

**Temporal-Spatial** 



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#### Microgrid Definitions



Picture source: World Economic Forum

- 1. The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) defines a microgrid as 'a group of interconnected loads and DERs within clearly defined electrical boundaries that acts as a single controllable entity with respect to the main grid. A microgrid can connect and disconnect from the main grid to enable it to operate in both connected or island-mode'.
- 2. The CIGRE C6.22 Working Group defines that '*Microgrids are electricity distribution systems* containing loads and DERs, (such as distributed generators, storage devices, or controllable loads) that can be operated in a controlled, coordinated way either while connected to the main power network or while islanded'.
- 3. N. Hatziargyriou, Microgrids: Architectures and Control, UK: Wiley-IEEE Press, 2014, ISBN: 978-1-118-72068-4. describes the microgrid as 'comprising low-voltage (LV) distribution systems with DERs. Such systems can operate either connected or disconnected from the main grid. The operation of DERs in the network can provide benefits to the overall system performance, if managed and coordinated efficiently'.

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Renewable Energy Integration Demonstrator – Singapore (REIDS)



Energy Research Institute @ NTU

REIDS

**Renewable Energy Integration Demonstrator - Singapore** 

REIDS is a Singapore-based RD&D platform dedicated to designing, demonstrating and testing solutions for sustainable multi-activity off-grid communities in Southeast Asia

https://www.ntu.edu.sg/erian/research-focus/flagship-programmes/renewable-energy-integration-demonstrator-singapore

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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



http://erian.ntu.edu.sg/REIDS/Pages/AboutREIDS.aspx

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#### REIDS Electrical Structure



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#### Renewable Energy Integration Demonstrator – Singapore (REIDS)



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400kVA Zigzag Transform



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#### • Our research Framework: system-level coordination of DERs





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#### Control of DERs in Microgrids



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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

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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) Average consensus control

 $\dot{x}_{i}(t) = \sum_{j \in N_{i}} a_{ij}(t)(x_{j}(t) - x_{i}(t))$  $\lim_{t \to \infty} \|x_{i}(t) - x_{j}(t)\| = 0$ 

b) Leader-follower consensus control  $\dot{x}_{i}(t) = \sum_{j=1}^{n} a_{ij}(t)(x_{j}(t) - x_{i}(t)) + g_{i}(x_{0}(t) - x_{i}(t)).$   $\lim_{t \to \infty} ||x_{i}(t) - x_{0}(t)|| = 0$ 19

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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.



Y. Wang, T. L. Nguyen, M. H. Syed, Y. Xu\*, *et al* "A Distributed Control Scheme of Microgrids in Energy Internet and Its Multi-Site Implementation." *IEEE Transactions on Industrial Informatics*, 2020. – Web-of-Science Highly Cited Paper

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Structure of each agent based on gRPC

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

a) step load change case

b) Real PV and load profile case





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-> withstand smaller delay.

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#### HiL Validation Results – Communication delay

150ms Delay

120

150

180

500ms Delay

Communication delay emulated by NS3 simulation tools.

90 Time (s)

System oscillation under large delay, which

can be mitigated by tuning the control gain.

Smaller control gain -> converge

slower -> withstand larger delay

Larger control gain -> converge faster





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#### HiL Validation Results – Communication failures

#### Test system: 5-DG MG with one controller in UK



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#### **Event-Triggered Distributed Control of Islanded Microgrids**



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#### Dynamic Event-Triggered Control of Generators and Storages



Y. Wang, C. Deng, D. Liu, Y. Xu\*, and J. Dai, "Unified Real Power Sharing of Generator and Storage in Islanded Microgrid via Distributed Dynamic Event-Triggered Control," *IEEE Trans. Power Syst.*, 2021.

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#### **Real-time Simulation Test Results**



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#### Finite-Time Distributed Control of Energy Storage Systems



#### Control diagram of one ESS unit

Y. Wang, T. L. Nguyen, **Y. Xu**\*, D. Shi, "Distributed control of heterogeneous energy storage systems in islanded microgrids: Finite-time approach and cyber-physical implementation," *Int. J. Electrical Power & Energy Systems*, 2020.

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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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#### Cyber-Security of Microgrids

A Microgrid might be prone to suffer from cyber-attack due to the huge utilization of information and communication technologies. Regarding the security of CPSs, there are three important aspects to be protected: confidentiality, integrity, and availability.





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#### Cyber-Resilient Control of Microgrids



#### Cyber Vulnerable Process in Microgrid Control

Y. Wang, S. Mondal, C. Deng, K. Satpathi, **Y. Xu\*** and S. Dasgupta, "Cyber-Resilient Cooperative Control of Bidirectional Interlinking Converters in Networked AC/DC Microgrids," *IEEE Trans. Industrial Electronics*, **2021.** 32

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#### Experimental Test Results

#### MAS-MG Platform

- Multi-agent system with B&R programable logic controllers and network switch
- Enhance the cyber-resilience of the secondary controllers under false data injection attacks.



#### **Experimental Platform of MAS-MG**

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#### **Original Controllers subject to Cyber Attacks**



**Performance of Cyber-Resilient Control** 

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#### Weight-Average-Prediction Control and Stability Analysis



#### Time-delayed MG small-signal model under WAP control

W. Yao, Y. Wang, , **Y. Xu**\*, C. Deng, and Q. Wu, "Distributed Weight-Average-Prediction Control and Stability Analysis for an Islanded Microgrid with Communication Time Delay," *IEEE Trans. Power Syst.*, 2021.

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Weight-Average-Prediction Control and Stability Analysis

#### Analysis for fixed time delay (generalized Nyquist stability criterion)





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Multi-Layer Multi-Agent Control of Networked Microgrids 

#### Structure of the Networked Microgrid System

CL: consensus loop

AL: ADMM loop

# **Control System of each Agent**

NMG

System



**ADMM Loop:** local measurement and neighbouring signal

Y. Wang, T.L. Nguyen, Y. Xu\*, Q.T. Tran, and R. Caire, "Peer-to-Peer Control for Networked Microgrids: Multi-Layer 36 and Multi-Agent Architecture Design," IEEE Trans. Smart Grid, 2020.
Agent 1

power line

communication line

data exchange line

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- **Controller HIL Test Results**
- The proposed method realize frequency/voltage regulation, real power sharing and network loss minimization.

#### System network loss minimization



#### Real power among buses and DGs



#### Load change **Performance of Cyber-Resilient Control**

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Agent 6

Load

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#### Grid-connected mode of Microgrids (DER support)



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Frequency Support from Aggregated Small-Scale Energy Storage Units **Proposed load frequency control (LFC) framework**  $\Delta f_i(t) = -\frac{D_i}{2H} \Delta f_i(t) \qquad \text{Frequency dynamic model}$  $+\frac{1}{2H_{i}}\left(\Delta P_{mi}(t) - \Delta P_{L,i}(t) + \Delta P_{RES,i}(t) - \Delta P_{tie,i}(t) + \Delta P_{ESA,i}(t)\right)$  $B_i$  $\Delta P_{RES}$  $\Delta P_{T}$  $1/R_i$ Primary Control Secondary Control (AGC)  $\Delta \dot{P}_{mi}(t) = -\frac{1}{T_{bi}} \Delta P_{mi}(t) + \frac{1}{T_{bi}} \Delta P_{gi}(t) + \frac{T_{ai}}{T_{bi}} \Delta \dot{P}_{gi}(t)$  $\Delta P_{gi} \Delta P_{mi}$  $\Delta P_{ci}$ + ♥ ACE, □  $K_p + \frac{K_I}{M}$ 1  $2H_i s + D_i$  $T_{hi}s+1$  $\Delta \dot{P}_{gi}(t) = -\frac{1}{T_{oi}} \Delta P_{gi}(t) + \frac{1}{T_{oi}} \Delta P_{ci}(t) - \frac{1}{R_i T_{oi}} \Delta f_i(t)$  $\sum \Delta P_{ES4,i}$ +  $\Delta P_{tie}$ ℓ<sub>ESA</sub>  $\overline{\sum_{j=1,\,j\neq i}^M T_{ij}}$  $\Delta P_{tie,i}$ cation Network ESS 1  $\Delta \dot{P}_{tie,i}(t) = 2\pi \cdot \left[ \sum_{j=1, j \neq i}^{M} T_{ij} (\Delta f_i(t) - \Delta f_j(t)) \right]$ **Tie-line power flow** ESS 2 Disturbar Communic ESS n Proposed Disturbance Observer  $\sum_{i=1, i\neq i}^{M} T_{ij} \Delta f_j$  $ACE_i(t) = B_i \Delta f_i(t) + \Delta P_{tie,i}(t)$ Energy Storage Aggregator  $\Delta P_{ci}(t) = -K_P A C E_i(t) - K_I \int A C E_i(t)$ Secondary control â 00000 Commercial Industrial Residential Stopband Stopband Passband 0dB ↑ 3dB Amplitude (dB) -3dB Compensated Compensated System noise by generators Widespread small-scale ES units, large in number by ESAs but small in capacity (kWh) f(Hz) $f_{\rm H}$ 

Y. Wang, Y. Xu\*, Y. Tang, et al "Aggregated Energy Storage for Power System Frequency Control: A Finite-Time 39 Consensus Approach," IEEE Trans. Smart Grid, May 2018.

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Frequency Support from Aggregated Energy Storage

 $u_{i}(t) = \sum_{j=1}^{n} a_{ij}(sig(e_{i}(t) - e_{j}(t))^{\alpha}) - g_{i}(sig(e_{i}(t) - e_{0}(t))^{\alpha})$ Consensus SOC

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

LFC power reference



 $\lim_{t \to T_0} \|e_i(t) - e_0(t)\| = 0, \quad \lim_{t \to T_0} \|p_i(t) - p_0(t)\| = 0$  $e_i(t) = e_0(t), \quad p_i(t) = p_0(t), \quad \forall t \ge T_0, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots N.$ 

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Fig. 11. Total power output of the ESA with and without the proposed disturbance observer.



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#### Thermostatically Controlled Loads (TCLs) for frequency support



Leader-follower consensus controller

Y. Wang, Y. Xu, and Y. Tang, "Distributed Aggregation Control of Grid-Interactive Smart Buildings for Power System Frequency Support," *Applied Energy*, 2019.

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#### Ancillary Service Support from Smart Building Community



Y. Wang, Y. Tang, **Y. Xu**\*, et al, "A Distributed Control Scheme of Thermostatically Controlled Loads for Building-Microgrid Community," *IEEE Trans. Sustainable Energy*, 2019.

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- 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



Y. Wang, M. H. Syed, E. Guillo-Sansano, Y. Xu\*, and G. Burt "Inverter-Based Voltage Control of Distribution Networks: A Three-Level Coordinated Method and Power Hardware-in-the-Loop Validation," *IEEE Transactions on Sustainable Energy*, 2019.

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Simulation Tests

**Real-time voltage/var control from inverters** 



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



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#### Power HiL Results and Eigenvalues



#### Voltage profiles under real PV and load data

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



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- 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		
Yan (N	Optimize under expectation $ \min_{x \in F} \left\{ f(x) + E[Q(x, \xi)] \right\} $	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	<ul> <li>Simpler formulation and solution process</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>No need for PDF</li> <li>Fully robust within the uncertainty sets</li> </ul>		
Disadvantages	<ul><li>Need for PDF</li><li>Probabilistic robustness</li></ul>	<ul><li>Complex formulation and solution process</li><li>May be conservative</li></ul>		

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**Robustly Coordinated Energy Management** Day-ahead Price-based Demand Response & Hourly-ahead Microturbine

#### **Price-based Demand Response (PBDR)**

110

120

130

140

150

160



der

98 Load

96

94

92

90

70

98.0

96.2

94.6

93.1

91.8

90.5

 $P_t^D = A P r_t^{\varepsilon}$ 

5

6

7

8

9

10

where  $\varepsilon$  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. <sup>53</sup>

90

80

100

110

130

120

Electricy price (%)

140

150

160

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#### **Robustly Coordinated Energy Management** Day-ahead Price-based Demand Response & Hourly-ahead Microturbine

#### **Modelling for Price-based DR**

(11)

(12) <

(13)

(14)

(15)∈

 $C_{rev} = C_{rev}^{pr} + C_{rev}^{unc} \in$ 

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

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

 $\alpha_{i,t} \in \{0,1\}, \forall j,t \in \mathbb{C}$ 

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

 $\alpha_{i,t} = 1, \forall t \in \mathcal{A}$ 

- (9)∈ Considering the characteristics of the uncertain load demands, in (9), the revenue from the (10) 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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Robustly Coordinated Energy Management
 Hourly-ahead energy storage & 15min-ahead direct load control (DLC)



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

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SOLUTION RESULTS FOR BASE CASE UNDER DIFFERENT UNCERTAINTY SETS

Test No		1	2	3	4	5	6 🔳
		0%	10%	0%	10%	10%	10%
ES Dic	CIES 2	0%	0%	10%	0%	0%	0%
charging	ES 3	20%	20%	40%	20%	40%	40%
charging	ES 4	30%	20%	20%	30%	30%	30%
DLC	0-15 min	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
under	15-30 min	46%	0%	43%	39%	38%	38%
Worst	30-45 min	0%	0%	0%	0%	31%	0%
Case	45-60 min	3%	6%	2%	2%	0%	0%
Profit under		102 20	187.04	184.45	170.86	177.20	174.20
Worst Case (\$)		192.39	107.94	104.45	1/9.80	177.50	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



C. Ju, P. Wang, L. Goel, and Y. Xu, "A two-layer energy management system for microgrids with hybrid energy storage considering degradation costs," *IEEE Trans. Smart Grid*, 2017. Web-of-Science Highly Cited Paper

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State variables

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Battery (%) 0 08 08

40 OOS 20

12

12

18

18

Time (h)

24 Time (h)

(b) SOC of supercapacitor

(a) SOC of battery

6

30%

40%

42

42

30

30

36

36

✓ First-stage: battery dispatch with SOH degradation cost

Tu

Δtu

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 $\Delta tl$ 

Dispatch references

 $T_l$ 

Forecast

data

Forecast

errors

Second-stage: supercapacitor dispatch



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#### Multi-Energy Microgrid

Heat Storage Tank Heat Recovery Unit Micor-Turbine Absorption Chiller Ice Storage Tank



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**Coupled electric-thermal network** 

Y. Chen, Y. Xu\*, Z. Li, "Optimally Coordinated Dispatch of Combined-Heat-and-Electrical Network," *IET Gen. Trans. & Dist.*, 2019.

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#### Multi-Energy Dispatch – Two-Stage Coordinated Operation

RES Generation	First stage: Day-ahead Dispatch for 24 Hours of Next Day         Day-ahead         Forecasting       Hour 1       Hour 2       Hour 3       Hour 2	$\min F(z) + \sum \chi_n L(y_n)$
Power Loads	Two-st Stocha Optimiz	age $z, y_1, y_2 \dots y_n$ $n \in N_S$
Transaction Prices	Short-lead-time Forecasting Second stage: Intra-day Online Dispatch within Each Hour	s.t. $z \in F_A$ $y_n \in \Omega(z, \omega_n), \forall n$
Tem	porally-coordinated Stochastic Operation Framewo	ork Two-Stage Sstochastic Optimization model
MIN $C_{FC}$	$F_{G} = C_{FC} + C_{OM} + C_{EX} + C_{ST} + C_{SD} - C_{HR}$ $= \sum_{t \in N_{T}} \sum_{i \in N_{M}} (\gamma_{G} P_{MT}^{t,i} / \eta_{MT}^{t,i}) \Delta t$	$U_{CG}^{t,i} \cdot P_{CG}^{min,i} \leq P_{CG}^{t,i} \leq U_{CG}^{t,i} \cdot P_{CG}^{max,i}$ $R_{CG}^{down,i} \Delta t \leq P_{CG}^{t,i} - P_{CG}^{t-1,i} \leq R_{CG}^{up,i} \Delta t$
$C_{EX} =$ $C_{OM} =$ $C_{ST} =$	$= \sum_{t \in N_{T}} (\gamma_{B} P_{BUY}^{t,1} - \gamma_{S} P_{SELL}^{t,1}) \Delta t$ $= \sum_{t \in N_{T}} \sum_{i \in N_{W}} [\gamma_{WT} P_{WT}^{t,i} + + \sum_{i \in N_{H}} \gamma_{TST} (P_{TSTC}^{t,i} + P_{TSTD}^{t,i})] \Delta t$ $= \sum_{t \in N_{T}} \sum_{i \in (N_{M} \cup N_{E})} max\{0, U_{CG}^{t,i} - U_{CG}^{t,i}\} C_{CG}^{U}$	$\begin{split} 1 - \Delta V_{BUS}^{\max} &\leq V_{BUS}^{t,i} \leq 1 + \Delta V_{BUS}^{\max} \\ P_{PF}^{t,b+1} &= P_{PF}^{t,b} - P_{PF}^{t,0,b+1} - P_{L}^{t,i} + \dots - P_{PT}^{t,i}, \ b \in Br(i), \forall i,t \\ Q_{PF}^{t,b+1} &= Q_{PF}^{t,b} - Q_{PF}^{t,0,b+1} - Q_{L}^{t,i}, b \in Br(i), \forall i,t \\ V_{BUS}^{t,i+1} &= V_{BUS}^{t,i} - (R^{b}P_{PF}^{t,b} + X^{b}Q_{PF}^{t,b}) / V_{0}, b \in Br(i,i+1), \forall i,t \end{split}$
$C_{SD} = C_{HR}$	$= \sum_{t \in N_T} \sum_{i \in N_M} \gamma_{HR} H_L^{t,i} \Delta t$	$\begin{split} H_L^{t,i} &= H_{MT}^{t,i} + H_{PT}^{t,i} + P_{TSTD}^{t,i} - P_{TSTC}^{t,i} \\ \xi_{ES}^{min,i} Cap_{ES}^i &\leq E_{ES}^{t,i} \leq \xi_{ES}^{max,i} Cap_{ES}^i \end{split}$

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#### Multi-Energy Dispatch – Two-Stage Coordinated Operation



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Multi-Energy Dispatch – Two-Stage Coordinated Operation



Method #1: Single-stage deterministic operation

Method #2: Single-stage stochastic operation

Method#3: Two-stage deterministic optimization

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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



C. Zhang, Y. Xu\*, Z.Y. Dong, "Robustly Coordinated Operation of A Multi-Energy Microgrid with Flexible Electric and Thermal Loads," *IEEE Trans. Smart Grid*, 2018.

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#### Robustness VS Conservativeness

#### **Robustness:**

**Conservativeness:** 

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

• Full Robustness: Always a feasible solution

Compromise in optimization process when

-> Higher Robustness

Uncertainty Degree Analysis

-> Higher Conservativeness

considering uncertainties (Drawback)

**Design of Uncertainty Budgets** 

Larger Budgets

#### **Robustness under Different Uncertainty Budgets**

UNCERTAINTY SETS WITH DIFFERENT UNCERTAINTY BUDGETS

Uncertainty Set Group No	$\underline{\mu}^{PV}$	$\overline{\mu}^{PV}$	$\underline{\mu}^{EL}$	$\overline{\mu}^{EL}$	$\mu^{\text{HE}}$	$\overline{\mu}^{\text{HE}}$
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

	Mathad	Deterministic	Proposed Robustly			
Method		Method	Coord	ration		
1	Uncertainty Set Group No	N.A.	1	2	3	
'	Optimized Total Operating Cost in Day-Ahead Stage (\$)	5993	6387	6586	6822	
	MCS Group 1: $\sigma^{PV} = 1$	$5\% \hat{P}^{PV}, \sigma^{EL} =$	$2\% \hat{P}^{EL}, \sigma$	$HE = 1\%\hat{q}$	HE	
	Average Total Operating	6020	6036	6044	6034	
	Cost of Feasible Cases (\$)	0020	0050	0044	0054	
	Infeasible Case Rate (%)	0.1%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	
	MCS Group 2: $\sigma^{PV} = 1$	$0\% \hat{P}^{PV}, \sigma^{EL} =$	$4\% \hat{P}^{EL}, c$	$t^{HE} = 2\%6$	$\hat{q}^{HE}$	
	Average Total Operating	6051	6056	6064	6052	
	Cost of Feasible Cases (\$)	0051	0050	0004	0052	
	Infeasible Case Rate (%)	12.5%	1.6%	1.0%	0.0%	
	MCS Group 3: $\sigma^{PV} = 2$	$0\% \hat{P}^{PV}, \sigma^{EL} =$	$\approx 8\% \hat{P}^{EL}, a$	$t^{HE} = 4\%6$	$\hat{q}^{HE}$	
	Average Total Operating	6097	6095	6103	6087	
	Cost of Feasible Cases (\$)	0077	0075	0105	0007	
	Infeasible Case Rate (%)	25.9%	6.5%	5.7%	0.0%	

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Robustly Coordinated Energy Management
 Distributed robust optimization for Networked-Hybrid AC/DC Microgrids





Q. Xu, T Zhao, Y. Xu\*, et al, " A Distributed and Robust Energy Management System for Networked Hybrid AC/DC Microgrids," *IEEE Transactions on Smart Grid*, 2020.

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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	MGs)	IEM OF THR	EE NEI WORKE
		Scenario i	
	Ι	Π	III
Objective value(\$)	2,484.84	2,483.89	2,580.33

0.17

864

792

308.14

2232

73008

4.85

2520

1944

Running time(s)

Number of decision variables

Number of constraints



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





Comparison results under Case II(a system of 30 networked MGs) \$MGs)\$

		Scenario i	
	Ι	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



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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:

$$\min_{x \in F} \{ f(x) + E[Q(x, \xi)] \}$$
(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:  $\min_{y \in \Omega(x,\xi)} g(y)$ , where y is the second-stage decision vector,  $\xi$  is the random vector, and  $E[Q(x, \xi)]$  is the expected value of the second-stage problem.

#### 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:  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  which represent the prediction error (stochastic variation) for a predicted power  $\hat{P}$  [20]:

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

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

#### B. Deterministic Equivalent

s.t.

Assuming  $\xi$  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:

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

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

right 
$$m_{x,y_1,\dots,y_K} f x + \sum_{k=1}^{K} \rho_k g(y_k)$$
 (24)

$$x \in F$$
 (25)

$$y_k \in \Omega\left(x, \ \xi_k
ight), orall k$$
 (26)


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## Simulation Results



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#### Continued research in PV Inverter-based Volt/Var Control



Distribution Networks with Droop-Controlled PV Inverters," IEEE Trans. Smart Grid, 2022.

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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

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

s.t.

 $Ax \geq b$  $Cx + Dy \leq v$  **Adaptive Weighted Sum (AWS)** 



Key point:

1) Voltage deviation index: load-weighted voltage deviation index (LVDI)

2) Which MOP algorithm is more efficient to generate accurate Pareto front and get a fair trade-off?

- a) Classic Weighted-Sum (CWS)
- b) Classic  $\varepsilon$ -Constrained (CeC)

c) Adaptive Weighted-Sum (AWS)

d) Normal Boundary Intersection (NBI)



Pareto front generated by NBI algorithm.

C. Zhang, Y. Xu\*, Z.Y. Dong, "Multi-Objective Adaptive Robust Voltage/VAR Control for High-PV Penetrated 75 Distribution Networks," IEEE Trans. Smart Grid, 2020.

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## Multi-Objective Adaptive Robust Voltage/VAR Regulation



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 <u>decoupled</u>.
- Existing two-stage coordination methods are <u>all for operational timeframe</u> (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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 $Q_{i,t}^{max}$ 

 $\begin{array}{c} Q_{i,t}^{dist} \\ Q_{i,t}^{lr} \\ Q_{i,t}^{lr} \end{array}$ 

 $-Q_{i,t}^{disp}$ 

 $-Q_{i,t}^{max}$ 

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



C. Zhang, Y. Xu<sup>\*</sup>, Z.Y. Dong, et al "Three-Stage Robust Inverter-Based Voltage/Var Control for Distribution 78 Networks with High PV," IEEE Trans. Smart Grid, 2018. Web-of-Science Highly Cited Paper

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Simulation Results



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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 realtime variation (bus voltage)



Optimal Droop Control Curve Candidate Droop Control Curves Feasible Region Optimal Droop Control Model



linear droop controller for inverters

- 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.  $\Delta Q = f(\Delta V)$

C. Zhang and Y. Xu\*, "Hierarchically-Coordinated Voltage/VAR Control of Distribution Networks Using PV Inverters," *IEEE Trans. Smart Grid*, 2020. 2021 IEEE TSG Outstanding Paper Award

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Fully Distributed Two-Level Volt/Var Control

Two-level VVC with time scale coordination





Y. Wang, T. Zhao, C. Ju, **Y. Xu**\*, P. Wang "Two-Level Distributed Voltage/Var Control of Aggregated PV Inverters in Distribution Networks," *IEEE Trans. Power Delivery*, 2019. 82

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Simulation Results

24-hour simulation with 15 minutes sampling

**One-hour simulation with 1 second sampling** 



Y. Wang, T. Zhao, C. Ju, **Y. Xu**\*, P. Wang "Two-Level Distributed Voltage/Var Control of Aggregated PV Inverters<sub>83</sub> in Distribution Networks," *IEEE Trans. Power Delivery*, 2019.

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 Hierarchically Coordinated Operation and Control for DC microgrid clusters



Q. Xu, Y. Xu\*, et al, "A Hierarchically Coordinated Operation and Control Scheme for DC Microgrid Clusters under Uncertaint," *IEEE Transactions on Sustainable Energy*, 2020.

2. Control 1) Islanded mode 2) Grid-tied mode

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-100

- P<sub>DG</sub>

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Power (kW)

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#### **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) 85

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### Continued research works in local energy markets

A centralized market structure may no longer be applicable with the emergence of a significant number of prosumers. P2P energy trading offers a promising solution.

Local Energy

flexible consumers pose a great challenge to system operation, while their flexibility offers opportunities to locally Market (P2P) [2] accommodate the uncertain renewable generation.

The uncertain behaviours of

**Centralized Local** Energy Market [1]

Service Market [4][5] **Partially-Decentralized** Local Energy Market (community-based) [3]

The existing regulations may not accommodate **Fully-Decentralized** end-to-end energy trading. The aggregator can coordinate the DERs within a certain region and provide energy services at scale, which makes heir market entry more possible to be supported by regulatory and policy bodies. On the other hand, small-scale end users may not have the means or interest in participating in P2P energy trading as well.

**Local Ancillary** 

The penetration of DERs coupled with the rise of P2P markets leads to a significant challenge in distribution network operation. Luckily, inverterinterfaced DERs hold both technical potential and economic incentives to provide distribution systems with fast and flexible Var supports.

[1] Y. Zou, Y. Xu\*, and C. Zhang, "A Risk-Averse Adaptive Stochastic Optimization Method for Transactive Energy Management of a Multi-Energy Microgrid," IEEE Transactions on Sustainable Energy, 2023.

[2] Y. Zou, Y. Xu\*, X. Feng, and H. D. Nguyen, "Peer-to-Peer Transactive Energy Trading in a Reconfigurable Multi-Energy Network," IEEE Transactions on Smart Grid. 2022.

[3] Y. Zou, Y. Xu\*, and J. Li, "Aggregator-Network Coordinated Peer-to-Peer Multi-Energy Trading via Adaptive Robust Stochastic Optimization," IEEE Transactions on Power Systems, 2024.

[4] Y. Zou, and Y. Xu\*, "Design of Robust Var Reserve Contract for Enhancing Reactive Power Ancillary Service Market Efficiency," CSEE Journal of Power and Energy Systems, 2023.

[5] Y. Zou, and Y. Xu\*, "DER-Inverter Based Reactive Power Ancillary Service for Supporting Peer-to-Peer Transactive Energy Trading in 86 Distribution Networks," IEEE Transactions on Power Systems, 2024.

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### Transactive Energy System (TES) Classification



Y. Zou, Y. Xu\*, X. Feng, R. T. Naayagi, and B. H. Soong, "Transactive Energy System in Active Distribution Networks: A Comprehensive Review, " *CSEE Journal of Power and Energy Systems*, 2022.

xogenous Energy

Wind

Turbine

Thermal

Storage

Leader: MEMG Operato

Photovoltaic

System

CCHP

Unit

**Electrical Flow** 

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## Centralized Local Market: Risk-Averse Transactive Energy Management

*Main motivation:* The uncertain behaviours of flexible consumers is challenging MES operation, while their flexibility offers opportunities to locally accommodate the uncertain renewable generation.

Diesel

Generators

Battery

Storage

#### Strategy of the MEMG operator:

- > To schedule all the physical DER units;
- To determine the energy trading prices for desired demand-side response. (as a price maker)

Strategy of the energy user (EU) agents:

- To transact with the MEMG operator; (as price takers)
- To trade energies with the exogenous energy networks.

Y. Zou, Y. Xu\*, and C. Zhang, "A Risk-Averse Adaptive Stochastic Optimization Method for Transactive Energy Management of a Multi-Energy Microgrid, "*IEEE Transactions on Sustainable Energy*, 2023.

Residential

EU Agent

Commercial

EU Agent

Industrial

EU Agent

Local

Day-Ahead

/Intra-Day

Energy

Market

Thermal Flow — Transactive Energy Flow

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#### **Mathematical Formulation**

The interactions between the MEMG operator and EU agents are captured by a Stackelberg game, which is expressed as a bi-level model.



**Risk aversion towards uncertainties:** 

 $\max_{\boldsymbol{x} \in \boldsymbol{\chi}, \boldsymbol{y}_{S} \in \Omega, \eta \in \mathcal{R}} \boldsymbol{c}^{T} \boldsymbol{x} + \sum_{s \in N_{S}} \pi_{s} \mathcal{L}(\boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{d}_{s}) + \rho \cdot C V a R_{\vartheta}$ 

Subject to:

 $x \in \chi$  $\mathcal{L}(\boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{d}_{\boldsymbol{s}}) = \max_{\boldsymbol{y}_{s} \in \Omega(\boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{d}_{s})} \boldsymbol{b}^{T} \boldsymbol{y}_{s}$  $CVaR_{\vartheta} = \max_{\eta \in \mathcal{R}} \left\{ \eta + \frac{1}{1-\vartheta} \sum_{s \in N_s} [f_P^s - \eta]^- \pi_s \right\}$ where  $\Omega(x, d_s) = \{y_s | Ax + By_s \ge r, Ex + Fy_s = d_s\},\$  $f_P^S = c^T x + \mathcal{L}(x, d_s)$  denotes the profit under scenario s.



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# Simulation Results

□ Intra-day energy trading

#### 0.24 $\square$ DA electrical price $\rightarrow$ ID electrical price 0.24 (10,000 (2,14,000) (2,14,000 0.07 Trading energy 0.01 (MWh) ID electrical trading quantity 232421 -0.01 Time (hour) (a) Intra-day electrical trading between MEMG operator and residential agent --- DA thermal price --- ID thermal price 0.06 ling price 3/kWh) ID thermal trading quantity 0.15 Time (hour) (d) Intra-day thermal trading between MEMG operator and residential agent ID electrical trading quantity with utility grid ID thermal trading quantity with exogenous thermal network 0.35 0.33 0.25 0.25 0.10 0.10 0.10 0.10 0.05 0 0.10 0.05 15 17 19 21 23 24 11 13 -0.05 L Time (hour)

(f) Intra-day energy trading between MEMG operator and exogenous networks

MEMG operator uses price signals to guide users' behaviors, thereby reducing reliance and impact on external grids.

#### **Computation performance**

Computational Performance for Day-Ahead Stochastic MILP

Solution	No. of	Solution	Objective	Optimality
Approach	Variables	Time (s)	Value (\$)	Accuracy
Direct Use of GUROBI	14862 continuous 4641 binary for all scenarios	79.70 Hours	7501.01	100%
PH Algorithm 1*	2028 continuous	≥16.03 Hours	N/A	N/A
PH Algorithm 2 <sup>+</sup>	$H Algorithm 2^+$ 3938 continuous		7478.15	99.7%
Adaptive PH Algorithm <sup>#</sup>	for each scenario	3.56 Hours	7492.69	99.9%
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Computationa	ll Performance fo	r the Intra-Da	y Bilinea	r Problem
-				

Bilinear Term Linearization Approach	Step Size (\$/kWh)	Convergence Tolerance	Average Time (s)
Price Discretizing	0.001	N/A	191.95
OA Algorithm	$\rightarrow 0$	<b>10</b> -5	13.51

Problem scale is reduced by adaptive PH algorithm through scenario decomposition. Bilinear terms of price times quantity are efficiently handled by OA algorithm.

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# P2P Transactive Energy Trading in A Reconfigurable Multi-Energy Network

*Main motivation:* P2P trading can address operational complexities arising from the emergence of prosumers, facilitating local energy balance, but it may also worsen network operation, e.g., voltage drops and line congestion.



#### Strategy of DSO and DHSO (at upper level):

- ➢ To reconfigure the DN and DHN;
- To request the lower-level agents to make necessary trading adjustments.

Strategy of nodal agents (at lower level):

- To schedule the local DERs (e.g., CCHP, ESS, flexible loads);
- To transact with other agents or exogenous networks in a bilateral manner;
- To submit the current net loads to the DSO and DHSO.

Y. Zou, Y. Xu\*, X. Feng, and H. D. Nguyen, "Peer-to-Peer Transactive Energy Trading in a Reconfigurable Multi-Energy Network," *IEEE Transactions on Smart Grid*, 2022.

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### Mathematical Formulation

A. Lower-level P2P energy trading problem

#### Modeling for P2P energy trading

 $\begin{array}{c|c} \hline & Objective \ function: \\ C_i = \sum_{t \in N_T} (C_{i,t}^{Gen} + C_{i,t}^{Bill} + C_{i,t}^{Disc} + C_{i,t}^{Ser}) + C_i^{P2P} \\ & \tilde{C}_i = \sum_{t \in N_T} (C_{i,t}^{Gen} + C_{i,t}^{Bill} + C_{i,t}^{Disc}) \\ & \max \prod_{i=1}^{\mathcal{N}} (\tilde{C}_i - C_i)^{\mathcal{MP}_i} \end{array}$ where  $\mathcal{MP}_i$  is a positive value denoting the bargaining

power of agent *i*.  $\Box \quad Key \ constraints: \\ e_{ij,t}^{DN} + e_{ji,t}^{DN} = 0, \ \forall t, \forall i, \forall j \in \mathcal{N} \setminus i \\ e_{ij,t}^{DHN} + e_{ii,t}^{DHN} = 0, \forall t, \forall i, \forall j \in \mathcal{N} \setminus i$ 

 $\phi_{ij}^{P2P} + \phi_{ji}^{P2P} = 0, \ \forall i, \forall j \in \mathcal{N} \setminus i$ 

#### B. Upper-level network operation problem

Modeling for reconfigurable DN operation

Objective function:

 $\min \sum_{t \in N_T} \left( \sum_{mn \in N_{BT}^{DN}} PL_{mn,t}^{Loss} + \frac{\partial}{\partial} \sum_{m \in N_{Ag}^{DN}} \left| \Delta e_{m,t}^{DN} \right| \right)$ 

- Constraints:
- Linearized DistFlow with reconfiguration variables
- Spanning tree constraints:

$$\begin{split} \theta_{mn,t} + \theta_{nm,t} &= \mathcal{K}_{mn,t}, & \forall mn \in N_{Br}^{DN}, \forall t \\ \sum_{n \in \{N_m^{DN} + \cup N_m^{DN} -\}} \theta_{mn,t} \leq 1, \; \forall m \in N_{Ag}^{DN}, \forall t \\ \sum_{n \in \{N_m^{DN} + \cup N_m^{DN} -\}} \theta_{mn,t} = 0, \; \forall m \in N_{St}^{DN}, \forall t \end{split} \\ \\ \text{Spanning tree constraints (to strictly ensure radiality)} \\ \sum_{n \in N_m^{DN} +} F_{mn,t} + D_{m,t} = \sum_{n \in N_m^{DN} -} F_{nm,t} \\ -\mathcal{K}_{mn,t} M \leq F_{mn,t} \leq \mathcal{K}_{mn,t} M, \forall m \in N_{Ag}^{DN}, \forall t \end{split}$$



#### Modeling for reconfigurable DHN operation

Objective function:

$$\min \sum_{t \in N_T} \left( \sum_{gk \in N_{Pi}^{DHN}} HL_{gk,t}^{Loss} + \partial \sum_{g \in N_{Ag}^{DHN}} \left| \Delta e_{g,t}^{DHN} \right| \right)$$

#### Constraints:

- Linearized thermal flow model with reconfiguration variables, independent of mass flow rate and water temperature.
- Valve switching constraints (XOR operation):

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\begin{split} \sum_{gk \in N_{Pi}^{DHN}} (\mathcal{V}_{gk,t} + \mathcal{V}_{gk,(t-1)} - 2\xi_{gk,t}) &\leq N^{VA}, \ \forall t \\ \xi_{gk,t} - \mathcal{V}_{gk,t} &\leq 0, \forall gk, \forall t \\ \xi_{gk,t} - \mathcal{V}_{gk,(t-1)} &\leq 0, \forall gk, \forall t \\ \mathcal{V}_{gk,t} + \mathcal{V}_{gk,(t-1)} - \xi_{gk,t} &\leq 1, \forall gk, \forall t \\ \xi_{gk,t} &\geq 0, \ \forall gk, \forall t \end{split}
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# Simulation Results

#### □ Lower-level P2P trading results

Benefit Distribution for four Representative Agents based on Traditional Nash Bargaining Theory

		Item	Agt. 3	Agt. 6	Agt. 22	Agt. 34
a		Cost without P2P trading (\$)	-71.4	988.0	-325.5	329.6
b		Social cost* (\$)	1435.5	64.8	24.8	15.6
c	W:4 DOD	P2P payments (\$)	-1723.9	706.2	-567.3	97.0
d	with P2P	Total cost b+c (\$)	-288.4	771.0	-542.5	112.6
e	trading	P2P trading contribution (MWh)	26.92	4.33	4.04	6.59
f		Market power	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
g	Benefit from P2P trading a-d (\$)		217.0	217.0	217.0	217.0
h	Ber	efit per P2P contrib. g/e (\$/MWh)	8.06	50.16	53.66	32.94

Л		based on Modified Nash	Bargain	ing The	ory	Υľ
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с	Weth DOD	P2P payments (\$)	-2554.4	754.9	-507.6	57.7
d	with P2P	Total cost b+c (\$)	-1118.9	819.7	-482.8	73.3
e	trading	P2P trading contribution (MWh)	26.92	4.33	4.04	6.59
f		Market power	0.1178	0.0189	0.0177	0.0288
g	B	Senefit from P2P trading a-d (\$)	1047.5	168.3	157.3	256.3
h	Ben	efit per P2P contrib. g/e (\$/MWh)	38.91	38.91	38.91	38.91

Benefit Distribution for four Representative Agents

Proposed mechanism ensures a fairer benefit allocation after P2P trading. Each agent obtains an equal benefit per P2P trading contribution.

#### **Upper-level network operation results**





P2P energy trading can be facilitated by network reconfiguration, in terms of alleviating network operation violations as well as reducing line losses.

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## Community-Based Market: Aggregator-Network Coordinated P2P Trading

*Main motivation:* The existing regulations may not accommodate end-to-end energy trading. And small-scale end users may not have the means or interest in participating in P2P energy trading as well.



## **D** Distributed energy resources (DERs)

- Invested and owned by private entities
- Managed by corresponding aggregators

## □ Aggregators

Manage (internal coordination + external trading) contracted geographically adjacent or dispersed DERs

#### □ Multi-energy networks

- Owned by the network asset companies
- Operated by a distribution system operator (DSO) and a district heating system operator (DHSO)

Y. Zou, Y. Xu\*, and J. Li, "Aggregator-Network Coordinated Peer-to-Peer Multi-Energy Trading via Adaptive Robust Stochastic Optimization," *IEEE Transactions on Power Systems*, 2024.

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### **Mathematical Formulation**

□ Augmented Lagrangian:

 $\mathcal{L}_m(\boldsymbol{x}_{m,t}, \hat{\boldsymbol{e}}_{m,t}, \boldsymbol{\lambda}_{m,t})$ 

Dynamic P2P negotiations:

□ *Market equilibrium*:

s.t.,

A. Double-auction P2P trading among aggregators

#### **B.** Network operation problem

Modeling for dynamic double-auction negotiation Modeling for three-phased unbalance DN operation  $\min_{\boldsymbol{x}^{DSO}} \sum_{t \in N_T} \left| \begin{array}{c} \sum_{ij \in \mathcal{E}^{DN}} (\lambda_t^{DN,b} P L_{ij,t}^{Loss} + \kappa^D \omega_{ij,t} + \kappa^C \overline{\omega}_{ij,t}) \\ + \partial \sum_{i \in \mathcal{N}_{Aaa}} \mathbf{1}^T |\Delta \boldsymbol{e}_{i,t}^{DN}| \end{array} \right|$  $= \sum_{t \in N_T} \begin{bmatrix} C_{m,t}^{Gen} + C_{m,t}^{Bill} + C_{m,t}^{Disc} + C_{m,t}^{RSV} + \\ \frac{\varrho}{2} \|\boldsymbol{e}_{m,t} - \hat{\boldsymbol{e}}_{m,t}\|_2^2 + (\boldsymbol{\lambda}_{m,t})^T (\boldsymbol{e}_{m,t} - \hat{\boldsymbol{e}}_{m,t}) \end{bmatrix}$ Linearized three-phase DistFlow model  $\Delta \boldsymbol{e}_{i,t}^{DN} - \boldsymbol{P}_{i,t}^{Net*} = \sum_{j \in \mathcal{N}_i^{DN+}} \boldsymbol{P} \boldsymbol{L}_{ij,t} - \sum_{j \in \mathcal{N}_i^{DN-}} \boldsymbol{P} \boldsymbol{L}_{ji,t}, \forall t$  $\hat{\boldsymbol{e}}_{mn,t} + \hat{\boldsymbol{e}}_{nm,t} = \boldsymbol{0}, \ \forall t, \forall m \in N_M, \forall n \in N_M \backslash m$  $\begin{aligned} \boldsymbol{P}_{i,t} &= \sum_{j \in \mathcal{N}_{i}^{DN+}} \boldsymbol{P} \boldsymbol{L}_{ij,t} - \sum_{j \in \mathcal{N}_{i}^{DN-}} \boldsymbol{P} \boldsymbol{L}_{ji,t}, \forall i \in \mathcal{N}_{SS}^{DN}, \forall t \\ \boldsymbol{Q}_{i,t} &= \sum_{j \in \mathcal{N}_{i}^{DN+}} \boldsymbol{Q} \boldsymbol{L}_{ij,t} - \sum_{j \in \mathcal{N}_{i}^{DN-}} \boldsymbol{Q} \boldsymbol{L}_{ji,t}, \forall i \in \mathcal{N}^{DN}, \forall t \\ \begin{bmatrix} 2\operatorname{Re}(\tilde{\boldsymbol{z}}_{ij}^{*}\boldsymbol{S}_{ij,t}) - (1 - \mathcal{K}_{ij,t})\mathbf{M} \leq \boldsymbol{U}_{i,t} - \boldsymbol{U}_{j,t} \\ \leq 2\operatorname{Re}(\tilde{\boldsymbol{z}}_{ij}^{*}\boldsymbol{S}_{ij,t}) + (1 - \mathcal{K}_{ij,t})\mathbf{M} \end{bmatrix}, \forall ij \in \mathcal{E}^{DN}, \forall t \end{aligned}$ DER operational constraint Power balance constraints Update of P2P trading quantity  $e_{m,t}$ :  $\{\boldsymbol{x}_{m,t}^{[\tau+1]}\}_{t\in N_T} = \operatorname*{argmin}_{\boldsymbol{x}_{m,t}\in\boldsymbol{\mathcal{X}}_{m,t}} \mathcal{L}_m\left(\boldsymbol{x}_{m,t}, \hat{\boldsymbol{e}}_{m,t}^{[\tau]}, \boldsymbol{\lambda}_{m,t}^{[\tau]}\right)$ Unbalanced voltage: Update of auxiliary variable  $\hat{e}_{m,t}$ :  $\max_{\varphi \in \Phi} \left| \frac{U_{\varphi,i,t} - \widetilde{U}_{i,t}}{\widetilde{U}_{i,t}} \right| \le \epsilon, \forall i \in \mathcal{N}_{Agg}^{DN}, \forall t$  $\hat{\boldsymbol{e}}_{mn,t}^{[\tau+1]} = -\hat{\boldsymbol{e}}_{nm,t}^{[\tau+1]} = \frac{\boldsymbol{e}_{mn,t}^{[\tau+1]} - \boldsymbol{e}_{nm,t}^{[\tau+1]}}{2} + \frac{\boldsymbol{\lambda}_{mn,t}^{[\tau]} - \boldsymbol{\lambda}_{nm,t}^{[\tau]}}{2}$  $\widetilde{U}_{i,t} = rac{1}{3} \sum_{arphi \in \varPhi} U_{arphi,i,t}$  ,  $orall i \in \mathcal{N}_{Agg}^{DN}$  , orall tUpdate of P2P trading price  $\lambda_{m,t}$ :  $\lambda_{m,t}^{[\tau+1]} = \lambda_{m,t}^{[\tau]} + \varrho[\boldsymbol{e}_{m,t}^{[\tau+1]} - \hat{\boldsymbol{e}}_{m,t}^{[\tau+1]}]$ Three-phase power loss:  $PL_{ij,t}^{Loss} = \frac{S_{ij}^{H} \tilde{r}_{ij} S_{ij,t}}{V^2}, \forall ij \in \mathcal{E}^{DN}, \forall t$  $\left| \boldsymbol{e}_{mn,t}^{[\tau+1]} \right|, \boldsymbol{\lambda}_{mn,t}^{[\tau+1]} = \left| \boldsymbol{e}_{nm,t}^{[\tau+1]} \right|, \boldsymbol{\lambda}_{nm,t}^{[\tau+1]}, \forall t, \forall m \in N_M, \forall n \in N_M \setminus m$ Other constraints are similar to those in the single-phase distribution network modeling.

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# Uncertainty Handling

#### □ Scenario-Based Ambiguity Set

The uncertain renewable generation is captured by  $\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{F} &= \begin{cases} \left| \mathbb{P} \in \mathcal{P}_0(\mathbb{R}^{|U|} \times S) \right| & \left| \begin{array}{c} (\widetilde{\boldsymbol{u}}, \widetilde{s}) \sim \mathbb{P} \\ \mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{P}}[\widetilde{\boldsymbol{u}} | \widetilde{s} \in S] \in Q \\ \mathbb{P}[\widetilde{\boldsymbol{u}} \in U_s | \widetilde{s} = s] = 1, \forall s \in S \\ \mathbb{P}[\widetilde{s} = s] = p_s, \forall s \in S \\ p \in \mathcal{P} \end{aligned}$ 

The scenario-based ambiguity set is a highly generalized formulation.

**Remark 1:** It provides a unified uncertainty formulation for SO, RO and DRO. A RSO model with the scenario-based ambiguity set can shrink to a SO model when  $U_s$  is reduced to the sample vector  $\hat{u}_s$  for each scenario *s*. The RSO can become a RO model when |S| = 1.

**Remark 2:** It encompasses most existing ambiguity sets. For instance, a Wasserstein metric-based ambiguity set can be mapped into the format of a scenario-based ambiguity set as:

 $\mathcal{F}_{W}^{1} = \left\{ \mathbb{P} \in \mathcal{P}_{0}(\mathbb{R}^{|U|} \times S) \middle| \begin{array}{l} (\widetilde{\boldsymbol{u}}, \widetilde{s}) \sim \mathbb{P} \\ \mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{P}}[d(\widetilde{\boldsymbol{u}}, \widehat{\boldsymbol{u}}_{\widetilde{s}}) | \widetilde{s} \in S] \leq \Gamma \\ P[\widetilde{\boldsymbol{u}} \in U_{s} | \widetilde{s} = s] = 1, \forall s \in S \\ P[\widetilde{s} = s] = 1/|S|, \forall s \in S \end{array} \right\}$ 

#### □ Adaptive Robust Stochastic (RSO) Optimization

Based on the developed scenario-based ambiguity set for uncertainties, the update of trading quantity during dynamic double-auction negotiation is rewritten as:

$$\begin{cases} \boldsymbol{x}_{m,t}^{NA,[\tau+1]}, \boldsymbol{x}_{m,t}^{A,[\tau+1]} \end{cases}_{t \in N_T} = \\ \underset{(\boldsymbol{x}_{m,t}^{NA}, \boldsymbol{x}_{m,t}^{A}) \in \boldsymbol{\mathcal{X}}_{m,t}}{\operatorname{argmin}} \underset{\mathbb{P} \in \mathcal{F}_{W}^{2,m}}{\sup} \mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{P}} \left[ \mathcal{L}_{m} \left( (\boldsymbol{x}_{m,t}^{NA}, \boldsymbol{x}_{m,t}^{A}), \hat{\boldsymbol{e}}_{m,t}^{[\tau]}, \boldsymbol{\lambda}_{m,t}^{[\tau]} \right) \right]$$



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## Simulation Results

#### **Coordination between aggregators and networks**

	Regio	nal aggregator (RA)	RA 1	RA 2	RA 3	Total
a	Cost wi	thout P2P trading (\$)	2778.2	3042.8	5329.6	11150.6
b	With DOD	Social cost (\$)	3022.6	3689.2	3862.9	10574.7
c	trading	P2P payments (\$)	-304.3	-857.2	1161.5	0
d		Total cost [b+c] (\$)	2718.3	2832.0	5024.4	10574.7
e	Benefit fro	om P2P trading [a-d] (\$)	59.9	210.8	305.2	575.9





> Voltage errors stay below  $10^{-3}$ .

#### **D** Performance of adaptive RSO approach

	Percentage of feasible out-of-sample cases					
Sample size	1*	10	20	30	50	
Adaptive RO	100%	-	-	-	-	
Adaptive SO	-	35.4%	76.3%	85.9%	92.7%	
Adaptive RSO	-	98.2%	100%	100%	100%	



#### □ Scalability

Case 2 123

-									
Indov	No	o. of	Lower-layer energy scheduling and P2P trading						
maex	aggre	gators –	No. of v	ariables*	No	o. of iterations	Time		
Case	1 :	3	4(	)57		83	271.79s		
Case 2	2 :	5	7599			96	287.01s		
Indov	Upper-layer DN operation			Upp	per-layer DHN o	peration			
Index	Nodes	No. of	variables	Time	Nodes	No. of variables	s Time		
Case 1	33	24	072	210.69s	23	4488	5.09s		

244.75s

37

The proposed aggregator-network coordinated P2P trading method is scalable in practice.

86400

7.88s

7416

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# Reactive Power Ancillary Services for Supporting P2P Energy Trading



## □ Day-ahead P2P energy market

After P2P negotiation, each agent is required to submit their respective nodal net active power loads to the DSO.

### □ Reactive power ancillary service market

#### Day-ahead Var reserve service trading:

**DSO:** has a clear incentive to sign a day-ahead Var reserve contract with some DERs for eliminating potential market power.

**DERs:** are also in favour of a day-ahead contract for revenue protection.

Causes for market power (must-run capacity):
1) system configuration deficiency
2) market structure flaws

#### Hourly-ahead Var support service trading:

**DSO:** needs Var supports for system-wide voltage regulation and loss reduction, after uncertainty realization.

**DERs:** have incentives to provide available inverter capacity for additional profit earning.

Y. Zou, and **Y. Xu**\*, "DER-Inverter Based Reactive Power Ancillary Service for Supporting Peer-to-Peer Transactive Energy Trading in Distribution Networks," *IEEE Transactions on Power Systems*, 2024.

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Mathematical Formulation



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# Simulation Results

**Potential market power issue** 

1000

1500

M

10.1

E 0.05

500

Must

(MVar)

□ Settlement for day-ahead Var reserve service



Uniform price auction motivates DERs to reduce their Var costs, thereby lowering their bidding prices and increasing the likelihood of being selected in the market.

2000

2500

Case index (a) With a day-ahead Var reserve contract

3000

3500

4000

4500

## **Revenue from Var ancillary service trading**



DERs are incentivized to participate in both day-ahead and hourly-ahead trading, thereby providing operational support for distribution systems.
 2024

Distributi	on network (DN)	33-bus DN	69-bus DN	123-bus DN
Participants i ancillary	n the reactive power service trading	1 DSO & 9 DERs	1 DSO & 20 DERs	1 DSO & 37 DERs
Day, alward	Algorithm	C&CG	C&CG	C&CG
Day-anead	No. of iterations	5	4	3
problem	Solution time	108.2s	120.3s	236.6s
	Algorithm	Algorithm 1	Algorithm 1	Algorithm 1
Hourly-ahead	No. of iterations	113	261	165
problems	Solution time	39.8s	110.4s	129.2s
	Parallel solution time	4.0s	5.3s	3.4s

Robust day-ahead Var reserve contract prevents DERs from gaining market power and manipulating reactive market prices.

Case index (b) Without a day-ahead Var reserve contract

> The framework and methods are highly scalable.

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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



Z. Li and Y. Xu<sup>\*</sup>, "Optimal Placement of Heterogeneous Distributed Generators in a Grid-Connected Multi-Energy Microgrid under Uncertainties," *IET Renewable Power Generation*, 2019.

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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  $U_{v}^{D} = \{\mu_{y,v}^{D} \leq \sum_{t \in T} \sum_{i \in I} h \times P_{i,t,y,v}^{D} \leq \overline{\mu}_{y,v}^{D}, \forall y, \bigcup p \}$   $\underline{P}_{i,t,y,v}^{D} \leq P_{i,t,y,v}^{D} \leq \overline{P}_{i,t,y,v}^{D}, \forall i, t, y\} \text{ with } \rho_{v}, \forall v = 1, 2, ..., n_{v}$ 

**PRO Formulation** 

$$\min_{x} a^{T}x + \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \rho_{n} (\max_{u_{n} \in U_{n}} \min_{y_{n}} b^{T}y_{n} + c^{T}u_{n})$$
  
i.t.  
$$Dx \ge e$$
$$Fx + Gy_{n} + Hu_{n} \le i, \forall n$$
$$Jx + Ky_{n} + Lu_{n} = m, \forall n$$

C. Zhang, Y. Xu\*, Z.Y. Dong, "Probability-Weighted Robust Optimization for Distributed Generation Planning in Microgrids," *IEEE Trans. Power Syst.*, 2018.

#### **Solution Algorithm**



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 $H_{CT}$ 

TIN

-Heating system

Typical structure of a room in a residential building

 $T_h$ 

 $T_{C}$ 

Supply water Return water

RO

Structure of the thermal storage

so 🖧 🏷 si

Heat exchange

H<sub>CIN</sub>



$$\begin{split} \underset{x}{Min} G(x) &= \underset{w, y_1, y_2, \dots, y_q}{Min} [S(w) + \sum_{q \in N_Q} c_q L(y_q)] \\ s.t. \quad w \in CS_w \mid z \\ y_q \in CL(w, \omega_q), \, \forall q \end{split}$$

Proposed multi-stage stochastic deployment model

Z. Li and Y. Xu<sup>\*</sup>, "Optimal Stochastic Deployment of Heterogeneous Energy Storage in a Residential Multi-Energy Microgrid with Demand-Side Management," *IEEE Transactions on Industrial Informatics*, 2020. Web-of-Science Highly Cited Paper

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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

Z. Li and Y. Xu\*, "Optimal Stochastic Deployment of Heterogeneous Energy Storage in a Residential Multi-Energy Microgrid 107 with Demand-Side Management," IEEE Transactions on Industrial Informatics, 2020. Web-of-Science Highly Cited Paper

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# Joint Planning of Utility-Owned Distributed Energy Resources in an Unbalanced **Active Distribution Network Considering Asset Health Degradation**

**Research motivation:** DERs asset health will degrade along with the service period. The asset health degradation of DER will cause nameplate capacity decrease and incur the extra cost of operation and maintenance.

**Our aims:** proposes a new planning method for utilityowned distributed generators and energy storage systems in an unbalanced active distribution network considering asset health degradation. WT blade erosion

PV module degradation



- DG capacity drop modeling by Wiener model:  $\Gamma_{cap}^{q,y} = \Gamma_{cap}^{q,y-\Delta y} + \lambda_{cap}^{q} a (y - \Delta y)^{a-1} \Delta y + \sigma_{cap}^{q} Y \sqrt{\Delta y}$
- DG O&M cost increase modeling by Wiener model:  $\chi_{om}^{q,y,d,t} = \chi_{om}^{q,y,d,t-\Delta t} + \lambda_{om}^{q} b(t-\Delta t)^{b-1} \Delta t + \sigma_{om}^{q} Y \sqrt{\Delta t}$



#### Proposed DG health degradation model based on the Wiener model

#### The proposed DERs joint planning framework

R. Leng, Z. Li, Y. Xu\*, Joint Planning of Utility-Owned Distributed Energy Resources in an Unbalanced Active Distribution Network Considering Asset Health Degradation[J]. IEEE Transactions on Smart Grid, 2024.
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#### Simulation results for operation stage in year 2034-Spring/Fall

**Comparison results for different degradation parameters** 

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**Real-Option Based Planning of Utility-Owned Distributed Energy Resources** for Islanded Distribution Networks in Southeast Asia



**Research challenges and contributions in this paper** 

Distribution grid operators, microgrid owners, DER asset investors

Supply Chain Risk Model  

$$\frac{Supply chain risk degree:}{y_q \left[\Upsilon + (n-1)(1+\varpi\delta_q^2)\right]} \\
\Theta_{Ma}^q = \frac{y_q \left[\Upsilon + (n-1)(1+\varpi\delta_q^2)\right]}{2\mu_{Ma}^q \left[2\Upsilon + (n-1)(1+\varpi\delta_q^2)\right] \left[\Upsilon + n(1+\varpi\delta_q^2)\right] (2+m)^2}$$

Warehouse disruption risk degree:  $\lambda_{wa}^{q,d} = \max\{0, [\lambda_{wa}^{q,d-1} + \min\{(1 - \lambda_{wa}^{q,d-1}), (\frac{1}{\partial^{q,d}})\}] \cdot [1 - \Lambda^{q,d} \frac{\psi^{q,d}}{100}]\}$ 

*Real option valuation:* 

$$C_{DERopt}^{y} = S_{DER}^{y} \cdot N(d_{1}) - K_{DER}^{y} \cdot e^{-r_{f}T} \cdot N(d_{1} - \sigma_{DER}\sqrt{T})$$
$$d_{1} = \ln(S_{DER}^{y} / K_{DER}^{y}) + (r_{f} + 0.5\sigma_{DER}^{2})T / \sigma_{DER}\sqrt{T}$$

$$S_{DER}^{y}(t + \Delta t) = S_{DER}^{y}(t) + \mu_{DER}t + \sigma_{B}Y\sqrt{\Delta t}$$



Illustration of the ESS container system thermal management

#### Multistage and multiphase framework for DER joint planning: In the investment stage, the entire planning period is divided into multiple planning sub-horizons. The operation stage involves the dayahead operation and hourly ahead dispatch.



The proposed DER planning framework

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Real-Option Based Planning of Utility-Owned Distributed Energy Resources for Islanded Distribution Networks in Southeast Asia

Simulation results





#### Simulation results for the operation stage in June 2035

Sensitivity results for different volatility values

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