

# Scenario reduction for futures market trading in electricity markets

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# Introduction

- Power producer (thermal generating units)
- Two main trading floors
  - Pool
  - Derivatives market (forward, futures, options, etc.)
- Two sources of risk
  - Price risk (pool price volatility)
  - Availability risk (unexpected unit failures)
- Risk aversion



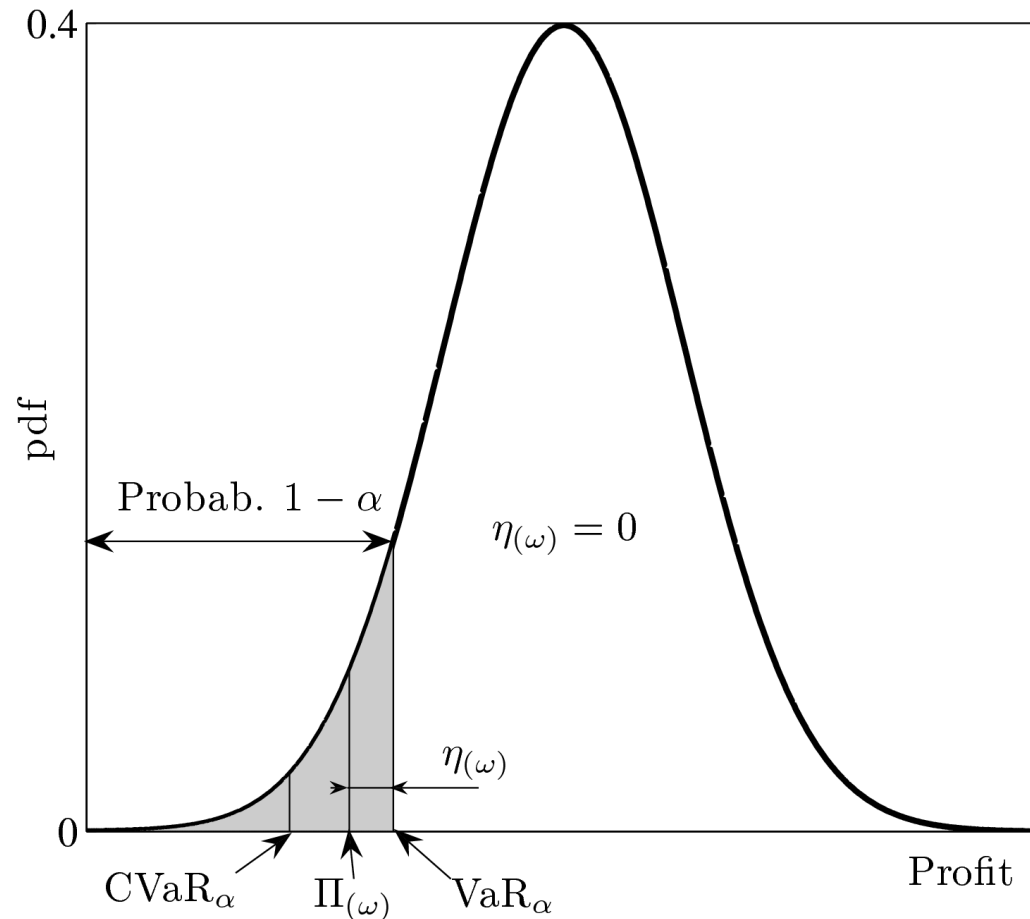
# How to make decisions under uncertainty?

# Decision Making under Uncertainty

- Stochastic programming (SP)
  - Optimization problems with uncertain parameters
  - “*which would be the best decision?*”
  - Scenarios
    - ✓ Possible states of the world
    - ✓ Scenario generation procedures
    - ✓ Scenario reduction techniques

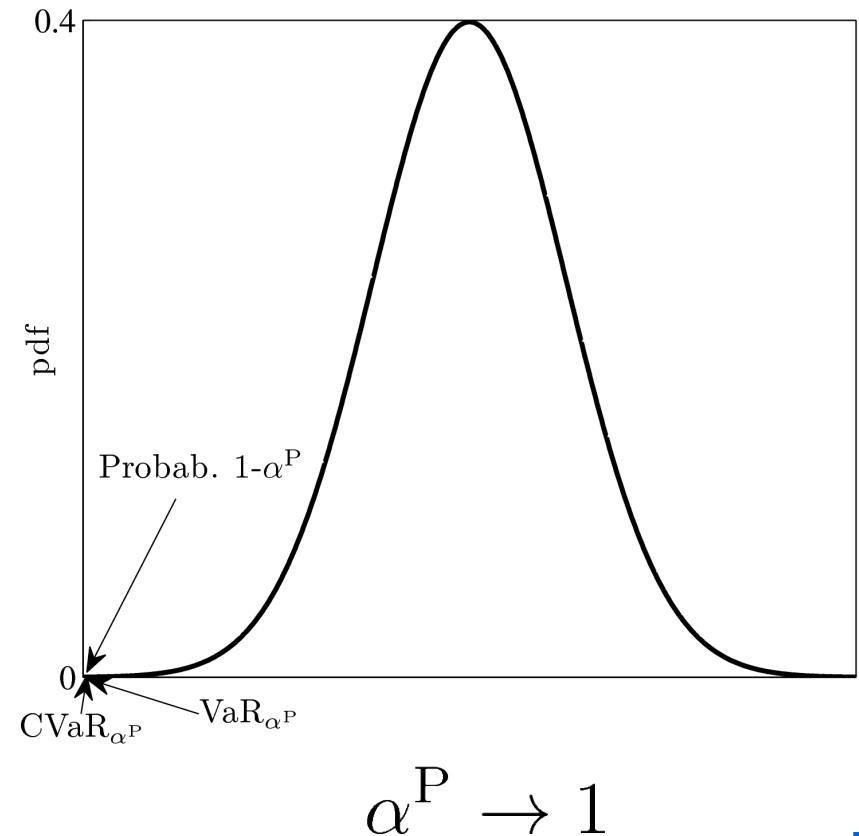
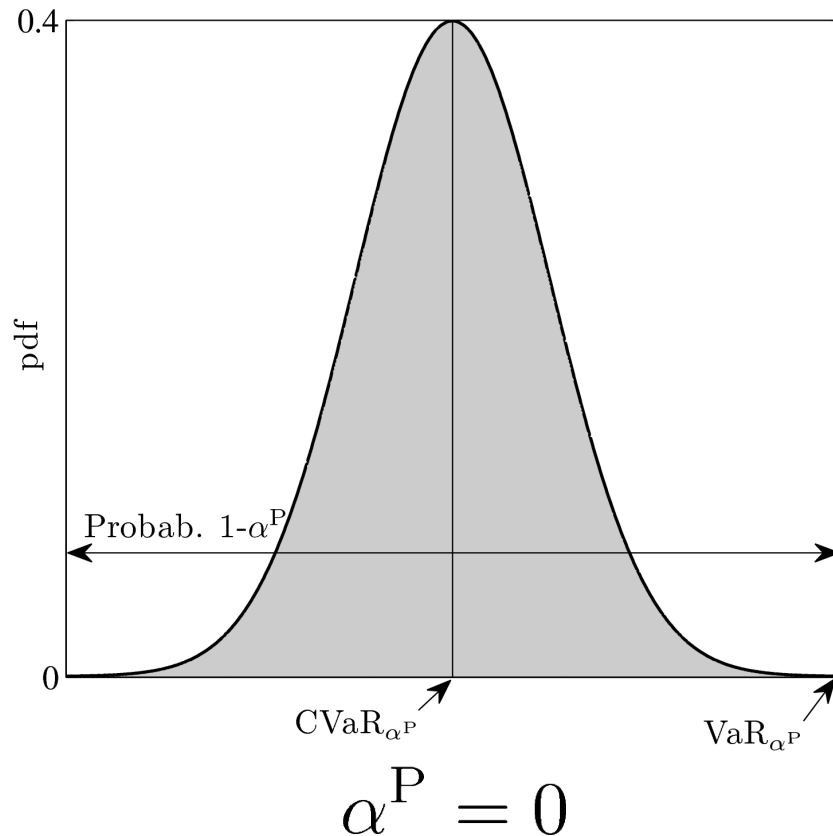
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- Risk management
  - Conditional Value-at-Risk for confidence level  $\alpha$



# Decision Making under Uncertainty

- Power producer decision model
  - Risk aversion parameter



# Decision Making under Uncertainty

- Two-stage SP with recourse

First-stage or here-and-now decisions  $x$



Realization of stochastic processes  $\xi_{(\omega)}$

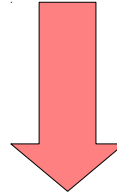


Second-stage or wait-and-see decisions  $y_{(\omega)}$

# Decision Making under Uncertainty

- Power producer model

Electricity sold through forward contracts



Realization of pool price and unit availability



Electricity traded in the pool



# Decision Making under Uncertainty

## ■ Formulation

Maximize  $\text{CVaR}_\alpha(\text{profit})$

subject to

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# How to properly represent uncertain parameters?

# Scenario Generation and Reduction

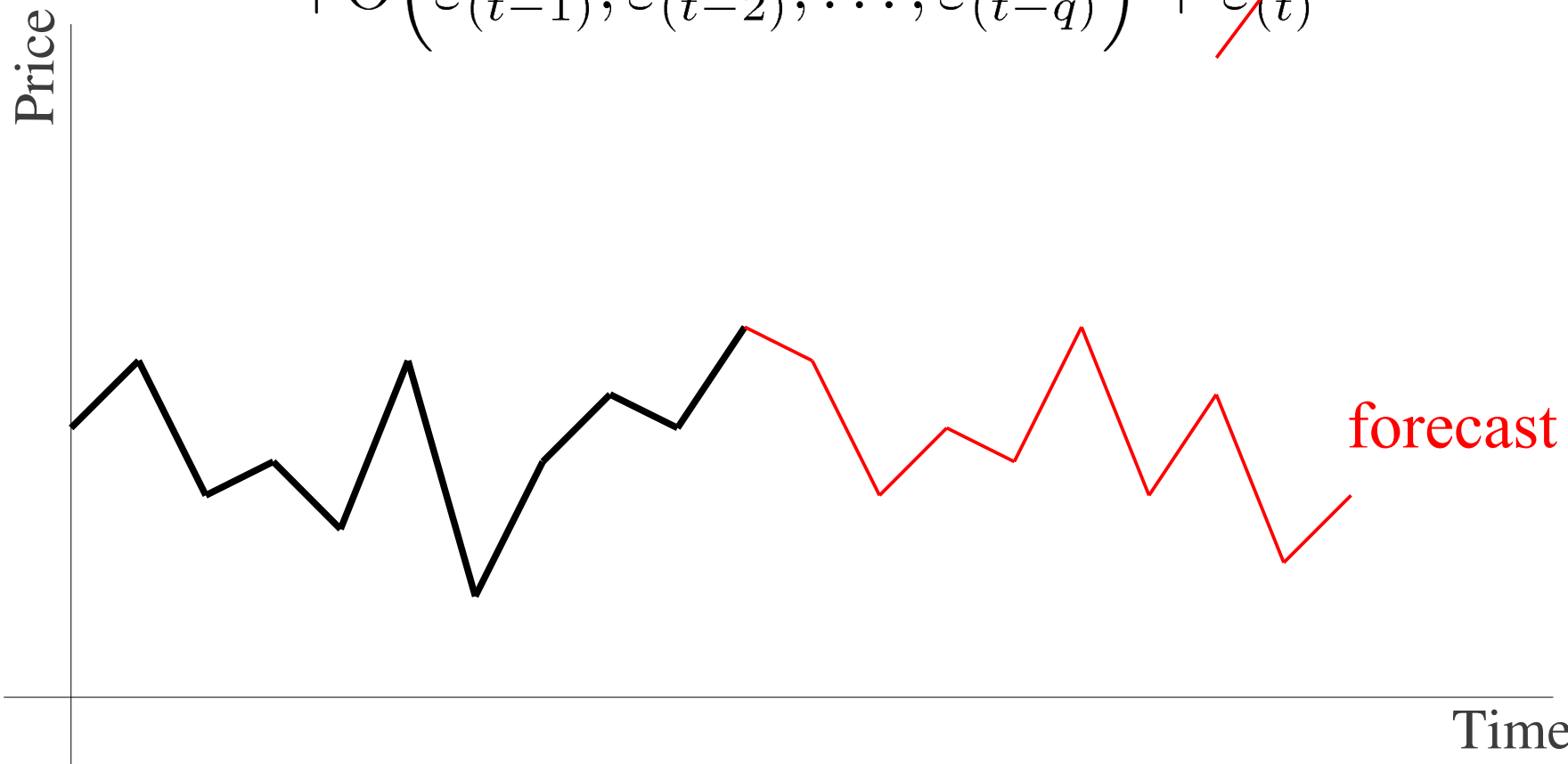
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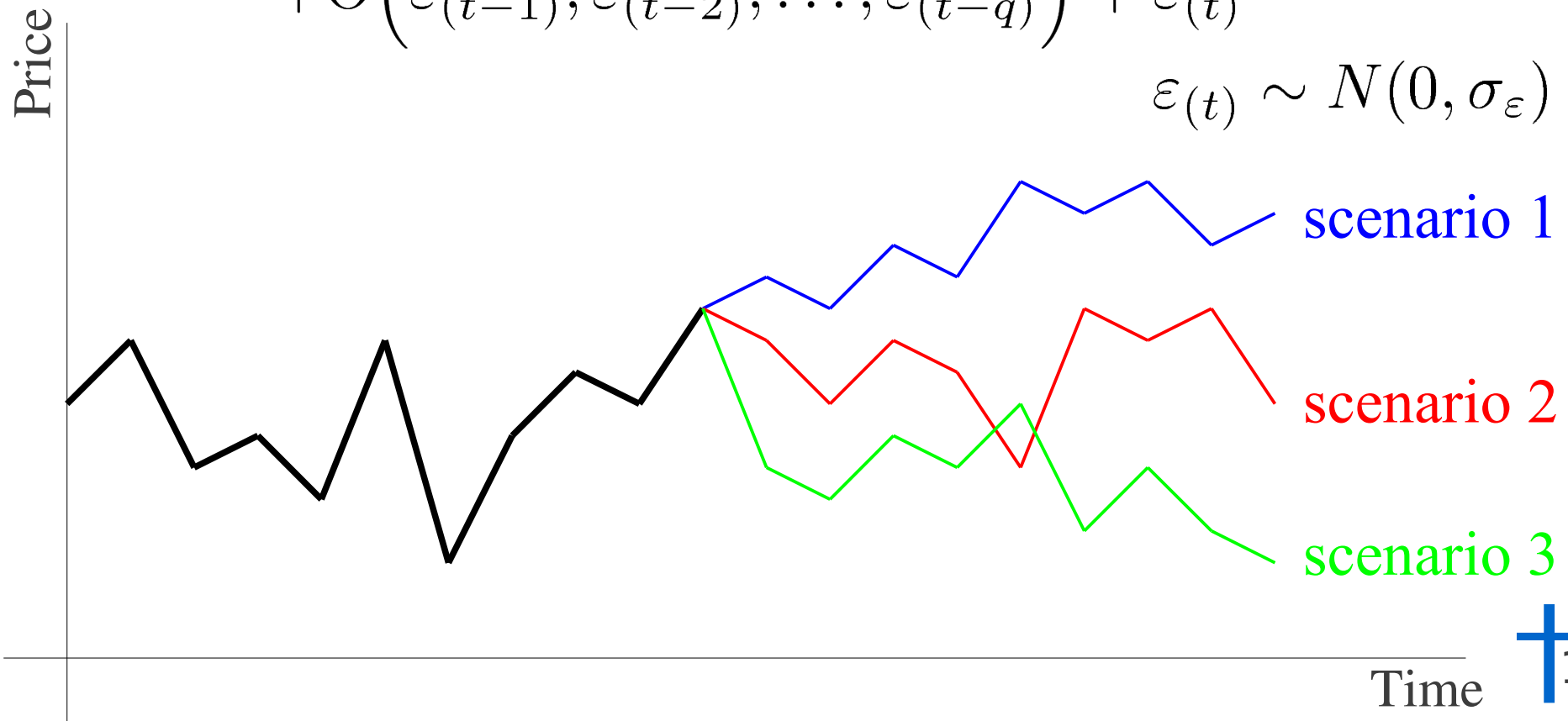


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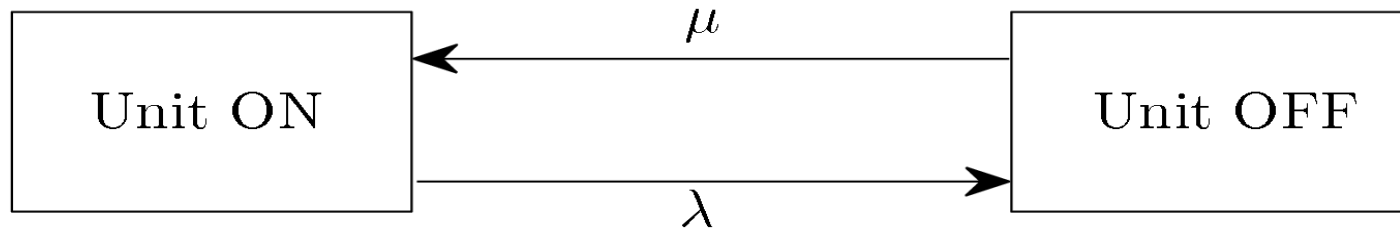
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$$\varepsilon_{(t)} \sim N(0, \sigma_\varepsilon)$$



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- Availability scenario generation



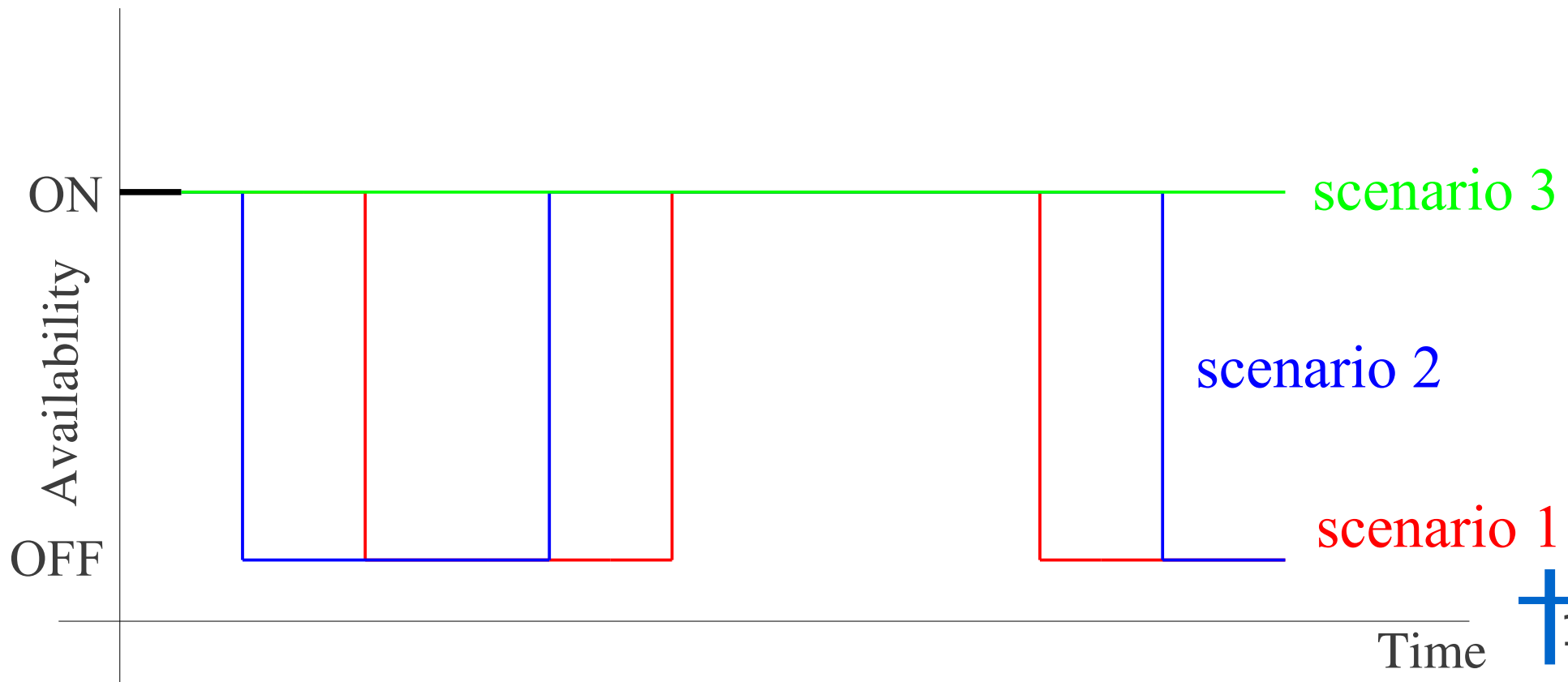
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$$\mu = \frac{1}{\text{MTTR}} \quad \lambda = \frac{1}{\text{MTTF}} \quad \text{FOR} = \frac{\text{MTTR}}{\text{MTTF} + \text{MTTR}}$$

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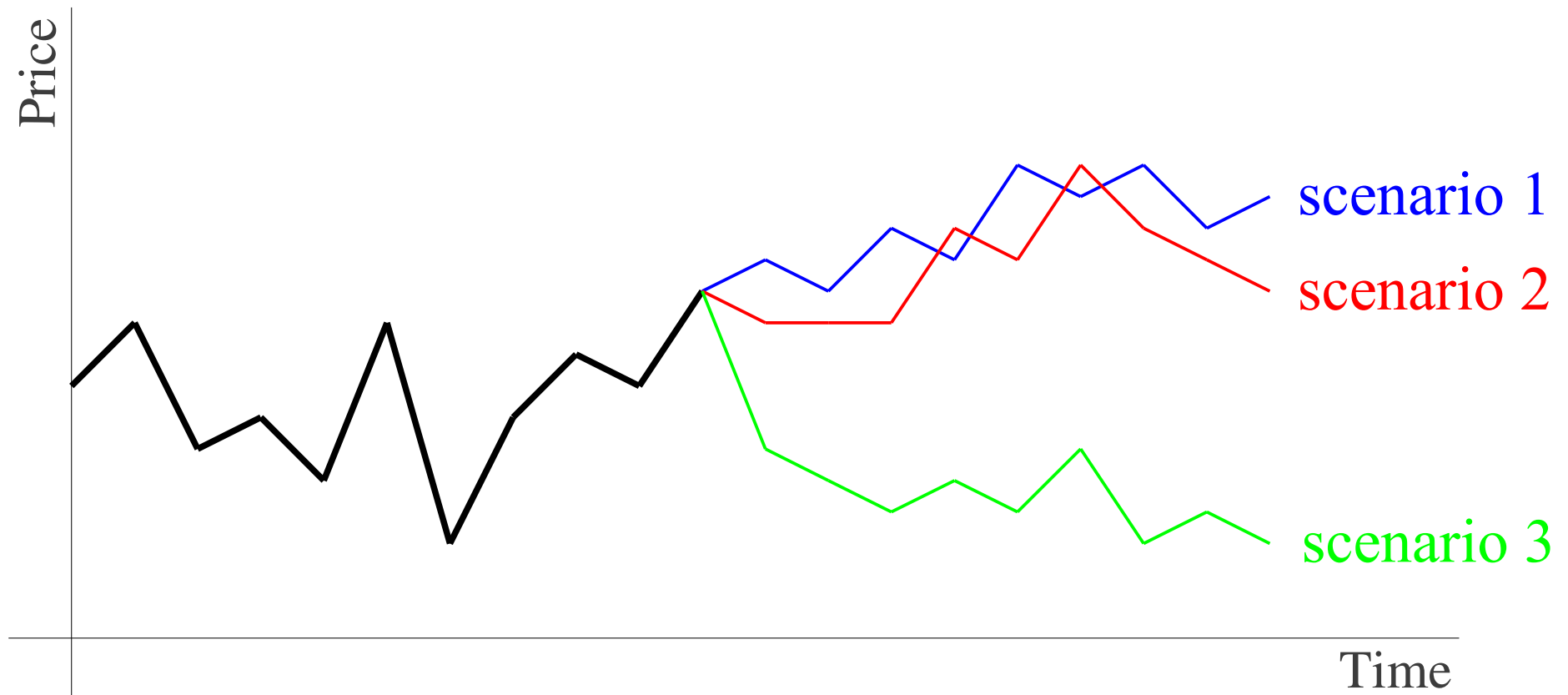
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- Final tree combining all pool price scenarios with all availability scenarios
- The higher the number of scenarios, the better characterized the uncertain parameters are
- Optimization problem may become intractable
- Scenario reduction techniques?



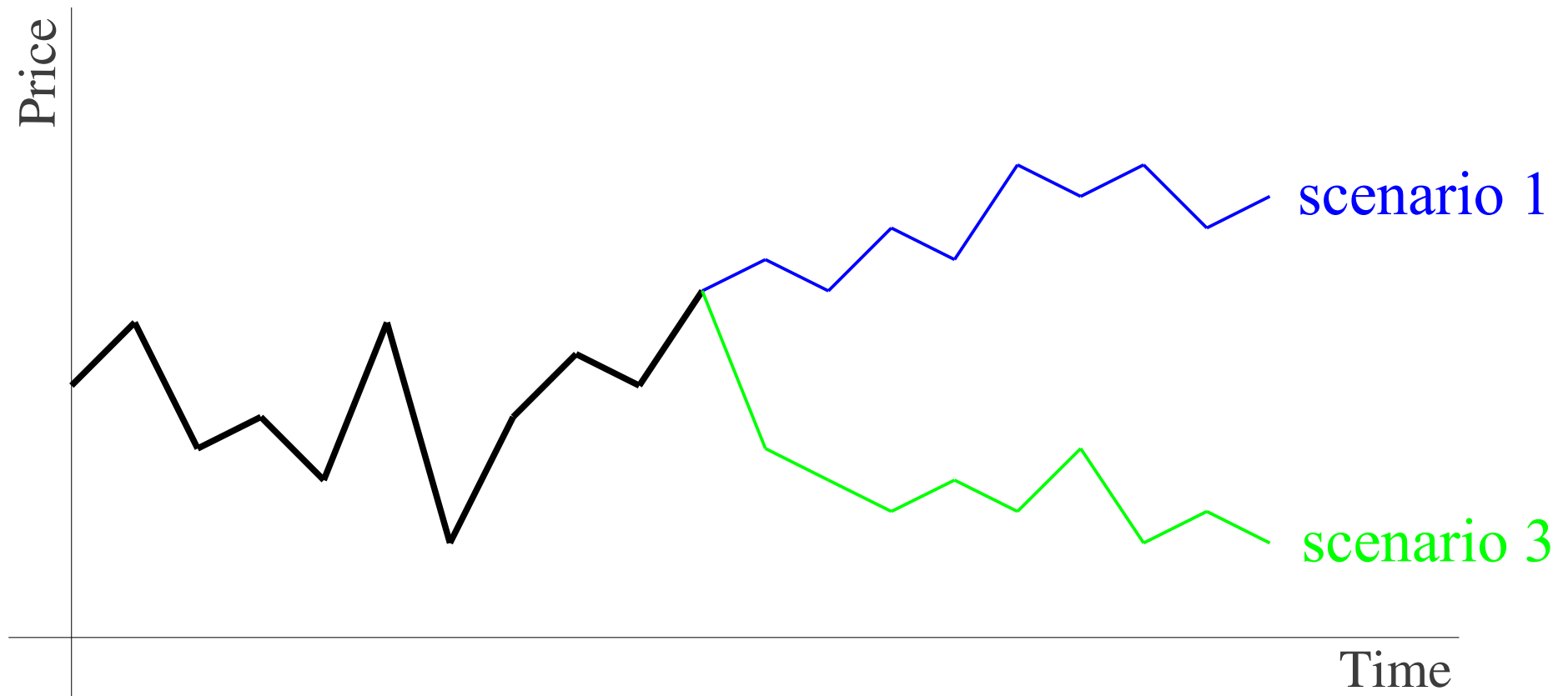
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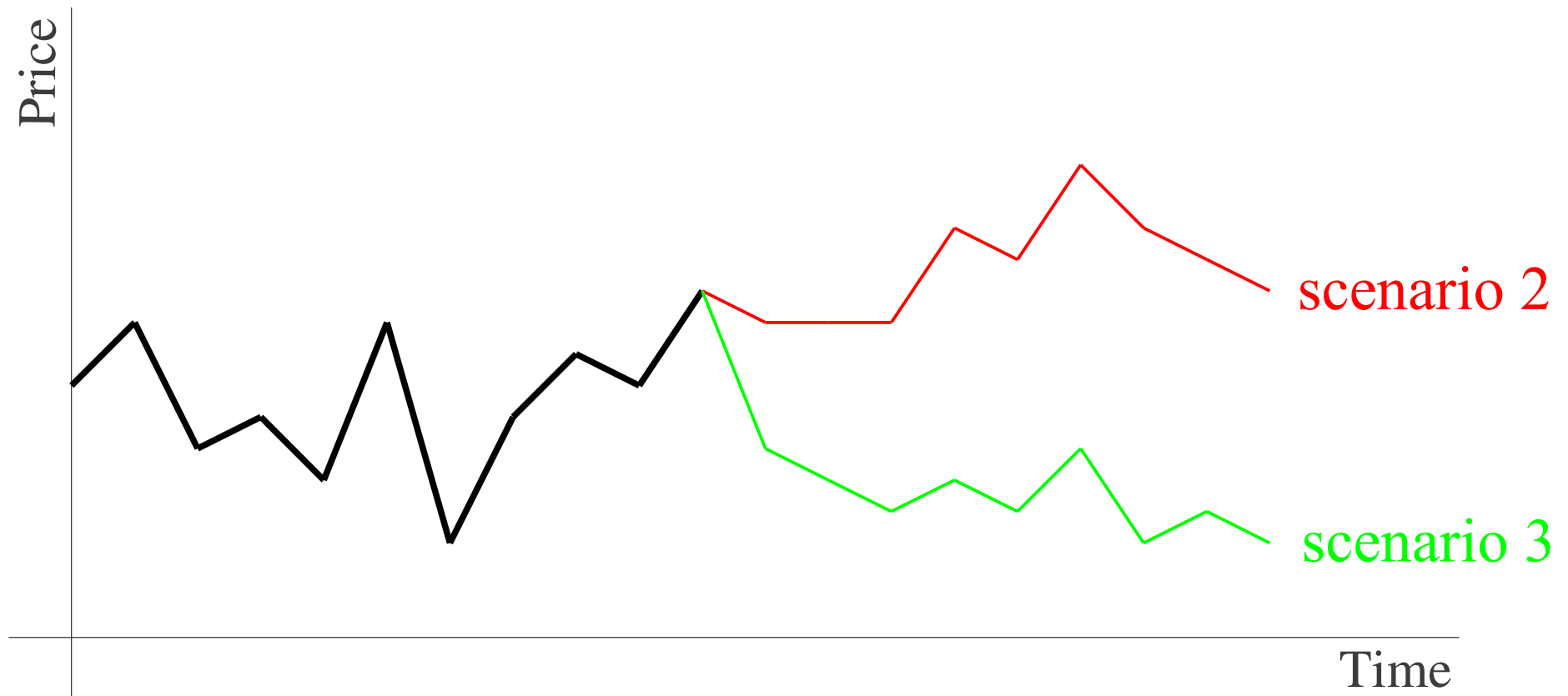
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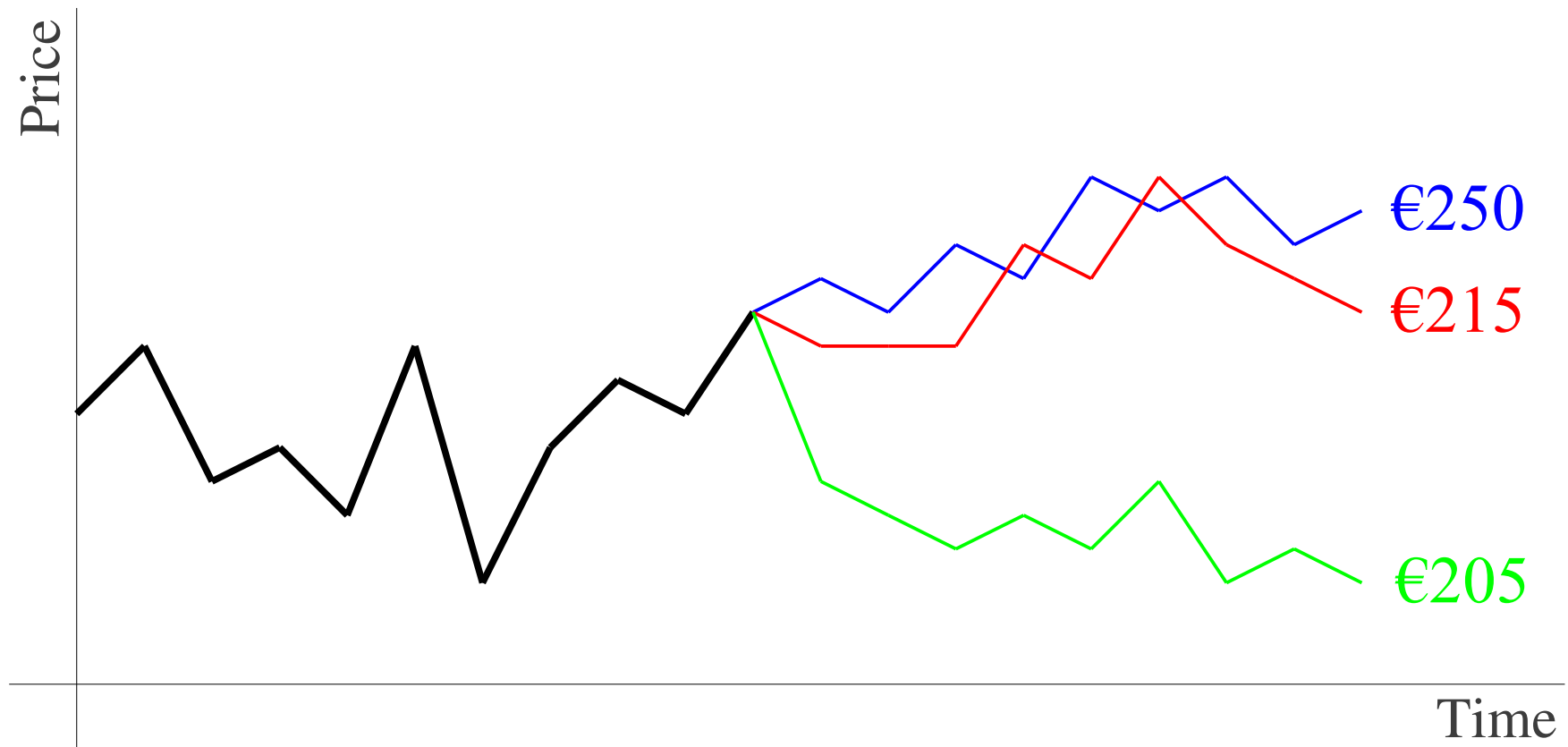
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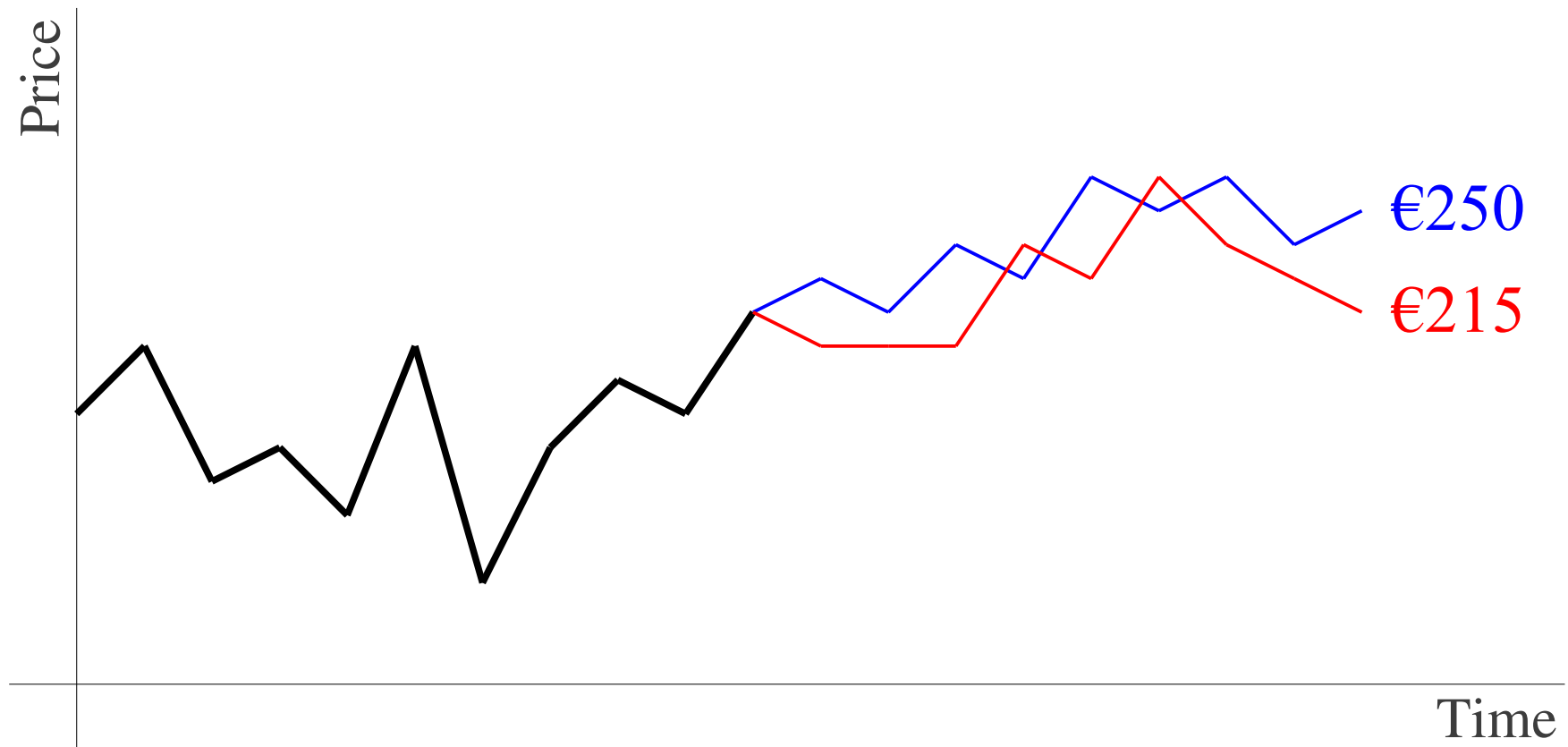
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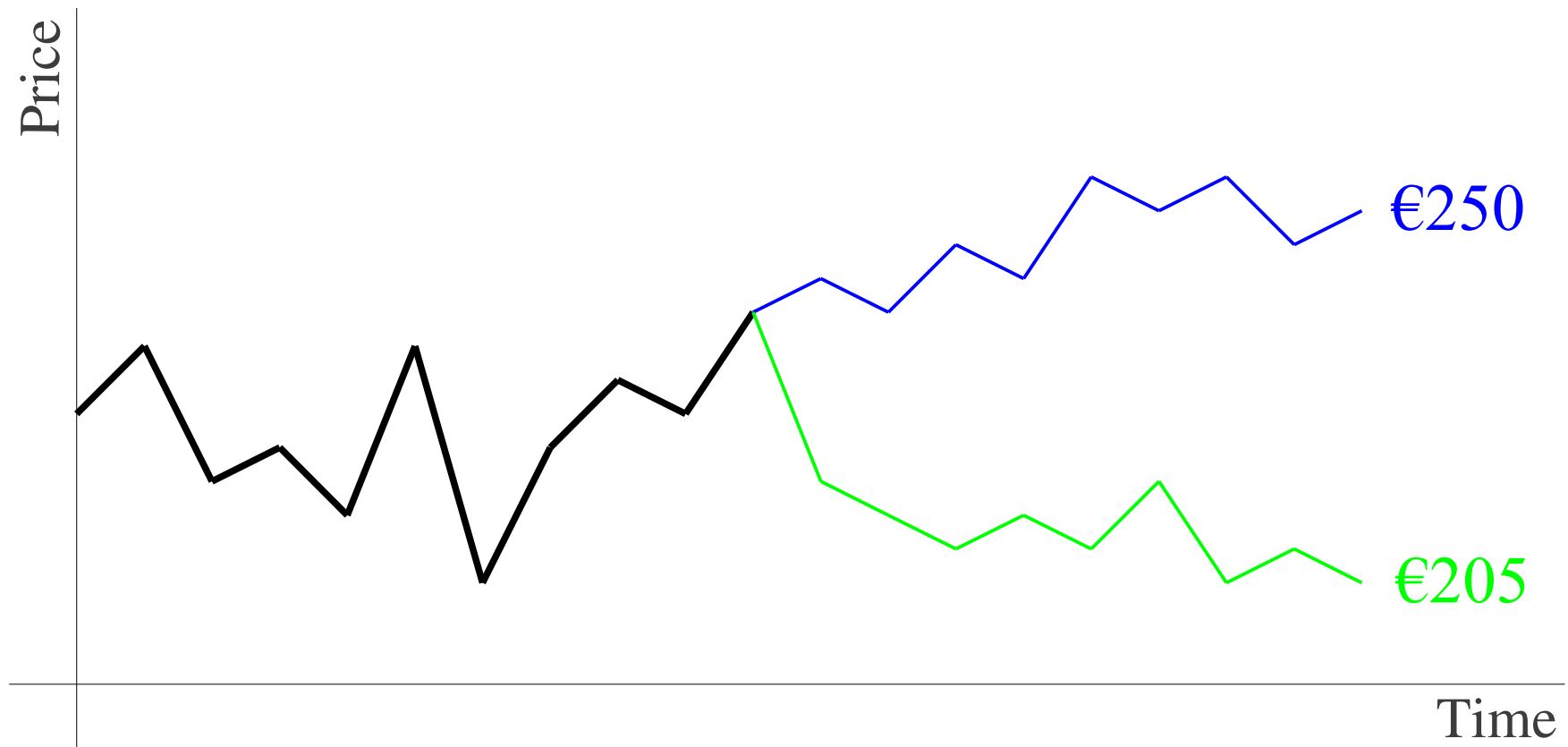
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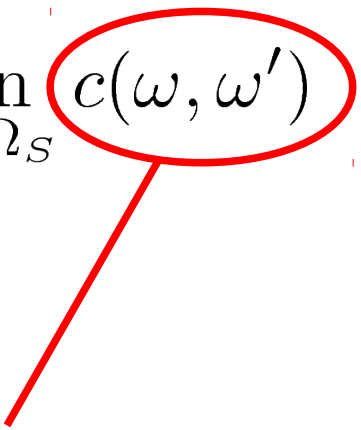
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# Scenario Generation and Reduction

- Scenario reduction: the theory
  - Kantorovich distance for two-stage SP

$$D_K(Q, Q') = \sum_{\omega \in \Omega \setminus \Omega_S} \pi_{\omega} \min_{\omega' \in \Omega_S} c(\omega, \omega')$$


Distance between  
two scenarios

- Fast forward selection

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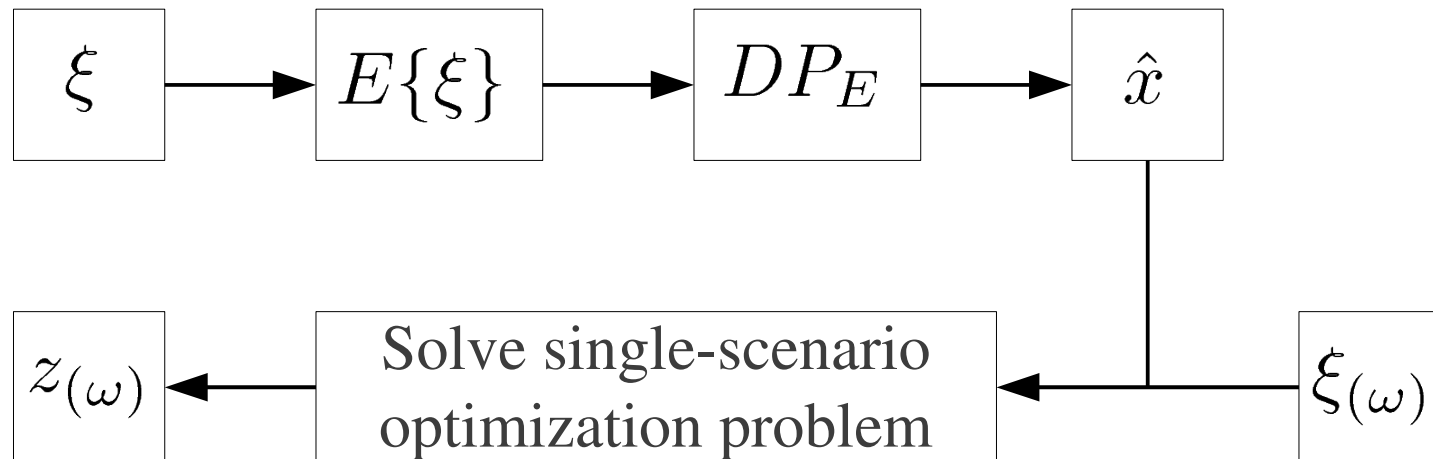
- Scenario reduction: Technique A

$$c(\omega, \omega') = \|\xi_{(\omega)} - \xi_{(\omega')}\| = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n \left( \xi_{(\omega)}^i - \xi_{(\omega')}^i \right)^2}$$



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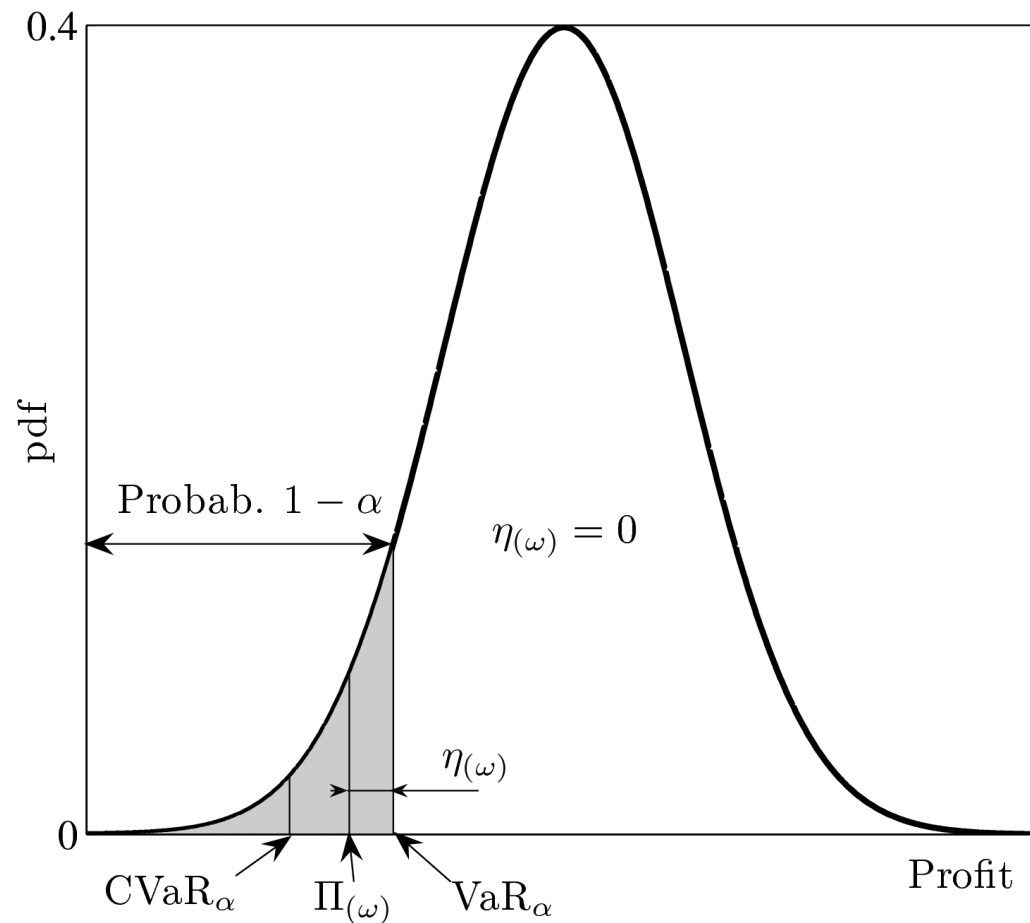
- Scenario reduction: Technique B



$$c(\omega, \omega') = |z(\omega) - z(\omega')|$$

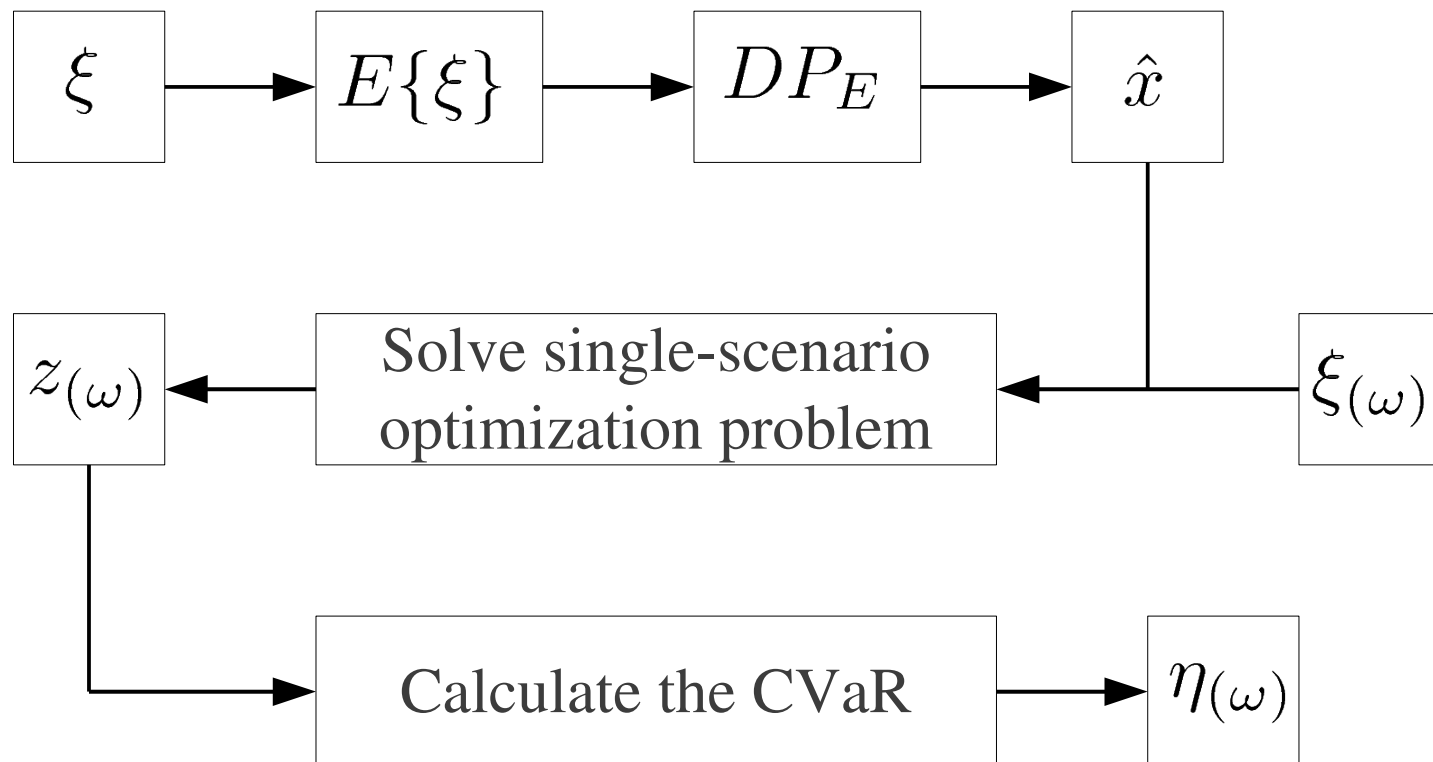
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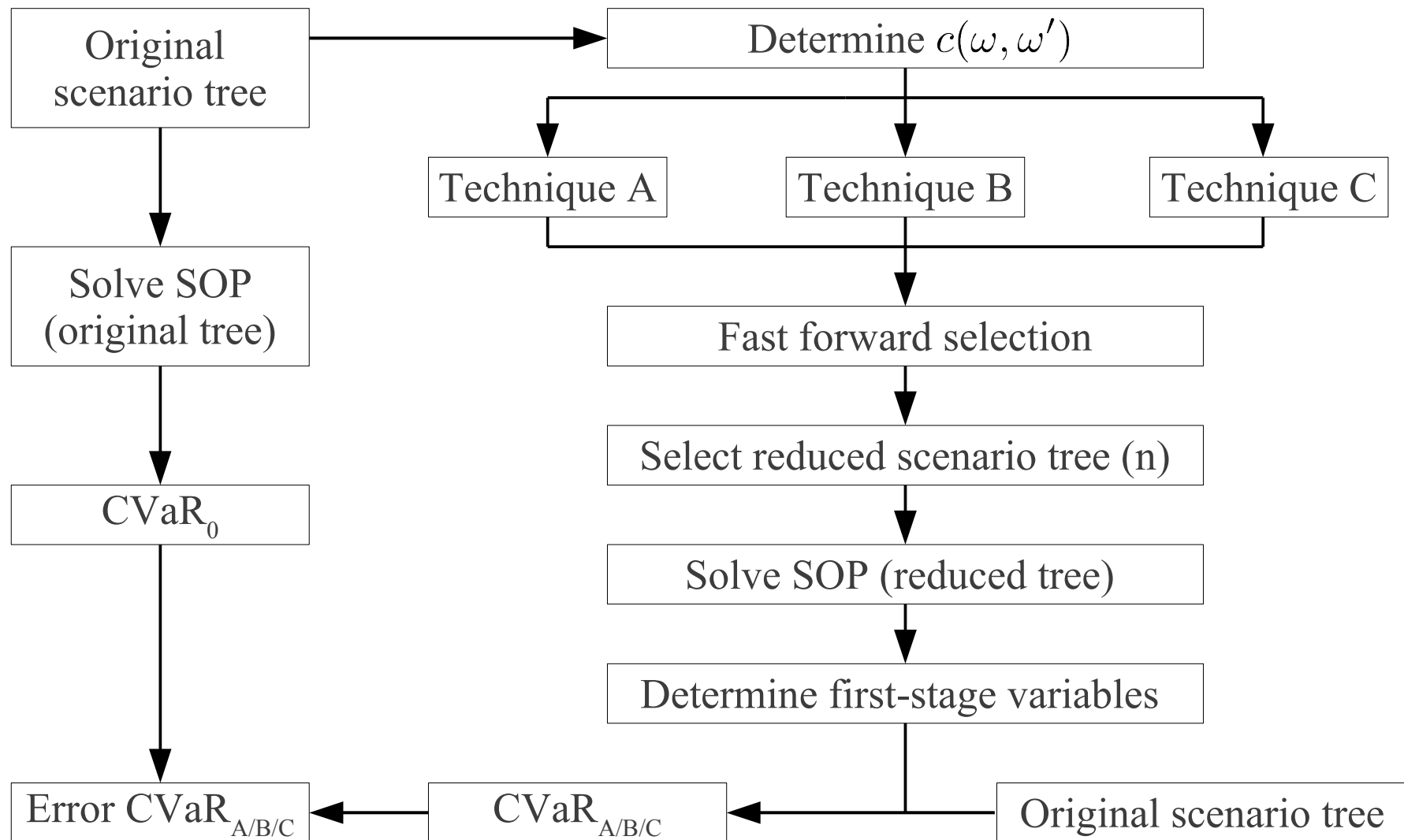
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$$c(\omega, \omega') = |\eta(\omega) - \eta(\omega')|$$

# Scenario Generation and Reduction

## ■ Comparison scenario reduction techniques



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  - Study horizon of 1 month

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  - One generating unit
    - ✓ Maximum output 450 MW
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    - ✓ Piecewise linear production cost
    - ✓ Non-failing unit

# Scenario Generation and Reduction

- Case study 1: Reduction of pool price scenarios
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  - Pool price uncertainty
    - ✓ ARIMA
    - ✓ Historical data Spanish market year 2000
    - ✓ 200 pool price scenarios

# Scenario Generation and Reduction

- Case study 1: Reduction of pool price scenarios
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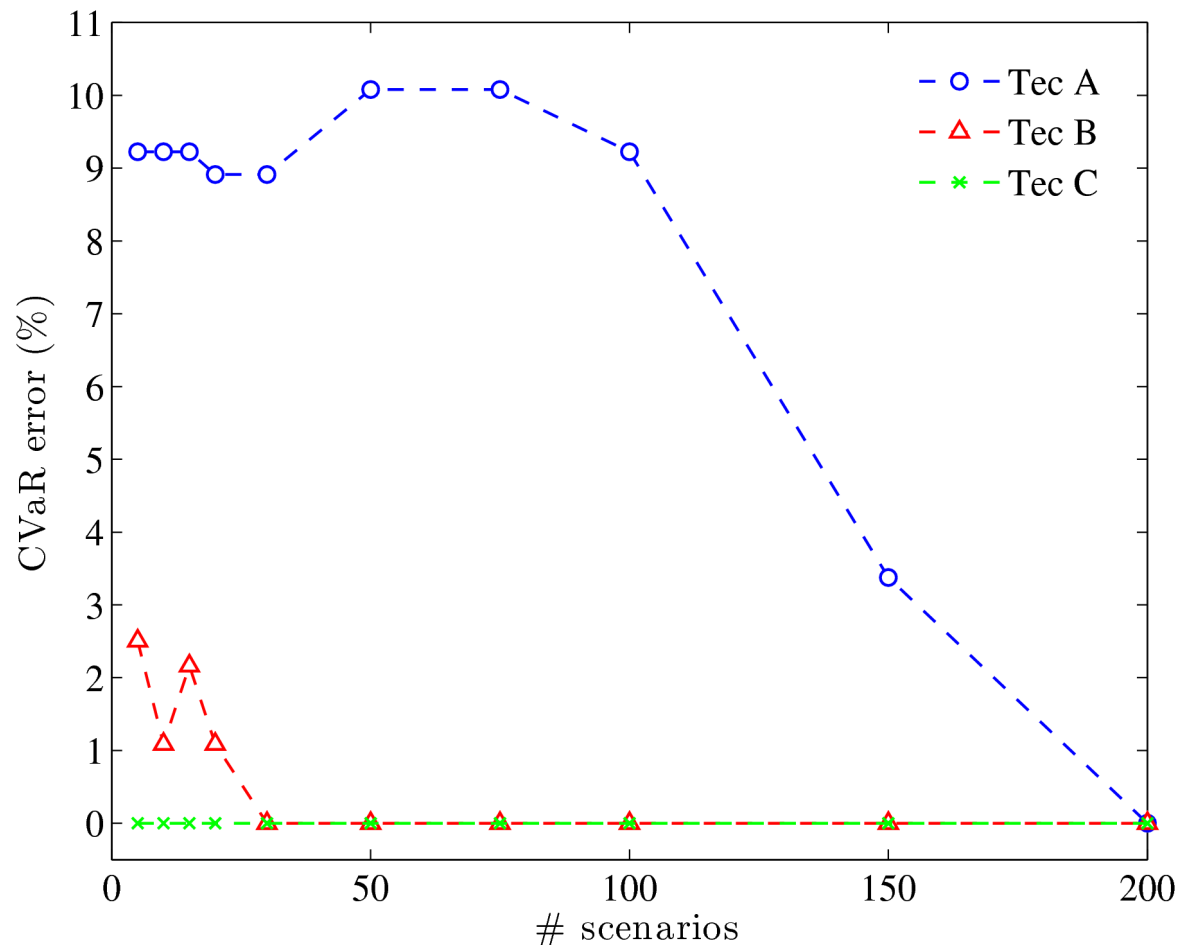
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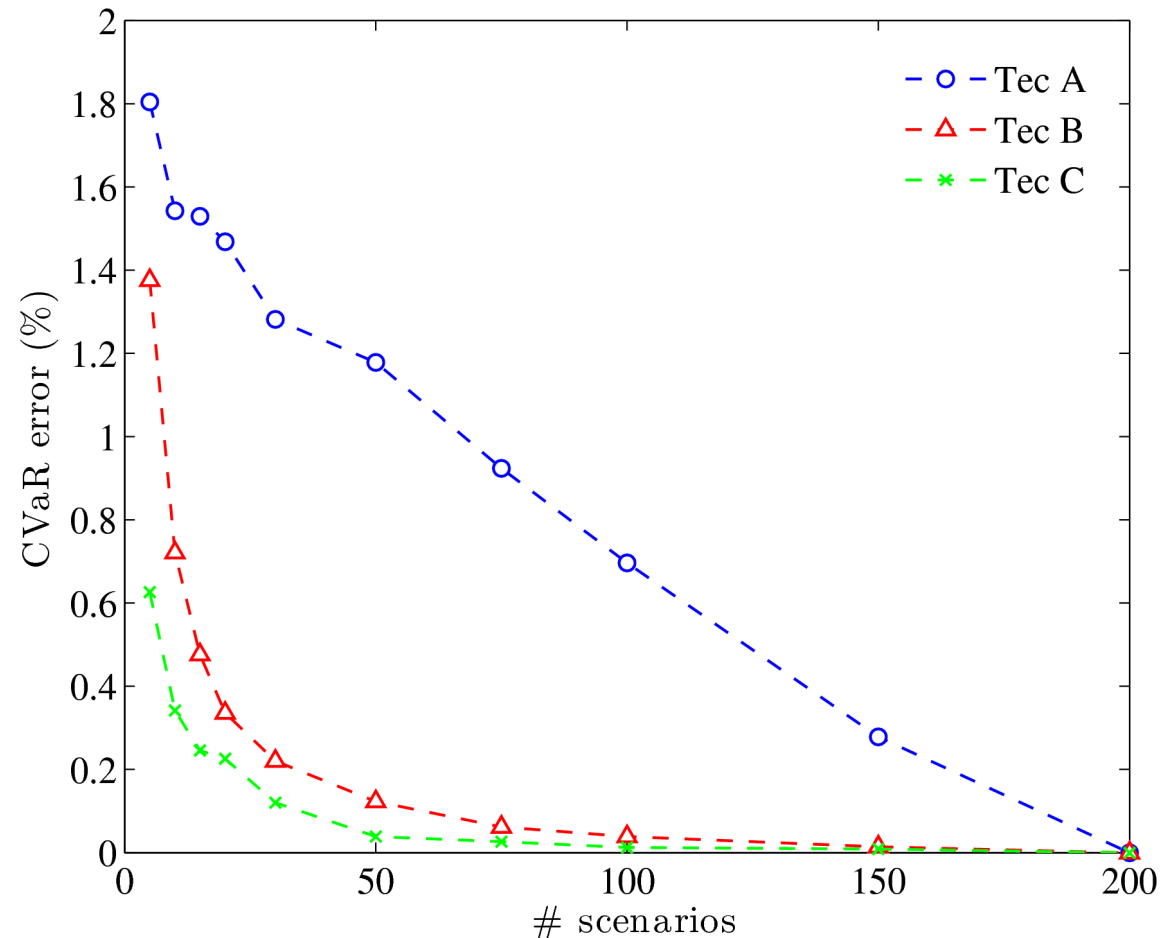
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  - One generating unit
    - ✓ Maximum output 450 MW
    - ✓ Minimum output 50 MW
    - ✓ Piecewise linear production cost
    - ✓ Failing unit
      - $FOR = 5\%, 10\%, 20\%$
      - *50 availability scenarios*

# Scenario Generation and Reduction

- Case study 2: Reduction of availability scenarios
  - Study horizon of 1 month
  - One generating unit
  - Pool price uncertainty
    - ✓ ARIMA
    - ✓ Historical data Spanish market year 2000
    - ✓ 20 pool price scenarios
    - ✓ Aggregated in 3 time steps per day

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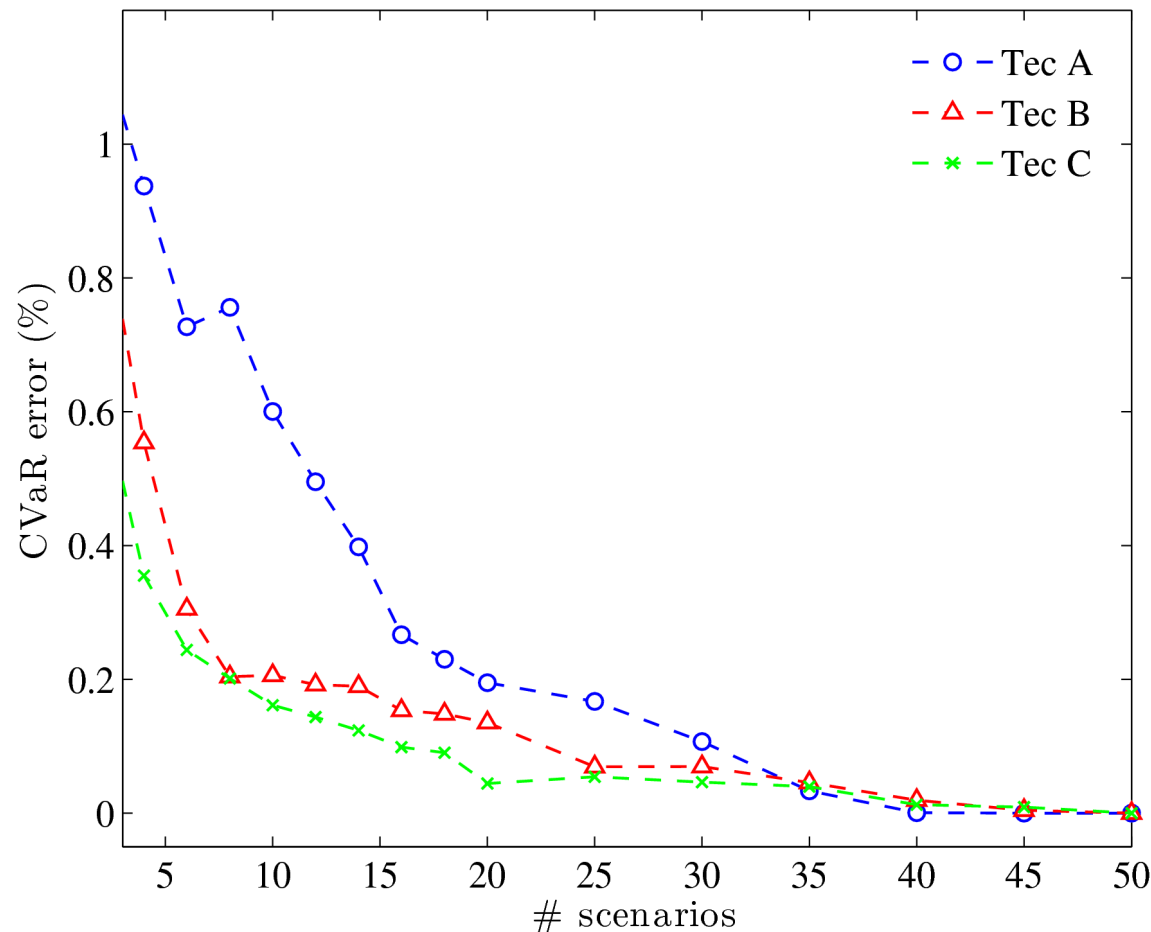
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# Scenario Generation and Reduction

- Case study 2: Reduction of availability scenarios



# Conclusions

- Scenario reduction
  - A *good* scenario reduction technique is needed to make decisions using stochastic programming
  - The special features of the stochastic model can be accounted for in the scenario reduction technique
  - The risk aversion level of the decision maker can be taken into account in the reduction procedure



**Thank you!**

**Questions?**



# BACKUP SLIDES

# Two-stage SP with recourse

- General form

$$\text{Maximize}_{x} \quad z = c^T x + E[h(x, \omega)]$$

$$\text{subject to} \quad Ax \geq b$$

$$x \geq 0$$

$$\text{where} \quad h(x, \omega) = \text{Maximize}_{y(\omega)} \quad g_{(\omega)}^T y(\omega)$$

$$\text{subject to} \quad W_{(\omega)} y(\omega) \geq r_{(\omega)} - T_{(\omega)} x, \quad \forall \omega$$

$$y_{(\omega)} \geq 0, \quad \forall \omega$$

# Two-stage SP with recourse

- Deterministic equivalent program (DEP)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Maximize}_{x, y(\omega)} \quad & z = c^T x + \sum_{\omega=1}^{N_\Omega} \pi_{(\omega)} g_{(\omega)}^T y_{(\omega)} \\ \text{subject to} \quad & Ax \geq b \\ & W_{(\omega)} y_{(\omega)} \geq r_{(\omega)} - T_{(\omega)} x, \quad \forall \omega \\ & x \geq 0 \\ & y_{(\omega)} \geq 0, \quad \forall \omega \end{aligned}$$



# Conditional Value-at-Risk

- Optimization problem

$$\text{Maximize}_{\zeta, \eta_{(\omega)}} \quad \text{CVaR}_{\alpha}(\Pi) = \zeta - \frac{1}{1 - \alpha} \sum_{\omega=1}^{N_{\Omega}} \pi_{(\omega)} \eta_{(\omega)}$$

subject to

$$-\Pi_{(\omega)} + \zeta - \eta_{(\omega)} \leq 0, \quad \forall \omega$$

$$0 \leq \eta_{(\omega)}, \quad \forall \omega$$

# Maximize $\text{CVaR}_\alpha(\text{profit})$

Maximize  $P_{(i,\omega,t,b)}^G, P_{(\omega,t)}^P, P_{(c)}, u_{(i,\omega,t)}, \zeta, \eta_{(\omega)}$

$$\zeta - \frac{1}{1 - \alpha^P} \sum_{\omega=1}^{N_\Omega} \pi_{(\omega)} \eta_{(\omega)}$$

# Profit of the power producer

$$\Pi_{(\omega)} = \Pi_{(\omega)}^P + \Pi^F - C_{(\omega)}^G, \forall \omega$$

$$\Pi_{(\omega)}^P = \sum_{t=1}^{N_T} \lambda_{(\omega,t)}^P P_{(\omega,t)}^P L_{(t)}, \forall \omega$$

$$\Pi^F = \sum_{c=1}^{N_C} \lambda_{(c)} P_{(c)} L_{(c)}$$

# Production cost of the units

$$C_{(i,\omega,t)}^G = \left( A_{(i)} u_{(i,\omega,t)} + \sum_{b=1}^{N_B} \lambda_{(i,b)} P_{(i,\omega,t,b)}^G \right) L_{(t)}, \forall i, \forall \omega, \forall t$$

$$C_{(\omega)}^G = \sum_{i=1}^{N_I} \sum_{t=1}^{N_T} C_{(i,\omega,t)}^G, \forall \omega$$

# Technical limits of the units

$$u_{(i,\omega,t)} k_{(i,\omega,t)} P_{(i)}^{\text{Min}} \leq P_{(i,\omega,t)}^{\text{G}} \leq u_{(i,\omega,t)} k_{(i,\omega,t)} P_{(i)}^{\text{Max}}, \forall i, \forall \omega, \forall t$$

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$$0 \leq P_{(i,\omega,t,b_1)}^{\text{G}} \leq P_{(i,b_1)}^{\text{Max}} - P_{(i)}^{\text{Min}}, \forall i, \forall \omega, \forall t$$

$$0 \leq P_{(i,\omega,t,b)}^{\text{G}} \leq P_{(i,b)}^{\text{Max}} - P_{(i,b-1)}^{\text{Max}}, \forall i, \forall \omega, \forall t, \forall b = b_2, \dots, N_B$$

# Energy balance

$$\sum_{i=1}^{N_I} P_{(i,\omega,t)}^G = P_{(\omega,t)}^P + \sum_{c \in F_{(t)}} P_{(c)}, \forall \omega, \forall t$$

# Arbitrage avoidance

$$\sum_{i=1}^{N_I} (k_{(i,\omega,t)} - 1) P_{(i)}^{\text{Max}} \leq P_{(\omega,t)}^{\text{P}}, \forall \omega, \forall t$$
$$0 \leq P_{(c)}, \forall c$$

# Risk constraints

$$\begin{aligned} -\Pi_{(\omega)} + \zeta - \eta_{(\omega)} &\leq 0, \forall \omega \\ 0 &\leq \eta_{(\omega)}, \forall \omega, \end{aligned}$$



# Binary variable declarations

$$u_{(i,\omega,t)} \in \{0, 1\}, \forall i, \forall \omega, \forall t$$