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# Data-Driven Power System Frequency Control

## 数据驱动的电力系统频率控制



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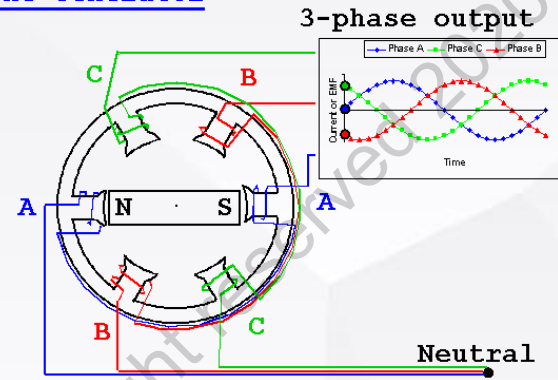
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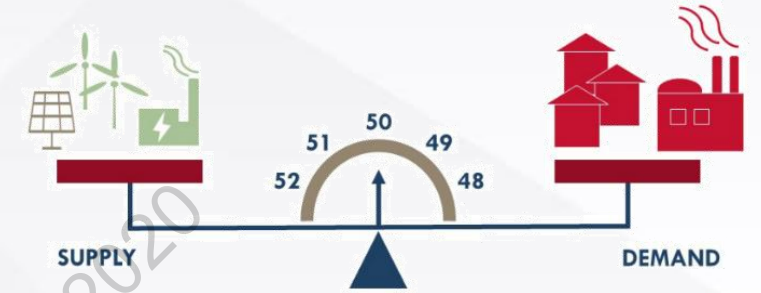
## Power System Frequency

- **Frequency**
  - AC power system
  - Reflection of rotation speed of synchronous generators
- **Importance**
  - Grid: system stability
  - Consumers: power quality

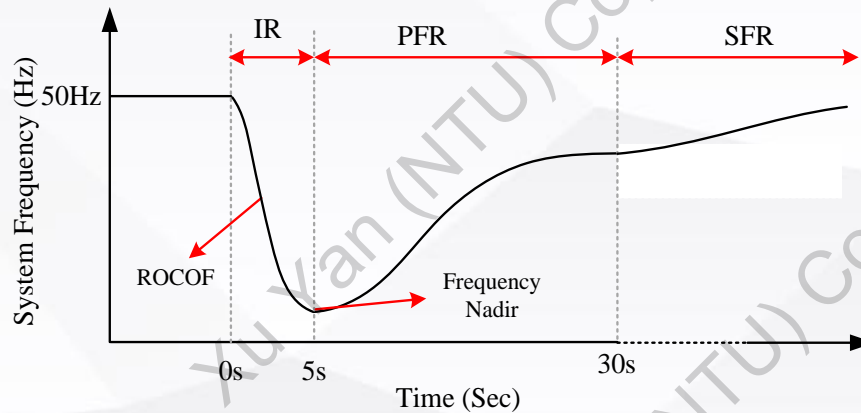
The Generator



T. Davies 2002



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- **Inertia Response (IR):** the inherent releasing of energy at the rotor of synchronous machines.
- **Primary control:** mitigate frequency variation (seconds)
- **Secondary control:** eliminate frequency deviation (seconds to minutes)

Country/Region	Australia	Europe	North America	Singapore
Nominal frequencies (Hz)	50	50	60	50
Normal operating frequency bands (Hz)	Interconnected system: $\pm 0.15$ Islanded system: $\pm 0.5$	$\pm 0.2$	Targeted frequency band: Eastern Interconnection: $\pm 0.018$ Western Interconnection: $\pm 0.0228$ Texas Interconnection: $\pm 0.030$ Quebec Interconnection: $\pm 0.021$	$\pm 0.2$
Emergency frequency tolerance bands (Hz)	$\pm 1$ Extreme frequency tolerance band: 47-52	$\pm 0.8$	Under-frequency load shedding: Eastern Interconnection: 59.5 Western Interconnection: 59.5 Texas Interconnection: 59.3 Quebec Interconnection: 58.5	Under-frequency load shedding: 49.7

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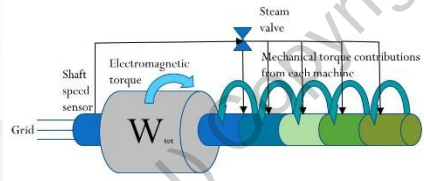
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## Load frequency control (LFC)

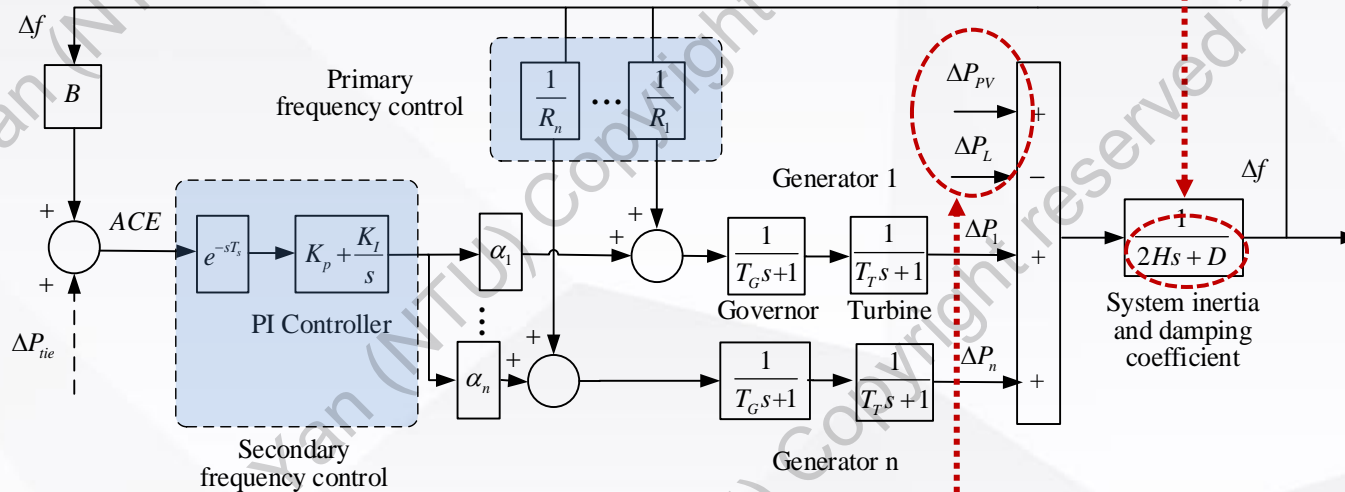
### ➤ Lower inertia and load damping:



Generation side: power-converter interfaced generators (wind, solar).

Transmission side: asynchronous interconnection through HVDC links.

Load side: inverter-based loads.

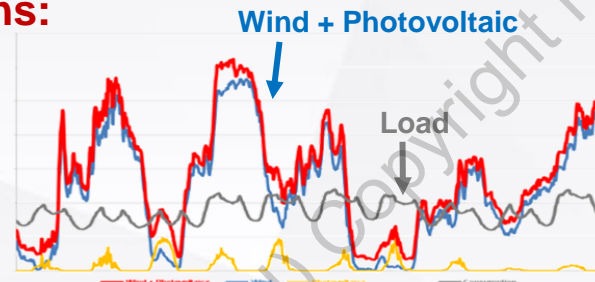


### ➤ Larger and faster power fluctuations:



Generation side: intermittent renewable power generation

Load side: demand response program, EV charging load, etc.



## Conventional methods

### Model-based:

1. Robust control  
Parametric uncertainties.
2. Fuzzy control  
Adaptive for unknown system.
3. Variable structure control  
Robustness and response speed.
4. Disturbance rejection control  
Augmented model to reject effects.
5. Model-predictive control  
Predict system's behavior and control.
6. etc.

## Data-driven methods



- Stronger modelling capability
- Better control performance
- Higher flexibility and scalability
- etc.

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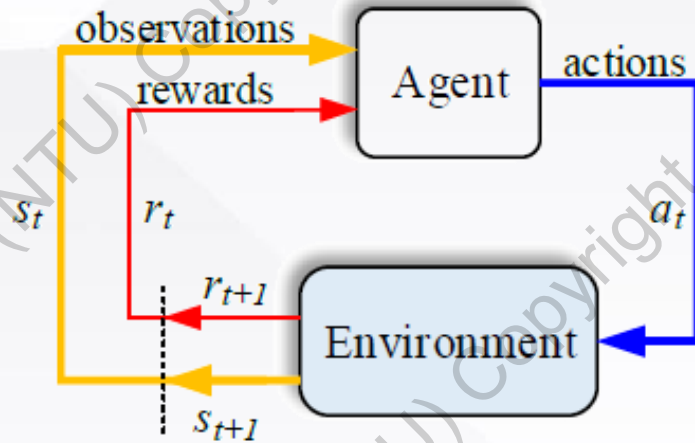
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## Reinforcement Learning (RL)

### Principle & Framework

- Principle:** training an **agent** via iterative interactions with the **environment**.



- Agent:** decision-maker  $\rightarrow$  frequency controller
- Environment:** physical world  $\rightarrow$  power system
- State ( $s$ ):** current situation of the agent  $\rightarrow f, ACE, P$
- Action ( $a$ ):** agent's decision  $\rightarrow$  generation control signal
- Reward ( $r$ ):** feedback from the environment  $\rightarrow$  power system's frequency performance (at time  $t$ )
- Action value (Q-value):** total expected reward over a certain time period  $T$

- $\rightarrow$  How to **model** the frequency control problem into a RL process?
- $\rightarrow$  How to **solve** the RL training process considering power system's own characteristics/model?

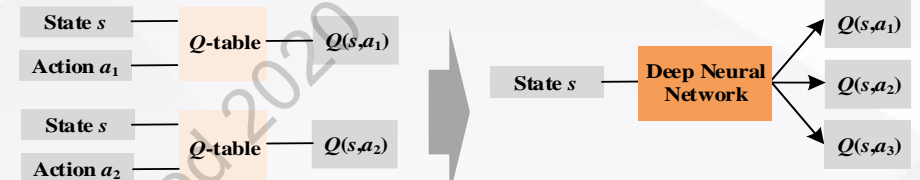


### RL methods

#### 1. Value-based methods – train a Q-value predictor (Q-table)

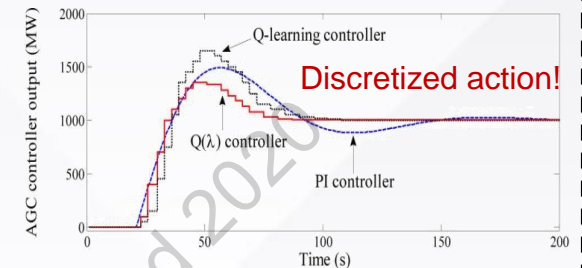
Given an action, it evaluates the how good the action is.

$$Q(s_t, a_t) \leftarrow Q(s_t, a_t) + \alpha(R_{t+1} + \gamma \max_a Q(s_{t+1}, a_t) - Q(s_t, a_t))$$



#### Disadvantages:

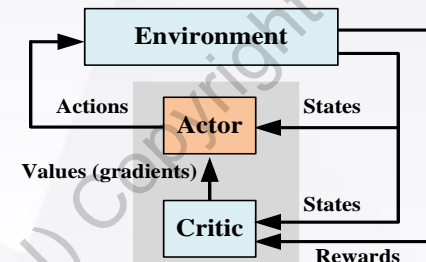
- Discretized action.
- Non-satisfactory performance due to discretized action space.



#### 2. Policy-based methods – train an action predictor (actor)

Explicitly learn a mapping policy  $\pi: s \rightarrow a$

$$\nabla_{\theta^\mu} J \approx \frac{1}{N} \sum_i \nabla_a Q(s, a) |_{s=s_i, a=\mu(s_i)} \nabla_{\theta^\mu} \mu(s | \theta^\mu) |_{s=s_i}$$



#### Advantages:

- Continuous action space.
- Better performance in convergence and stability.



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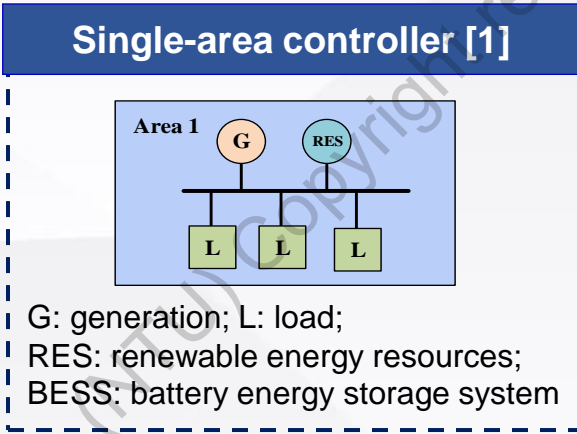
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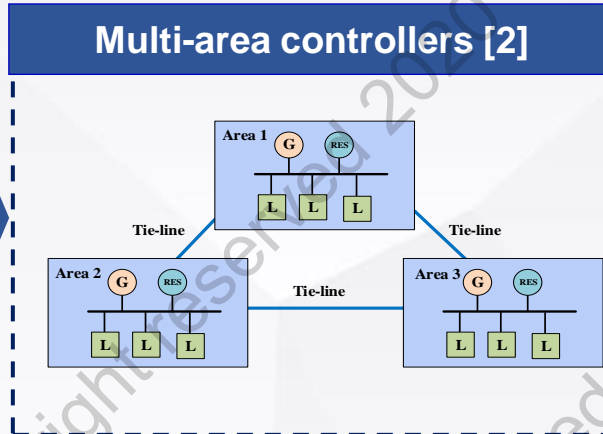
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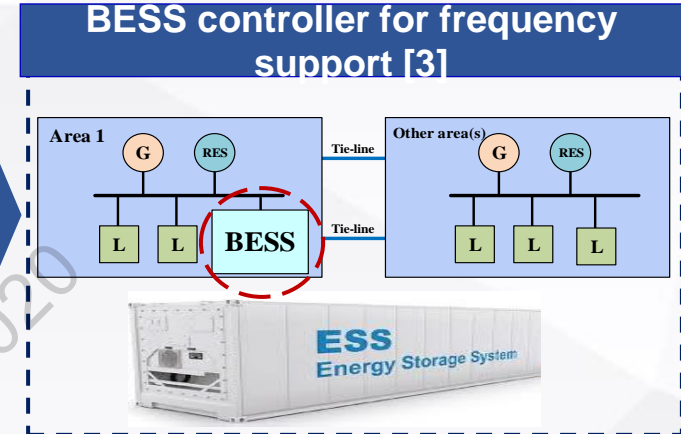
## Our research works



- Developed a **policy-based DRL model** for single-area power system frequency control
  - Minimize **expected frequency deviations**
  - **Model-assisted gradients** derivation
  - **Stacked denoising auto-encoder (SDAE)** for feature learning
- [1] Z. Yan, Y. Xu, "Data-Driven Load Frequency Control for Stochastic Power Systems: A Deep Reinforcement Learning Method With Continuous Action Search," *IEEE Trans. Power Systems*, 2019.



- Developed a **set of cooperative DRL models** for multi-area power system
  - **Centralized learning, decentralized implementation**
  - Optimize **global action-value function**
  - **Constraints-aware gradients** derivation
  - **Network initialization** to quick start
- [2] Z. Yan, Y. Xu, "A Multi-Agent Deep Reinforcement Learning Method for Cooperative Load Frequency Control of Multi-Area Power Systems," *IEEE Trans. Power Systems*, 2020.



- **Optimal control** of BESS for f support
  - Minimize **expected total** control cost considering the degradation of battery
  - Modelling of **BESS lifetime degradation**
  - **Actor-critic** framework
  - Cost **approximation** with critic
- [3] Z. Yan, Y. Xu, et al, "Data-driven Economic Control of Battery Energy Storage System Considering Battery Degradation," *IET Generation, Transmission & Distribution*, 2020.

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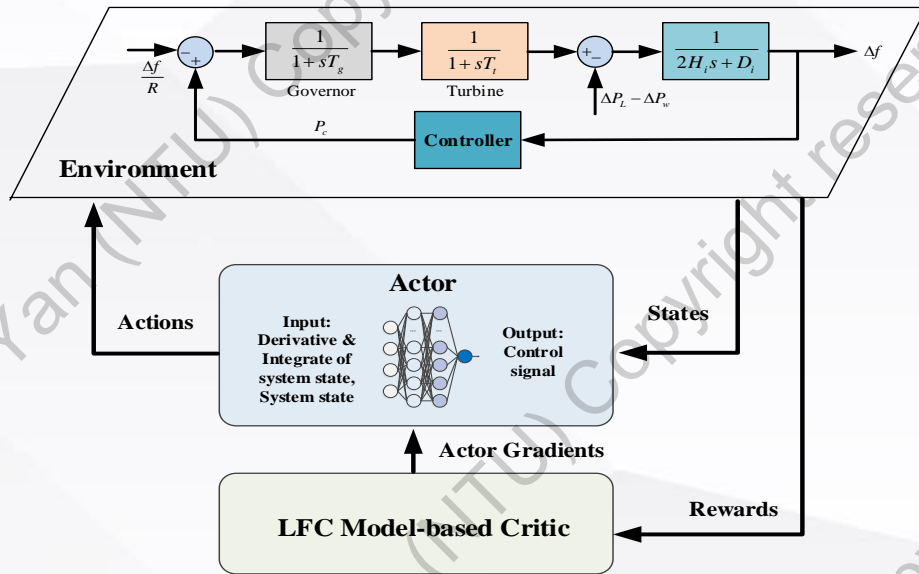
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## Single-area LFC controller

### Principle

Optimize the parameters  $\theta = [W^T, b]$  of DRL agent based on data, such that the control policy is optimized and expected frequency deviations are minimized.



Deep reinforcement learning process

### Agents-Environment Interaction

#### Action-value function:

$$\text{Maximize}_{\theta} E_D[Q^{\mu}(s_t, a_t)] = E_D[-(\sum_{i=1}^N \Delta t_i \Delta f_i^2)]$$

#### Training process

DNN's parameters  $\rightarrow \theta^{\mu} \leftarrow \theta^{\mu} + \eta \cdot \nabla_{\theta^{\mu}} J$

$$\nabla_{\theta_i^{(k)}} J \approx E_D[\nabla_{\theta^{\mu}} \mu(s | \theta^{\mu}) \nabla_a Q(s, a)]$$

$$\nabla_{\theta^{\mu}} J \approx \frac{1}{N} \sum_i \nabla_a Q(s, a) |_{s=s_i, a=\mu(s_i)} \nabla_{\theta^{\mu}} \mu(s | \theta^{\mu}) |_{s=s_i}$$

### Model-assisted gradient derivation

The gradient of expected action-value with respect to control action

$$\nabla_a Q^{\mu}(s_t, a_t) \approx -2\Delta t \Delta f(s_t, a_t) (R - k(\frac{\Delta f(s_{t+\Delta t}, a_{t+\Delta t}) - \Delta f(s_t, a_t)}{\Delta t}))$$

### DNN Updating rule

The gradient of action with respect to agent' parameters

$$\nabla_{\theta^{\mu}} \mu(s | \theta^{\mu}) = \nabla_{\theta^{\mu}} (f_{\theta}^{(n)}[\dots f_{\theta}^{(1)}(X)]) |_{X \text{ is input vector with } s=s_i}$$

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## Single-area LFC controller

- Model-based gradient derivation process

### Model-assisted gradient derivation

$$1. \quad \nabla_a Q^\mu(s_t, a_t) = -2\Delta t \Delta f(s_t, a_t) \frac{\partial \Delta f(s_t, a_t)}{\partial a}$$

$$2. \quad \begin{cases} a(t) = b_3 \frac{d^3 f(t)}{dt^3} + b_2 \frac{d^2 f(t)}{dt^2} + b_1 \frac{df(t)}{dt} + b_0 \Delta f(t) \\ b_0 = 1/R, b_1 = 2HT_g T_r [2H + (T_g + T_r)D] / D, \\ b_2 = 2HT_g T_r [T_g T_r D + 2HT_g + 2HT_r] / D, b_3 = 2HT_g T_r \\ \nabla_a f(t) = \frac{1}{b_0} (-b_3 \nabla_a \frac{d^3 f(t)}{dt^3} - b_2 \nabla_a \frac{d^2 f(t)}{dt^2} - b_1 \nabla_a \frac{df(t)}{dt} + 1) \\ \nabla_a f(t) \approx R - k \frac{df(t)}{dt} \end{cases}$$

Modifying DDPG

$$3. \quad \nabla_a Q^\mu(s_t, a_t) \approx -2\Delta t \Delta f(s_t, a_t) (R - k \frac{\Delta f(s_{t+\Delta t}, a_{t+\Delta t}) - \Delta f(s_t, a_t)}{\Delta t})$$

$$4. \quad \nabla_{\theta^\mu} \mu(s | \theta^\mu) = \nabla_{\theta^\mu} (f_\theta^{(n)}[\dots f_\theta^{(1)}(\mathbf{X})]) |_{\mathbf{X} \text{ is input vector with } s=s_t}$$

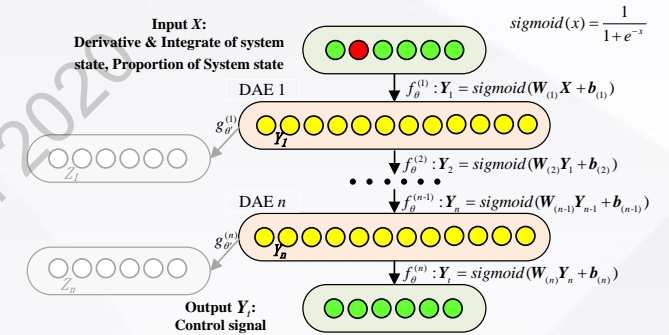
### Improved agent updating rule

$$5. \quad \begin{cases} W_{ij}^{(l,T+1)} = W_{ij}^{(l,T)} - \eta \frac{1}{m} \sum_{k=r}^{r+m} \nabla_a Q^\mu(s_t, a_t) \frac{\partial}{\partial W_{ij}^{(l,T)}} a(\mathbf{W}, \mathbf{b}) \\ b_i^{(l,T)} = b_i^{(l,T)} - \eta \frac{1}{m} \sum_{k=r}^{r+m} \nabla_a Q^\mu(s_t, a_t) \frac{\partial}{\partial b_i^{(l,T)}} a(\mathbf{W}, \mathbf{b}) \end{cases}$$

## Tricks to improve performance

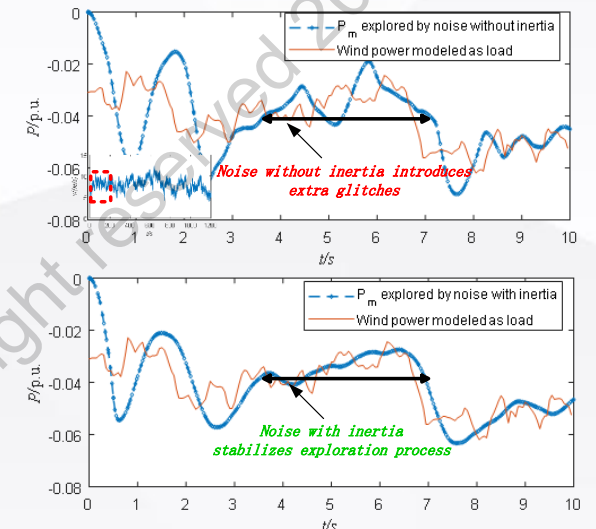
Stacked denoising auto-encoders:

Initialize the DRL agent by SDAE (supervised learning with data generated by PID controller), a deep learning tool widely used for feature extraction.



Auto-correlated exploration noise:

Stabilize the exploration process with moving average.



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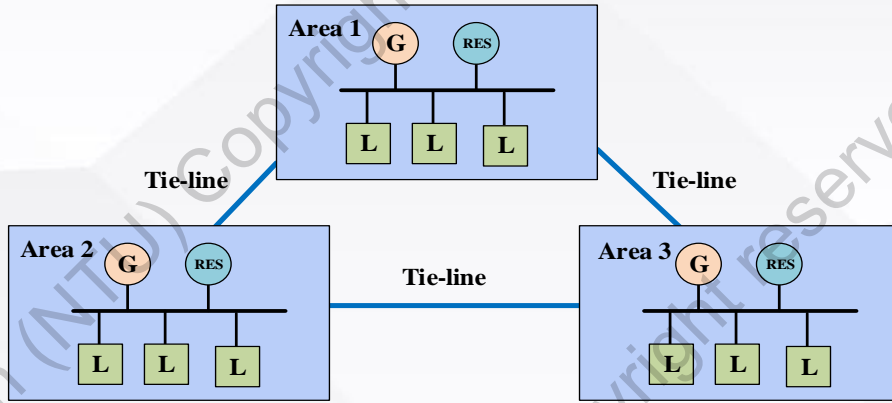
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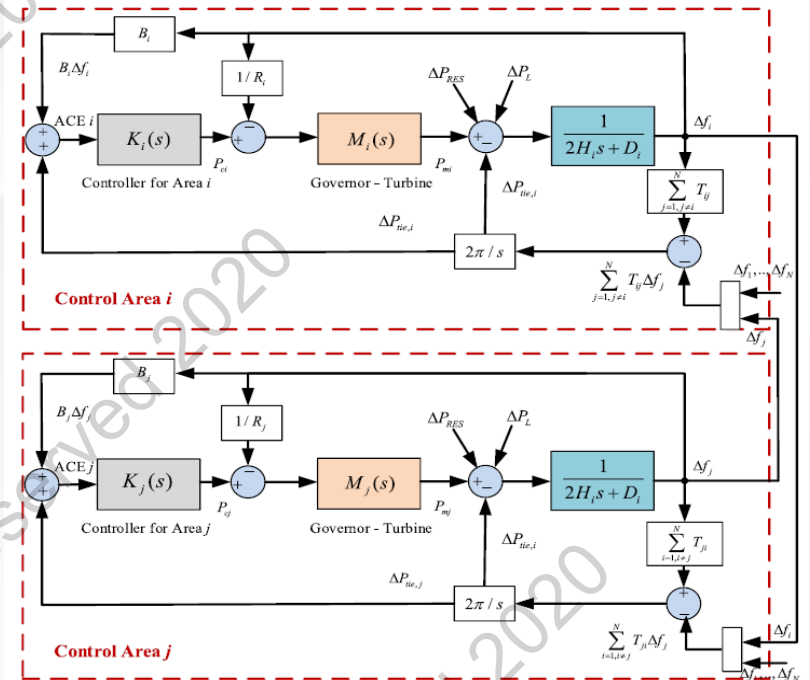
## Multi-area LFC controller

### Multi-area power system



**G:** generation    **L:** load  
**RES:** renewable energy sources  
 Each area has its own control agent.

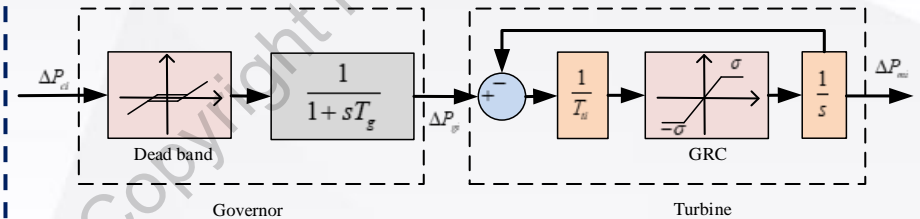
### Multi-area LFC block diagram



### Problem descriptions

- Intermittent RES: complex **cross-area power balancing** between generation and demand.
- Cooperative control: how to **coordinate** the multiple controllers in all areas.
- Constraints: how to consider nonlinear **physical limits** while optimizing the controllers.

### Nonlinear parts



generation dead band (GDB) and generation rate constraints (GRC)



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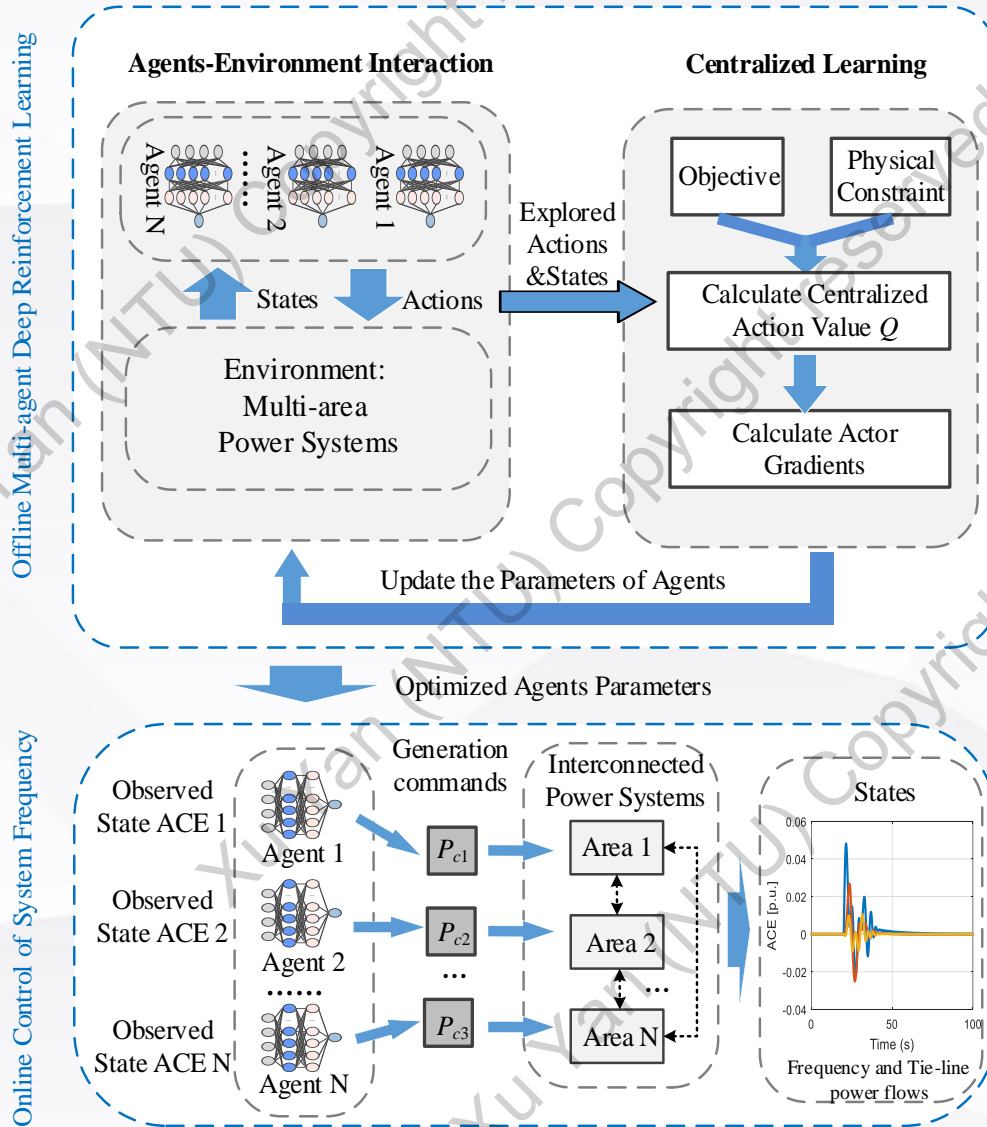
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## Multi-area LFC controller

### Centralized training and decentralized implementation



### Agents-Environment Interaction

- Global expected action-value:

$$Q^\mu(s, a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n) = -\sum_{t=1}^T [\Delta t \sum_{i=1}^n [(B_i \Delta f_i)^2 + (\Delta P_{tie,i})^2]]$$

$$\text{Maximize } E_D [Q^\mu(s, a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n)]_{\theta_1, \theta_2, \dots, \theta_N}$$

- Training process for **each agent**:

$$\theta_i^{(k+1)} = \theta_i^{(k)} + \eta \nabla_{\theta_i^{(k)}} J$$

$$\nabla_{\theta_i^{(k)}} J \approx E_D [\nabla_{\theta_i^{(k)}} \mu_i^{(k)}(o_i) \nabla_{a_i} Q^{\mu_i}(s, a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n)]$$

$$\nabla_{\theta_i^{(k)}} J \approx \frac{1}{m} \sum_i \nabla_{a_i} Q^{\mu_i}(s, a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n) \nabla_{\theta_i^{(k)}} \mu_i^{(k)}(o_i)$$

### Model-assisted gradient derivation

#### Gradient of global objective to each action

$$\nabla_{a_i} Q^{\mu_i}(s, a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n) \approx -2B_i \Delta f_i (R_i - \kappa \frac{d\Delta f_i}{dt}) - 4\pi \Delta P_{tie,i} \sum_{j \neq i}^N T_{ij} (R_i - \kappa \frac{d\Delta f_i}{dt})$$

### DNN Updating rule

#### Gradient of the action to each agent's parameters

$$\nabla_{\theta^\mu} \mu(s | \theta^\mu) = \nabla_{\theta^\mu} (f_\theta^{(n)}[\dots f_\theta^{(1)}(X)])$$

$X$  is input vector with  $s=s_i$

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### Gradients for all actors (MA-DDPG)

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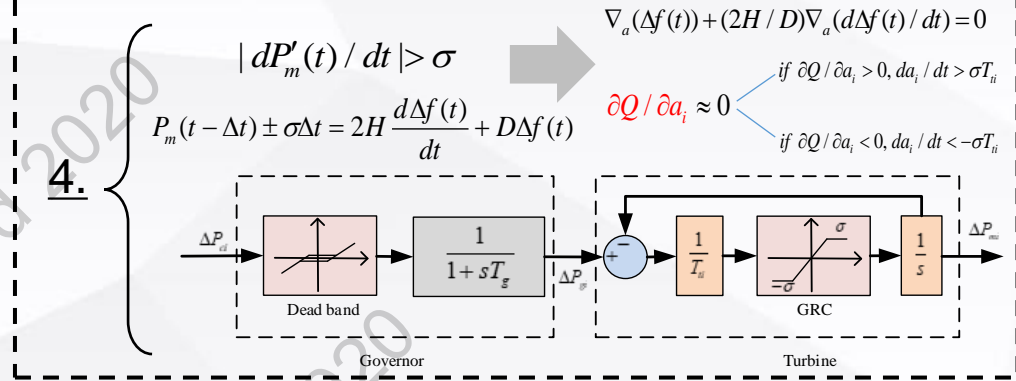
Expand

$$2. \begin{cases} \frac{\partial Q^{\mu_i}}{\partial a_i} \approx -2B_i \Delta f_i \frac{\partial \Delta f_i}{\partial a_i} - 2\Delta P_{tie,i} \frac{\partial P_{tie,i}}{\partial a_i} - \sum_{j \neq i}^n [2\Delta P_{tie,j} \frac{\partial \Delta P_{tie,j}}{\partial a_i}] \\ \frac{\partial \Delta P_{tie,i}}{\partial a_i} \approx 2\pi [\sum_{j \neq i}^N T_{ij} \frac{\partial \Delta f_j}{\partial a_i} - \sum_{j \neq i}^N T_{ij} \frac{\partial \Delta f_i}{\partial a_i}] \\ \frac{\partial \Delta P_{tie,j}}{\partial a_i} \approx 2\pi [\sum_{k \neq j}^N T_{jk} \frac{\partial \Delta f_j}{\partial a_i} - \sum_{k \neq j}^N T_{jk} \frac{\partial \Delta f_k}{\partial a_i}] \end{cases}$$

### Model-assisted gradient approximation

$$3. \begin{cases} \nabla_a \Delta f(t) = \frac{1}{\beta_0} (1 - \beta_1 \frac{d\Delta f(t)}{dt}) - \frac{\beta_2}{\beta_0} \nabla_a \frac{d^2 \Delta f(t)}{dt^2} - \frac{\beta_3}{\beta_0} \nabla_a \frac{d^3 \Delta f(t)}{dt^3} \\ \beta_0 = 1/R, \beta_1 = 2HT_g T_t [2H + (T_g + T_t)D] / D, \\ \beta_2 = 2HT_g T_t [T_g T_t D + 2HT_g + 2HT_t] / D, \beta_3 = 2HT_g T_t \\ \frac{\partial Q^{\mu_i}}{\partial a_i} \approx -2B_i \Delta f_i (R_i - \kappa \frac{d\Delta f_i}{dt}) - 4\pi \Delta P_{tie,i} \sum_{j \neq i}^N T_{ij} (R_i - \kappa \frac{d\Delta f_i}{dt}) \end{cases}$$

## Considering generation rate constraints (GRC)



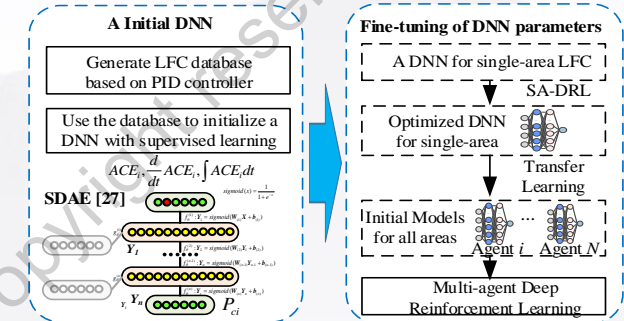
## Agent updating rule considering physical limits

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## Tricks to improve performance

### Initialization:

Initialize the DRL agent by supervised learning (data generated by PID controller), then further improved with reinforcement learning.



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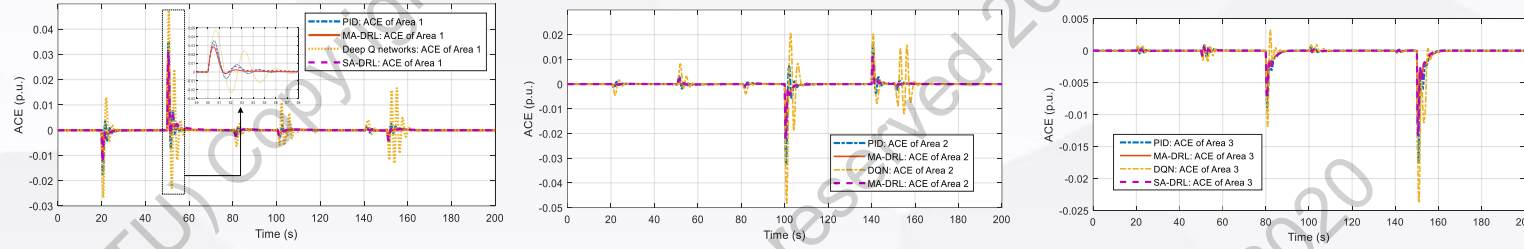
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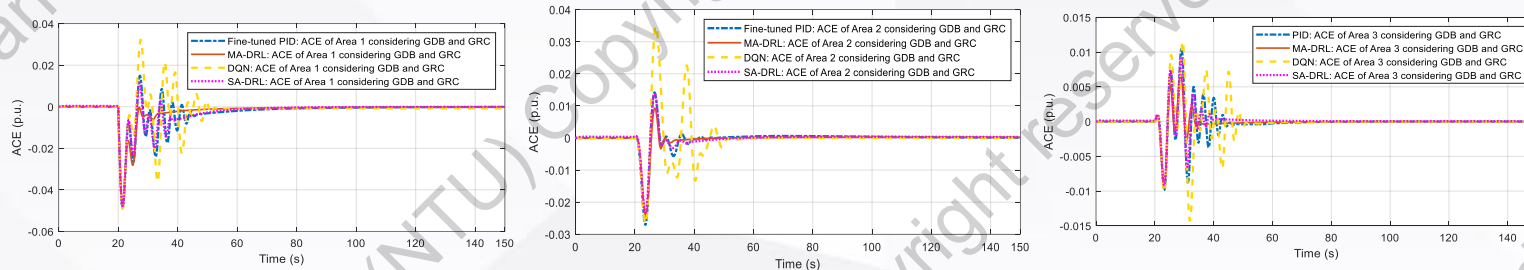
## Testing results (LFC model)

### Linearized LFC model (no physical limits):



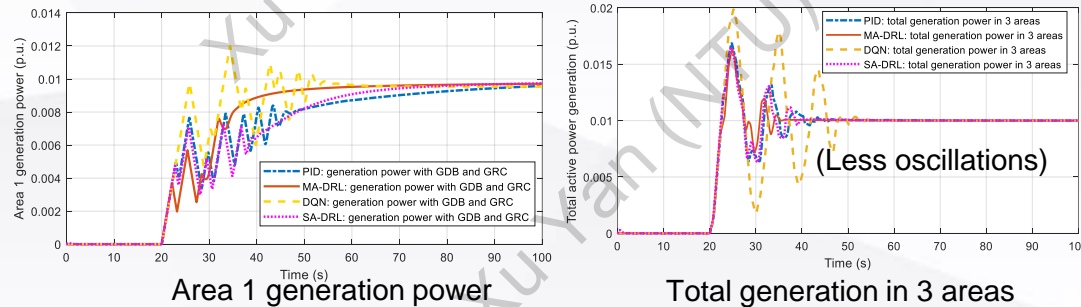
- **Less expected frequency deviations:** 87.7% better than DQN, 57.5% better than PID.
- **Smaller frequency nadir:** 39.6% better than DQN, 17.1% better than PID.

### Nonlinearity (GRC&GDB):



- **Less deviations:** 62.5% better than DQN, 22.2% better than PID.
- Improves the LFC performance by better **coordination** among all the areas

### Generation power under GRC&GDB:



Method	Q	Mean  ACE  %	Max  ACE  [p.u.]
Fine-tuned PID	-0.0247	0.037	0.035
(Deep) Q-learning	-0.0851	0.093	0.048
Proposed method	<b>-0.0105</b>	<b>0.023</b>	<b>0.029</b>
Fine-tuned PID (GRC and GDB)	-1.8e-3	0.042	0.049
(Deep) Q-learning (GRC and GDB)	-3.2e-3	0.061	0.049
Proposed method (GRC and GDB)	<b>-1.2e-3</b>	<b>0.029</b>	<b>0.048</b>

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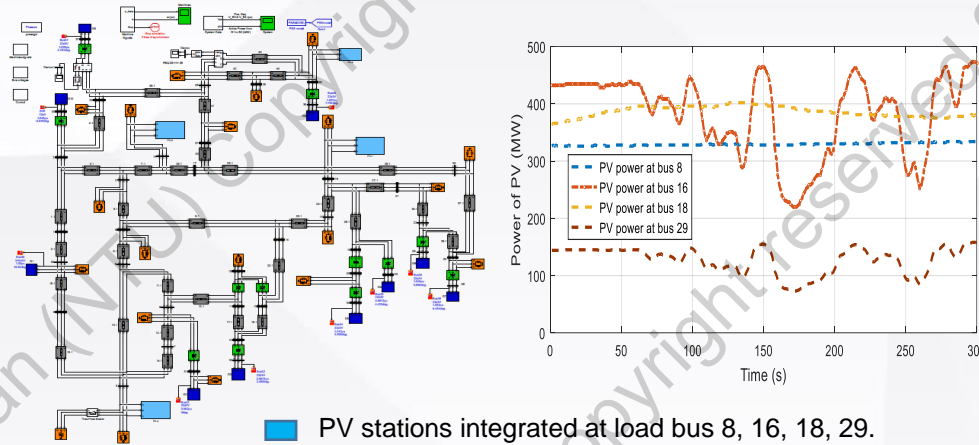
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## Testing results (time-domain model)

- NE 39-bus system with full dynamic model:



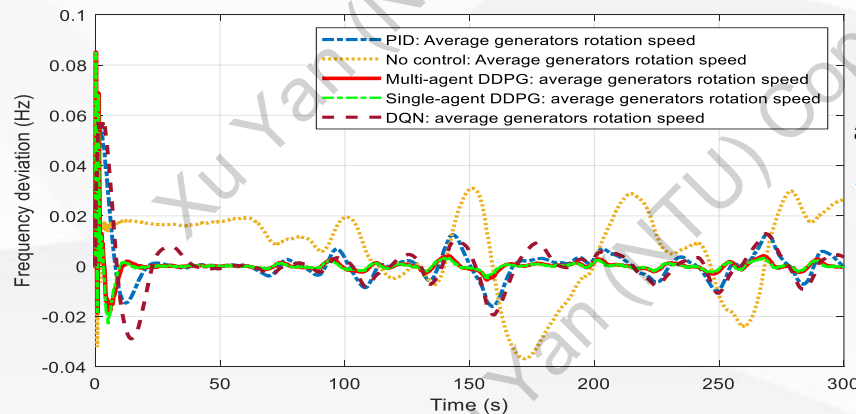
- Numeric comparison

Method	Q	Mean  ACE  %	Max  ACE  [p.u.]
Fine-tuned PID	-7.0e-05	0.0095	0.002
(Deep) Q-learning	-1.35e-4	0.0119	0.002
Single-agent DDPG	-3.4e-05	0.0044	0.002
Proposed MA-DRL	<b>-3.2e-05</b>	<b>0.0047</b>	0.002
No control	-0.013	0.21	0.002

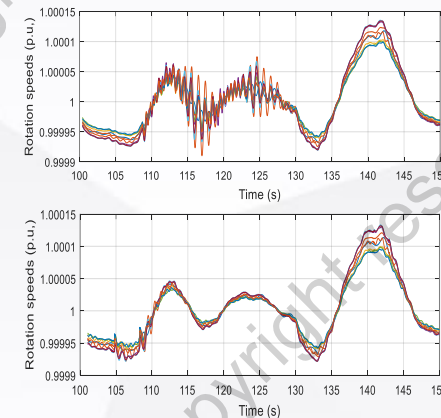
Objective function: less frequency deviations in data-driven methods

More related with system's inertia

- System frequency for different methods



average



Rotation speed of 9 different generators

- Less frequency deviations: 76.3% better than DQN, 54.3% better than PID.
- Better **coordination** among all the agents



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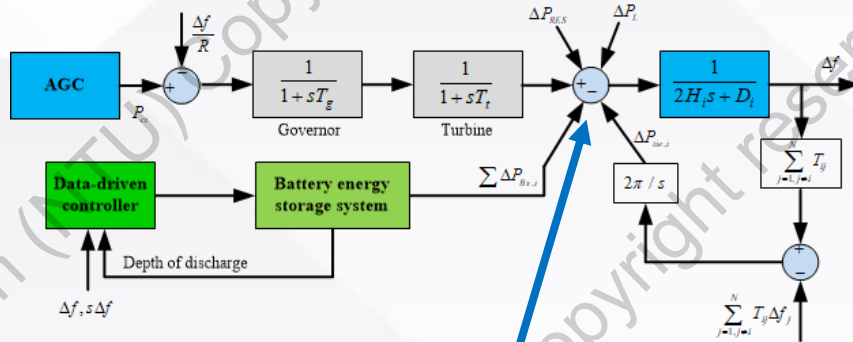
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## Battery energy storage system control for frequency support

### Battery Energy Storage System

- High control flexibility and response speed.
- Intensive usage can cause **battery aging**.



### System dynamics with BESS

$$\Delta \dot{f}_i = \frac{1}{2H_i} (\Delta P_{mi} + \Delta P_{BESSi} - \Delta P_{Li} - \Delta P_{tie,i}) - \frac{D}{2H_i} \Delta f_i \quad (1)$$

$$\Delta \dot{P}_{mi} = \frac{1}{T_{ti}} \Delta P_{gi} - \frac{1}{T_{ti}} \Delta P_{mi} \quad (2)$$

$$\Delta \dot{P}_{gi} = \frac{1}{T_{gi}} \Delta P_{ci} - \frac{1}{R_i T_{gi}} \Delta f_i - \frac{1}{T_{gi}} \Delta P_{gi} \quad (3)$$

$$\Delta \dot{P}_{tie,i} = 2\pi \sum_{j=1, j \neq i}^N T_{ij} (\Delta f_i - \Delta f_j) \quad (4)$$

System frequency

$$SoC_i(t) = SoC_i(0) - \int_0^t \frac{\eta_i g_i(t)}{3600 E_{rate,i}} dt \quad (5) \text{ BESS SoC}$$

$$\Delta P_{ci}(t) = -K_p ACE_i(t) - K_I \int ACE_i(t) \quad (6) \text{ AGC}$$

### Problem description

Optimize a DRL agent, such that the **expected total control cost** is minimized

$$\text{Minimize } E_D \left[ \sum_{\theta^\mu} \sum_{j=1}^T \sum_{i=1}^J (c_{u,i} + c_{b,i} + c_{g,i}) \Delta t_j \right]$$

- Modelling of **BESS control cost**

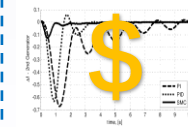
#### 1) Battery Aging Cost



- Cost due to battery marginal degradation.

$$c_b(t) = \text{sgn}[g_t(t)] \frac{g_t(t) R}{\eta EL} \frac{\partial \Phi(\delta)}{\partial \delta}$$

#### 2) Unscheduled interchange



- Cost due to frequency deviations and unscheduled power interchanges.

$$p(f) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } f \in [1.006f_0, 1.02f_0) \text{ Hz} \\ \alpha_3 + \beta_3 \Delta f & \text{if } f \in [0.99f_0, 1.006f_0) \text{ Hz} \\ \alpha_2 + \beta_2 \Delta f & \text{if } f \in [0.984f_0, 0.99f_0) \text{ Hz} \\ \alpha_1 & \text{if } f \in [0.98, 0.984f_0) \text{ Hz} \end{cases}$$

#### 4) AGC generation cost



- Additional generations to maintain frequency

$$c_g(t) = \sum_{i=1}^K (b_i p_{g,i} + c_i p_{g,i}^2)$$

- Control cost **approximated** by critic network

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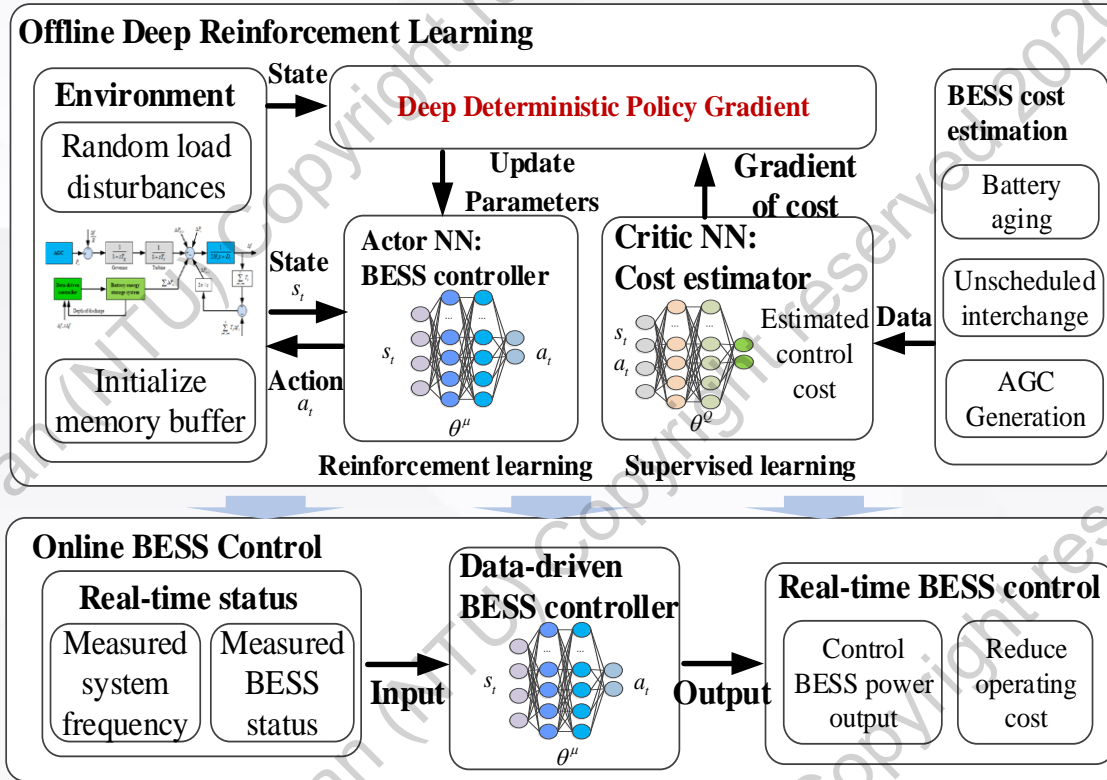
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## ■ BESS control for frequency support



- Offline Deep Reinforcement learning  
The critic NN approximates total control cost and actor gradients. The actor NN (BESS control agent) is optimized with actor gradients.
- Online BESS control  
The real-time control action by the optimized DRL agent already considers the control cost.

### Agent-Environment Interaction

- Expected action-values:  
$$\text{Maximize}_{\theta^\mu} E_D [ Q^\mu(s_t, a_t) ]$$
- Cost: battery marginal aging, unscheduled interchange, AGC generation
- Cost approximation with critic:  
$$Q^\mu(s_t, a_t) = - \sum_T [c_b(t) + c_u(t) + c_g(t)] \Delta t$$
  
$$\min_{\theta^Q} \| Q_R - h_{\theta^Q}^{(n)} [\dots h_{\theta^Q}^{(1)}(s, a)] \|^2$$
- Training process  
$$\theta^{\mu'} = \theta^\mu + \eta \cdot \nabla_{\theta^\mu} J$$
  
$$\nabla_{\theta^\mu} J \approx \frac{1}{N} \sum_i \nabla_a Q(s, a | \theta^Q) \nabla_{\theta^\mu} \mu(s | \theta^\mu)$$

#### Critic-based gradients

Gradient of objective to BESS action

$$Q_R \approx h_{\theta^Q}^{(n)} [\dots h_{\theta^Q}^{(1)}(s, a)]$$

$$\nabla_a Q(s, a) \approx \nabla_a h_{\theta^Q}^{(n)} [\dots h_{\theta^Q}^{(1)}(s, a)]$$

#### DNN Updating rule

Gradient of action to agent' parameters

$$\nabla_{\theta^\mu} \mu(s | \theta^\mu) = \nabla_{\theta^\mu} (f_{\theta^\mu}^{(n)} [\dots f_{\theta^\mu}^{(1)}(X)])$$

[3] Z. Yan, Y. Xu, et al, "Data-driven Economic Control of Battery Energy Storage System Considering Battery Degradation," *IET Generation, Transmission & Distribution*, 2020.

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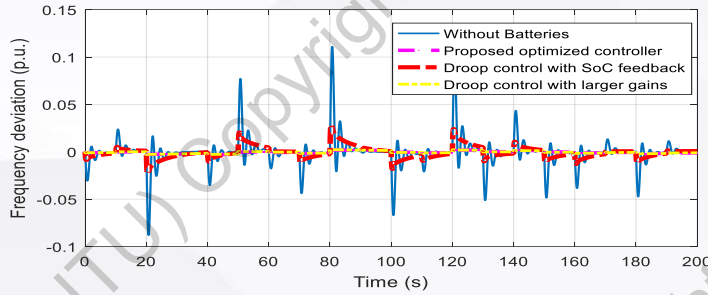
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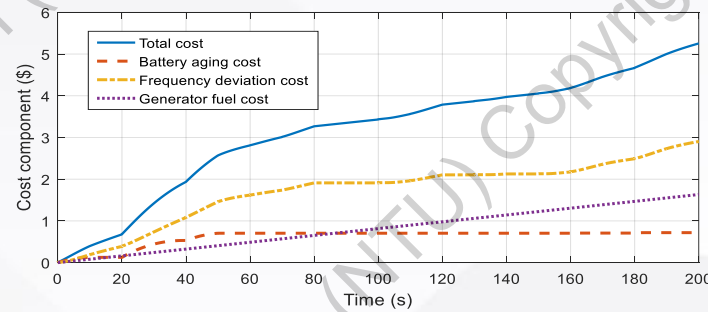
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## Battery energy storage system control for frequency support

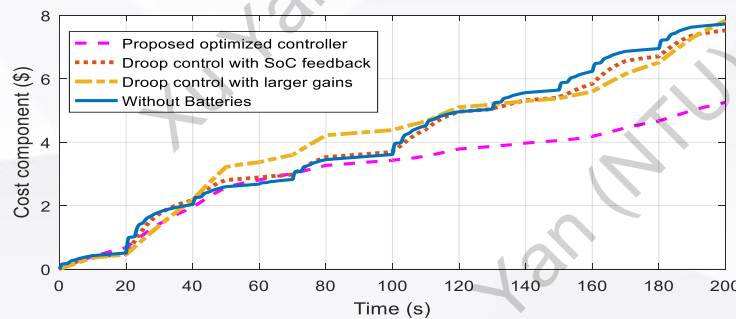
### System frequency in 3 areas



### Accumulative cost (each component)



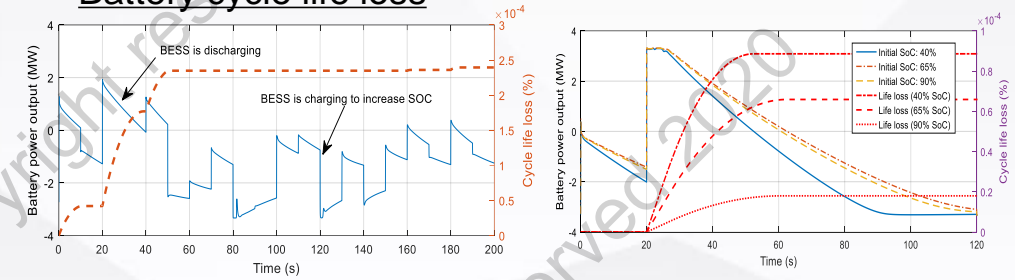
### Accumulative cost (total)



### Numerical results (random load changes)

Method	C (\$)	C <sub>b</sub> (\$)	C <sub>u</sub> (\$)	C <sub>g</sub> (\$)	Saving (%)
No Batteries	7.73	0.00	6.10	1.63	0.0
Proposed	5.25	0.72	2.90	1.63	32.1
Droop with SoC	7.53	1.43	4.47	1.62	2.6
Droop with larger gains	7.83	4.92	1.29	1.62	-1.3

### Battery cycle life loss



- **Reduced 32.1%** total control cost.
- The BESS control is improved by **avoiding discharging** when depth-of-discharge is relatively high

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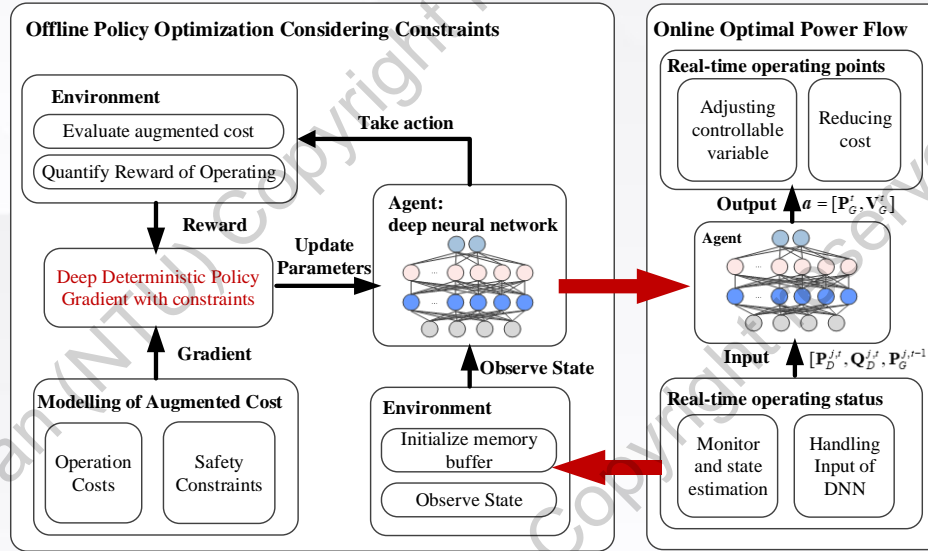
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# 6. Other related works

## Related work 1: real-time computation of optimal power flow (RT-OPF)



Method	Average generation cost (USD\$)	Average absolute errors of $P_G$ (MW)	Inequality Constraints	Average time saving (%)
IP method OPF [7] (benchmark)	$1.3018 \times 10^5$	0.00	All satisfied	0.0%
DC OPF [7]	$1.3076 \times 10^5$	0.610	Branch flow and nodal voltage not satisfied	90.1%
Supervised learning [3] using a DNN	$1.2997 \times 10^5$	5.018	Branch flow and generator ramping not satisfied	99.8%
Proposed method	$1.3018 \times 10^5$	0.186	All satisfied	99.8%

### Model-assisted gradient derivation

Expand with mini-batch gradient descent:

$$\nabla_{\theta} L = \nabla_a L \cdot \nabla_{\theta} a$$

$$\nabla_a L = \nabla_a (C'_{P_G}(a)) + \nabla_a \left( \sum_{k=1}^{N_{\lambda}} \mu_k h_k(a) \right)$$

$$\nabla_{\theta} a = \nabla_{\theta} (f_{\theta}^{(n)} [\dots f_{\theta}^{(1)} ([P_D^{j,t}, Q_D^{j,t}, P_G^{j,t-1}]^T)])$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \nabla_a L \\ \Delta \lambda \end{bmatrix} \approx \begin{bmatrix} W & G^T \\ G & 0 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} -\nabla C(a) - H^T \mu \\ -g(a) \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} H^T \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \Delta \mu$$

where,  $G = \partial g(a) / \partial a$ ,  $W$  is the Hessian matrix of Lagrangian,  $H = \partial h(a) / \partial a$ .

Train the DRL agent by optimizing augmented action-value function to consider constraints

$$L(a_t, \theta, \lambda, \mu) = \min_{\theta} \sum_i^N L_i(a_i, \theta, \lambda, \mu) = \sum_{i=1}^{N_G} C_{Gi}(a_t) + \sum_{j=1}^{N_{\lambda}} \lambda_j g_j(a_t) + \sum_{k=1}^{N_{\mu}} \mu_k h_k(a_t)$$

### Lagrangian function

(primal-dual safe reinforcement learning)

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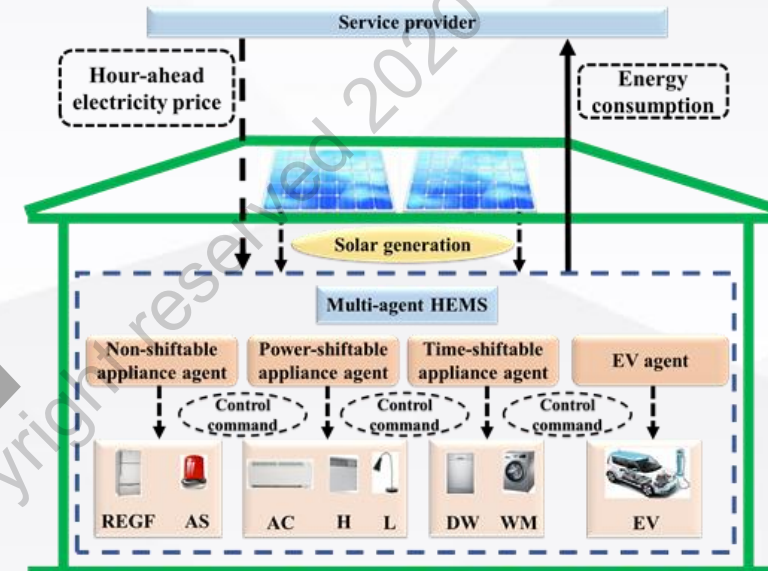
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## ■ Related work 2: data-driven home energy management system (HEMS)



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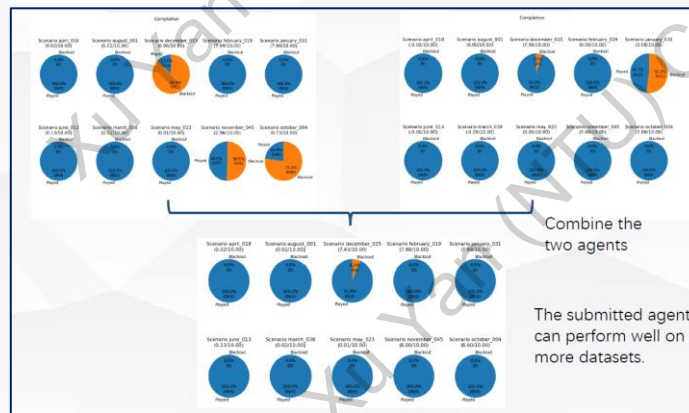
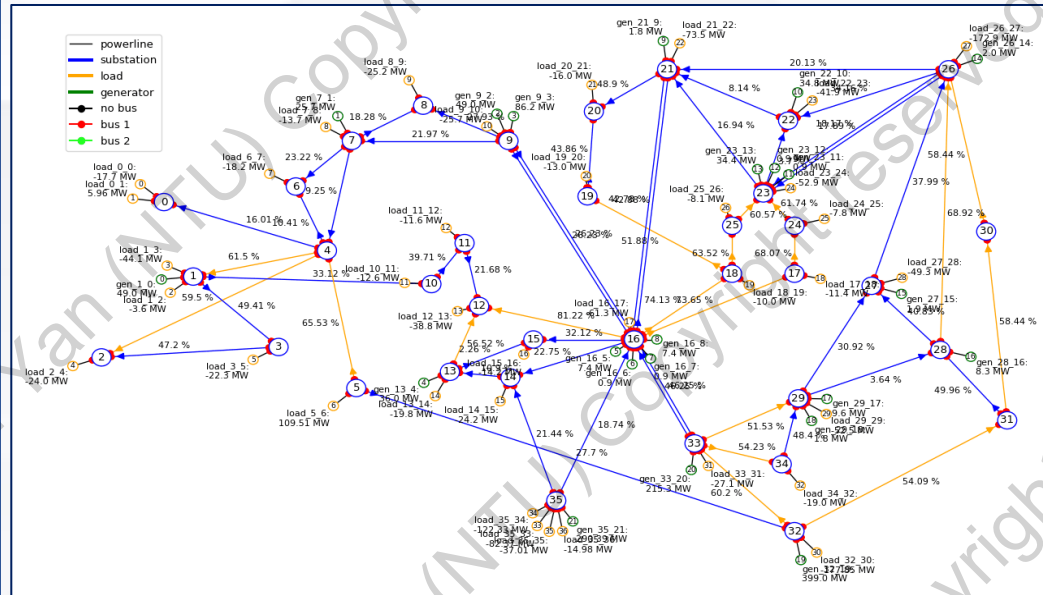
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## Related work 3: corrective control optimization

- ✓ Generation rescheduling
- ✓ Splitting or coupling busbars at substations
- ✓ Network reconfiguration
- ✓ Asynchronous Actor-Critic Agents



Detailed introduction of our method can be found at: <https://l2rpn.chalearn.org/competitions>



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