





Minimum Viable Product Demo: ASSERT (AI-Supported Smart Electricity Restoration Tool)

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End Users — Utility Emergency Response Teams (UERTs)

- John Burnap of Eversource, MA and Michael Gibeley of National Grid [MA/RI/NY]
- Factors considered when making decisions about restoration*:
 - Type, availability, proximity of resources
 - Specialized equipment
 - Consequence of delay
 - Number of customers affected
- Factors missing: social vulnerabilities

Damage Assessment Prioritization of Repairs **Tactical** Restoration

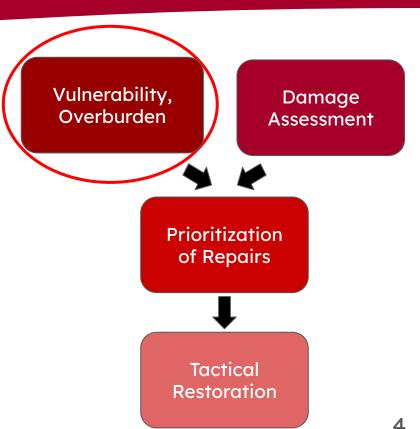
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Thank You to the User Advocates We Spoke With!

- Carol Freeman National Preparedness Analytics Center, Argonne National Laboratory
- Scott Sternfeld The Outage Data Initiative
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- Kristen Finne Department of Health and Human Services
- Jason Eisdorfer Pacific Northwest National Lab
- Todd Levin Argonne National Laboratory

ASSERT Objectives

ASSERT aims to add a lens of power outage overburden and vulnerability to the utility emergency response's repair and restoration decision-making pipeline.



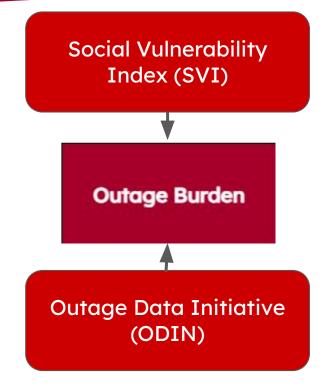
Federal Open Data Used

ODIN (Outage Data Initiative)

Correlate most significant

vulnerability indicators to outage

burden using Linear Regression.

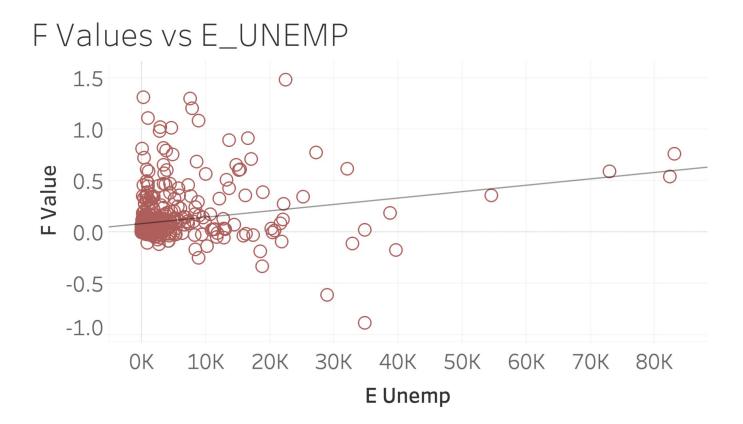


Datasets we are using in our analysis.

ASSERT Brain

- Identified key metrics that predict power overburden in counties lacking data.
- Using unemployment, poverty and minority data to predict power overburden

ASSERT Brain - Continued



Key Metrics for Measuring Impact

Users can describe the extent to which ASSERT fulfils these metrics:

- Ease of use
- Clear purpose
- Aids in deploying resources in areas with little information
- Rapid dissemination of predicted/actual outage burden information

Deployment/Implementation Plan

- We performed a PCA to extract the key factors for
- Selecting method of forming predictions based on factors from PCA
- Linear Regression
- Leaflet GIS tool
- Static site using GitHub Pages
- Translating wireframe to site aesthetics

Summary and Next Big Steps

Summary:

- ASSERT creates a model for predicting the extent to which counties are overburdened by power outages
- Aimed to aid utility emergency planning pipeline.

Next Big Steps:

- Consult with our Target Users [John Burnap of Eversource and Michael Gibeley of National Grid]
- Expand features and analysis in parallel with ODIN expansion.







Thanks for listening! Questions?

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