

# Extracting Most Discriminative Features on Transient Multivariate Time Series by Bi-Mode Hybrid Feature Selection Scheme for Transient Stability Prediction

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**ABSTRACT** Real-time transient stability assessment (TSA) of power systems based on mining system dynamic response has been widely considered by scholars. In this regard, extracting the most discriminative transient features (MDTFs) to achieve high-performance transient stability prediction (TSP) should be regarded as a fundamental issue in the transient learning strategy. In fact, MDTFs extraction is raised to make a trade-off between paradoxically intertwined indices, namely the accuracy and processing time of TSP. To this end, we offer a bi-mode hybrid feature selection scheme called BMHFSS for extracting MDTFs in high dimensional transient multivariate time series (TMTS). First, we used the TMTS, which are effective features on TSA. Next, the trajectory-based filter-wrapper mode (TFWM) is applied on TMTS to surmount the curse of dimensionality in two phases. In the filter phase, statistical and intrinsic characteristics of the TMTS in the form of agglomerative hierarchical clustering (AHC) are measured, and relevant TMTS (RTMTS) is selected according to obtained weight. In the wrapper phase, the RTMTS is entered into the trihedral kernel-based approach, including both fuzzy imperialist competitive algorithm (FICA) and incremental wrapper subset selection (IWSS) to find the intersected most RTMTS (IMRTMTS). As a complementary step, the filter-wrapper scenario in point-based mode (PFWM) is conducted for selecting MDTFs per time series in IMRTMTS. Finally, the aggregated MDTFs (AMDTFs) are tested to verify their efficacy for TSP based on cross-validation. The results show that the proposed framework has prediction accuracy greater than 98 % and a processing time of 52.94 milliseconds for TSA.

**INDEX TERMS** Fuzzy imperialist competitive algorithm (FICA), most discriminative transient features (MDTFs), support vector machine (SVM), transient stability assessment (TSA).

## I. INTRODUCTION

The public vital utilities like water, telecom, natural gas, transportation, and oil reached conjunction with electric power. In fact, electricity supply securely and adequately called grid reliability plays the pivot role to keep the normal operation in interdependent infrastructure. However, the power outage raised due to the problem of quality and resiliency is the main concern for the senior manager at power energy developments. Hence, changing the power energy landscape via electricity restructuring is emerged as a necessary paradigm to achieve a reliable power supply. One of the important aspects of the restructured system is to be equipped

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with the real-time advanced statistic dashboard mounted on a wide-area monitoring system (WAMS) like phasor measurement units (PMUs). Such a PMU-assisted metering framework makes possible the awareness-based actions by power system operators (PSOs) via joint synchronization status-reported (JSSr) of power system components toward power system stability [1]. One of the significant issues in power system stability studies is addressing the JSSr of power system components under large and sudden disturbance, namely transient stability assessment (TSA) [2]. Since fast-occurred dynamic responses at high sampling frequency are the dominant property in transient space, conducting timely ancillary services accompanied with fast detection of instability is an essential task [3]. However, such time-oriented transient analysis (TA) can affect the accuracy of TSA. In fact, finding an

approach that makes a trade-off between paradoxically intertwined indices, namely accuracy and the processing time, is the most significant concern on TSA. To this end, data mining (DM) technology has been considered by scholars as a way out of this challenge. The DM offers the feature subset selection (FSS) process for compacting the curse of dimensionality in transient space. In fact, the FSS process by selecting optimal features against high dimensional transient space shrouded the mentioned challenge and balanced the inconsistent indices toward high performance on TSA. Hence, the feature selection problem (FSP) as a joint study has been considered by scholars in transient processes in power systems and machine learning scope. Making the literature review on the FSP-based TSA studies shows this fact that the FSS applied by scholars on transient space including two approaches: 1) information theory/filter-based approach; for example, in Reference [4], the extended Relief-based feature selection algorithm called ReliefF finds the most sensitive features via relevance index for monitoring rotor fault on induction motors. Also, the minimum-redundancy and maximum-relevance (mRMR) applied on features related to power and angle for large-scale power systems TSA have been considered in [5], [6]. In Reference [7], the fast correlation-based filter method (FCBF) to eliminate irrelevant features is applied for the total transfer capability calculation considering static security, static voltage stability, and transient stability. Also, measuring correlations between variables via partial mutual information (PMI) and Pearson correlation coefficient (PCC) has been considered for selecting key features on TSA in [8], and 2) filter-wrapper approach; In Reference [9], the optimal features called global trajectory clusters feature subset (GTCFS) are selected from the large observations of rotor angle and voltage magnitude swing curves by the filter-wrapper approach in the form of the Relief-support vector machine (SVM) scenario for TSP. Also, a two-stage feature selection method including normalized mutual information (NMI) and binary particle swarm optimization (BPSO) has been considered to select the final optimal feature subset for TSP in [10].

Regardless of proposed well-suited solutions against the FSP in high dimensional transient space; in this paper, designing an inclusive FSS scheme is on the agenda regarding the following two aspects:

a) In previous studies on FSP-based TSA, selecting optimal features is triggered via point-based data type characteristic of dynamic responses. Regardless of the proper efficacy of point-oriented FSS, the exploration of the intrinsic traits into excursions of transient multivariate time series (TMTS) is an unvetted issue in the feature selection mechanism. In fact, ignoring the dynamic behavior per univariate trajectory-face of TMTS caused to prevent surviving optimal-blurred features. Hence, the necessity of regarding the cross-effects of point and trajectory-oriented behavior of TMTS for selecting the most discriminative transient features (MDTFs) motivated us to follow this point.

b) Designing the novel FSS scheme compatible with the matter raised in terms of (a) aspect is addressed as a challenge that did not occur in FSP-based TA previous research. In fact, lack of consideration to the intrinsic characteristics in point and trajectory-face of transient responses in previous FSP-based TSA negatively affects the training and testing procedure of classification techniques, which leads to low accuracy on TSP. In other words, selecting the best-laid feature set is the necessary concern to achieve high-performance (time and accuracy) on TSP. This challenge can be solved via conducting the FSS process in the form of a bi-mode scenario. In fact, presenting the framework that can consider the point and trajectory-face of transient response behavior in the feature selection process cohesively is intended in this paper.

According to what was mentioned above, one of the greatest challenges faced in TSA is large amounts of instances, and there are time series features, which consist of the long sequence with members from  $i^{th}$  to  $j^{th}$ . Therefore, the FSS is one of the useful ways of reducing the dimensionality of TMTS space. In fact, improvement in accuracy rate and reduction in processing time for TSA by exploiting optimal features are considered in this paper. As can be seen in Fig. 1, our proposed framework for TSA including three steps. In the first step, database construction by using power system component features on the New England-New York interconnection (NETS-NYPS) grid case is considered in the form of transient 28-variate time series. Next, we offer a bi-mode hybrid feature selection scheme (BMHFSS) as the cornerstone of our integrated research program on TSA, which consists of two modes: (1) the trajectory-based filter-wrapper mode (TFWM) and (2) the point-based filter-wrapper mode (PFWM). The TFWM reducing the high dimensional space of TMTS in two phases: a) filter phase; information theory criteria are applied on TMTS via agglomerative hierarchical clustering (AHC) for selecting relevant TMTS (RTMTS), and b) in the wrapper phase, the RTMTS is entered into the trihedral kernel-based approach including both fuzzy imperialist competitive algorithm (FICA) and incremental wrapper subset selection (IWSS) to find the intersected most RTMTS (IMRTMTS). As the second mode of BMHFSS, the PFWM is conducted to select MDTFs per time series in IMRTMTS called aggregated MDTFs (AMDTFs). In the last step of the proposed framework, evaluating the efficacy of AMDTFs for TSA is considered by conducting a cross-validation technique.

The rest of the paper is organized as follows: we elaborate the BMHFSS strategy based on the dual-mode in Section 2. Experimental results of the proposed framework are presented in Section 3. Finally, the conclusion is presented in Section 4.

## II. BI-MODE HYBRID FEATURE SELECTION SCHEME (BMHFSS)

### A. OVERALL THE TFWM STRATEGY

The TFWM was embedded in BMHFSS for addressing the behavioral content of transient samples in a trajectory

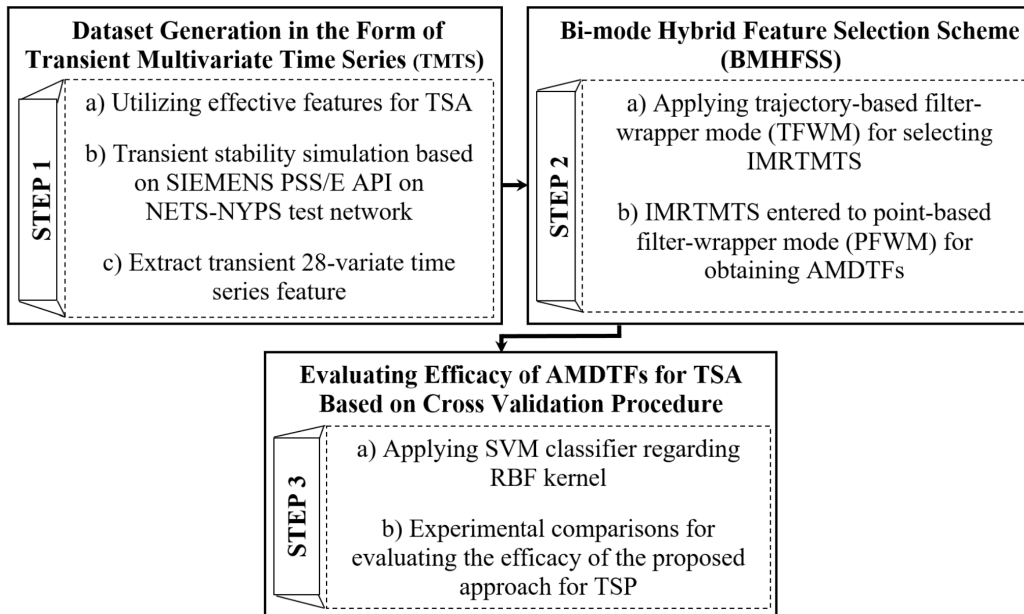


FIGURE 1. The proposed framework for TSA based on BMHFSS.

manner. To this end, information theory criteria and hyperplane-based learning strategy regarding this point were applied to TMTS for selecting RTMTS. The visual summary of the TFWM, including filter and wrapper phase, is shown in Fig. 2. The detailed descriptions of these phases are offered in the following paragraphs:

### 1) FILTER PHASE OF TFWM

In this phase, which is independent of the learning algorithm and according to statistical and intrinsic characteristics of the features, the dependency of each feature on the target class is measured, and the features are sorted according to their weight. Then, features with weights more than a threshold is selected and placed in the selected subset. Before proceeding to this phase, transient samples are clustered per univariate trajectory of TMTS (UToTMTS) using agglomerative hierarchical clustering (AHC) [11] to provide trajectory-based FSS implementation conditions. This section is considered a preprocessing step for the filter phase. One of the important issues in AHC clustering is the selection of suitable distance measurement for the computation of distances between trajectory-type objects. Historical distance measurement (e.g., Euclidean, Manhattan) that aligns the  $i^{th}$  point on one trajectory with the  $i^{th}$  point on another will produce a poor similarity in score distance and affect the learning model in terms of TSA. Dynamic time warping (DTW) [12] is a method for finding an optimal match between two given sequences. The DTW has advantages over the Euclidean distance in the aspect of its elastic and robust matching; therefore, it is used in forming the distance matrix of AHC. After the application of the preprocessing step,

relevance, interdependence, and redundancy analysis based on information theory criteria are considered. In terms of relevance, symmetric uncertainty (SU) [13] based on mutual information (MI) and entropy is used to measure the amount of information shared by two variables as (1):

$$SU_{i,c}(F_i, C) = 2 \frac{MI(F_i; C)}{H(F_i) + H(C)} \quad (1)$$

where  $F_i$  is the feature and  $C$  target class. Also,  $MI(F_i; C)$  and  $H(C)$  is considered as (2) and (3), respectively:

$$MI(X; Y) = H(X) - H(X|Y) \quad (2)$$

Let  $X$  be a discrete random variable and probability density function  $p(x) = \Pr\{X = x\}$ :

$$H(X) = - \sum_{x \in X} p(x) \log p(x) \quad (3)$$

In terms of interdependence and redundancy analysis (IR), redundancy and the interdependent ratio between two features are used, which is given as (4):

$$IR(i, j) = 2 \frac{MI(F_i; C|F_j) - MI(F_i; C)}{H(F_i) + H(C)} \quad (4)$$

where  $-1 \leq IR(i, j) \leq 1$ .

The detailed description of the filter phase of the TFWM is considered as the following steps:

**Step 1)** filter phase of the TFWM contains a preliminary step for clustering time series data per UToTMTS. To this end, three different techniques of AHC, namely single-linkage [14], complete linkage [14], and average linkage [15] are applied to the TMTS dataset. First, the proximity matrix (PM)

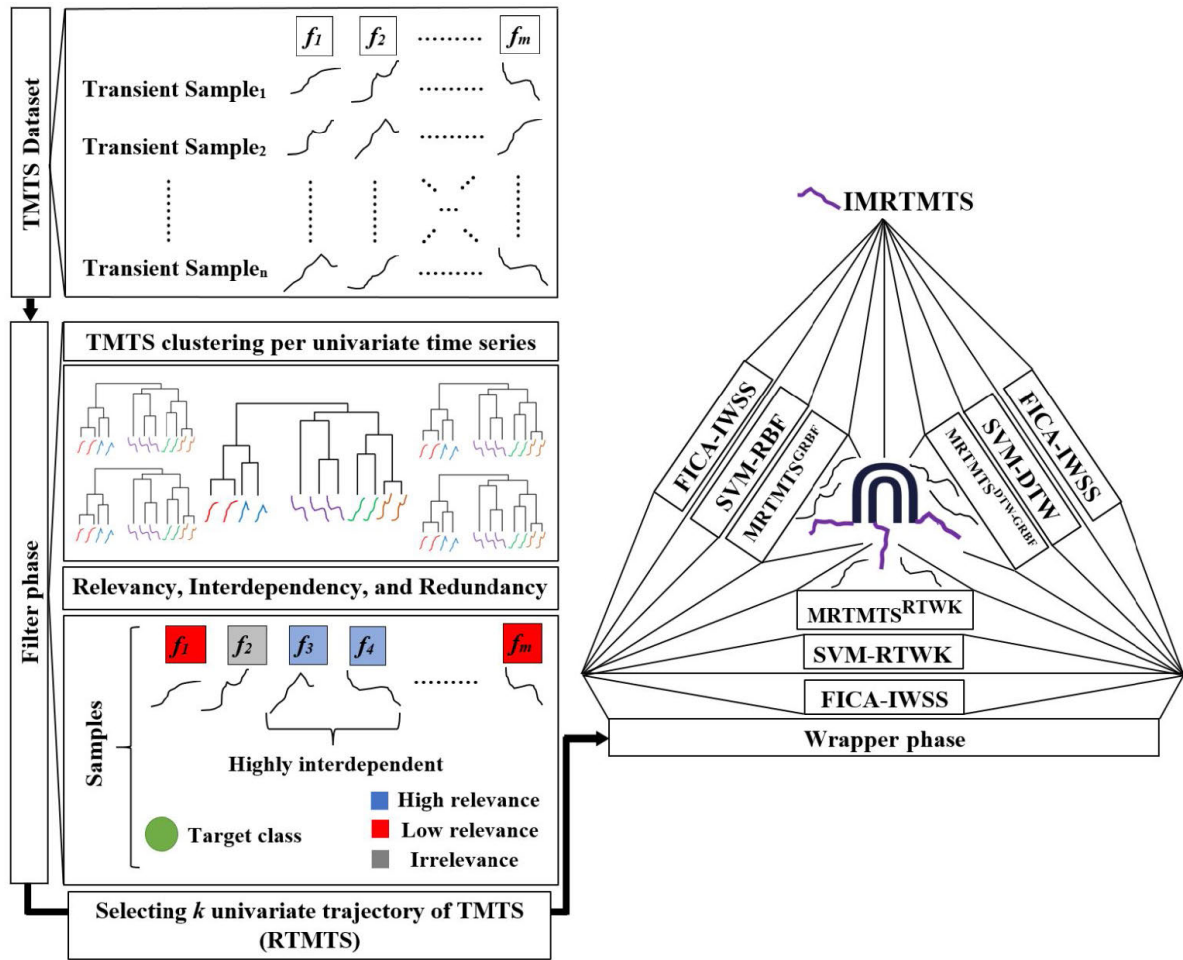


FIGURE 2. Visual summary of TFWM strategy.

is calculated by DTW:

$$PM(i, j) = \text{distance}^{DTW}(UToTMTS_i, UToTMTS_j) \quad (5)$$

where  $1 \leq i, j \leq 28$  and measure is defined as (6):

$$\text{distance}^{DTW}(A_1^p, B_1^q) = d(a(p), b(q)) + \text{Min} \begin{pmatrix} \text{distance}^{DTW}(A_1^{p-1}, B_1^q) \\ \text{distance}^{DTW}(A_1^{p-1}, B_1^{q-1}) \\ \text{distance}^{DTW}(A_1^p, B_1^{q-1}) \end{pmatrix} \quad (6)$$

$d(\cdot, \cdot)$  is the  $L^p$  norm, and  $A_1^p$  is a sequence with a discrete index varying between 1 and  $p$ . Given the distance matrix PM, the linkage functions generate a hierarchical cluster tree returning the linkage information based on method type in a matrix  $R^{[S|C|A]}$  as (7):

$$[R^{[S|C|A]}]_{n-1 \times 3} = \text{Linkage}^{\text{functions}:S|C|A}(PM) \quad (7)$$

where  $[R^{[S|C|A]}]$  is the matrix output by the linkage function which its size is  $(n-1)$ -by-3 matrix,  $n$  the numbers of observations in the TMTS, and  $(S|C|A)$  are single, complete and average functions as clustering approach respectively.

To investigate natural cluster divisions per UToTMTS based on triple approach, cross-correlation coefficient or cophenetic correlation (CP) [16] is used as (8):

$$CP = \frac{\sum_{i < j} (x(i, j) - \bar{x}) \cdot (t(i, j) - \bar{t})}{\sqrt{\sum_{i < j} (x(i, j) - \bar{x})^2 \cdot \sum_{i < j} (t(i, j) - \bar{t})^2}} \quad (8)$$

where  $x(i, j) = |X_i - X_j|$ , the DTW distance between the  $i^{th}$  and  $j^{th}$  observations and  $t(i, j)$  is the dendrogrammatic distance between the model points  $T_i$  and  $T_j$ . This distance is the height of the node at which these two points are first joined together.  $\bar{x}$  is the  $x(i, j)$  average, and  $\bar{t}$  is the average of the  $t(i, j)$ . In fact, in natural cluster divisions, the linking of objects in the hierarchical cluster tree has a proper correlation with the distances between objects in the distance vector. The cophenetic correlation compares these two sets of values and calculates their correlation. The closer value to 1 shows the clustering is quite fit. In fact, after clustering all UToTMTS based on the triple linkage function,  $m$  CPs are obtained for each AHC technique. Thereafter, the average of CPs is

considered as the accuracy rate of each AHC technique for clustering the trajectory data.

**Step 2)** After the clustering process, in the first step of the filter phase, the weight per UToTMTS computed using SU measure (See Equation (1)) represents the degree of importance of the UToTMTS. By selecting UToTMTS with the highest SU called  $UToTMTS^{h(1)}$ , it is situated in the RTMTS subset as the  $RTMTS^1$ :

$$RTMTS^1 = UToTMTS^{h(1)} = \text{Max}(SU_{[UToTMTS^{1:28}]}) \quad (9)$$

**Step 3)** The injection of  $IR$  ratio (Equation. (4)) in SU amount is considered in this step. Based on (4), we have:

$$\begin{aligned} & SU_{[UToTMTS^{1:28} - UToTMTS^{h(1)}]}^{New} \\ &= W^{(1)} \cdot * (SU_{[UToTMTS^{1:28} - UToTMTS^{h(1)}]}); \\ & W^{(1)} \\ &= W^{(0)} \cdot * IR(UToTMTS^{1:28} - UToTMTS^{h(1)}, UToTMTS^{h(1)}) \end{aligned} \quad (10)$$

where  $W^{(0)}$  for initializing the weight per UToTMTS (28-variate trajectory features) to 1 equally.

Now,  $UToTMTS^2$  is selected and added to RTMTS subset:

$$\begin{aligned} RTMTS^2 &= UToTMTS^{h(2)} \\ &= \text{Max}(SU_{[UToTMTS^{1:28} - UToTMTS^{h(1)}]}^{New}) \end{aligned} \quad (11)$$

**Step 4)** We repeat this scenario to select the  $k^{th}$  member of RTMTS subset as follow:

$$\begin{aligned} & SU_{[UToTMTS^{1:28} - UToTMTS^{h(1):h(k-1)}]}^{New} \\ &= W^{(k-1)} \cdot * (SU_{[UToTMTS^{1:28} - UToTMTS^{h(1):h(k-1)}]}); \quad (12) \\ & W^{(k-1)} \\ &= W^{(k-2)} \cdot * IR(UToTMTS^{1:28} - UToTMTS^{h(1):h(k-1)}, \\ & \quad UToTMTS^{h(k-1)}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} RTMTS^k & \\ &= UToTMTS^{h(k)} \\ &= \text{Max}(SU_{[UToTMTS^{1:28} - UToTMTS^{h(1):h(k-1)}]}^{New}) \end{aligned} \quad (13)$$

After applying the filter phase of TFWM on TMTS,  $[RTMTS]_{n \times k \times c}$  where  $n$  is the number of transient samples,  $k$  number of selected features (called  $RTMTS^1$  to  $RTMTS^k$ ), and  $c$  is the number of observed cycles after fault clearing; entered into the wrapper phase of TFWM equipped with hyperplane-based learning strategies.

## 2) WRAPPER PHASE OF TFWM

After completing the two-stage filter phase, selected RTMTS is entered as input into the wrapper phase. The wrapper phase is used to cover the shortcoming of the filter phase in ignoring the accuracy of the classifier. In this phase, both FICA and IWSS are applied to find the most relevant TMTS (MRTMTS) subset in the wrapper phase. The IWSS is one of the hybrid feature selection algorithms for the selection

of the most relevant features [17]. Generally, in hybrid methods like IWSS, the weighting process is conducted on the features in the filter phase, and features are sorted according to their weight. Then, an incremental mechanism is used to select a subset of features. At first, the selected subset is empty, and in the first iteration, the feature that has the highest weight is added to the selected subset. Then, a classifier is trained based on the selected subset, and classification accuracy is saved as the best result. In subsequent iterations, the new features with high weight are added to the selected subset, and a classifier is trained based on it. If by adding a new feature, accuracy increased against the preceding subset accuracy, the feature has remained in the selected subset; otherwise, this attribute is removed, and the next feature is added (See Fig. 3).

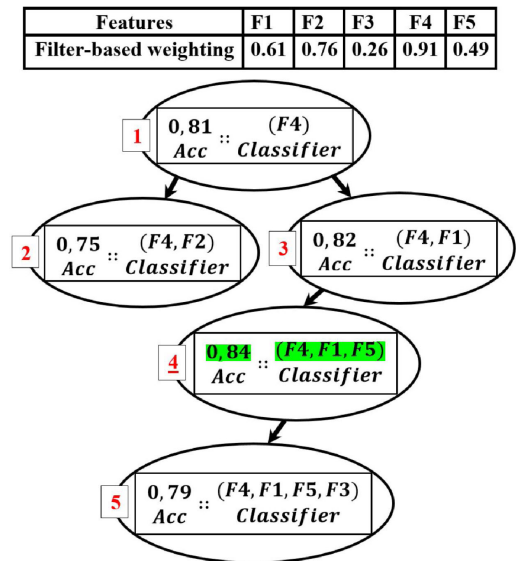


FIGURE 3. The IWSS algorithm.

The imperialist competitive algorithm (ICA) is one of the evolutionary techniques for solving optimization problems. ICA shows convergence and high speeds in comparison with other evolutionary algorithms (e.g., genetic algorithm (GA), simulated annealing (SA), etc.) in the presence of a large number of independent variables [18]. In recent years, more researchers working on ways to improve ICA and its efficiency in solving optimization problems, but weaknesses like falling into local optimum points are the main challenges of this algorithm. The FICA is an improved version of ICA [19] with higher convergence and speed rate than ICA and solves the mentioned challenges against optimization problems. To solve a given optimization problem using FICA, it can be assumed that there are  $N$  countries (or features), and each country represents the trajectory-face features in the RTMTS space. Among them, countries with the lowest cost according to optimization problems are considered imperialist, and the rest are considered colonies. FICA considers imperialist as a fuzzy set and colonies as a member of

imperialist communities that are associated with the specific membership function for each colony [19].

In the following example, the typical iteration of the wrapper phase according to Fig. 4 is offered for readers at a glance for a better understanding of how each step is formalized.

*Example:* Let us assume an iteration of wrapper phase:

**E.1. WRAPPER PHASE; FICA Initialization**

**E.1.1.** Formation of countries (See Fig. 5 (a)):  $N$  countries are created based on selected RTMTS of filter phase by weighted random selection.

**E.1.2.** Cost calculation: Cost per country as (14) is calculated using IWSS:

$$\text{CountryCost}^i = 1 - \text{SVM Classification Accuracy}_{\text{Kerneltype}}^{\text{IWSS}}(\text{country}^i) \quad (14)$$

where SVM in (14) is a robust classification technique that maximizes predictive accuracy without overfitting training data. SVM is originally designed to be a binary classification, and it follows the principle of structural risk minimization. SVM employs a separating hyperplane with low structural risk in the classification of data and is not linearly separable in feature space. The optimization problem and the constraints of SVM are defined according to (15):

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha^* &= \arg \min_{\alpha} \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^l \sum_{j=1}^l \alpha_i \alpha_j y_i y_j K(x_i, x_j) - \sum_{k=1}^l \alpha_k; \\ 0 &\leq \alpha_i \leq C, \sum_{j=1}^l \alpha_j y_j = 0, \quad i, j = 1, \dots, l \end{aligned} \quad (15)$$

where  $K(x_i, x_j)$  for projecting TMTS space to a higher dimension space. The optimal separating hyperplane in feature space is determined by solving (16):

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= \text{sgn} \left( \sum_{i \in s} \alpha_i y_i K(x_i, x) + b \right); \\ b &= \frac{1}{s} \sum_{i \in s} \left[ y_i - \sum_j \alpha_j y_j K(x_j, x_i) \right] \end{aligned} \quad (16)$$

For calculating  $\text{CountryCost}^i$  in (14), the accuracy index is used for the evaluation of classifier performance as (17):

$$\text{Acc} = \frac{\text{True Positive (TP)} + \text{True Negative (TN)}}{\text{TP} + \text{TN} + \text{False Positive (FP)} + \text{False Negative (FN)}} \quad (17)$$

where *Positive*: identified stable sample, *Negative*: identified unstable sample, *TP*: correctly identified stable sample, *TN*: correctly identified unstable sample, *FP*: incorrectly identified stable sample, and *FN*: incorrectly identified unstable sample.

**E.2. WRAPPER PHASE; FICA main body** (e.g.,  $i^{\text{th}}$  iteration)

**E.2.1.** Determination of imperialists and colonies ((See Fig. 5 (b))): Countries are sorted based on country cost, then by defining threshold parameter countries with low

cost are selected as imperialist (green-face), and the rest are considered as a colony (blue-face).

**E.2.2.** Construction of membership matrix ((See Fig. 5 (c))): In FICA, each colony belongs to each imperialist according to a membership function.

**E.2.3.** Absorption phase ((See Fig. 5 (d))): After calculating the membership degree of each colony per imperialist, colonies must move towards the position of imperialists. The higher degree of colony membership caused the  $j^{\text{th}}$  imperialist to have more impact on the colony movement. The number of features that should be transferred from all imperialists to colony  $i$  are computed according to the absorption phase equations. Fig. 5 (e) shows features per colony after implementation of the absorption phase.

**E.2.4.** Revolution phase: To implement the revolution phase, all countries (colony and imperialist countries) are sorted according to their cost. Then, a percentage of high-cost countries are discarded, and new countries are created (See E.1.1). Then, new countries are substituted with the removed countries.

According to the designed strategy in the wrapper phase, MRTMTS is selected based on the FICA-IWSS mechanism accompanied by the SVM classifier. An important point to note is that the SVM in FICA-IWSS used for cost calculation per country has an important embedded component, namely kernel type (See Equation (14)) that impacts the performance of SVM, which itself affect the TFWM capacity for selecting the MRTMTS (transitive relation). In fact, the choice of the efficient kernel function caused to constructs an optimal separating hyperplane against the TMTS space. Hence, we consider three efficient kernels plugged into SVM to feed the FICA-IWSS for selecting MRTMTS as follows:

(a) Standard Gaussian radial basis function (GRBF) [20]: GRBF kernel as  $K(x, x')$  in (15) is defined as (18):

$$K(x, x') = \exp \left( -\frac{\|x - x'\|^2}{2\sigma^2} \right) \quad (18)$$

where  $\|x - x'\|^2$  is squared Euclidean distance between the two time series feature.

(b) DTW in Gaussian RBF kernel (DTW-GRBF kernel) [21]: Since the DTW outperforms Euclidean distance in most cases because its matching is elastic and robust, it is tempting to substitute DTW distance for Euclidean distance in the Gaussian RBF kernel and plug it into SVM for sequence classification. Hence, the DTW-GRBF kernel as  $K(x, x')$  in (15) is defined as (19):

$$K(x, x') = \exp \left( -\frac{[\text{distance}^{\text{DTW}}(A_1^p, B_1^q)]^2}{2\sigma^2} \right) \quad (19)$$

where;

$$\begin{aligned} &\text{distance}^{\text{DTW}}(A_1^p, B_1^q) \\ &= d(a(p), b(q)) + \text{Min} \left( \begin{aligned} &\text{distance}^{\text{DTW}}(A_1^{p-1}, B_1^q) \\ &\text{distance}^{\text{DTW}}(A_1^p, B_1^{q-1}) \\ &\text{distance}^{\text{DTW}}(A_1^p, B_1^{q-1}) \end{aligned} \right) \end{aligned}$$

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*****
(WRAPPER PHASE: PRELIMINARY STEP)
*****
RTMTSk = {UToTMTS1, UToTMTS2 ..., UToTMTSk}; % selected RTMTS based on two-stage filter
phase entered to the preliminary step of wrapper phase.
(1) for i=1 to k
(2) ProbScoreUToTMTS[i] = SU(UToTMTSi)/Σj=1k SU(UToTMTSj); % The probability score
per UToTMTS is calculated via retrieved SU value of filter phase. This score is used for weighted random
choice in country creation.
(3) end
*****
(WRAPPER PHASE: FICA INITIALIZATION)
*****
(4) NSubRTMTS = x; % Number of UToTMTS (SubRTMTS) assigned per country.
(5) NSubRTMTScounts = y; % Number of countries including SubRTMTS.
(6) NSubRTMTSimp = NSubRTMTScounts × l; % Number of imperialist countries including SubRTMTS. e.g., l=0.2
(7) NSubRTMTScol = NSubRTMTScounts - NSubRTMTSimp; % Number of colony countries including SubRTMTS.
(8) for i=1 to NSubRTMTScounts
(9) CountrySubRTMTS[i] =
datasample(RTMTS, NSubRTMTS, without Replacement, ProbScoreUToTMTS[1:k]); % Selecting for
typical country based on probability scores of RTMTS. The RTMT with a high probability score has more
chance for selecting as a member of the country. The subset of RTMTS is selected per country.
(10) CountryCostSubRTMTS[i] = 1 - SVM Classification AccuracyKernel typeIWSS(CountrySubRTMTS[i]);
% Cost calculation per country based on its SubRTMTS using IWSS and kernel type: GRBF || DTW-GRBF ||
RTWK.
(11) end
*****
(WRAPPER PHASE: FICA MAIN BODY)
*****
(12) for iteration=1 to z
(13) SortedCountriesCost[1:NSubRTMTScounts] =
Ascending Sorting (CountryCostSubRTMTS[1:NSubRTMTScounts]) % Countries sorted based on CountryCost in
an ascending manner
(14) for i=1 to NSubRTMTSimp
(15) ImperialistCountrySubRTMTS[i] =SortedCountriesCost[i]; % Imperialist countries array
(16) end
(17) for i=1 to NSubRTMTScol
(18) ColonyCountrySubRTMTS[i] =SortedCountriesCost[i + Numimperialist]; % Colony
countries array
(19) end

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∀ i ∈ {1: Numcolony} & ∀ j ∈ {1: Numimperialist}; we have:
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(20) NEoNC(i, j) =
NumElenon-common(ColonyCountrySubRTMTS[i], ImperialistCountrySubRTMTS[j]); % Number elements
of non-common (NEoNC) SubRTMTS between imperialist countries and colony countries.
(21) NC(j) = Max(ImperialistCountrySubRTMTScost[1:NSubRTMTSimp]) -
ImperialistCountrySubRTMTScost[j]; % Normalize the cost of imperialist countries.

(22) ColonyCountry[i] (ImperialistCountry[j]) (P; a, b) = {
0, x ≤ a
2((x-a)/(b-a))2, a ≤ x ≤ (a+b)/2
1 - 2((x-b)/(b-a))2, (a+b)/2 ≤ x ≤ b
1, x ≥ b
:
} % Formation of membership

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FIGURE 4. Pseudocode of wrapper phase (FICA-IWSS) embedded to TFWM.

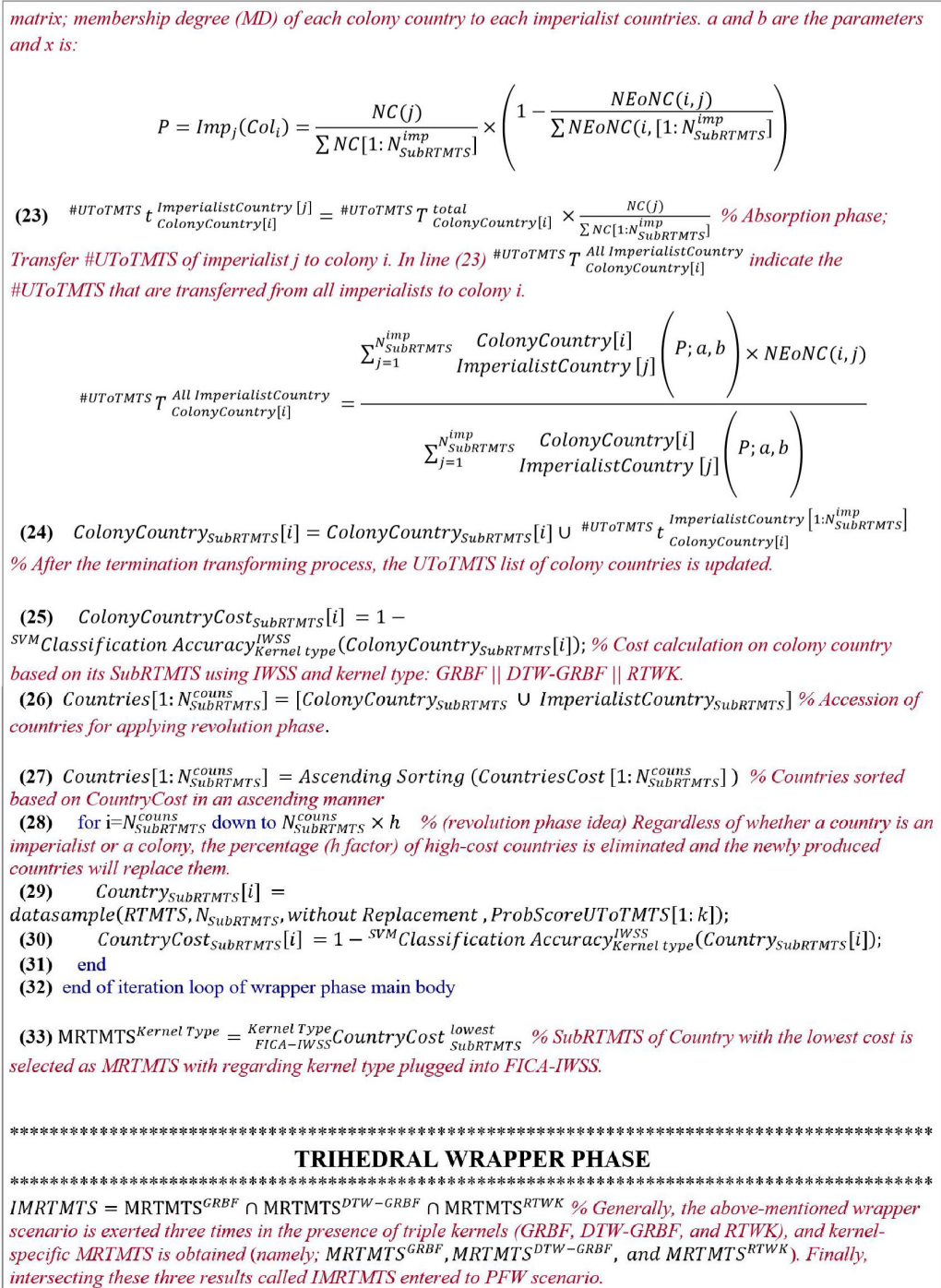


FIGURE 4. (Continued.) Pseudocode of wrapper phase (FICA-IWSS) embedded to TFWM.

(c) Recursive time warp kernel, called RTWK [22]: The positive definite recursive elastic kernels outperform the distance substituting kernels for the classical elastic distances. A function  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle : U \times U \rightarrow R$  is called a recursive time warp kernel (RTWK) if, for any pair of sequences  $A_1^p, B_1^q$  there exists a function  $f : R \rightarrow R$  such that the following

recursive equation is satisfied:

$$\langle A_1^p, B_1^q \rangle = \sum \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \langle A_1^{p-1}, B_1^q \rangle f(\Gamma(A(p) \rightarrow \Lambda)) \\ \langle A_1^p, B_1^{q-1} \rangle f(\Gamma(A(p) \rightarrow B(q))) \\ \langle A_1^p, B_1^{q-1} \rangle f(\Lambda \rightarrow B(q)) \end{array} \right. \quad (20)$$



| (a) Formation of countries |                 |     |     |     |     | (b) Determination of imperialists and colonies |                 |     |     |     |
|----------------------------|-----------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|--|-----------------|-----|-----|-----|
| Country                    | RTMTS ( $F_i$ ) |     |     |     |     | Country  | RTMTs ( $F_i$ ) |     |     |     |
| 1                          | F1              | F4  | F7  | F9  | F14 | 1 imp  | F1              | F4  | F7  | F14 |
| 2                          | F12             | F23 | F17 | F21 | F9  | 2 col  | F12             | F23 | F17 |     |
| 3                          | F1              | F20 | F14 | F17 | F4  | 3 imp  | F1              | F20 | F14 |     |
| 4                          | F1              | F4  | F17 | F20 | F7  | 4 col  | F1              | F4  | F17 |     |
| 5                          | F20             | F23 | F22 | F1  | F4  | 5 imp  | F20             | F23 | F22 |     |

| (c) Membership matrix |                  |                  |                  | (d) No. transitional RTMTS ( $F_i$ ) for each empire |                  |                  |                  |
|-----------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|--|------------------|------------------|------------------|
|                       | imp <sup>1</sup> | imp <sup>2</sup> | imp <sup>3</sup> |  | imp <sup>1</sup> | imp <sup>2</sup> | imp <sup>3</sup> |
| $F_{imp}(col^1)$      | 0.12             | 0.32             | 0.09             | Count <sub>1</sub> (imp <sup>↓</sup> )               | 1                | 1                | 0                |
| $F_{imp}(col^2)$      | 0.05             | 0.18             | 0.45             | Count <sub>2</sub> (imp <sup>↓</sup> )               | 0                | 1                | 2                |

| (e) Colony RTMTS ( $F_i$ ) after implementing absorption phase |                     |                       |
|--|---------------------|-----------------------|
|  | Before absorption : | After absorption      |
| Colony <sup>1</sup>  | F12-F23-F17         | F12-F23-F17-F1-F20    |
| Colony <sup>2</sup>  | F1-F4-F17           | F1-F4-F17-F14-F20-F22 |

FIGURE 5. The wrapper phase (FICA-IWSS) of TFWM in  $i^{th}$  iteration.

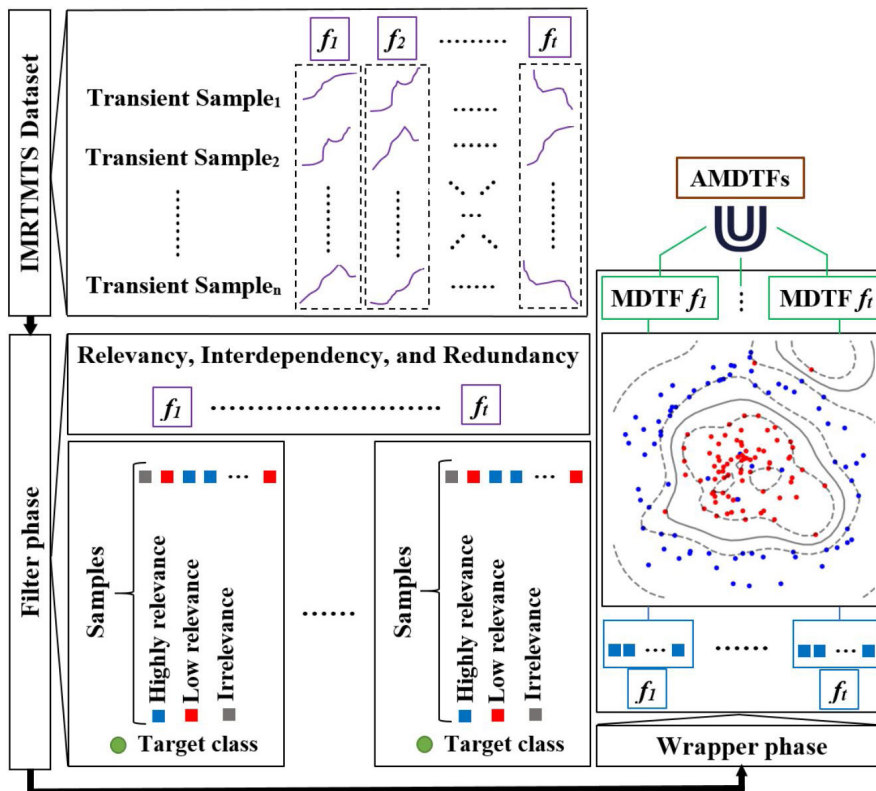


FIGURE 6. Visual summary of PFWM strategy.

Let  $U$  be the set of finite sequences (sequences or time series);  $U = \{A_1^p | p \in \mathbb{N}\}$ .  $A_1^p$  is a sequence with a discrete index varying between 1 and  $p$ . Also,  $\Gamma(h)$  is the cost function for edit operation.

According to what was mentioned above, we confronted the trihedral wrapper phase based on triple kernels for conducting wrapper phase (trihedral FICA-IWSS) of the TFWM. In fact, three categories of MRTMTS based on kernel

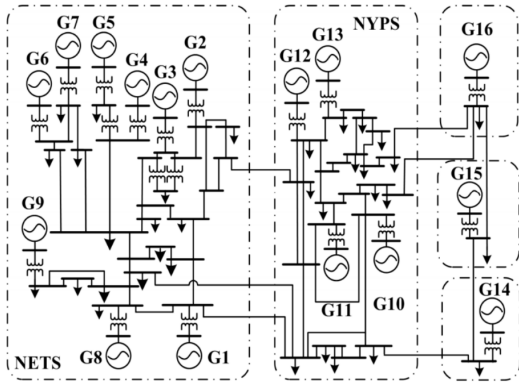


FIGURE 7. Single line diagram of NETS-NYPS grid case.

substitution in FICA-IWSS are obtained which is called  $MRTMTS^{GRBF}$ ,  $MRTMTS^{DTW-GRBF}$ , and  $MRTMTS^{RTWK}$  (See Fig. 2). Hence, the intersection of obtained results in three categories was considered as intersected MRTMTS. Finally, by performing the wrapper phase of the TFWM based on RTMTS, the obtained IMRTMTS are entered into the PFWM.

**B. OVERALL THE PFWM STRATEGY**

As the complementary mode of the proposed BMHFSS, the obtained IMRTMTS (obtained from the TFWM strategy) as input is fed to the PFWM strategy. In fact, for selecting MDTFs, the point-based filter-wrapper strategy is applied per trajectory of IMRTMTS individually. Finally, after obtaining MDTFs for each trajectory of IMRTMTS, the aggregated MDTFs (AMDTFs) are selected as final optimum features. The graphical abstract of the PFWM strategy is shown in Fig. 6. As can be seen in Fig. 6, the filter and wrapper phases are applied on each trajectory-face member of the IMRTMTS subset, and MDTFs per trajectory are selected. Finally, by aggregating the trajectory-specific MDTFs, the AMDTFs are obtained as final survived features. We elaborated on the PFWM strategy in the following steps:

After conducting TFWM strategy, we have:

$$IMRTMTS^t = \{UToTMTS^1, UToTMTS^2, \dots, UToTMTS^t\} \tag{21}$$

The following steps are conducted for each  $UToTMTS$  of  $IMRTMTS$  subset. For  $i^{th}$   $UToTMTS$ , we have:

**Step 1)** The weight per point-feature (PF) of  $UToTMTS^i$  computed using SU measure (See Equation (1)) represents the degree of importance of the PF of  $UToTMTS^i$ . By selecting PF with the highest SU called  $PF^{h(1)}$ , it is situated in the preliminary MDTFs subset of  $UToTMTS^i$  as the  $pMDTFs$ .

$$UToTMTS_i^{PF^{h(1)}} = \text{Max} \left( SU_{[UToTMTS_i^{PF^{1:s}}]} \right); \tag{22}$$

$(1 \leq i \leq t), s$  number of point-feature in  $UToTMTS^i$

TABLE 1. Transient multivariate time series features (28-variate).

| Math formula   |
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| $F_1^{t_m} = \text{Max}([\frac{PELEC_i}{P_{\text{max}_i}}]^{i=1:N_{\text{genbus}}})$                   |
| $F_2^{t_m} = \text{Var}([\frac{PELEC_i}{P_{\text{max}_i}}]^{i=1:N_{\text{genbus}}})$                   |
| $F_3^{t_m} = \text{Max}([\frac{QELEC_i}{Q_{\text{max}_i}}]^{i=1:N_{\text{genbus}}})$                   |
| $F_4^{t_m} = \text{Min}([\frac{QELEC_i}{Q_{\text{max}_i}}]^{i=1:N_{\text{genbus}}})$                   |
| $F_5^{t_m} = \text{Var}([\frac{QELEC_i}{Q_{\text{max}_i}}]^{i=1:N_{\text{genbus}}})$                   |
| $F_6^{t_m} = \text{Max}([VOLT_i]^{i=1:N_{\text{bus}}})$  |
| $F_7^{t_m} = \text{Var}([VOLT_i]^{i=1:N_{\text{bus}}})$  |
| $F_8^{t_m} = \text{Max}([VANGLE_i]^{i=1:N_{\text{bus}}}); \text{ slack bus} = 0$                       |
| $F_9^{t_m} = \text{Min}([VANGLE_i]^{i=1:N_{\text{bus}}}); \text{ slack bus} = 0$                       |
| $F_{10}^{t_m} = \text{Var}([VANGLE_i]^{i=1:N_{\text{bus}}}); \text{ slack bus} = 0$                    |
| $F_{11}^{t_m} = \text{Max}(\text{abs}([VANGLE_i - VANGLE_j]^{i,j=1:N_{\text{bus}}}))$                  |
| $F_{12}^{t_m} = \text{Mean}(\text{abs}([VANGLE_i - VANGLE_j]^{i,j=1:N_{\text{bus}}}))$                 |
| $F_{13}^{t_m} = \text{Var}(\text{abs}([VANGLE_i - VANGLE_j]^{i,j=1:N_{\text{bus}}}))$                  |
| $F_{14}^{t_m} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{N_{\text{busgen}}} QLOAD_i}{\sum_{i=1}^{N_{\text{busgen}}} QELEC_i}$ |
| $F_{15:28}^{t_m} = \text{Gradient of features } F_1 - F_{14}$  |

Symbol:  $t_m$ = moments in simulation time [1: s],  $N_{\text{bus gen}}$  = number of bus generator in test case, PELEC= machine electrical power (pu),  $P_{\text{max}}$ = maximum amount of machine electrical power, QELEC=machine reactive power,  $Q_{\text{max}}$ = maximum amount of machine reactive power, Qload= reactive power consumption, Volt= bus pu voltages,  $N_{\text{bus}}$ = number of buses in test case, VANGLE= voltage phase angle, Var= variance, Max= maximum, Min= minimum, Mean= average.



length ( $\{1\#$ ,  $\{2\#$  to  $\{r\#$ ) are obtained. Finally, according to (27), the  $p$ MDTFs with length  $x$  which is caused to high prediction accuracy are selected as MDTFs of  $UToTMTS^i$ .

In the final step of the PFWM strategy, the obtained MDTFs per  $UToTMTS^i$  are gathered and AMDTFs is obtained as (28). The size of the 2-dimension AMDTFs matrix is  $[AMDTFs]_{n \times TPF}$  where  $n$  is the number of transient samples, and  $TPF$  (total PF) is the selected total MDTFs of  $UToTMTS_{1:t}$  [selected cycles of  $F_1$  + selected cycles of  $F_2$  + ... + selected cycles of  $F_t$ ].

$$[AMDTFs]_{n \times TPF} = \begin{pmatrix} MDTFs_{\{pMDTFs\}^{len:x\#}}^{UToTMTS_1} \\ \cup \\ MDTFs_{\{pMDTFs\}^{len:x\#}}^{UToTMTS_2} \\ \cup \\ \vdots \\ \cup \\ MDTFs_{\{pMDTFs\}^{len:x\#}}^{UToTMTS_t} \end{pmatrix} \quad (28)$$

### III. EXPERIMENTAL DESIGN

#### A. TRANSIENT DATASET CONSTRUCTION

In this paper, transient data required to exert all scenarios embedded in the proposed framework (See Fig. 1) is generated through coupling Python code and SIEMENS power system simulator for engineering (PSS/E) planning tools. SIEMENS PSS/E is a powerful network analysis tool, and Python technology has powerful data processing modules. Hence, interlacing python into PSS/E leading to results in high reliability for dynamic simulation [23]. In this section, contingencies that are generated using the PSS/E application program interface (API) routine are substation outages, generator outages, line outages, and random combinations of generator and line outages. Also, time parameters of dynamic simulation, including fault duration time (0.23 second (s)) and fault clearing time (after the end of fault duration time) regarded at 0.0167 s time step. For each transient sample, 4 cycles (0.0668 s) per univariate time series are observed after fault clearing time for required analysis in the proposed framework. Furthermore, different load characteristics are considered in generating dynamic responses of the test systems. This parameter is used to convert the constant MVA load for a specified grouping of network loads to a specified mixture of the constant MVA, constant current, and constant admittance load characteristics. The test system used in this

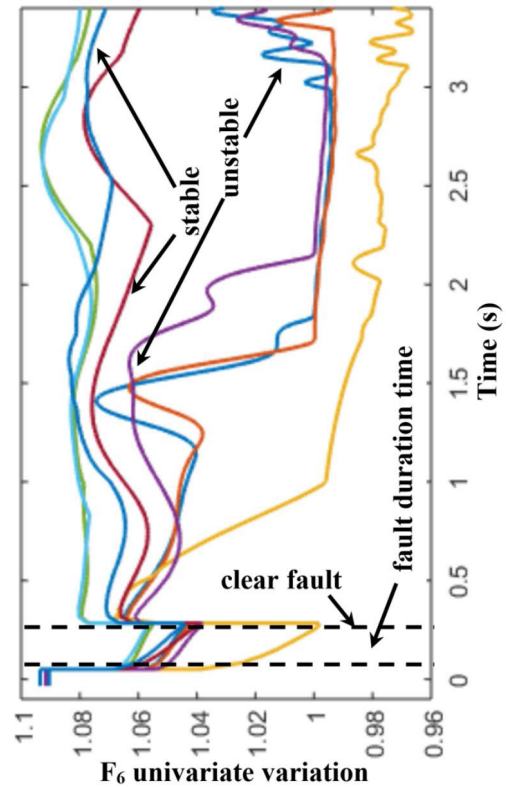


FIGURE 9. The transient samples stability status based on monitoring  $F_6$  excursions: stable and unstable samples.

paper is the 68-Bus New England-New York Interconnection (NETS-NYPS) system (See Fig. 7) [24]. In all, 800 simulation transient samples were generated based on defined 28-variate trajectory features [25]–[27] (See Table 1) for existing processes in our study. As a concise report of transient sample recording workflow, according to Fig. 8, after implementing the Python code to save the channel activity behavior of the desired attributes (e.g., voltage, active power, and so on), the PSSPLT module is employed to put the data into a common file format (e.g., text file) (See level 2 of Fig. 8). When all contingency samples of the test systems are obtained, the data file is sent to the feature calculation module in MATLAB to extract the desired features (See level 4 of Fig. 8). For example, Fig. 9 shows the  $Max[busvoltage]$  variations ( $F_6$  univariate of 28-variate time series in Table 1) for stable and unstable samples of the NETS-NYPS grid case.

$$MDTFs_{\{pMDTFs\}^{len:x\#}}^{UToTMTS_i} = \{pMDTFs\}^{len:x\#} [Max_{Acc^{\#}}(Z)]$$

$$Z = \begin{pmatrix} Acc^{1\#} = SVMClassifier^{Kernel:GRBF}(UToTMTS_i^{\{pMDTFs\}^{len:1\#}}) \\ Acc^{2\#} = SVMClassifier^{Kernel:GRBF}(UToTMTS_i^{\{pMDTFs\}^{len:2\#}}) \\ \vdots \\ Acc^{r\#} = SVMClassifier^{Kernel:GRBF}(UToTMTS_i^{\{pMDTFs\}^{len:r\#}}) \end{pmatrix} \quad (27)$$

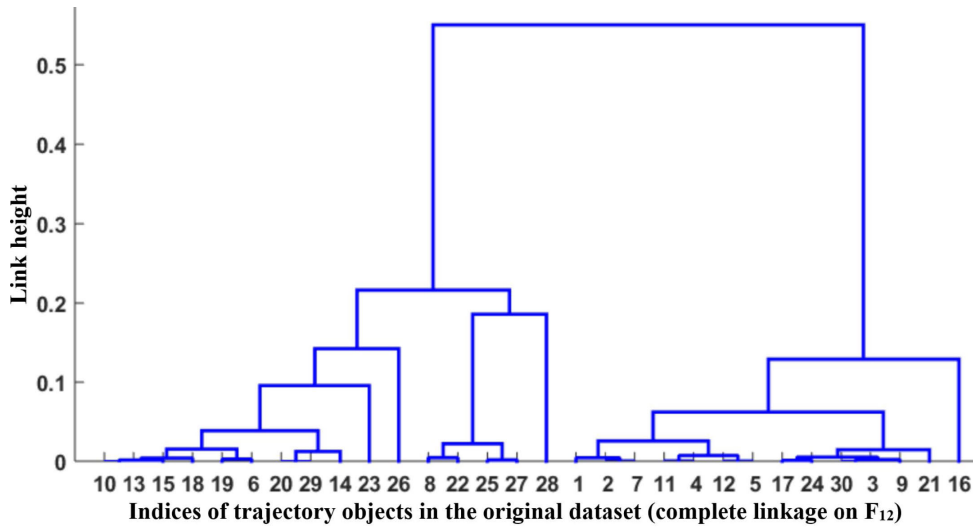


FIGURE 10. The hierarchical cluster tree of  $F_{12}$  based on the complete linkage function.

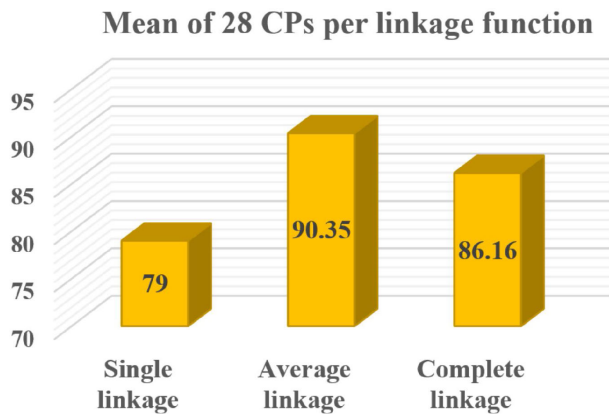


FIGURE 11. The CP rate per linkage function.

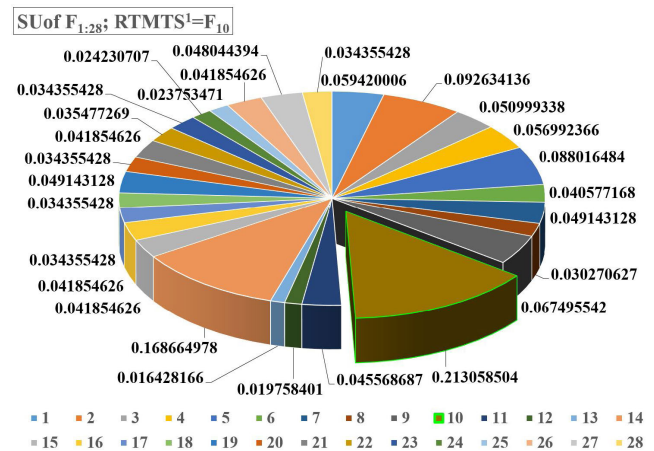


FIGURE 12. Weights of 28 trajectory features obtained by SU measure;  $RTMTS^1 = F_{10}$ .

**B. OBTAINED RESULTS BASED ON BMHFSS**

1) TFWM STRATEGY RESULTS

a: FILTER PHASE OF TFWM

According to what was mentioned in Step 1 of Section 2.1, the calculated proximity matrix via DTW (Eqs. (5), (6)) for TMTS is entered into linkage functions to generate a hierarchical cluster tree per UToTMTS (Eq. (7)). For example, the hierarchical cluster tree of  $F_{12}$  UToTMTS (See Table 1) based on the complete linkage method is shown in Fig. 10.

After clustering 28 UToTMTS based on triple AHC techniques (single, complete and average linkage), linkage function-specific 28 CPs are obtained based on Eq. (8). Fig. 11 shows the mean of 28 CPs (accuracy rate) in clustering solution per AHC technique which the average linkage outperforms the other two linkage functions in clustering the trajectory data. Hence, In the continuation of the TFWM strategy, we will use the results obtained from this approach. After conducting the preprocessing step based on the average linkage method, we first ranked the 28 UToTMTS based on the SU measure (See Eqs. (1) to (3)). Fig. 12 shows the

SU amount of 28 trajectory features. Thereafter, we follow Steps 2 to 4 of TFWM’s filter phase by using Eqs. (9) to (13). Based on Step 2, UToTMTS with the highest SU called  $UToTMTS^{h(1)}$  is situated in the RTMTS subset as the  $RTMTS^1$  (See Eq. (9)). As can be seen in Fig. 12,  $F_{10}$  has a highest SU among other trajectory features. Hence,  $F_{10}$  is considered as the  $RTMTS^1$ . Next, by considering Eqs. (10) to (13),  $k-1$  other RTMTS are selected according to the obtained results of Figure 13. By performing the filter phase of TFWM, 22 RTMTS of the 28 initial trajectory features including  $F_1: F_{11}, F_{14}, F_{15}, F_{16}, F_{18}; F_{22}, F_{24}, F_{26}$ , and  $F_{27}$  are selected. Figure 13 shows the weights of the features and selected feature (point explosion in 3-D pie) in each filter phase execution. In fact, each 3-D pie in Fig. 13 shows how  $k-1$  RTMTS is selected by conducting the TFWM filter phase. For example, after selecting UToTMTS with the highest SU, called  $RTMTS^1 = F_{10}$  based on Eq. (9),  $F_{10}$  was removed from the feature set with 28 members (a green-face legend

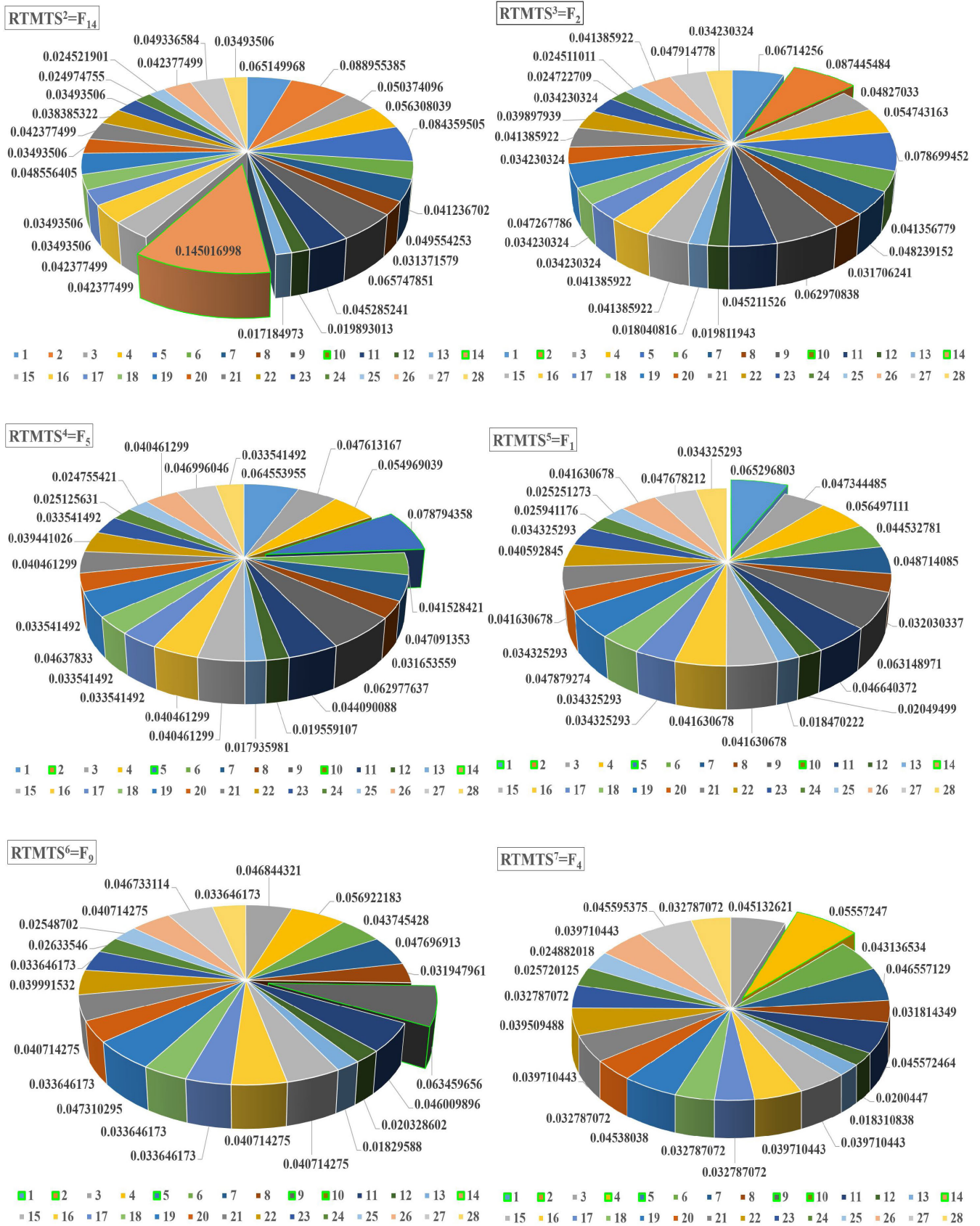


FIGURE 13. Selecting RTMTS subset based on filter phase of FWM strategy.

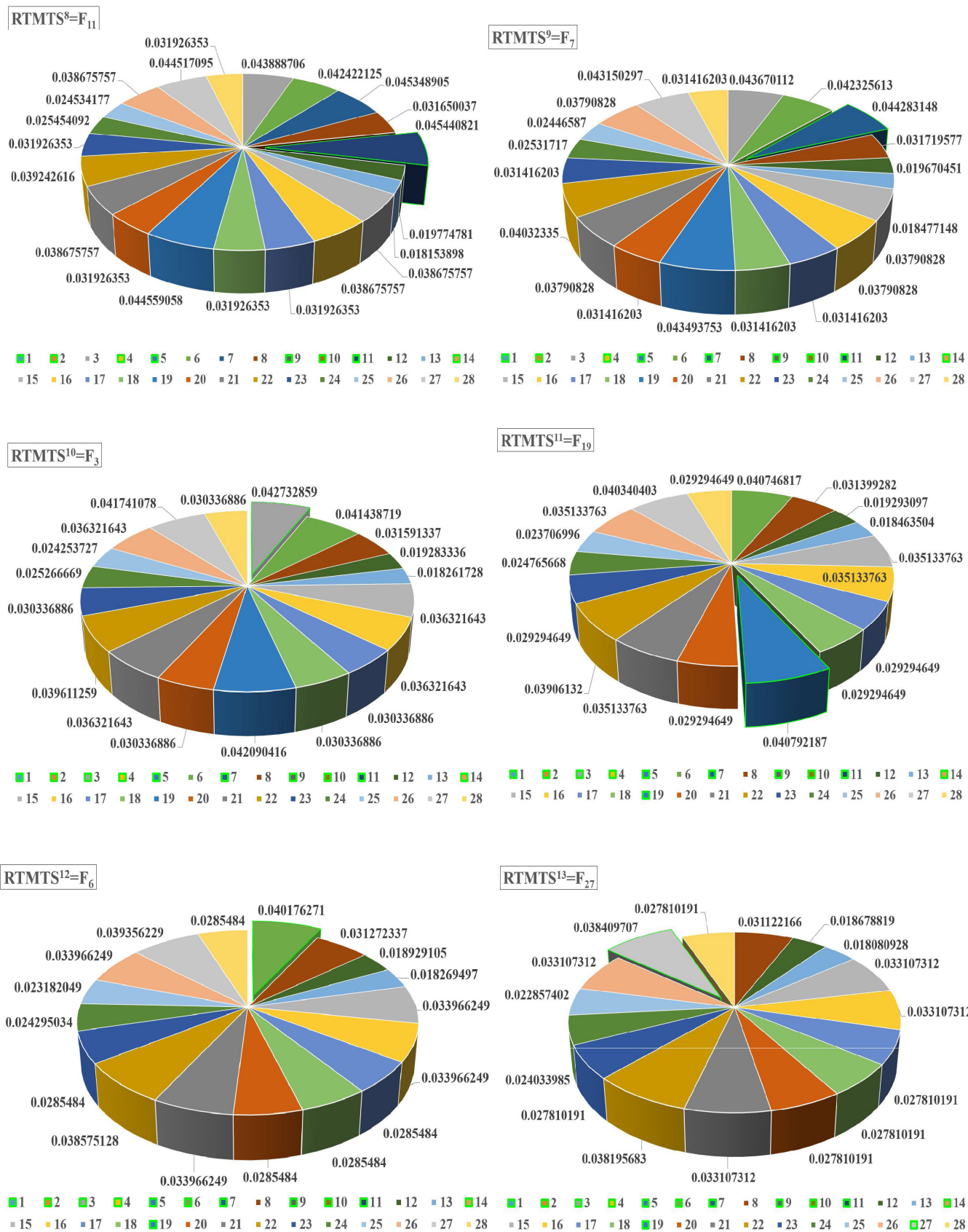
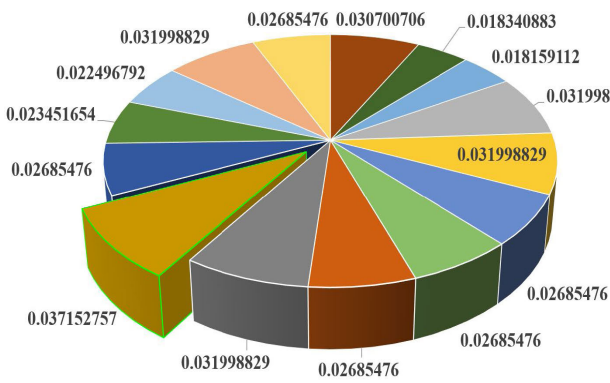


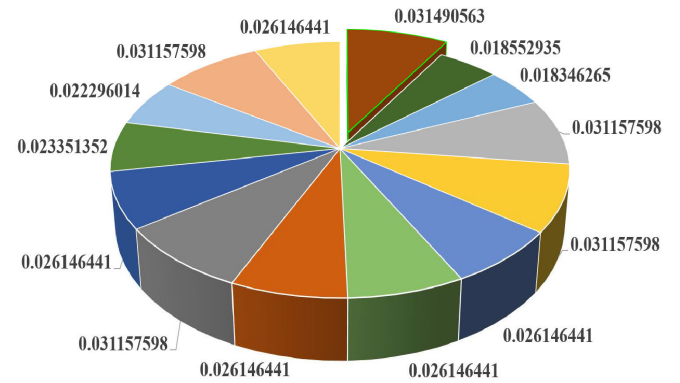
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RTMTS<sup>14</sup>=F<sub>22</sub>



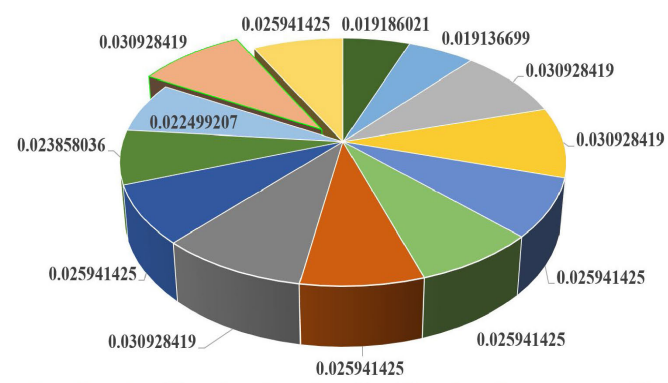
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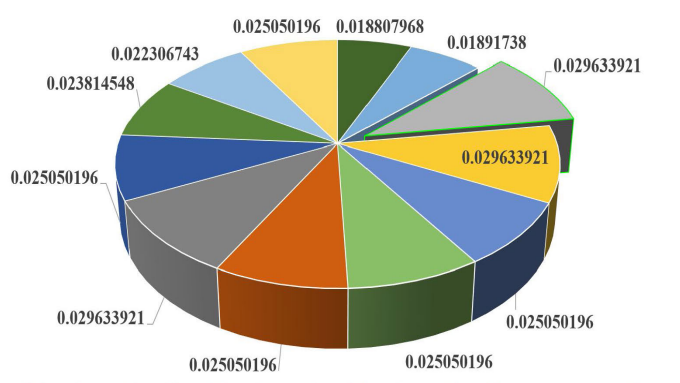
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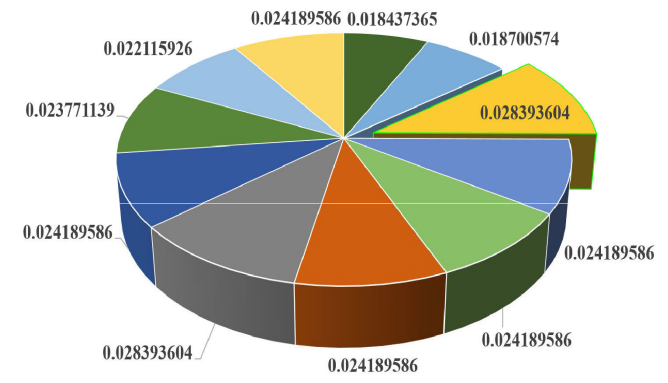
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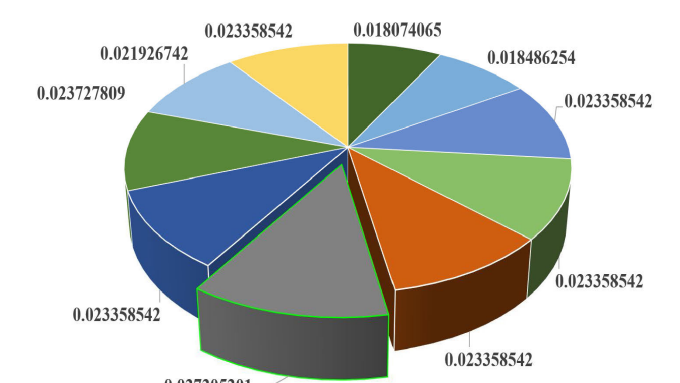
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RTMTS<sup>18</sup>=F<sub>16</sub>



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FIGURE 13. (Continued.) Selecting RTMTS subset based on filter phase of TFWM strategy.



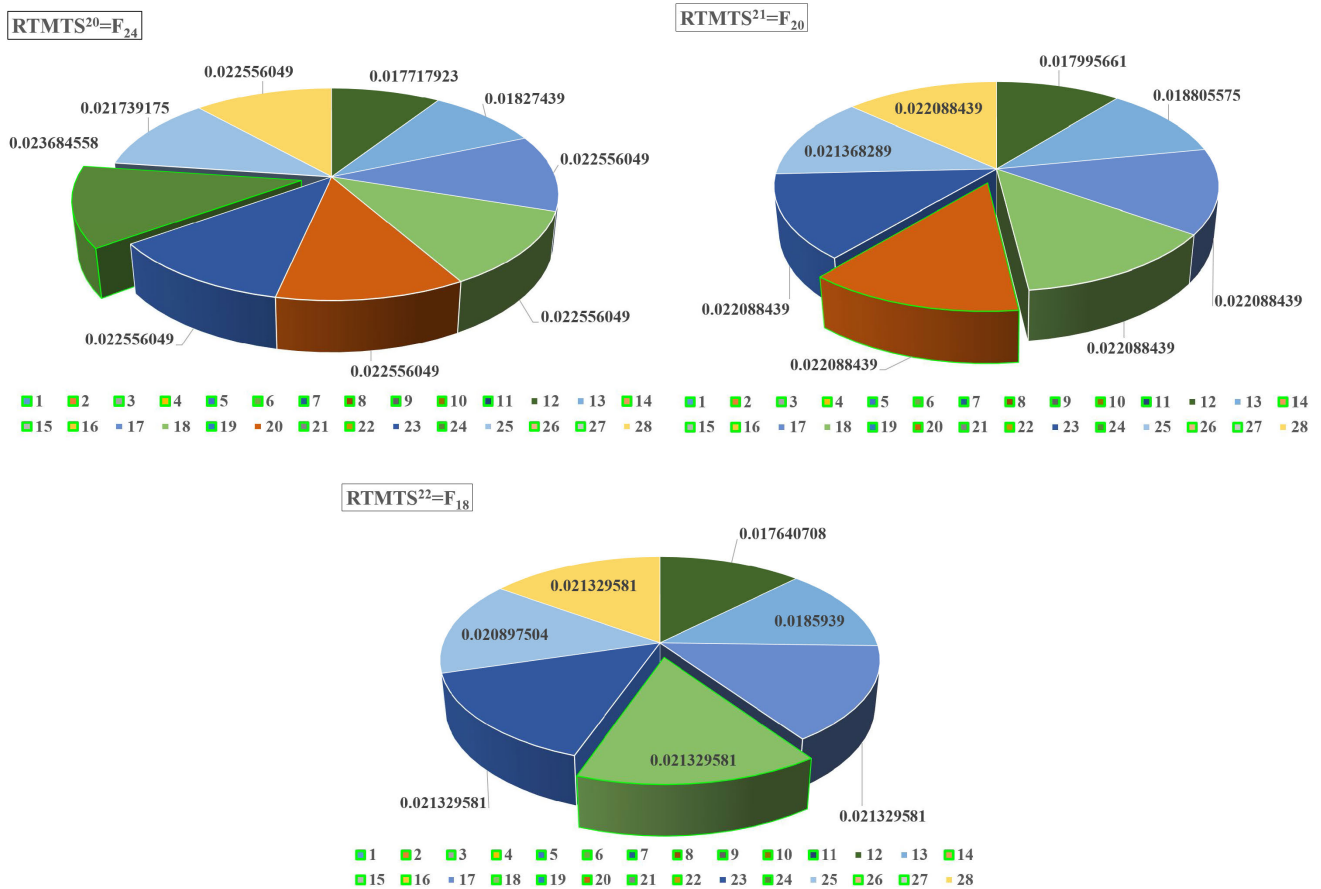


FIGURE 13. (Continued.) Selecting RTMTS subset based on filter phase of TFWM strategy.

in Fig. 12). Next, by considering the Eq. (10), the  $IR$  value (refer to Eq. (4)) of the remaining features (27 features minus  $F_{10}$ ) in the presence of  $F_{10}$  was calculated and then multiplied to  $W^{(0)}$  ( $W^{(0)}$  represents the initial weight of the features which is equal to 1). In this way, the new weight of 27 features called  $W^{(1)}$  is obtained. Then,  $W^{(1)}$  is multiplied by the  $SU$  value of 27 features, and thereafter each feature has the new value called  $SU^{New}$ . Now, according to Eq. (11), the feature with the highest  $SU^{New}$  is selected as  $RTMTS^2$  (namely  $F_{14}$ ; point explosion in the top-left corner 3-D pie of the first 3-D package of Fig. 13). For selecting  $k-2$   $RTMTS$ , this process continues as Eqs. (12) and (13).

*b: WRAPPER PHASE OF TFWM*

After conducting the filter phase of TFWM, the  $RTMTS$  subset (22-variate transient time series features) is entered into the wrapper phase of TFWM mounted on a trihedral kernel-based approach including, FICA-IWSS scenario to find  $IMRTMTS$  (See second subsection of Section 2.1 including Fig. 4 and example of an iteration of the wrapper phase). In fact, the wrapper phase of TFWM based on the FICA-IWSS scenario is exerted three times in the presence of the triple kernel (Eq. (18) to Eq. (20): GRBF, DTW-GRBF, and RTWK) for learning

TABLE 2. Selecting  $IMRTMTS$  based on FICA-IWSS accompanied with triple kernel.

| FICA-IWSS: kernel         | MRTMTS <sup>kernel</sup>   |
|---------------------------|--|
| FICA-IWSS: GRBF           | MRTMTS <sup>GRBF</sup> : [ $F_2, F_{10}, F_{14}, F_{22}, F_{24}$ ] |
| FICA-IWSS: DTW-GRBF       | MRTMTS <sup>DTW-GRBF</sup> : [ $F_2, F_{10}, F_{14}, F_{22}$ ]     |
| FICA-IWSS: RTWK           | MRTMTS <sup>RTWK</sup> : [ $F_2, F_{10}, F_{14}, F_{15}$ ]         |
| <b>IMRTMTS</b>            |  |
| [ $F_2, F_{10}, F_{14}$ ] |  |

procedures in this phase. Consequently, the kernel-specific  $MRTMTS$  involved selected trajectory features in the form of  $MRTMTS^{GRBF}$ ,  $MRTMTS^{GRBF-DTW}$ , and  $MRTMTS^{RTWK}$  are obtained. Thereafter, the intersection of  $MRTMTS^{GRBF}$ ,  $MRTMTS^{GRBF-DTW}$ , and  $MRTMTS^{RTWK}$  called  $IMRTMTS$  is selected as the optimal trajectory features subset in the wrapper phase of TFWM. According to what was mentioned in the wrapper phase of TFWM, the results involved  $MRTMTS$  grouped by kernels and  $IMRTMTS$  are shown in Table 2. For more clarity on details of the obtained results in the wrapper phase, how selecting  $MRTMTS^{DTW-GRBF}$  ( $F_2, F_{10}, F_{14}, F_{22}$ ) via FICA-IWSS based on DTW-GRBF kernel conducted in two iterations are shown in Fig. 14 and Fig. 15.

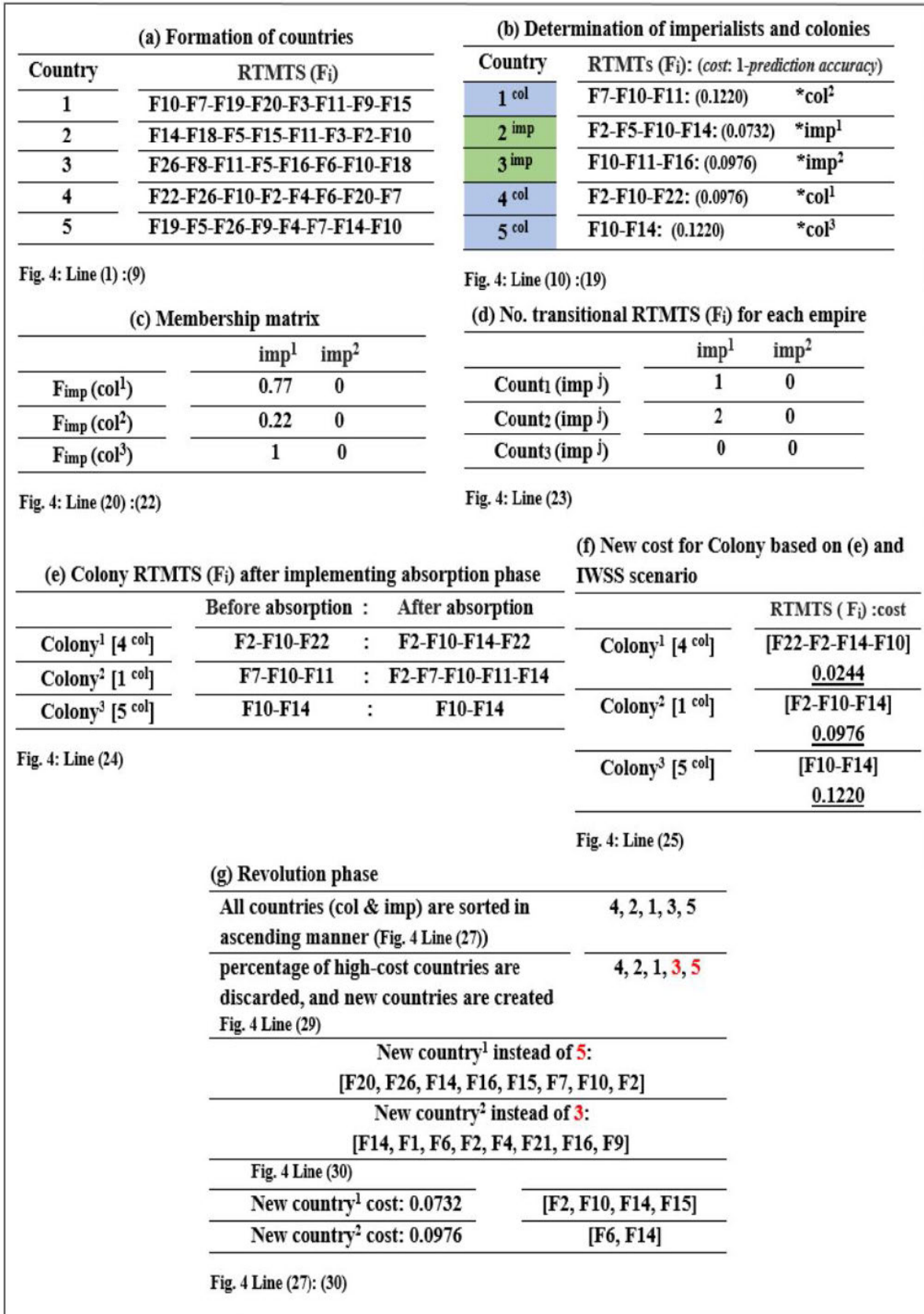
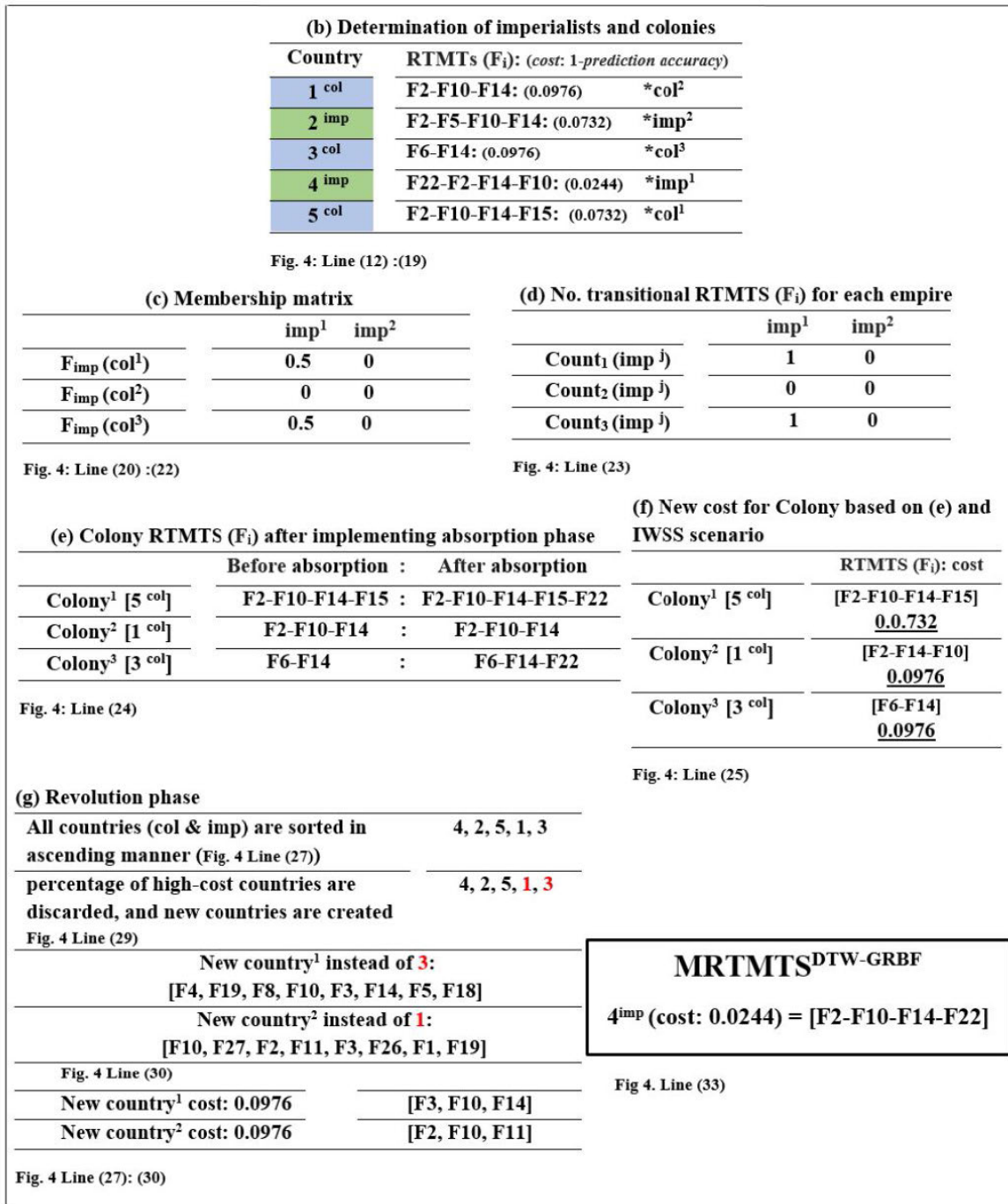


FIGURE 14. The obtained results by applying FICA-IWSS based on DTW-GRBF kernel in the first iteration.



**FIGURE 15.** The obtained results by applying FICA-IWSS based on DTW-GRBF kernel in the second iteration.

To help the reader better understating, the obtained results per step of the wrapper phase are explained in a detailed manner. In the first iteration of FICA-IWSS based on DTW-GRBF kernel (See Fig. 14), five countries (part (a) of Fig. 14) contain 8 features (feature assigned per country based on probability score of 22-variate RTMTS; lines 1-9 of Fig. 4) are obtained. Then, based on the cost factor (Refer to lines 10-19 of Fig. 4), the cost per country was calculated, and

the countries were divided into imperialists (low cost) and colonies (high cost) (part (b) of Fig. 14; e.g., two counties with index 2 and 3 is selected as imperialists and rest (index 1, 4, and 5) is considered as colonies). In part (c) of Fig. 14, the membership degree of each colony per imperialists was calculated according to membership function (lines 20-22 of Fig. 4). Thereafter, the number of features that should be transformed from all imperialists to colonies with index 1,

4, and 5 according to absorption phase (See part (d) and (e); e.g., one feature from imperialist with index 2 should be transformed to the colony with index 4; namely  $F_{14}$ ). After conducting the absorption phase for all colonies, a new cost per colony based on (e) part and IWSS scenario is calculated. Next, according to the revolution phase (See part (g) of Fig. 14), all countries are sorted, and two high-cost countries are discarded (the second row of the part (g) of Fig. 14; countries with index 3 and 5 highlighted by red-face) and new countries are substituted with them (the third and fourth row in part (g) of Fig. 14). In the final step of the first iteration, the cost of new countries was calculated (the fifth row of the part (g) of Fig. 14). Also, these steps are continued for the second iteration of FICAIWSS based on DTW-GRBF which is results are shown in Fig. 15. Furthermore, for selecting  $MRTMTS^{GRBF}$  and  $MRTMTS^{RTWK}$ , the defined scenario in the wrapper phase regarding the other kernels (GRBF and RTWK) for FICAIWSS was followed according to Fig. 4.

2) PFWM STRATEGY RESULTS

After selecting optimal transient trajectory features based on the TFWM strategy in the form of the IMRTMTS subset, namely  $F_2, F_{10}$ , and  $F_{14}$ , we conducted the PFWM strategy, including filter and wrapper phase per element of IMRTMTS subset separately for selecting MDTFs. Hence, in this section, we elaborated on the obtained results of exerting the PFWM strategy in the following paragraphs.

*a: FILTER PHASE OF PFWM*

According to what was mentioned in Section 2.2, first, we conducted the filter phase for selecting preliminary MDTFs-specific per UToTMTS of IMRTMTS subset in the form of the point-feature package  $\{UToTMTS_i^{PF^{h(1)}}, \dots, UToTMTS_i^{PF^{h(r)}}\}$  according to Eq. (22) to Eq. (26) (See Section 2.2; Step 1 to Step 3). We set  $r = 3$  as length of point-feature package ( $\{1\#$ ,  $\{2\#$ , and  $\{3\#$ ) in the preliminary

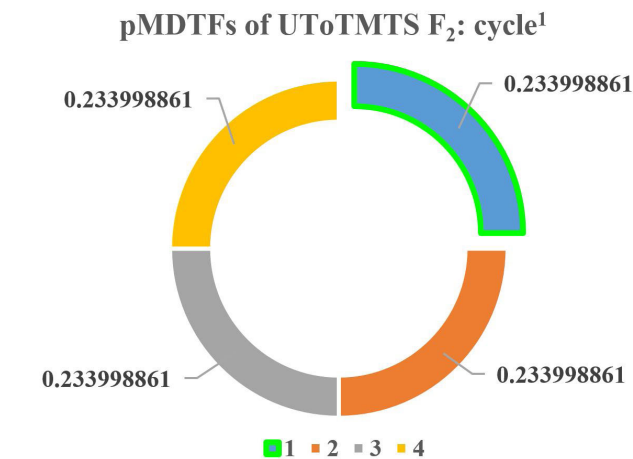


FIGURE 16. Selecting pMDTFs of  $F_2$ (Cycle<sup>1</sup>).

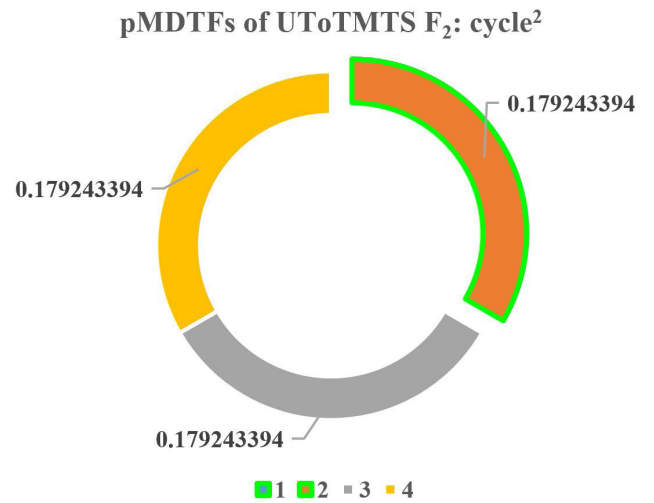


FIGURE 17. Selecting pMDTFs of  $F_2$  (Cycle<sup>2</sup>).

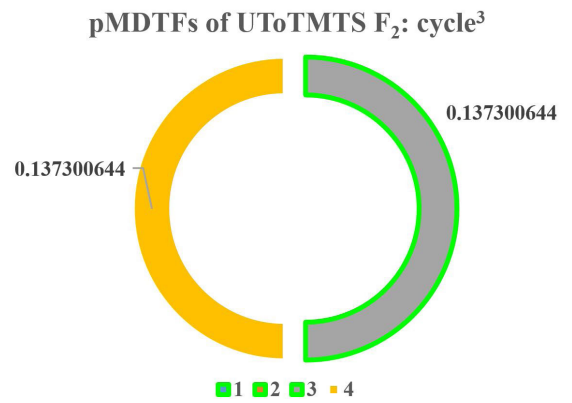


FIGURE 18. Selecting pMDTFs of  $F_2$  (Cycle<sup>3</sup>).

MDTFs subset per  $UToTMTS^i$ . Given that each UToTMTS of IMRTMTS has 4 PF (4 cycles observed after fault clearing time), for example, after conducting filter phase on UToTMTS  $F_2$ , we selected preliminary MDTFs ( $pMDTFs$ ) for  $F_2$  as follow (Fig. 16 to Fig. 18):

$$UToTMTS_{F_2}^{PF^{h(1)}} = cycle^1$$

$$UToTMTS_{F_2}^{\{pMDTFs\}^{len:1\#}} \leftarrow UToTMTS_{F_2}^{PF^{h(1)}} \quad (29)$$

$$UToTMTS_{F_2}^{PF^{h(2)}} = cycle^2$$

$$UToTMTS_{F_2}^{\{pMDTFs\}^{len:2\#}} \leftarrow \{UToTMTS_{F_2}^{PF^{h(1)}}, UToTMTS_{F_2}^{PF^{h(2)}}\} \quad (30)$$

$$UToTMTS_{F_2}^{PF^{h(3)}} = cycle^3$$

$$UToTMTS_{F_2}^{\{pMDTFs\}^{len:3\#}} \leftarrow \{UToTMTS_{F_2}^{PF^{h(1)}}, UToTMTS_{F_2}^{PF^{h(2)}}, UToTMTS_{F_2}^{PF^{h(3)}}\} \quad (31)$$

Also,  $pMDTFs$  for UToTMTS  $F_{10}$  and UToTMTS  $F_{14}$  were obtained according to Table 3.

**TABLE 3.** Selecting point-feature package of  $F_{10}$  and  $F_{14}$ .

| $F_{10}$ : pMDTFs   | $F_{14}$ : pMDTFs   |
|---|---|
| len: 1# {cycle <sup>1</sup> }   | len: 1# {cycle <sup>1</sup> }   |
| len: 2# {cycle <sup>1</sup> , cycle <sup>2</sup> }                      | len: 2# {cycle <sup>1</sup> , cycle <sup>2</sup> }                      |
| len: 3# {cycle <sup>1</sup> , cycle <sup>2</sup> , cycle <sup>3</sup> } | len: 3# {cycle <sup>1</sup> , cycle <sup>2</sup> , cycle <sup>3</sup> } |

- Wrapper phase of PFWM

**TABLE 4.** Selecting high performance point-feature package of  $F_2$ ,  $F_{10}$  and  $F_{14}$ .

| $F_2$ : MDTFs  | $F_{10}$ : MDTFs   |
|--|--|
| len: 1# {cycle <sup>1</sup> };<br>Acc. (79.45 %)   | len: 1# {cycle <sup>1</sup> };<br>Acc. (76.59 %)   |
| len: 2# {cycle <sup>1</sup> , cycle <sup>2</sup> };<br>Acc. (82.52 %)                      | len: 2# {cycle <sup>1</sup> , cycle <sup>2</sup> };<br>Acc. (83.55 %)                      |
| len: 3# {cycle <sup>1</sup> , cycle <sup>2</sup> , cycle <sup>3</sup> };<br>Acc. (84.50 %) | len: 3# {cycle <sup>1</sup> , cycle <sup>2</sup> , cycle <sup>3</sup> };<br>Acc. (84.46 %) |
| $F_2$ : MDTFs  |  |
| len: 1# {cycle <sup>1</sup> }; Acc. (87.50 %)  |  |
| len: 2# {cycle <sup>1</sup> , cycle <sup>2</sup> }; Acc. (88.46 %)                         |  |
| len: 3# {cycle <sup>1</sup> , cycle <sup>2</sup> , cycle <sup>3</sup> }; Acc. (89.48 %)    |  |

**TABLE 5.** The performance metrics.

| Metrics     | Descriptions              |
|-------------|---------------------------|
| Accuracy    | Acc=(TP+TN)/(TP+TN+FP+FN) |
| Sensitivity | TPR=TP/(TP+FN)            |
| Specificity | TNR=TN/(TN+FP)            |

Symbols; P: stable sample, N: unstable sample,  
T: predicted correctly, F: predicted incorrectly

#### b: WRAPPER PHASE OF PFWM

After finding optimal cycles of  $F_2$ ,  $F_{10}$ , and  $F_{14}$  in the form of triple point-feature package, each point-feature package ({1#}, {2#}, and {3#}) belongs to  $UToTMTS^i$  are fed to GRBF-SVM for selecting high-performance point-feature package as the MDTFs for  $UToTMTS^i$  according to Eq. (27) (See Section 2.2; Step 4). As can be seen in Table 4,  $UToTMTS_{\{pMDTFs\}^{len:3\#}}$  for  $F_2$ ,  $F_{10}$ , and  $F_{14}$  has a high performance based on the learning model applied in the wrapper phase of the PFWM strategy.

Finally, the obtained MDTFs per  $UToTMTS^i$  are gathered and AMDTFS (total point-feature: #9) is obtained according

to Eq. (28):

$${}^{TPF:\#9}AMDTFs = \begin{pmatrix} MDTFs_{\{cycle^1, cycle^2, cycle^3\}^{len:3\#}}^{UToTMTS_{F_2}} \\ \cup \\ MDTFs_{\{cycle^1, cycle^2, cycle^3\}^{len:3\#}}^{UToTMTS_{F_{10}}} \\ \cup \\ MDTFs_{\{cycle^1, cycle^2, cycle^3\}^{len:3\#}}^{UToTMTS_{F_{14}}} \end{pmatrix} \quad (32)$$

#### C. TSP BASED ON AMDTFS

After selecting AMDTFs based on BMHFSS, assessing the efficacy of AMDTFs for TSP was considered in this section. To this end, the 10-fold cross-validation technique based on the GRBF-SVM classifier was applied on transient samples of the NETS-NYPS grid case. Also, triple metrics (See Table 5) per folds (10-fold training and testing sets) were considered via fine-tuning on  $C$  and  $\sigma$  to find optimal pairs on GRBF-SVM. These parameters in GRBF-SVM are selected from  $\{C = 2^i | i = 0, 1, \dots, 15\}$  and  $\{\sigma = 2^j | j = -5, -4, \dots, 15\}$ . Based on the learning scenario, the maximum value of the  $Acc$  index per fold is shown in Table 6 (Fig. 19 shows the GRBF-SVM accuracy variations based on fine-tuning ( $C$ ,  $\sigma$ ) in some folds.). Also, according to obtained  $Acc$  per folds,  $TPR$  and  $TNR$  are calculated for more analysis on the performance capacity of AMDTFs on TSP. Finally, the average of triple metrics ( $Acc$ ,  $TPR$ ,  $TNR$ ) in folds are calculated (underline-face in Table 6). As can be seen in Table 6, the classification accuracy of GRBF-SVM based on AMDTFs shows the high-performance capacity for TSP ( $Acc$ : 98.25 %,  $TPR$ : 97.75 %, and  $TNR$ : 98.75 %).

Besides the importance of prediction accuracy on TSA, the low processing time for timely corrective control action (<1 s) [3] is the most significant issue. By considering on transient simulation parameters setting discussed in Section 3.1, 4 cycles after fault clearing time are selected per trajectory features for conducting the proposed FSS scheme. By applying BMHFSS, selected AMDTFs via IMRTMTS does not exceed 3 cycles. Hence, only 3 cycles after fault clearing time are regarded as observation window (50.1 milliseconds (ms)). In addition to the observation window time, the prediction time based on the learning scenario should be

**TABLE 6.** Results of TSP based on AMDTFs.

| Classifier | Test case | 10-fold cross validation  |             |                       |               |  |  |
|------------|-----------|---|-------------|-----------------------|---------------|--|--|
|            |           | Max(Acc.) per fold based on fine-tuning on $C$ and $\sigma$<br>Accuracy [TPR / TNR] |             |                       |               |  |  |
|            |           | fold 1  | fold 2      | fold 3                | fold 4        |  |  |
| GRBF- SVM  | NETS-NYPS | 100   | 97.5        | 96.25                 | 95            |  |  |
|            |           | [100 / 100]   | [100 / 95]  | [92.5 / 100]          | [92.5 / 97.5] |  |  |
|            |           | fold 5  | fold 6      | fold 7                | fold 8        |  |  |
|            |           | 100   | 100         | 97.5                  | 98.75         |  |  |
|            |           | [100 / 100]   | [100 / 100] | [97.5 / 97.5]         | [97.5 / 100]  |  |  |
|            |           | fold 9  | fold 10     |                       |               |  |  |
|            |           | 97.5  | 100         |                       |               |  |  |
|            |           | [97.5 / 97.5]   | [100 / 100] |                       |               |  |  |
|            |           | Mean(measure) of folds: Accuracy [TPR / TNR]  |             | 98.25 [97.75 / 98.75] |               |  |  |

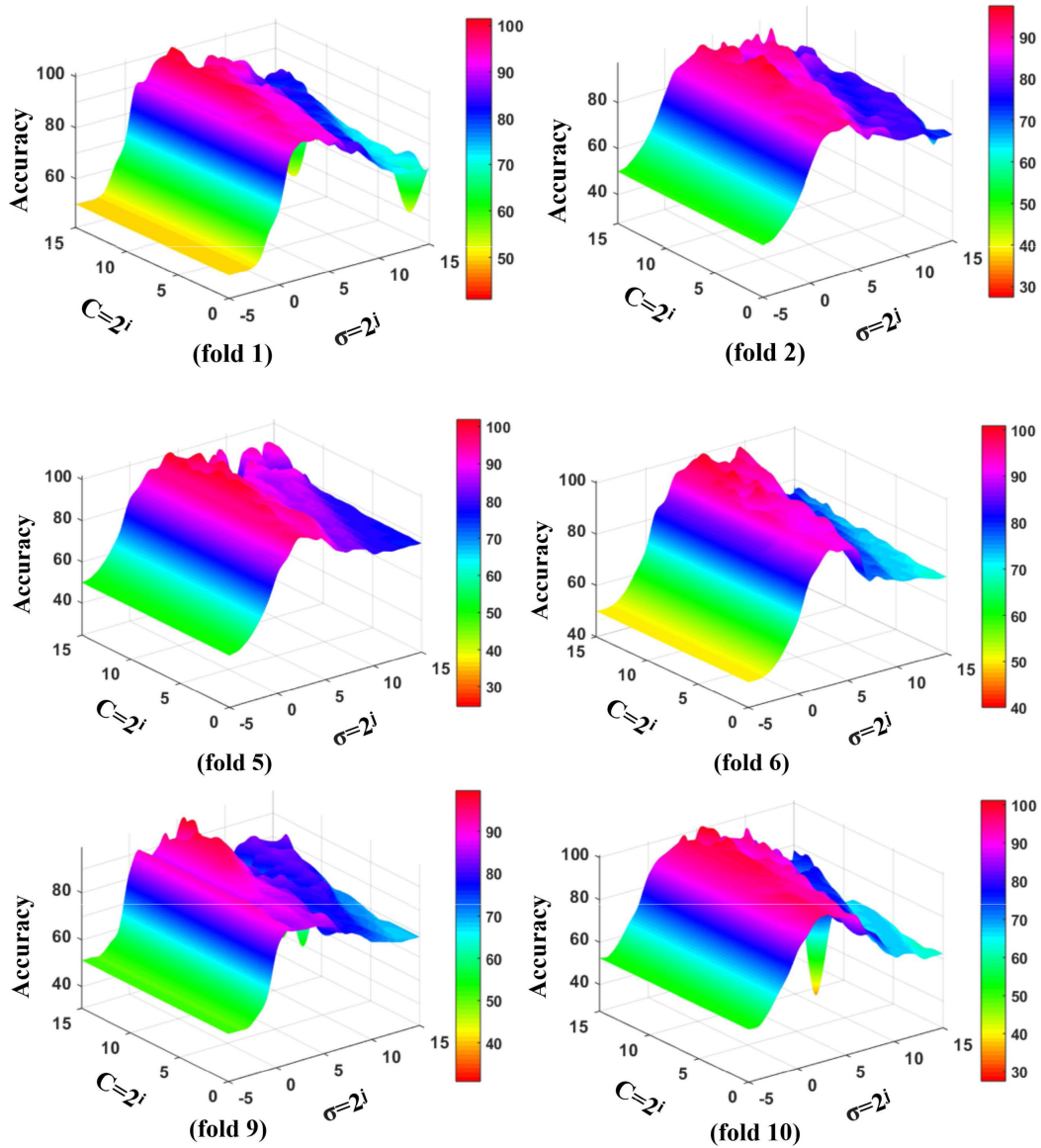


FIGURE 19. Illustration of GRBF-SVM performance variations (Acc metric) for TSP based on learning parameters in some folds.

TABLE 7. Processing time for TSP based on AMDTFs.

| Observation window (OW)<br>in cycle / second | Processing time <sup>a</sup>   |
|--|--------------------------------|
| 3 / 0.0501                                   | 50.1 ms + 2.848 ms = 52.948 ms |

<sup>a</sup> Processing time=OW+prediction time.

calculated. Based on GRBF-SVM and AMDTFs, the prediction time is 2.848 ms. Consequently, the processing time is 52.948 ms which provides a very acceptable time to take corrective action (See Table 7).

**D. COMPARISON OF EXPERIMENTAL METHODS: BMHFSS vs. OTHER RELIABLE FSS SCHEMES**

Comparing the performance of BMHFSS with other reliable FSS schemes for TSA is considered in this section. Hence, we focused on the three reliable FSS (3RFSS)

TABLE 8. The obtained optimal cycles based on other FSS schemes.

| FSS schemes | optimal trajectories | selected optimal cycles of trajectory  |
|-------------|----------------------|--|
| mRMR        | F <sub>20</sub>      | {cycle <sup>3</sup> }  |
|             | F <sub>23</sub>      | {cycle <sup>1</sup> , cycle <sup>2</sup> , cycle <sup>4</sup> }                      |
|             | F <sub>18</sub>      | {cycle <sup>2</sup> , cycle <sup>3</sup> }   |
|             | F <sub>21</sub>      | {cycle <sup>1</sup> , cycle <sup>3</sup> , cycle <sup>4</sup> }                      |
| FCBF        | F <sub>1</sub>       | {cycle <sup>1</sup> , cycle <sup>2</sup> , cycle <sup>3</sup> , cycle <sup>4</sup> } |
|             | F <sub>2</sub>       | {cycle <sup>1</sup> , cycle <sup>2</sup> , cycle <sup>3</sup> , cycle <sup>4</sup> } |
|             | F <sub>3</sub>       | {cycle <sup>3</sup> }  |
| ReliefF     | F <sub>7</sub>       | {cycle <sup>2</sup> , cycle <sup>3</sup> }   |
|             | F <sub>11</sub>      | {cycle <sup>1</sup> , cycle <sup>2</sup> , cycle <sup>3</sup> , cycle <sup>4</sup> } |
|             | F <sub>13</sub>      | {cycle <sup>2</sup> , cycle <sup>3</sup> , cycle <sup>4</sup> }                      |

strategies, including minimum redundancy maximum relevance (mRMR), ReliefF, and fast correlation-based filter (FCBF) methods which are considered by scholars for finding optimal transient features [4], [5], [7]. First, 3RFSS were

**TABLE 9.** Results of TSP based on selected optimal cycles by 3RFSS schemes.

| (FSS Scheme)<br>Classifier | Test case | 10-fold cross validation  |                |               |               |
|----------------------------|-----------|---|----------------|---------------|---------------|
|                            |           | Max(Acc.) per fold based on fine-tuning on $C$ and $\sigma$<br>Accuracy [TPR / TNR] |                |               |               |
| (mRMR)<br>GRBF- SVM        | NETS-NYPS | <b>fold 1</b>   | <b>fold 2</b>  | <b>fold 3</b> | <b>fold 4</b> |
|                            |           | 93.75   | 93.75          | 90            | 90            |
|                            |           | [97.5 / 90]   | [97.5 / 90]    | [95 / 85]     | [82.5 / 97.5] |
|                            |           | <b>fold 5</b>   | <b>fold 6</b>  | <b>fold 7</b> | <b>fold 8</b> |
|                            |           | 95  | 95             | 95            | 91.25         |
|                            |           | [97.5 / 92.5]   | [95 / 95]      | [100 / 90]    | [87.5 / 95]   |
|                            |           | <b>fold 9</b>   | <b>fold 10</b> |               |               |
|                            |           | 88.75   | 93.75          |               |               |
|                            |           | [95 / 82.5]   | [92.5 / 95]    |               |               |
|                            |           | <b>Mean(measure) of folds: Accuracy [TPR / TNR]</b>                                 |                |               |               |
| 92.62 [94 / 91.25]         |           |   |                |               |               |
| (FCBF)<br>GRBF- SVM        | NETS-NYPS | <b>fold 1</b>   | <b>fold 2</b>  | <b>fold 3</b> | <b>fold 4</b> |
|                            |           | 98.75   | 95             | 96.25         | 97.5          |
|                            |           | [97.5 / 100]  | [95 / 95]      | [92.5 / 100]  | [95 / 100]    |
|                            |           | <b>fold 5</b>   | <b>fold 6</b>  | <b>fold 7</b> | <b>fold 8</b> |
|                            |           | 96.25   | 97.5           | 97.5          | 97.5          |
|                            |           | [92.5 / 100]  | [97.5 / 97.5]  | [95 / 100]    | [97.5 / 97.5] |
|                            |           | <b>fold 9</b>   | <b>fold 10</b> |               |               |
|                            |           | 97.5  | 100            |               |               |
|                            |           | [95 / 100]  | [100 / 100]    |               |               |
|                            |           | <b>Mean(measure) of folds: Accuracy [TPR / TNR]</b>                                 |                |               |               |
| 97.37 [95.75 / 99]         |           |   |                |               |               |
| (ReliefF)<br>GRBF- SVM     | NETS-NYPS | <b>fold 1</b>   | <b>fold 2</b>  | <b>fold 3</b> | <b>fold 4</b> |
|                            |           | 98.75   | 95             | 96.25         | 97.5          |
|                            |           | [97.5 / 100]  | [95 / 95]      | [92.5 / 100]  | [95 / 100]    |
|                            |           | <b>fold 5</b>   | <b>fold 6</b>  | <b>fold 7</b> | <b>fold 8</b> |
|                            |           | 96.25   | 97.5           | 97.5          | 97.5          |
|                            |           | [92.5 / 100]  | [97.5 / 97.5]  | [95 / 100]    | [97.5 / 97.5] |
|                            |           | <b>fold 9</b>   | <b>fold 10</b> |               |               |
|                            |           | 97.5  | 100            |               |               |
|                            |           | [95 / 100]  | [100 / 100]    |               |               |
|                            |           | <b>Mean(measure) of folds: Accuracy [TPR / TNR]</b>                                 |                |               |               |
| 97.37 [95.75 / 99]         |           |   |                |               |               |

exerted on 28-variate trajectory features (See Table 1) for selecting optimal PFs. Next, the obtained optimal cycles by 3RFSS fed to GRBF-SVM classifier for performance evaluation on TSP. After applying 3RFSS on 28-variate time series features, the obtained optimal cycles grouped by 3RFSS were obtained according to Table 8 (the optimal cycles of the proposed method are given in Table 4). According to obtained results (See Table 9), regarding the same learning scenario, our strategy outperformed 3RFSS approaches based on the triple metric (ignoring only 0.25% less than TNR than ReliefF and FCBF). The obtained results of Table 4 and Table 8 show that BMHFSS in the presence of 9-cycles of 3-variate trajectory has better performance (Acc, TPR, and TNR) than mRMR, which uses 9-cycle of 4-variate trajectory features. In the case of the FCBF and ReliefF methods, which have an equal number of extracted trajectory features with our method, the selected cycles of 3-variate trajectory feature via BMHFSS leading to high Acc and TPR than FCBF and ReliefF schemes. Also, based on a three-cycle observation window, BMHFSS has low processing time (52.948 ms) than 3RFSS (mRMR: 68.793 ms, FCBF: 68.930 ms, and ReliefF:

**TABLE 10.** Processing time for TSP-based 3RFSS schemes.

| FSS schemes | Observation window (OW) in cycle / second | Processing time <sup>a</sup>   |
|-------------|---|--------------------------------|
| mRMR        | 4 / 0.0668                                | 66.8 ms + 1.993 ms = 68.793 ms |
| FCBF        | 4 / 0.0668                                | 66.8 ms + 2.130 ms = 68.930 ms |
| ReliefF     | 4 / 0.0668                                | 66.8 ms + 2.110 ms = 68.910 ms |

<sup>a</sup> Processing time = OW + prediction time.

68.910 ms), which uses a four-cycle observation window for TSP (See Table 8). For more details on the processing time of BMHFSS and 3RFSS, refer to Table 7 and Table 9.

#### IV. CONCLUSION

In this paper, we proposed a feature selection scheme to compact the curse of dimensionality institutionalized over power system transient data. Given the necessity of focusing on transient data characteristics from two aspects (point and trajectory-based transient behaviors), the bi-mode hybrid feature selection scheme (BMHFSS) is considered for addressing this concern in the form of point-specific mode and the trajectory-specific mode. After the data gathering

process, the trajectory-oriented filter-wrapper mode (TFWM) is applied on transient multivariate time series (TMTS) in two phases. In the filter phase, information theory concepts based on triple criteria are considered for weighting the transient trajectories. By selecting high-weight univariate trajectories of TMTS called relevant TMTS (RTMTS), RTMTS entered to wrapper phase, including both fuzzy imperialist competitive algorithm (FICA) and incremental wrapper subset selection (IWSS) in the form of the tri-hedral kernel-based approach to find the intersected most RTMTS (IMRTMTS). Next, the filter-wrapper scenario in point-based mode (PFWM) is conducted for selecting the most discriminative transient features (MDTFs) per time series in IMRTMTS. Finally, aggregated MDTFs (AMDTFs) are tested to verify their efficacy for TSP based on the cross-validation technique. The obtained results show that the selected AMDTFs based on the proposed framework have a high-performance capacity (Acc greater than 98 %, TPR 97.75 %, TNR 98.75 %), and a processing time of 52.948 ms for TSP. Also, for more clarity, we justify the effectiveness of the proposed method by comparing it with the other reliable FSS schemes. According to the obtained results based on triple metrics and applying the same learning conditions for all FSS schemes, using AMDTFs survived by BMHFSS compared to selected optimal features by mRMR, ReliefF, and FCBF algorithms lead to high performance on TSP.

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