# Forecasting Electricity Demand and Prices in PJM and MISO Markets

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# Our Proposal



# The US Electricity Market

MISO → Midcontinent
Independent System Operator

PJM → PJM Interconnection



# **Background & Challenges**

- Supply-demand mismatches
- Extreme weather
- Potential widening capacity gap

# The Objective

Forecast electricity demand and prices in the PJM&MISO markets by analyzing key factors and relationships to improve grid management, reduce blackout risks, optimize pricing, and support long-term planning.

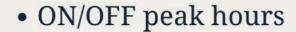
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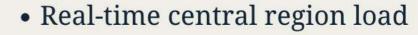
# **Target Variables**

- MISO & PJM Real-time Load (RTLOAD)
- Actual electricity demand
- MISO & PJM Real-time Locational Marginal Pricing (RT LMP)
- Electricity price at specific locations

## **Independent Variables**





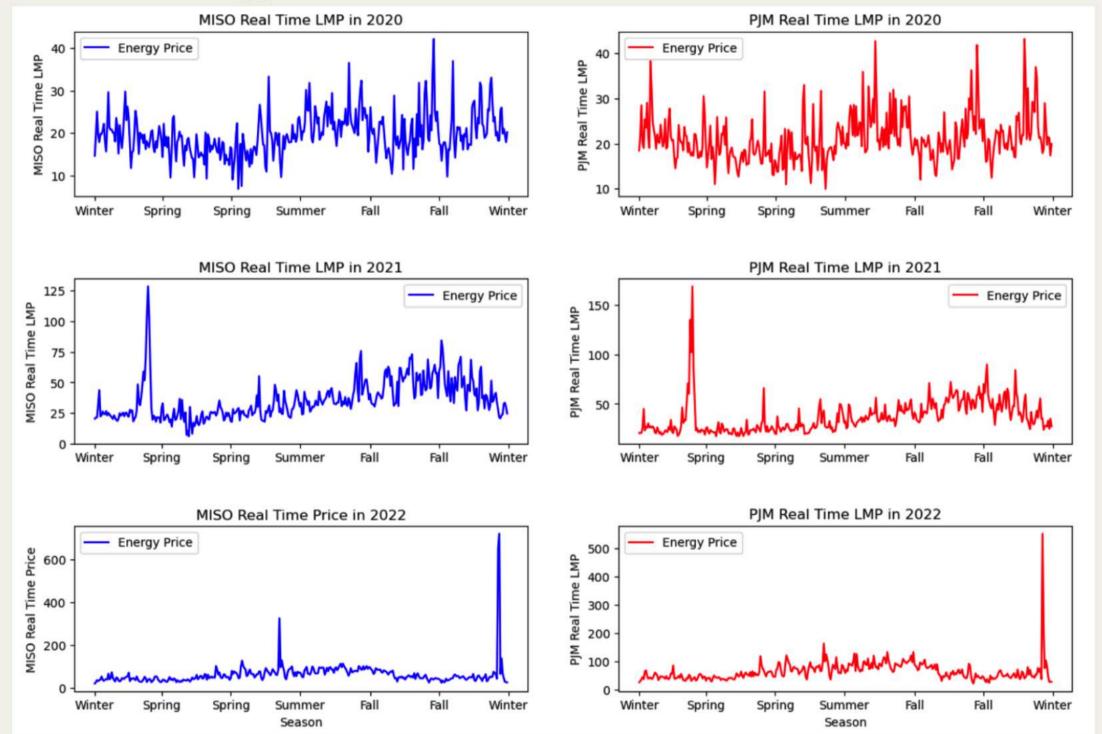


- MISO & PJM Congestion Costs
- Area control error values
- MISO&PJM Ramp Imports & Exports
- Gas/coal/nuclear/hydro generation data

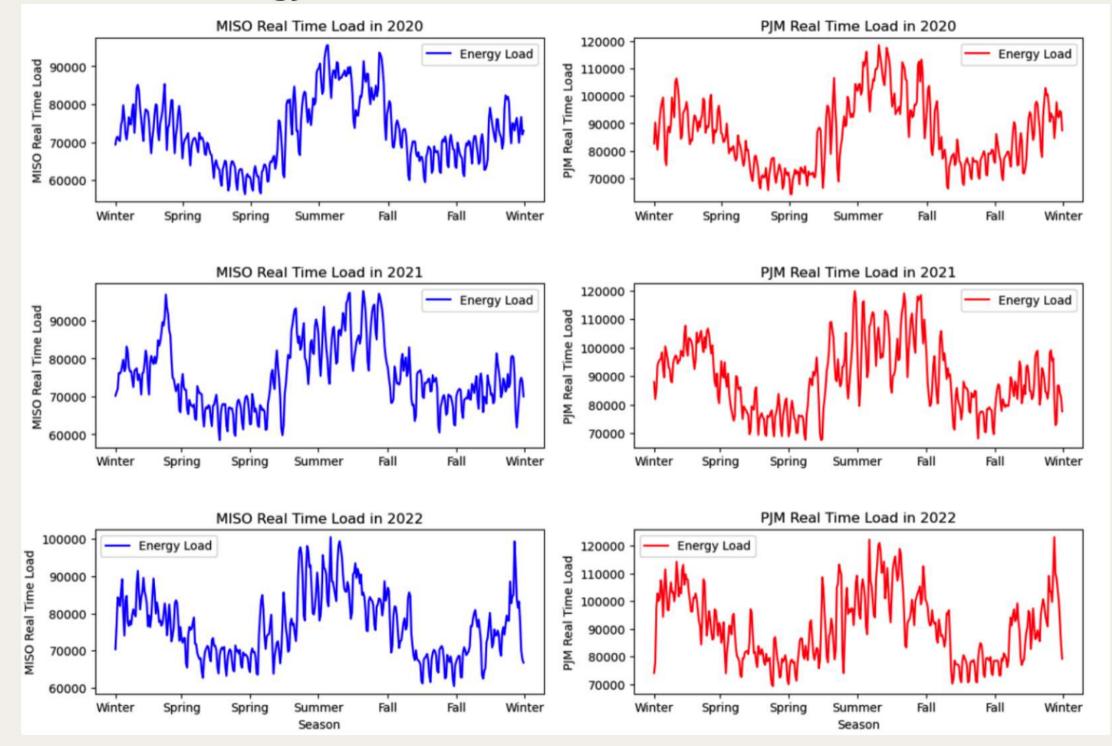


# Graph of Data

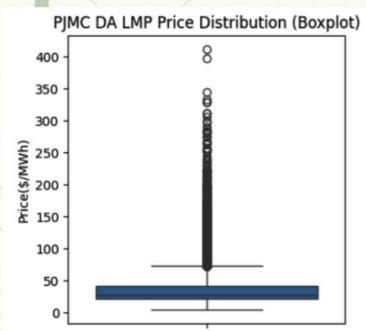
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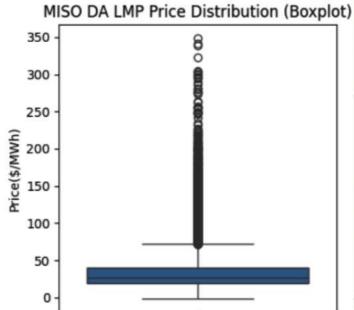


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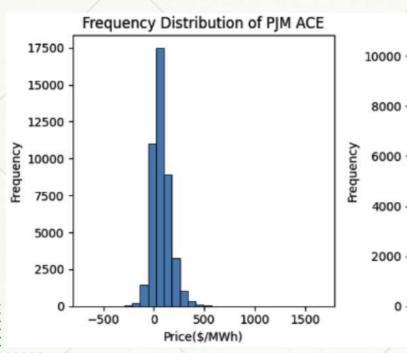


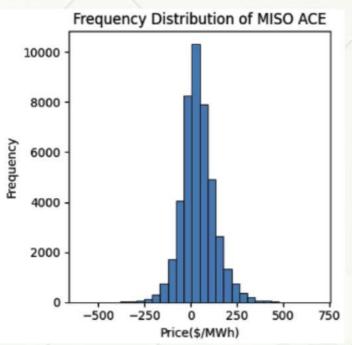
# Day-Ahead LMP Price Distribution (PJMC & MISO)



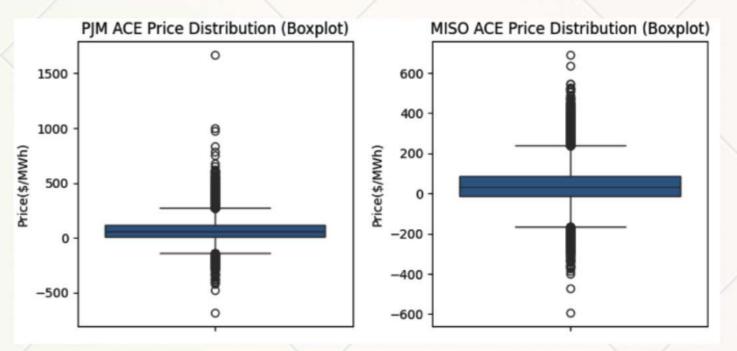


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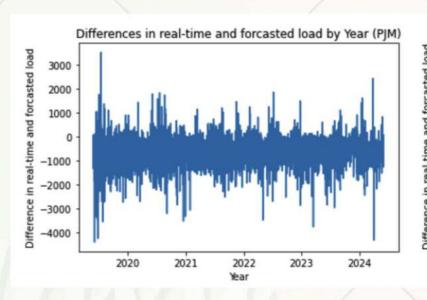


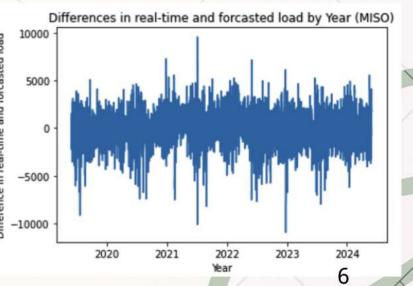


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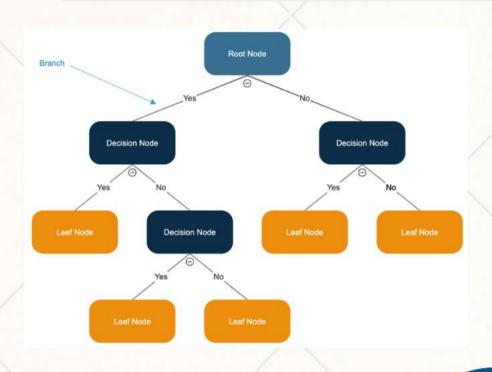


# **Forecast Error in Electricity Load**





# Classification Model: Decision Tree



# Predict by classify realtime electrical loads in MISO & PJM grids

Real-time electricity load in **both markets** will be divided into **3 classes: Low, Medium and High Demand** and the model structures data in tree-like branches of decisions with their possible consequences

The model then categorizes **target variable** into predefined classes based on the **input features**.

**MISO's Model Features** 

# PJM's Model Features

### MISO RTLOAD PJM/MISO RTLOAD

Real-time electrical load and differences across both grids.

MISO West Load

Real-time electrical load of the MISO west region

# Components

Nodes that form the decision points

Branches represent the choices leading to different outcomes

Leaf nodes provide the final outcomes or decision results

# PJM RT LOAD PJM LOAD FC

Real time and forcasted electric load

### MISO DA GAS

Day-ahead supply by gas plants

### **Central RT Load**

Real-time electrical load of the central region

### MISO Gas Gen MISO Coal Gen

Electricity generated by Coal and Gas plants



# Fine Tuning and Feature Optimization

3 steps process

Fit model with all possible features

Model parameters tuning

Improve Overfitting

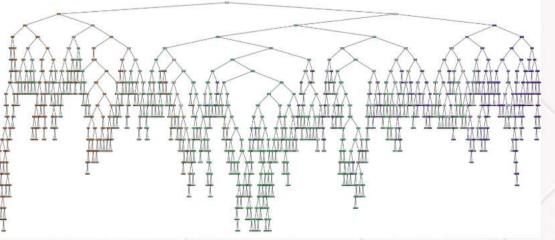
Find optimal selection of features

Through **RFE** (Recursive Feature Elimination Process)

MISO pre-tuning



20 nodes x 10 leafs



# Classification Models Performance

### MISO and PJM Test Set Result

0 50% **100% score** 

94.677% Accuracy Score

97.715% Accuracy Score

94.633% Precision Score

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94.677% Recall Score

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### Legends



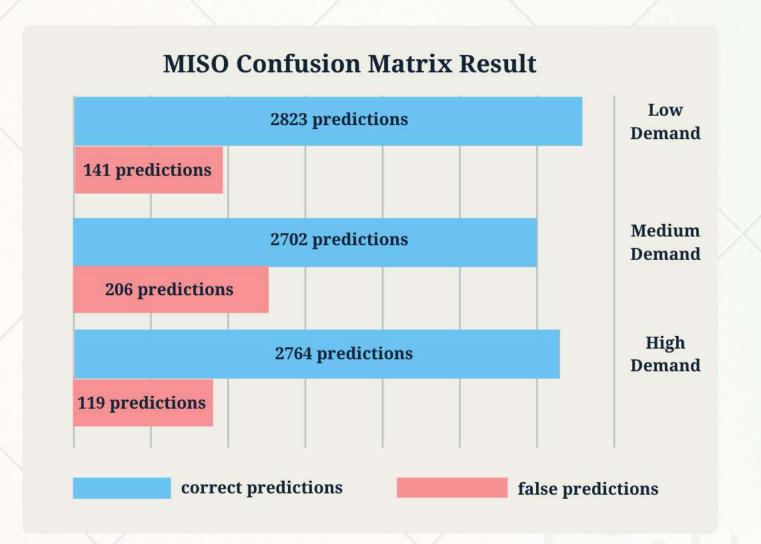
PJM model

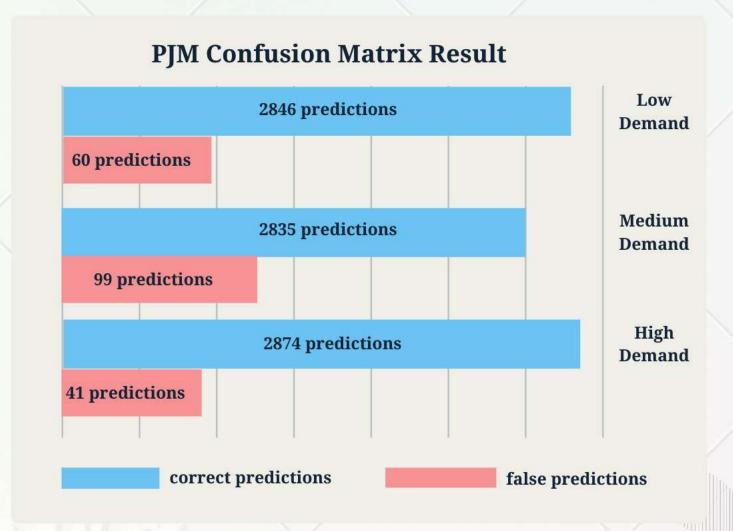
### **Observation**

Both models are highly effective in predicting the correct demand categories across **almost all** cases.

With **high percision** and **recall scores**, both model minimize the number of irrelevant cases that are incorrectly identified **(extreme outliers)** 

# Classification Model Performance





# Regression Model: Predict MISO Electricity Price



- Select features that is highly related to price
- Dropped features with corr > 0.85
   to prevent multicollinearity

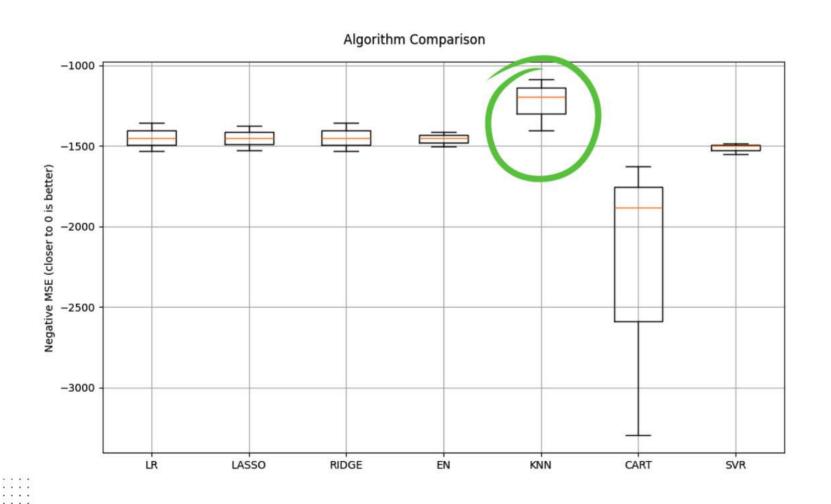


- MISO GAS GEN: Natural Gas Power Generation
- MISO COAL GEN: Coal-fired Power Generation
- MISO Hydro Gen: Hydroelectric Power Generation
- MISO RTLOAD: Real-Time Load
- MISO RT CONG: Congestion Cost
- MISO/PJMC RT CONG: Difference in Real-Time Congestion Cost



- Convert to numerical format
- Rescale to equalize feature influence
- 80% training & 20% testing

# Regression Model: Predict MISO Electricity Price



### **Best model: KNN**

• Mean MSE: 1227.92

• Std Dev: 132.20

Worse model: CART

• Mean MSE: 2144.48

• Std Dev: 827.90



# KNN Model Tuning & Results

# Regression

- Goal: Use 'GridSearchCV' to test values of k from 1 to 20, and find the nearest K for KNN regression
- Performance was measured using Mean Squared Error (MSE) lower the better







Part 1: 80% for training (to teach the model)

- Tune model Choose the best k
- Best MSE:1152.509952 using K=16
- This value gave the lowest average MSE across all training folds. The final model was trained using 16 nearest neighbours.

Part 2: 20% for testing (to check how well it learned)

### **Predictions Results:**

[21.91, 35.43, 26.14, 20.68, 46.30, 45.80, 27.98, 26.84, 15.38, 34.83]

### **Actual Results:**

[21.04, 20.62, 18.48, 14.78, 48.82, 52.19, 27.58, 25.23, 14.77, 35.97]

A few predictions are off by margin (e.g., 35.43 vs 20.62, 45.80 vs 52.19).

**Test MSE: 2770.76** 

# Results from regression

# Trained MSE < Test MSE 1152.51 < 2770.76

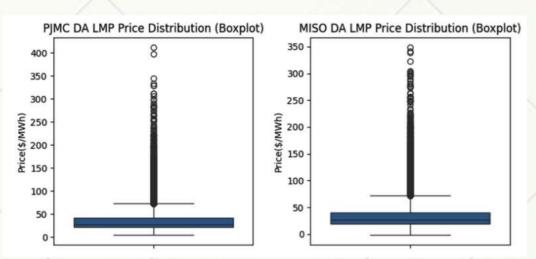
• **Overfitting** - Memorize training data instead of realistic patterns

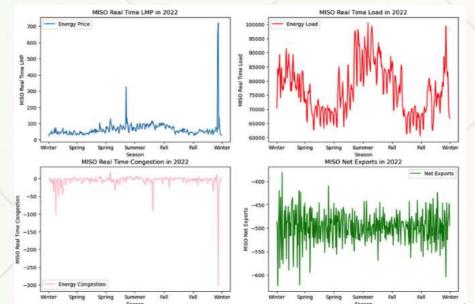
 Prediction results were relatively accurate compared to the actual results, indicating some patterns captured from the data

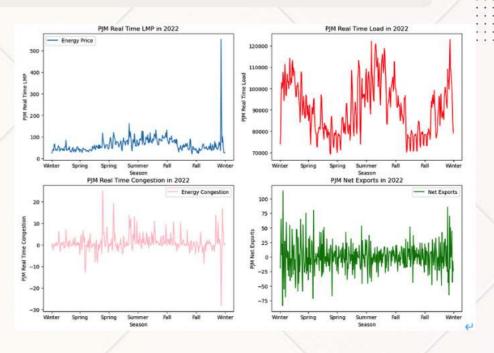
# Link back to our objective:

- The model performs well on the training data and shows some accurate predictions on the test set
- However, due to the high test MSE, its realworld forecasting ability is limited at this stage.

# • Our Goal: Forecast electricity demand and prices in the PJM and MISO markets







# Histogram of Net Exports in PJM and MISO Market PJM Net Exports MISO Net Exports 12000 4000 2000

# Summary & Conclusion

# **Key Finding:**

- Electricity loads are seasonal (summer and winter)
- Price volatility is high and unpredictable
- PJM has more stable congestion forecasts
- MISO shows more efficient grid control (based on ACE)

# Thank You!