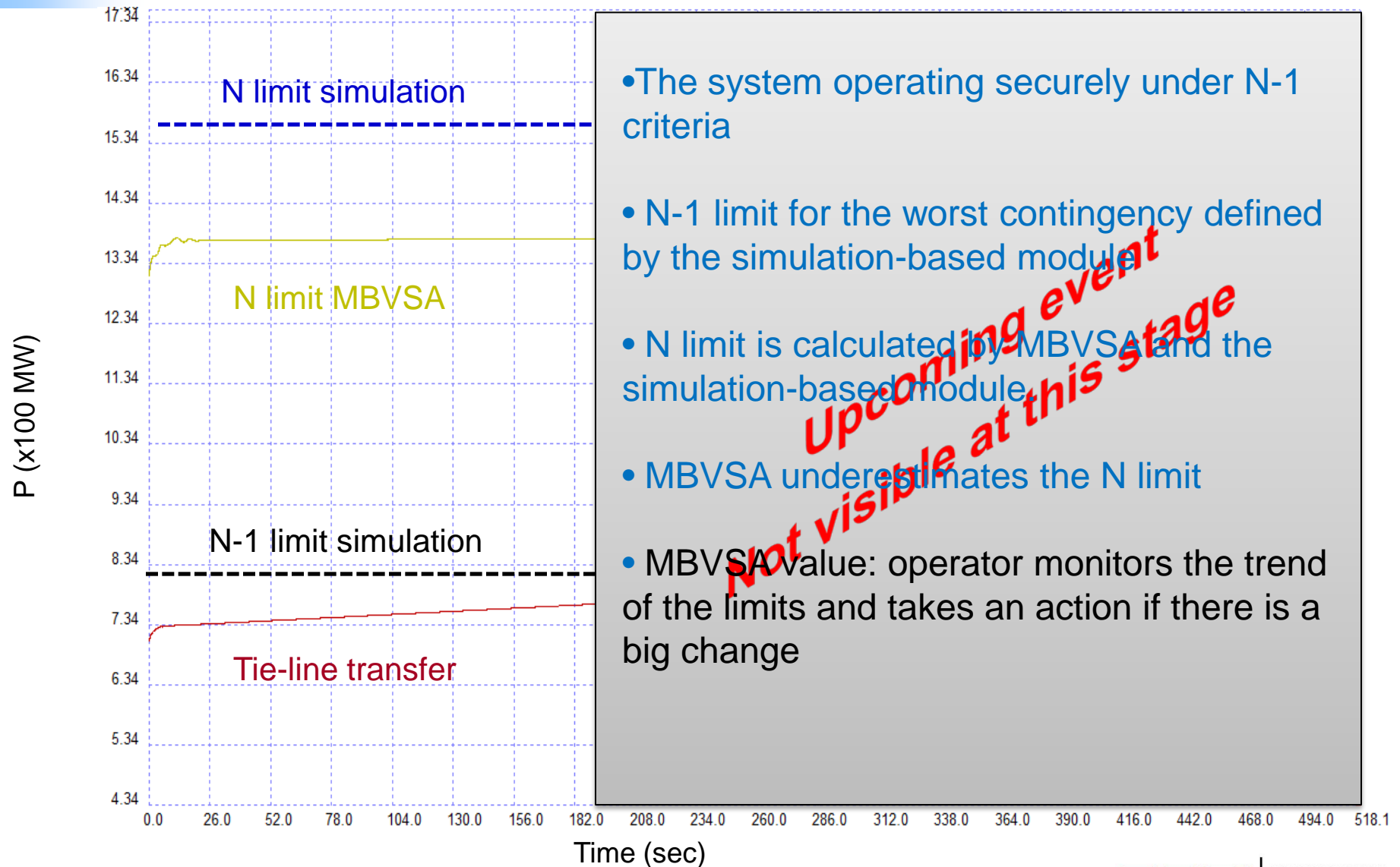
Stage 1	No Contingency
Stage 2	Line 31-32 tripped
Stage 3	Lines 31-32 & 30-31 tripped



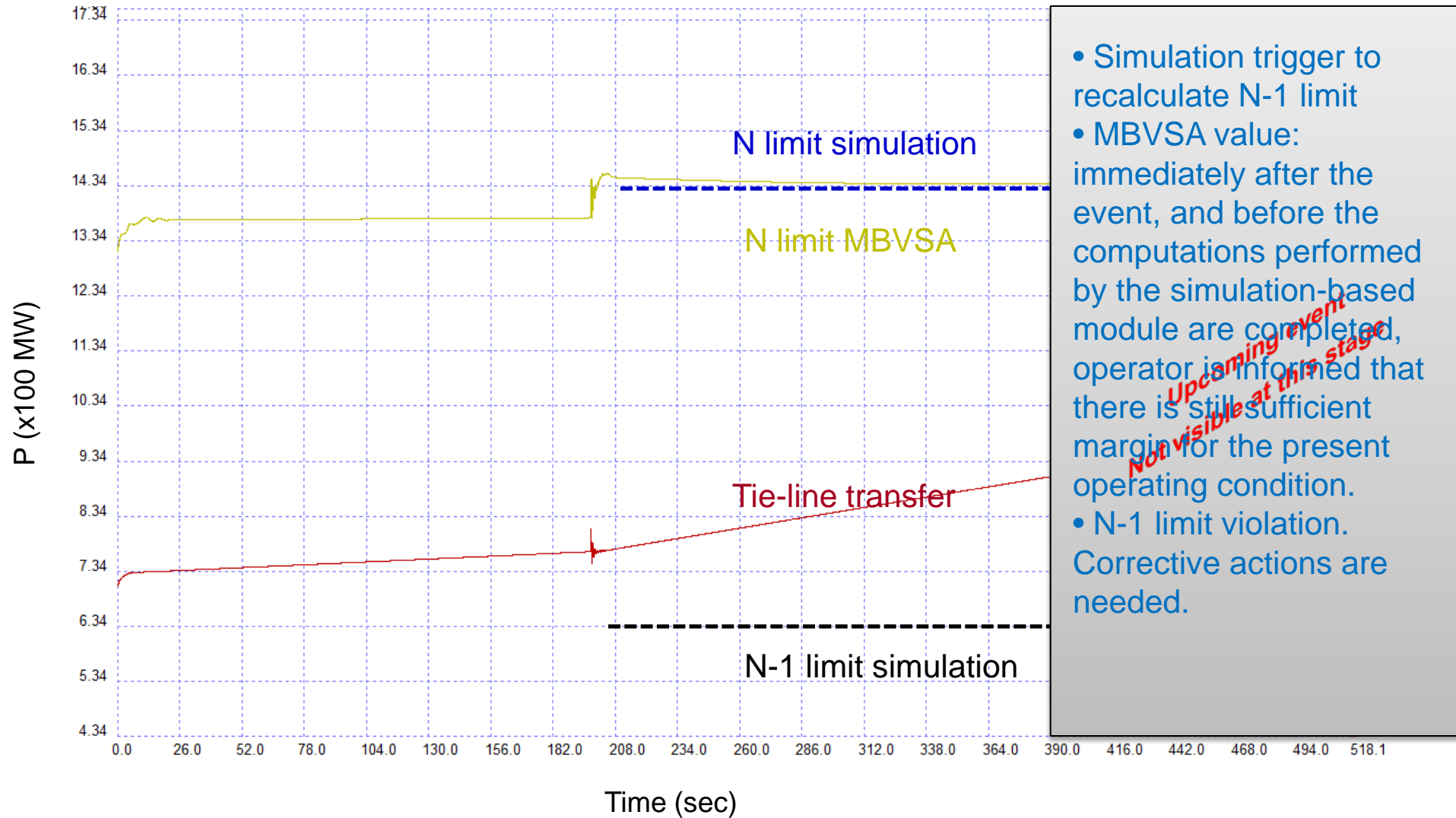
- 140 bus benchmark NPCC system
- Focus on the ISO-NE Connecticut Load Center



# Stage 1



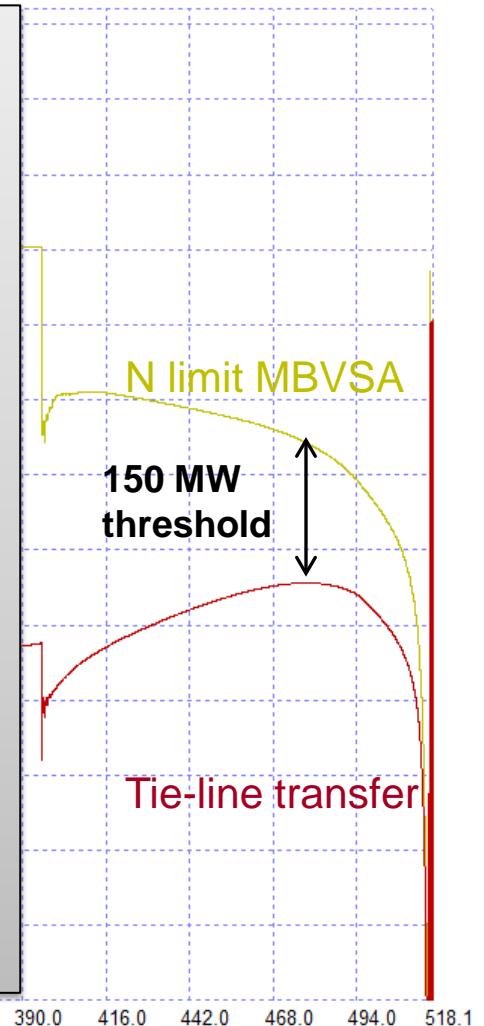
# Stage 2



# Stage 3

- Simulation triggered after second contingency to recalculate N-1 limit
- Assuming a fast evolving event:
  - no time for simulation results
  - MBVSA indicates to the operator the criticality of the system and suggests emergency control actions if a specific threshold is violated.
- MBVSA value:
  - provides situational awareness for the operator on the criticality of the system condition when there is no sufficient time to perform simulations
  - May activate remedial actions

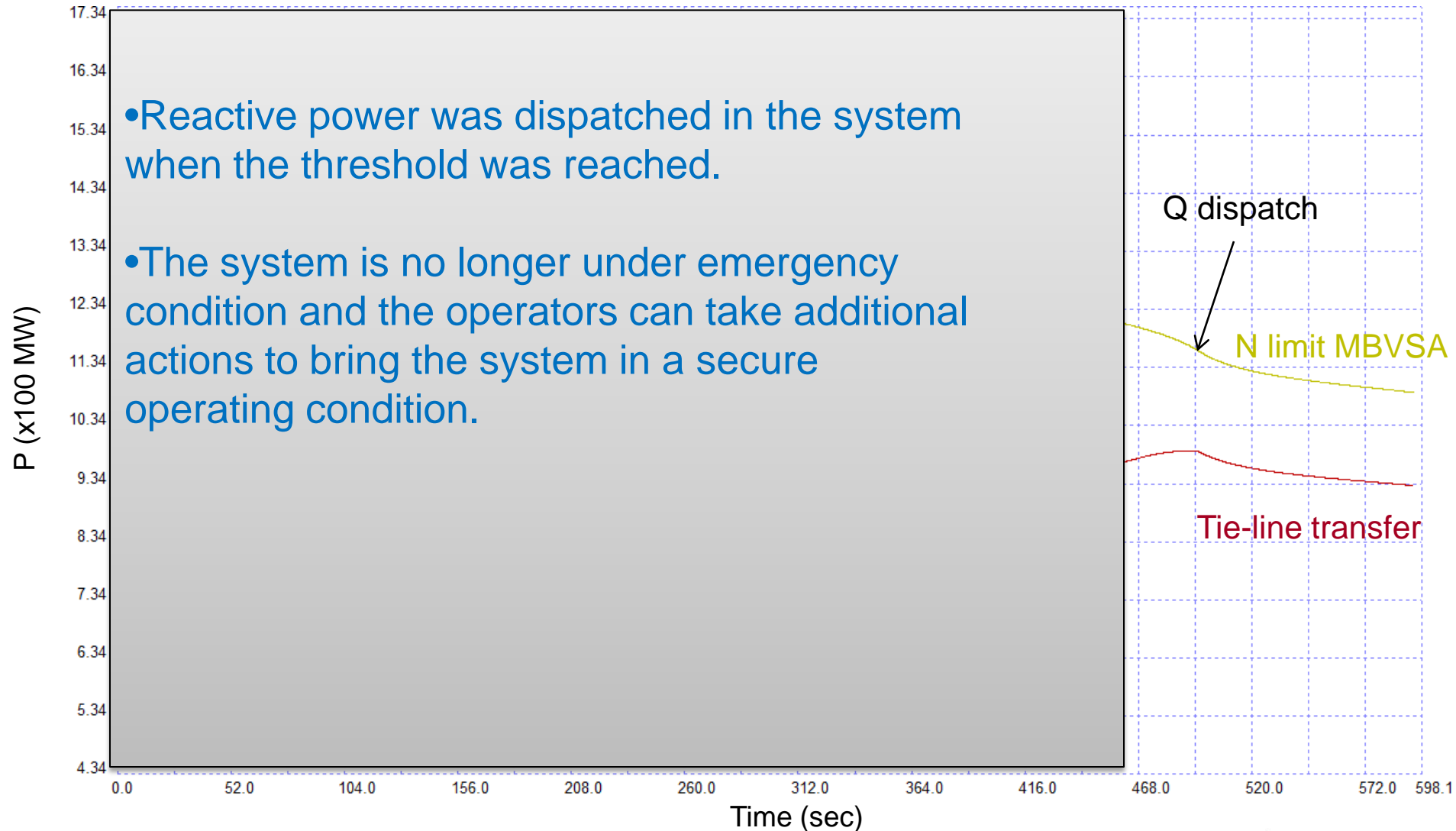
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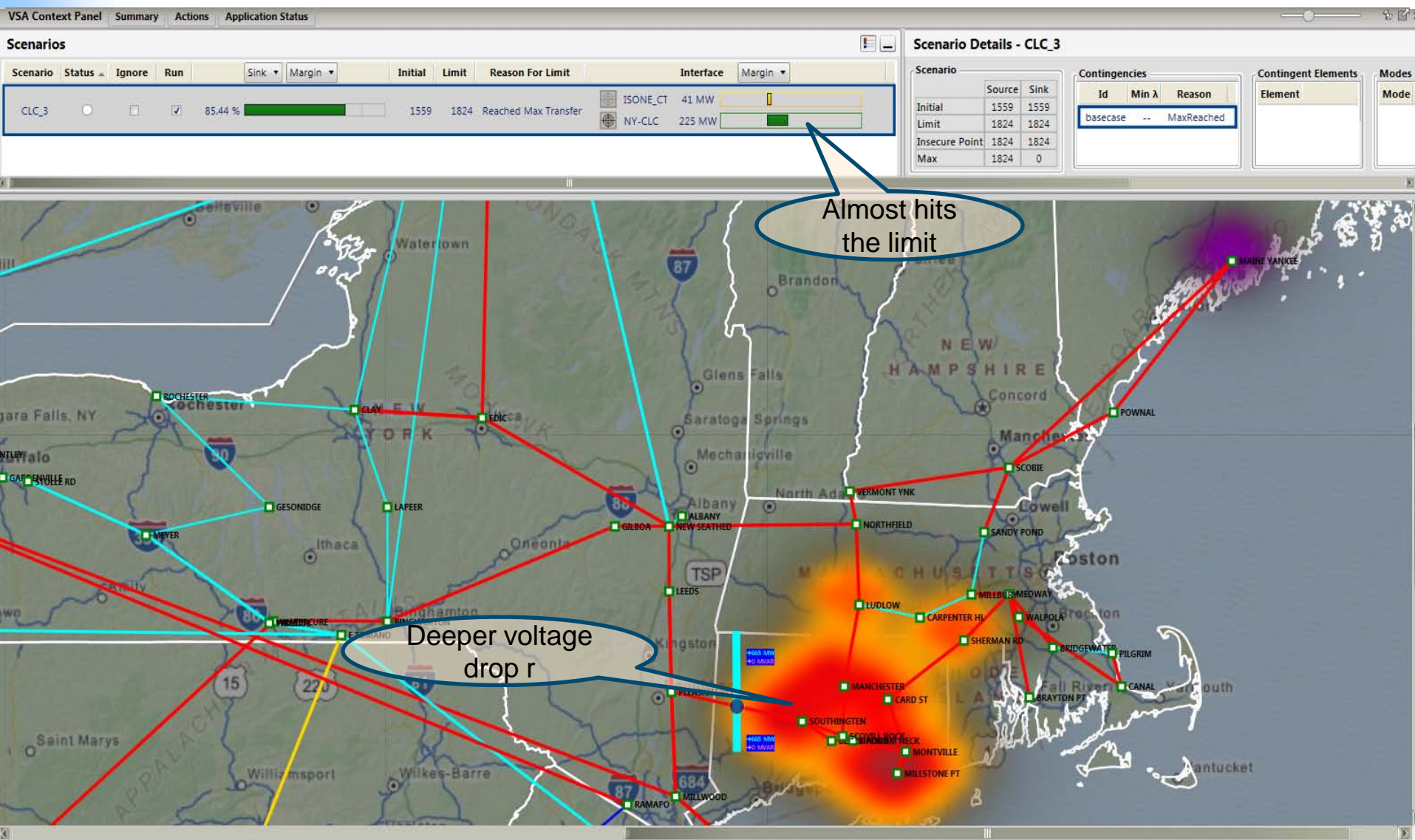
Time (sec)

# Remedial Action Implemented

- Reactive power was dispatched in the system when the threshold was reached.
- The system is no longer under emergency condition and the operators can take additional actions to bring the system in a secure operating condition.



# Visualization of Measurement-Based Voltage Stability Assessment



# Concluding Remarks

- Need for tools to improve situational awareness and operator support decision making
- Existing DSA tools:
  - Mainly based on simulations
  - Not capable to fully respond to operators needs
- High-performance computing technology is accessible:
  - Proven techniques to achieve faster than real-time simulations
- Improved synchrophasor-based algorithms developed
- A sound approach:
  - ⇒ **combine measurement-based algorithms with simulation-based tools and advanced visualization**



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