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Big Data Analytics in Electric Power Distribution Systems

Course Description

This course is one in a series of several courses developed and offered by GridEd to address the evolving forces that will alter the fundamental operating characteristics of the electric grid, transforming it from a one-way central supply structure to one that has bidirectional power flows resulting from distributed energy resources (DER). Large numbers of self-generating consumers will alter the design requirements for the electric distribution system. New analytics techniques will be required to analyze, plan and operate the new grid.

This 1-day course focuses on applications of big data analytics on smart electric power distribution systems and the use of Large Scale (Big) Data Analytical methods and their application to electric distribution system analysis and design. The basics of big data analytics and the electric power distribution system will be introduced. Four data-driven applications in electric power distribution systems will be studied closely. These include 1) Distribution system topology identification using smart meters data; 2) Anomaly detection in power distribution systems; 3) Load and demand response forecasting; and 4) Predictive maintenance of transformers. This is a first course in developing techniques to analyze the distribution system in a Big Data format.

Who Should Attend

The course is intended for anyone interested in understanding how predictive analytics can be applied to electric power distribution systems. Students will include utility engineers and technicians, business & strategy staff, regulatory compliance staff, legal staff, and possibly regulators. Previous technical training is helpful but not necessary.

Registration Information

Date & Location: June 7, 2018
Renaissance Phoenix Downtown Hotel
100 North 1st Street
Phoenix, AZ

Course Length: 1-day 8:00 AM – 5:00PM

PDH's Available: 8 hours

Register: http://grided.epri.com/courses.html

Registration Fee:
- $800 per person
- 20% discount for organizations with three or more attendees
- 25% discount for government employees (non-utility)
- 25% discount for university professors*
- 75% discount for graduate students*
  *University IDs required to qualify for professor or graduate student discounts.

Students need to bring: laptops or tablets to access online resources and to follow class notes. Wi-Fi access is provided. Lecture slides will be provided electronically in PDF format.
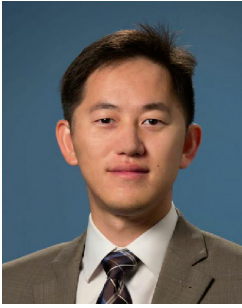
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Meet the Instructors

Nanpeng (Eric) Yu, is an Assistant Professor in the Electrical and Computer Engineering department at the University of California, Riverside. His research interests are big data analytics in power distribution systems, electricity market design and optimization, distributed energy resources integration, and smart cities. Prior to joining UCR, Dr. Yu was a senior power system planner and project manager for demand response integration at Southern California Edison. Dr. Yu has published more than 30 papers in archival journals and international conference proceedings. Dr. Yu is a Senior Member of the IEEE. Dr. Yu serves as the co-chair for the IEEE PES big data applications in distribution network task force.

Dr. Yu received his M.Sc. in Electrical Engineering and Economics, and Ph.D. degree in Electrical Engineering from Iowa State University. Dr. Yu is the director of Smart Grid Innovation Laboratory at UC Riverside. He is also a cooperating faculty member of the department of Statistics. Dr. Yu currently serves as the associate editor for the International transactions on Electrical Energy Systems.

Course Outline

Topic 1: Introduction to Data Driven Analytics in Smart Electric Power Distribution Systems

1.1 Introduction to data driven analytics
1.2 Data Volume, Variety, Velocity, and Value
1.3 Applications of big data analytics in smart electric power distribution systems

Topic 2 Introduction to Hadoop, HDFS, MapReduce, and Hive

2.1 Introduction to Hadoop
2.2 Cloudera's Distribution for Hadoop
2.3 Hadoop Distributed File System (HDFS) 2.4 MapReduce
2.5 Hive

Topic 3 Data-driven Application 1: Distribution System Topology Identification

3.1 Introduction to machine learning algorithms
3.2 Unsupervised machine learning algorithm for phase identification
3.3 Supervised machine learning algorithm for phase identification
3.4 Transformer to customer association identification
3.5 Case study: Phase connectivity identification

Topic 4 Data-driven Application 2: Electricity Theft Detection

4.1 Development of modified linear model for distribution secondary
4.2 Physically inspired electricity theft detection method 4.3 Anomaly score and visualization of electricity theft

Topic 5 Data-driven Application 3: Evaluating the Effectiveness of CVR

5.1 Introduction to Robust Regression
5.2 Quantify the load and voltage impacts of Conservation Voltage Reduction

Topic 6 Predictive Maintenance of Transformers

6.1 Introduction to Random Forest
6.2 Predict Maintenance Model for Transformers