Xinyi Zhao

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EDUCATION BACKGROUND

Tsinghua University

Shenzhen, China

M.S., Electrical Engineering, Tsinghua-Berkeley Shenzhen Institute (TBSI) GPA: 3.97/4.0 (Rank 1/128); Co-advised by: Prof. Hongbin Sun and Dr. Xinwei Shen

Sept. 2018-Now

Wuhan University

Wuhan, China

B.Eng., Electrical Engineering and Automation

Sept. 2014-Jun. 2018

GPA: 3.89/4.0 (Rank 4/340);

PUBLICATIONS

♦ Journals:

- Xinyi Zhao, Xinwei Shen, Qinglai Guo, Hongbin Sun and Shmuel S. Oren. *A Stochastic Distribution System Planning Method Considering Regulation Services and Energy Storage Degradation*. **Applied Energy**, 2020, 277:115520. [PDF]
- Zhiyong Yuan, Yiqi Zhao, Zuogang Guo, Xiyuan Ma, Jinyong Lei, Xinyi Zhao, et al. Research Summary of Integrated Energy Systems Planning for Energy Internet. Southern Power System Technology, 2019, 7:1-9.

♦ Conferences:

- Xinyi Zhao, Xinwei Shen, Hongkun Chen, et al. A Two-Stage Multi-Objective Planning Strategy for Electric Vehicle Charging Stations Considering Power-loss Sensitivity in Distribution System. 2nd IEEE Conference on Energy Internet and Energy System Integration, 2018. [PDF]
- Xinyi Zhao, Xinwei Shen, Tian Xia, et al. Optimal Distribution System Planning Considering Regulation Services and Degradation of ESSs. 11th International Conference on Applied Energy, 2019. [PDF]
- Yuquan Liu, **Xinyi Zhao**, Xinwei Shen, et al. A Distribution System Expansion Planning Method Considering Integrated Energy Service Providers' Revenue on Energy Storage Investment. **25th International Conference on Electricity Distribution**, 2019. [PDF]

♦ Patent:

• Xinyi Zhao, Linxin Yin, Shinan Song, Huiyi Hu, Zhi Zhang and Yu Zheng. Human Body Knee Jerk Intelligent Diagnosis and Treatment Percussion Hammer based on Six-axis Acceleration Transducer. (No: 201710279460.6, Invention Granted), 2017. [Abstract]

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Smart Grid and Renewable Energy Laboratory

Shenzhen, China

Distribution System Planning Considering Regulation Services and ESS Degradation

Sept. 2018-Now

♦ Degradation model of storage units in distribution system planning

- Added a linear degradation penalty in the objective to avoid excessive charge/discharge of ESSs;
- Compared degradation curves of ESSs in different cases, and identified the storage lifetime was prolonged for one year when considering degradation penalty.

♦ Gaussian mixture model to generate stochastic scenarios

 Adopted GMM to model distributions of load demand, LMP, regulation signals and prices accurately to generate diverse stochastic scenarios.

♦ Modified progressive hedging algorithm

- Proved that a rational average solution is superior on stable convergence than traditional mathematical expectation $(\sum_{s \in S} \theta_s \cdot X_s)$ when implementing *non-anticipativity* constraints;
- With parallel computing process and gap-dependent penalty factors, the modified PH outperformed Gurobi and the L-shaped method.

Smart Grid and Renewable Energy Laboratory

Distribution System Expansion Planning Considering IESPs' Revenue on ESSs

Shenzhen, China

Jan. 2019-Jul. 2019

♦ Cost contribution arrangement on ESSs between the utility and integrated energy service providers

• Helped Guangzhou Power Grid Corp. determine an investment proportion of ESSs to attract IESPs, which was published in CIRED 2019. [Poster]

♦ Benders decomposition in the planning problem

• Solved the planning problem within acceptable time, and improved the computation efficiency by 2–6 times compared with the Branch & Bound method.

Power System Research Center in WHU

Wuhan, China

Multi-objective Planning for Large-scale EVs Considering Power-loss Sensitivity

Feb. 2018-Jun. 2019

♦ Power-loss sensitivity index to identify candidate sites of electric vehicle charging stations

- Based on power flow equations in polar coordinates, a sensitivity index of power loss to each node's voltage is established;
- Located charging stations at nodes with largest sensitivity indices to reduce the energy losses of the whole system as much as possible.

♦ Multi-objective sizing problem

- Maximized the utility's income as well as minimized the overall cost for charging stations;
- Employed NSGA-II to obtain the Pareto solution set, and adopted fuzzy clustering to select the optimal solution from the Pareto set.

AWARDS

Graduate study:	
• Tsinghua Comprehensive Scholarship (3/84)	Sept. 2019
Undergraduate study:	
• First Prize in the 10th National University Students Electrical Math Modeling Competition	Aug. 2017
• First Power Exploration Scholarship of Wuhan University (3/340)	Sept. 2016
• China National Scholarship (Top 0.2% of all undergraduate students in China)	Nov. 2015
First-class Student Scholarship & Merit Student Scholarship of Wuhan University	Nov. 2015
• Merit Freshmen Scholarship of Wuhan University (Top 5% of students enrolled in WHU)	Dec. 2014

TEACHING

• TA, Reinforcement Learning for Energy Systems (16 hrs), Prof. Scott Moura	Summer, 2020
• TA, Introduction of Smart Grid (32 hrs), Prof. Ye Guo and Prof. Yinliang Xu	Spring, 2020
• TA, Energy-Environment and Data-Information 100 level (16 hrs), Prof. Xuan Zhang	Fall, 2019

INVITED PRESENTATION

• Conference oral presentation: *Optimal Distribution System Planning Considering Regulation Services and Degradation of Energy Storage Systems.* **ICAE 2019**, Västerås, Sweden, selected for further considerations in **Applied Energy** (Top 5%). [PPT]

SKILLS & CERTIFICATION

- Skills: Matlab (Proficient with YALMIP toolbox), Visio (Proficient), Multisim, Word/Excel/PPT, LaTex;
- Certification: China National Computer Rank Examination Level 2 (C Language Programming: 90+ /100).