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Education

Ph.D. in Electrical Engineering University of Tennessee, Knoxville	Aug. 2024 - Present
M.S. in Electrical Engineering Tianjin University	Sep. 2021 – Jul. 2024
B.S. in Electrical Engineering and Automation Tianjin University	Sep. 2017 – Jul. 2021

Projects

1. Design and Development of PMU Hardware and Software (Real-Time PMU System).

- ✧ Managed and maintained the FNET/GridEye wide-area monitoring system under the supervision of Dr. Yilu Liu, supporting field deployment and system reliability.
- ✧ Gained hands-on experience with PMU and waveform measurement hardware (ADC sampling, GPS/PPS timing, FNET protocol & IEEE Standard C37.118-compliant data transmission).
- ✧ Implemented and optimized synchrophasor estimation for real-time embedded platforms.
- ✧ Debugged and resolved system-level issues across new PMU hardware, timing, and frequency estimation, such as PCB hardware bring-up challenges, DFT timing shift, and GPS/PPS timing.

2. Design of a New High-Precision Timing Source (FPGA + ADC + PPS).

- ✧ Used a signal generator to emulate pulsar profiles and employed a high-rate ADC for sampling.
- ✧ Developed FPGA firmware to process raw samples in real time and stream high-throughput data to a server over a 10-GbE interface and PF_RING package.
- ✧ Applied polyphase filter bank processing, folding, and period estimation to extract pulsar period and calibrate the local oscillator, generating a highly accurate PPS output synchronized to GPS.

3. Key technologies of digital power grid (edge computing + data compression).

- ✧ Collaborated with **China Southern Power Grid** on the design of edge-computing devices for distribution grids, supporting integrated monitoring, protection, control, and PMU capabilities.
- ✧ Worked with container-based embedded infrastructure enabling modular deployment.
- ✧ Designed and implemented real-time PMU data compression algorithms achieving high accuracy and high compression ratio for large-scale data transmission and storage.

Publications

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- Real-time D-PMU data compression for edge computing devices in digital distribution networks. **Jiahui Yang**, Hao Yu, Peng Li, et al. **IEEE Transactions on Power Systems**, 2024, 39(4).
 - Lightweight data-driven planning method of hybrid energy storage systems in the new power system. Yanda Huo, **Jiahui Yang (Corresponding Author)**, et al. **IEEE Transactions on Industry Applications**, 2024.
 - A hybrid system for high-accuracy timekeeping using millisecond pulsars[C]//2025 Joint Conference of the European Frequency and Time Forum and IEEE International Frequency Control Symposium (EFTF/IFCS). Yuru Wu, **Jiahui Yang**, Yongxin Zhang, et al. IEEE, 2025: 1-4.
 - Time synchronization techniques in the modern smart grid: A comprehensive survey. Yu Liu, Biao Sun, Yuru Wu, Yongxin Zhang, **Jiahui Yang**, et al. *Energies*, 2025, 18(5), 1163.

Skills

Programming: C/C++, Python, MATLAB.

Embedded system: Raspberry Pi, STM32, DSP, FPGA, ESP32, Ublox (GPS), Arduino.

Software: PSSE, PSCAD, Altium/KiCad, Keil, Simulink, Microsoft Office

Cloud server: Amazon EC2, Microsoft Azure, Google Cloud; Linux, Windows.