

# Distributed Energy Resource (DER) Analytics

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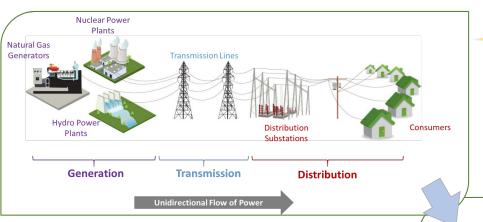
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# **Electricity Grid Evolution**



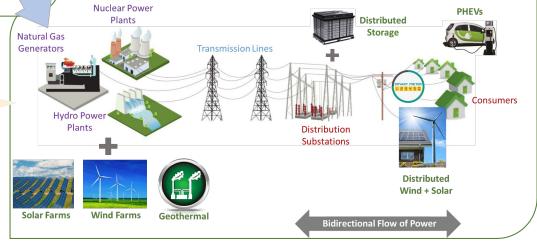


#### **Traditional System:**

- Bulk generation
- Central control
- Unidirectional power flow

#### Future System:

- More renewables and DERs
- Bi-directional power flow
- Decentralized control
- Increased sensing and communication
- Massive new data



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# Distributed Energy Resources (DER)



Solar PV

**Energy Storage** 

**Distributed Generation** 

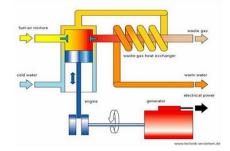
Flexible Loads

Combined Heat and Power (CHP)

**Electric Vehicles** 









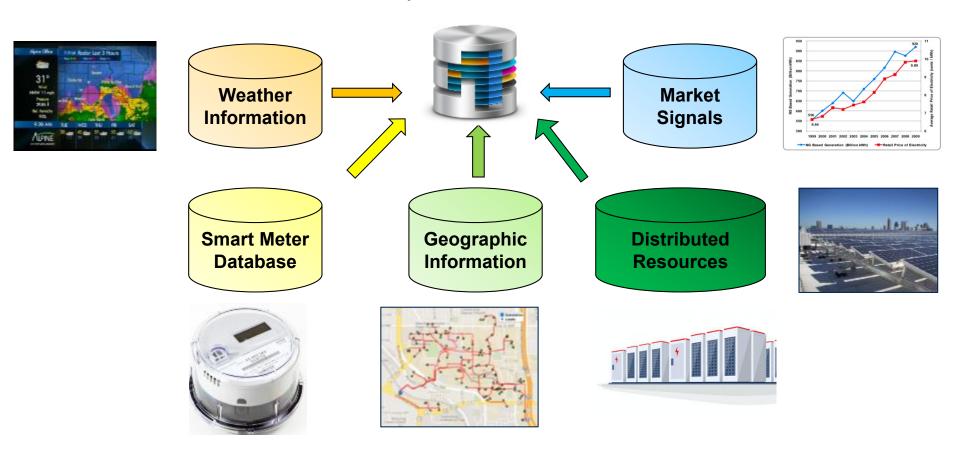




### **DER Related Data Sources**



• Data sources for DER analytics:



### **DER Related Data Sources**



- Utilities, DER Providers, Public
- https://openei.org/wiki/Main\_Page
- Net load, Appliances: Smart Meter Data Analytics
  - https://smda.github.io/smart-meter-data-portal/

#	Dataset Examples			
1	Almanac of Minutely Power Dataset (AMPds)			
2	Controlled On/Off Loads Library dataset (COOLL)			
3	Dutch Residential Energy Dataset (DRED)			
4	Electricity Consumption & Occupancy data set (ECO)			
5	GREEND Dataset			
6	Indian Dataset for Ambient Water and Energy (iAWE)			
7	REFIT Electrical Load Measurements dataset			
8	Smart Home Data Set			
9	Tracebase			
10	UK Domestic Appliance-Level Electricity (UK-DALE)			

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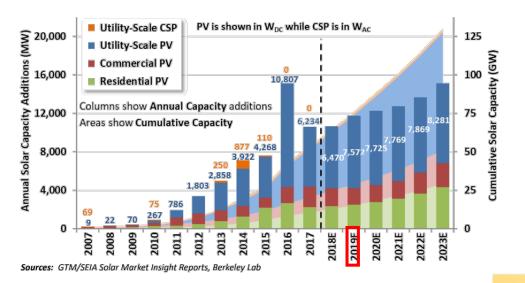
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### 1. PV Detection



#### **Solar Energy Integration**

- Solar represented 29% of all U.S. capacity additions in 2018
- U.S. market installed 10.6 GW of solar PV capacity
- Distributed solar PV accounted for 41% of this capacity
- Solar capacity expected to exceed 100 GW by 2021



	DV				
	PV generation as a %				
	of in-state generation				
	All PV	<b>Utility-Scale</b>			
State	A V	PV Only			
California	15.2%	10.1%			
Hawaii	11.8%	2.0%			
Vermont	11.5%	6.2%			
Nevada	10.7%	9.7%			
Massachusetts	8.1%	3.3%			
Utah	6.2%	5.4%			
Arizona	5.5%	3.8%			
North Carolina	4.4%	4.3%			
New Mexico	3.9%	3.3%			
New Jersey	3.8%	1.6%			
Rest of U.S.	0.5%	0.3%			
TOTAL U.S.	1.8%	1.2%			

Source: EIA's Electric Power Monthly (February 2018)

By 2050, Solar will make up 21% of total installed capacity in the U.S.

### **PV** Detection



#### **Problem:**

- PV systems may vary from the interconnection database.
- Keeping PV interconnection databases updated is a major challenge.

#### **Objective:**

- Use data driven solutions to detect PV installations.
  - Change Point Detection
  - Convolution Neural Networks

#### Causes of Discrepancy:

- Not interconnected
- Project delayed
- Changed size
- Module/string failures
- Unauthorized installation



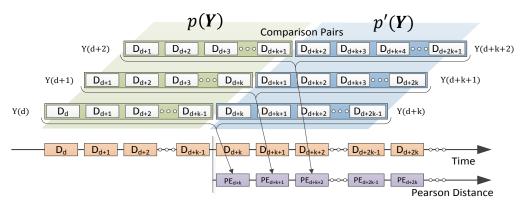


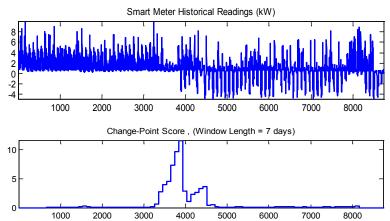
# PV Detection using Change Point Method



### **Change point detection method**

Initially no PV. Then try to detect whether there is a PV





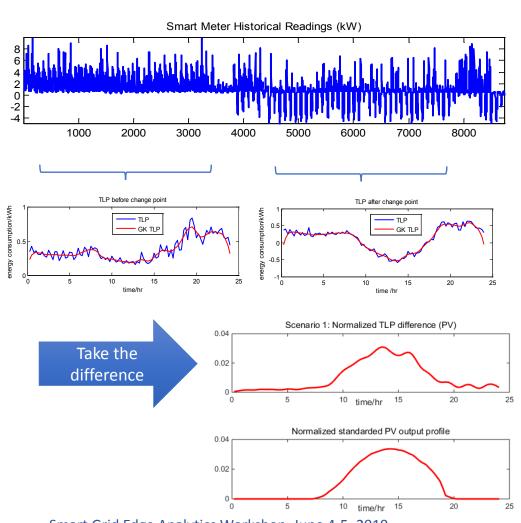
PE divergence:

$$PE(P||P') := \frac{1}{2} \int p'(\mathbf{Y}) \left( \frac{p(\mathbf{Y})}{p'(\mathbf{Y})} - 1 \right)^2 d\mathbf{Y}$$

Measures the difference between two distributions

# PV Detection using Change Point Method





#### Hypothesis Testing:

 $H_0$ : There is NO PV Installed  $H_1$ : There is a PV Installed

#### Recast:

 $H_0$ : X and Y are not positively correlated  $H_1$ : X and Y are positively correlated

Spearman's rank  $(r_s)$  is used instead of Person since  $\boldsymbol{X}$  and  $\boldsymbol{Y}$  are not normally distributed

Pearson's r	Spearman's rank coefficient			
r	$r_{s}$	p-value		
0.9205	0.8351	3.9414e-26		

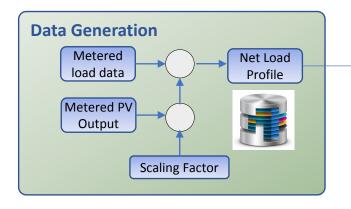


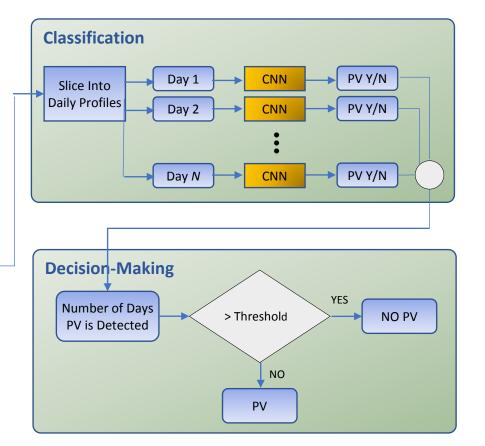
### **Convolution Neural Network (CNN)**

Data series may not have a change point

#### **Approach**

- Synthetic net load Data Generation
  - Uses AMI data
- Classification of daily net load profiles
- Decision Making for each customer







#### **Generating Synthetic Net Load Data**

- Load data sourced from Pecan Street data set.
- PV generation data sourced from the Umass Trace Repository\*.
- Synthetic net load data generated by combining each data set using:

$$NetLoad_{n(l,s,p)} = Load_l - ScalingFactor_s \times PV_p$$

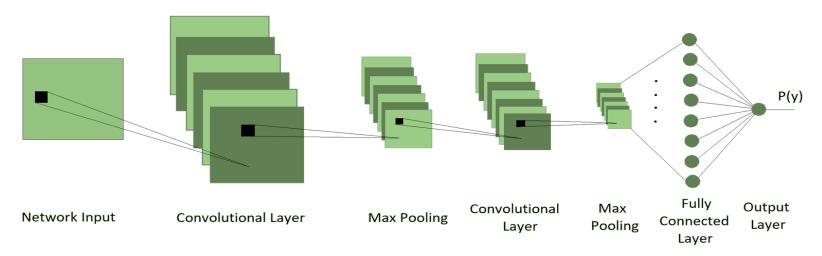
- Synthetic data set consisted of 50% customers with PV installed.
- "On-the-fly" synthetic data generation method to study sensitivities on the various simulation dimensions.



<sup>\*</sup> http://traces.cs.umass.edu/index.php/Smart/Smart



#### **Classification Using CNN**



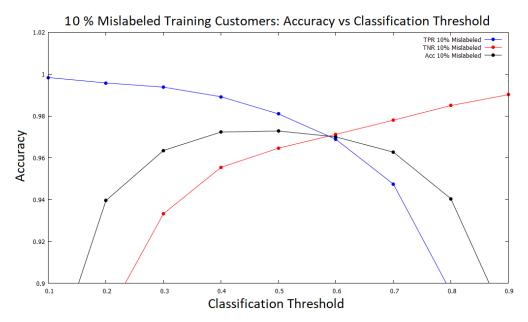
- Input: daily net load profile.
- Output: probability of PV (1 = PV installed, 0 = no PV).
- Architecture: convolutional layer, max pooling, convolutional layer, max pooling, fully connected layer (100), fully connected layer (1).
- CNN trained for 200 epochs using RMSprop optimization.



### **Decision Making using Threshold**

- Thresholding logic:
- Impact of threshold on TPR, TNR and total customer classification accuracy:

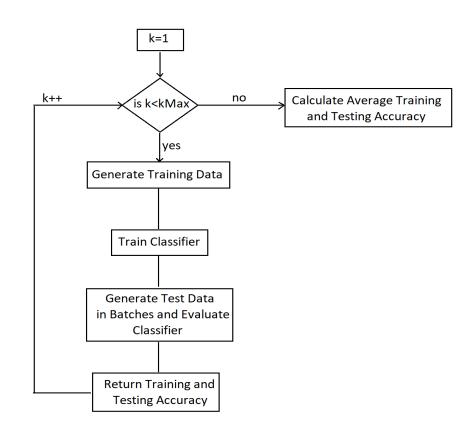
if 
$$\sum_{day} PV \_Detected_{day} > Threshold \times Ndays \Rightarrow Customer has PV$$
, otherwise does not.





#### **Simulation**

- Simulations analyzed the impact of training data parameters on the accuracy of CNN:
  - Number of customers
  - Temporal resolution
  - Level of mislabeled data
- Classifier was trained and tested 10 times for each simulation.
- New training and test data generated at each fold.
- Accuracies and average computational times are recorded.



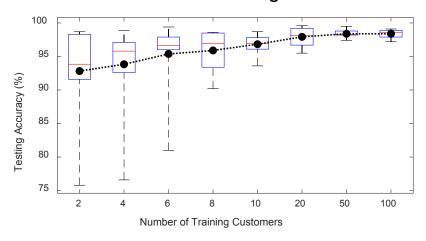


#### **Results: Number of Training Customers**

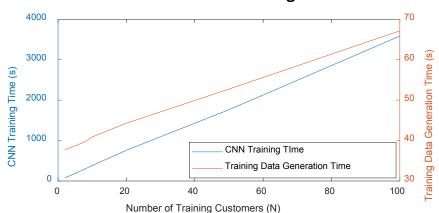
# Classification Accuracy vs Number of Training Customers

#### Simulation Parameters:

Folds	10
Epochs	200
Test Customers	1000
Resolution	1 min
Training Customers	Varying
Days per Customer	343
% Mislabeled	0.0



# Computational Cost vs Number of Training Customers



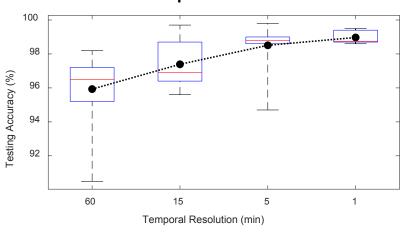


### **Results: Temporal Resolution**

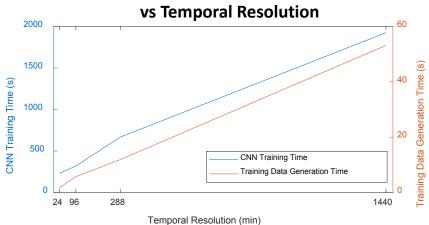
#### Simulation Parameters:

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Training Customers	50
Days per Customer	343
% Mislabeled	0.0

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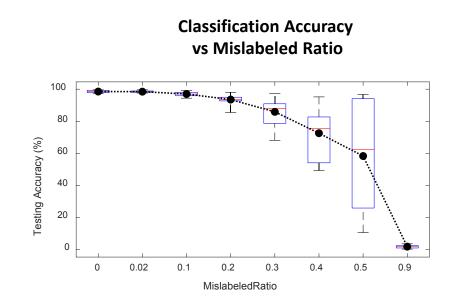




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#### **Summary**

- CNN classifier achieves +98% customer classification accuracy. The experiments conducted reveal the following insights about the data and simulation parameter requirements:
  - 50 training customers provides the best performance. More training customer requires more computational time but does not perform significantly better.
  - 1 minute resolution provides the best accuracy. The classifier's performance is robust to lower resolution data however.
  - The classifier maintains a reasonable accuracy even with 10% mislabeled training data (+85%).

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# 2. Energy Storage Revenue Analytics



#### Introduction

- Context:
  - Energy storage investors and industry stakeholders are interested in the mechanisms for storage services revenue.
  - Find the best measure of "favorable" price volatility to determine the expected revenue using temporal energy arbitrage.
- Two time scales:
  - Day-ahead (DA) market
  - Real-Time (RT) market
- Day-ahead energy market
  - Market clearance of offers and bids of producers and consumers.
  - Power dispatch with the lowest total cost of operation considering network and security constraints.





### **Optimization Approach:**

- Objective: maximizing the revenue
- Decision variables: charging/discharging power, binary variables
- Input data: storage parameters and market prices
- Constraints: storage power and energy limits
- Assumptions:
  - Price-taker approach: negligible market power
  - Perfect foresight: future prices for the day- ahead horizon are known

$$\max \sum_{t=1}^{T} \pi_{t} \left( P_{t}^{dis} - P_{t}^{chg} \right) \Delta t$$

$$\mathbf{s.t.} \ \forall t \in \mathcal{T}$$

$$0 \leq u_{t}^{dis} + u_{t}^{chg} \leq 1$$

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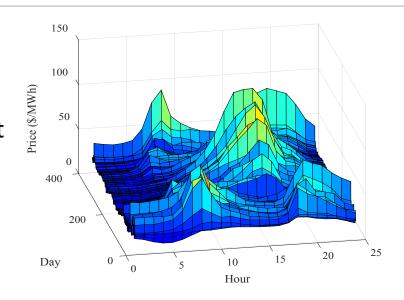
$$E_{\min} \leq E_{t} \leq E_{\max}$$

$$E_{T} = E_{0}$$



#### **Price Patterns**

- Given a fixed size of the energy storage system, the arbitrage revenue is dependent on price data patterns and its statistics.
- PJM day-ahead energy market (2016)
  - Seasonal price patterns
  - Summer: one peak in the early evening
  - Winter: two daily peaks, morning and evening
  - Other markets show almost similar pattern
- Revenue quantification based on price data pattern
- Classification criterion:
  - Pearson correlation coefficient

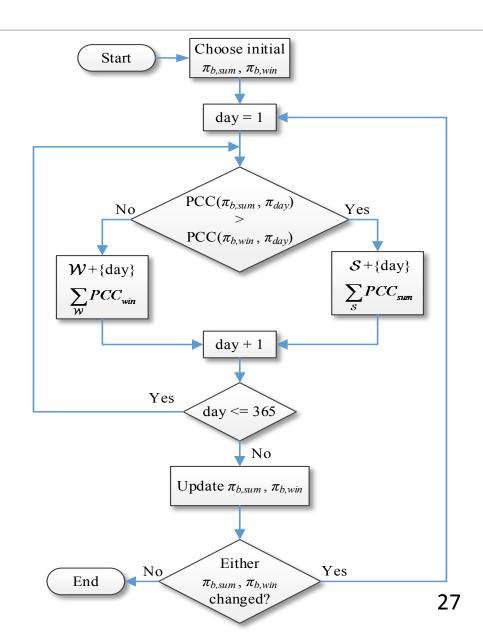


$$PCC = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} (x_i - \overline{x})(y_i - \overline{y})}{\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^{n} (x_i - \overline{x})^2} \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^{n} (y_i - \overline{y})^2}}$$



### **Clustering Algorithm**

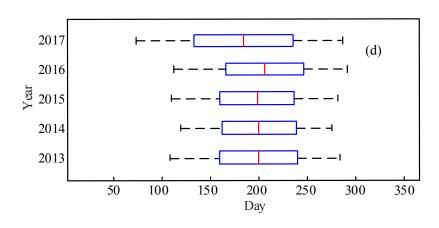
- K-means: classifies energy market prices into two groups
- Input: annual price data
- Outputs:
  - Two clusters for summer and winter daily prices
  - Two base prices for each cluster
- Used to find when each season starts (in terms of electricity prices) and how long it lasts.

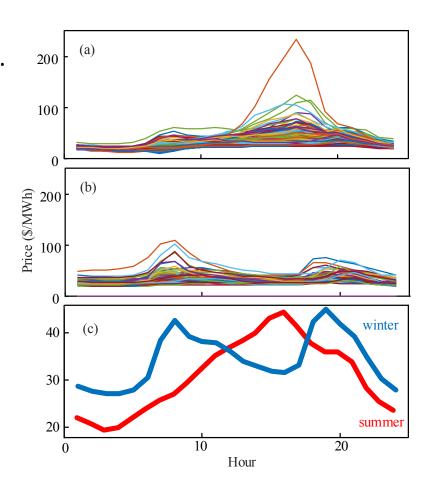




#### **Clustering Results**

- Algorithm converges in 2 to 4 iterations.
- Summer and winter prices are clustered: (a), (b)
- The best base prices are found: (c)
- The starting day and duration of each cluster is determined: (d)



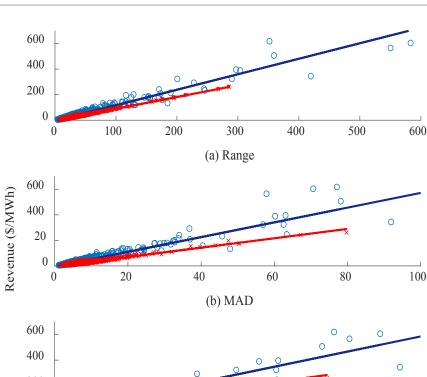


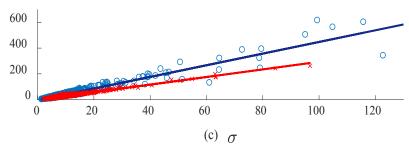


### **Regression Results**

- Good linear fit
- Dispersion statistics: range, mean absolute deviation, standard deviation

	Season	Range	MAD	σ
β0	summer	-2.55	-2.98	-1.77
	winter	-4.16	-5.01	-5.08
β1	summer	0.92	3.67	2.96
	winter	1.21	5.77	4.53
R <sup>2</sup>	summer	0.9868	0.9415	0.9619
	winter	0.9486	0.9253	0.9484



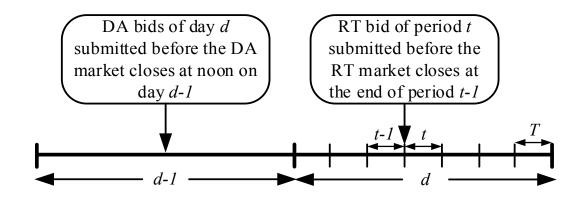






### Real-Time (RT) Energy Market

- Price updates on a rolling basis (e.g. 5 min) and not known in advance
- Higher variability of RT prices with higher penetration of renewables
- Higher expected arbitrage opportunities in the RT market
- How do RT revenues compare with DA?







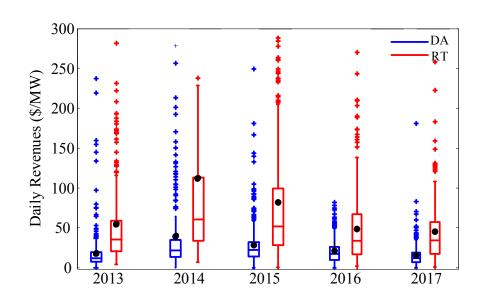
#### **Statistical analysis**

- PJM DA and RT price data
- Higher price mean in the day-ahead market
- Higher price variability in the realtime market → Higher expected arbitrage revenues

# A. Maximum revenue with perfect foresight

- Similar mixed integer linear optimization model used for the day-ahead market
- Compare maximum RT arbitrage revenues with the day-ahead ones

Year	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Mean DA	37.15	49.16	35.61	30.01	30.21
Mean RT	36.57	48.40	33.43	27.27	28.97
Median DA	34.62	38.10	30.58	27.48	27.46
Median RT	32.25	34.48	26.62	24.03	25.28
Std DA	15.46	51.87	22.63	11.58	12.02
Std RT	20.69	65.43	27.91	14.64	17.75

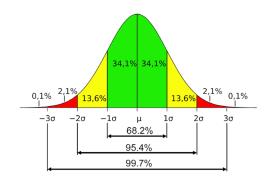


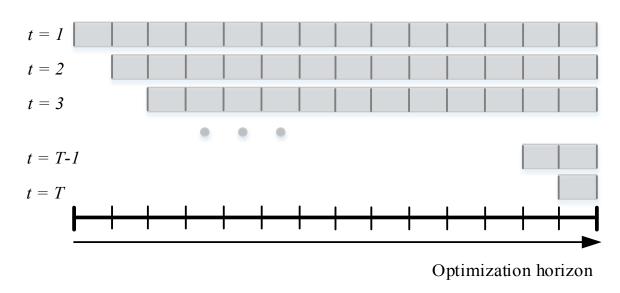
# Real-Time Energy Arbitrage Revenue



### **B.** Price with forecasting errors

- Two models: back-casting and random normal errors.
- Proposed optimal dispatch algorithm: optimization based on shrinking horizon dynamic programming.









### **Dispatch Algorithm**

- Let  $\hat{\pi}_i$  be the price forecast for time-period i, which can be evaluated by either of the two error models.
- Optimal dispatch decisions are updated at the beginning of each time period i.
- State transition times are negligible.

1: 
$$t = 0$$

2: while t < T do

3: Solve:

$$\max \left[ \pi_{t} (P_{t}^{dis} - P_{t}^{chg}) + \sum_{i=t+1}^{T} \hat{\pi}_{i} (P_{i}^{dis} - P_{i}^{chg}) \right] \Delta t$$

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4: t = t + 1

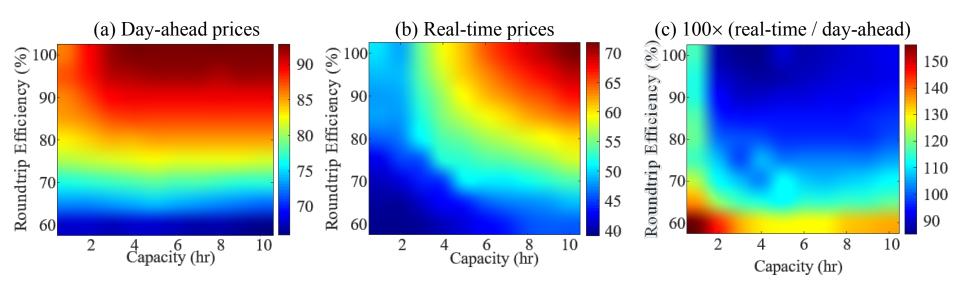
5: end while





### **Simulation Results: Back-Casting (BC)**

- Revenue (BC) = actual price  $\times$  dispatch optimized for the day before
- Figure: 100 × [Revenue (BC) / Revenue (perfect foresight)]

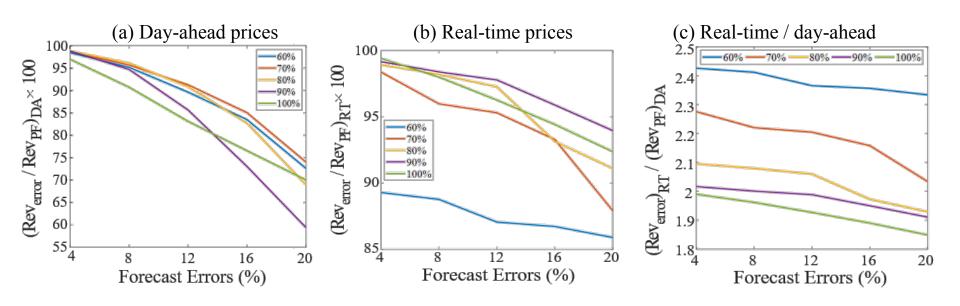






### **Simulation Results: Normal Errors (NE)**

- Revenue (NE) = actual price × dispatch optimized for the simulated price
- Figure: 100 × [Revenue (NE) / Revenue (perfect foresight)]



# Energy Storage Revenue Analytics



#### **Conclusions**

- Higher value of the real-time energy arbitrage versus day-ahead:
  - Statistical analysis of historical price data
  - Optimization models maximizing the revenue
- Revenue maximization under uncertainty
  - Optimal dispatch based on price forecast error
  - Sensitivities of critical energy storage parameters
- RT arbitrage as an additional revenue stream for energy storage
  - Considerable and reliable if proper optimal dispatch strategies are applied.

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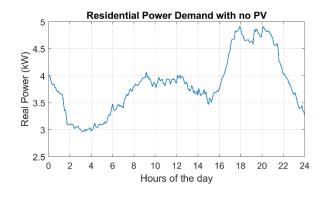
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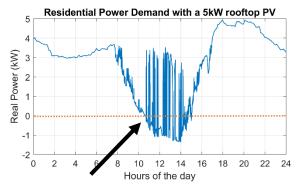
### **PV Impacts on Distribution Systems**

- Solar PV is an intermittent, non dispatchable resource
- Power output is dependent upon solar irradiance
- Negative impacts include:
- Voltage limit violations
  - Increased system losses
- Power quality

- Thermal overloading
- Excessive controller actions •
- Protection devices





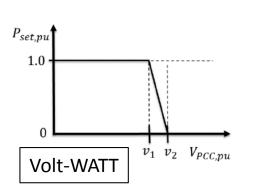


Power exported back to grid

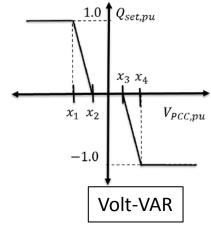


#### **Traditional Interconnection Studies**

- **1) Static screens:** E.g. PV rated power limited to 15% of peak load
  - Locational impacts ignored
  - Feeder specific conditions not considered
- 2) Scenario-based simulation: Evaluates key scenarios using power flow (e.g. max/min load, max/min PV power)
  - Voltage regulation capability ignored
    - Regulators
    - Capacitors
    - Smart inverters
  - Temporal impacts not captured



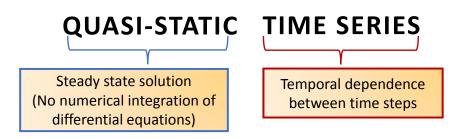
Pros: Simple, Fast, Utility Friendly Cons: Conservative estimates





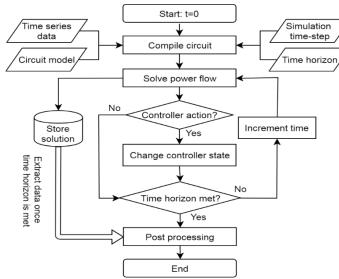
#### **Time Series Simulations**

■ IEEE P1547.7 recommends:



### **Brute-force QSTS**

- Chronological solution of steady-state power flows
- Discrete controls modeled (tap changers, switches)
- Recommended time step: 1 second to 1 hour
- One-year horizon
- Inputs:
  - Time series data (load and PV)
  - Distribution feeder model
  - Time-step, Time horizon



#### **Temporal Impacts:**

- 1) Regulator tap actions
- Capacitor bank operations
- 3) Duration of voltage/thermal limit violation
- 4) Total line losses
- 5) Total VAR feed-in
- 6) Total WATT curtailed

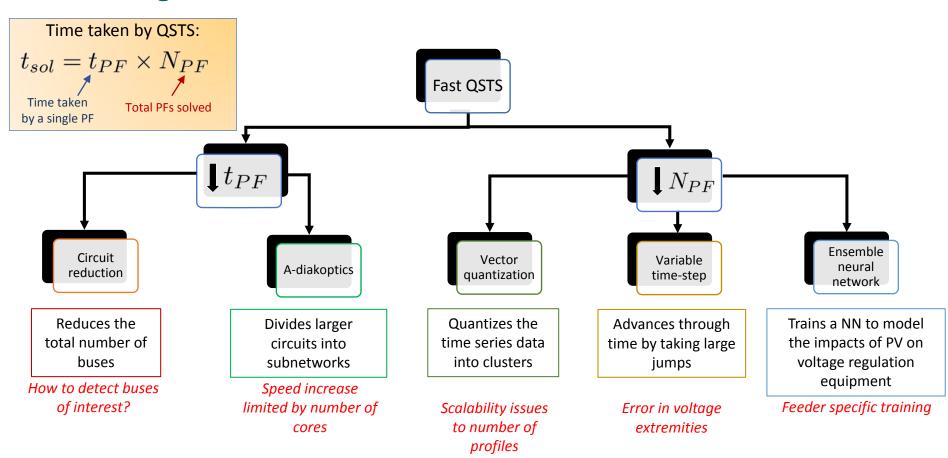


### **Brute-force QSTS Challenges**

- 1) Challenges:
  - Data Requirements: High resolution load (SCADA, AMI) and irradiance data
  - Computational Time: 10-120 hours for a realistic feeder
- 2) Number of Power Flow (PF) solutions required
  - A single PF flow takes fraction of a second, 31.5 million can take several days.
- 3) Switched-mode, nonlinear system of equations
  - Voltage regulation equipment → discrete system states
- 4) Chronological dependence between time steps
  - Regulators, capacitor banks, switches → hysteresis, deadbands
- 5) Multiple valid PF solutions for a given input
  - Machine learning approaches alone produce large errors



### **Existing Fast QSTS Methods**





#### **Power Flow Voltage Manifold**

- For n-bus network, we have:  $\operatorname{diag}(\tilde{V})(Y\tilde{V})^* = \tilde{S}$  ... (1)
- $\tilde{V} = \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \angle \theta_1 \\ v_2 \angle \theta_2 \\ \vdots \\ v_n \angle \theta_n \end{bmatrix} \quad \tilde{S} = \begin{bmatrix} p_1 + jq_1 \\ p_2 + jq_2 \\ \vdots \\ p_n + jq_n \end{bmatrix}$
- For QSTS, the time-series profiles  $(x_l, x_{pv}) \in [0, 1]$  act as inputs,

$$ilde{S}_i = (p_i + jq_i)x_l \qquad \forall i \in \mathcal{L} \qquad \qquad \text{Set of all loads assigned} \qquad x_l \\ ilde{S}_j = (p_j + jq_j)x_{pv} \qquad \forall j \in \mathcal{K} \qquad \qquad \text{Set of all PVs assigned} \qquad x_{pv} \\ ag{2}$$

- $(x_l, x_{pv})$  are 'multipliers' scaling real and reactive power injections of loads and PV systems
- Let  $u=(v,\theta,x_l,x_{pv})\in\mathbb{R}^{2n+2}$  , then we define a power flow manifold  $\mathcal M$  as,  $\mathcal M:=\{u\mid \mathcal F(u)=\mathbf 0_{2n}\}\quad\dots\ (2)$

where  $\mathcal{F}(u)$  is obtained by rewriting (1) in real and imaginary coordinates

 Without loss of generality, we can extend this notion to any number of time series profiles

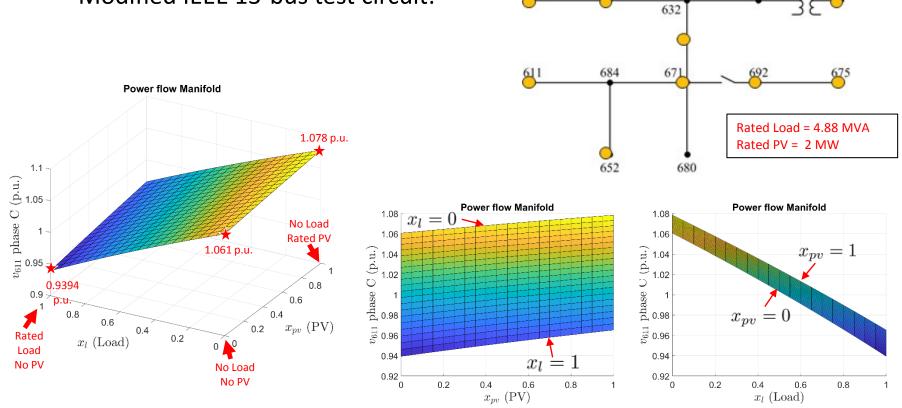


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### **Geometric Interpretation**

Modified IEEE 13-bus test circuit:



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**Projections of the manifold** 



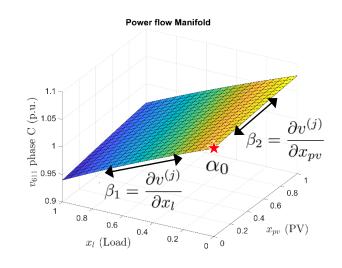
#### **Model Formulation**

- The voltage magnitude has a strong correlation with load and PV multipliers
- This correlation can be modeled by a linear approximant of the form:

$$v^{(j)} = \alpha_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \ldots + \beta_p x_p \qquad \qquad \text{Equation of hyperplane}$$

p -profiles

- ullet  $eta_i$  is referred to as voltage sensitivity coefficient
- lacktriangle Various analytical methods to compute  $eta_i$ 
  - Newton Raphson (inverse of Jacobian)
  - Gauss-Seidel method
  - Adjoint-network technique



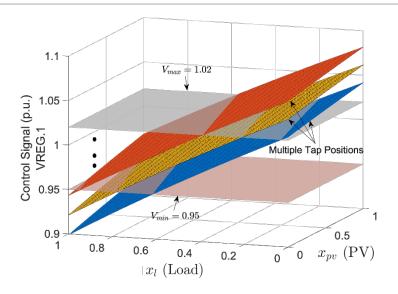


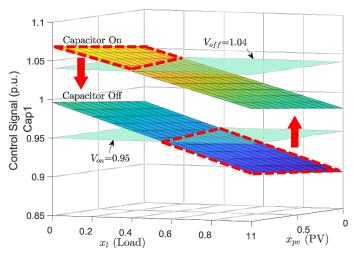
### **Sensitivity Coefficients**

- Perturb-and-observe technique:
  - Introduce small changes in injections
  - Solve the AC power flow problem.
  - Use regression to linearize manifold

#### **Impact of Voltage Regulating Devices**

- Maintain voltages +/- 5% of nominal
- Control logic consists of:
  - A 'control' signal (V at secondary winding)
  - 2) A user-specified voltage set point
  - Deadband and delays to avoid 'hunting'
- A change in tap position causes discrete jumps in the power flow manifold
- New sensitivity coefficients determined for each tap position
- Similar impact for capacitor banks.







### **Linear Sensitivity Model**

- Let  $s_t$  denote the state of system controllers at time t then,
- The nodal voltage is estimated as  $s_t = \mathcal{T}(u_1(t), ..., u_r(t))$
- The plane coefficients  $u_r(t)$  are obtained using,

For each node 
$$\begin{cases} v^{(j)}(t) = \mathcal{H}_{s_t}^{(j)} \mathbf{x}^\top(t) \\ \mathcal{H}_{s_t}^{(j)} \triangleq \left[\alpha_0, \beta_1, ..., \beta_p\right]_{s_t}^{(j)} \\ \mathbf{x}(t) \triangleq \left[1, x_1(t), ..., x_p(t)\right] \end{cases}$$

where,

$$\mathcal{T}: \mathbb{Z}^r_{\geq} o \mathbb{Z}_+$$
 is a hashing function

Regulator: 
$$u_r(t) \in \{0, 1, ..., 32\}$$

Cap bank: 
$$u_r(t) \in \{0, 1\}$$

$$\mathcal{H}_{s_t}^{(j)} = (\boldsymbol{X}^{ op} \boldsymbol{X})^{-1} \boldsymbol{X}^{ op} \boldsymbol{Y}^{(j)}$$
 Ordinary Least Squares Estimator (OLS)

Design Matrix

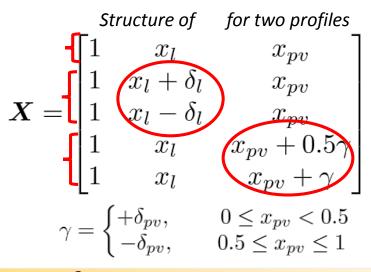
Response Vector

( $\delta$ -variations in power injections) (points on the AC power flow manifold)



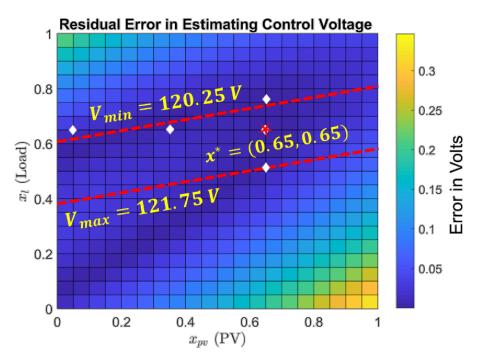
#### **Design Matrix**

 The design matrix X specifies query points on the manifold for the OLS estimator

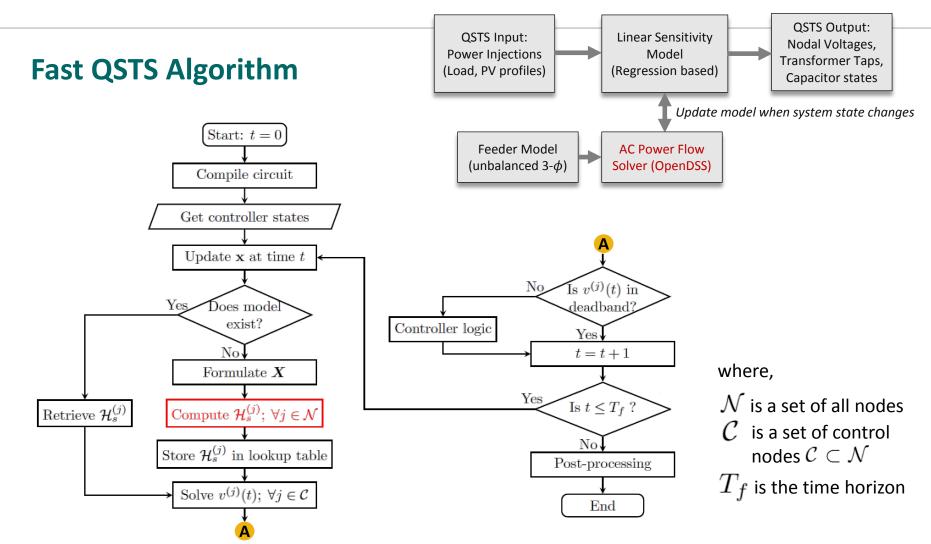


Choose a  $\delta_i$  that minimizes error in estimating states of system controllers

#### **Residual Error Heat Map**

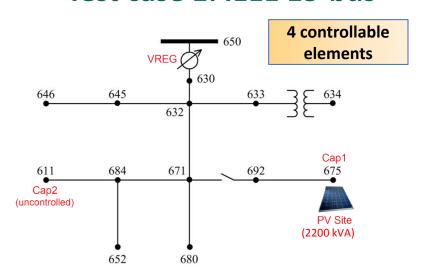






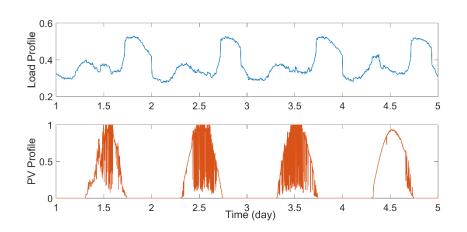


#### Test case 1: IEEE 13-bus





- Three  $1\phi$  voltage regulators (with LDC)
- One  $3\phi$  controllable cap bank (600 kVAR)
- One  $1\phi$  cap bank fixed (100 kVAR)

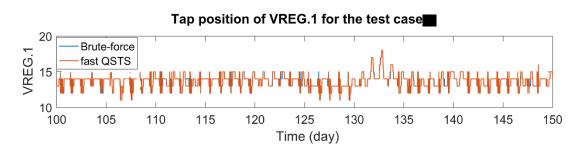


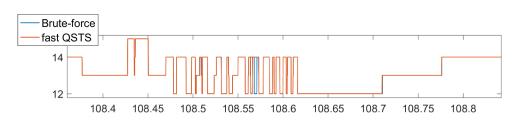
- PV system:  $3\phi$  2MW (40% of peak load)
- Time-series Inputs (1 year, 1-sec):
  - 1 Load profile from actual SCADA data
  - 1 PV profile based on irradiance data (Hawaii)



### Test case 1: IEEE 13-bus, cont.

QSTS Metric	Brute-force	Fast QSTS (error)
Regulator tap actions:		_
VREG.1 ( 0.53% RMS Error VREG.2 (		-0.42% -0.15%
VREG.2 ( $C-\phi$ )	8449	-0.52%
Capacitor switches: Cap 1 $(3-\phi)$	2504	-1.03%
Feeder phase voltage:		
Highest	1.0607 p.u.	<0.0001 p.u.
Lowest	0.9673 p.u.	0.0001 p.u.
Duration of ANSI violations:		
Over voltage	22.13 Hrs	-0.07 Hrs
Under voltage	11.47 Hrs	+0.75 Hrs
Per phase voltage (each bus):	total of 41 nodes	
Highest	0.0003 p.u. (mean error)	
Lowest	<0.0001 p.u. (mean error)	



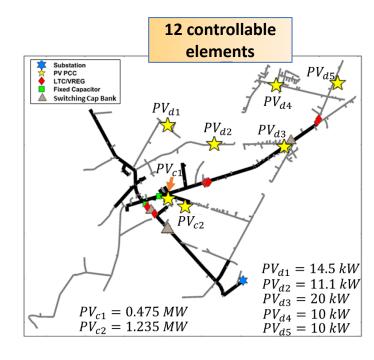


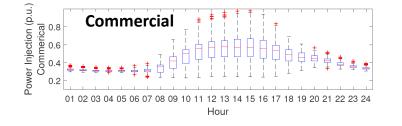
	Brute-force	Fast QSTS	% Reduction
Total time taken	14.25 mins	13.3 secs	98.4%
Power flow solutions	31.5 million	1015	99.9%

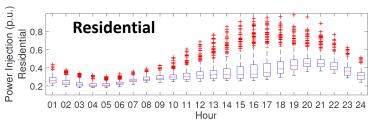


### Test case 2: utility feeder j1

- 18.1 km, 12 kV feeder with 4,242 nodes
- 1,300 residential, C&I industrial loads (6.3 MW)
- 12 controllable elements (9-VRs, 3-Cap banks)
- Secondary modeled (wye/delta transformers)
- 7 PV systems installed (centralized, distributed)
- Time-series Inputs (1 year, 1-sec):
  - 3 load profiles (residential, commercial, lumped loads)
  - 7 PV profiles (based on geographic location)





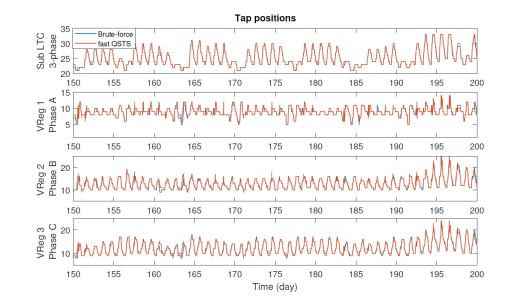




### Test case 2: utility feeder j1, cont.

QSTS Metric	Brute-force	Fast QSTS (error)
Regulator tap actions:		
Sub LTC $(3-\phi)$	433	-0.46%
VReg 1 $(A-\phi)$	6194	+0.41%
VReg 2 (P	(051	0%
VReg 3 ( <b>0.55% R</b>	MS Error	-0.31%
VReg 4 $(A-\phi)$	3070	+0.39%
VReg 5 ( <i>B</i> -φ)	3041	-0.65%
VReg 6 ( <i>C</i> -φ)	2468	+0.97%
VReg 7 $(A-\phi)$	4509	-0.08%
VReg 8 ( <i>B</i> -φ)	3527	-0.05%
Capacitor switches:		
Cap 1 (3- $\phi$ )	60	+3.33%
Cap 2 (3- $\phi$ )	627	0%
Cap 3 (3- $\phi$ )	11	0%
Feeder phase voltage:		
Highest	1.0883 p.u.	< 0.0001 p.u.
Lowest	0.9365 p.u.	+0.0004 p.u.
Duration of ANSI violations:		
Over voltage	151.34 Hrs	-0.50 Hrs
Under voltage	14.09 Hrs	+1.18 Hrs
Per phase voltage (each bus):	total of 4242 nodes	
Highest	< 0.0001 p.u. (mean error)	
Lowest	0.0001 p.u. (mean error)	

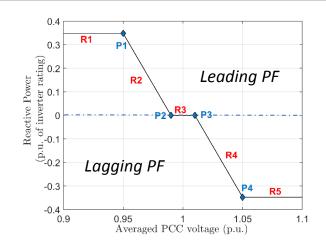
	Brute-force	Fast QSTS	% Reduction
Total time taken	24.3 hours	14.8 minutes	98.98%
Power flow solutions	31.5 million	157,332	99.50%

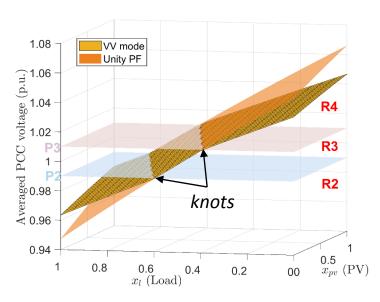




#### Smart Inverter: Volt-VAR (VV) Mode

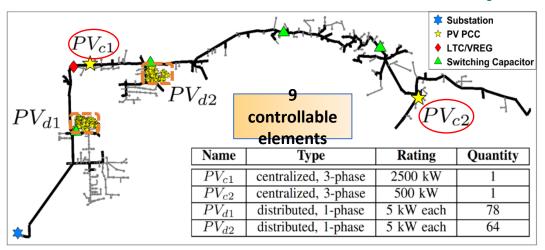
- Inverter varies its reactive power (VAR) feedin based on the PCC voltage
- Closed loop control
- VV control follows a reference curve:
  - A dead-band (R3)
  - Variable VAR feed-in (R2, R4)
  - Maximum VAR feed-in (R1, R5)
- Each region of the VV curve causes a 'knot' in the power flow manifold across the entire feeder
- The magnitude of impact is dictated by the size of the inverter and the circuit topology



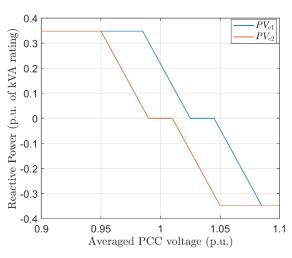




### **Test case 3: Smart Inverter Utility feeder CO1**



- 21.7 km, 12 kV distribution feeder with 5469 nodes
- 9 controllable elements (4-VRs, 5-Cap banks)
- 1,111 single phase loads, 317 three phase loads
- Secondary system modeled (wye and delta transformers)
- 2.71% voltage imbalance



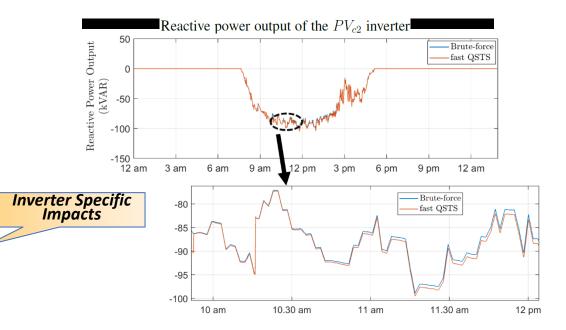
- 144 PV systems (62% penetration)
- $PV_{c1}$ ,  $PV_{c2}$  in VV mode
- Time-series Inputs (1 year, 1-sec):
  - 2 load profiles
  - 4 PV profiles



### Test case 3: Smart Inverter Utility feeder CO1, cont.

Brute-force	Fast QSTS (error)
<b>AS Error</b>	+0.07%
	+1.36%
4822	-0.45%
4704	+1.65%
360	-0.55%
30	-13.3%
24	-8.33%
526	-0.38%
752	-0.26%
1.0613 p.u.	-0.0001 p.u.
0.9067 p.u.	<0.0001 p.u.
223.07 Hrs	+11.08 Hrs
129.39 Hrs	-3.56 Hrs
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1220.9	-2.69%
3898.8	-1.46%
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10.76	-1.46%
$7.923 \times 10^4$	+0.58%
total of 5469 nodes	
0.0005 p.u. (mean error)	
0.0002 p.u. (mean error)	
	360 30 24 526 752 1.0613 p.u. 0.9067 p.u. 223.07 Hrs 129.39 Hrs 1220.9 3898.8 10.76 7.923×10 <sup>4</sup> total of 54 0.0005 p.u.

	Brute-force	Fast QSTS	% Reduction
Total time taken	67.4 hours	29.8 minutes	99.26%
Power flow solutions	31.5 million	78,884	99.74%





#### **Conclusions**

- A fast QSTS algorithm is developed
- Leverages the concept of a power flow manifold and dynamic regression.
- On average, 150 times faster than brute-force QSTS
- All voltage and current related PV impacts accurately estimated
- Performance demonstrated on a variety of test cases
- Potential applications:
  - PV interconnection analysis tool
  - Probabilistic hosting capacity
  - Sensitivity-based hosting capacity
  - Optimal smart inverter settings

# Summary



- Massive DERs and emerging DER data
- Applications:
  - 1. Reliable detection of solar PV installations
    - Change point detection
    - Neural Network
  - 2. Insight into mechanisms for energy storage revenue
  - 3. Scalable fast PV hosting capacity

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