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Applications of Artificial Intelligence in Modeling, Control and  
Operation of Power Systems for Decarbonizing the Electric Grid

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## About this talk:

This presentation will explore the use of Artificial Intelligence (AI) in the modeling, control, and operation of power systems to decarbonize the electric grid. It will highlight how AI can be utilized to increase the integration of renewable energy sources into the grid while avoiding any integration issues. The talk will present innovative solutions and best practices for using AI to make power systems more efficient, reliable, and sustainable. By showcasing the potential of AI in this area, the presentation will demonstrate how it can play a key role in creating a more sustainable and equitable energy system for all.

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