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Machine Learning and Big Data Analytics in Power Distribution Systems

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Abstract: This tutorial covers the applications of machine learning and big data analytics in electric power distribution systems. The value, velocity, volume, and variety of big data in power distribution systems will be discussed. The tutorial will briefly review the basics of unsupervised, supervised, and reinforcement-learning algorithms. A few important data-driven applications in electric power distribution systems will be presented. These applications include 1) Distribution system topology identification; 2) Anomaly detection in power distribution systems; 3) Spatial-temporal load and DER forecasting; 4) Predictive maintenance of distribution systems equipment, and 5) Reinforcement Learning based Control in Power Distribution Systems.

Bio: Dr. Yu received his B.S. in Electrical Engineering from Tsinghua University, M.S. degrees in Electrical Engineering and Economics and Ph.D. degree from Iowa State University. Dr. Yu was a senior power system planner and project manager at Southern California Edison from 2011 to 2014.

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