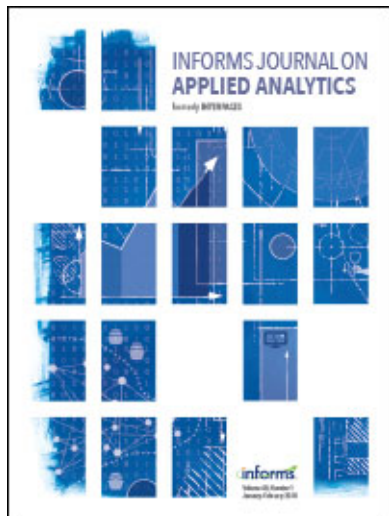




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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

To the Editor:

In his listing of IEEE transactions regularly publishing OR/MS articles ("Is OR/MS Everywhere," *Interfaces* Vol. 9, No. 5, November 1979), Paul Gray overlooked a journal carrying frequent OR/MS papers. Every issue of the IEEE *Transactions on Power Apparatus and Systems* (PAS) includes several OR/MS applications. In many cases, these applications are "Woolsey-publishable," because they are being used operationally by electric utilities to cut costs, save fuel, or prevent blackouts.

The OR/MS methods published in PAS are far from routine. Optimization constraints often involve complex variables (due to electric network relationships). Computational considerations play an important role because most of the applications involve real-time control (with some algorithms running every few seconds).

PAS publishes too small a proportion of OR/MS articles to be regarded as a "mainline" OR/MS journal. However, the OR/MS applications it does publish are sufficiently important that they should receive the attention of the OR/MS community.

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