



# Field Deployment of Synchrophasor Measurement Units and Data Analytics in Iowa Distribution Grids

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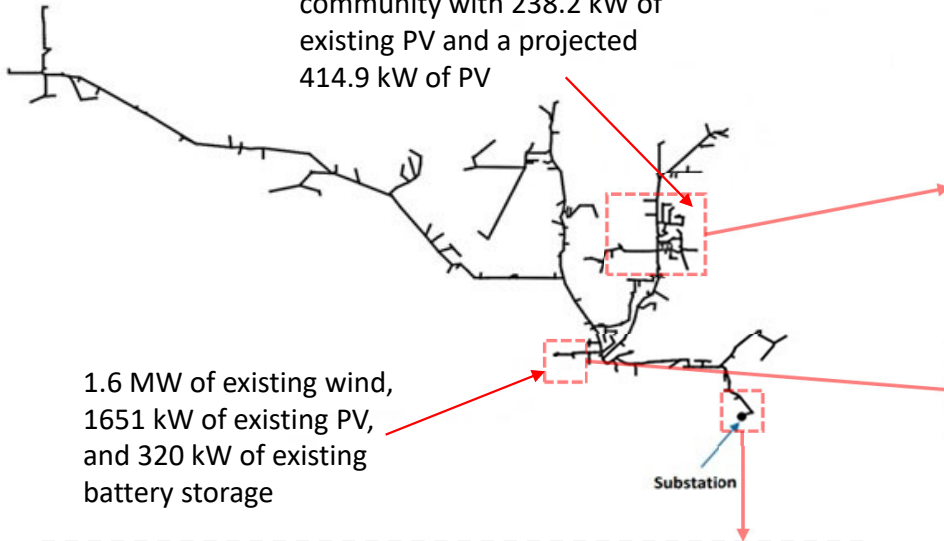
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## μ-PMU Field Deployment - Overview

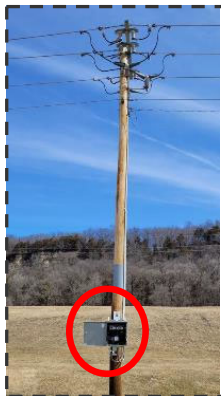
- Demonstrate field deployment of μ-PMUs in power distribution systems and provide big data tools for analysis.
- Collaborate with Alliant energy to deploy three μ-PMUs on one feeder with high DER penetration areas:
  - The upstream substation has two transformers (69/13.8 kV) supplying 5 feeders.
  - Primary voltage: 13.8 kV-LL
  - Maximum load on feeder: 5 MW
  - Total DER: 4.45 MW
  - Total wind: 1.65 MW
  - Total solar: 1 MW solar farm; 3.2 MW distributed solar
  - Future energy storage system: 2.5 MW, 2.9 MWh
- Grid model is available in Synergi software.

# μ-PMU Field Deployment - Location

Sustainable residential community with 238.2 kW of existing PV and a projected 414.9 kW of PV

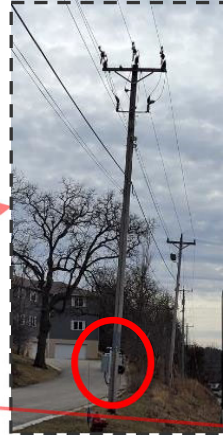


1.6 MW of existing wind, 1651 kW of existing PV, and 320 kW of existing battery storage



## Feeder Head μ-PMU:

Positioned at the beginning of the feeder, this micro-PMU serves as a crucial monitoring point directly interfacing with the substation.



## Storage-Centric μ-PMU:

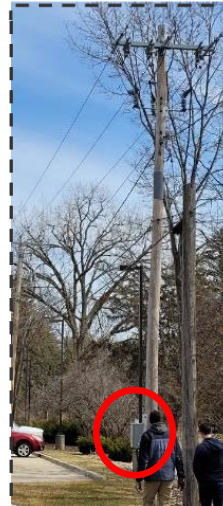
This location monitoring battery storage facility, distributed solar generation, and future utility-scale solar developments.



3.2 MW distributed Solar



2 MW battery storage system



## High Renewable Integration μ-PMU:

This location features a diverse mix of renewable energy sources.



1 MW solar farm



1.65 MW wind turbines

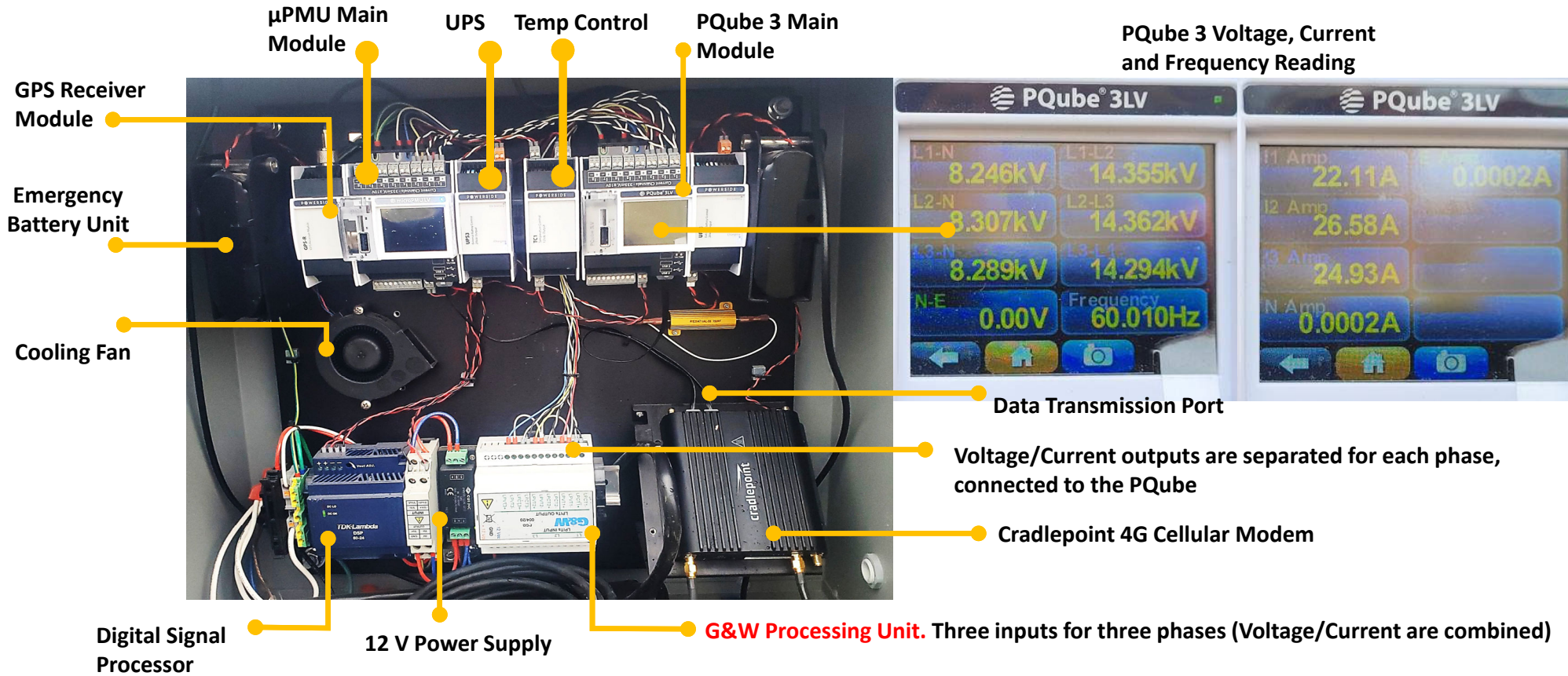


56-60 kW battery storage system

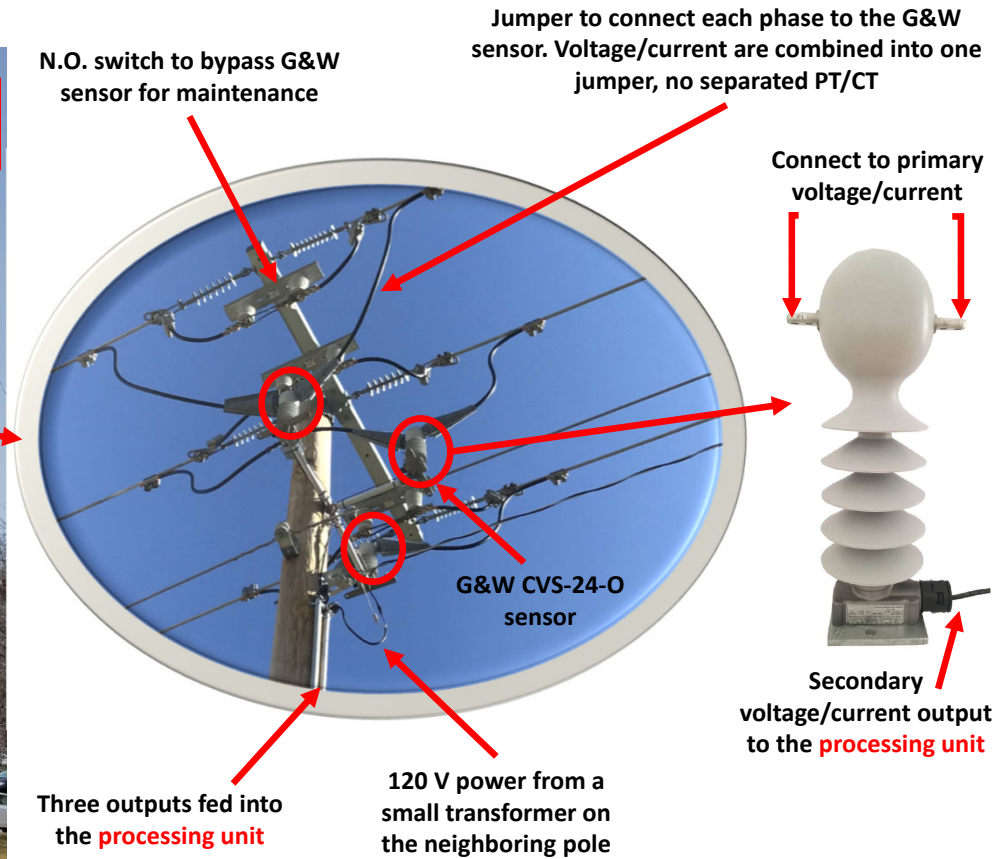
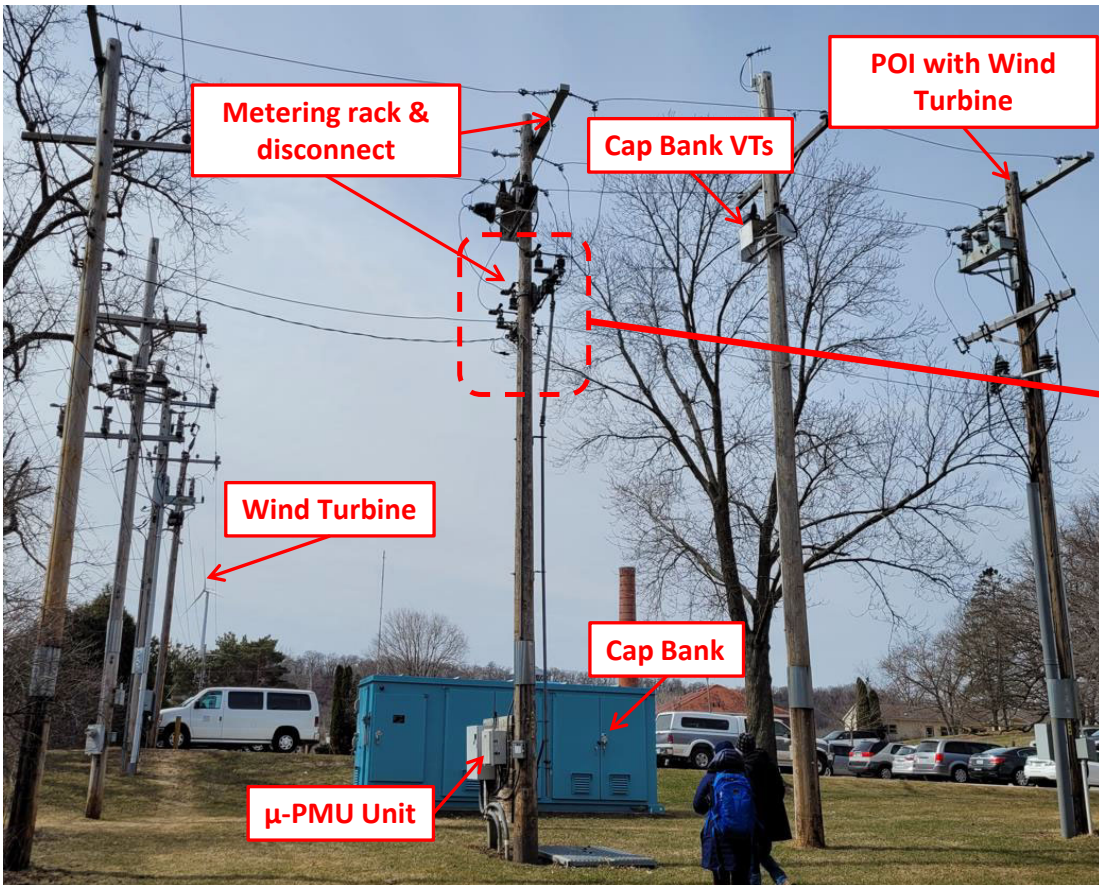
## μ-PMU Field Deployment - Components

- Main components of the μ-PMU:
  - **μ-PMU main module** for uninterruptedly synchrophasor collection
  - **PQube 3 main module** for event/outage collection
  - G&W outdoor electronic current and voltage sensor
  - Uninterruptible power supply (UPS)
  - Digital signal processor
  - GPS receiver
  - Ethernet connection or cellular modem
  - Enclosure for hardware
  - Server/Platform for data transmission and collection.

# μ-PMU Field Deployment - Components



# μ-PMU Field Deployment - Grid Connection



# μ-PMU Data Collection and Visualization

- Cellular modem and GPS directly transmit the livestream data to data collection server.
- Data Resolution: 120 points/second
- Third-party platform provides μ-PMU data management and visualization.
- Features including three-phase voltage, current, voltage and current angles, frequency, and differential frequency are recorded.

**All Streams**

COLLECTION	NAME	UNIT	ACTION
Iowa			
c37_Iowa51_0866cb39	PH0MAG L1MagAng	Volt	
c37_Iowa51_0c697f48	FREQ	Hz	
c37_Iowa51_1408d2ac	TIMEQUAL	TO	
c37_Iowa51_1b6cffa2	PH2MAG L3MagAng	Volt	
c37_Iowa51_1bf98be2	PH1MAG L2MagAng	Volt	
c37_Iowa51_243a768b	DFREQ	ROCOF	
c37_Iowa51_25845c95	PH4MAG P1MagAmm	Amm	

**Stream Preview**  
*Stream preliminary view*

**Feature stream list**

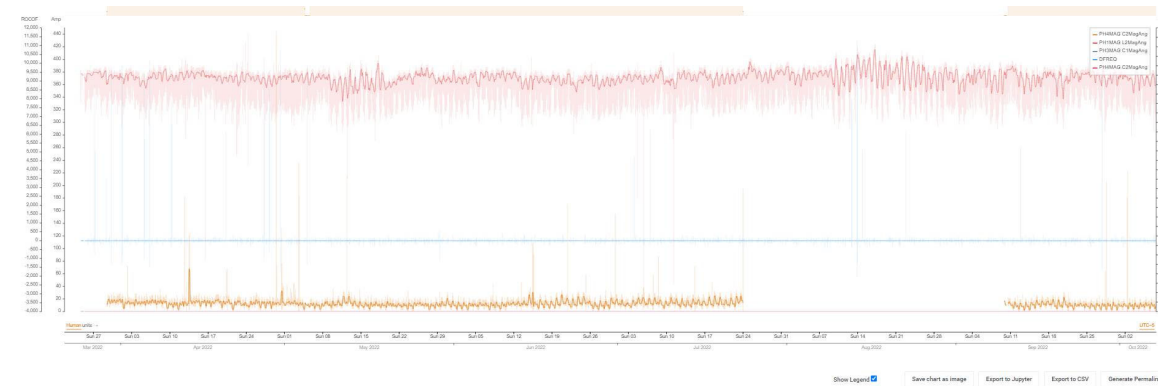
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**Stream selected**

COLLECTION	NAME	UNIT	ACTION
c37_Iowa54_64f1017f	PH4MAG C2MagAng	Amp	
c37_Iowa51_1bf98be2	PH1MAG L2MagAng	Volt	

(a) Feature stream selection function

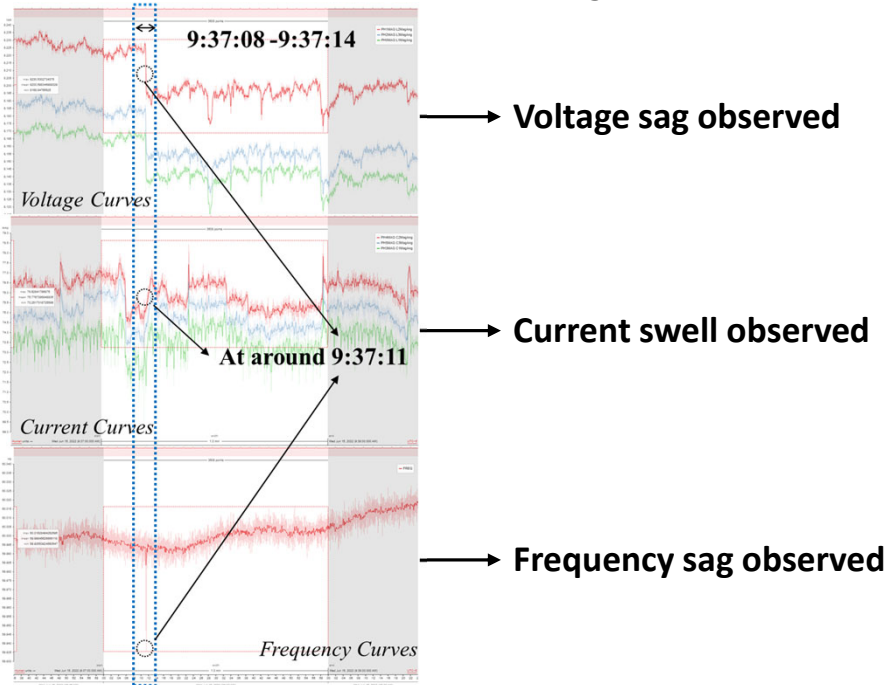


(b) Feature stream visualization

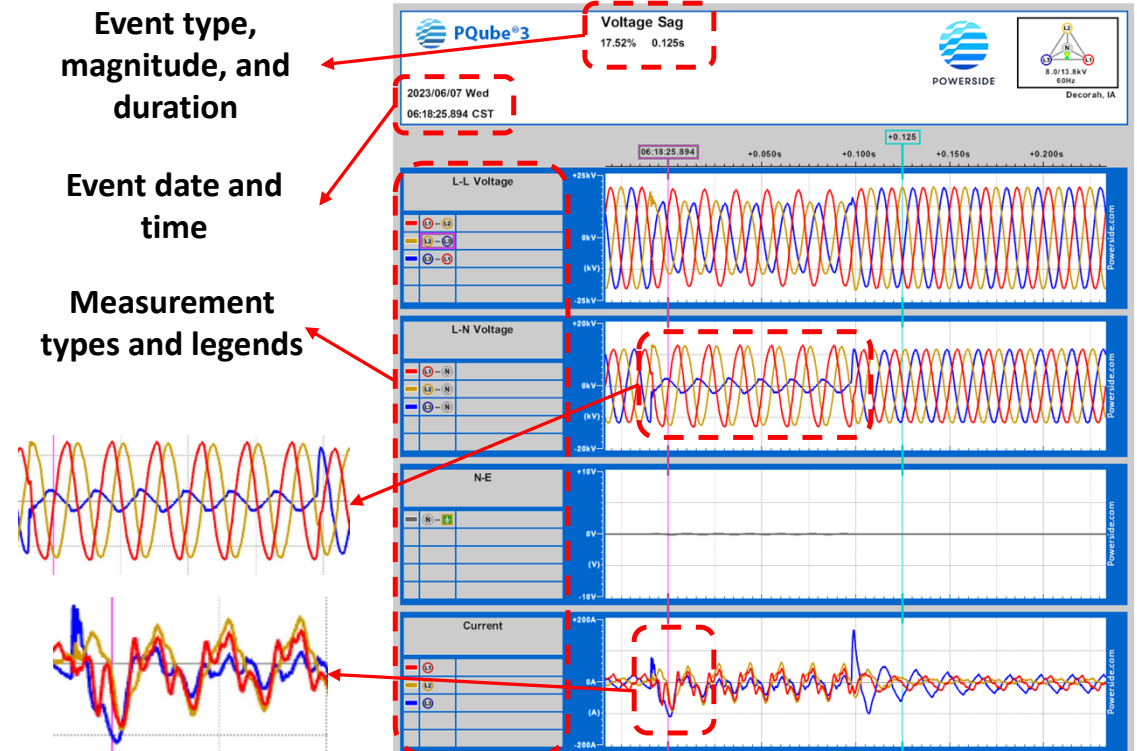
# μ-PMU Data Collection and Visualization

- μ-PMU event detection can be also visualized on the Powerside platform with detailed description.

Micro-PMU measurement during an event

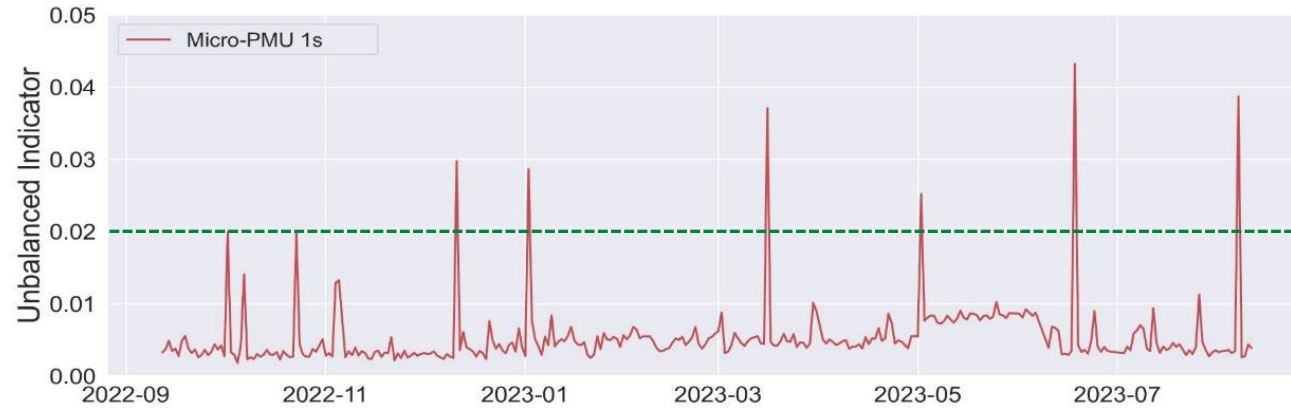


Voltage sag event recording by PQube3 sensor





# μ-PMU Data Analytics - Voltage Issues



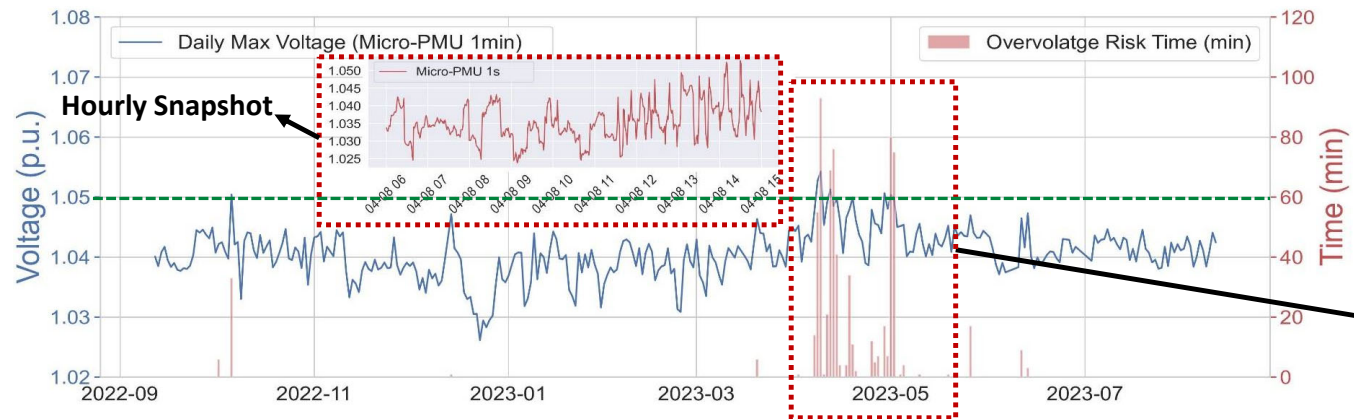
Profile of voltage phase unbalance

The voltage unbalance factor (VUF) obtained from micro-PMU data exceeds the IEEE standard (2%) for some periods.

VUF, which is the ratio of the negative sequence voltage component to the positive sequence voltage component:

$$R_{VU} = \frac{V_{negative}}{V_{positive}} \times 100\%$$

$V_{negative}$  and  $V_{positive}$  can be calculated using three-phase voltage magnitude and angle.



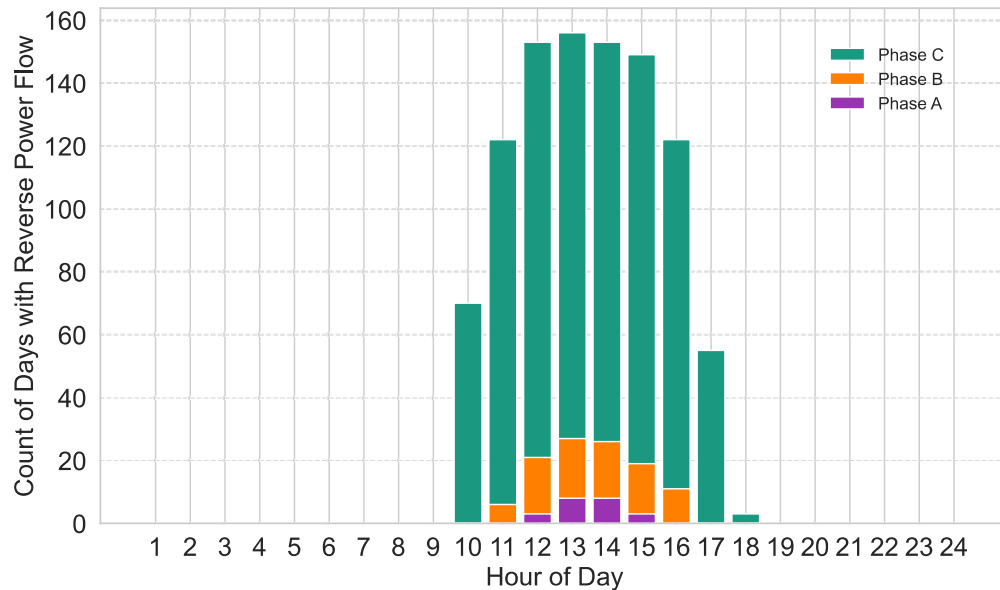
Profile of daily peak voltage (blue line) and overvoltage risk (red bar)

Daily maximum voltage magnitude and overvoltage duration.

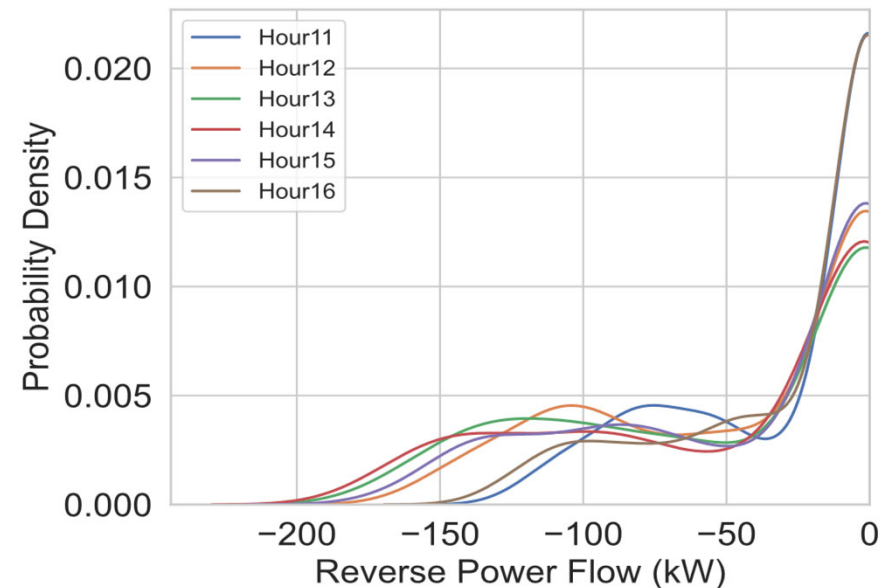
Significant overvoltage risks exist in April and May, with Voltage violating the ANSI standard (0.95 p.u. - 1.05 p.u.)

# μ-PMU Data Analytics - Reverse Power Flow

- Monitoring reverse power flow helped us to recommend optimized energy storage strategies, such as energy storage scheduling, to our utility partners.



Frequency of reverse power flow in a year



Probability density of reverse power flow

- The reverse power flow in the three phases is unbalanced.
- Reverse power flow generally occurs from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- The probability density of reverse power flow in high occurrence hours represents the distribution of the reverse power flow intensity.

## Conclusions

- Demonstrated micro-PMU field deployment with grid model, location and connection, and device specifications.
- Introduced micro-PMU data collection/maintenance platform and event detection tools.
- Illustrated micro-PMU data analytics with voltage and current virtualization, voltage issues, and reverse power flow.
- Plan to install 4 more micro-PMUs to validate smart inverter settings.

# Thank you! Q&A

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