Temporal-Spatial Coordination of Distributed Energy Resources (DERs) in Microgrids

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			Timescale
1	REIDS Project		
2	DER Control	Islanded microgrid Grid-connected microgrid	ms ~ seconds
3	DER Operation	Energy dispatch Volt/Var regulation	mins ~ hours
4	Hierarchy Coordination	Volt/Var control Active power balancing	ms ~ hours
5	DER Planning	Distributed generation units Energy storage systems	years ~ decades

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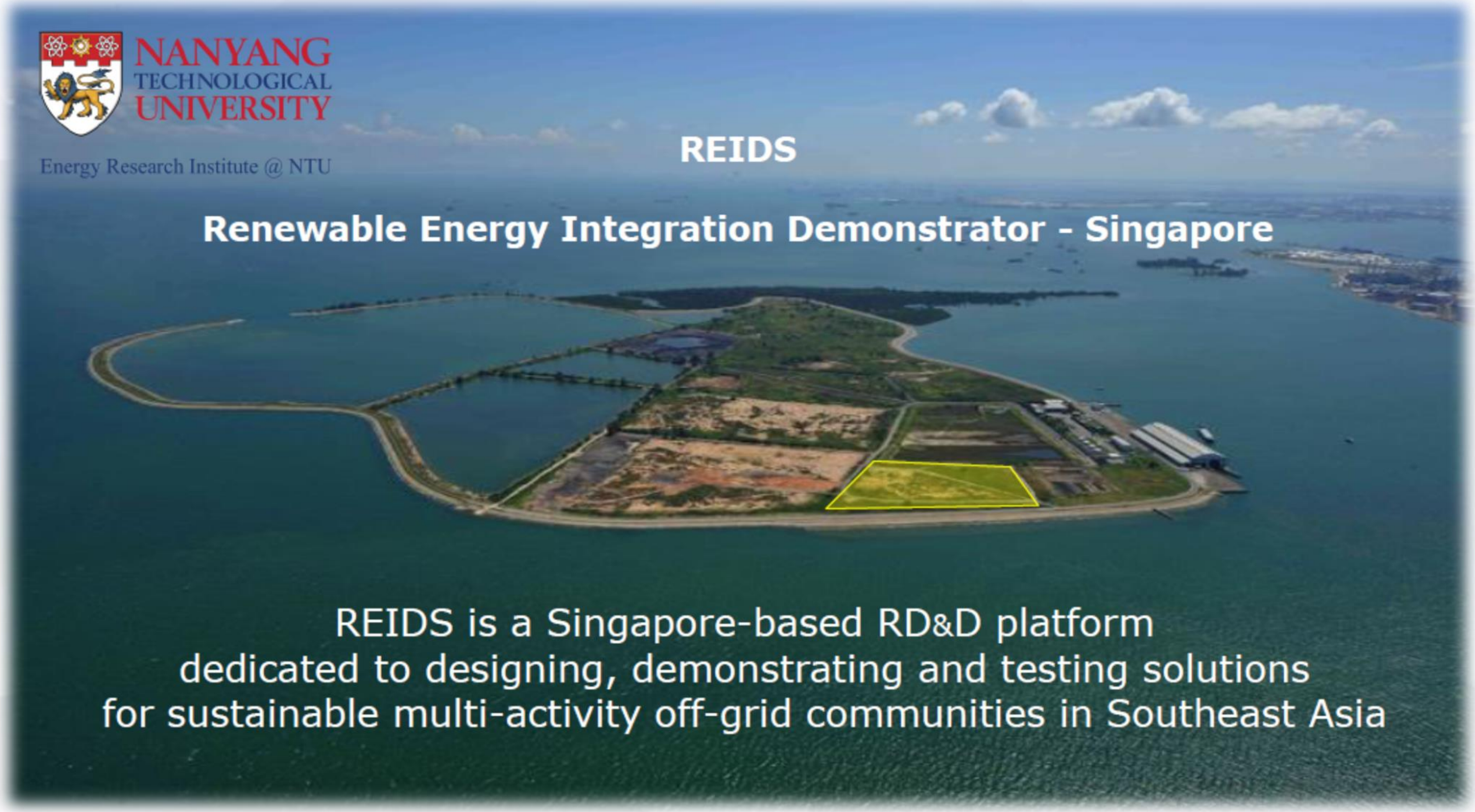
- *Renewable Energy Integration Demonstrator – Singapore* (REIDS)



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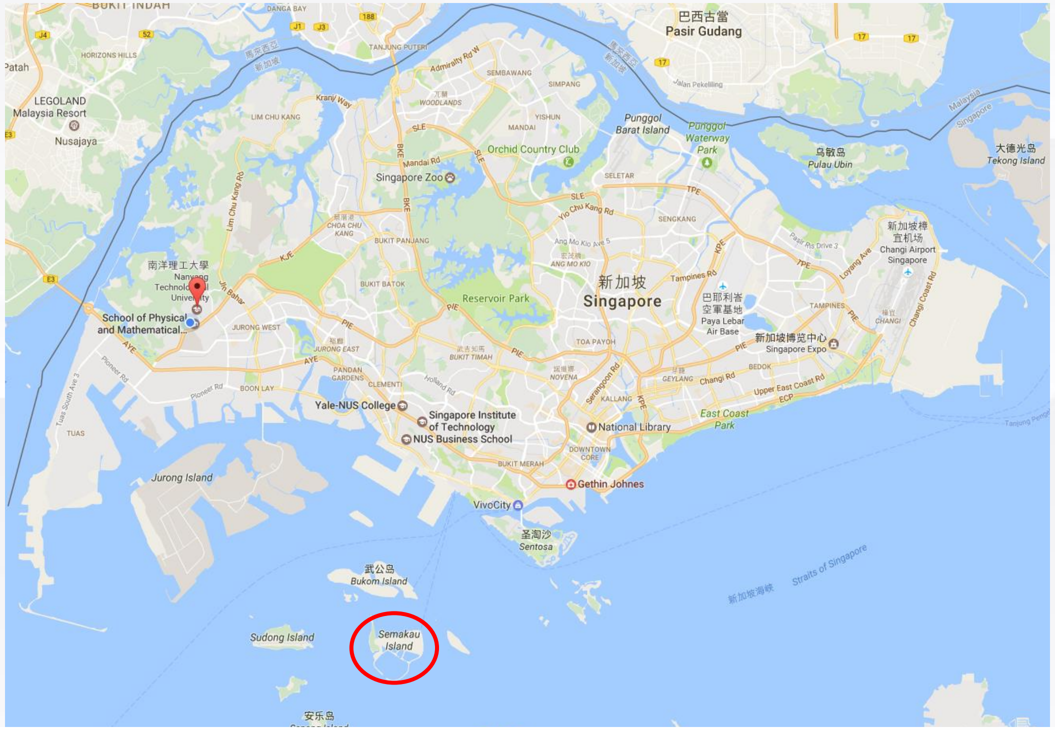

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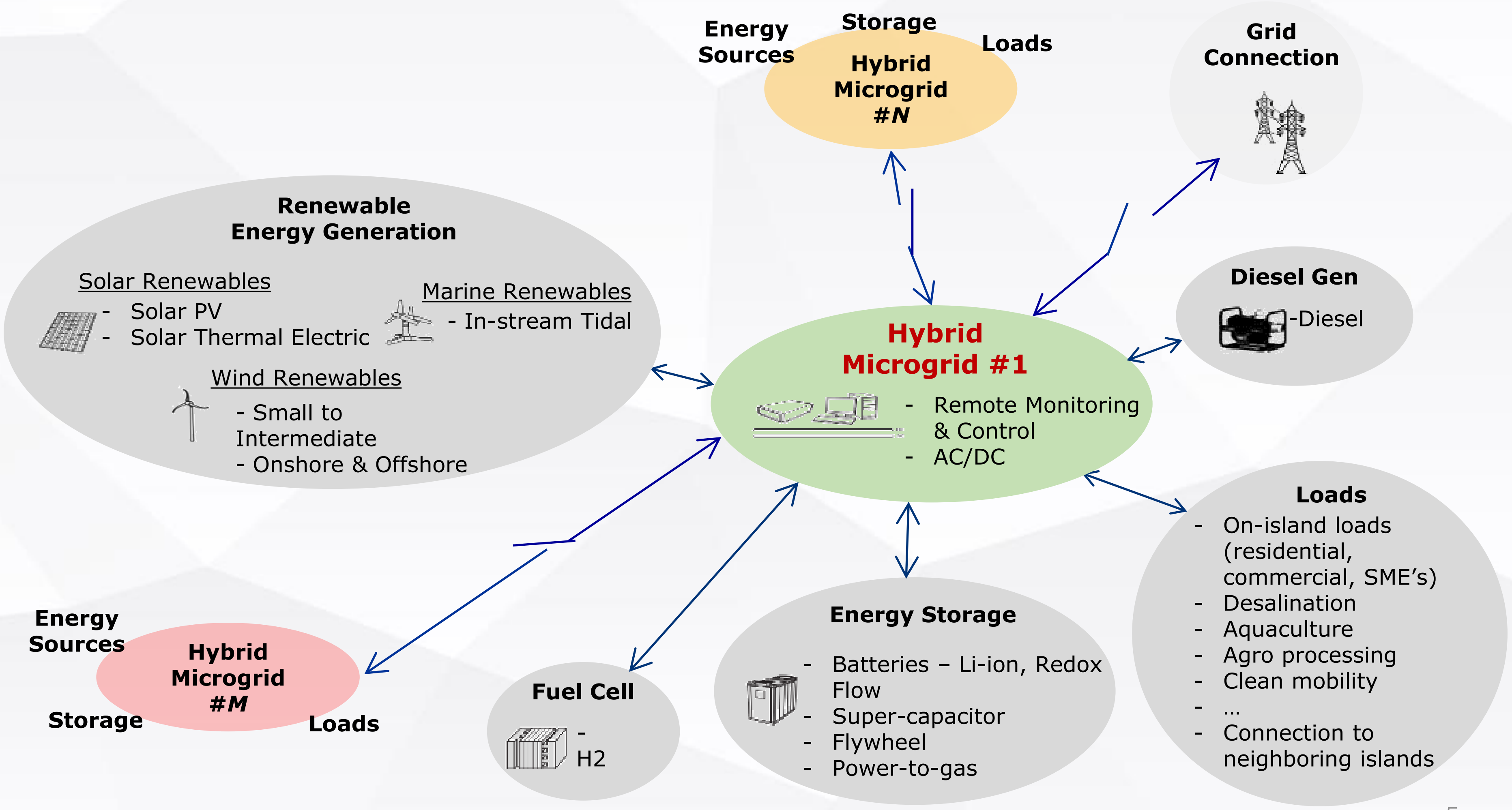
▪ REIDS Roadmap and Framework

Phase I – 4 independent MGs (500kW-1MW each)
Phase II – 4 MGs in a cluster configuration (100kW-250kW each)



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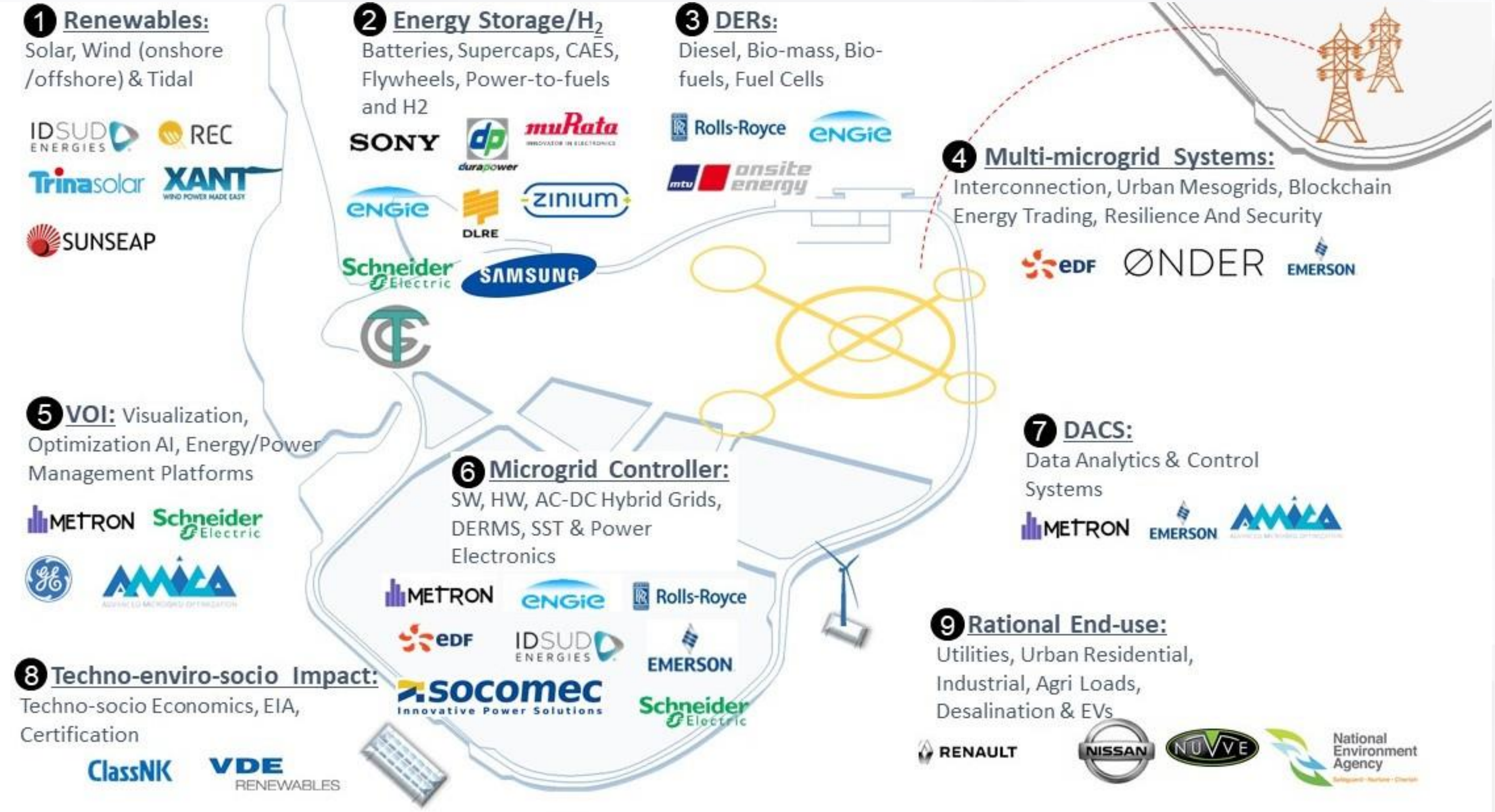
▪ Onboard Industry Collaborators



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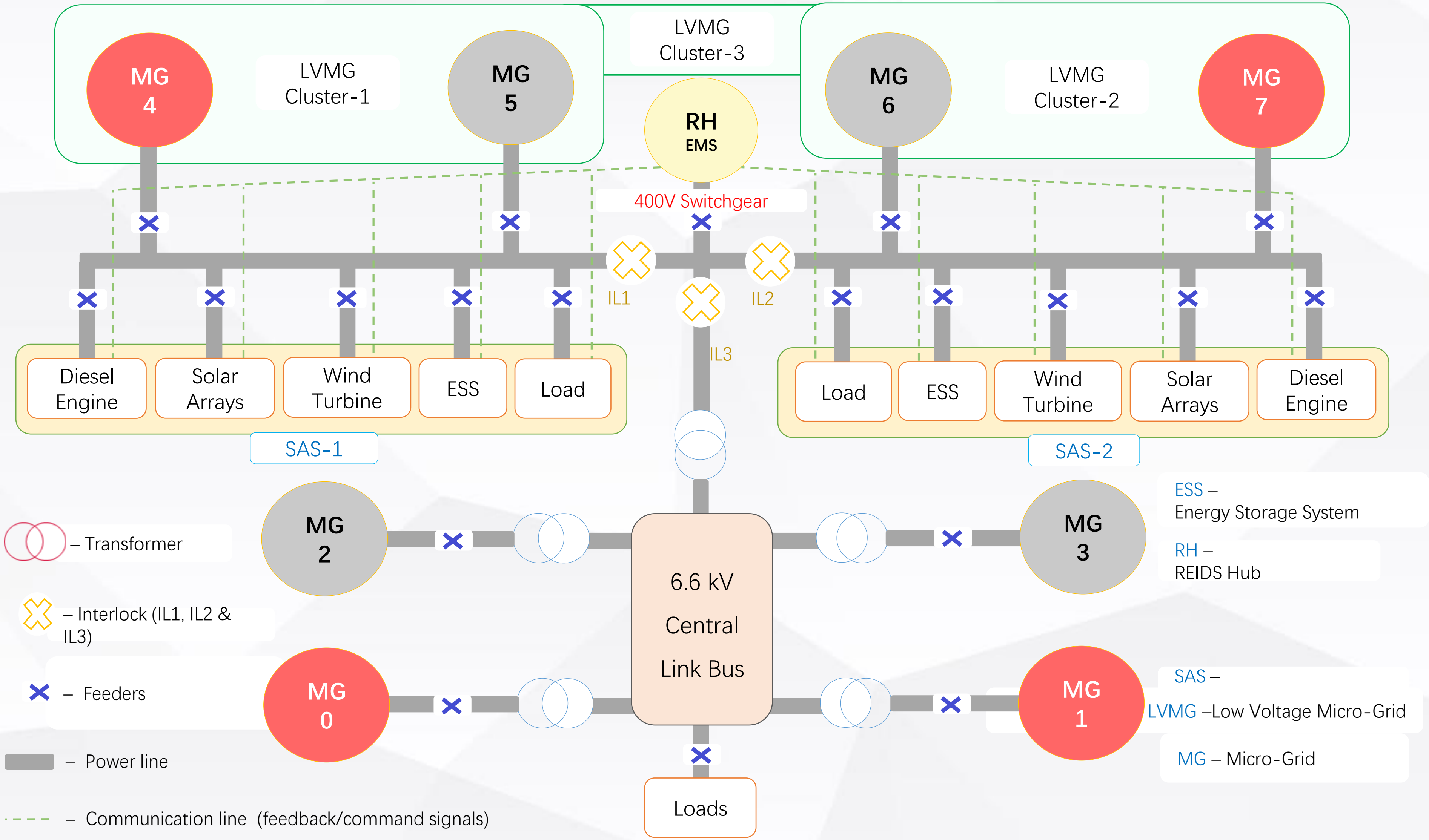
REIDS Electrical Structure



LVMG Cluster-1	Operating MG4 and /or MG5 with RH & shared assets set -1
LVMG Cluster-2	Operating MG6 and /or MG7 with RH & shared assets set -2
LVMG Cluster-3	Operating Clusters 1 & 2 with RH & shared assets set 1 & 2

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▪ Onsite pictures

MG0 Test & Commissioning - March 2017

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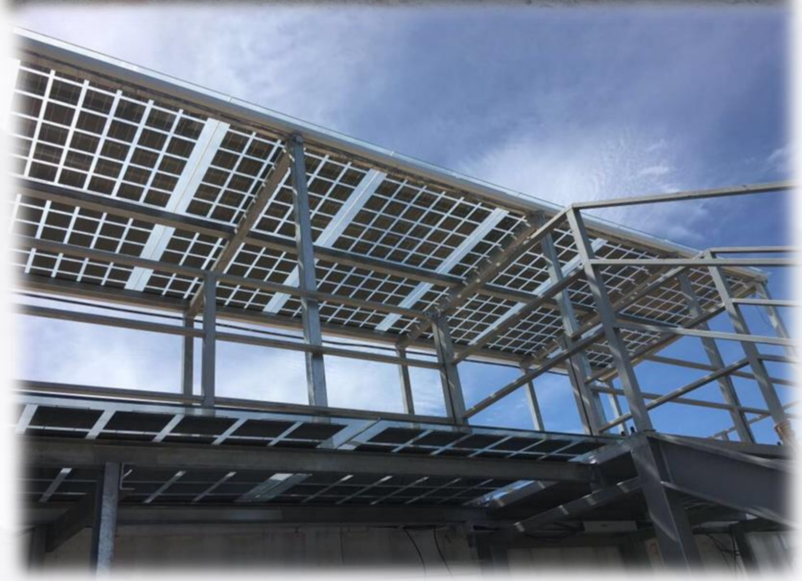

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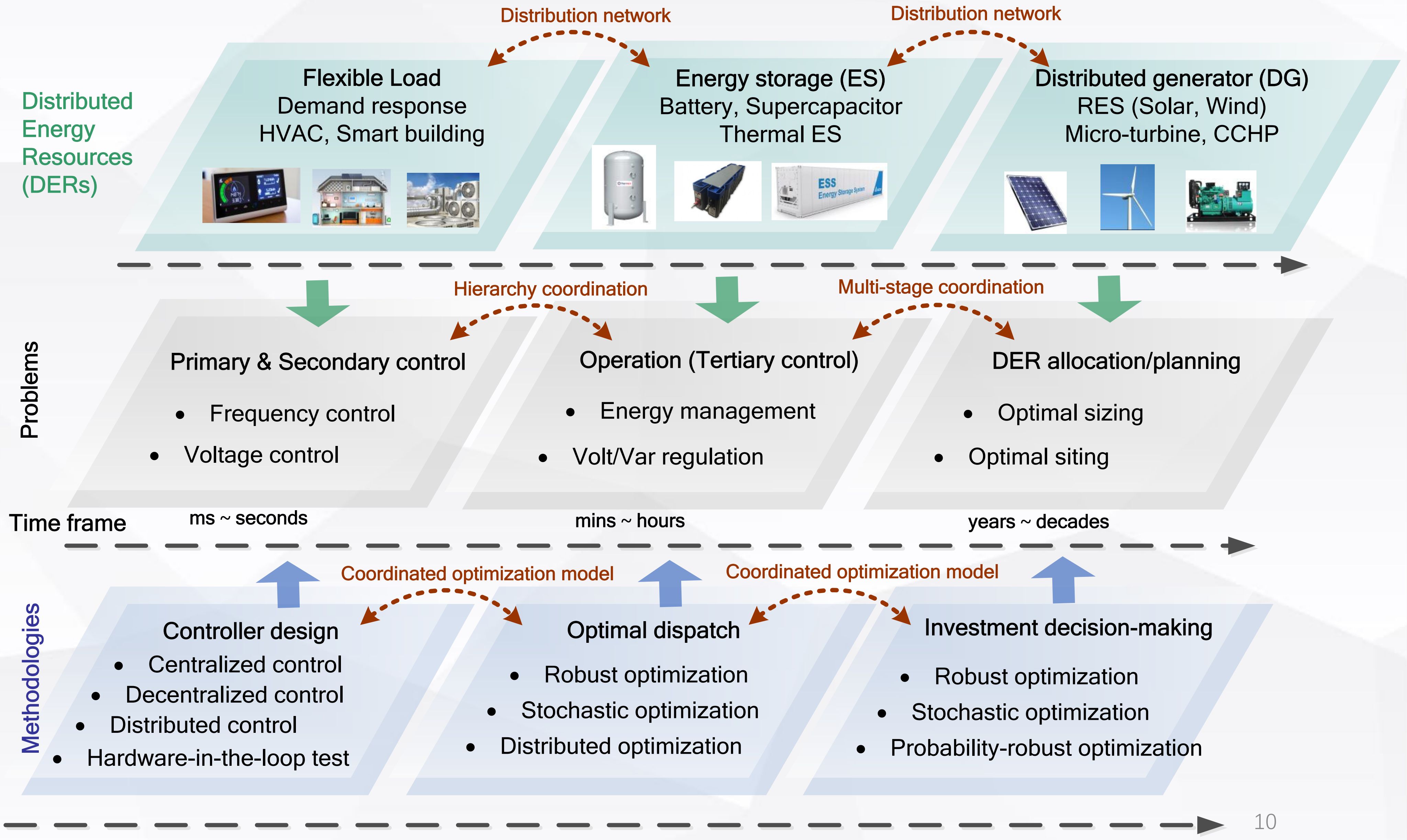
Our research Framework: system-level coordination of DERs



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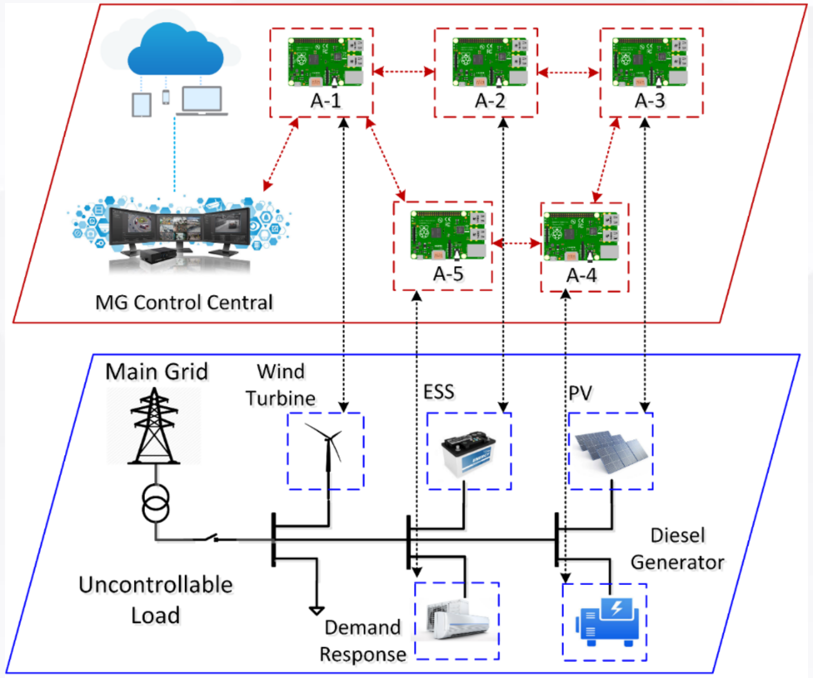
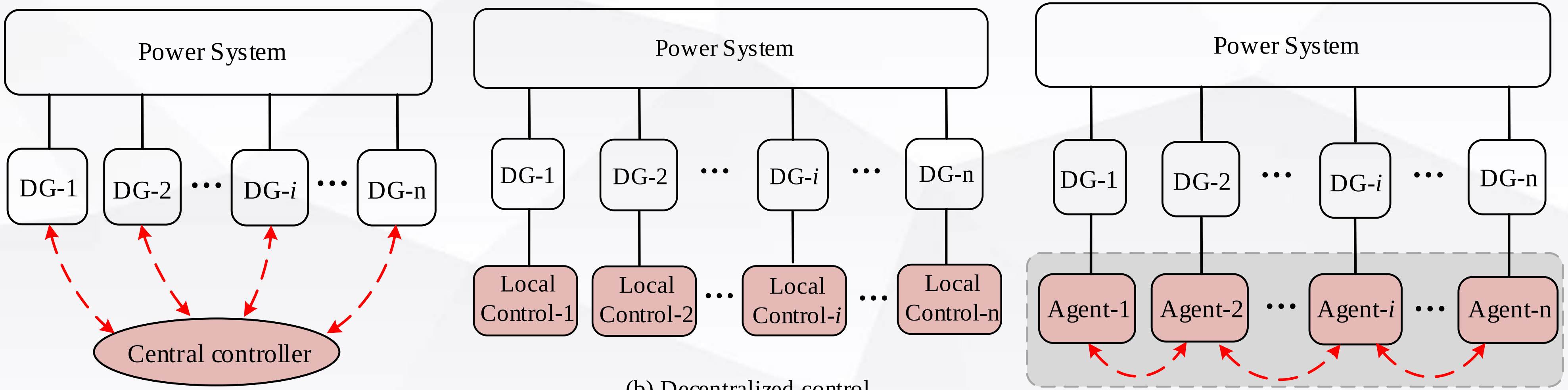
- Control of DERs in Microgrids



1. Islanded mode:
   - Distributed control (event-triggered, finite-time)
   - Hardware-in-the-Loop (Hil) validation

2. Grid-connected mode:
   - DER for *f* support
   - DER for *V* support



(a) Centralized control
(b) Decentralized control
(c) Distributed control

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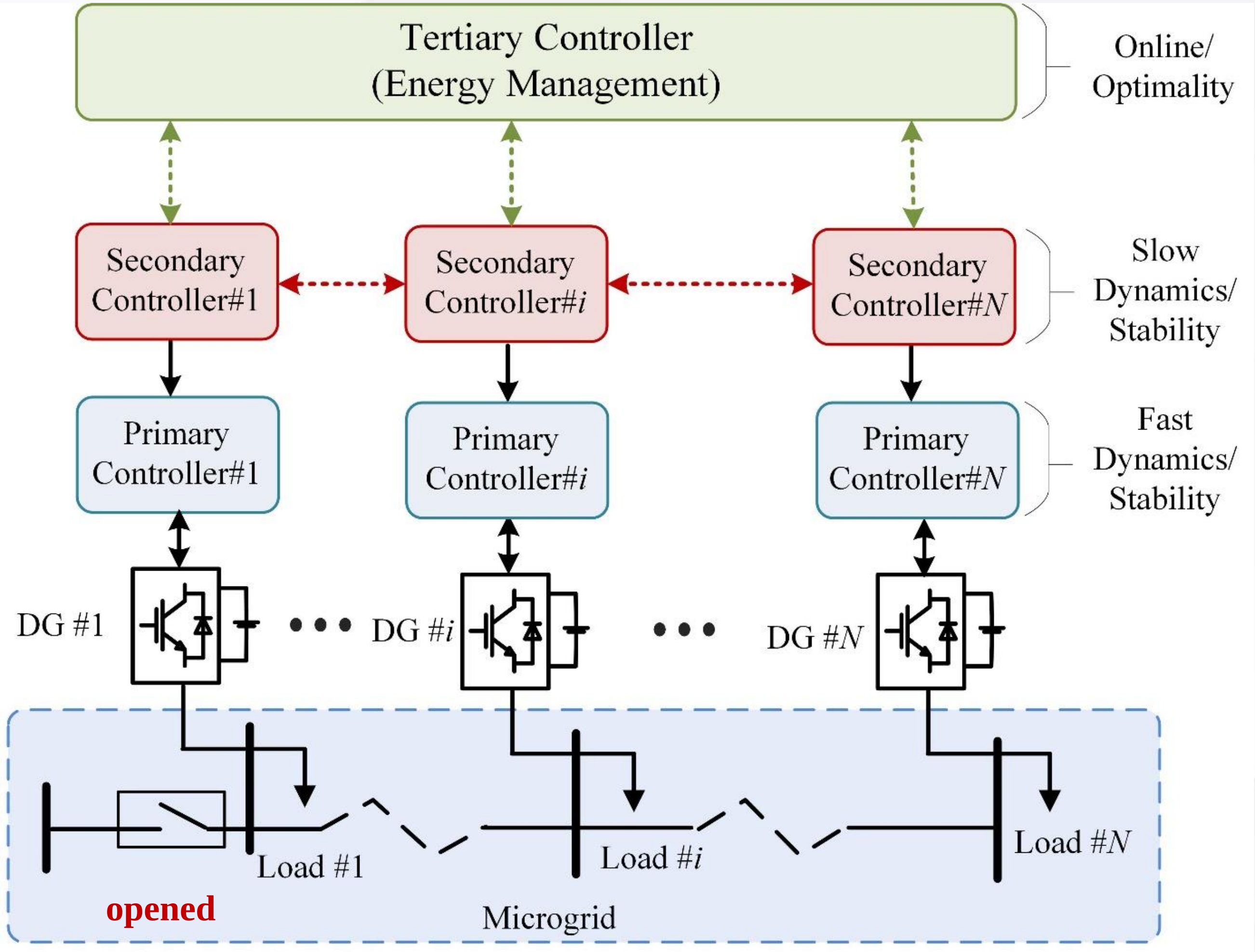
- Hierarchical control of an islanded microgrid



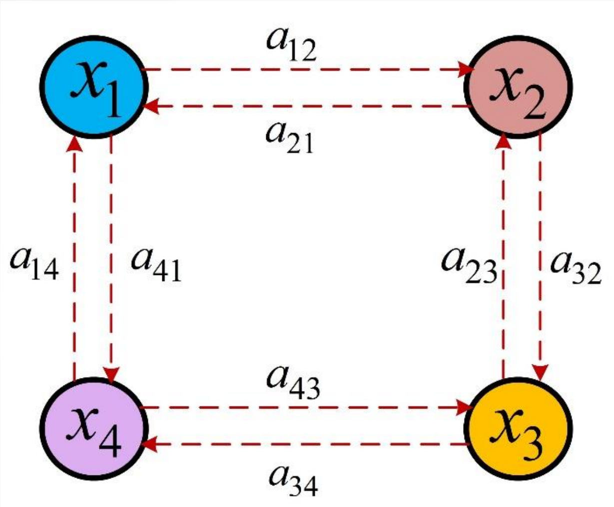
Hierarchical control framework of islanded microgrids

- **Tertiary control (centralized or distributed)**
  - Economic dispatch, optimal power flow.
- **Secondary control (centralized or distributed)**
  - V/f restoration and accurate power balancing
- **Primary control (decentralized)**
  - Inner control loops and droop control
  - Local V/f regulation and power sharing

▪ Distributed Control – Spatial Coordination of DERs

- ✓ No need for a central controller
- ✓ One node only communicates with neighbouring nodes
- ✓ Share communication and computation burden among nodes
- ✓ Higher resilience, plug-and-play, scalability, data privacy

Example of communication graph



Adjacent matrix of the graph

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & a_{12} & 0 & a_{14} \\ a_{21} & 0 & a_{23} & 0 \\ 0 & a_{32} & 0 & a_{34} \\ a_{41} & 0 & a_{43} & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

a) Average consensus control

$$\dot{x}_i(t) = \sum_{j \in N_i} a_{ij}(t)(x_j(t) - x_i(t))$$

$$\lim_{t \to \infty} \left\| x_i(t) - x_j(t) \right\| = 0$$

b) Leader-follower consensus control

$$\dot{x}_i(t) = \sum_{j=1}^{n} a_{ij}(t)(x_j(t) - x_i(t)) + g_i(x_0(t) - x_i(t)).$$

$$\lim_{t \to \infty} \left\| x_i(t) - x_0(t) \right\| = 0$$

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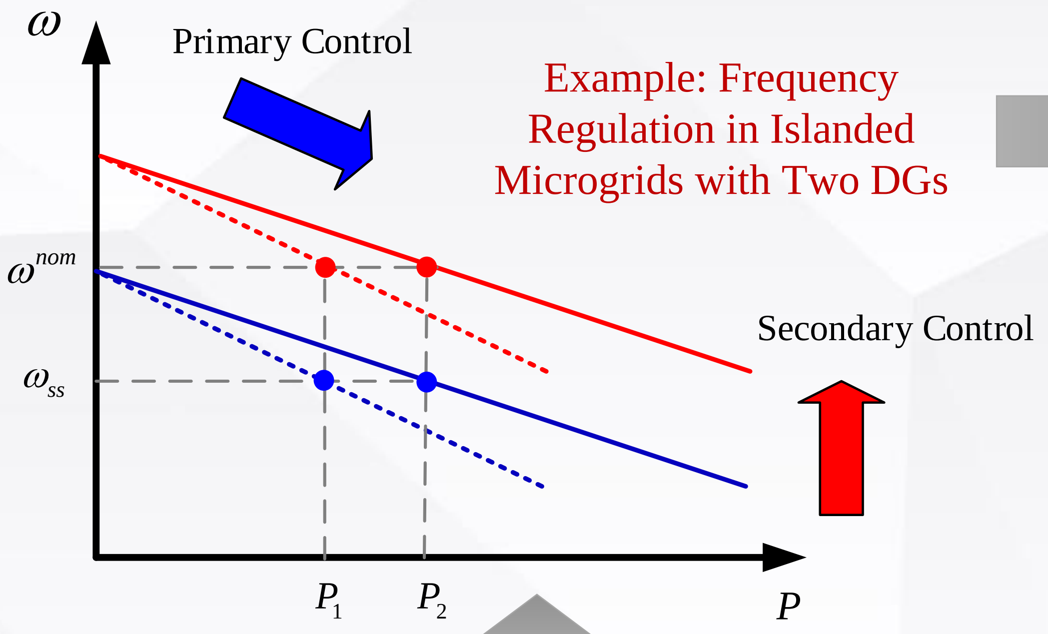
Secondary Controller Design – Principle



Example: Frequency Regulation in Islanded Microgrids with Two DGs

Droop control

$$\omega_i = \omega_i^{\text{nom}} - m_i^P P_i$$
$$V_i = V_i^{\text{nom}} - m_i^Q Q_i$$

Taking Derivative

$$\dot{\omega}_i = \dot{\omega}_i^{\text{nom}} - m_i^P \dot{P}_i$$
$$\dot{V}_i = \dot{V}_i^{\text{nom}} - m_i^Q \dot{Q}_i$$

Problem formulation

$$\omega^{\text{nom}} = \int (\dot{\omega}_i + m_i^P \dot{P}_i) dt = \int (u_i^\omega + u_i^P) dt$$
$$V^{\text{nom}} = \int (\dot{V}_i + m_i^Q \dot{Q}_i) dt = \int (u_i^V + u_i^Q) dt$$

Apply consensus control rule

$$u_i^\omega = \sum_{j=1}^{N} a_{ij} (\omega_j - \omega_i) + g_i (\omega^{ref} - \omega_i)$$
$$u_i^p = \sum_{j=1}^{N} a_{ij} (m_j^P P_j - m_i^P P_i)$$
$$u_i^V = \sum_{j=1}^{N} a_{ij} (V_j - V_i) + g_i (V^{ref} - V_i)$$
$$u_i^Q = \sum_{j=1}^{N} a_{ij} (m_j^Q Q_j - m_i^Q Q_i)$$

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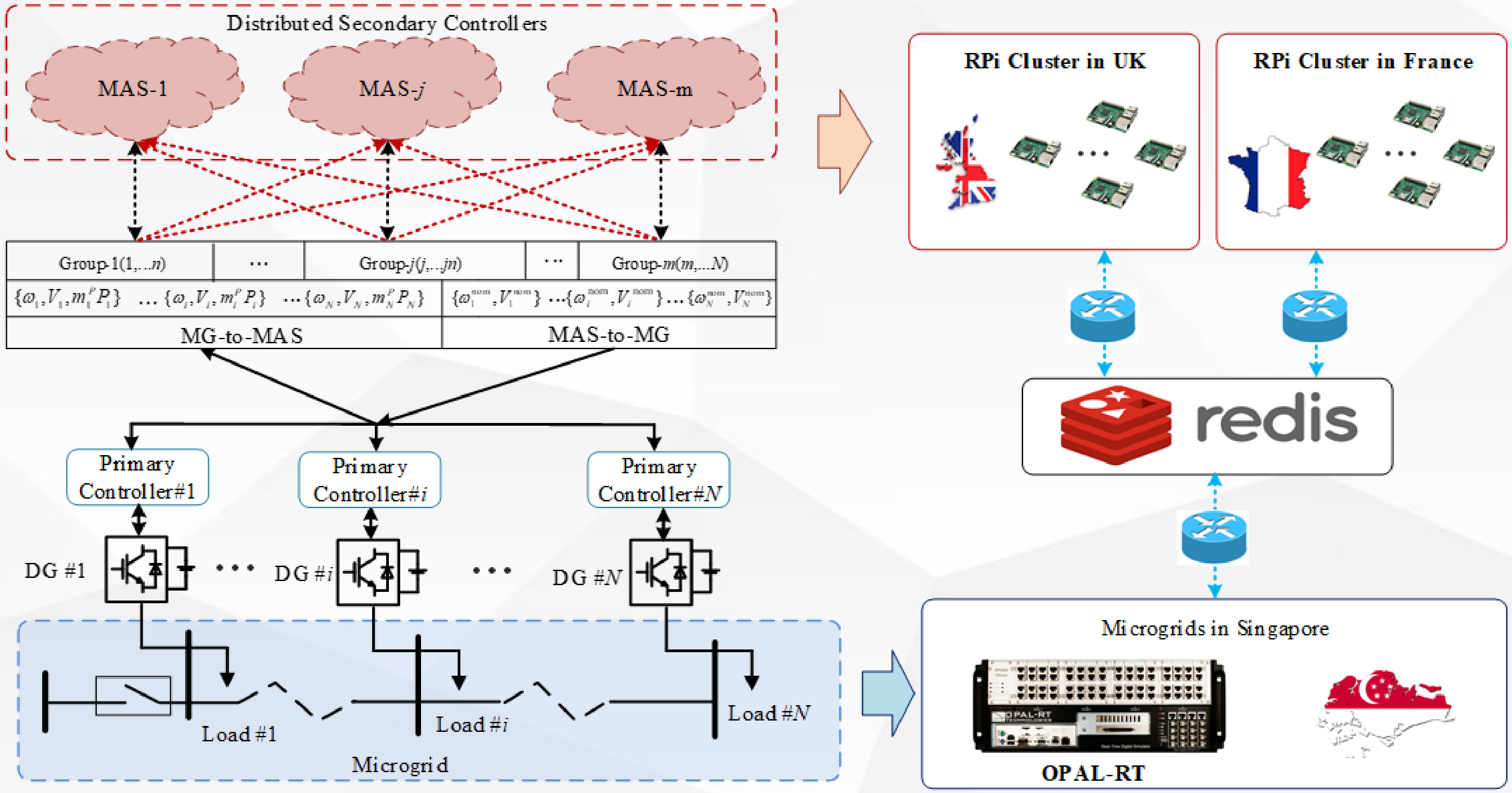
▪ Cross-national hardware-in-the-loop (HiL) testbed

Jointly developed by NTU (Singapore), University of Strathclyde (UK), and G2E Lab (France)

- Microgrids system with OPAL-RT in Singapore.
- Distributed controllers in Raspberry Pi in UK and France.
- Software environment based on gRPC and data exchange via Redis cloud server.



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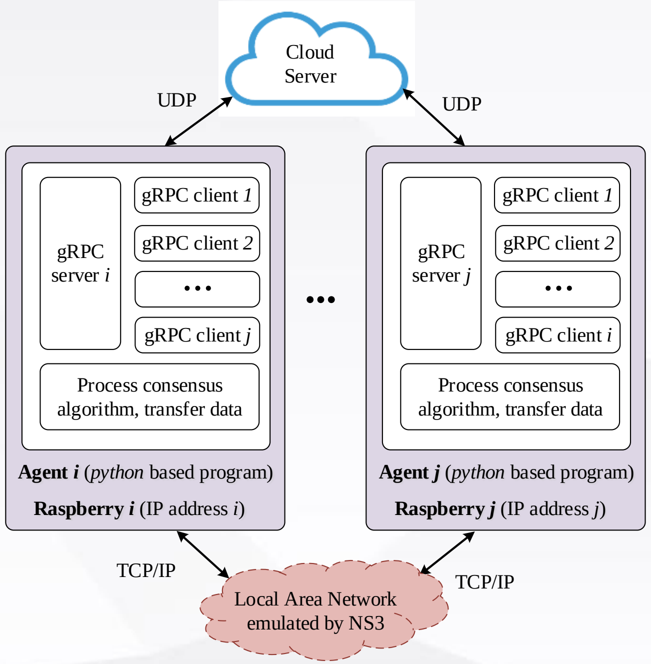
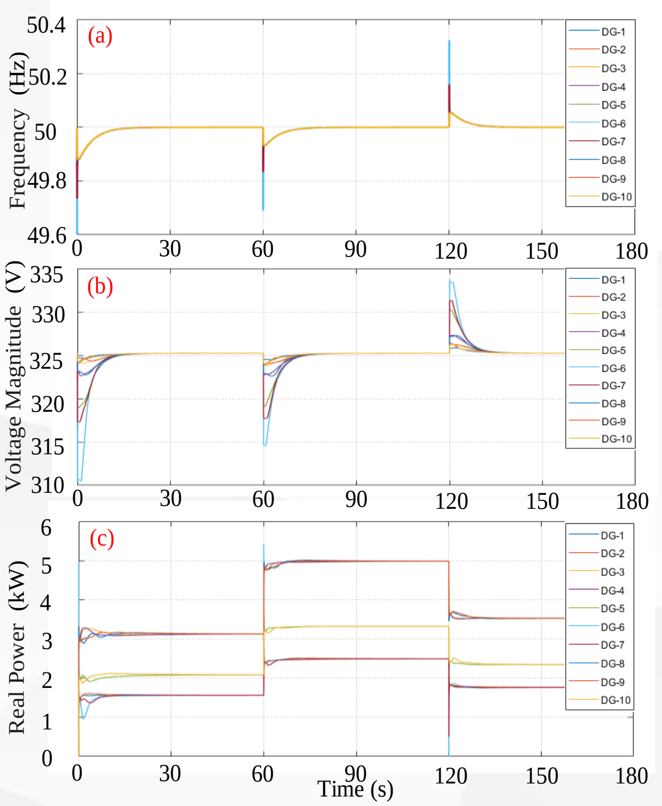
▪ HiL Validation Results – Controller performance

Test system: 10-DG with two controller in UK and France (Each controller for 5 DGs)

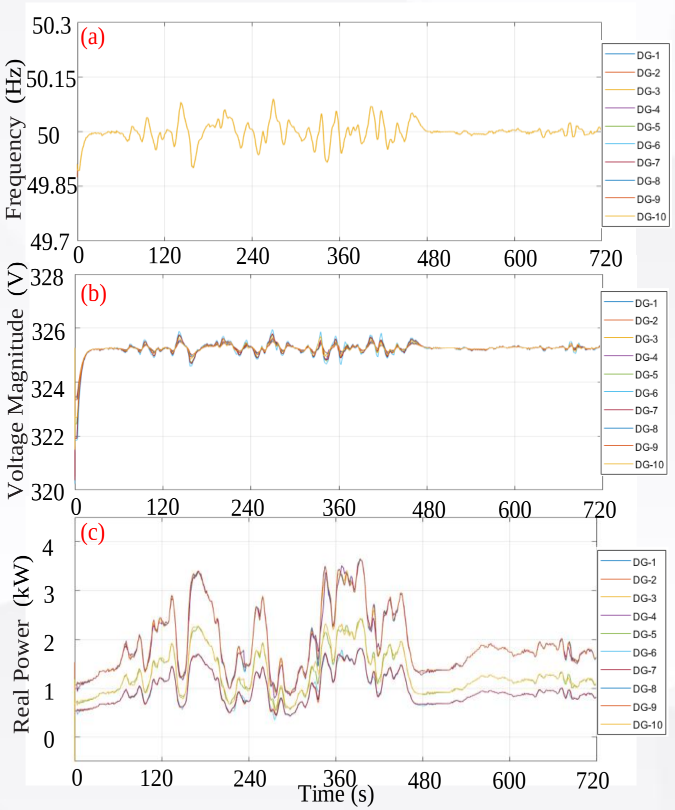
Structure of each agent based on gRPC



a) step load change case



b) Real PV and load profile case



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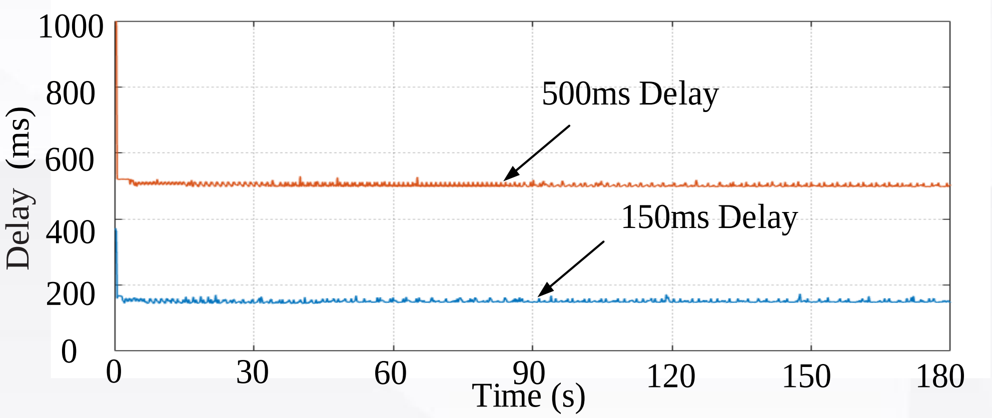
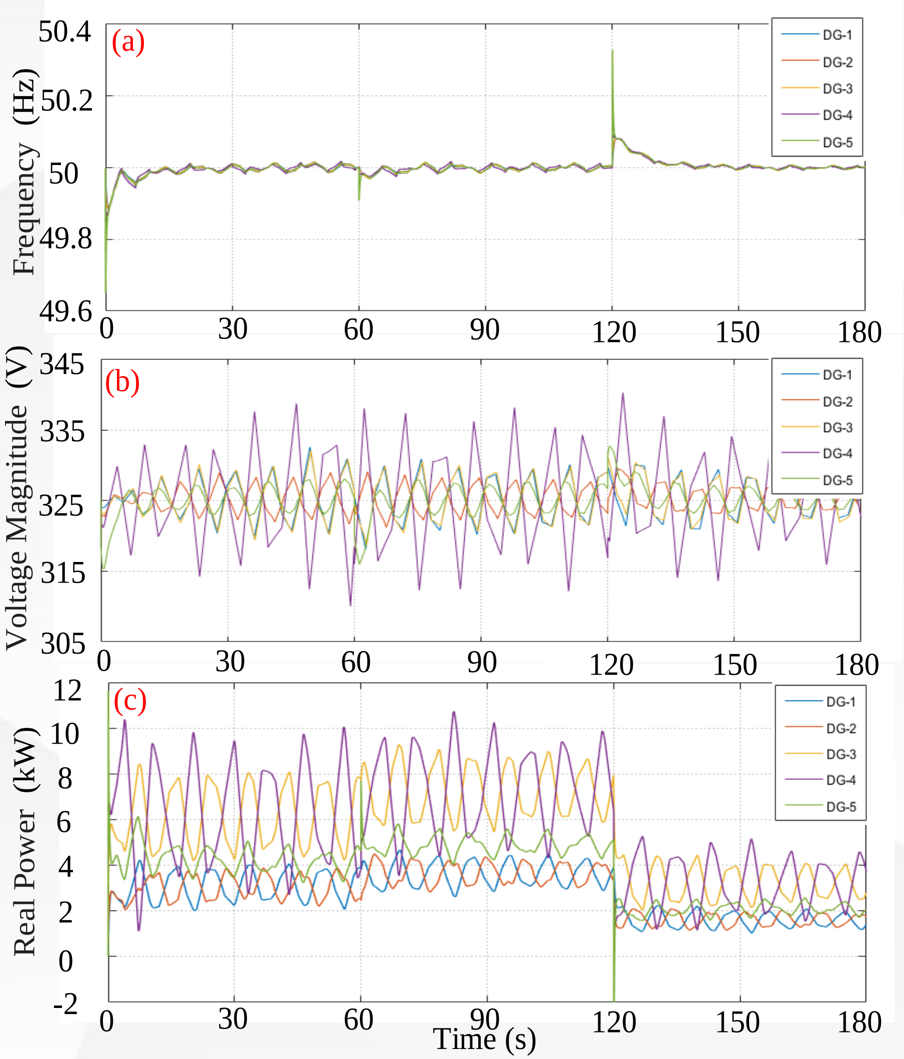
HiL Validation Results – Communication delay

Communication delay emulated by NS3 simulation tools.



Test system: 5-DG MG with one MAS in UK



System oscillation under large delay, which can be mitigated by tuning the control gain.

- ✓ Larger control gain -> converge faster -> withstand smaller delay.
- ✓ Smaller control gain -> converge slower -> withstand larger delay

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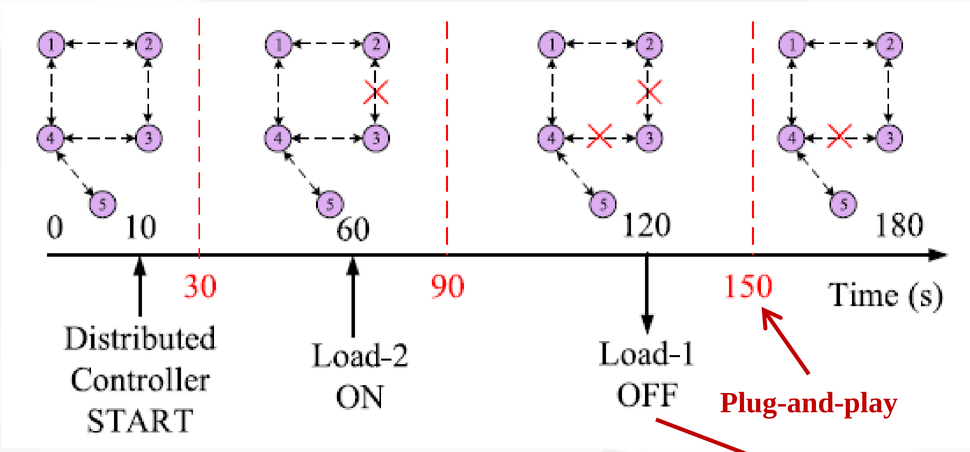
▪ HiL Validation Results – Communication failures

Communication failures



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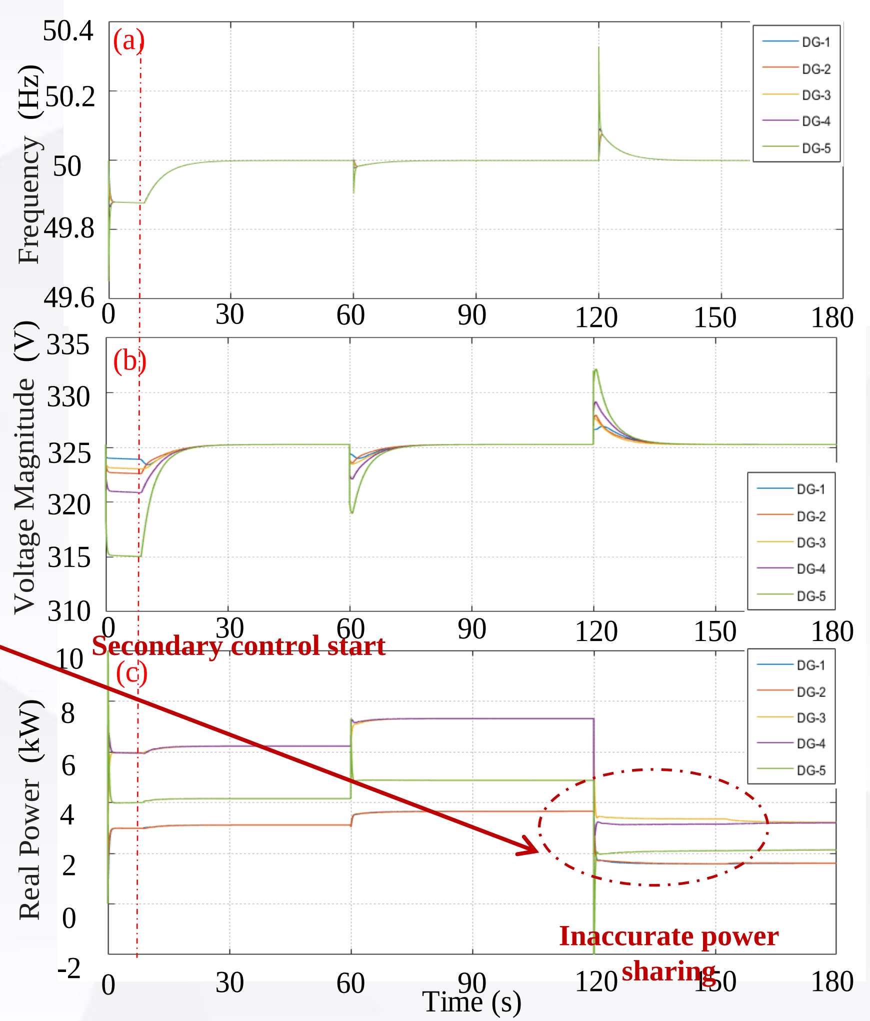

- ✓ Failure of communication will affect the convergence speed
- ✓ Loss of communication will lead to inaccurate power sharing

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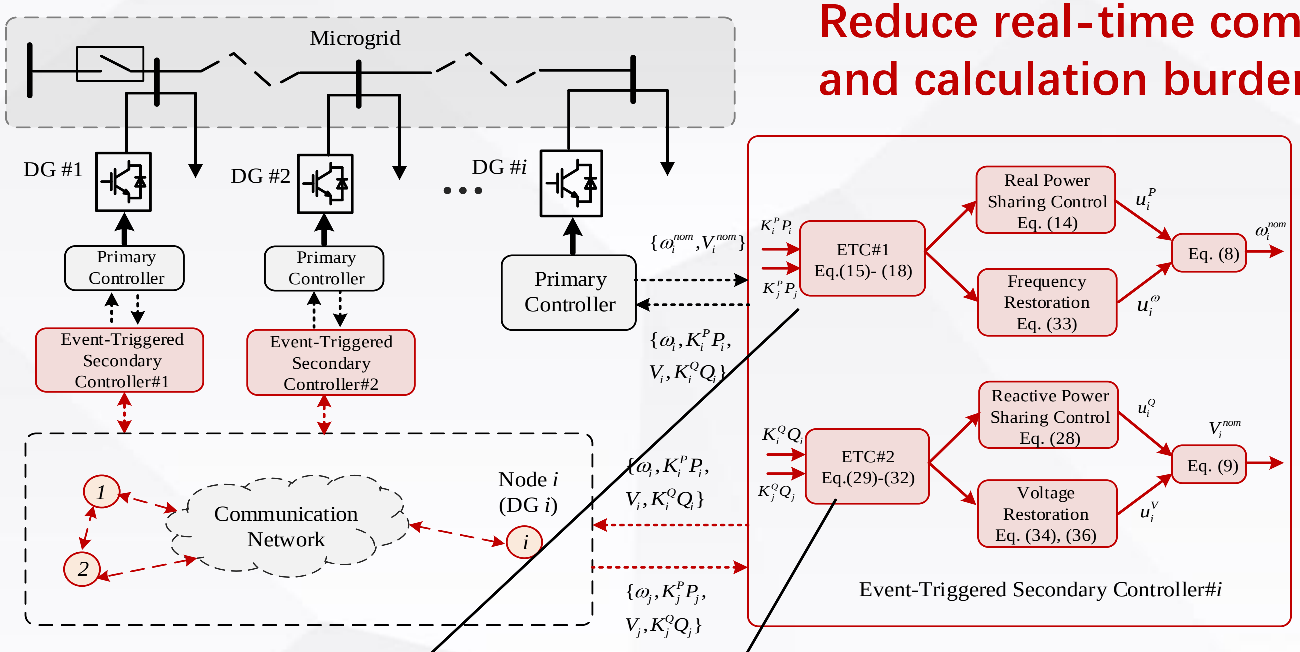
▪ Event-Triggered Distributed Control of Islanded Microgrids

Reduce real-time communication and calculation burden



Event-Trigger Condition for *f* and P:

$$f_i^P(t) = \left\|e_i^P(t)\right\|^2 - \frac{\sigma_i^P \alpha^P (1-\alpha^P d_i)}{d_i}\left\|\delta_i^P(t)\right\|^2$$

$$t_k^{Pi} = \inf\{t > t_{k-1}^{Pi} \mid f_i^P(t) = 0\}$$

Event-Trigger Condition for V and Q:

$$f_i^Q(t) = \left\|e_i^Q(t)\right\|^2 - \frac{\sigma_i^Q \alpha^Q (1-\alpha^Q d_i)}{d_i}\left\|\delta_i^Q(t)\right\|^2$$

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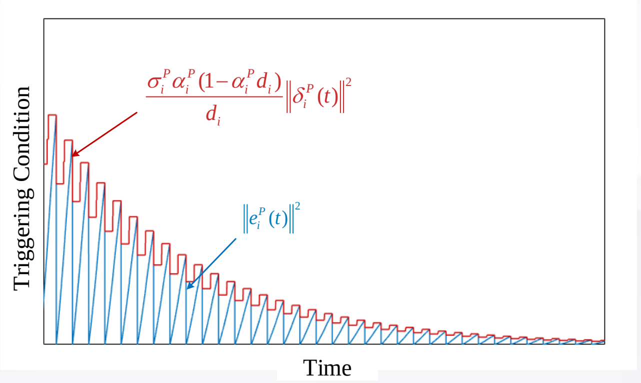
Effects of ETC



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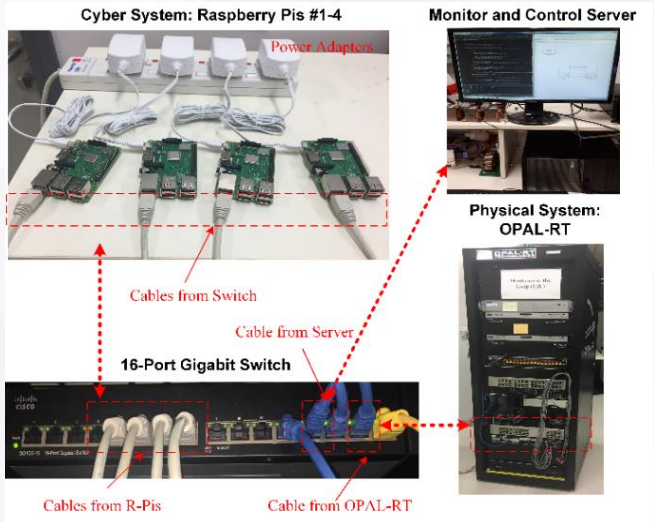
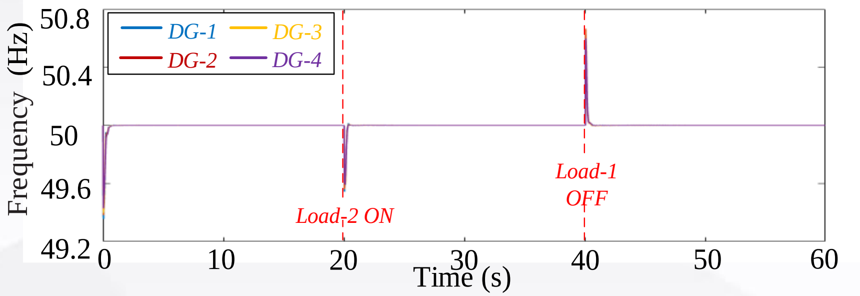
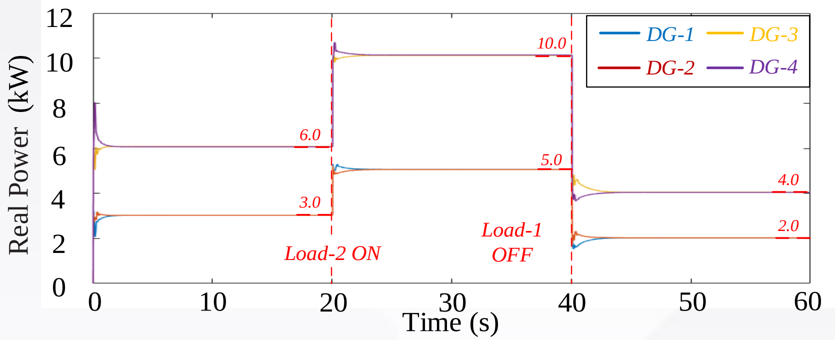
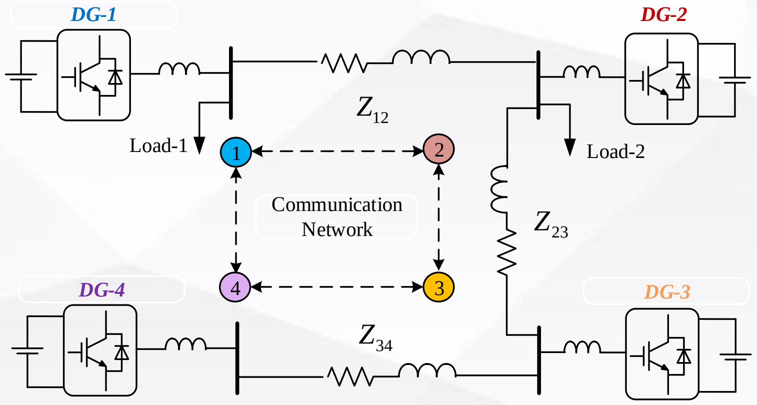
▪ Controller Hardware-in-the-Loop (CHil) Test



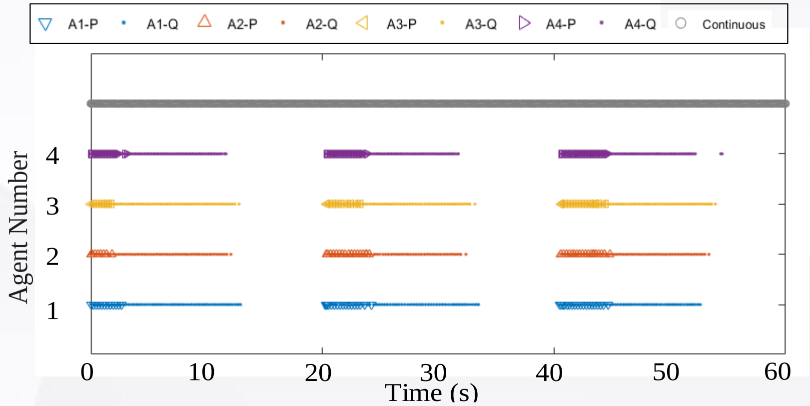
HiL testbed with Raspberry Pi and OPAL-RT







Microgrid topology with four DGs



Communication requirement

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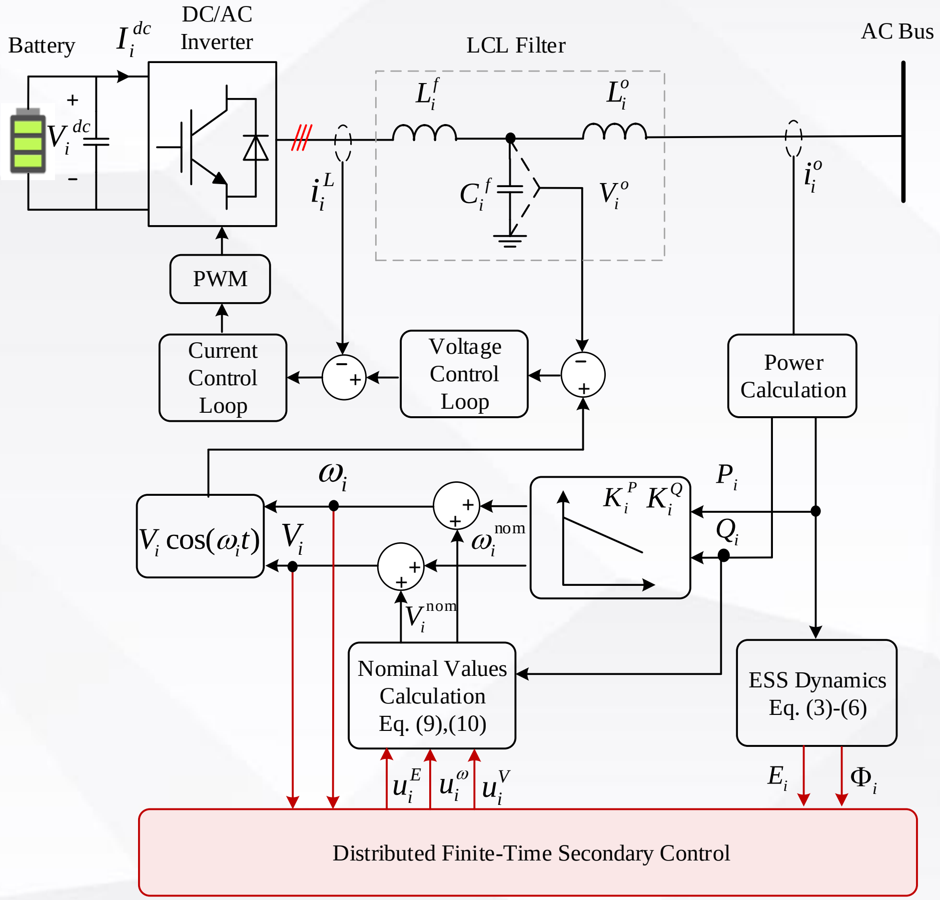
▪ Finite-Time Distributed Control of Energy Storage Systems



Control diagram of one ESS unit

Finite-time consensus control law

$$u_i^E = c_1 sig\left(\sum_{j=1}^{N} a_{ij}(E_j - E_i)\right)^{\alpha_1} + c_2 sig\left(\sum_{j=1}^{N} a_{ij}(\Phi_j - \Phi_i)\right)^{\alpha_2}$$

$$e_i^{\omega} = \sum_{j=1}^{N} a_{ij}(\omega_j - \omega_i) + g_i(\omega^{ref} - \omega_i)$$
$$e_i^{V} = \sum_{j=1}^{N} a_{ij}(V_j - V_i) + g_i(V^{ref} - V_i)$$

Control objectives

$$\lim_{t \to T^E} \left|\Phi_i(t) - \Phi_j(t)\right| = 0, \ \lim_{t \to T^E} \left|E_i(t) - E_j(t)\right| = 0$$
$$\Phi_i(t) = \Phi_j(t), E_i(t) = E_j(t) \forall t \geq T^E$$

$$\lim_{t \to T^\omega} \left|\omega_i(t) - \omega^{ref}\right| = 0, \ \omega_i(t) = \omega^{ref}, \forall t \geq T^\omega$$
$$\lim_{t \to T^V} \left|V_i(t) - V^{ref}\right| = 0, \ V_i(t) = V^{ref}, \forall t \geq T^V$$

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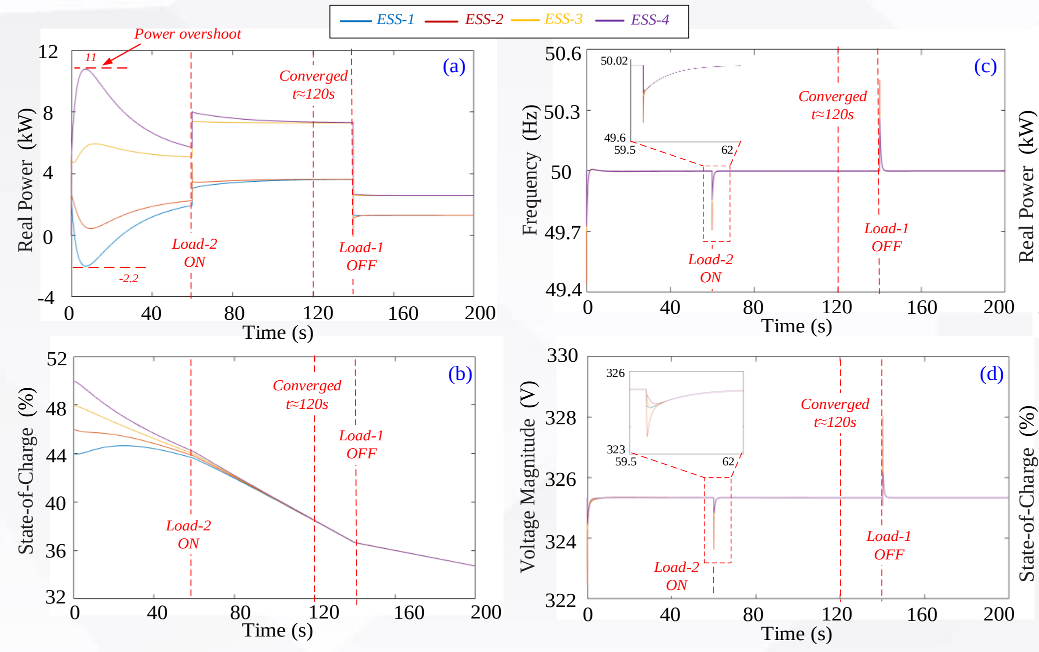
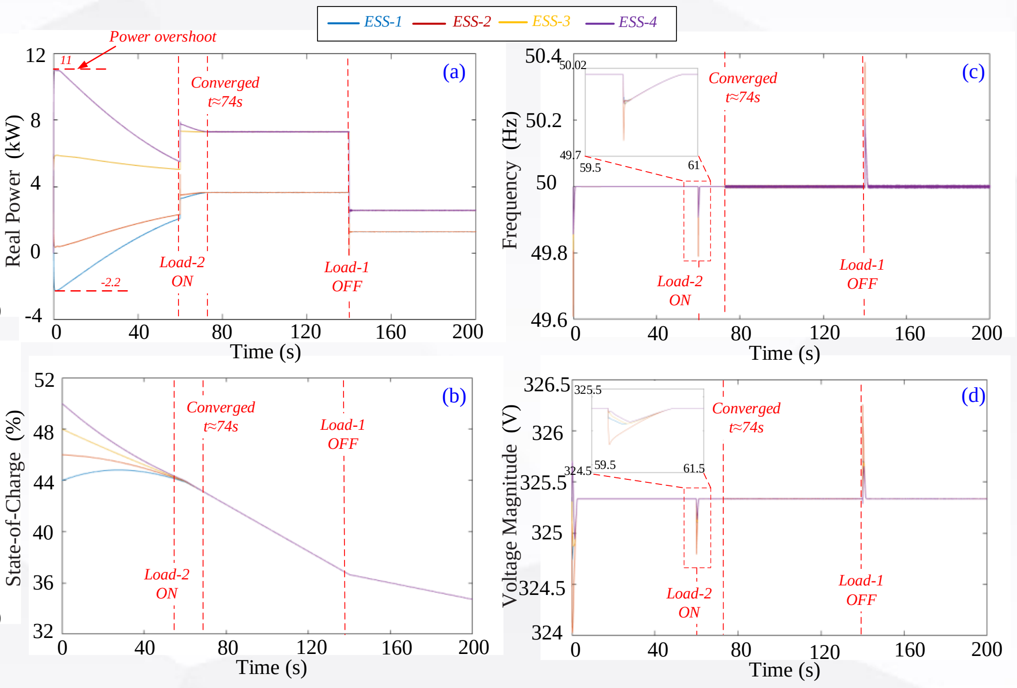
▪ Finite-Time Distributed Control of Energy Storage Systems

Under the same power overshoot, the proposed controller converges much faster (74s vs 120s)



Linear consensus control



Finite-time consensus control

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Grid-connected mode of Microgrids (DER support)

Voltage control support:

mitigate voltage deviation

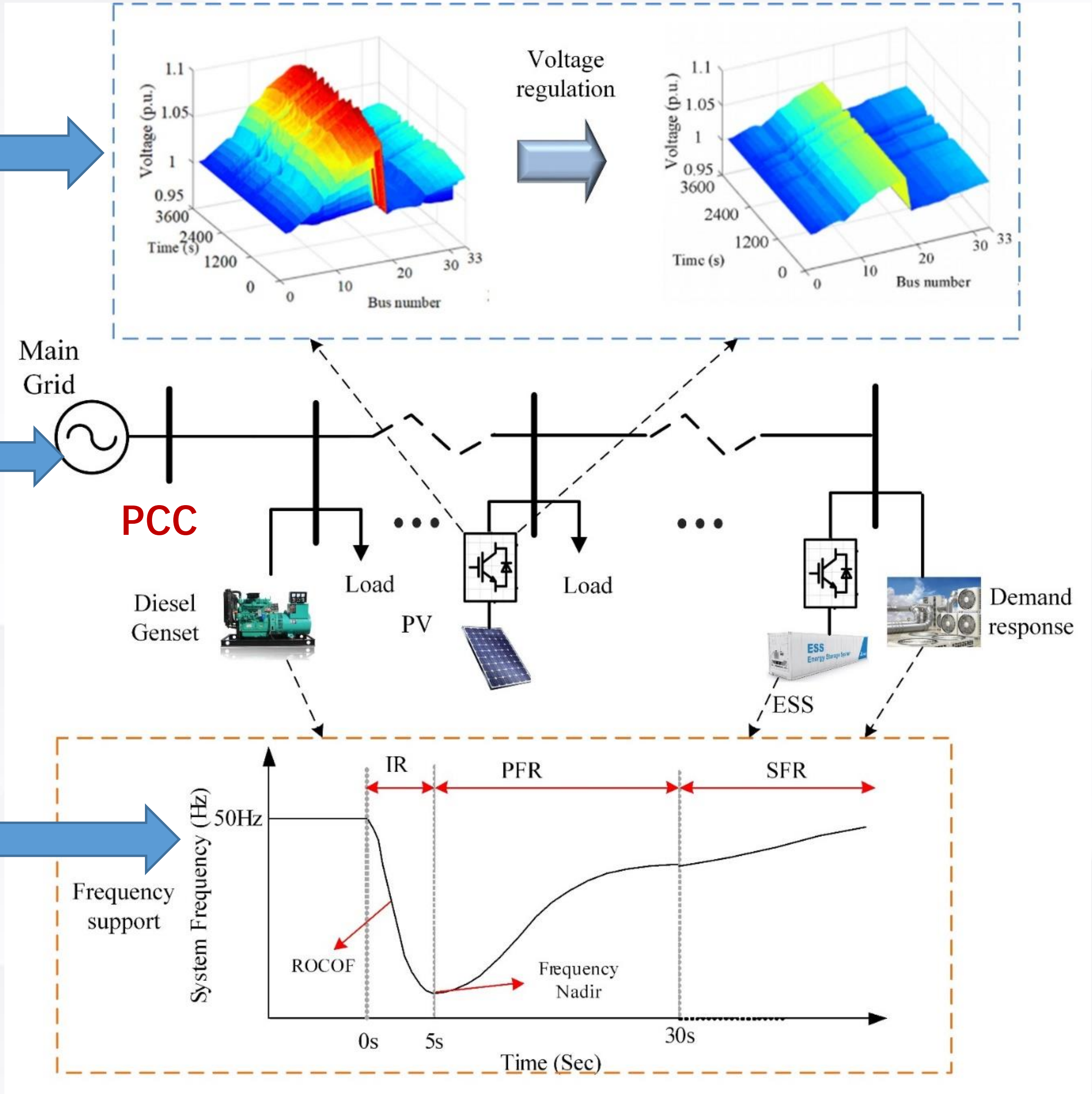
(seconds to minutes)

Frequency and voltage are dominated by the main grid through point of coupling connection (PCC).

Frequency control support:

mitigate frequency variation

(ms to seconds)



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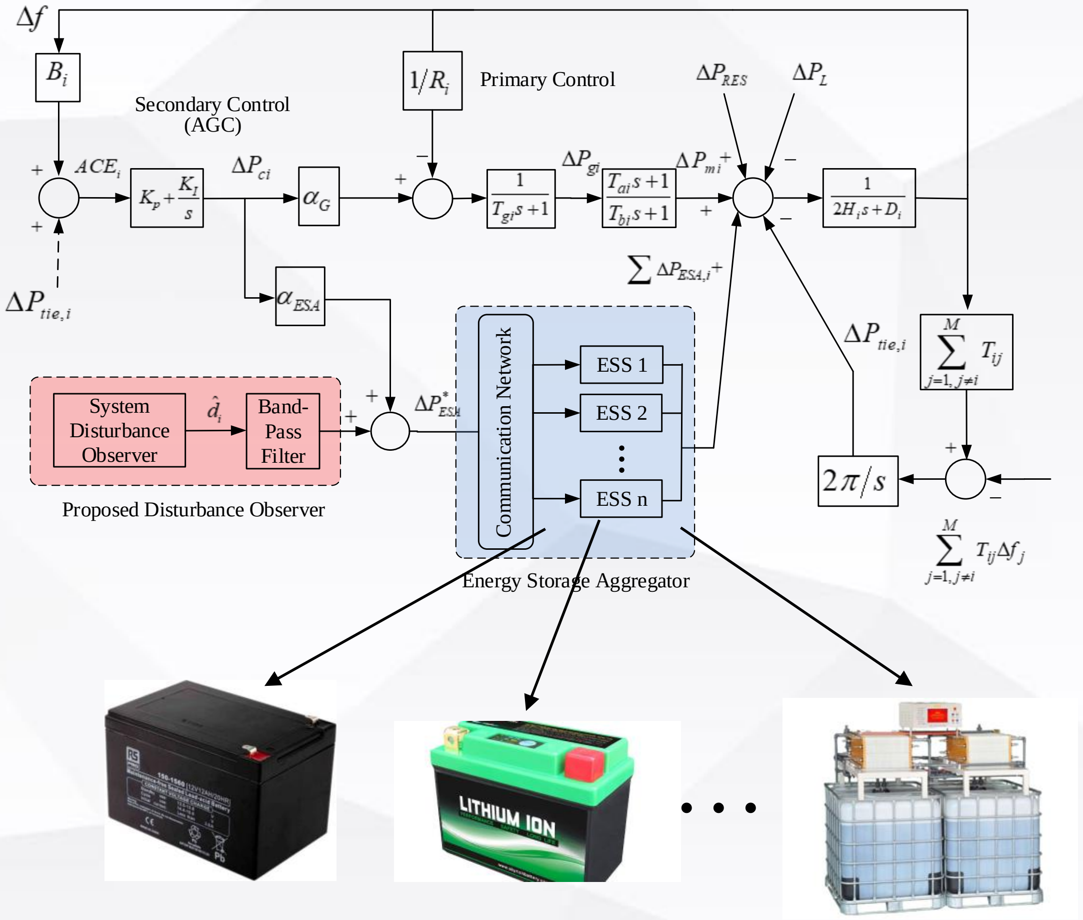
▪ Frequency Support from Aggregated Energy Storage

Proposed load frequency control (LFC) framework



Lead acid battery

Lithium ion battery

Vanadium redox battery

$$\Delta\dot{f}_i(t) = -\frac{D_i}{2H_i}\Delta f_i(t)$$

LFC with primary control

$$+\frac{1}{2H_i}\left(\Delta P_{mi}(t) - \Delta P_{L,i}(t) + \Delta P_{RES,i}(t) - \Delta P_{tie,i}(t) + \Delta P_{ESA,i}(t)\right)$$

$$\Delta\dot{P}_{mi}(t) = -\frac{1}{T_{bi}}\Delta P_{mi}(t) + \frac{1}{T_{bi}}\Delta P_{gi}(t) + \frac{T_{ai}}{T_{bi}}\Delta\dot{P}_{gi}(t)$$

$$\Delta\dot{P}_{gi}(t) = -\frac{1}{T_{gi}}\Delta P_{gi}(t) + \frac{1}{T_{gi}}\Delta P_{ci}(t) - \frac{1}{R_i T_{gi}}\Delta f_i(t)$$

$$\Delta\dot{P}_{tie,i}(t) = 2\pi\cdot\left[\sum_{j=1,j\neq i}^{M} T_{ij}(\Delta f_i(t) - \Delta f_j(t))\right]$$

Tie-line power flow

$$ACE_i(t) = B_i\Delta f_i(t) + \Delta P_{tie,i}(t)$$

$$\Delta P_{ci}(t) = -K_P ACE_i(t) - K_I\int ACE_i(t)$$

Secondary control

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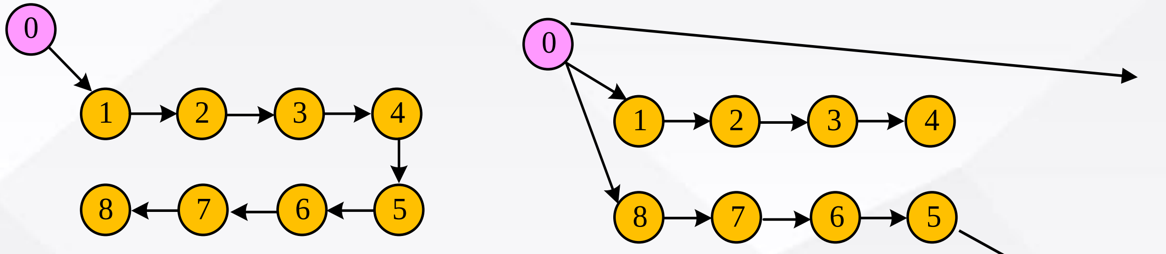
Communication topologies of ESSs



(a) $\bar{\mathcal{G}}_1$ (b) $\bar{\mathcal{G}}_2$

Leader model

$$\begin{cases} \dot{e}_0(t) = K_{ESS}\, p_0(t) \\ p_0(t) = \dfrac{P^*_{ESA}(t)}{P^{\max}_{ESA}} \end{cases}$$

LFC power reference

ESS model (follower)

$$\begin{cases} \dot{e}_i(t) = K_{ESS}\, p_i(t) \\ \dot{p}_i(t) = u_i(t) \end{cases}, \quad i = 1, 2 \ldots, N.$$

Matrices to describe graph

Adjacent Matrix

$$\boldsymbol{A} = [aij] \qquad a_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } (v_i, v_j) \in \mathcal{E} \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Pinning Matrix

$$\boldsymbol{G} = \operatorname{diag}\{gi\} \quad g_i = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } \exists\, (v_i, v_0) \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Proposed Control Law

$$u_i(t) = \sum_{j=1}^{N} a_{ij}(sig(e_i(t) - e_j(t))^{\alpha}) - g_i(sig(e_i(t) - e_0(t))^{\alpha})$$

Consensus SOC

$$-\gamma \sum_{j=1}^{N} a_{ij}(sig(p_i(t) - p_j(t))^{\beta}) - g_i(sig(p_i(t) - p_0(t))^{\beta})$$

LFC power reference

Control Objectives: achieve LFC power reference with consensus SOC

$$\lim_{t \to T_0} \|e_i(t) - e_0(t)\| = 0, \quad \lim_{t \to T_0} \|p_i(t) - p_0(t)\| = 0$$

$$e_i(t) = e_0(t), \quad p_i(t) = p_0(t), \quad \forall t \geq T_0, \ i = 1, 2, \ldots N.$$

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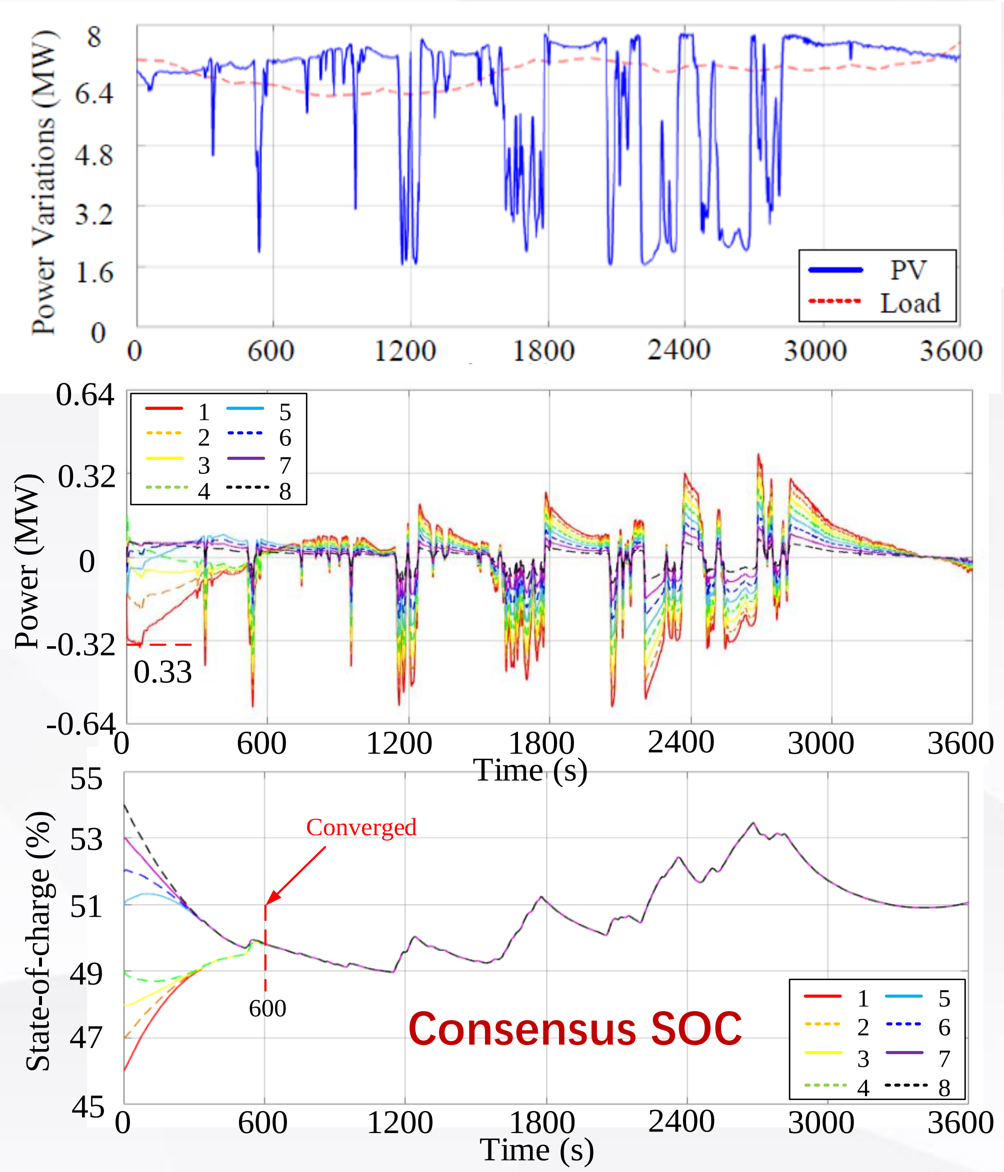

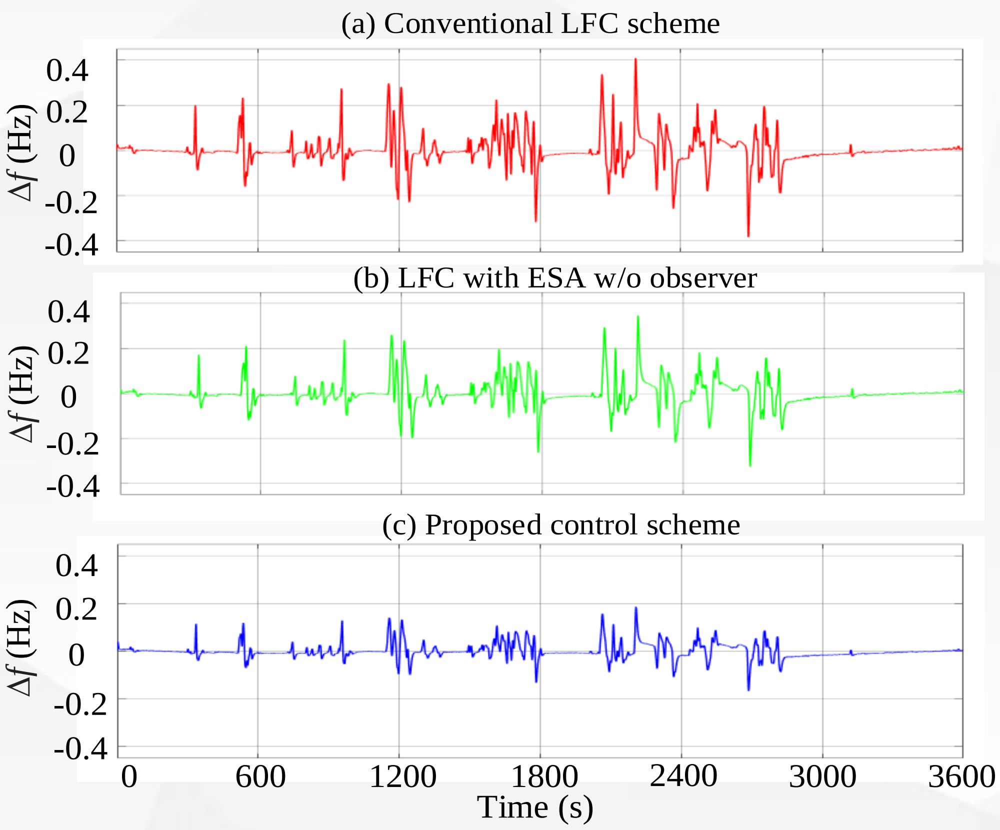

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Thermostatically Controlled Loads (TCLs) for frequency support

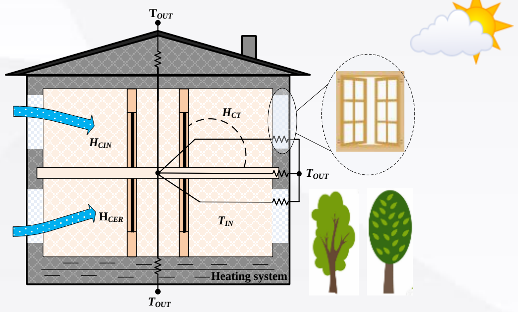
Temperature dynamics of TCL:

$$C_{th}\frac{dT_i(t)}{dt}=\frac{T_a(t)-T_i(t)}{R_{th}}-\eta\bar{P}\alpha_i(t),\ \ i\in\mathcal{G}.$$

Heat exchange with the ambient

Thermal energy from VFAC

Assume power state αi is a continuous variable from 0 to 1.



Comfort zone of TCL:

$$\beta_i(t)=\frac{T_i(t)-T_s+\Delta T}{2\Delta T},\ \ i\in\mathcal{G}$$

Comfort state βi is an index from 0 to 1.

State-space model of TCL:

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix}\dfrac{d\alpha_i(t)}{dt}\\ \dfrac{d\beta_i(t)}{dt}\end{bmatrix}}_{\dot{x}_i}=\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix}0 & 0\\ -\dfrac{2\Delta T}{C_{th}R_{th}} & -\dfrac{\eta\bar{P}}{C_{th}}\end{bmatrix}}_{A}\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix}\alpha_i\\ \beta_i\end{bmatrix}}_{x_i}+\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix}1\\ 0\end{bmatrix}}_{B}u_i+\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix}0\\ \dfrac{T_a(t)-T_s+\Delta T}{C_{th}R_{th}}\end{bmatrix}}_{W}$$

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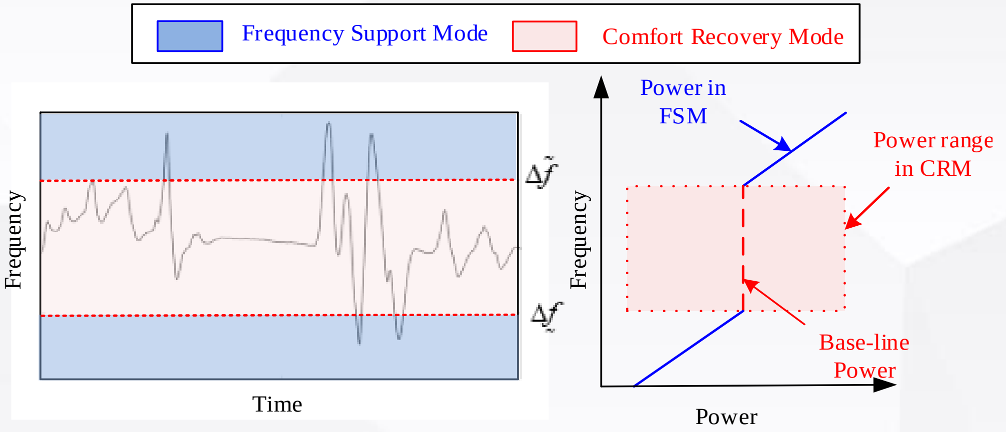
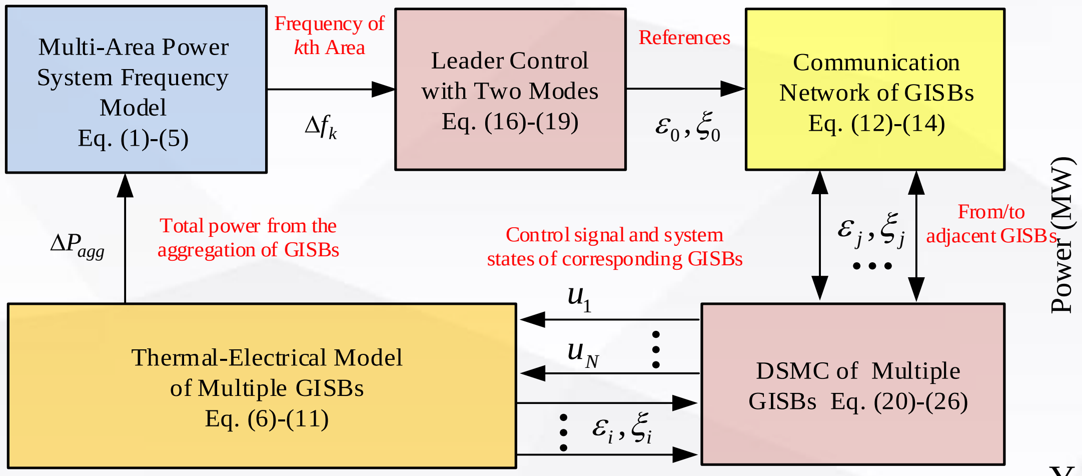
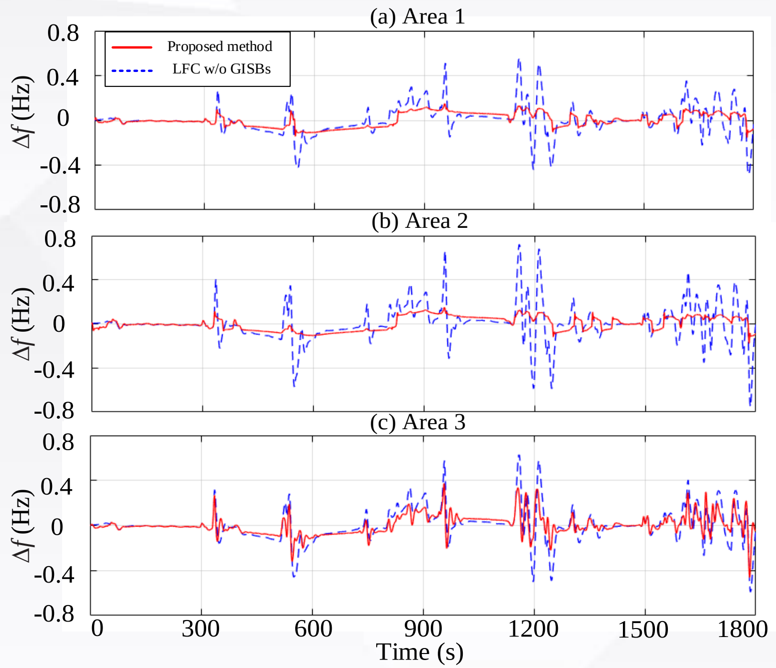
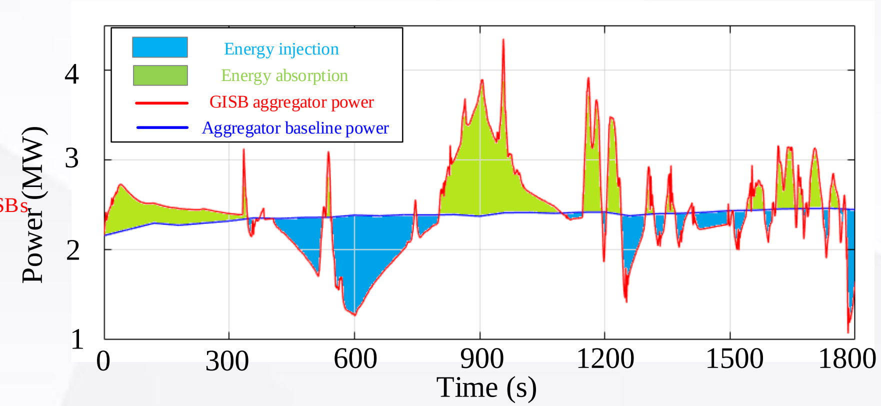


Leader control mode: *f* support mode and comfort recover mode



Leader-follower consensus controller





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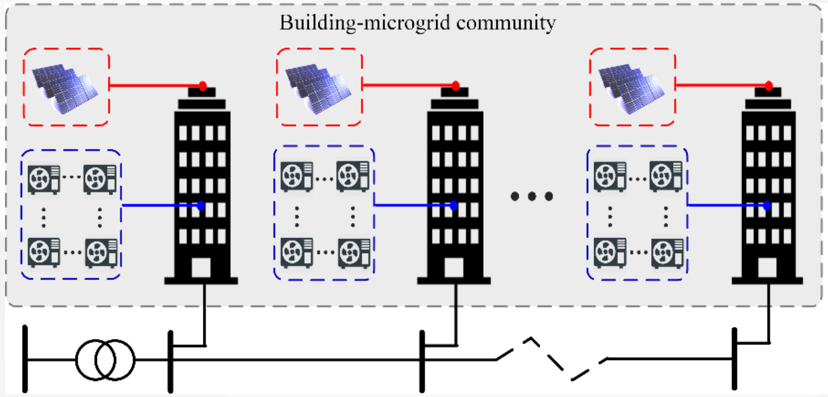
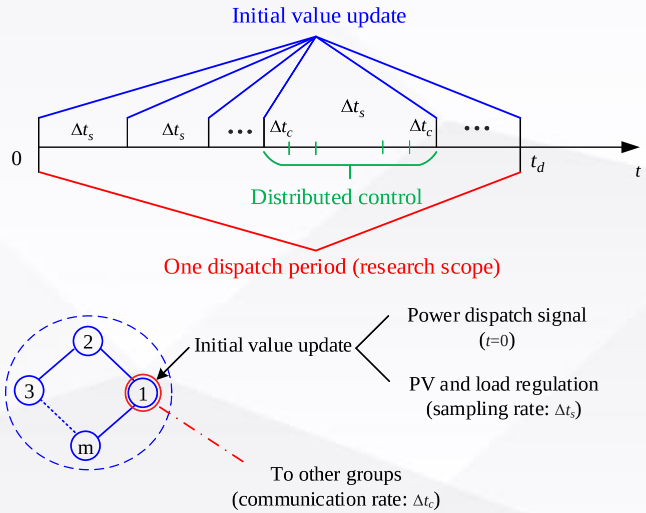
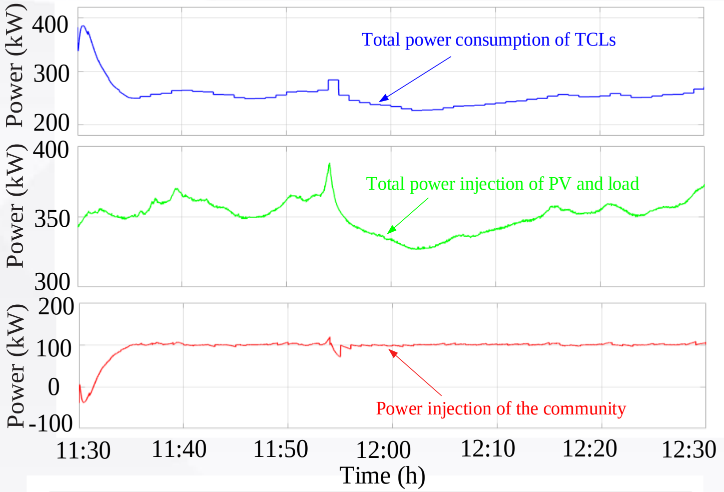
Ancillary Service Support from Smart Building Community

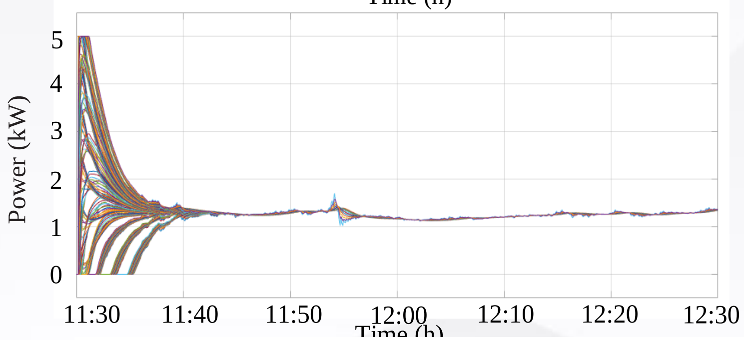


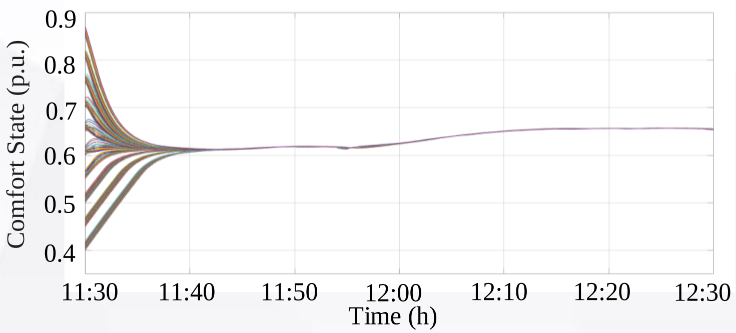
Smart building community: TCLs+PVs



Initial value updating scheme







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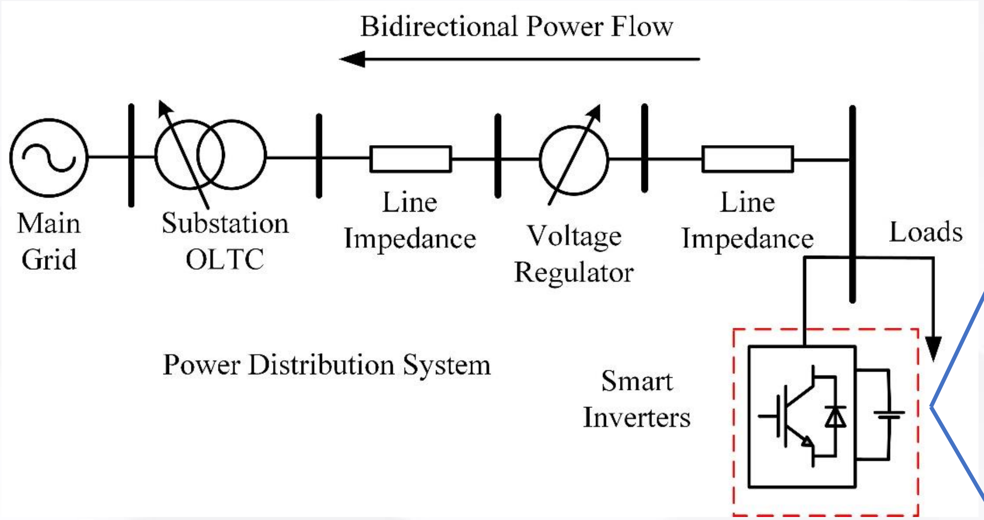
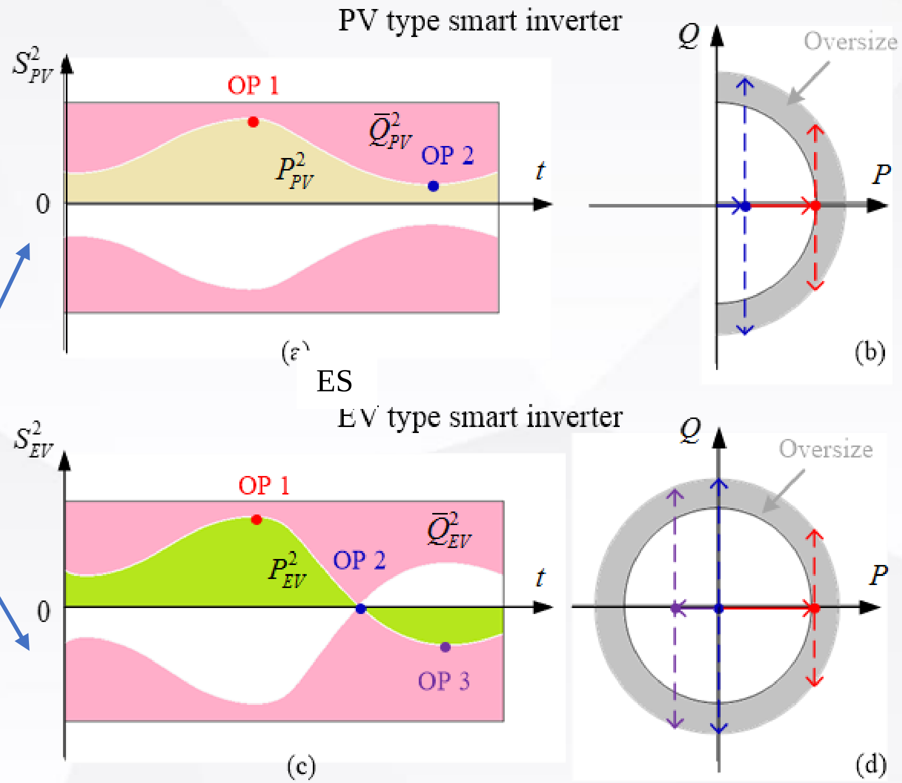
- Real-time Voltage/Var Control (VVC) Support from DERs

➢ Existing Challenges: High PV penetration level, massive EV charging.
➢ Voltage quality issues: Voltage rise, drop and fast fluctuations.
➢ Potential solutions: inverter-assisted voltage/var support





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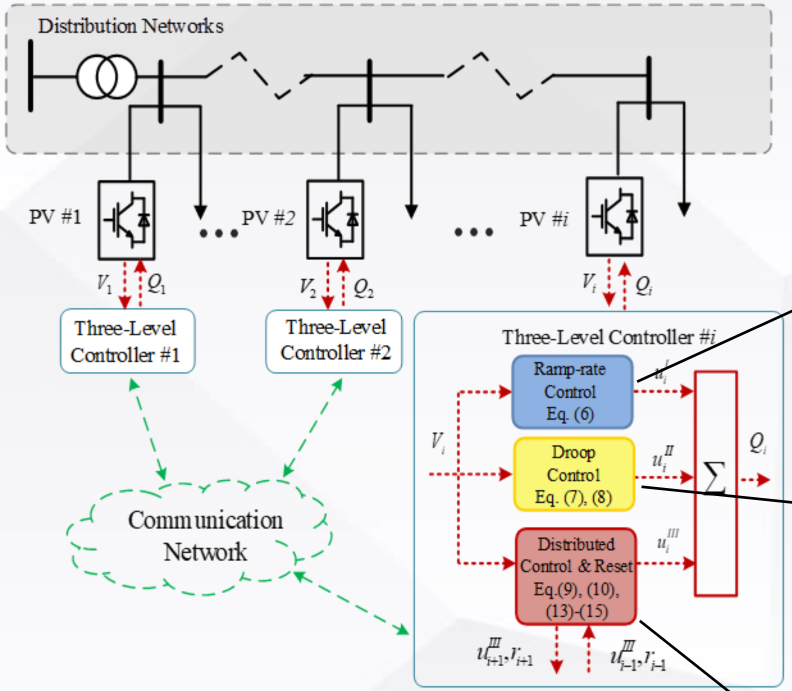
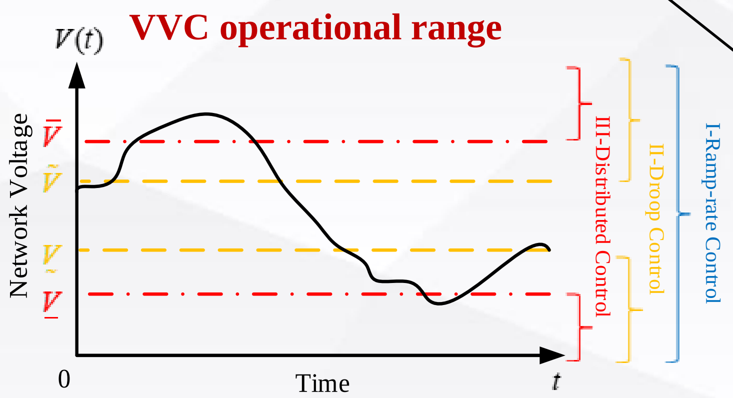
Real-Time Coordinated Voltage/Var Control Controller





Controller design:

Level I: Ramp-rate Control -> smooth voltage fluctuation

$$u_i^I(t) = K_i^I[V_i(t) - \frac{\sum_{j=t-\omega}^{t} V_i(j)}{T(t)-T(t-\omega)}]$$

Level II: Droop Control -> immediate voltage support

$$u_i^{II}(t) = \begin{cases} K_i^{II}(V_i(t)-\tilde{V}), & V_i(t) > \tilde{V} \\ 0, & \underset{\sim}{V} \le V_i(t) \le \tilde{V} \\ K_i^{II}(V_i(t)-\underset{\sim}{V}), & V_i(t) < \underset{\sim}{V} \end{cases}$$

Level III: Distributed Control -> voltage regulation to acceptable range

$$\dot{u}_i^{III}(t) = G_i^{III}[\sum_{i=1}^{N} a_{ij}(u_j^{III}(t) - u_i^{III}(t))] + e(t)$$

$$e(t) = \begin{cases} K_i^{III}(V_i(t)-\bar{V}), & V_i > \bar{V} \\ 0, & \underline{V} \le V_i \le \bar{V} \\ K_i^{III}(V_i(t)-\underline{V}), & V_i < \underline{V} \end{cases}$$

Dynamic consensus

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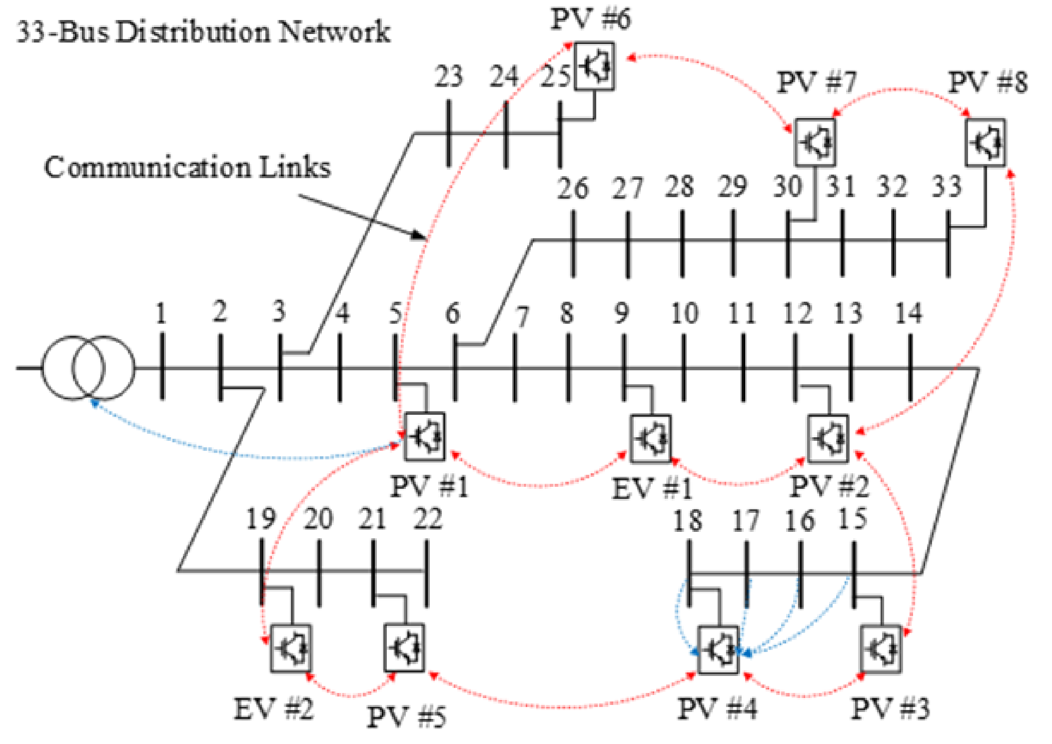
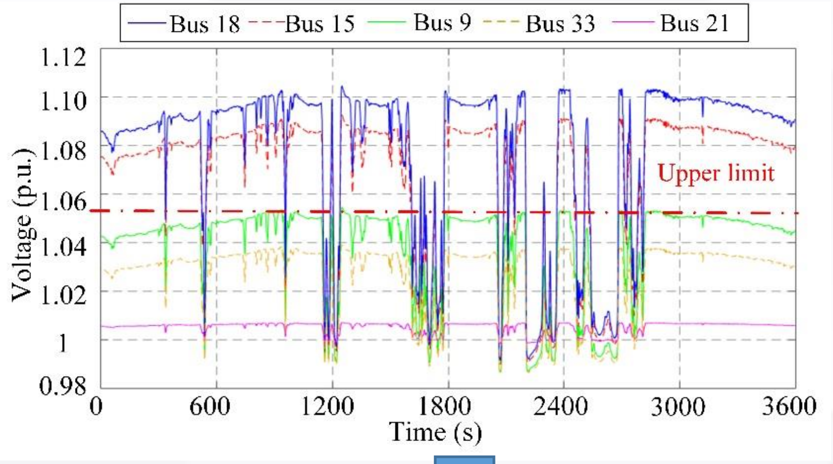
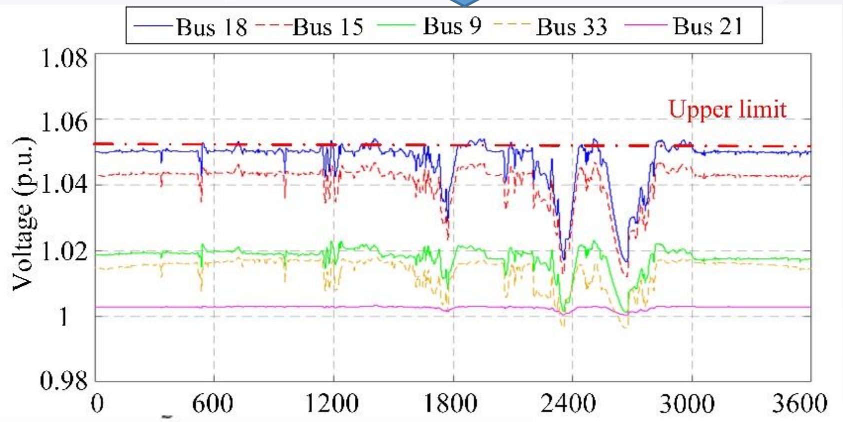
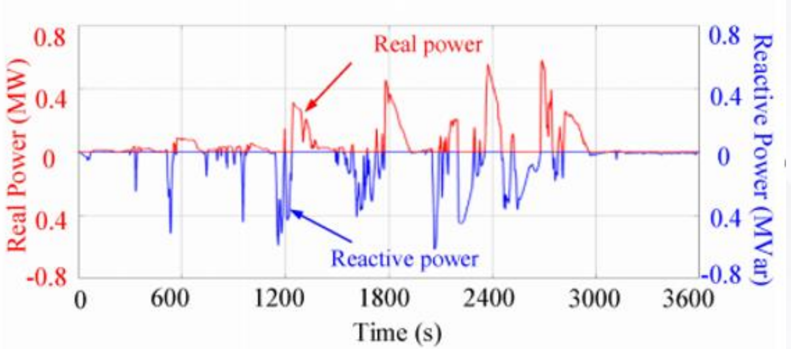


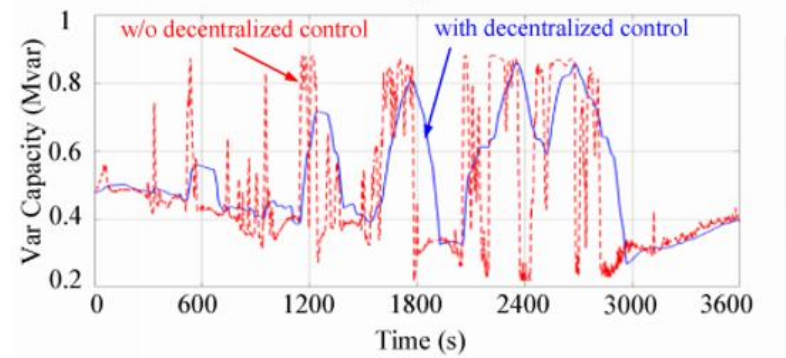
Real-time voltage/var control from inverters





Effectiveness of ramp-rate control





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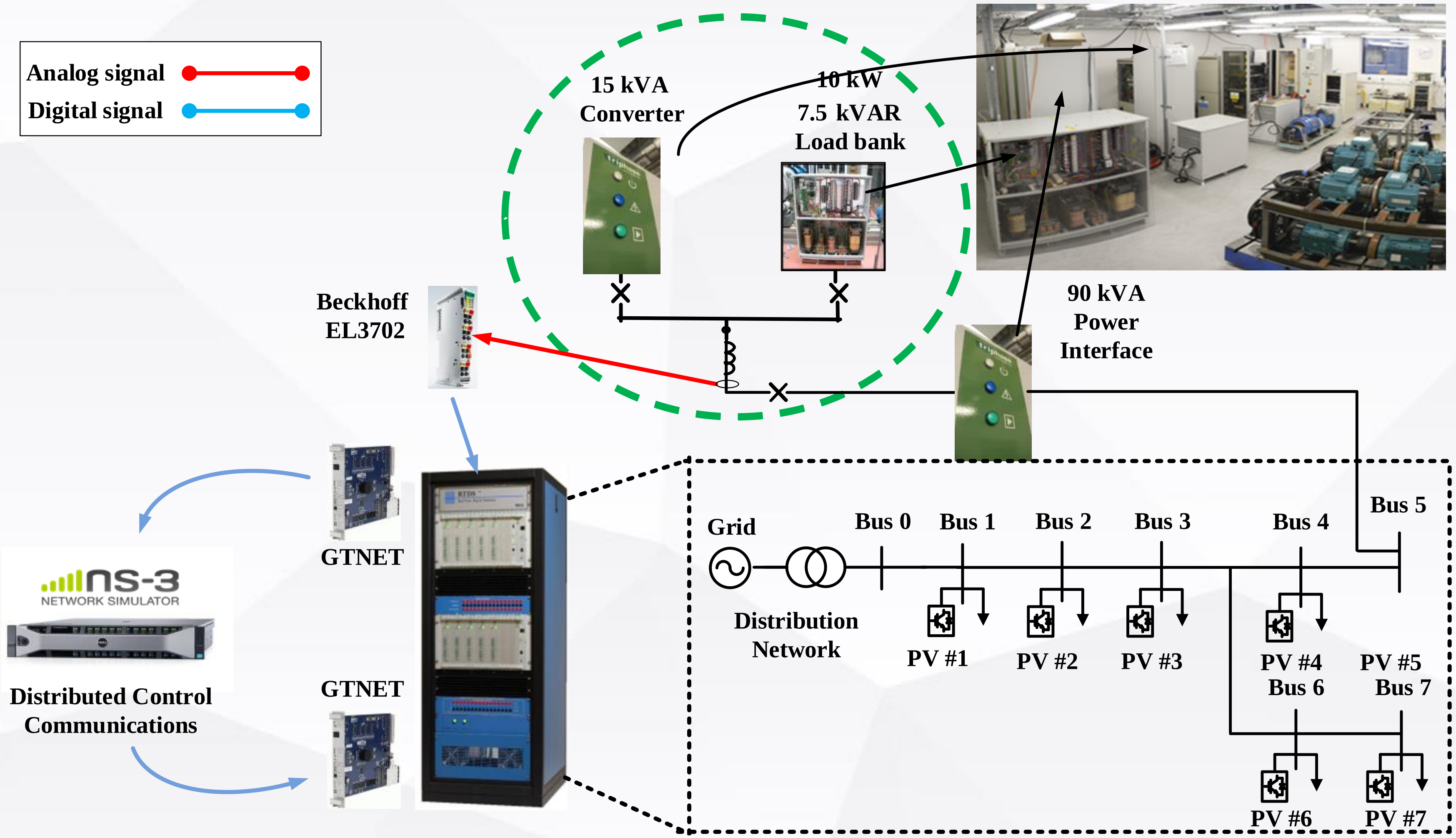
Power Hardware-in-the-Loop (PHiL) Test



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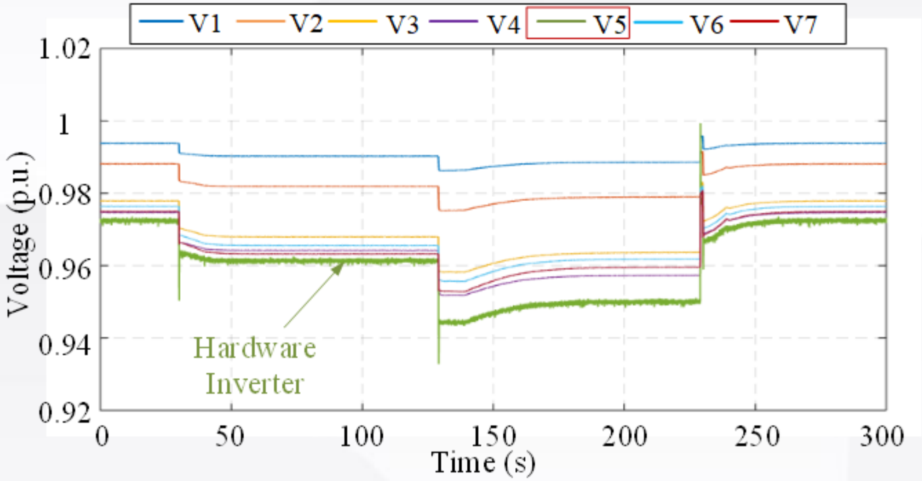
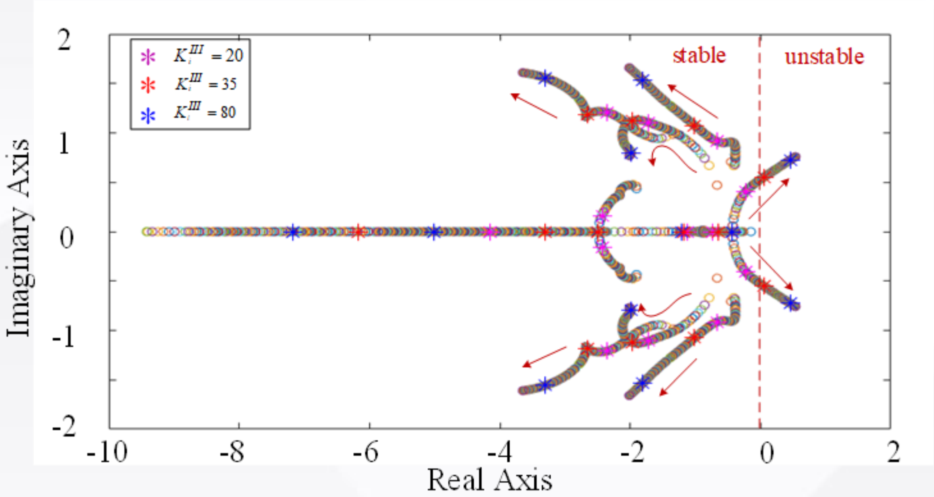
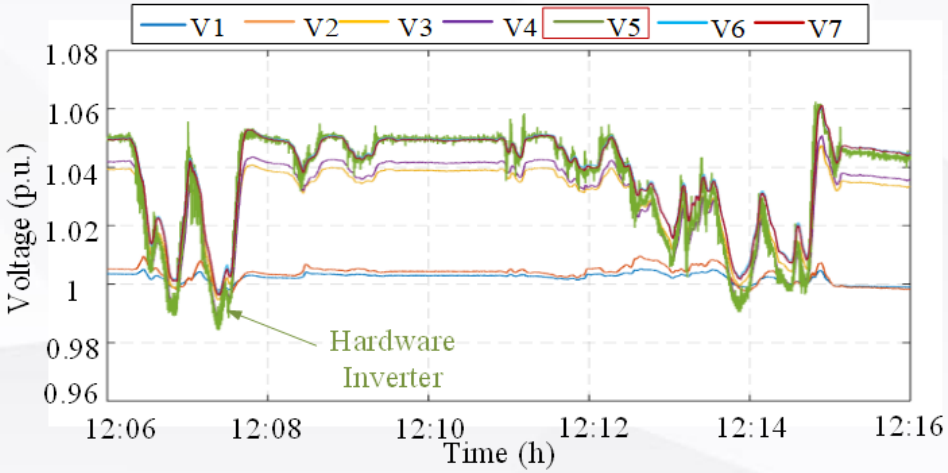
▪ Power HiL Results and Eigenvalues



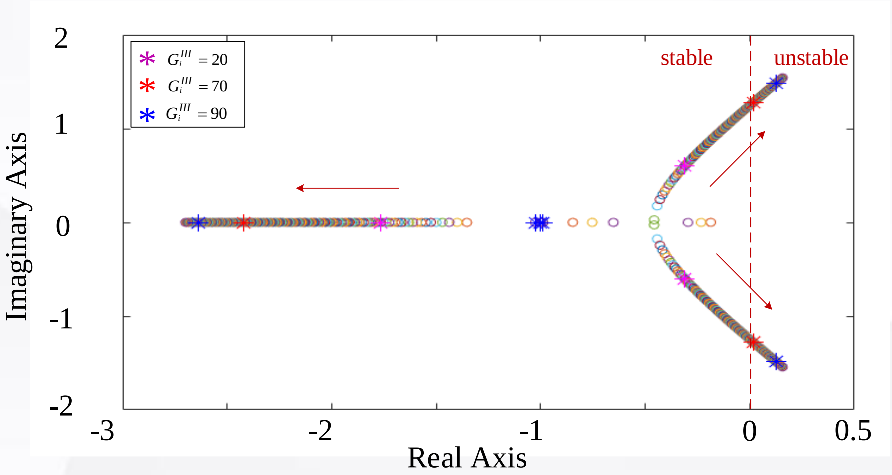
Voltage profiles under step load changes



Trace of eigenvalues under different control gains



Voltage profiles under real PV and load data



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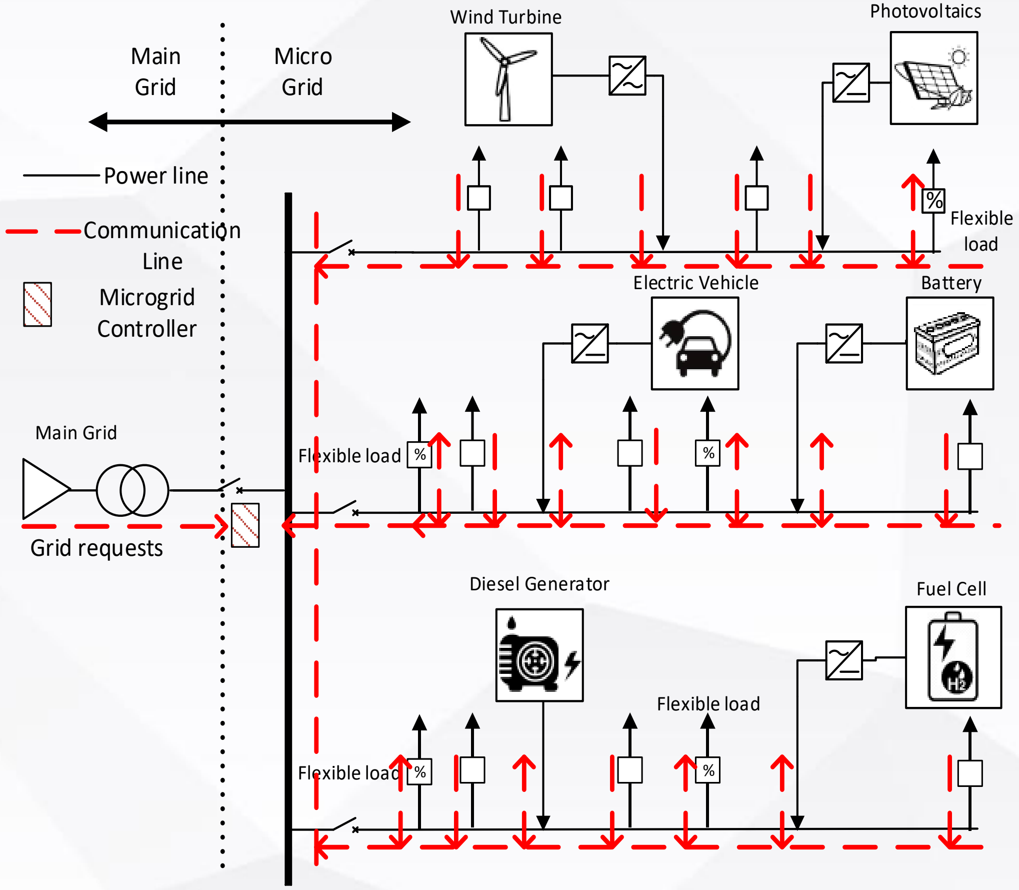
▪ Operation of DER - Energy Dispatch & Volt/Var Regulation in Microgrid



- Network model:
1) Linearized Dist-Flow
2) Second-order cone model

- Control variables:
1) Micro-turbine
2) Energy storage
3) Demand response

} Active power resource

4) Capacitor banks
5) On-load tap changers
6) PV inverters

} Reactive power resource

- Parameters:
1) Load demand
2) Wind and PV output
3) Electricity price

} Uncertain

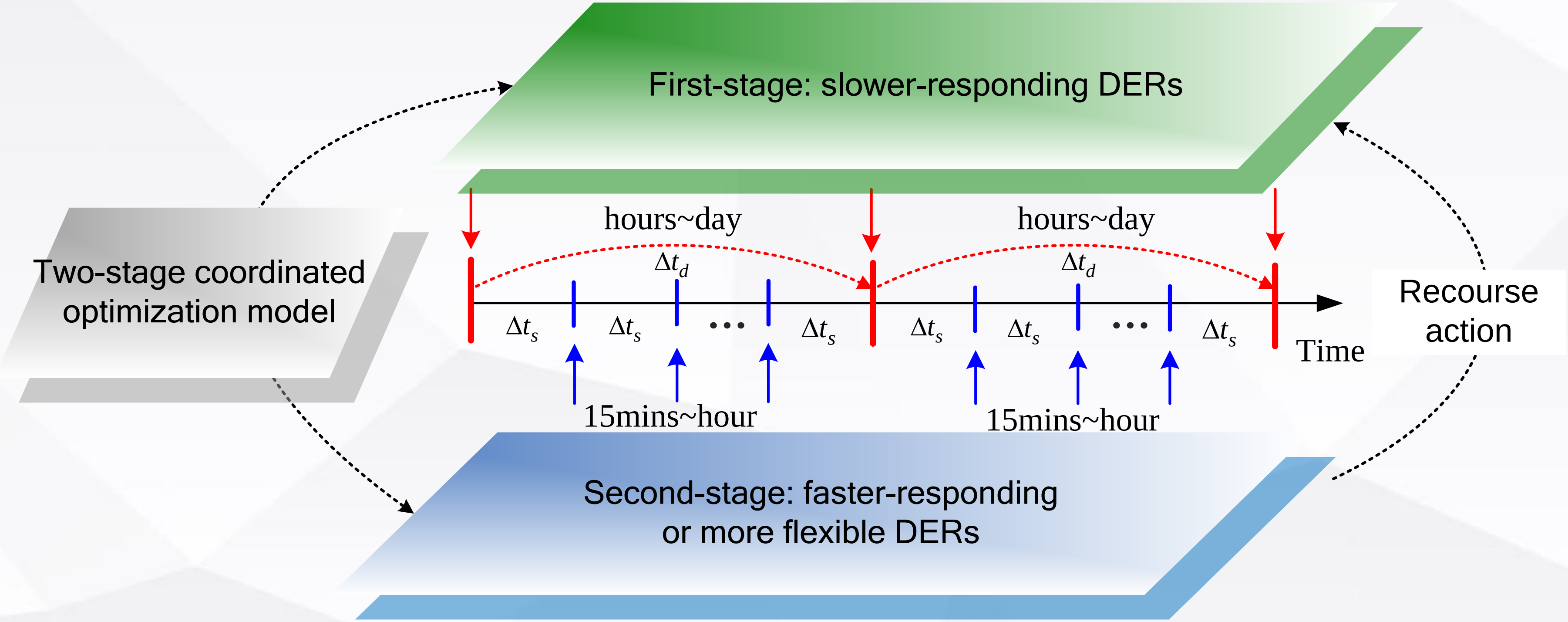
4) Network parameters (R,X,B)

- State variables:
1) Bus voltage
2) Branch power flow
3) Power exchange with main grid

Two-stage coordinated operation – Temporal Coordination of DERs

Principle: coordinate different DERs in different timescales against uncertainty.

- **First-stage:** slower-responding DER in longer timescale.
- **Second-stage**: faster-responding or more flexible DER in shorter timescale.



- **Frist-stage decisions** are implemented before uncertainty realizes and will be fixed in the second-stage.
- **Second-stage decisions** will be re-optimized and implemented after uncertainty realizes, therefore it is a recourse action to the first-stage decision.

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Optimization Methods

Method	Stochastic Programming	Robust Optimization (RO)
Uncertainty Modeling	Probabilistic scenarios based on probability distribution function (PDF)	Uncertainty set with bounds and budgets
Inputs	Point prediction	Interval prediction
Model	Optimize under expectation $\min_{x \in F} \{f(x) + E[Q(x, \xi)]\}$	Optimize under worst case $\min_{\boldsymbol{x}} \left(\boldsymbol{c}^T \boldsymbol{x} + \max_{\boldsymbol{d} \in \mathcal{D}} \min_{\boldsymbol{y} \in \Omega(\boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{d})} \boldsymbol{b}^T \boldsymbol{y} \right)$
Advantages	• Simpler formulation and solution process	• No need for PDF • Fully robust within the uncertainty sets
Disadvantages	• Need for PDF • Probabilistic robustness	• Complex formulation and solution process • May be conservative

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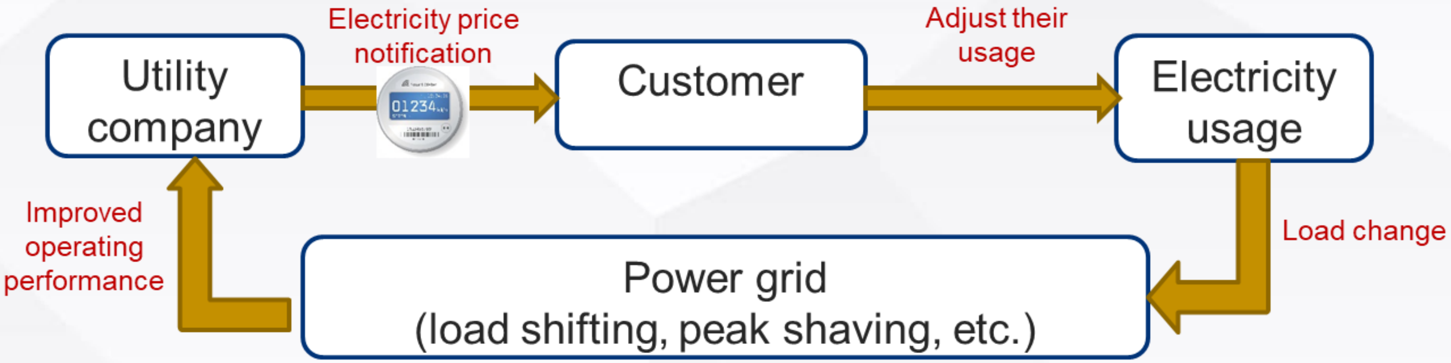
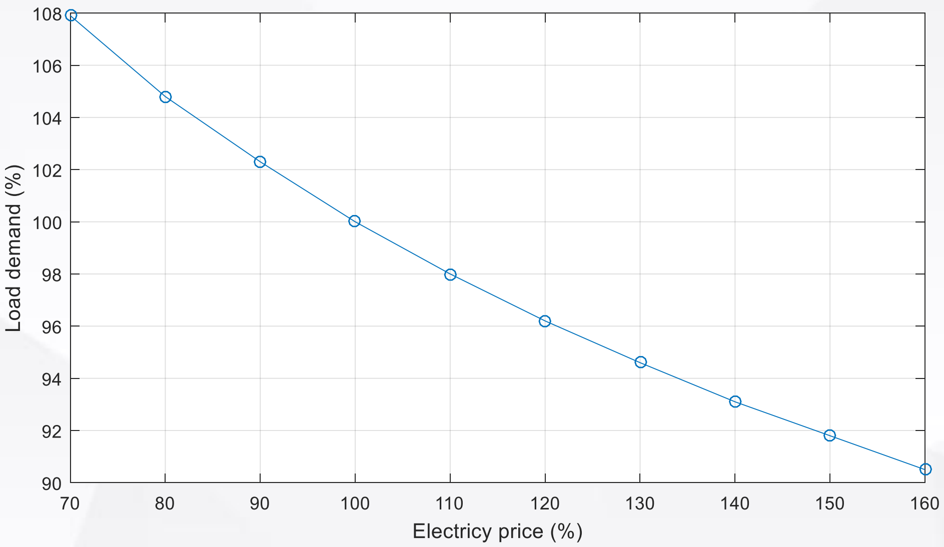
▪ Robustly Coordinated Energy Management

Day-ahead Price-based Demand Response & Hourly-ahead Microturbine

Price-based Demand Response (PBDR)



Level	Price Rate (%)	Load Rate (%)
1	70	107.9
2	80	104.8
3	90	102.3
4	100	100.0
5	110	98.0
6	120	96.2
7	130	94.6
8	140	93.1
9	150	91.8
10	160	90.5



$$P_t^D = A\, Pr_t^{\ \varepsilon}$$

where ε is **price elasticity** of electric demand, and A is a constant value modeling the relationship between the price and load demand. E.g., the price elasticity of load is -0.38 for Australian power systems.

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Day-ahead Price-based Demand Response & Hourly-ahead Microturbine

Two-Stage Operation Framework

Day-ahead 24-hour electricity prices and predicted wind turbine outputs, PV outputs and load demands

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First Stage: Day-ahead PBDR

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Hourly demands prediction with PBDR enabled | Hourly wind turbine and PV outputs prediction

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Second Stage: Hourly micro-turbine outputs adjustment

Two-Stage Robust Optimization (TSRO) model

$$\min_x c^T x + \max_u \min_y d^T y + e^T u$$

s.t.

$$Ax \geq \mathrm{b}$$

$$y \in O(x,u) = \{Fx + Gy \leq v, Hx + Iy + Ju = w\}$$

$$u \in U$$

Objective function

$$\min_{\alpha} -C_{rev}^{pr} + \max_{R_{WT}, R_{PV}, R_D^{unc}} \min_{P_{MT}, V, P, Q} C_{MT} + C_{WT} + C_{PV} + C_{grid} - C_{rev}^{unc}.$$

Uncertainty modeling –uncertainty set

$$U_{WT} = \{R_{WT,n,t} \in \mathbb{R}^{n_{wt}}:$$
$$\mu_{WT,l} \leq \frac{\sum_{n \in N_{WT}} \sum_{t \in T} R_{WT,n,t}}{\sum_{n \in N_{WT}} \sum_{t \in T} R_{WT,n,t}^{pr}} \leq \mu_{WT,u},$$
$$R_{WT,n,t}^{low} \leq R_{WT,n,t} \leq R_{WT,n,t}^{up}, \forall n, t\},$$

$$U_{PV} = \{R_{PV,n,t} \in \mathbb{R}^{n_{pv}}:$$
$$\mu_{PV,l} \leq \frac{\sum_{n \in N_{PV}} \sum_{t \in T} R_{PV,n,t}}{\sum_{n \in N_{PV}} \sum_{t \in T} R_{PV,n,t}^{pr}} \leq \mu_{PV,u},$$
$$R_{PV,n,t}^{low} \leq R_{PV,n,t} \leq R_{PV,n,t}^{up}, \forall n, t\},$$

$$U_{LD} = \{P_D^{unc} \in \mathbb{R}^{n_{ld}}:$$
$$\mu_{LD,l} \leq 1 + \frac{1}{n_i n_t} \sum_{i \in N_D} \sum_{t \in T} \sum_{j \in J} \alpha_{j,t} R_{D,i,j,t}^{unc} \leq \mu_{LD,u},$$
$$R_{D,i,j,t}^{low} \leq 1 + R_{D,i,j,t}^{unc} \leq R_{D,i,j,t}^{up}, \forall i, j, t\}.$$

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- Robustly Coordinated Energy Management

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Modelling for Price-based DR

$$C_{rev} = C_{rev}^{pr} + C_{rev}^{unc} \tag{9}$$

$$C_{rev}^{pr} = \sum_{t\in T}\sum_{i\in N_D} P_{D,i,t}^{pr} \sum_{j\in J} \alpha_{j,t}\, L_j Pr_j \tag{10}$$

$$C_{rev}^{unc} = \sum_{t\in T}\sum_{i\in N_D} P_{D,i,t}^{pr} \sum_{j\in J} \alpha_{j,t}\, L_j Pr_j R_{D,i,j,t}^{unc} \tag{11}$$

$$\alpha_{j,t} \in \{0,1\}, \forall j,t \tag{12}$$

$$\sum_{j\in J} \alpha_{j,t} = 1, \forall t \tag{13}$$

$$\sum_{t\in T}\sum_{i\in N_D} P_{D,i,t}^{pr} \sum_{j\in J} \alpha_{j,t} L_{j,t} Pr_{j,t} \le \sum_{t\in T}\sum_{i\in N_D} P_{D,i,t}^{pr} Pr_{0,t} \tag{14}$$

$$\sum_{t\in T}\sum_{i\in N_D} P_{D,i,t}^{pr} \sum_{j\in J} \alpha_{j,t} L_{j,t} \ge \sum_{t\in T}\sum_{i\in N_D} P_{D,i,t}^{pr} \tag{15}$$

- Considering the characteristics of the uncertain load demands, in (9), the revenue from the demands is split into two parts i.e. the predicted revenue based on the predicted load demands and the uncertain revenue difference from the predicted one.
- Constraints (10) and (11) support the calculation functions of these two revenue items respectively.
- Constraint (12) denotes the decision variable for each PBDR level is binary.
- Constraint (13) guarantees that only one PBDR level decision can be carried out for each hour.
- Constraint (14) and (15) guarantees the bills for the customers cannot increase and the energy which the customers can use cannot decrease. These mean that the proposed PBDR does not reduce the customers' economic benefits.

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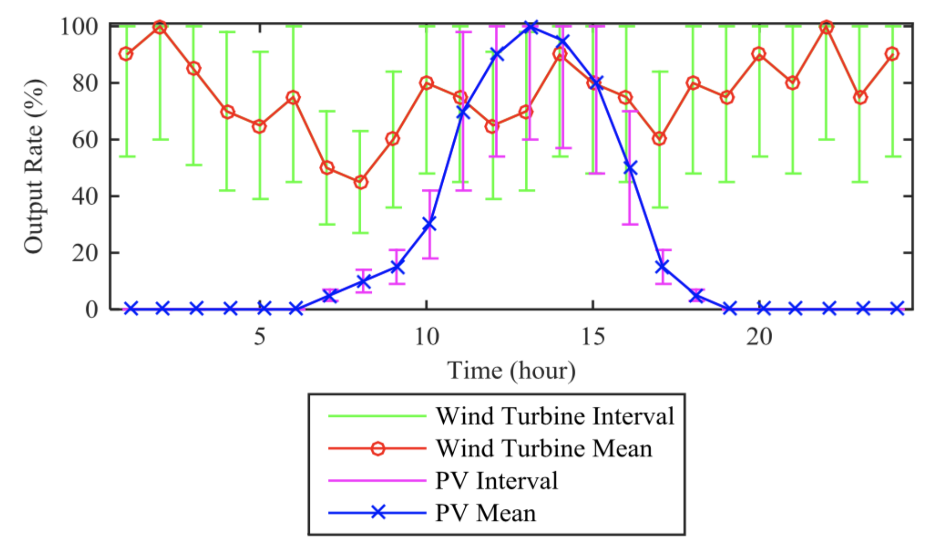
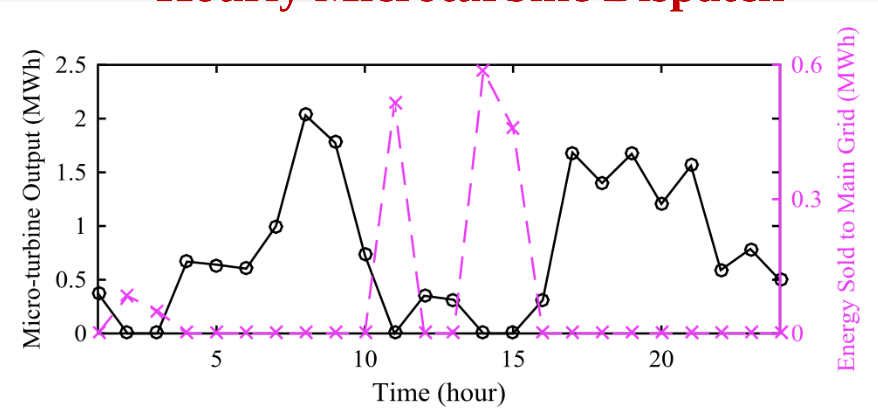
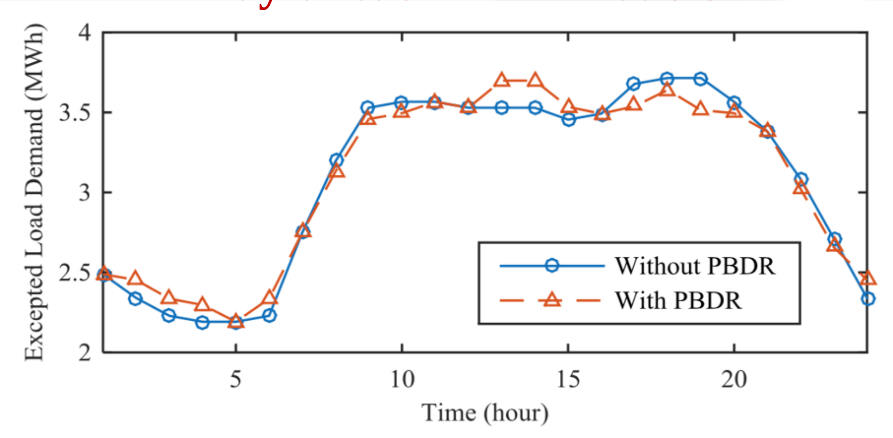
Day-ahead Interval Prediction



Hourly Microturbine Dispatch



Day-ahead PBDR Decision



Strategy	Average Profit ($)	Micro-Turbine Generation (MWh)	Energy Bought from Main Grid (MWh)	Energy Sold to Main Grid (MWh)	Average Maximal Voltage Deviation (%)	TSRO beat Single in profit (%)	TSRO beat Single in voltage deviation (%)
Deviation Group 1: $\sigma_{WT} = 5\%M_{WT}$; $\sigma_{PV} = 5\%M_{PV}$; $\sigma_D = 1\%M_D$							
TSRO	3484.56	18.148	0.000	0.704	1.51%	100%	85.2%
Single	3465.65	17.612	0.970	1.225	1.52%		
Deviation Group 2: $\sigma_{WT} = 10\%M_{WT}$; $\sigma_{PV} = 10\%M_{PV}$; $\sigma_D = 2\%M_D$							
TSRO	3479.21	18.514	0.000	0.796	1.52%	100%	93.6%
Single	3437.12	17.612	1.989	1.970	1.60%		
Deviation Group 3: $\sigma_{WT} = 20\%M_{WT}$; $\sigma_{PV} = 20\%M_{PV}$; $\sigma_D = 4\%M_D$							
TSRO	3464.49	19.564	0.009	1.055	1.54%	100%	99.5%
Single	3378.48	17.612	4.064	3.246	1.83%		

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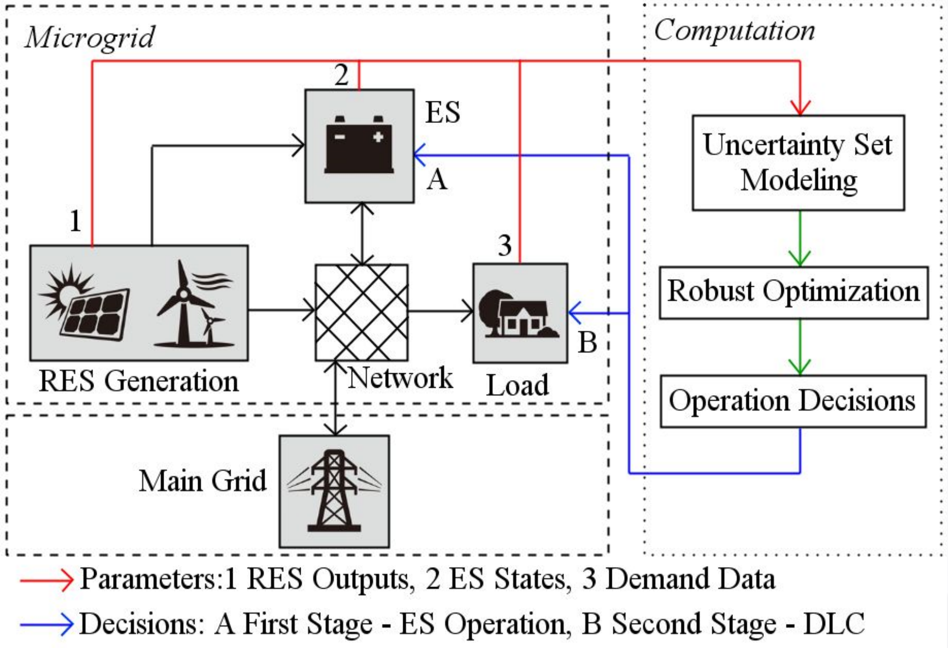
Hourly-ahead energy storage & 15min-ahead direct load control (DLC)

Two-stage coordination framework



Two-stage robust optimization model

$$\min_{\alpha_{dis},\alpha_{ch}} C_{ES} + \max_{P_{WT},P_{PV}} \min_{K_{DLC},V,P,Q\in O} C_{WT} + C_{PV} + C_{grid} - C_{rev}.$$

ESS economic model

$$C_{ES,dis}E_{dis} + C_{ES,ch}E_{ch} = C_{ES,OM}E_{stored}.$$

$$E_{stored} = \eta_{dis}E_{dis} = \eta_{ch}E_{ch}, \eta_{dis} > 1, \eta_{ch} < 1.$$

$$\frac{C_{ES,dis}}{\eta_{dis}} + \frac{C_{ES,ch}}{\eta_{ch}} = C_{ES,OM}.$$

ESS operation model

$$P_{ES,dis,m} = P_{dis,m}^{max} \sum_{j\in J_{dis}} \alpha_{dis,m,j} L_{dis,m,j}. \quad P_{ES,ch,m} = P_{ch,m}^{max} \sum_{j\in J_{ch}} \alpha_{ch,m,j} L_{ch,m,j}.$$

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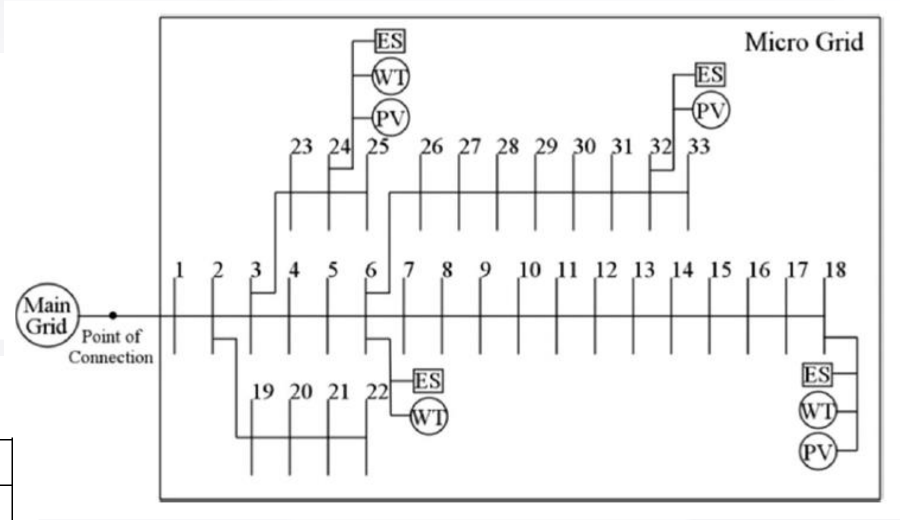
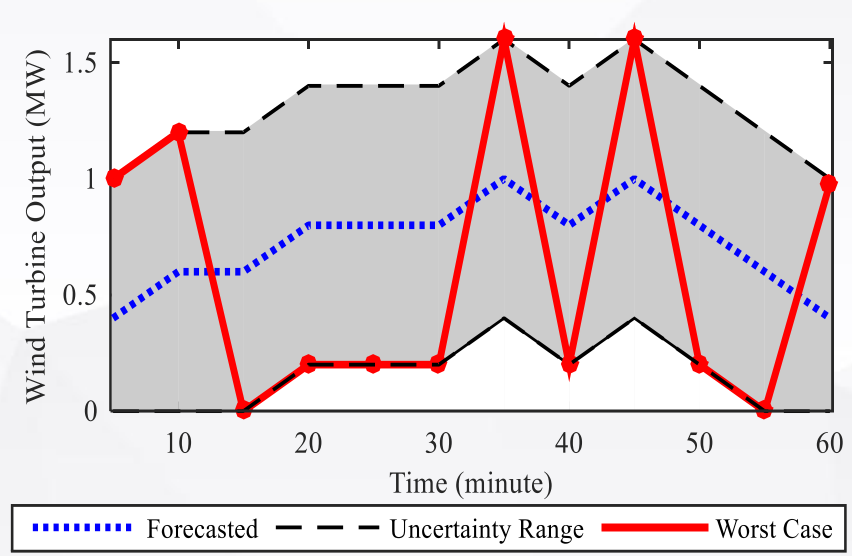
UNCERTAINTY BUDGET SETS UNDER TESTS

Test No	1	2	3	4	5	6
$\mu_{WT,l}$	95%	90%	85%	80%	75%	70%
$\mu_{WT,u}$	105%	110%	115%	120%	125%	130%
$\mu_{PV,l}$	97.5%	95%	92.5%	90%	87.5%	85%
$\mu_{PV,u}$	102.5%	105%	107.5%	110%	112.5%	115%

SOLUTION RESULTS FOR BASE CASE UNDER DIFFERENT UNCERTAINTY SETS

Test No		1	2	3	4	5	6
ES Dis-charging	ES 1	0%	10%	0%	10%	10%	10%
	ES 2	0%	0%	10%	0%	0%	0%
	ES 3	20%	20%	40%	20%	40%	40%
	ES 4	30%	20%	20%	30%	30%	30%
DLC under Worst Case	0-15 min	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	15-30 min	46%	0%	43%	39%	38%	38%
	30-45 min	0%	0%	0%	0%	31%	0%
	45-60 min	3%	6%	2%	2%	0%	0%
Profit under Worst Case ($)		192.39	187.94	184.45	179.86	177.30	174.29
Iteration Number		5	5	3	3	3	2
Solution Time (s)		61.39	15.96	12.04	13.84	18.34	7.01





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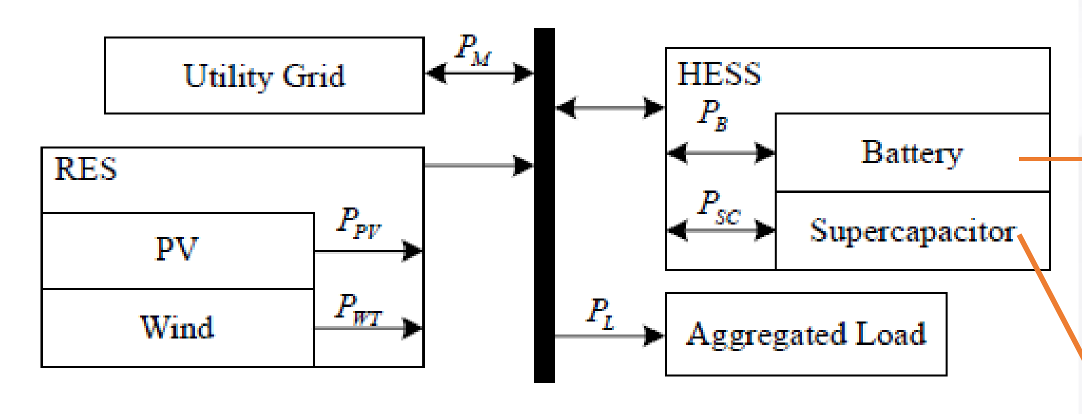
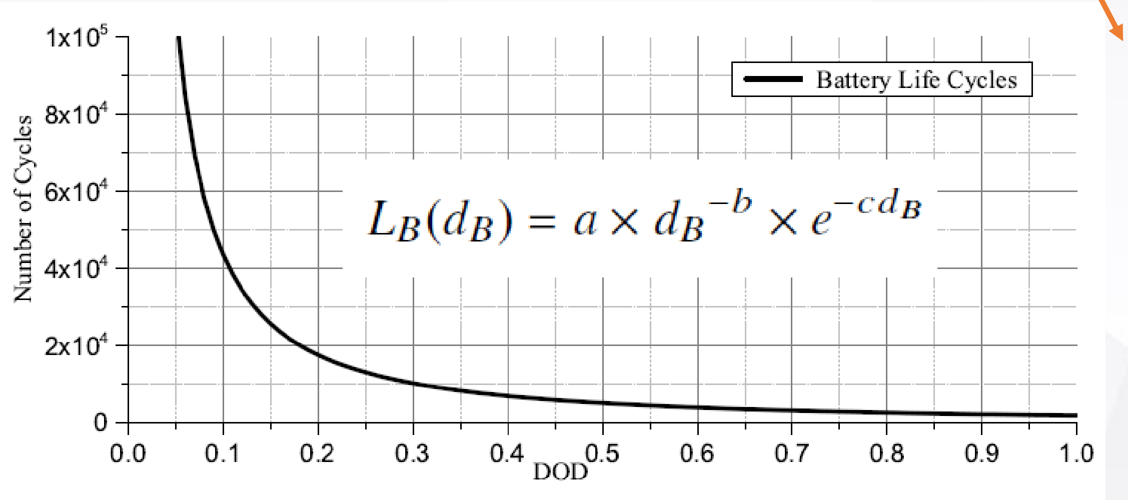
▪ Two-Stage Dispatch of Hybrid Energy Storage considering battery health





Relationship between the number of life cycles and the DOD of Ni-Cd batteries

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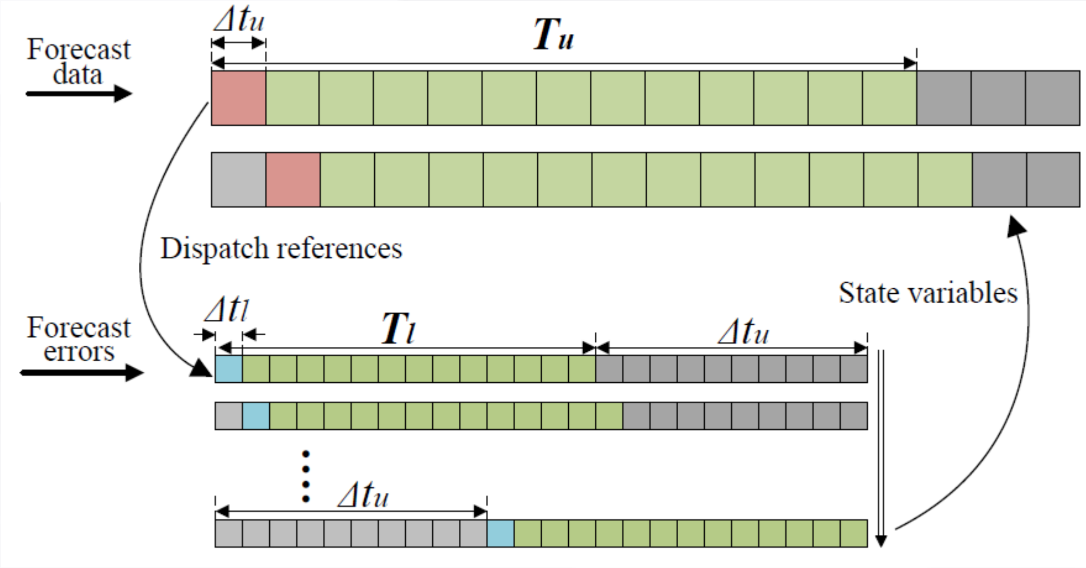
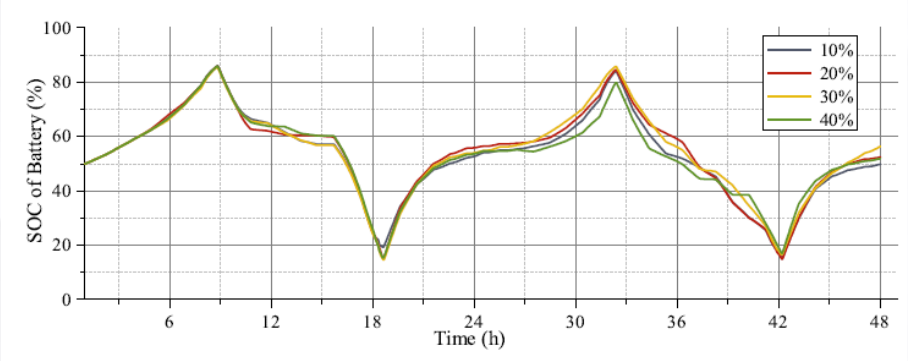
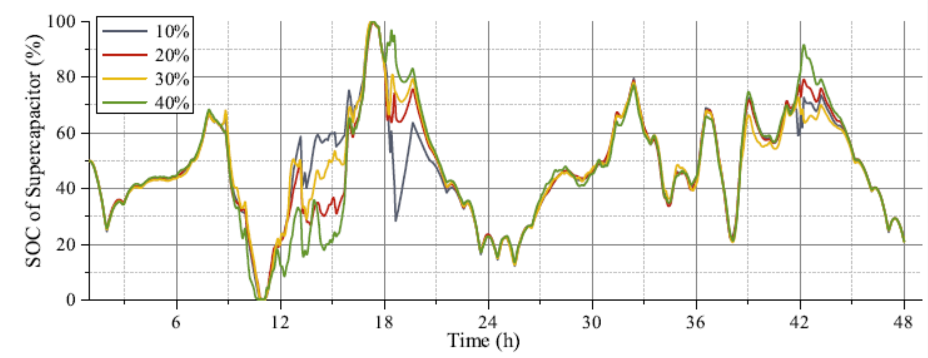


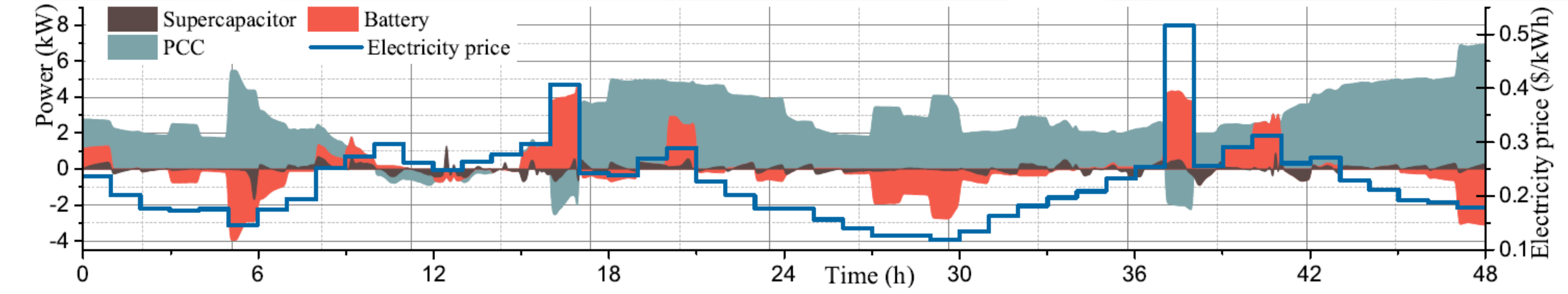


(a) SOC of battery



(b) SOC of supercapacitor

- ✓ **First-stage: battery dispatch with SOH degradation cost**
- ✓ **Second-stage: supercapacitor dispatch**



(b) Optimal dispatch in real-time pricing

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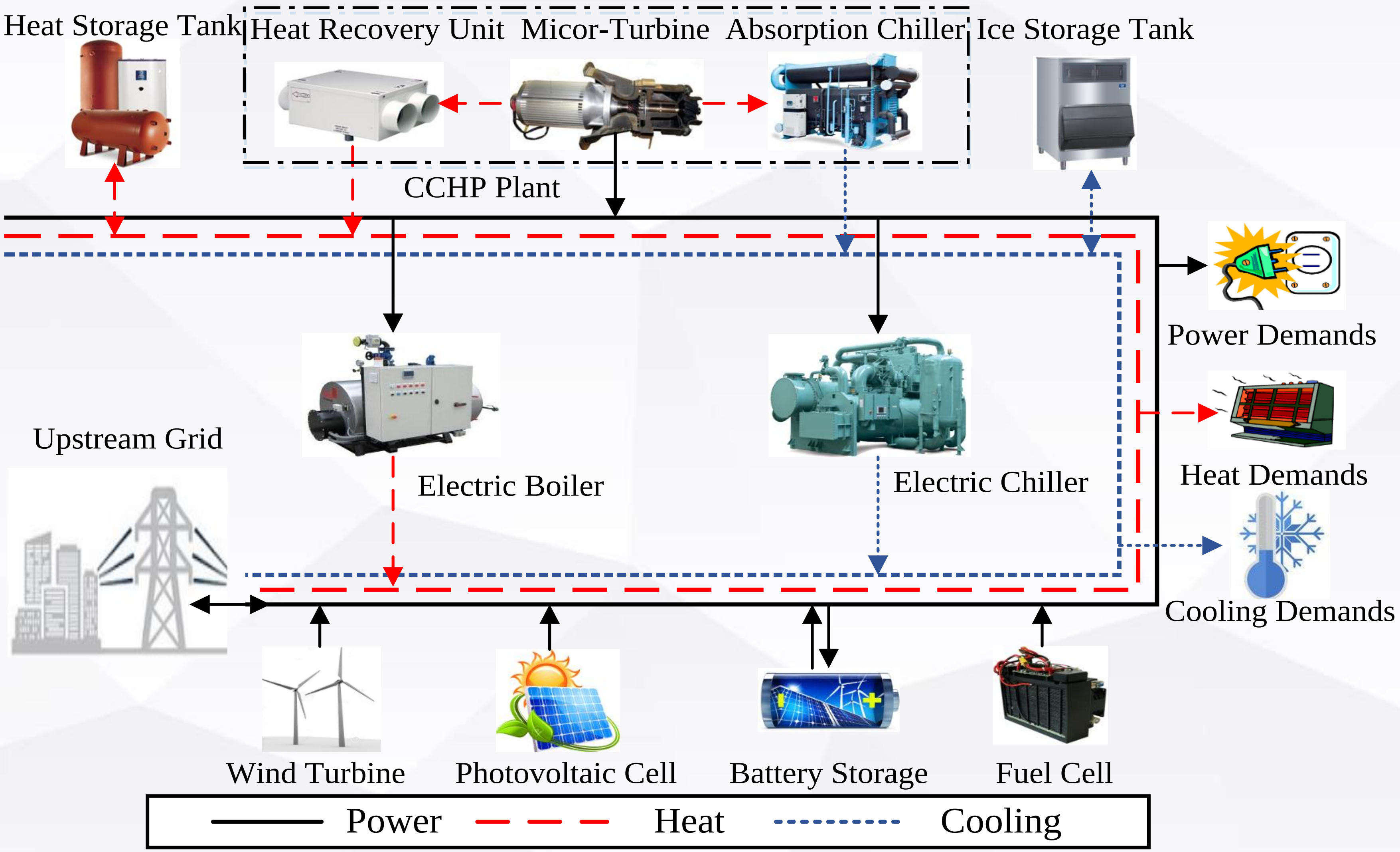
▪ Multi-Energy Microgrid



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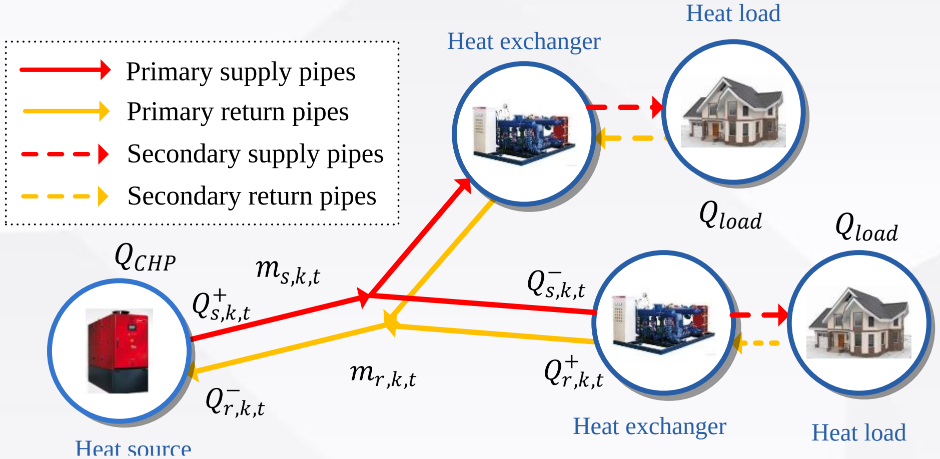
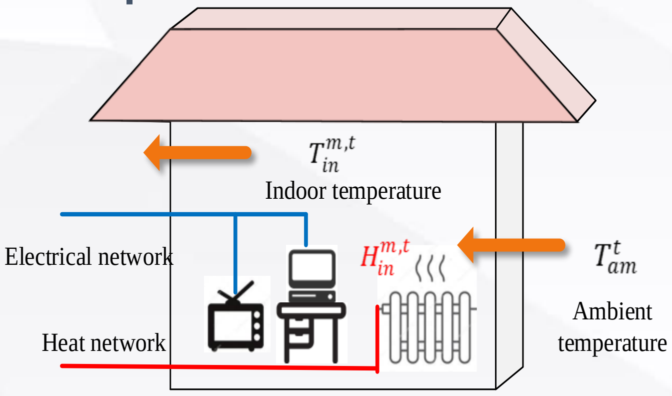
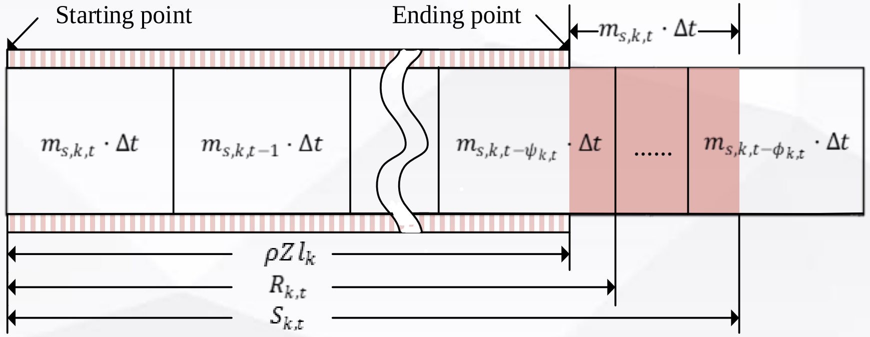
▪ Multi-Energy Microgrid – Modeling of thermal part



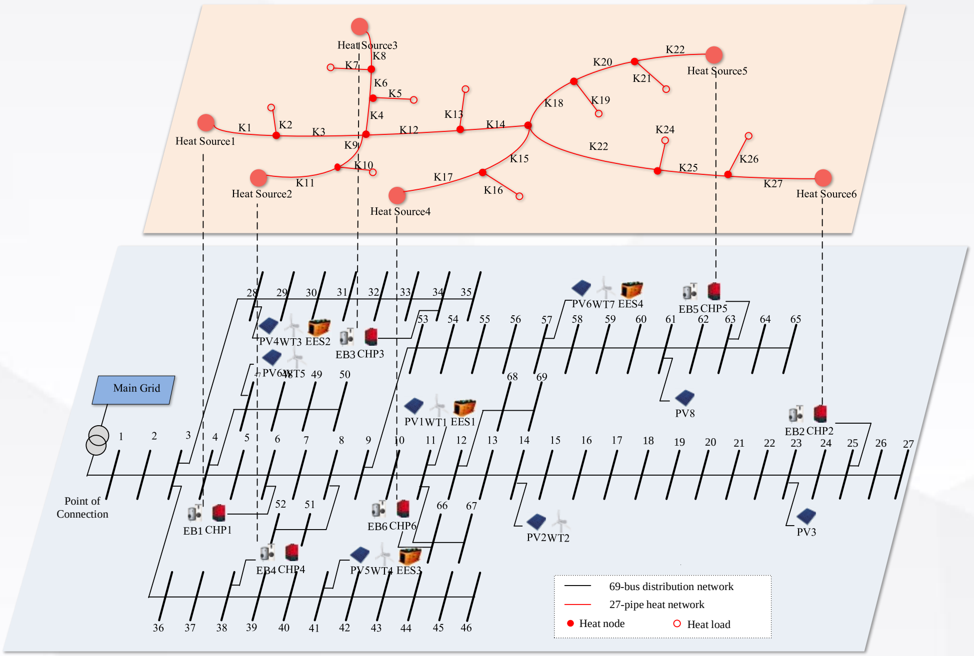
District Heat Network



Thermal conduction of a building



Vertical section of a pipe



Coupled electric-thermal network

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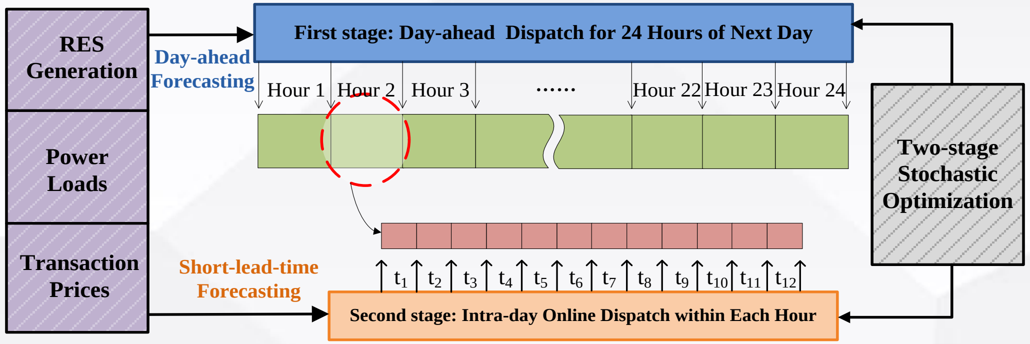
Multi-Energy Dispatch – Two-Stage Coordinated Operation



Temporally-coordinated Stochastic Operation Framework

$$\min_{z, y_1, y_2 \dots y_n} \; F(z) + \sum_{n \in N_S} \chi_n L(y_n)$$

$$s.t. \quad z \in F_A$$

$$y_n \in \Omega(z, \omega_n), \forall n$$

Two-Stage Sstochastic Optimization model

$$MIN \; F_G = C_{FC} + C_{OM} + C_{EX} + C_{ST} + C_{SD} - C_{HR}$$

$$C_{FC} = \sum_{t \in N_T} \sum_{i \in N_M} (\gamma_G P_{MT}^{t,i} / \eta_{MT}^{t,i}) \Delta t$$

$$C_{EX} = \sum_{t \in N_T} (\gamma_B P_{BUY}^{t,1} - \gamma_S P_{SELL}^{t,1}) \Delta t$$

$$C_{OM} = \sum_{t \in N_T} \sum_{i \in N_W} [\gamma_{WT} P_{WT}^{t,i} + \dots + \sum_{i \in N_H} \gamma_{TST} (P_{TSTC}^{t,i} + P_{TSTD}^{t,i})] \Delta t$$

$$C_{ST} = \sum_{t \in N_T} \sum_{i \in (N_M \cup N_E)} max\{0, U_{CG}^{t,i} - U_{CG}^{t-1,i}\} C_{CG}^U$$

$$C_{SD} = \sum_{t \in N_T} \sum_{i \in (N_M \cup N_E)} max\{0, U_{CG}^{t-1,i} - U_{CG}^{t,i}\} C_{CG}^D$$

$$C_{HR} = \sum_{t \in N_T} \sum_{i \in N_M} \gamma_{HR} H_L^{t,i} \Delta t$$

$$U_{CG}^{t,i} \cdot P_{CG}^{min,i} \le P_{CG}^{t,i} \le U_{CG}^{t,i} \cdot P_{CG}^{max,i}$$

$$R_{CG}^{down,i} \Delta t \le P_{CG}^{t,i} - P_{CG}^{t\text{-}1,i} \le R_{CG}^{up,i} \Delta t$$

$$1 - \Delta V_{BUS}^{\max} \le V_{BUS}^{t,i} \le 1 + \Delta V_{BUS}^{\max}$$

$$P_{PF}^{t,b+1} = P_{PF}^{t,b} - P_{PF}^{t,0,b+1} - P_L^{t,i} + \dots - P_{PT}^{t,i}, \; b \in Br(i), \forall i,t$$

$$Q_{PF}^{t,b+1} = Q_{PF}^{t,b} - Q_{PF}^{t,0,b+1} - Q_L^{t,i}, b \in Br(i), \forall i,t$$

$$V_{BUS}^{t,i+1} = V_{BUS}^{t,i} - (R^b P_{PF}^{t,b} + X^b Q_{PF}^{t,b}) / V_0, \mathrm{b} \in Br(i,i+1), \forall i,t$$

$$H_L^{t,i} = H_{MT}^{t,i} + H_{PT}^{t,i} + P_{TSTD}^{t,i} - P_{TSTC}^{t,i}$$

$$\xi_{ES}^{min,i} Cap_{ES}^i \le E_{ES}^{t,i} \le \xi_{ES}^{max,i} Cap_{ES}^i$$

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Multi-Energy Dispatch – Two-Stage Coordinated Operation

First-stage (Day-ahead stage)

Forecasting load demands | Predicted wind, solar output | Parameters of system, units

Input data for modelling

Coordinated system-wide dispatch modelling

Solve the First-stage model GAMS software, CPLEX solver

Get simulation results

Charging/discharging power → EES

On-off statues of controllable units → CHP Electric boiler

Second-stage (Intra-day stage)

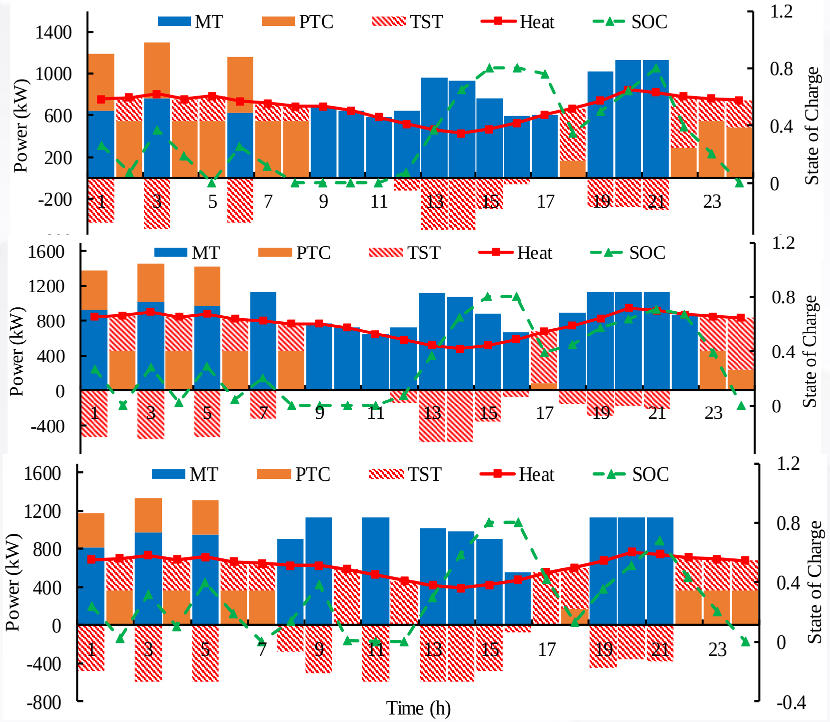
Real-time electricity price | RES output | Other real-time data

Input data

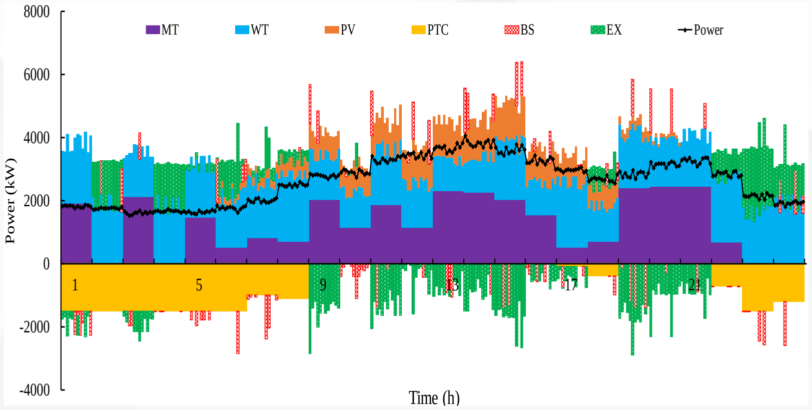
Solve the Second stage model GAMS software, CPLEX solver

Power outputs of controllable units

CHP Electric boiler



Day-ahead dispatch results



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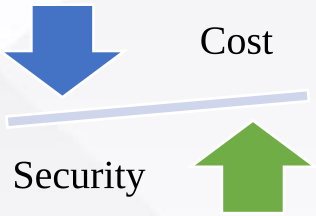

Method #1: Single-stage deterministic operation

Method #2: Single-stage stochastic operation

Method#3: Two-stage deterministic optimization

Item	Method #1	Method #2	Method #3	Our Method
Uncertainty level 1 (Lower Uncertainty)				
Average cost ($)	2183.46	2149.65	2468.20	**2440.22**
Average voltage violation (%)	30.40	16.50	0	**0**
Uncertainty level 2 (Medium Uncertainty)				
Average Cost ($)	2218.89	2188.97	2483.19	**2450.78**
Average voltage violation (%)	74.70	49.80	0	**0**
Uncertainty level 3 (High Uncertainty)				
Average Cost ($)	2341.64	2282.66	2556.04	**2508.65**
Voltage violation (%)	97.20	77.90	0	**0**

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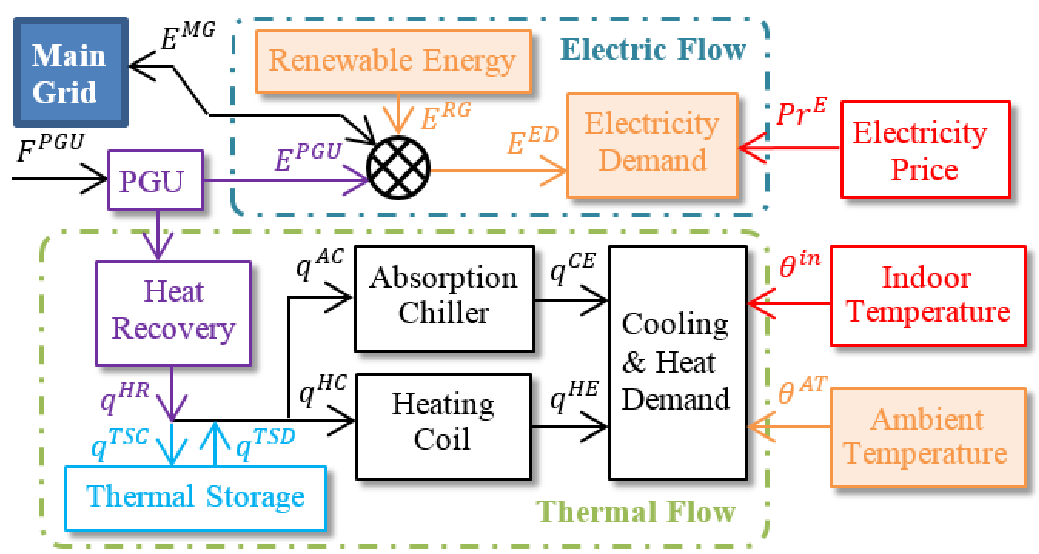
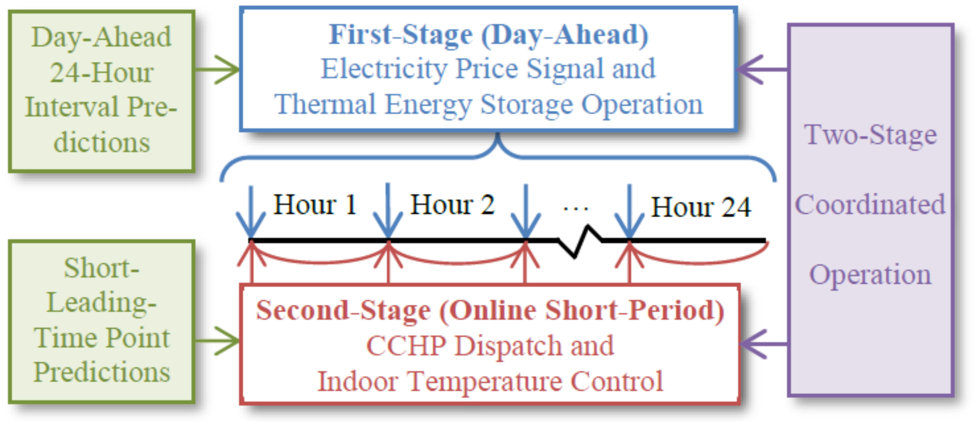
▪ Multi-Energy Demand Response

indoor temperature control (thermal load) and **price-based DR (electric load)** to counteract uncertain renewable power generation, load, and ambient temperature





Day-ahead robust optimization model

$$\min_{x} \max_{u} \min_{y}(C_{CCHP} + C_{OM} + C_{grid} - C_{rev}^{elec} - C_{rev}^{thm}) \quad (48)$$

s.t. (10)-(47)

Intra-day optimization model

$$-C_{rev}^{elec} + \min_{y}(C_{CCHP} + C_{OM} + C_{grid} - C_{rev}^{thm}) \quad (49)$$

s.t. (10)-(14), (25)-(46)

1) x is the *first-stage control variables*, denoting the day-ahead operation decisions including the electricity price $\alpha_{j,t}$ as well as the thermal storage operation state $\beta_{m,t}^{TSC/D}$ and $q_{m,t}^{TSC/D}$;

2) y is the *second-stage control variables*, expressing the intra-day operation decisions including the CCHP electric power output $P_{m,t}^{CCHP}$ and the indoor temperature setpoint $\theta_{m,k,t}^{in}$;

3) u is the *uncertain variables* which include the renewable power outputs $P_{n,t}^{WT/PV}$, the electric load demand $P_{0,i,t}^{ED}$ and the ambient temperature $\theta_{m,k,t}^{am}$.

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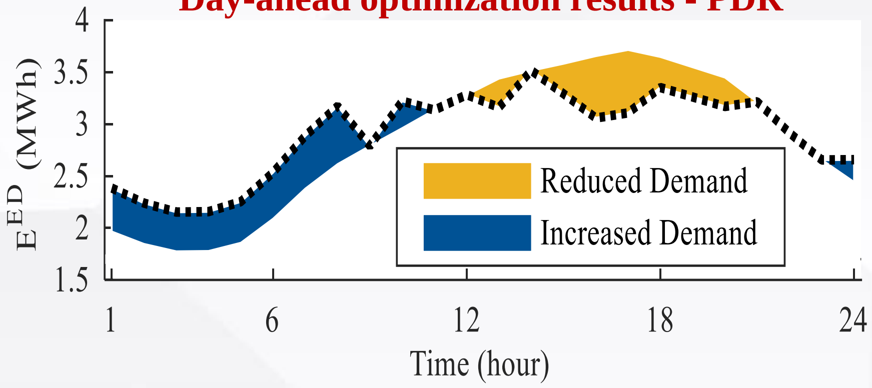
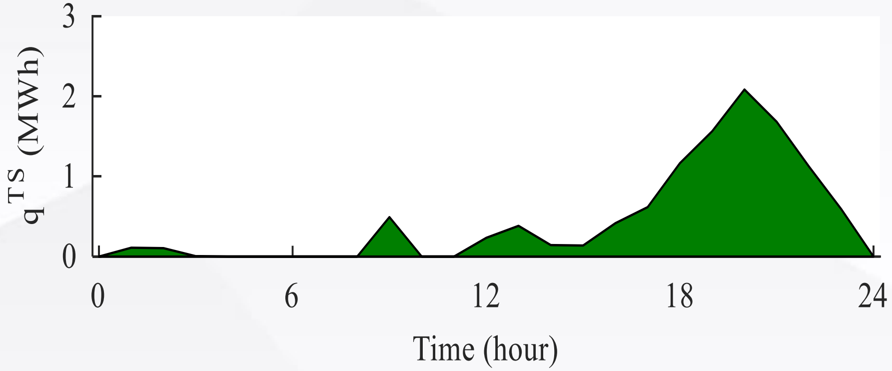
Multi-energy demand response

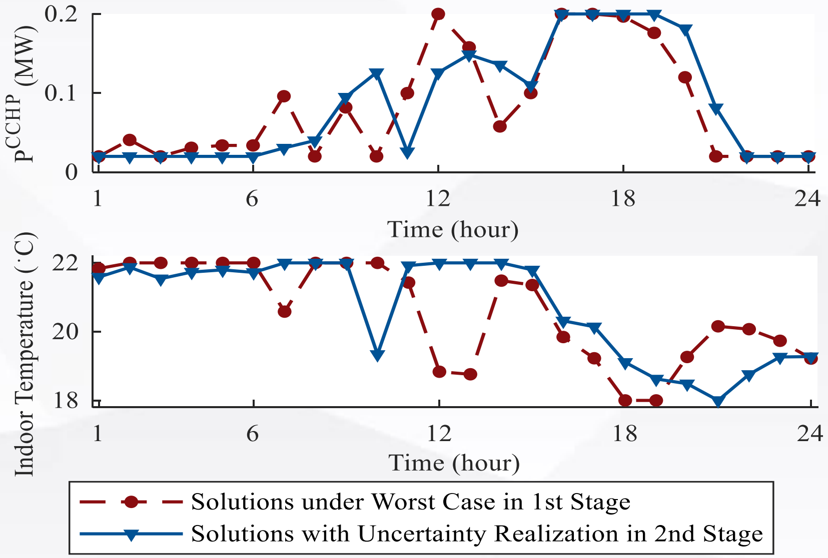
Day-ahead optimization results - PDR



Day-ahead optimization results – thermal ESS



Intra-day results – CCHP and indoor temperature



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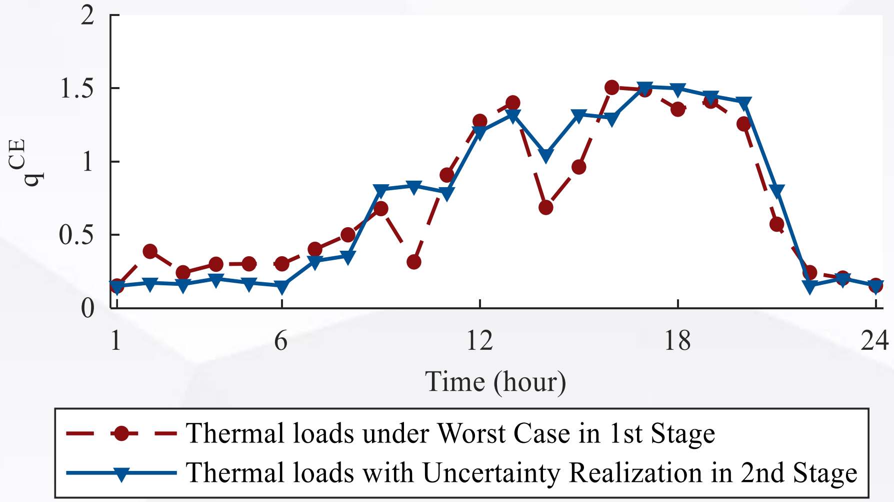

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Robustness VS Conservativeness

Robustness:

Possibility of a feasible solution (or no operating constraint violation) whatever uncertainties realize (Advantage)

- Full Robustness: Always a feasible solution

Conservativeness:

Compromise in optimization process when considering uncertainties (Drawback)

Design of Uncertainty Budgets

- Larger Budgets
  - -> Higher Robustness
  - -> Higher Conservativeness
- Uncertainty Degree Analysis

Robustness under Different Uncertainty Budgets

UNCERTAINTY SETS WITH DIFFERENT UNCERTAINTY BUDGETS

Uncertainty Set Group No	$\underline{\mu}^{PV}$	$\overline{\mu}^{PV}$	$\underline{\mu}^{EL}$	$\overline{\mu}^{EL}$	$\underline{\mu}^{HE}$	$\overline{\mu}^{HE}$
1	0.95	1.05	0.98	1.02	0.99	1.01
2	0.9	1.1	0.96	1.04	0.98	1.02
3	0.8	1.2	0.94	1.06	0.97	1.03

FEASIBILITY CHECK RESULTS IN ISLANDED MODE

Method	Deterministic Method	Proposed Robustly Coordinated Operation		
Uncertainty Set Group No	N. A.	1	2	3
Optimized Total Operating Cost in Day-Ahead Stage ($)	5993	6387	6586	6822
MCS Group 1: $\sigma^{PV} = 5\%\hat{P}^{PV}$, $\sigma^{EL} = 2\%\hat{P}^{EL}$, $\sigma^{HE} = 1\%\hat{q}^{HE}$				
Average Total Operating Cost of Feasible Cases ($)	6020	6036	6044	6034
Infeasible Case Rate (%)	0.1%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
MCS Group 2: $\sigma^{PV} = 10\%\hat{P}^{PV}$, $\sigma^{EL} = 4\%\hat{P}^{EL}$, $\sigma^{HE} = 2\%\hat{q}^{HE}$				
Average Total Operating Cost of Feasible Cases ($)	6051	6056	6064	6052
Infeasible Case Rate (%)	12.5%	1.6%	1.0%	0.0%
MCS Group 3: $\sigma^{PV} = 20\%\hat{P}^{PV}$, $\sigma^{EL} = 8\%\hat{P}^{EL}$, $\sigma^{HE} = 4\%\hat{q}^{HE}$				
Average Total Operating Cost of Feasible Cases ($)	6097	6095	6103	6087
Infeasible Case Rate (%)	25.9%	6.5%	5.7%	0.0%

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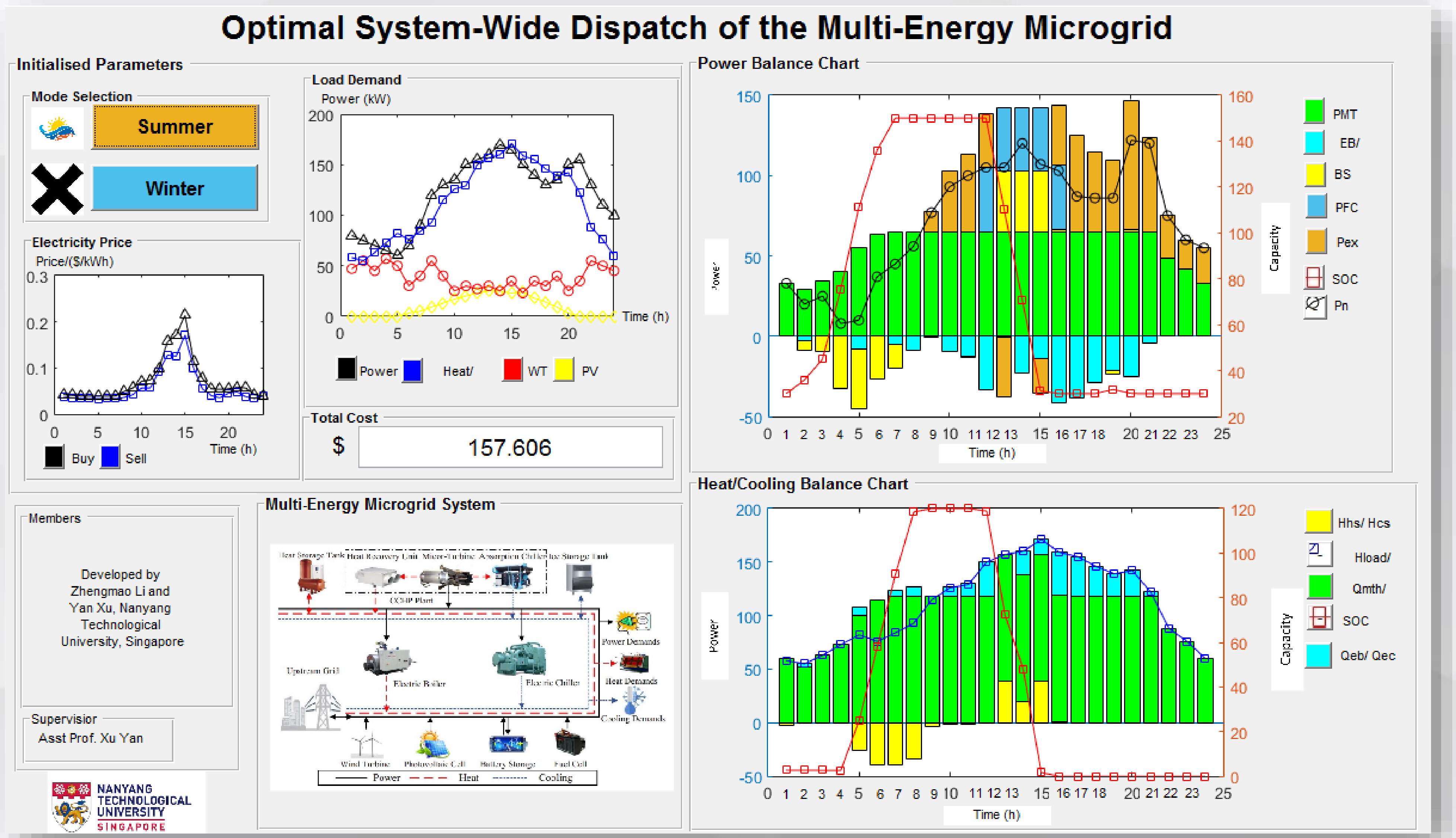
Multi-Energy Dispatch GUI Prototype



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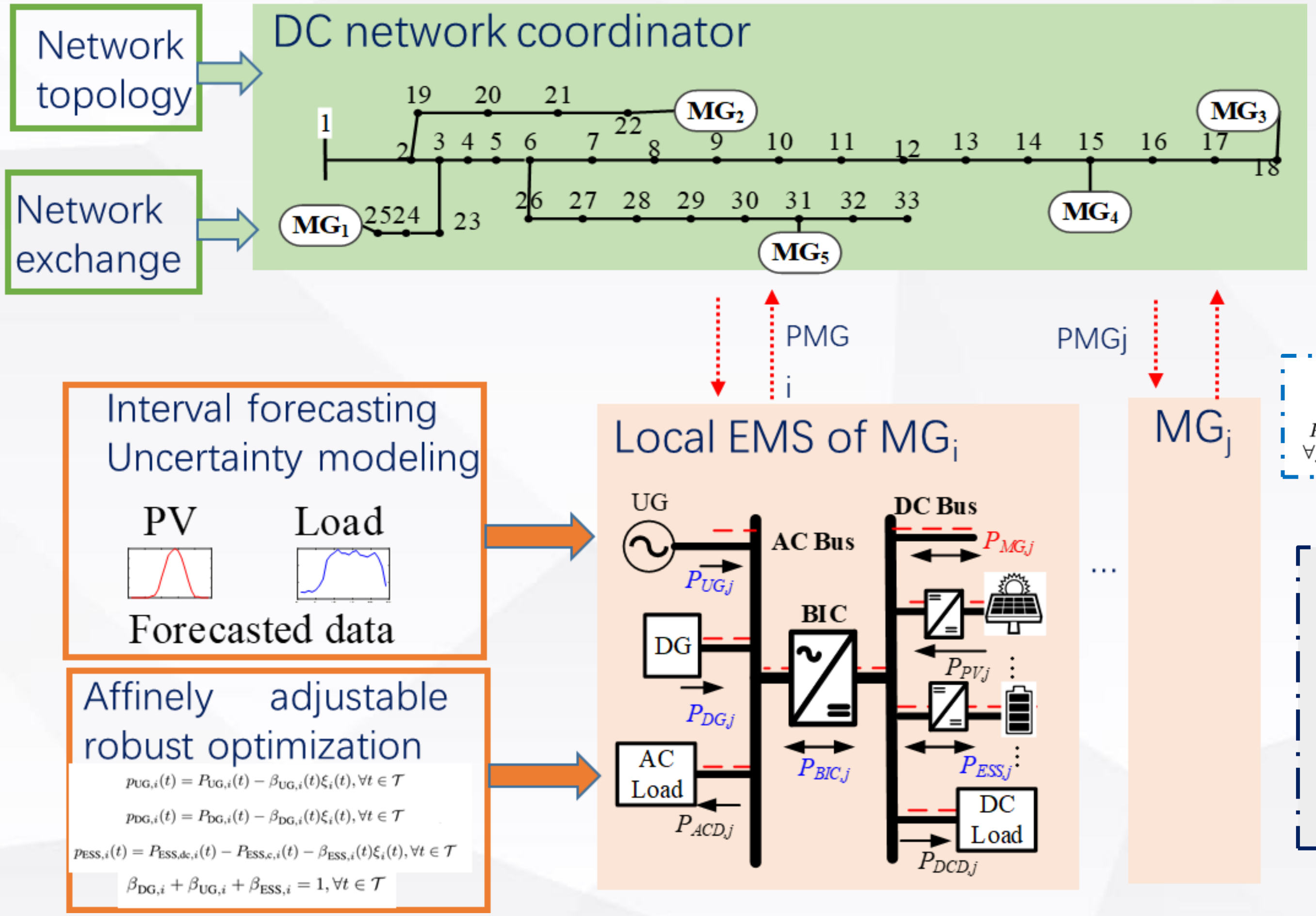
▪ Robustly Coordinated Energy Management

Distributed robust optimization for Networked-Hybrid AC/DC Microgrids



Individual MG

$$\min_{\mathbf{P}_i(t),\beta_i(t),\forall t\in\mathcal{T}} \mathbb{E}\sum_{t\in\mathcal{T}} f(\mathbf{P}_i(t),\beta_i(t)) = \sum_{t\in\mathcal{T}}[a_{DG,0,i}P^2_{DG,i}(t)+a_{DG,1,i}P_{DG,i}(t)+a_{DG,2,i}+ a_{DG,0,i}\beta^2_{DG,i}(t)+b_{PV,i}P_{PV,i}(t)+\lambda(t)P_{UG,i}(t)+ c_{ESS,dc,i}P_{ESS,dc,i}(t)+c_{ESS,c,i}P_{ESS,c,i}(t)]\Delta t$$

Networked-MG

$$\min_{\substack{\mathbf{P}_j(t),\beta_j(t),\\ P_{jk}(t),l_{jk}(t),v_j(t)\\ \forall j\in\mathcal{N}, j\to k\in\mathcal{E}, t\in\mathcal{T}}} \mathbb{E}\sum_{t\in\mathcal{T}}\{f(\mathbf{P}_i(t),\beta_i(t)) + \sum_{j:j\to k} l_{jk}(t)r_{jk}\}$$

1. Affinely adjustable robust optimization modeling
2. Model convexification
3. Distributed solution based on ADMM

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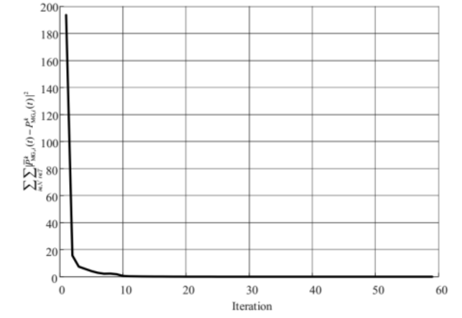
Simulation results

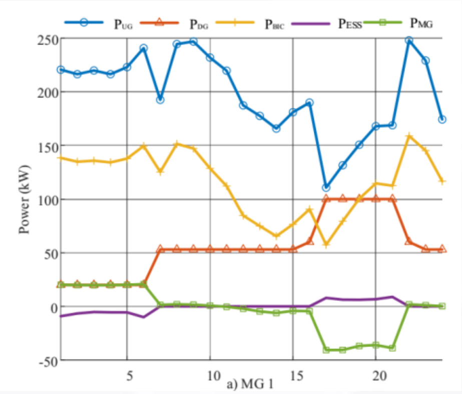
A 3 networked microgrid system in an IEEE 4 bus system

Scenario I: centralized deterministic;
Scenario II: centralized stochastic; (100)
Scenario III: proposed



COMPARISON RESULTS UNDER CASE I (A SYSTEM OF THREE NETWORKED MGS)

	Scenario i		
	I	II	III
Objective value($)	2,484.84	2,483.89	2,580.33
Running time(s)	0.17	308.14	4.85
Number of decision variables	864	2232	2520
Number of constraints	792	73008	1944



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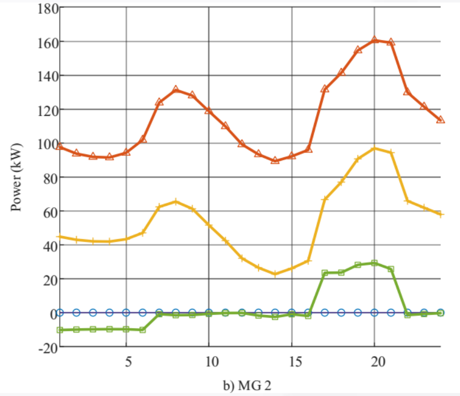

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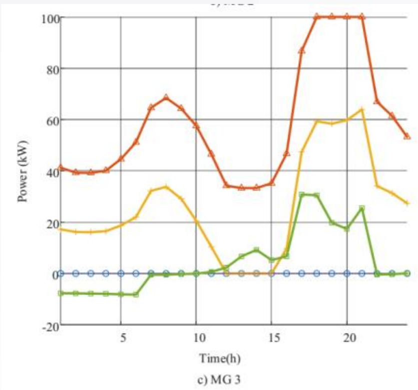
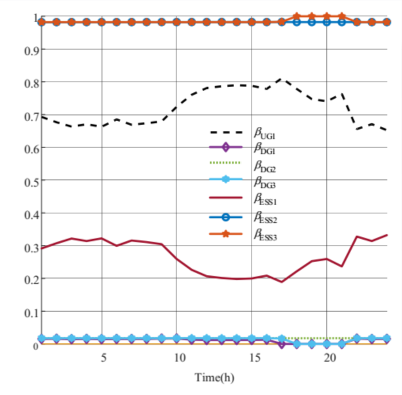
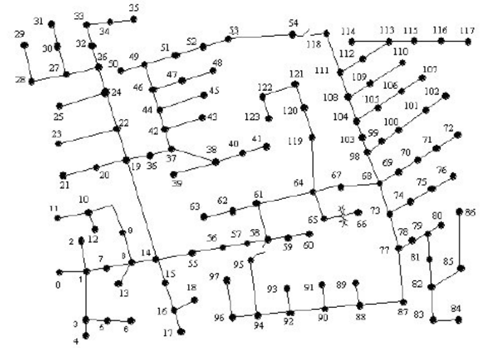
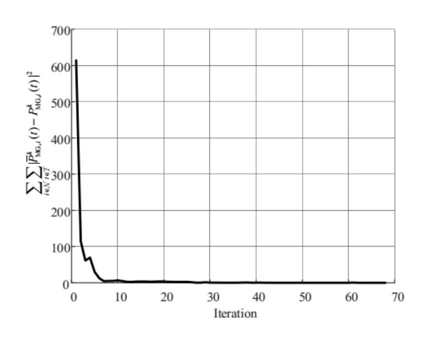


c) MG 3



A 30 networked microgrid system in a revised IEEE 123 bus system





COMPARISON RESULTS UNDER CASE II(A SYSTEM OF 30 NETWORKED MGS)

	Scenario i		
	I	II	III
Objective value($)	17,849.00	17,840.87	17,849.24
Running time(s)	1.28	471.37	368.92
Number of decision variables	16008	666168	31848
Number of constraints	13800	734520	23880

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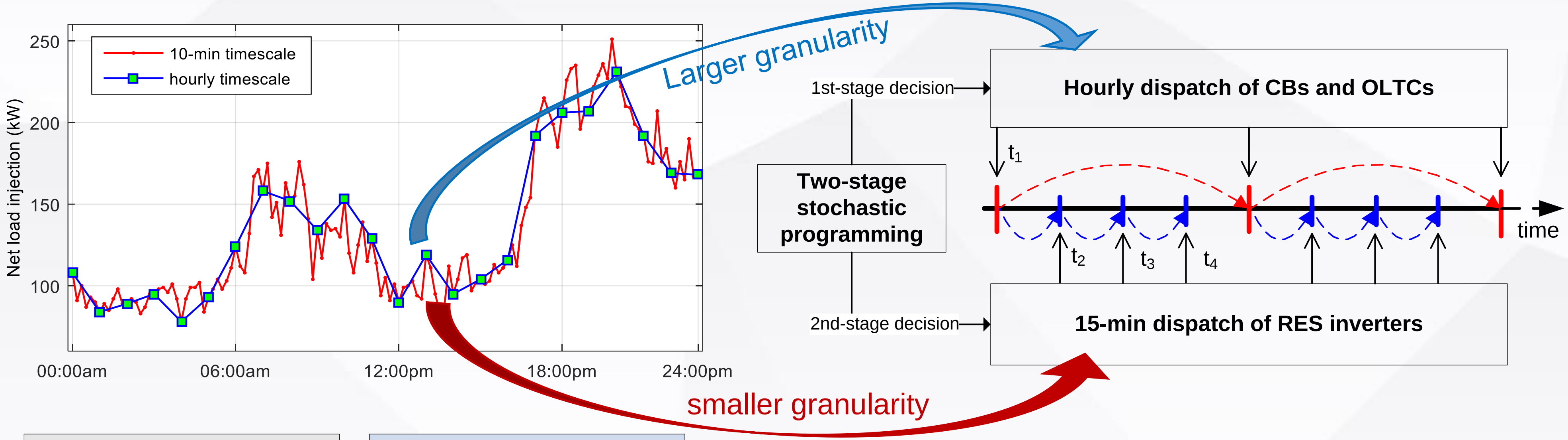
Two-stage Coordinated Volt/Var Regulation under uncertainty

Hourly dispatch of CB and OLTC & 15min dispatch of PV inverters



Volt/Var Control Model	Stochastic Programming Model
Two VVC timescale	Two decision stage
CB and OLTC hourly dispatch	*here-and-now* variables
Inverters 15min dispatch	*wait-and-see* variables
Random load and RES	Stochastic variables
Network and utility code	Model state variables
Load and RES forecasting	Scenario construction
VVC signals	Solution results

- **First-Stage:** Slow switching devices such as OLTCs and CBs are scheduled one day ahead.
- **Second-Stage:** Fast responding devices such as PV-associated inverters are updated to operate in short time-window.

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Mathematical modeling

A. Stochastic Model

The VVC is realized at two coordinated timescales and the mathematical model of (5)–(21) is formulated into a two-stage stochastic programming model as follows:

$$\min_{x \in F} \{f(x) + E[Q(x, \xi)]\} \tag{22}$$

where $f(x)$ is the first-stage problem, i.e., the long-term (hourly timescale) VVC, and x is the first-stage decision vector; $Q(x, \xi)$ is optimal value of the second-stage problem, i.e., the short-term (15-min timescale) VVC: $\min_{y \in \Omega(x,\xi)} \quad g(y)$, where y is the second-stage decision vector, ξ is the random vector, and $E[Q(x, \xi)]$ is the expected value of the second-stage problem.

B. Deterministic Equivalent

Assuming ξ has a finite number of possible realizations, called scenarios, denoted as $\xi_1, \ldots, \xi_K$ with respective possibilities of $\rho_1, \ldots, \rho_k$, then the expectation term in (22) can be written as:

$$E[Q(x, \xi)] = \sum_{k=1}^{K} \rho_k Q(x, \xi_k) \tag{23}$$

Then, the original two-stage stochastic programming model can be reformulated as the following *deterministic equivalence*:

$$\min_{x, y_1, \ldots y_K} f(x) + \sum_{k=1}^{K} \rho_k g(y_k) \tag{24}$$

$$\text{s.t.} \quad x \in F \tag{25}$$

$$y_k \in \Omega(x, \xi_k), \forall k \tag{26}$$

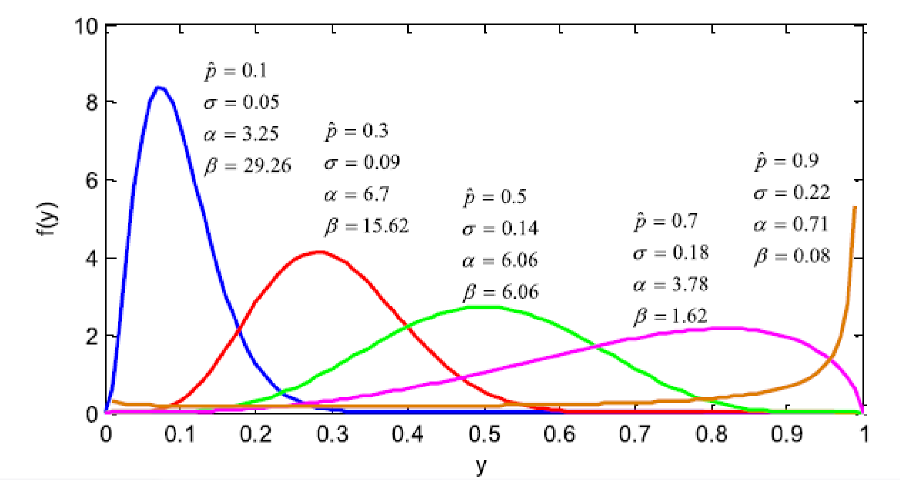
C. Scenario Construction

The stochastic variations of RES generation and load from their predicted values are assumed to respectively follow the Beta distribution and the normal distribution [5], [6], [20].

The Beta distribution is defined by two shape parameters: α and β which represent the prediction error (stochastic variation) for a predicted power $\hat{P}$ [20]:

$$f_{\hat{P}}(y) = y^{\alpha-1} \cdot (1-y)^{\beta-1} \cdot N \tag{27}$$

where f is the Beta distribution function and y is the occurrence of the active power value, N is the normalization factor.



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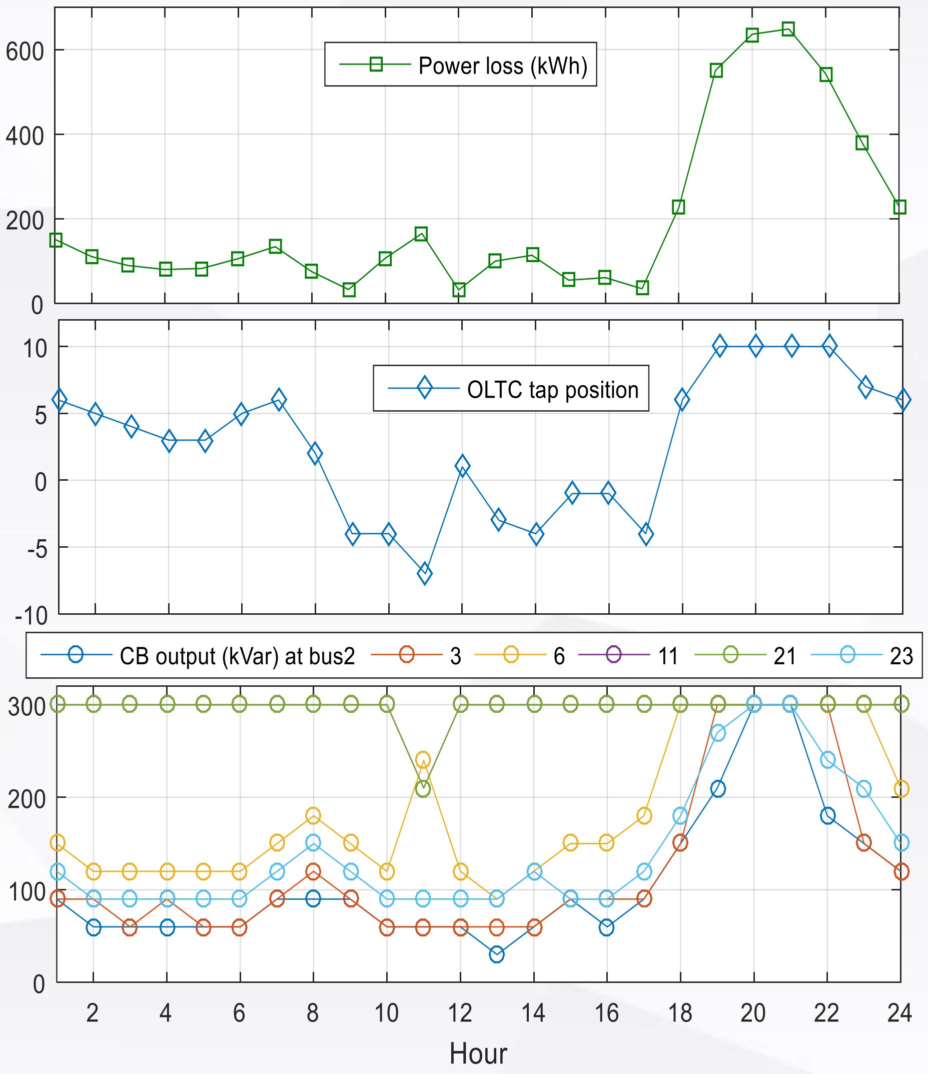
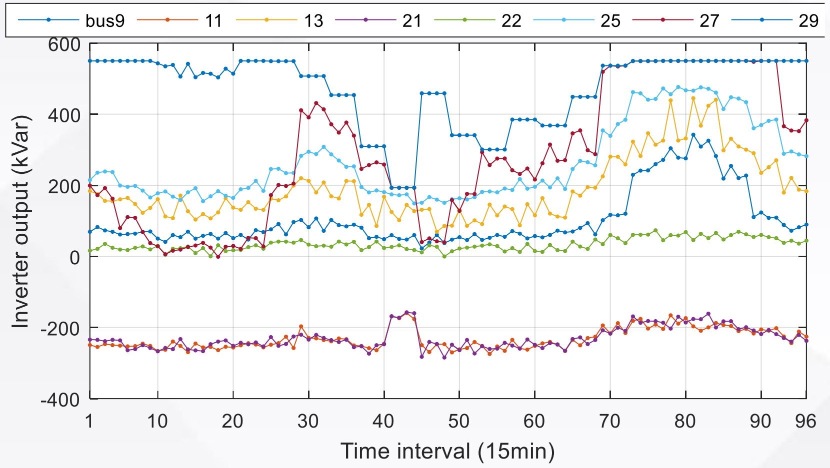
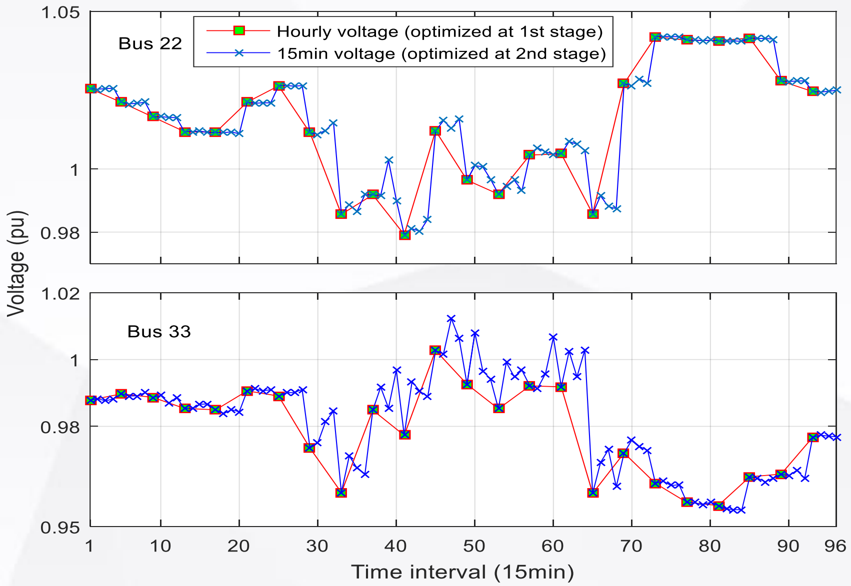
▪ Simulation Results







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▪ Multi-Objective Adaptive Robust Voltage/VAR Regulation

•Minimizing voltage deviation conflicts with minimizing network power loss.

•Multi-objective "min-max-min" problem

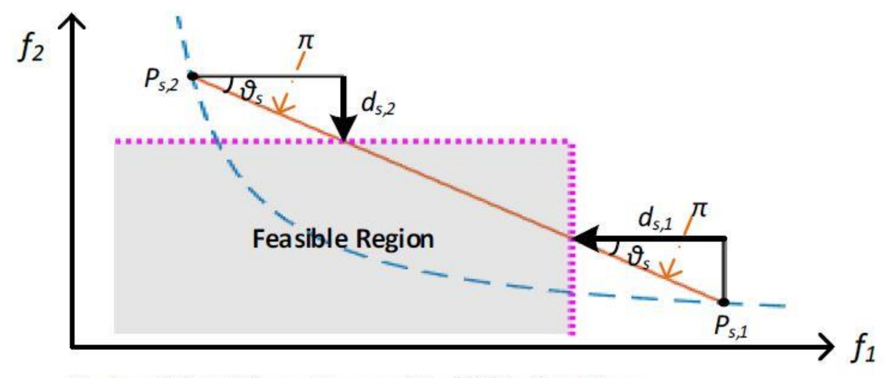
$$\min_{\boldsymbol{x}} \max_{\boldsymbol{u}} \min_{\boldsymbol{y}} [f_1(\boldsymbol{x},\boldsymbol{u},\boldsymbol{y}), f_2(\boldsymbol{x},\boldsymbol{u},\boldsymbol{y})]$$

s.t.

$$\boldsymbol{Ax} \geq \boldsymbol{b}$$
$$\boldsymbol{Cx} + \boldsymbol{Dy} \leq \boldsymbol{v}$$
$$\boldsymbol{Ex} + \boldsymbol{Gy} + \boldsymbol{Hu} = \boldsymbol{w}$$
$$\boldsymbol{u} \in U$$

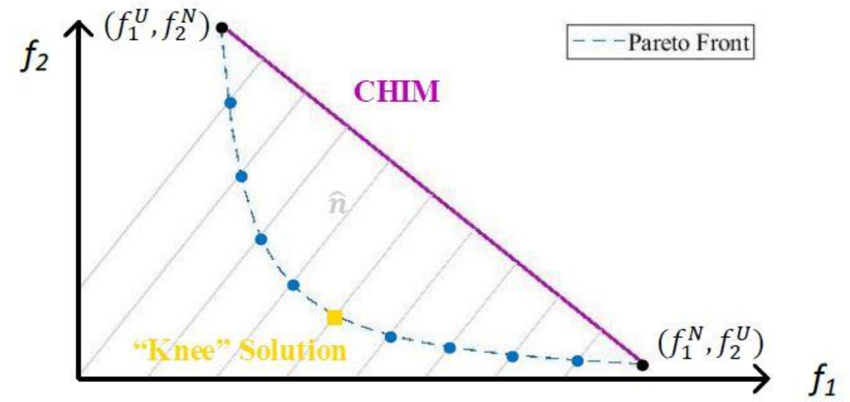
Key point:
1) Voltage deviation index: load-weighted voltage deviation index (LVDI)
2) Which MOP algorithm is more efficient to generat accurate Pareto front and get a fair trade-off?
  a) Classic Weighted-Sum (CWS)
  b) Classic ε-Constrained (CeC)
  c) Adaptive Weighted-Sum (AWS)
  d) Normal Boundary Intersection (NBI)

Adaptive Weighted Sum (AWS)



Reduced feasible region used in AWS algorithm.

Normal Boundary Intersection (NBI)



Pareto front generated by NBI algorithm.

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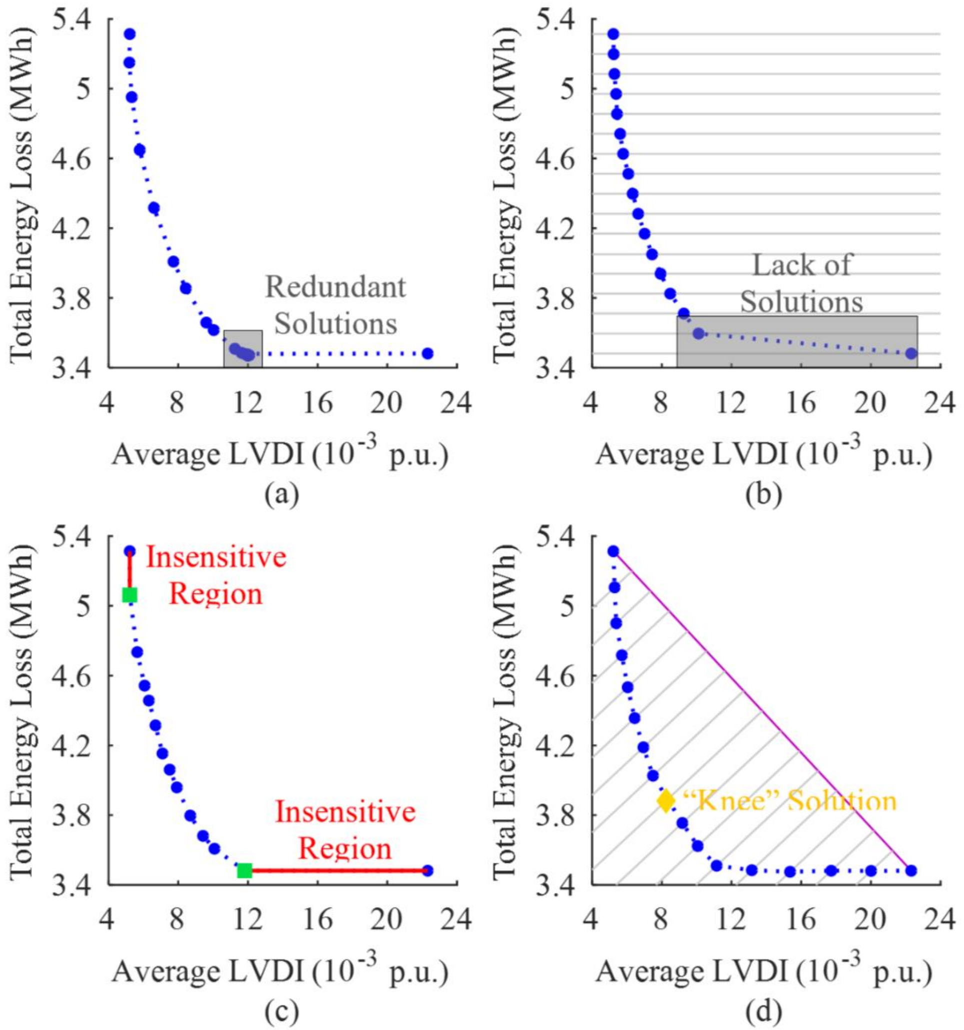
▪ Multi-Objective Adaptive Robust Voltage/VAR Regulation



(a) CWS; (b) CeC; (c) AWS; (d) NBI

COMPUTATION EFFICIENCY COMPARISON

Method	CWS	CeC	AWS	NBI
Number of Solutions	17	17	14	17
MOP Processing Time (s)	53	62	44	60
GUROBI Solver Time (s)	569	2344	869	2384
Total Time (s)	622	2406	913	2444

The AWS and NBI algorithms are suggested depending on different optimization requirements.

✓ If a relatively accurate Pareto front with high computation efficiency is required, the AWS algorithm is preferred.

✓ If a more accurate Pareto front with evenly distributed solutions or the "knee" solution is required, the NBI algorithm is preferred.

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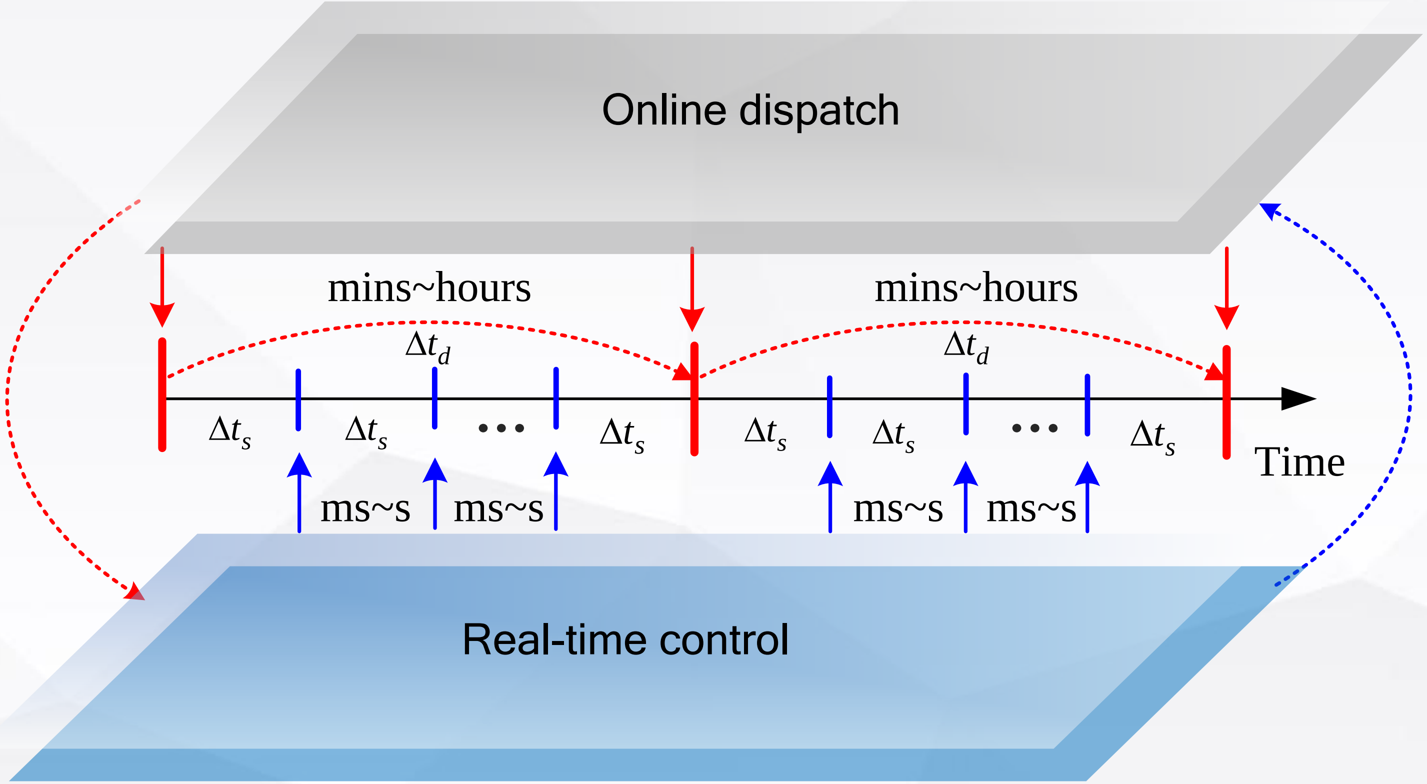
▪ Hierarchically coordinated operation and control of DERs

✓ Operational optimization and real-time control are traditionally **decoupled**.

✓ Existing two-stage coordination methods are **all for operational timeframe** (e.g., day-ahead & hourly-ahead or hourly-ahead & 15mins-ahead).



✓ Need to coordinate the operation level and control level for enhanced system performance, i.e., **optimizing the operation decisions considering the real-time controllers' effects, or simultaneously optimizing operational variables and controller parameters .**

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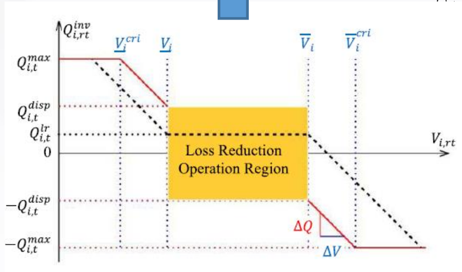
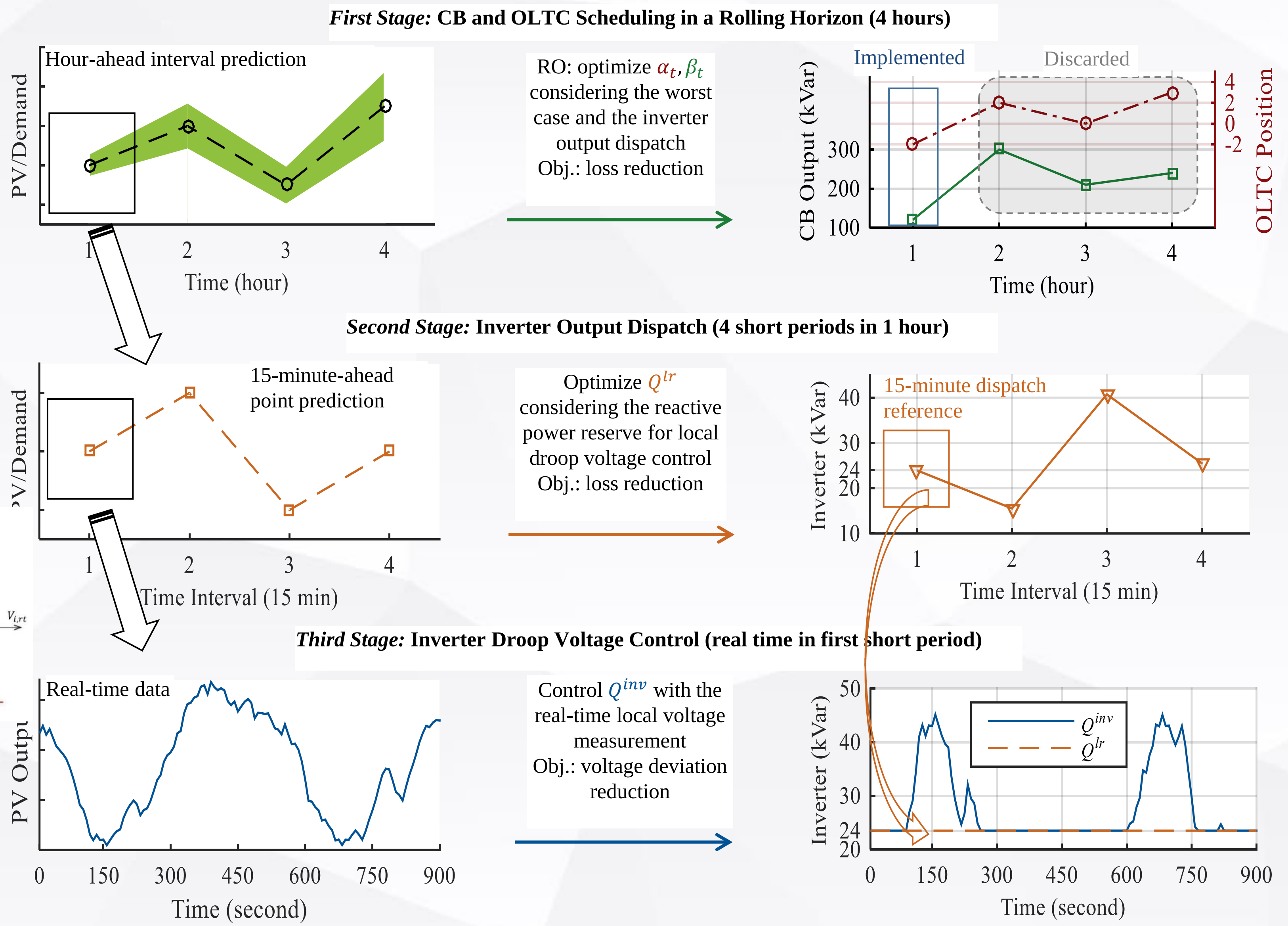
Three-Stage Robust Volt/Var Control (TRI-VVC)

Piecewise droop controller for inverters





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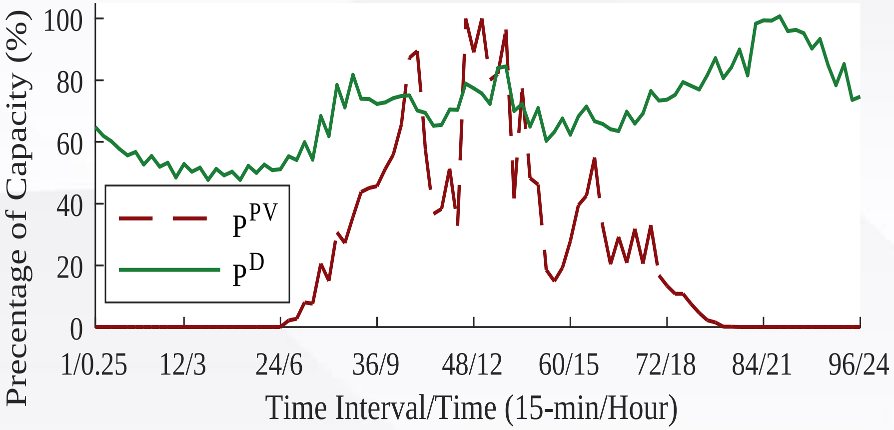

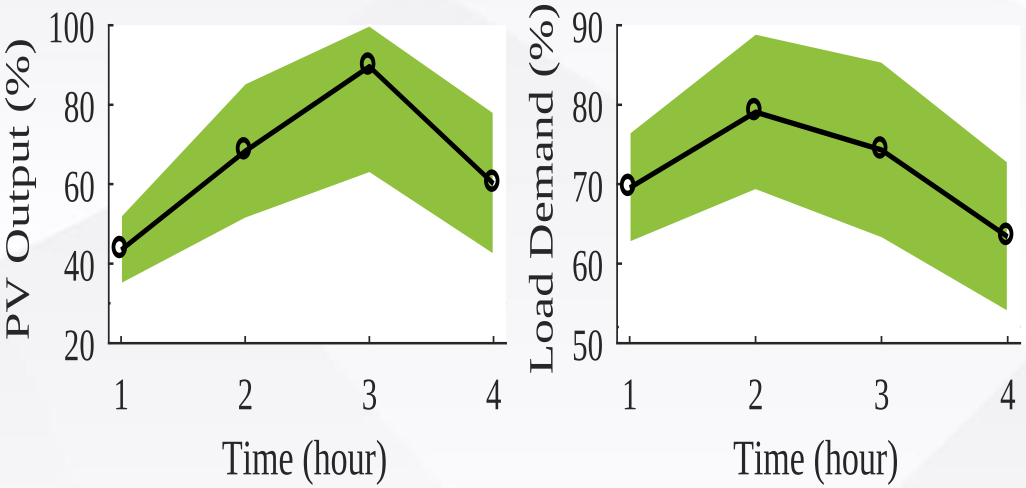

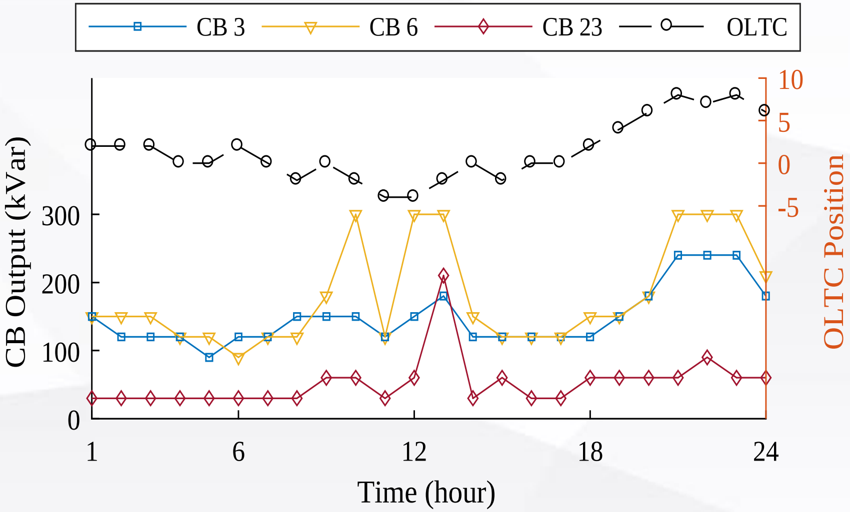

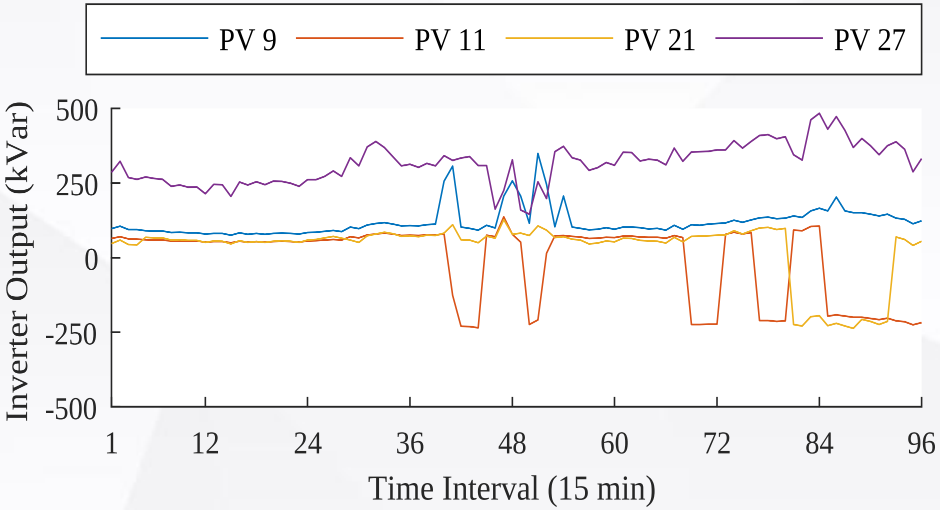

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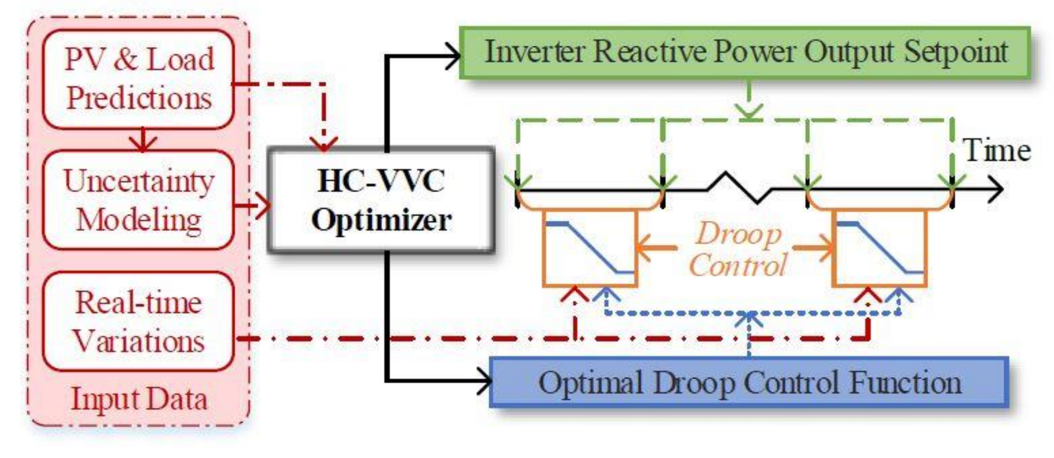
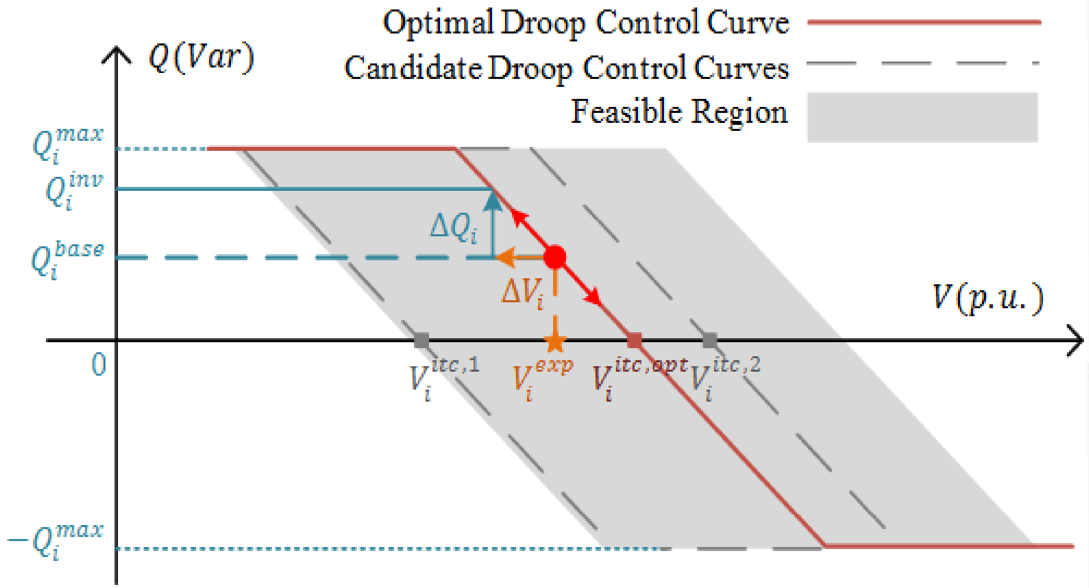
Hierarchically-Coordinated Voltage/VAR Control (HC-VVC)

- ✓ Central VVC considers the network level information (power flow)
- ✓ Local VVC focuses on the real-time variation (bus voltage)





linear droop controller for inverters

Inverter Droop Control Model

- The central VVC hierarchy implements the base reactive power output setpoint of each inverter, i.e. Q_i^{base} under the expected operating condition.
- The local VVC hierarchy implements the local droop control by adjusting the reactive power output responding to the local voltage deviation. $\Delta Q = f(\Delta V)$

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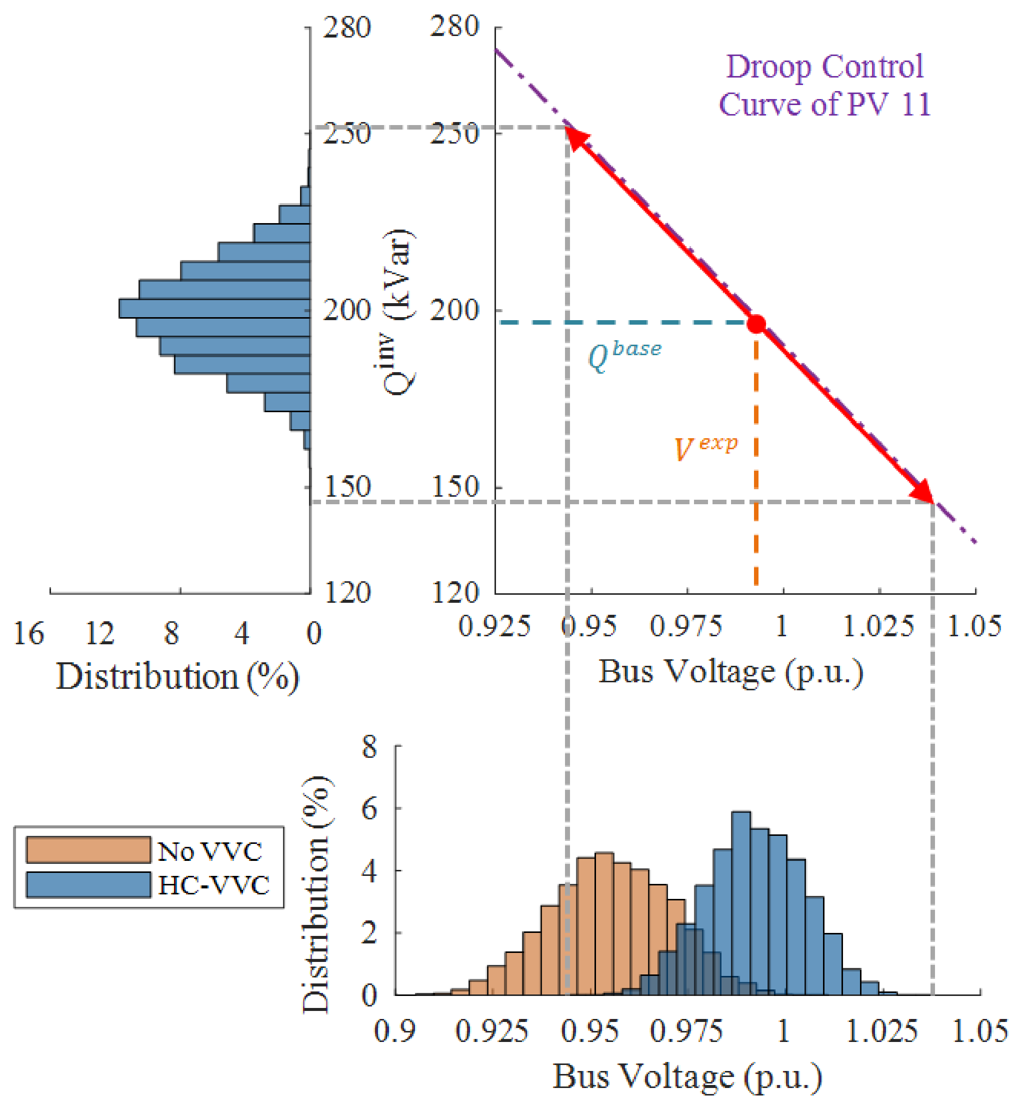
▪ Hierarchically-Coordinated Voltage/VAR Control (HC-VVC)



Voltage control results:

In response to the local bus voltage variation, the inverter reactive power output moves along the droop control curve.

The mean bus voltage magnitude with the HC-VVC is very close to 1 p.u.

COMPARISON RESULTS FOR DIFFERENT VVC METHODS

Method	#1	#2	#3	HC-VVC
Average Power Loss (kW)	24.1	32.9	110.3	26.7
Voltage Violation Rate (%)	3.4%	0.2%	51.8%	0.1%
Average Voltage (p.u.)	0.990	0.998	0.971	0.993
Average Absolute Voltage Deviation (p.u.)	0.012	0.010	0.029	0.009

Comparison with other VVC methods

HC-VVC: least voltage violation rate; least voltage magnitude deviation; second least average power loss; second average voltage close to 1 p.u.

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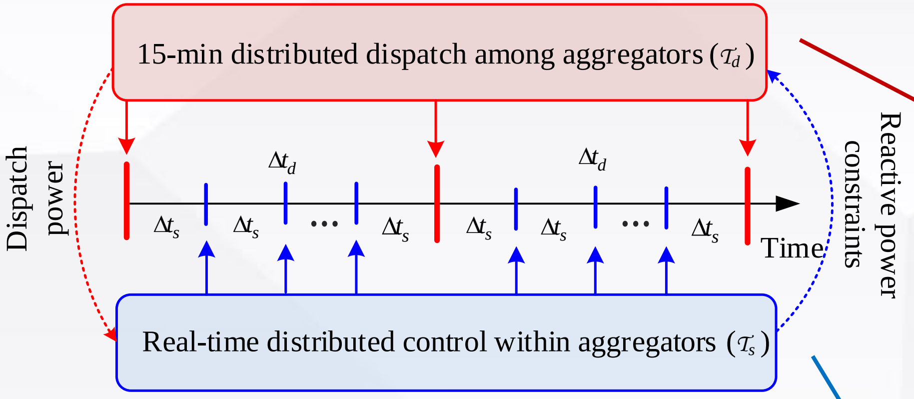
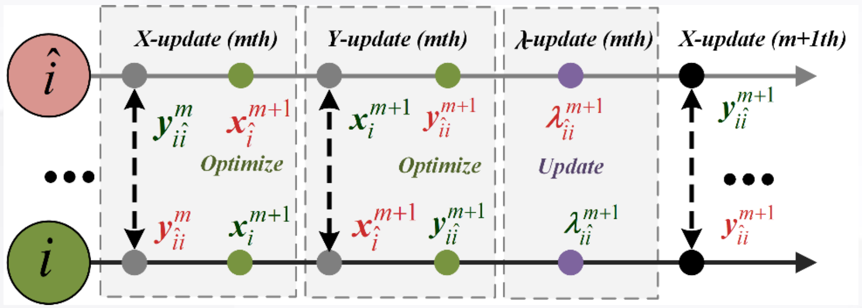
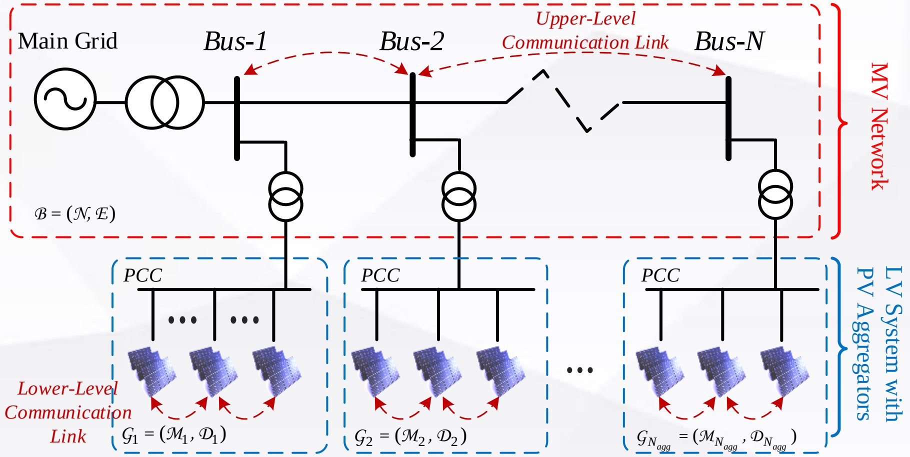
Fully Distributed Two-Level Volt/Var Control

Two-level VVC with time scale coordination

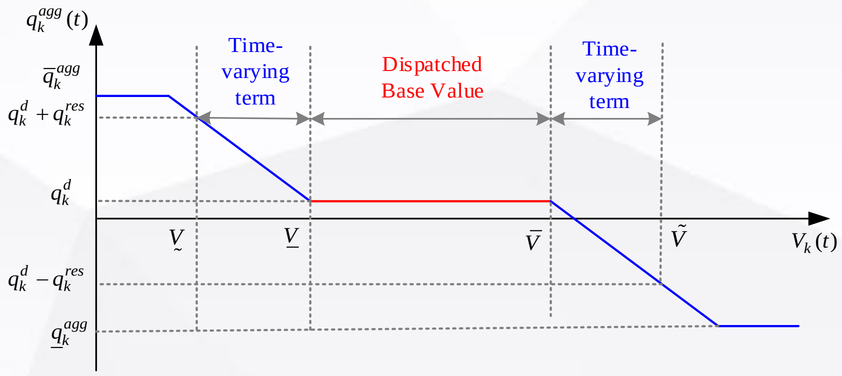


Distributed dispatch by ADMM





Distributed real-time voltage control



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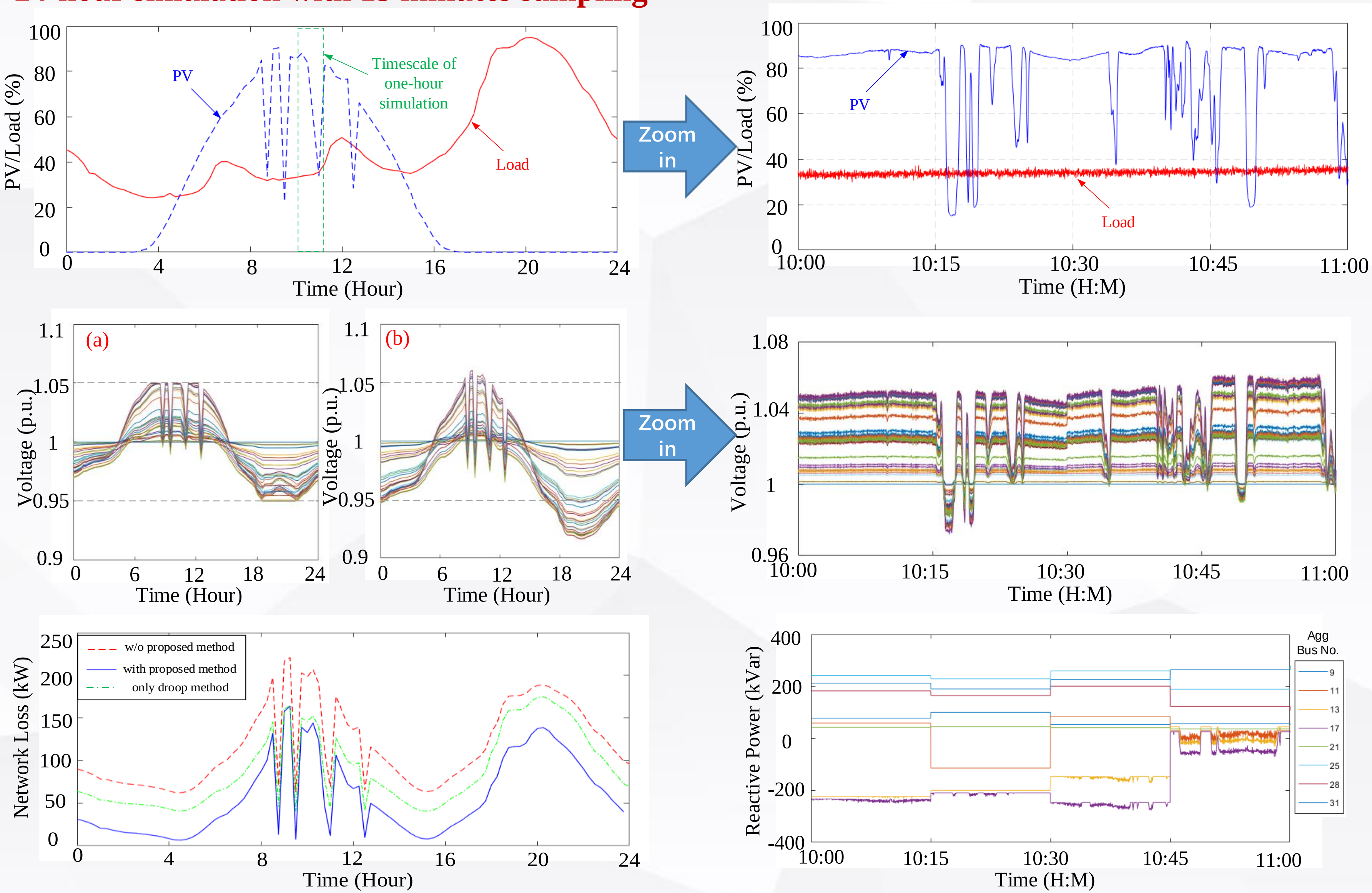
Simulation Results

24-hour simulation with 15 minutes sampling

One-hour simulation with 1 second sampling



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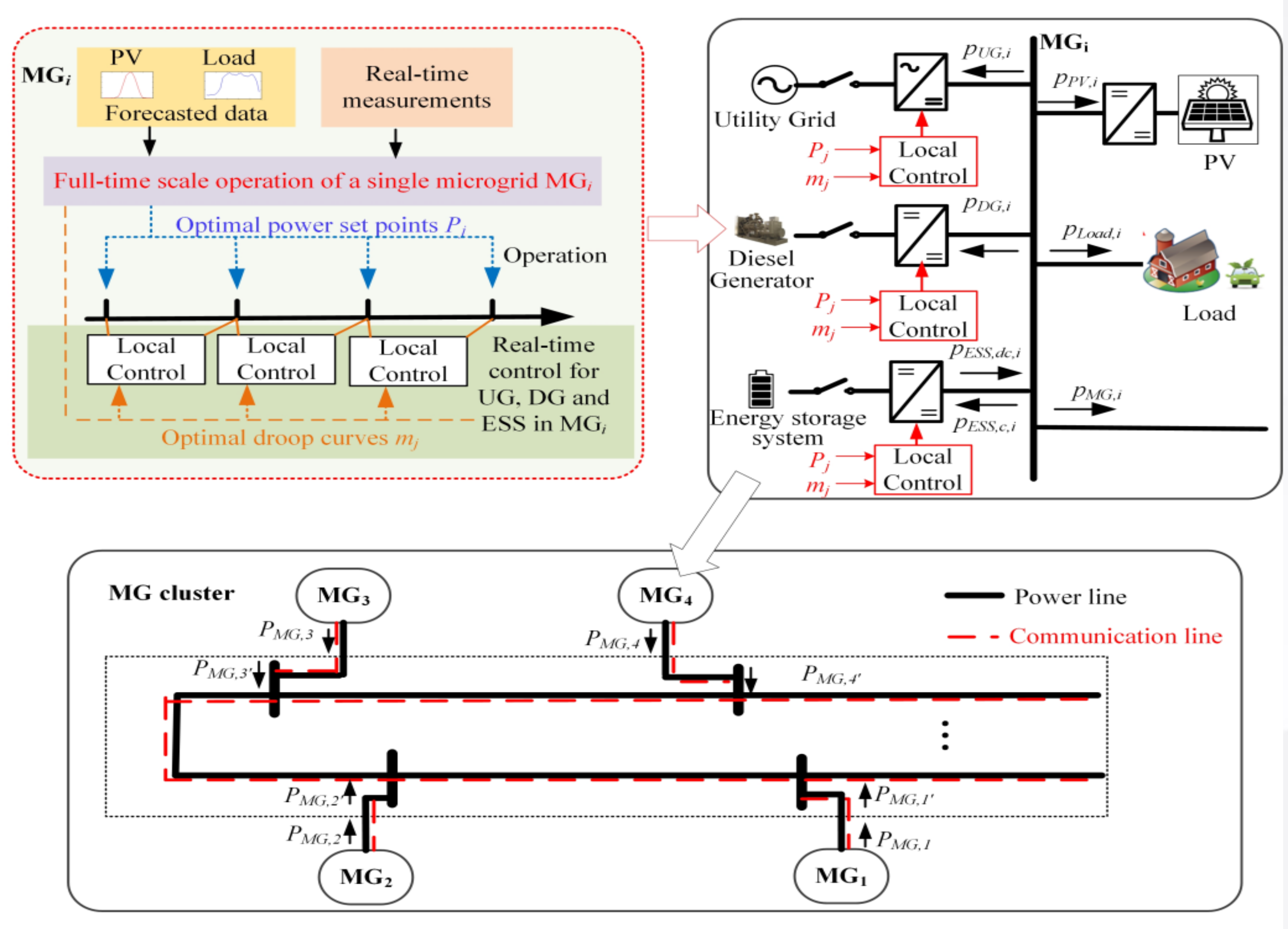
Hierarchically Coordinated Operation and Control for DC microgrid clusters



$$\min_{\substack{\mathbf{P}_j(t),\beta_j(t),\\ P_{jk}(t),l_{jk}(t),v_j(t)\\ \forall j\in\mathcal{N},j\to k\in\mathcal{E},t\in\mathcal{T}}} \mathbb{E}\sum_{t\in\mathcal{T}}\{f(\mathbf{P}_i(t),\beta_i(t))+\sum_{j:j\to k} l_{jk}(t)r_{jk}\}$$

$$p_{\mathrm{UG},i}-P_{\mathrm{UG},i}=\beta_{\mathrm{UG},i}\xi_i$$

$$p_{\mathrm{DG},i}-P_{\mathrm{DG},i}=\beta_{\mathrm{DG},i}\xi_i$$

$$p_{\mathrm{ESS},i}-P_{\mathrm{ESS,dc},i}+P_{\mathrm{ESS,c},i}=\beta_{\mathrm{ESS},i}\xi_i$$

$$\beta_{\mathrm{UG},i}+\beta_{\mathrm{DG},i}+\beta_{\mathrm{ESS},i}=1$$

$$m_{UG,i}=\frac{k_i}{\beta_{UG,i}},\ m_{UG,i}\in\left(0,\frac{\Delta V_{\max}}{P_{UG,\max}}\right)$$

$$m_{DG,i}=\frac{k_i}{\beta_{DG,i}},\ m_{DG,i}\in\left(0,\frac{\Delta V_{\max}}{P_{DG,\max}}\right)$$

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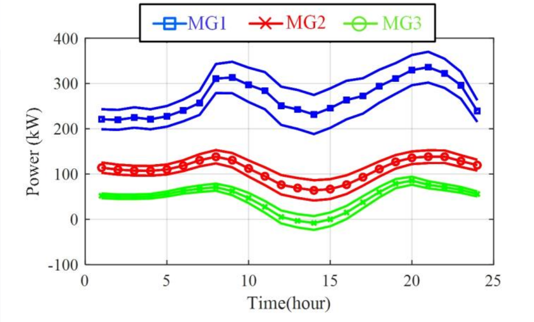

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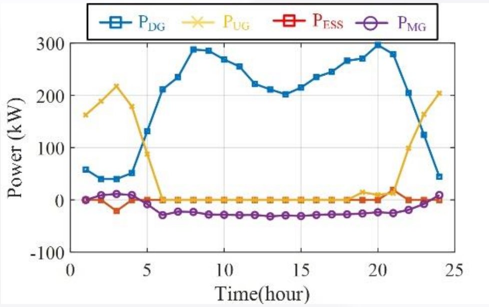
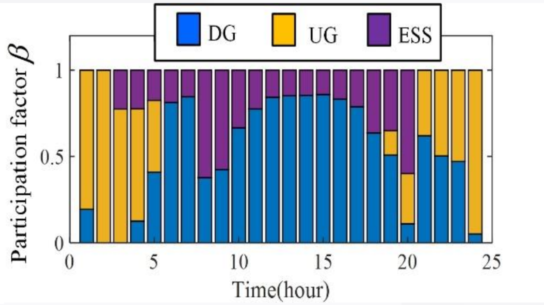
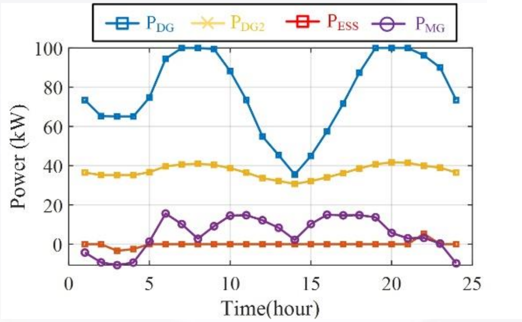
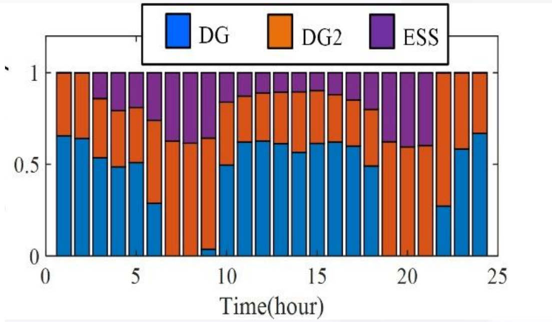
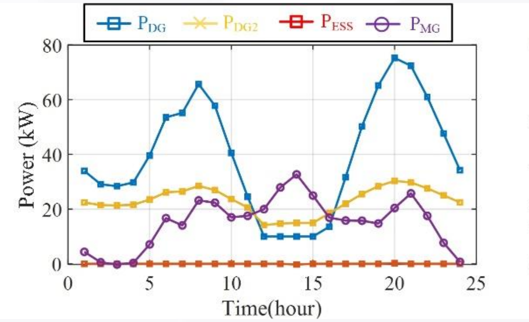
Dispatch results

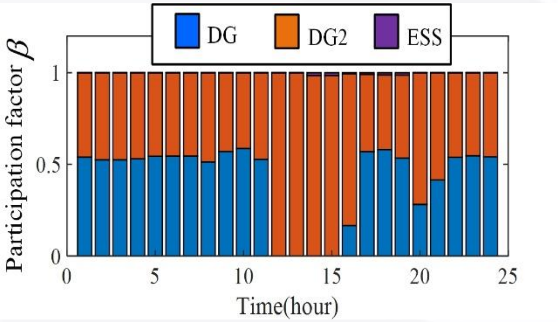


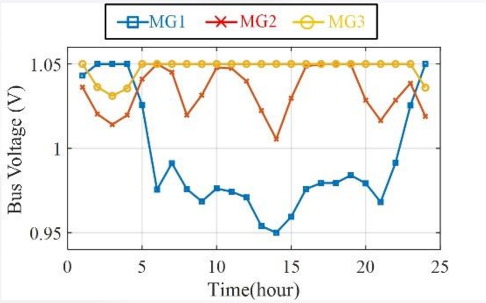




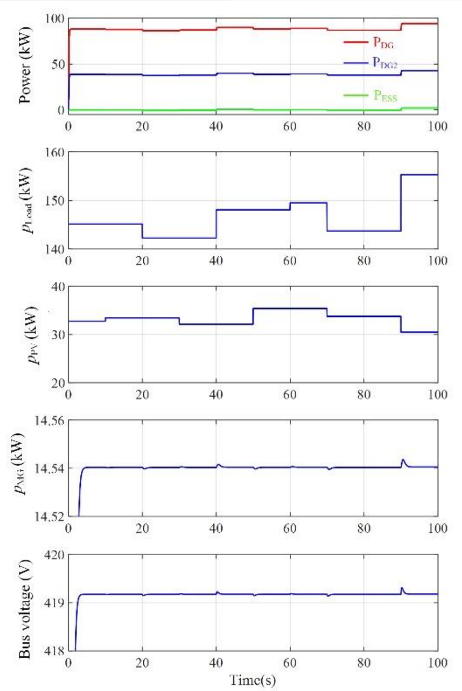




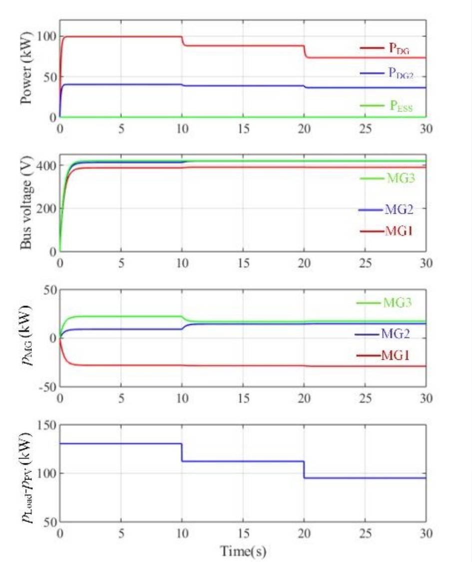




Real-time control results



Simulation results of MG2 during 9h-10h with PV and loadfluctuations in Matlab/Simulink.



Simulation results when local controller responds to the scheduling results from operation level of MG2 at 9h, 10h and 11h (which is at 10s, 20s and 30s in the simulation)

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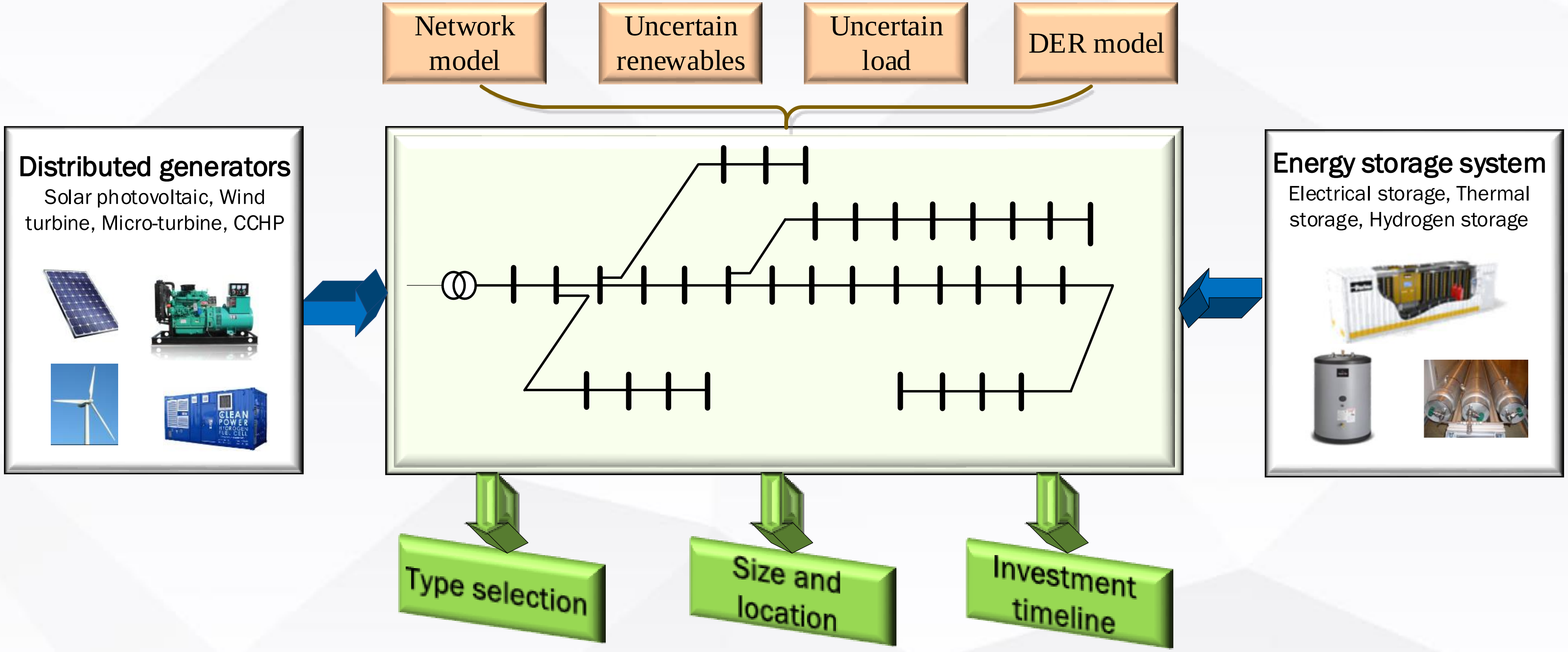
Optimal Planning of DERs in Microgrid



Objective: Minimize total investment costs
Constraints: operational limits
network constraints
component constraints, etc.
Variables: size, site, type, installation year, etc.

Stochastic programming
Robust optimization
Probability-weighted robust optimization
...

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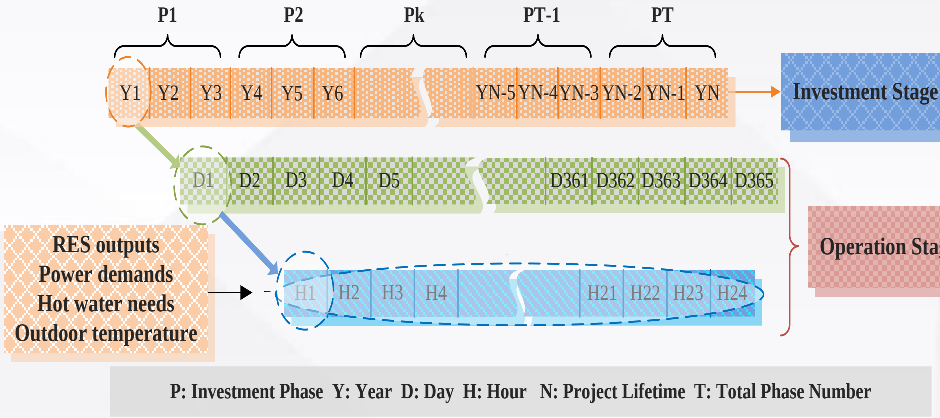
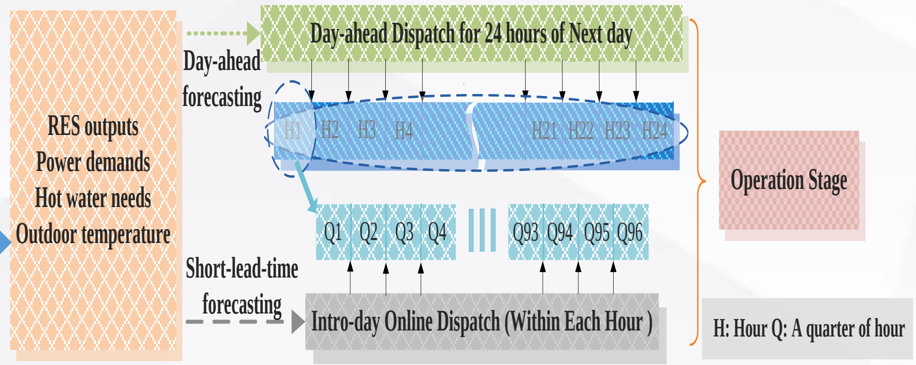
Optimal Placement of Heterogeneous Distributed Generators



Proposed two-stage DG placement method



Sub-stages for system operation

$$NPV_s = \underset{z\in CF_z, x\in CG_x}{Max} \{ \underbrace{-F(z)}_{Investment\ Stage} + \underset{Operation\ Stage}{G(x)} \}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{Min}\ G(x|c) = \underset{w}{\mathrm{Min}}\{S(w|c) + E[Q(w|c,\omega)]\} \\ & s.t. \quad w \in CS_w \mid z \\ & \qquad Q(w|c,\omega) = \underset{y}{\mathrm{Min}}\ L(y|c) \\ & \qquad y \in CL(w,\omega) \end{aligned}$$

System multi-stage operation model

Year/Bus	3	6	9	12	18	22	25	27	30	33
CCHP unit：Cap-65										
1-4	65	195	65	130	0	0	130	65	0	65
5-8	65	195	65	195	0	65	130	65	65	65
9-12	65	195	65	195	65	65	130	65	65	130
Electric boiler: A										
1-4	123.2	96	90.7	0	146.8	41.5	167.8	92.9	0	0
5-8	123.2	96	128.1	0	146.8	88.5	214.8	92.9	0	0
9-12	138.5	96	129.6	0	146.8	120.4	216.2	92.9	0	0
Electric boiler: B										
9-12	0	0	0.0	57.1	0	66.7	74.1	0	0	0
Electric chiller:A										
1-4	200.2	0	68.4	0	105.8	0.0	141.3	0	0	48.25
Electric chiller: B										
1-4	0	0	25.0	0	0	50.7	74.3	0	0	0
5-8	0	0	50.3	0	0	103.8	115.2	0	0	0
9-12	0	0	90.9	0	0	143.0	115.2	0	0	0
Photovaltics: B										
1-12	137.6	137.6	136.2	122.2	118.9	137.7	181.6	181.6	177.8	169
Wind turbine: A										
1-12	80	0	0	0	0	80	80	0	80	0
Wind turbine: B										
1-12	0	240	120	0	240	0	240	0	120	0

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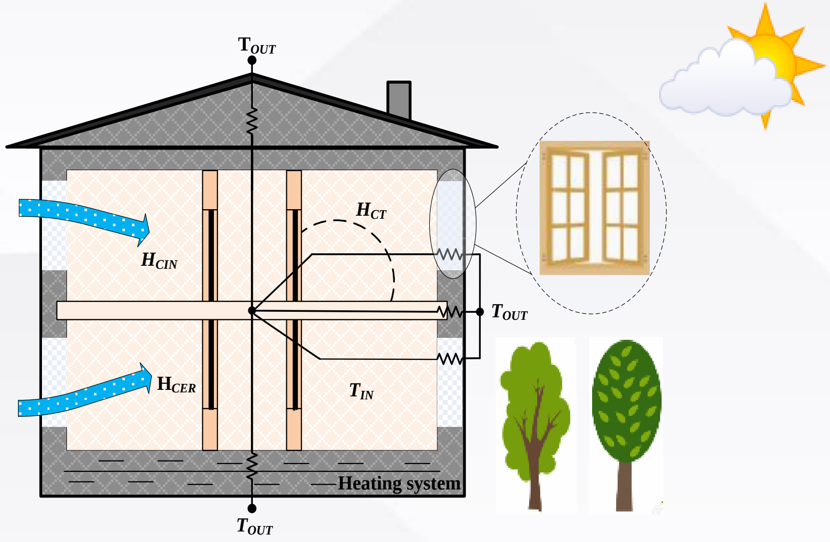
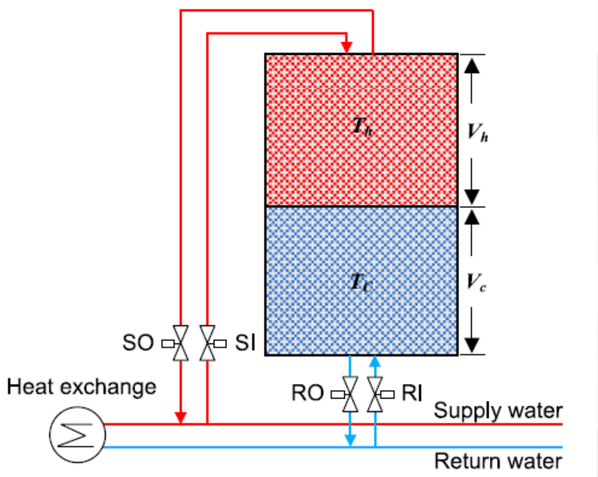
Optimal Deployment of Heterogeneous Energy Storage



Typical structure of a room in a residential building



Structure of the thermal storage

$$\max_{z\in Z, x\in X, \eta_{\mathrm{VaR}}\in\Re} \left[C_{\mathrm{EDP}} - \rho_{RK} C\mathrm{VaR}_{\alpha}(C_{\mathrm{EDP}})\right]$$

$$\text{s.t.,}\ C_{\mathrm{EDP}} = \frac{1}{365\times N_P}\cdot\frac{dr(1+dr)^{N_P}}{(1+dr)^{N_P}-1} \cdot\left[\underbrace{-F(z)}_{\text{Investment Stage}} + \underbrace{G(x)}_{\text{Operation Stage}}\right]$$

$$C\mathrm{VaR}_{\alpha}(C_{\mathrm{EDP}}) = \eta_{\mathrm{VaR}} + \frac{1}{1-\alpha_{\mathrm{CL}}}\mathrm{E} \times \left[\max(C_{\mathrm{EDP}} - \eta_{\mathrm{VaR}}, 0)\right]$$

Risk-averse objective function

$$\mathop{Min}_{x} G(x) = \mathop{Min}_{w, y_1, y_2 \ldots, y_q} \left[S(w) + \sum_{q\in N_Q} c_q L(y_q)\right]$$

$$s.t.\quad w \in CS_w \mid z$$

$$y_q \in CL(w, \omega_q), \forall q$$

Proposed multi-stage stochastic deployment model

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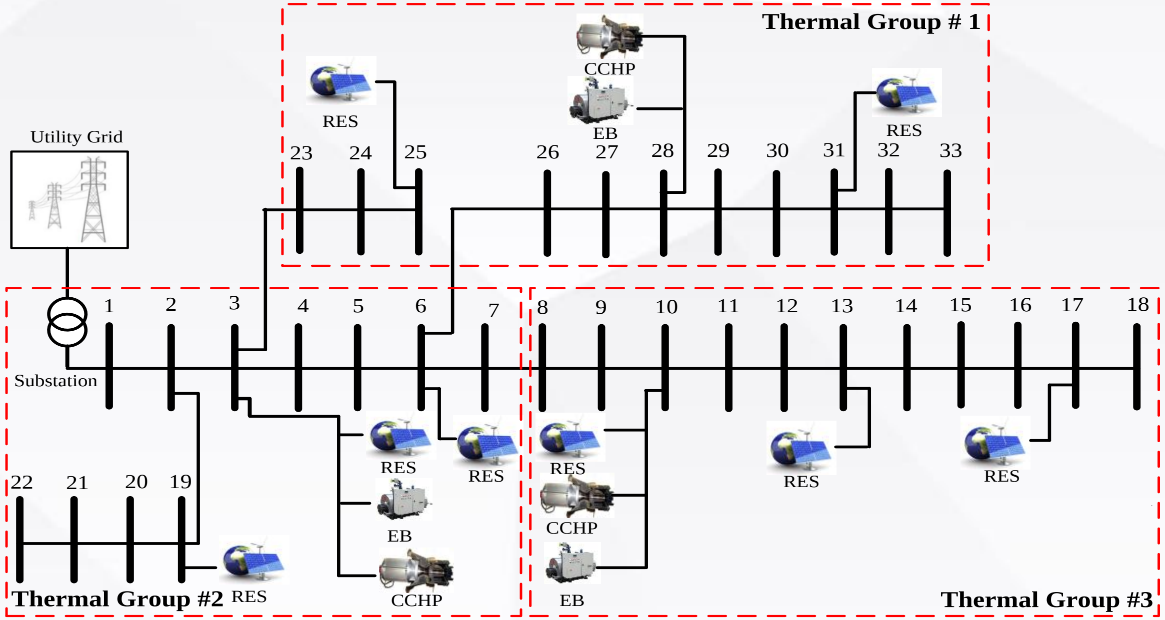
Planning results



Deployment Results For Battery Storage (kWh)

Year/Bus	3	6	18	22	25	27	30	33
1-3	1500	0	0	1500	1500	0	0	0
4-6	1500	466.0	101.7	1500	1500	0	0	473.2
7-9	1500	466.0	101.7	1500	1500	378.0	81.19	473.2

Deployment Results For Thermal Storage (kWh)

Year 1-9	Group 1	Group2	Group3
Cooling storage tank	0	0	0
Heat storage tank	1800	1800	1800

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Probability-Weighted Robust Optimization (PRO) for DG Planning

Problems identification: Robust optimization only considers the worst case under a single day profile, while stochastic programming cannot cover full spectrum of uncertainties and thus full operational robustness.

Our aims: to ensure a full robustness for the short-term operation under the uncertainties over the long-term planning horizon.

Probability-Weighted Uncertainty Sets

$$U_v^D = \{\underline{\mu}_{y,v}^D \le \sum_{t \in T} \sum_{i \in I} h \times P_{i,t,y,v}^D \le \overline{\mu}_{y,v}^D, \forall y,$$
$$\underline{P}_{i,t,y,v}^D \le P_{i,t,y,v}^D \le \overline{P}_{i,t,y,v}^D, \forall i,t,y\} \text{ with } \rho_v, \forall v = 1,2,\dots,n_v$$

PRO Formulation

$$\min_x a^T x + \sum_{n \in N} \rho_n \left(\max_{u_n \in U_n} \min_{y_n} b^T y_n + c^T u_n \right)$$

s.t.
$$Dx \ge e$$
$$Fx + Gy_n + Hu_n \le i, \forall n$$
$$Jx + Ky_n + Lu_n = m, \forall n$$

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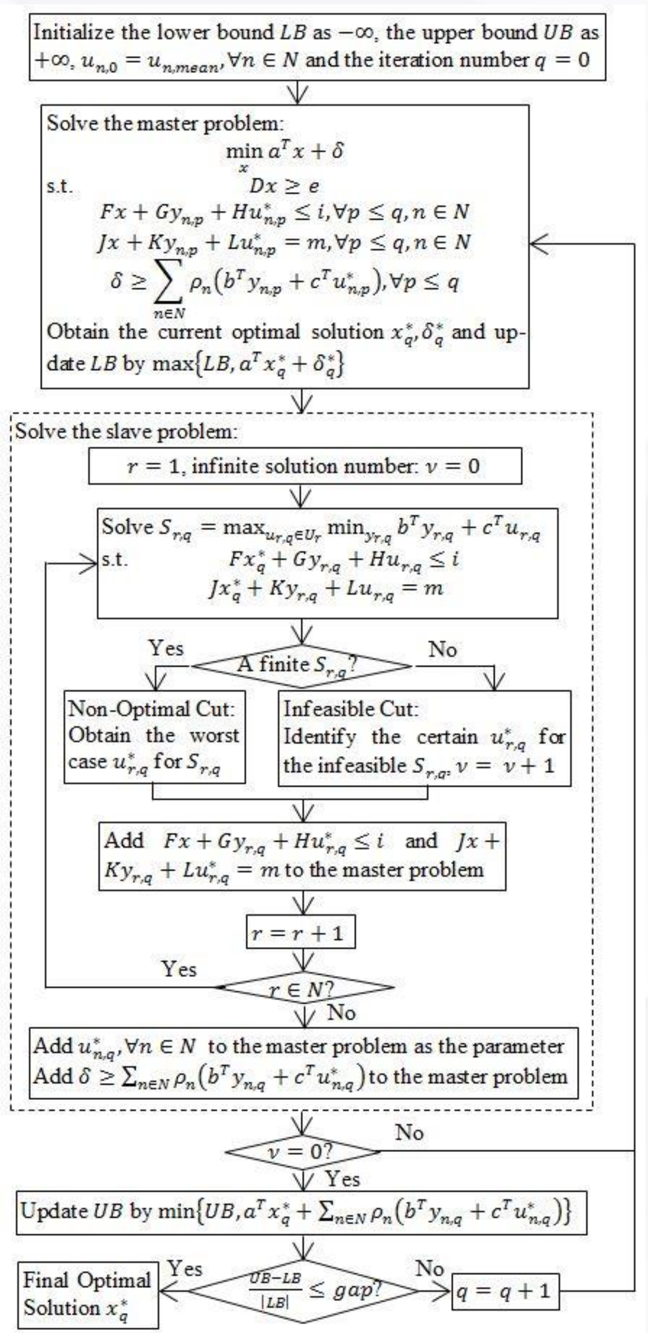
Solution Algorithm



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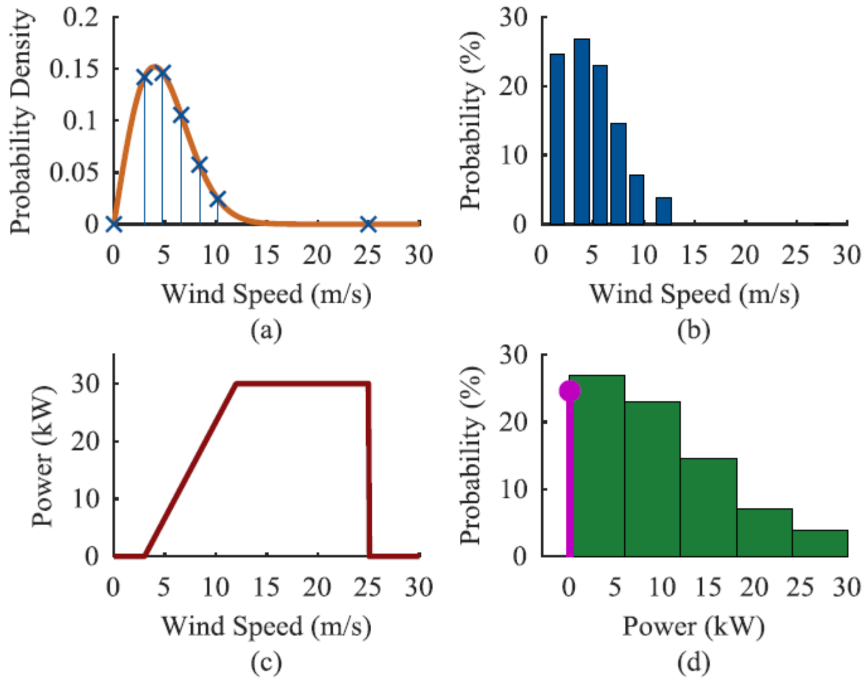
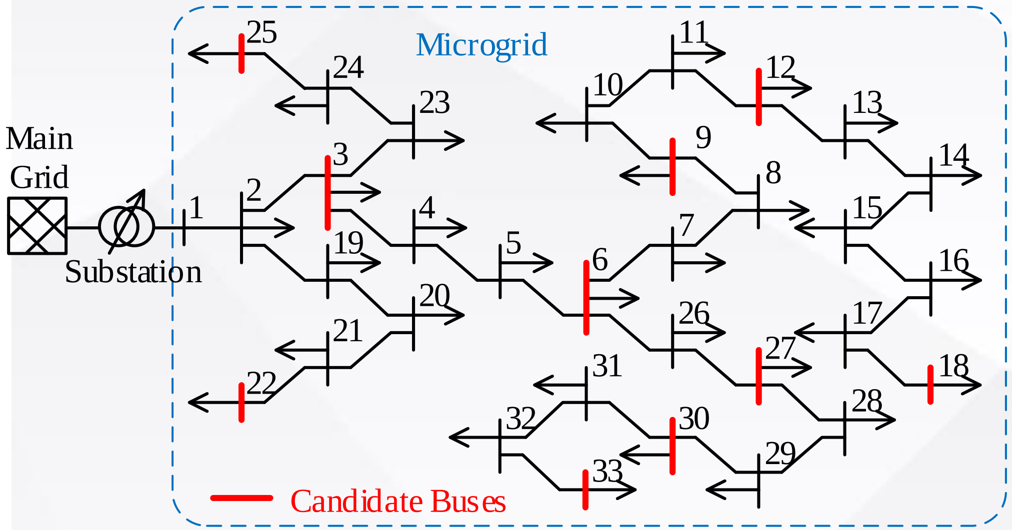


Fig. 3 (a) Wind speed probability density; (b) Wind speed probability; (c) Wind power generation function; (d) Wind power probability.



COMPARISON BETWEEN DIFFERENT METHODS

DG Planning Method	PRO	RO			
Uncertainty Profile Case	N/A	1	2	3	4
Voltage Violation Rate	0%	8.12%	0%	3.12%	11.44%
Profit in NPV (M$)	23.51	24.71	23.43	24.50	24.74

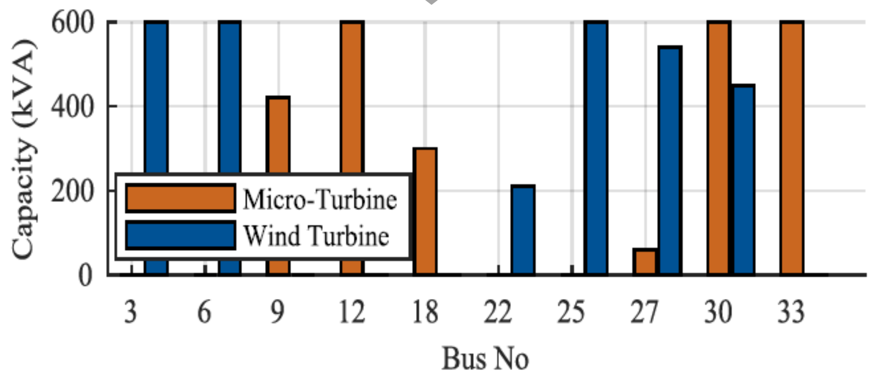


Fig. 4 DG planning decisions.

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