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1501 72nd Street North,
St. Petersburg, FLSpeaker:Dr. Huseyin Arslan, USF



Joint SP/COMM Chapter Meeting

Abstract: The high demand for communications anywhere and anytime has been the driving force for the development of wireless services and technologies. Wireless technologies and wireless services have evolved significantly over the last couple of decades, from simple paging to real-time voice communication and recently to very high rate data communications. With the number of users and services increasing along with the demand for high data rate, wireless communication systems need to deploy more efficient methods for communications, as the currently available spectrum is becoming congested and are very expensive to lease. Impulse radio (IR) based or known as ultrawideband (UWB) is becoming an attractive solution for wireless communications, particularly for short and medium range applications. The wide bandwidth of UWB offers a capacity much higher than the current relatively narrow band systems.

Brief Biography: Dr. Arslan has received his PhD. degree in 1998 from Southern Methodist University (SMU), Dallas, TX. From January 1998 to August 2002, he was with the research group of Ericsson Inc. at RTP, NC. In Ericsson, he was involved with several projects related to 2G and 3G wireless cellular communication systems. His research interests are related to advanced signal processing techniques at the physical layer, with cross-layer design for networking adaptivity and Quality of Service (QoS) control. More specifically, he is interested in signal processing techniques for wireless communication systems including modulation and coding, interference cancellation and multi-user signal detection, channel estimation and tracking, equalization, soft information generation, adaptive receiver and transmission technologies etc. He is interested in many forms of wireless technologies including cellular, wireless LAN, Bluetooth, fixed wireless access, and specialized wireless data networks like wireless telemetry. *Continued on Page 6*

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Chair's Comments By John Conrad



Recently, I took a few moments to reflect on where our Section is today and where it is going. This was partly prompted by the fact that I have recently passed the halfway point of my second term as your Section Chair. As you know, towards the end of

ir term of office, all leaders start worrying about their legacy, even if one else gives a hoot!.

elieve that our Section is strong and getting stronger. I am supported an incredibly talented and dedicated team of volunteers who give intless hours of their time to the benefit of section members. The ction has a life of its own with self-motivated individuals putting on etings & tours and publishing a newsletter with minimal guidance or uence by the EXCOM. Individual empowerment is alive and well.

a section member you can typically choose to attend two, if not ee, technical meetings each month learning about such diverse topics Linear Power Amplifiers, Near Limit Finite Length Coding, or vanced Concepts in Transformation Protection. Perhaps, you prefer ility tours, in which case, you might have enjoyed the Butterkrust keries or the Bayside Power Station, or the In-line Baggage eening equipment at the airport.

nen you add in a couple of conferences, a couple of picnics, a iquet or two, and twelve entertaining EXCOM meetings there is nty for everyone during the IEEE year in Tampa Bay. Yes, I am ud to be part of one of the most active sections in the region, if not the nation, and I only see things getting even better in the future. ke advantage of all there is to offer from the willing volunteers of ar Section.

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These 13 and 10 week courses, respectively, give engineers the opportunity to review and prepare for the engineering licensure tests in this state. Sessions cover all expected topics on the exams. Questions, problems, and scenarios give the students a chance to review, learn, and excel when taking the tests. All classes are archived on the FEEDS website for the entire duration of the sessions. The EIT/FE Review Seminar runs 10 weeks, from August 2 - October 11. Cost: \$395. The PE Electrical Review Seminar runs 13 weeks, from July 22 - October 14. Cost: \$395.

To register, contact: Edward Scott, P.E., PO Box 14042, (EC37), St Pete, FL 33733. Edward.Scott@pgnmail.com Phone (727) 384-7544, FAX (727) 384-7865

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FLORIDA CONSTRUCTION USERS ROUNDTABLE MEETING

10:00am-5:00pm, Thursday, 12 AUGUST 2004 LAKELAND, FLORIDA

The Florida Construction Users Roundtable (formerly the Florida Business Roundtable) is an autonomous, not for profit organization that provides a forum for the exchange of information, views, practices, policies, and business opportunities from a variety of construction users and technical services and construction providers engaged in business in Florida and other states in the southeast. It's goal is to provide professional networking opportunities and valuable information on legislation, safety, training, worker qualifications and technology. Our August 12 meeting has an exciting agenda which includes:

- All Requirements Generation Projects-Florida Municipal Power Authority
- The Promising Future of New Nuclear Generation-Entergy
- Jump Start Program-Raising the Bar on Training - RAMS
- Fully Integrated and Automated Life Cycle Management Technology FIATECH

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Date:Saturday 7th August 2004Time:6:15 PMSpeaker:TBD.Cost:Outfield Tickets \$15 ea.Questions:Contact Tom Blair 813-228-1111, ext 34407thblair@tecoenergy.comRSVP:Online at www.weiquality.com/fwcs-meetings

Go Rays!

IEEE FWCS Wins IEEE EAB Section Professional Development Award!!

On 19 June 2004 the IEEE Educational Activities Board (EAB) voted to recognize the Florida West Coast Section "for major contributions to life-long learning, continuing education and professional development through sponsorship of Section/Society Meetings, Seminars, Workshops & International Conferences" by awarding the Florida West Coast Section the IEEE Educational Activities **Board Section Professional Development** Award.

This award was established by the EAB to recognize IEEE Sections for major contributions to IEEE members in the areas of life-long learning, continuing education, and professional development. The 2004 IEEE EAB Awards will be presented during the IEEE Board of Directors Meeting Series in San Antonio, TX, USA. The presentation ceremony will be held on 19 November 2004. Joint Chapter Meeting: IEEE Power Engineering Society/Industry Applications Society



Hybrid Car Technology in 2004



Mr. David Wright Supervisor, Stadium Toyota

Date/Time:Wednesday, 25 August 2004 at 6:00 PMLocation:Doubletree Hotel, 4500 W Cypress St, TampaCost:Members & Students \$5.00, Guests \$10.00Very light refreshments are included.

Abstract: "Gas prices have eased up slightly. With the reprieve in prices at the pump, interest in hybrid cars has apparently softened. It looks like Americans, who use ten times more gasoline per capita than the world average, are once again ignoring the grave environmental and geo-political risks associated with oil addiction. Industry analysts predict that it will take gas prices sustained above three dollars a gallon before hybrid cars jump above the one or two-percent mark, in terms of new car sales. So, for the time being, cost-conscious consumers whose interest in hybrids rested solely with saving money at the pump have returned to their gas-guzzlers. Only the enlightened forward-thinking drivers who take a modicum of responsibility for their energy consumption—and who understand how fun it is to drive the most technologically advanced cars available—are still in the hybrid game. That's okay. Hybrid car drivers, documented to be the most educated car-buying segment, will be well prepared when gas prices spike up again next week, next month, or later this year." – *hybridcars.com*

In response to the great interest in hybrid car technology David Wright will be presenting an overview of this technology, including a short video. He will also share his first hand experience in maintaining hybrid cars as Supervisor of Technicians for Hybrid Cars at Stadium Toyota.

It is always easier to understand a topic when there are visual aids, so if you own a hybrid car and would be prepared to bring it to the meeting or just share your experiences, please contact me at (813) 926-4004 or john.conrad@ieee.org.

Reservations: Please make reservations on-line: **www.weiquality.com/fwcs-meetings** or contact John Conrad, Chair, Florida West Coast Section, **john.conrad@ieee.org** (813) 926-4004.

Directions: Exit I-275 via ramp at "40B Lois Ave." Turn North on to North Lois Ave and almost immediately turn left on West Cypress Street and go West for 0.3 miles and the hotel is on the left-hand side.

USF Providing Engineers with Educational Opportunities

By Tom Blair

It is imperative for today's engineers to maintain and enhance their professional excellence. For the busy engineer who would like to pursue a Masters Degree in Electrical Engineering, the University of South Florida (USF) has a growing Power Systems graduate engineering program. Many of the courses are offered as evening classes to allow busy engineers to pursue their Masters Degree in the evenings. Some of the power oriented courses that USF offers are **Electric Machines and Drives, Energy Management Systems, Industrial Power Distribution, Power Electronics, Power Quality, Power System Analysis, Power System Protection, and Utility Distribution Systems.** Courses currently scheduled to be offered in the Fall 2004 are Industrial Power Distribution, Power Electronics, and Power Systems Analysis I. In addition, many of the power courses are offered through the Florida Engineering Education Delivery System (FEEDS).

Since 1983, the FEEDS program has been providing access to graduate and undergraduate level engineering courses, certificates, and review seminars. Corporate sites, university centers, and the web are just a few of the venues that FEEDS can accommodate. The FEEDS system provides a new kind of university experience for engineers while preserving traditional requirements, rigor, and academic excellence. Over 1,000 graduate and undergraduate engineering degrees have been granted from the college's academic departments through FEEDS distribution. Additionally, the Electrical Engineering Department offers professional development hour (PDH) credits in electrical engineering subjects such as **Supplemental Over-current Protection** and **Symmetrical Component Calculations** for continuing education credits.

For more information on starting on the path to a Masters Degree in Electrical Engineering or for more information on the continuing education program, you can visit the USF College of Engineering, Power Systems Program website at http://web.tampabay.rr.com/usfpower/ or you can email **Professor Ralph Fehr III, P.E.** at r.fehr@ieee.org

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Beckwith Electric Protection Seminar September 26-30, 2004 Radisson Hotel, St. Petersburg, Florida

Now, more than ever, is the time to learn how to improve the security and dependability of generator, transformer, and distributed generation (DG) interconnection electrical protection in both utility and non-utility applications. Since the blackout of August 2003, these topics are in the forefront as the industry attempts to improve asset security, preserve power delivery, and boost the integrity of the bulk power system.

Beckwith Electric's annual Protection Seminar, in an intensive four days, provides the background you need to understand the complex subjects of generator, transformer and distributed generator (DG) interconnection protection, even if you have a limited knowledge of power system protection standards and practice.

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Why attend?

Generators and transformers need to be protected from internal faults, as well as abnormal operating conditions brought about by the bulk power system. When subjected to these events, a failure of the asset can occur within seconds, requiring dedicated protection schemes for detection and clearing. The standards for protecting these assets are changing, thereby increasing the protection requirements.

Distributed generation places special challenges on the DG's interconnection protection, the DG's generator protection, and the utility's distribution protection. To effectively provide interconnection protection, protective functions for anti-islanding, faults, and abnormal operating conditions must be selected. Consideration is given to individual utility standards and the new IEEE 1547 standard.

Who should attend?

Utility engineers, consultants (especially those involved with IPP/DG design), equipment/control engineers, generator packager, and manufacturer engineers as well as others who specify protective equipment and develop settings for the electrical protection of generators, transformers, and DG interconnections.

Instructors

- Dr. Murty V.V.S. Yalla, VP of Research and Development/Engineering for Beckwith Electric.
- Charles (Chuck) Mozina, consultant for Beckwith Electric specializing in system protection.
- Clark Shaughnessy, Customer Technical Support Manager of Beckwith Electric.
- Wayne Hartmann, Marketing Manager & Business Unit Manager, Protection, for Beckwith Electric.

SEMINAR FEE: \$800 by 8/10/04 15% group discount for 3+ attendees from same company—\$595 per person.

Fee includes course materials, lunches, a.m./p.m. breaks, two dinners, and Sunday evening welcome reception. Seminar to be held at Radisson Hotel. **Registration deadline is Tuesday, August 10**.

Hotel Accommodations:

Radisson Hotel-St. Petersburg 12600 Roosevelt Boulevard St. Petersburg, FL 33716 (727) 572-7800 or 1-800-333-3333 Fax: (727) 572-5700 Room Rate: \$109.00 for single or double rooms. (Mention Beckwith Electric to receive special rate.) **Reservations Cut-Off Date:** August 10, 2004

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Date: Time:	Monday, 20 September 2004 Registration and Breakfast 7:30 AM - 8:00 AM Session - 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM	PDH Credit:	There will be (4) four PDH Hours credited for this training. Be sure to include your license number and your name as it appears on your license with your reservation. Florida
Speaker:	Jim Bowen, PE, Technical Director, Powell Electrical Mfg. Co.,	Cost:	provider number EXP 00015. Members, \$100; Non-members, \$150, Student Member \$25
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Parking Permits available at Visitors Information area at main entrance. Space is limited to 40 people so please sign up early.		Questions:	http://www.ewh.ieee.org/r3/floridawc/ Tom Blair at 813-228-1111, ext 34407 or <u>thblair@tecoenergy.com</u>

This class begins by providing a thorough discussion of a traditional residual bus transfer scheme. This includes a review of the logic scheme necessary to ensure an automatic transfer. A relay coordination commentary provides guidance for minimizing transfer time. The discussions describe additional coordination concerns when downstream feeder breakers and upstream source breakers are considered. A procedure for plotting under-voltage characteristics time-over relav on current coordination curves is also provided. Reaccelerating rotating motors with internal residual voltage is reviewed to illustrate safe equipment practice and control of machine torque within acceptable NEMA MG-1 limits. Modern control equipment advantages and disadvantages are compared with the traditional discrete device residual bus transfer system.



Mr. Bowen has 18 years experience with Exxon where he worked in all facets of Electrical Engineering involved with the petrochemical process. He had responsibilities on several large projects including Co-generation, High Voltage Gas Insulated Switchgear, large variable speed drivers, and various other grass-root projects. He also held the post of the Regional Engineer for Exxon Chemicals Europe for three years.

At Powell Electrical Manufacturing Company, Jim holds the post of Technical Director. As Technical Director, he provides leadership, training and mentoring in the utilization of equipment rated 38 kV and below. He authors the Powell Technical Briefs, a popular 1 to 3 page article, addressing technical problems commonly found in the Electrical Power work place.

June 21 Tour of Bayside Power Station

By Tom Blair

IEEE Power Engineering Society hosted a tour of the Tampa Electric Bayside Power Station on Monday, June 21 and we had over 40 attendees. Attendees had a chance to see the control room, one of the new combustion turbine generators, an associated heat recovery steam generator, the station service system, and the new plant remote telemetry system. In addition there was a presentation of some of the construction and engineering issues involved in building new generation on an existing site and still maintaining existing generation to service customer load requirements. Bayside consists of 7 combustion turbines and associated heat recovery steam generators that feed two steam turbine generators for a total combined electrical generation capability of 1750MW.

Many thanks to the following volunteers that made the tour possible; Jim Badgerow, Ralph Painter, Chuck Walters, David Kiepke, and Bill Jordan. Without the support and dedication of our volunteers, opportunities like this would not be possible.

Keep watching your Signal for more upcoming tours and events. If your company would be interested in hosting an IEEE sponsored tour, you can contact any of the IEEE Executive committee members as listed on page 2 of this news-letter.



Joint SP/COMM Seminar: Ultra-wideband and Impulse Radio...

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Conventional wireless communication systems employ radio frequency (RF) carriers of much higher frequency than the information rate to transmit base-band signals. UWB is a carrier-less (base-band) transmission. Therefore, it does not require the elaborate complex and expensive radio frequency (RF) up/down conversion used in conventional communication transceivers. The result is much simpler and less costly transceivers circuitry. Other benefits of UWB include immunity to multi-path effects, high resolution (sub-decimeter range), robustness against eavesdropping, and additional security due to its low probability of detection (LPD).

In this presentation, ultra-wideband technology for secure, low power, and high data rate wireless communication will be discussed. First, an overview of the technology along with applications, advantages, and research issues will be covered. Then, more focus on UWB digital receiver design including synchronization, channel estimation, correlator and rake reception, narrowband and multi-user interference cancellation as well as multi-access code design will be discussed.

Reservations: Please sign-up on line at **www.weiquality.com/fwcs-sp**/ atleast 48 hours in advance if you are attending. If you are not a US citizen, a special approval will be needed to enter the building. Forms can be obtained by emailing Bror_W_Peterson@raytheon.com

Directions: From Tampa, take I-275 South to I-275 south across Tampa Bay to EXIT 12 (22^{nd} Ave. N.) From Sarasota, take I-75 North to I-275 north over the Sunshine Skyway Bridge to Exit (22^{nd} Ave. N.). Turn west on 22^{nd} Ave. past Tyrone Mall to 72^{nd} Street N. Turn left at the traffic light to the Engineering Building. Park in the lot farthest south of the complex. At the gate, there will be directions or an attendee that will guide you to the conference room.

Brain Teaser Challenge Column

By Butch Shadwell

July BTC As I write this, I have only received one answer to this BTC, and a very good answer it is too. To refresh your memory, last month I was telling you all about the Ansari X Prize for privately funded space travel. The thermocouple problem I described was; "we need to run each thermocouple cable from one end to the other to get the highest Seebeck voltage. The fact that these temperatures reverse during reentry doesn't really hurt our power generating ability. This month I just want readers to tell me some different metal combinations that function well as thermocouple materials?" Cesar Balladares sent me the following data:

- <u>Type K (Chromel (Ni-Cr alloy) / Alumel (Ni-Al</u>
 <u>alloy)</u>) Type K is the 'general purpose' thermocouple. It is low cost and, owing to its popularity, it is available in a wide variety of probes. Thermocouples are available in the -200°C to +1200°C range. Sensitivity is approx 41uV/°C. Use type K unless you have a good
 reason not to.
- <u>Type E (Chromel / Constantan (Cu-Ni alloy))</u> Type E has a high output (68uV/°C) which makes it well suited to low temperature (cryogenic) use. Another property is that it is non-magnetic.
- <u>Type J (Iron / Constantan</u>): Limited range (-40 to +750°C) makes type J less popular than type K. The main application is with old equipment that can not accept 'modern' thermocouples. J types should not be used above 760°C as an abrupt magnetic transformation will cause permanent decalibration.

- <u>Type N (Nicrosil (Ni-Cr-Si alloy) / Nisil (Ni-Si alloy)</u> High stability and resistance to high temperature oxidation makes type N suitable for high temperature measurements without the cost of platinum (B,R,S) types. Designed to be an 'improved' type K, it is becoming more popular.
- <u>Type B (Platinum / Rhodium)</u> Suited for high temperature measurements up to 1800°C. Unusually type B thermocouples (due to the shape of their temperature / voltage curve) give the same output at 0°C and 42°C. This makes them useless below 50°C.
- <u>Type R (Platinum / Rhodium)</u> Suited for high temperature measurements up to 1600°C. Low sensitivity (10uV/°C) and high cost makes them unsuitable for general purpose use.
- <u>Type S (Platinum / Rhodium)</u> Suited for high temperature measurements up to 1600°C. Low sensitivity (10uV/°C) and high cost makes them unsuitable for general purpose use. Due to its high stability type S is used as the standard of calibration for the melting point of gold (1064.43°C).

But I bet you already knew that. Thanks Cesar.

<u>August BTC</u> Unlike many of you, people are always asking me, "Butch, how do you stay in such good shape and keep that youthful spring in your step?" I always reply as modestly as I can, that I owe it all to genetics and regular infusions of Dr. Pepper. You know ... the carbonated soft drink. I really don't think that the cosmetic surgery and spa treatments I use are any different than anybody else's. But my wife and I can attest to the medicinal properties of Dr. Pepper. I'd be willing to bet we could end this debate over stem cell research if those scientists would give Dr. Pepper a proper trial. We've discovered many new uses for this amazing drink. Besides cleaning battery terminals, we also find it useful at softening one's cuticles before a manicure. George Washington Carver may have been the whiz with peanuts, but I'm going to outdo him with Dr. Pepper.

In one of my Pepper applications I needed to recover the power waveform of an acoustical signal, so I squared the waveform resulting in making it all positive instead of bipolar, and doubling the frequency. Then I put on a low pass filter. I know I should have it on the tip of my brain, but I can't remember the equation for the cross-over frequency of a simple one pole RC filter. If I want the knee (- 3db) at 5 Hz and the capacitor is 1 μ F, what should my resistor be?

Reply to Butch Shadwell at b.shadwell@ieee.org (email), 904-223-4510 (fax), 904-223-4465 (v), 3308 Queen Palm Dr., Jacksonville, FL 32250-2328. (http://www.shadtechserv.com) The names of correct respondents may e mentioned in the solution.

Charles Concordia Leaves an Enduring Legacy to the IEEE Foundation?

By Karen Galuchie, IEEE Development Office

Charles Concordia was the engineers' engineer. Some will remember him as the engineer who was responsible for a multitude of technical advances and innovations in the field of power engineering. Others will remember the teacher, the man who took the time to help them break down a complex calculation until it was understood. Still others will remember him for his unwavering commitment to the profession.

It was probably a combination of these qualities and character traits that led Dr. Concordia to invest in the future of the profession by leaving a US\$100,000 unrestricted legacy gift to the IEEE Foundation. This legacy gift serves as an enduring testimonial to Dr. Concordia's generosity and commitment to the profession. To show its gratitude, the IEEE Foundation has added Dr. Concordia's name to the roster of the Goldsmith League, our legacy giving recognition group.

When notified about this gift, IEEE Foundation President Emerson Pugh said, "The IEEE Foundation Board is honored that such a wonderful man and incredibly talented engineer has entrusted us with such a generous gift. This gift is an expression of Dr. Concordia's belief in the importance of our mission of furthering the scientific and educational purposes of the IEEE. We will strive to be worthy of his gift by funding philanthropic activities that will have a significant positive impact on the engineering profession now and well into the future."

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