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2 Reliability Evaluation of Multi-Service in Power 3 Wide Area Protection System Considering Network 4 QoS

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11 **Abstract:** Based on the topology of wide area protection system(WAPS), after studying the
12 reliability of hardware system and information flow in the WAPS and establishing the reliability
13 assessment model, the multi-service reliability analysis method with multi monitoring and
14 protection tasks in WAPS was proposed. In the model, the impact of network quality of service
15 (QoS) such as information flow loss and delay, is studied. On the base of the model, the
16 multi-service reliability evaluation method is employed to analyze the reliability of a WAPS of
17 IEEE14 node power system, and the key nodes of the WAPS is given, which provides a basis for
18 improving the reliability of the WAPS.

19 **Keywords:** wide area protection system (WAPS); reliability; Fault Tree Analysis (FTA) model;
20 information flow; multi-service

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23 1. Introduction

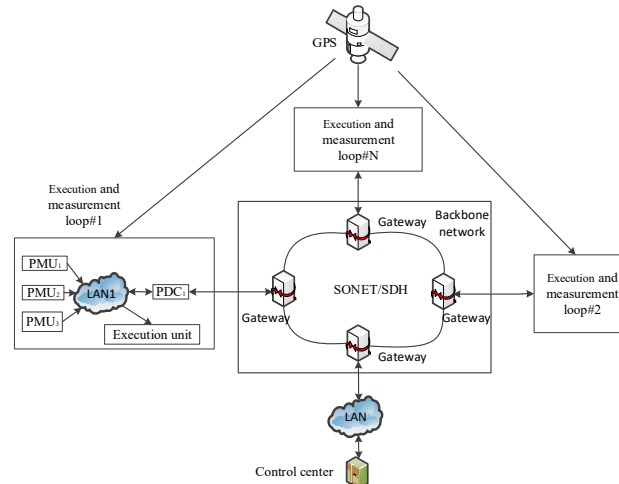
24 Wide area protection system (WAPS) is a basis for the safe and stable operation of large-scale
25 interconnected power grid. Once the WAPS fails, the power grid may not be control and lead to
26 collapse [1-5].The WAPS collects information (such as voltage, current, frequency, protection and
27 control instruct etc.) of power system for analyzing its operation state. If control or protection events
28 should occur, the control command will be sent to a control component of a domain protection
29 system in substation to operate the power grid. The WAPS involves data acquisition device,
30 protection device, communication network and information flow etc. The WAPS's Reliability would
31 be decided by the reliability of the hardware and the information flow in it.

32 The reliability research of the WAPS was mainly focused on the reliability analysis of the
33 equipment and components and system hardware, and ignored the impact of the reliability of the
34 information flow [6-8]. Because the communication distance of the WAPS is long, the quality of
35 service (QoS) problems such as packet loss, data error or delayed arrival is prone to occur in the
36 transmission process, and the information flow reliability should not be ignored in studying the
37 WAPS reliability.

38 In current researches about the WAPS reliability, the reliability calculating is cascade model,
39 that is, a fault of any element means that the WAPS cannot normally operate[9-10].In facts, there are
40 many different systems or services (such as monitoring system, protection system, and control
41 system) which runs in a WAPS. The reliability of each service may depend on different components
42 and information in the WAPS. Therefore, research on multi-service evaluation is necessary to the
43 reliability of WAPS.

44 2. The structure of WAPS

45 WAPS typically consists of phasor measurement unit (PMU), phasor data concentrator (PDC),
 46 control center (CC), execution unit (EU), and backbone network (BN). The structure is shown in Figure
 47 1. The PMU is deployed in the substation to collect measurement data and transmits the information to
 48 the PDC over the local area network (LAN). The PDC uploads the measurement data to the control
 49 center through the BN. After analyzing and processing, the control command is sent to the EU of the
 50 substation through the BN and the LAN. In addition, a high-precision clock synchronization system be
 51 used in the WAPS to ensure the data and signal have a uniform time stamp [8-13].



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53 **Figure.1** The structure of WAPS

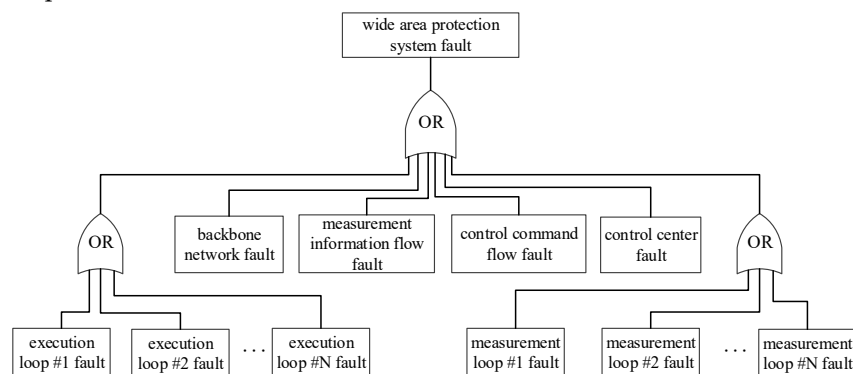
54 3. Reliability evaluation model of WAPS

55 The fault tree model of the WAPS can be obtained in the fault tree analysis (FTA) method [15]. It
 56 is shown in Figure 2.

57 According to the fault tree model of WAPS (shown in Figure 2), the reliability is

$$58 A_{WAPS} = \left(\prod_{i=1}^n A_{EXi} \prod_{i=1}^n A_{MEi} \right) A_{BN} \cdot A_{DM} \cdot A_{CON} \cdot A_{CC} \quad (1)$$

59 where A_{EXi} is the reliability of i th execution loop, A_{MEi} is the reliability of i th measurement loop, A_{BN}
 60 is the reliability of BN, A_{DM} is the reliability of measurement information flow, A_{CON} is the reliability
 61 of control information flow, A_{CC} is the reliability of CC, n is the number of execution and
 62 measurement loop in WAPS.



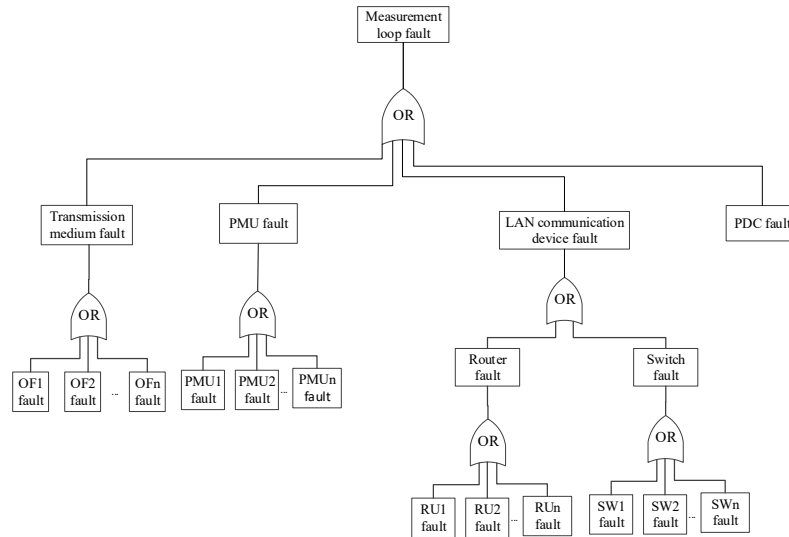
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64 **Figure.2** The structure of WAPS

65 3.1. Reliability model of physical loop

66 3.1.1. Reliability model of measurement loop in LAN

67 The measurement loop is composed of a plurality of PMUs, a PDC, and a LAN in Fig. 1. A LAN
 68 consists of multiple switches, routers, and transmission media. Considering that the transmission
 69 medium of the actual WAPS is generally optical fiber, the reliability model of the measurement loop
 70 was established with taking the optical fiber medium as an example. The fault tree model of the
 71 measurement loop is shown in Figure 3.



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73 **Figure. 3** FTA model of measurement loop

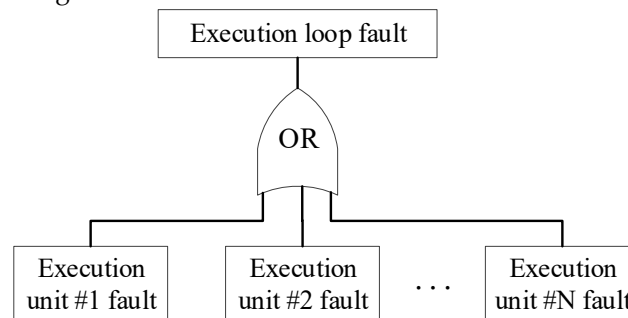
74 According to the fault tree model of the measurement loop (shown in Figure 3), the reliability is

$$75 A_{ME} = \left(\prod_{i=1}^n A_{OFi} \prod_{i=1}^n A_{PMUi} \prod_{i=1}^n A_{RU_i} \prod_{i=1}^n A_{SW_i} \right) A_{PDC} \quad (2)$$

76 where A_{PR} is the reliability of measurement loop, A_{OF} is the reliability of fiber medium, A_{PMU} is the
 77 reliability of PMU, A_{RU} is the reliability of router, A_{SW} is the reliability of switch, A_{PDC} is the
 78 reliability of PDC, n is the number of PMU, fiber, router, and switch in the measurement loop.

79 3.1.2. Reliability model of execution loop in LAN

80 The execution loop is composed of a plurality of EUs in Fig. 1. The fault tree model of the
 81 execution loop is shown in Figure 4.



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83 **Figure. 4** FTA model of execution loop

84 According to the fault tree model of the execution loop (shown in Figure 4), the reliability is

$$85 A_{EX} = \prod_{i=1}^n A_{EU_i} \quad (3)$$

86 where A_{EX} is the reliability of execution loop, A_{EU} is the reliability of EU, n is the number of EU.

3.1.3. Reliability model of BN

The topology of the BN is shown in Figure 5. The gateways GW_1 - GW_n are sequentially connected to form a dual ring network, and the optical fibers are respectively OF_{1-2} 、 OF'_{1-2} 、 OF_{2-3} 、 OF'_{2-3} ... OF_{n-n-1} 、 OF'_{n-n-1} 、 OF_{1-n} and OF'_{1-n} .

Considering the need to enhance the ability of the BN to respond to unexpected situations, one loop in the dual ring network serves as the transmission channel for service packets, and the other loop is in the standby state. Therefore, when any gateway in the BN fails or two pairs of fibers fail at the same time, the communication of the BN will be blocked. The fault tree model of BN is shown in Figure 6.

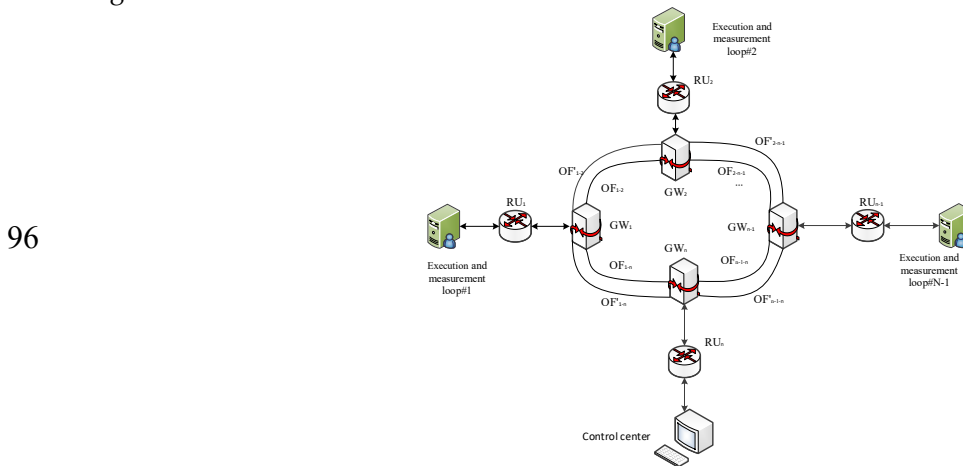


Figure 5 The structure of BN

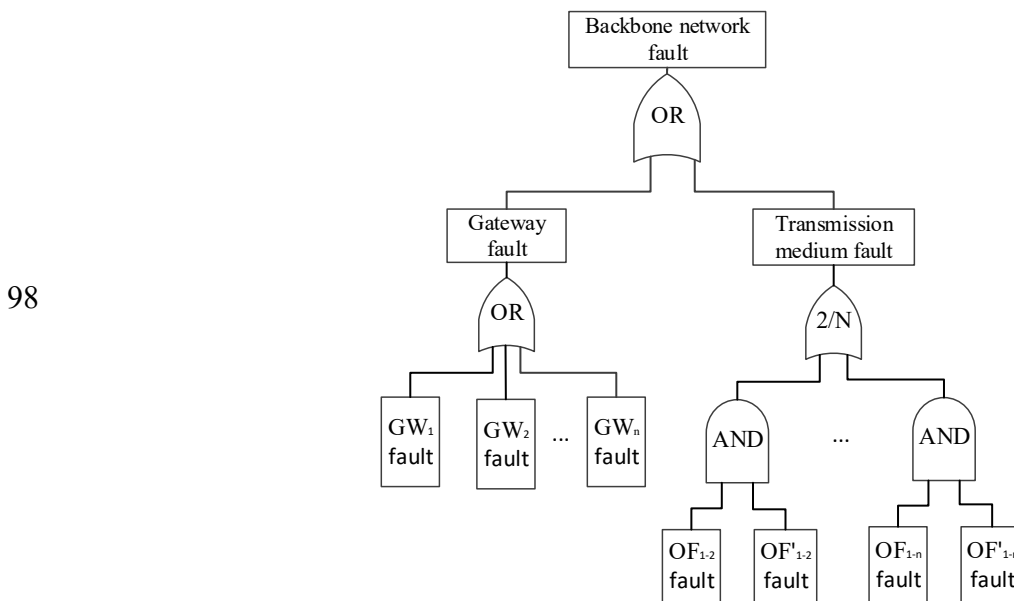


Figure 6 FTA model of BN

According to the fault tree model of the BN (shown in Figure 6), the reliability is

$$A_{BN} = \left(\prod_{i=1}^n A_{GW_i} \right) A_{BNOF} \quad (4)$$

$$A_{BNOF} = 1 - C_n^2 P_F \quad (5)$$

where A_{BN} is the reliability of BN, A_{GW} is the reliability of gateway, A_{BNOF} is the reliability of transmission medium, P_F is the failure rate of double fiber.

105 3.2. Reliability model of information flow in WAPS

106 3.2.1. Reliability model of measurement information flow

107 PMUs are typically deployed inside substations to monitor the operation of the substation. At the
 108 same time, the PMU collects the electrical parameters of the substation in real time. The electrical
 109 parameters include the amplitude and phase angle of the voltage and current, the amplitude of the
 110 frequency, and the state information of the switch.

111 After the measurement information is collected, it is uploaded to the PDC through the LAN.
 112 After the collection is completed, it will be transmitted to the CC by the BN. If the transmission time
 113 of the acquired measurement data exceeds a preset delay, or the data is lost or incorrect during
 114 transmission, the measurement information should be considered to fail. Suppose the message
 115 waiting time for processing is T_0 which preset by the CC, the time to measure phasor data from
 116 acquisition to transmission to the CC is T_{PMU} . There is

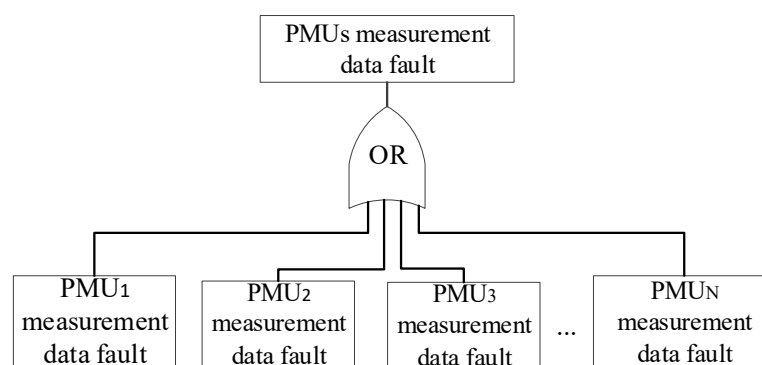
$$117 T_{PMU} = T_{LAN} + T_{BN} + T_{BNR} \quad (6)$$

118 where T_{LAN} is the transmission and processing delay of the LAN in the execution and measurement
 119 loop, T_{BN} is the transmission delay of the BN, T_{BNR} is the router processing delay of BN. T_{LAN} can be
 120 ignored compared to T_{BN} and T_{BNR} .

121 The measurement data may be lost or wrong during the transmission process. Under the
 122 topology of the communication network and the fixed transmission medium, the packet loss rate P_0
 123 of the measurement data does not change. It is assumed that data collection will not exceed the
 124 specified delay under normal network conditions. When the BN is abnormal, the measurement data
 125 communication delay will increase, and the probability of packet loss will increase. Assuming the
 126 total probability is P_{pmu} when T_{PMU} is more than T_0 and the packet is lost at the same time.
 127 According to the above assumption, the message reliability of a single PMU is A_{pmu} . The probability
 128 of normal communication network is P_N . The probability of communication network anomaly is P_F .
 129 According to the full probability formula and $P_F = 1 - P_N$, there is

$$130 A_{pmu} = (1 - P_0) \times P_N + (1 - P_{pmu}) \times P_F \quad (7)$$

131 The WAPS deploys multiple PMUs to measure data from different geographic nodes. Considering
 132 that there is no impact between each PMU, the fault tree model of the PMUs is shown in Figure 7.



133
 134 **Figure. 7** FTA model of PMUs measurement data

135 There is

$$136 A_{DM} = \prod_{i=1}^n A_{pmui} \quad (8)$$

137 where A_{ME} is the reliability of entire PMUs measurement data, A_{pmu} is the reliability of single PMU
 138 measurement data, n is the number of PMU in WAPS.

139 3.2.2. Reliability model of control command information flow

140 After the measurement data of the PMU reaches the CC, the CC will calculate the
141 measurement data, and then transmits the control command information flow to the EU through the
142 BN and LAN to control the power system. The reliability model of the control command is similar to
143 the model of the measurement information flow, so the reliability of the control command is

$$144 A_{CON} = \prod_{i=1}^n A_{odi} \quad (9)$$

$$145 A_{od} = (1 - P_0) \times P_N + (1 - P_{od}) \times P_F \quad (10)$$

146 where A_{CON} is the reliability of entire control command information flow, A_{od} is the reliability of
147 single control command information flow, P_0 is the fixed packet loss rate of communication
148 networks, P_{od} is the transmission time of the control command exceeds the preset time when the
149 network is abnormal and packet loss probability, T_{od} is the control command transfer time from CC
150 to EU, T_{C0} is the preset time for reliable execution of control commands, n is the number of
151 execution device for control command.

152 3.2.3. Reliability model of information interaction between regions

153 The reliability model of information interaction between regions is similar to the model of the
154 measurement information flow, so the reliability is

$$155 A_{IIBR} = \prod_{i=1}^n A_{rei} \quad (11)$$

$$156 A_{re} = (1 - P_0) \times P_N + (1 - P_{od}) \times P_F \quad (12)$$

157 where A_{IIBR} is the reliability of entire information interaction between regions, A_{re} is the reliability of
158 single information interaction between regions, P_0 is the fixed packet loss rate of communication
159 networks, P_{od} is the transmission time of the control command exceeds the preset time when the
160 network is abnormal and packet loss probability, T_{od} is the information interaction transfer time
161 between regions, T_{C0} is the preset time for reliable execution of information interaction between
162 regions, n is the number of device for information interaction between regions.

163 4. Reliability evaluation model of multi-service in WAPS

164 There are many services which have different function and transmission path in WAPS. The
165 multi-service mainly includes five services, which only upload measurement information, only send
166 down control command information, measurement and control command information combined,
167 local service in substation and information interaction between regions. The five services
168 respectively denoted as S_{MS} , S_{CS} , S_{MC} , S_{LS} and S_{RE} .

169 4.1. Reliability evaluation model of only measurement information service in WAPS

170 Assumes that a service of the WAPS has only upload measurement information, according to
171 the reliability model, the reliability of the service is A_{MS} . Its reliability consists of two parts, that is,
172 1) the reliability of entire PMUs measurement information flow denoted by A_{DM} ; 2) the reliability
173 product of all secondary equipment that the service passes through during communication denoted
174 by A_{ME1} , A_{BN} and A_{CC} . A_{MS} is product of two parts, the reliability of measurement information is

$$175 A_{MS} = A_{DM} A_{ME1} A_{BN} A_{CC} \quad (13)$$

176 4.2. Reliability evaluation model of only control command information service in WAPS

177 Assumes that a service of the WAPS has only send down control command information,
178 according to the reliability model, the reliability of the service is A_{CS} . Its reliability consists of two

179 parts, that is, 1)the reliability of entire EUs control command information flow denoted by A_{CON} ; 2)
180 the reliability product of all secondary equipment that the service passes through during
181 communication denoted by A_{EX1} , A_{BN} and A_{CC} . A_{CS} is product of two parts, the reliability of
182 measurement information is

$$183 \quad A_{CS} = A_{CON} A_{EX1} A_{BN} A_{CC} \quad (14)$$

184 4.3. Reliability evaluation model of measurement and control command information service in WAPS

185 Assumes that a service of the WAPS has upload measurement information and send down
186 control command information, according to the reliability model, the reliability of the service
187 is A_{MC} . Its reliability consists of three parts, that is, 1)the reliability of entire PMUs measurement
188 information flow denoted by A_{DM} ; 2)the reliability of entire EUs control command information flow
189 denoted by A_{CON} ; 3) the reliability product of all secondary equipment that the service passes
190 through during communication denoted by A_{ME2} , A_{EX2} , A_{BN} and A_{CC} . A_{MC} is product of three
191 parts, the reliability of measurement information is

$$192 \quad A_{MC} = A_{DM} A_{CON} A_{ME2} A_{EX2} A_{BN} A_{CC} \quad (15)$$

193 4.4. Reliability evaluation model of local service in substation in WAPS

194 Assumes that a service of the WAPS has local service in substation, according to the reliability
195 model, the reliability of the service is A_{LS} . Its reliability product of all secondary equipment that the
196 service passes through during communication denoted by A_{ME3} and A_{EX3} . The reliability of local
197 service in substation is

$$198 \quad A_{LS} = A_{ME3} A_{EX3} \quad (16)$$

199 4.5 Reliability evaluation model of information interaction between regions in WAPS

200 Assumes that a service of the WAPS has information interaction between regions, according to
201 the reliability model, the reliability of the service is A_{RE} . Its reliability consists of two parts, that is, 1)
202 the reliability of information interaction between regions denoted by A_{IIBR} ; 2) the reliability product
203 of all secondary equipment that the service passes through during communication denoted by
204 A_{ME4} , A_{EX4} and A_{BN} . A_{RE} is product of two parts, the reliability of measurement information is

$$205 \quad A_{RE} = A_{IIBR} A_{ME4} A_{EX4} A_{BN} \quad (17)$$

206 4.6 Reliability evaluation model of multi service in WAPS

207 The reliability of multi service in WAPS is

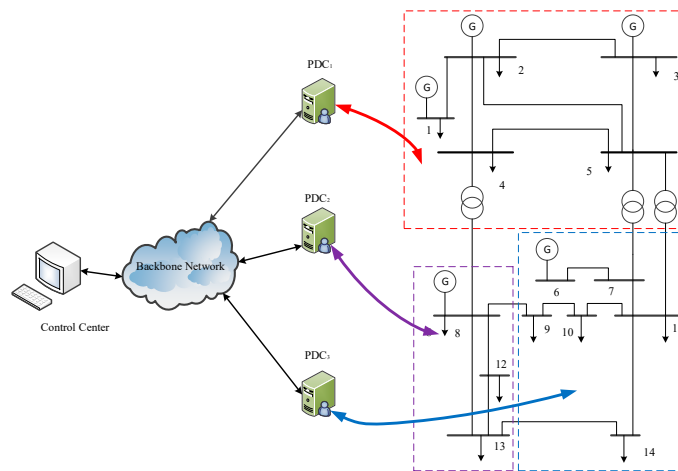
$$208 \quad \overline{A_{WAPS}} = \begin{bmatrix} A_{MS} \\ A_{CS} \\ A_{MC} \\ A_{LS} \\ A_{RE} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A_{DM} A_{ME1} A_{BN} A_{CC} \\ A_{CON} A_{EX1} A_{BN} A_{CC} \\ A_{DM} A_{CON} A_{ME2} A_{EX2} A_{BN} A_{CC} \\ A_{ME3} A_{EX3} \\ A_{IIBR} A_{ME4} A_{EX4} A_{BN} \end{bmatrix} \quad (18)$$

209 The node is more important when the node carries more services. For instance, the node of BN
210 carries four services and the node of CC carries three services, therefore the node of BN is more
211 important than the node of CC. The risk value of the node in WAPS will be considered in subsequent
212 research.

213 5. Case study

214 Authors should discuss the results and how they can be interpreted in perspective of previous
215 studies and of the working hypotheses. The findings and their implications should be discussed in
216 the broadest context possible. Future research directions may also be highlighted.

217 Taking the IEEE14 node as an example, which is shown in Fig.8, this paper analyzes the
 218 reliability of the WAPS to calculate the value of corresponding risk.



219
 220 **Figure.8** WAPS in IEEE14 nodes system

221 The IEEE 14 node WAPS in Figure.8 includes three measurement loops that transmit
 222 measurement information of the PMU to the CC through the BN, and then the CC transmits control
 223 commands to the EU through the BN. The PMU is deployed on 14 bus, denoted as PMU₁,
 224 PMU₂...PMU₁₄, for monitoring and collecting the electrical parameters of the system and device
 225 status information. PDC1 contains 5 PMU, namely PMU₁, PMU₂, PMU₃, PMU₄ and PMU₅. PDC2
 226 contains 3 PMU, namely PMU₈, PMU₁₂ and PMU₁₃. PDC3 contains 6 PMU, namely PMU₆, PMU₇,
 227 PMU₉, PMU₁₀, PMU₁₁ and PMU₁₄.

228 5.1 Reliability of equipment and information of each node in the WAPS

229 Since the reliability of the secondary system equipment produced by different manufacturers is
 230 different, the reliability of the actual secondary system equipment cannot be used. This paper gives a
 231 relatively suitable reliability value based on the reliability values of the actual secondary system
 232 equipment. The reliability values of the secondary system equipment given in this paper are
 233 assumed, and the reliability values of various secondary system equipment are shown in Table 1.

234 **Table 1.** Equipment reliability value of secondary system

Device Name	Reliability Value
PMU	0.9983
PDC	0.9995
EU	0.9996
Router	0.9955
Switch	0.993

235 5.2 Reliability calculation of secondary equipment in wide area protection system

236 Since the reliability of the fiber is relatively high, the calculation is negligible. It is assumed that
 237 each LAN consists of two routers and one switch, which can be calculated according to the device
 238 reliability values in Table 1 and formula (2) and formula (3). The product of the reliability of the
 239 measuring unit and the protection unit is shown in Table 2.

240 **Table.2** Reliability of protection and measurement units

A_{PP1}	A_{PP2}	A_{PP3}
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0.9745	0.9782	0.9742
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241 As can be seen from Table 1, as the number of PMUs increases, the reliability of the protection
 242 and measurement unit decreases. In practice, an increase in the number of PMUs will increase the
 243 redundancy of the measurement data, and the reliability of the entire system does not have much
 244 influence.

245 The selected backbone network mainly includes four gateways, and the gateways are all
 246 connected by optical fibers. The corresponding FTA reliability model is shown in Fig.5. The
 247 reliability data of the backbone network can be obtained from the literature. Calculated by formula
 248 (4), the reliability of the backbone network is 0.994.

249 5.3 Reliability calculation of measurement information

250 According to the information reliability model of a single PMU in Section 3.4, it is known that
 251 the probability of a single PMU device being normal and the failure, the probability of packet loss
 252 during transmission, and the probability of exceeding the normal delay are required. With OPNET
 253 simulation analysis, when the network scale reaches the provincial protection and control system,
 254 the end-to-end delay of measurement information is generally 1.5ms. When the communication
 255 network fails, the end-to-end delay of the measurement information exceeds the normal
 256 communication delay, and the probability of its occurrence needs to be obtained.

257 Assuming that the packet loss rate of measurement information transmitted in the fiber is P_0 ,
 258 the value is 0.01. The probability of the normal communication network is P_N , the value is 0.995.
 259 The probability of the abnormal communication network is P_F , the value is 0.005. When the
 260 network is abnormal, the packet exceeds the delay and the probability of packet loss is P_{pmu} , the
 261 value is 0.05. The value of the reliability of a single PMU phasor acquisition message can be
 262 calculated according to formula (8).

$$\begin{aligned}
 A_{pmu} &= (1 - P_0) \times P_N + (1 - P_{pmu}) \times P_F \\
 &= (1 - 0.01) \times 0.995 + (1 - 0.05) \times 0.005 \\
 &= 0.9898
 \end{aligned}$$

264 The IEEE 14-node wide area protection system includes 14 PMU devices. According to formula
 265 (9), the reliability of the measurement data of the entire PMUs can be calculated as

$$A_{DM} = \prod_{i=1}^n A_{pmui} = \prod_{i=1}^{14} 0.98755 = 0.839$$

267 5.4 Reliability calculation of control command

268 Similar to the reliability calculation of the measurement information, the reliability of the
 269 control command can be calculated according to the formula (10) and the formula (11). Assuming
 270 that the packet loss rate of measurement information transmitted in the fiber is P_0 , the value is 0.01.
 271 The probability of the normal communication network is P_N , the value is 0.995. The probability of
 272 the abnormal communication network is P_F , the value is 0.005. When the network is abnormal, the
 273 packet exceeds the delay and the probability of packet loss is P_{od} , the value is 0.04. According to

274 formula (10), the reliability of a single EU control command can be calculated, and the value is
275 0.98985.

276 5.5 Reliability calculation of multi service in WAPS

277 5.5.1 Reliability calculation of only measurement information in WAPS

278 Assuming that the only measurement information service consists of all PUMs, the reliability of
279 the service can be calculated according to formula (13). According to Table 2, the reliability of single
280 PMU is 0.9983, the reliability of PDC is 0.9995. Assuming that each LAN consists of two routers and
281 one switch, and the reliability of each router and switch is A_{RU} and A_{SW} , the value is 0.9955 and
282 0.9930. According to the previous calculation, the reliability of the backbone network and control
283 center respectively is 0.994 and 0.9985. The single service's reliability of measurement information is
284 A_{pmu} , the value is 0.98985. The reliability of the service is:

$$\begin{aligned} A_{MS} &= A_{DM} A_{ME1} A_{BN} A_{CC} \\ &= \prod_{i=1}^{14} A_{pmui} \prod_{i=1}^{14} A_{PMUi} \prod_{i=1}^3 (A_{PDCi} A_{RU}^2 A_{SW}) A_{BN} A_{CC} \\ &= 0.8193 \end{aligned}$$

286 5.5.2 Reliability calculation of only control command information in WAPS

287 Assuming that only control command information service consists of all EUs, the reliability of a
288 single service can be calculated according to formula (15). According to Table 2, the reliability of
289 single EU is 0.9996. According to the previous calculation, the reliability of the backbone network
290 and control center respectively is 0.994 and 0.9985. The single service's reliability of control
291 command information is A_{od} , the value is 0.98985. The reliability of the service is:

$$\begin{aligned} A_{CS} &= A_{CON} A_{EX1} A_{BN} A_{CC} \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^3 A_{odi} \sum_{i=1}^3 A_{EUi} A_{BN} A_{CC} \\ &= 0.9614 \end{aligned}$$

293 5.5.3 Reliability calculation of measurement and control command information in WAPS

294 Assuming that the measurement and control command information consists of all PUMs and
295 EUs, the reliability of the service can be calculated according to formula (16). According to Table 2,
296 the reliability of single PMU is 0.9983, the reliability of PDC is 0.9995, the reliability of EUs is
297 0.9996. Assuming that each LAN consists of two routers and one switch, and the reliability of each
298 router and switch is A_{RU} and A_{SW} , the value is 0.9955 and 0.9930. According to the previous
299 calculation, the reliability of the backbone network and control center respectively is 0.994 and
300 0.9985. The single service's reliability of measurement information is A_{pmu} , the value is 0.9898. The
301 reliability of a single execution unit control command is A_{od} , the value is 0.98985. The reliability of
302 the service is:

$$\begin{aligned} A_{MC} &= A_{DM} A_{CON} A_{ME2} A_{EX2} A_{BN} A_{CC} \\ &= \prod_{i=1}^{14} A_{pmui} \prod_{i=1}^{14} A_{PMUi} \prod_{i=1}^3 (A_{PDCi} A_{RU}^2 A_{SW}) \sum_{i=1}^3 A_{odi} \sum_{i=1}^3 A_{EUi} A_{BN} A_{CC} \\ &= 0.7936 \end{aligned}$$

304 5.5.4 Reliability calculation of local service in substation in WAPS

305 Assuming that the local service in substation consists of five PUMs and one EU, the reliability of
 306 the service can be calculated according to formula (16). According to Table 2, the reliability of single
 307 PMU is 0.9983, the reliability of PDC is 0.9995, the reliability of execution unit is 0.9996. Assuming
 308 that each LAN consists of two routers and one switch, and the reliability of each router and switch is
 309 A_{RU} and A_{SW} , the value is 0.9955 and 0.9930. The reliability of the service is:

$$\begin{aligned} A_{LS} &= A_{ME3} A_{EX3} \\ &= \prod_{i=1}^5 A_{PMU_i} A_{RU}^2 A_{SW} A_{EU} A_{PDC} \\ &= 0.9749 \end{aligned}$$

311 5.5.5 Reliability calculation of information interaction between regions in WAPS

312 Assuming that the local service in substation consists of five PUMs and one EU, the reliability of
 313 the service can be calculated according to formula (17). According to Table 2, the reliability of single
 314 PMU is 0.9983, the reliability of PDC is 0.9995, the reliability of execution unit is 0.9996. Assuming
 315 that each LAN consists of two routers and one switch, and the reliability of each router and switch is
 316 A_{RU} and A_{SW} , the value is 0.9955 and 0.9930. The reliability of the service is:

$$\begin{aligned} A_{RE} &= A_{HBR} A_{ME4} A_{EX4} A_{BN} \\ &= \prod_{i=1}^3 A_{HBR_i} \prod_{i=1}^3 A_{PMU_i} A_{RU}^2 A_{SW} A_{EU} A_{PDC} A_{BN} \\ &= 0.9845 \end{aligned}$$

318 5.6 Reliability calculation of multi service in wide area protection system

319 The reliability of five services respectively is

$$\begin{aligned} A_{MS} &= A_{DM} A_{ME1} A_{BN} A_{CC} \\ &= \prod_{i=1}^{14} A_{pmu_i} \prod_{i=1}^{14} A_{PMU_i} \prod_{i=1}^3 (A_{PDC_i} A_{RU}^2 A_{SW}) A_{BN} A_{CC} \\ A_{CS} &= A_{CON} A_{EX1} A_{BN} A_{CC} \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^3 A_{odi} \sum_{i=1}^3 A_{EU_i} A_{BN} A_{CC} \\ A_{MC} &= A_{DM} A_{CON} A_{ME2} A_{EX2} A_{BN} A_{CC} \\ &= \prod_{i=1}^{14} A_{pmu_i} \prod_{i=1}^{14} A_{PMU_i} \prod_{i=1}^3 (A_{PDC_i} A_{RU}^2 A_{SW}) \sum_{i=1}^3 A_{odi} \sum_{i=1}^3 A_{EU_i} A_{BN} A_{CC} \\ A_{LS} &= A_{ME3} A_{EX3} \\ &= \prod_{i=1}^5 A_{PMU_i} A_{RU}^2 A_{SW} A_{EU} A_{PDC} \\ A_{RE} &= A_{HBR} A_{ME4} A_{EX4} A_{BN} \\ &= \prod_{i=1}^3 A_{HBR_i} \prod_{i=1}^3 A_{PMU_i} A_{RU}^2 A_{SW} A_{EU} A_{PDC} A_{BN} \end{aligned}$$

325 The reliability of the five different services of the wide area protection system is

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \left[\begin{array}{c} A_{MS} \\ A_{CS} \\ A_{MC} \\ A_{LS} \\ A_{RE} \end{array} \right] = \left[\begin{array}{c} \prod_{i=1}^{14} A_{pmui} \prod_{i=1}^{14} A_{PMUi} \prod_{i=1}^3 (A_{PDCi} A_{RU}^2 A_{SW}) A_{BN} A_{CC} \\ \sum_{i=1}^3 A_{odi} \sum_{i=1}^3 A_{EUi} A_{BN} A_{CC} \\ \prod_{i=1}^{14} A_{pmui} \prod_{i=1}^{14} A_{PMUi} \prod_{i=1}^3 (A_{PDCi} A_{RU}^2 A_{SW}) \sum_{i=1}^3 A_{odi} \sum_{i=1}^3 A_{EUi} A_{BN} A_{CC} \\ \prod_{i=1}^5 A_{PMUi} A_{RU}^2 A_{SW} A_{EU} A_{PDC} \\ \prod_{i=1}^3 A_{IIBRi} \prod_{i=1}^3 A_{PMUi} A_{RU}^2 A_{SW} A_{EU} A_{PDC} A_{BN} \end{array} \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

327 The number of services carried by each node is shown in Table 3.

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Table.3 The number of services carried by each node

Node Name	Service Name
CC	S_{MS}, S_{CS}, S_{MC}
BN	$S_{MS}, S_{CS}, S_{MC}, S_{RE}$
PDC ₁	S_{MS}, S_{MC}, S_{LS}
PDC ₂	S_{MS}, S_{MC}, S_{RE}
PDC ₃	S_{MS}, S_{MC}
PMU ₁ -PMU ₅	S_{MS}, S_{MC}, S_{LS}
PMU ₈ , PMU ₁₂ , PMU ₁₃	S_{MS}, S_{MC}, S_{RE}
PMU ₆ , PMU ₇ , PMU ₉ PMU ₁₀ , PMU ₁₁ , PMU ₁₄	S_{MS}, S_{MC}
EU ₁	S_{CS}, S_{MC}, S_{LS}
EU ₂	S_{CS}, S_{MC}
EU ₃	S_{CS}, S_{MC}, S_{RE}
LAN ₁	S_{MS}, S_{MC}, S_{LS}
LAN ₂	S_{MS}, S_{MC}, S_{RE}
LAN ₃	S_{MS}, S_{MC}

329 According to the Table 3, the BN carries four different services, so the BN is the most important
330 node in WAPS.

331 According to the foregoing device reliability values, the reliability of five different services can
332 be calculated, respectively:

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \left[\begin{array}{c} A_{MS} \\ A_{CS} \\ A_{MC} \\ A_{LS} \\ A_{RE} \end{array} \right] = \left[\begin{array}{c} 0.8193 \\ 0.9614 \\ 0.7936 \\ 0.9749 \\ 0.9845 \end{array} \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

334 It can be seen that the reliability of the monitoring and control protection service running on the
335 same wide-area protection system network is different. Through calculation, the focus of reliability
336 and reliability improvement of specific services can be obtained.

337 **5. Conclusions**

338 Based on the communication network topology of a typical wide-area protection system, this
339 paper conducts a comprehensive assessment of the reliability of the communication network
340 physical equipment and information flow. Through the research on the various aspects of the
341 communication process and the multi-task reliability, the key nodes in the information system are
342 obtained, which provides an analysis method for the design of the wide-area protection system.

343 In this paper, we need to further study the reliability problems caused by the unsynchronized
344 GPS timing and the measures to improve the reliability of the system by adopting redundant design.

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