

The Energy Analytics & Markets group

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(with ackn. to all funding sources, data providers, collaborators and students, for material and ideas)

- **Who are we? ... and what we do**
- **Some interesting problems towards an healthy integration of renewables, e.g.**
 - Renewable energy analytics
 - Stochastic market clearing and probabilistic offering
 - Wind providing system services through markets
 - Demand response energy system integration
 - Optimal coordination of HVDC
 - Give us more data!
- **Outlook**

... you may find a number of short videos (5-7mins) describing our works on the [DTU CEE Youtube Channel](#)

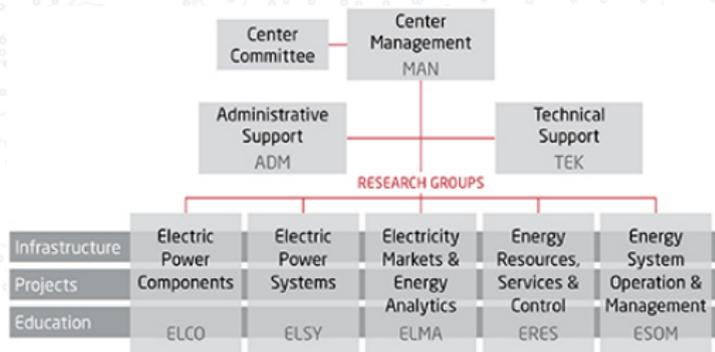
A map of Europe showing a network of nodes and edges. The nodes are represented by small grey circles, and the edges are thin grey lines connecting them. The map covers the entire continent of Europe, including the British Isles, Scandinavia, and the Mediterranean region. The network is dense, particularly in the central and western parts of the continent.

1 Who are we?... and what we do

- **Established 15 August 2012 as a merger of existing units (Lyngby + Risø)**
 - One of the strongest university centers in Europe with approx. 100 employees
 - A single, clear interface for our external collaboration partners
 - Provides cutting-edge research, education and innovation in the field of electric power and energy to meet the future needs of society regarding a reliable, cost efficient and environmentally friendly energy system
- **Bachelor and Master programs:** Electrical Engineering, Wind Energy, Sustainable Energy

- **Main competences:**

- Components
- Power systems
- Distributed energy resources
- Market modeling, forecasting and optimization



- **Center agreement (i.e., direct support):** Energinet.dk, Siemens, DONG Energy, Danfoss

• Academic partners:



+ many more

• Commercial and industrial partners:



+ many SME's

• Networks:



... while building ties with, e.g., EPRI (US), EDF (France), Air Liquide, Danske Commodities, etc.

- One of the 5 groups of the Center for Electric Power and Energy, Dpt. of Electrical Engineering

- **Resources:** (10 nationalities)

- *Faculty:* 1 Prof, 1 Assist. Prof. (+1 more in 2016)
- *Junior:* 4 post-doc fellows, 9 Ph.D. students (+3 others not at DTU Elektro), 2-3 research assistants
- + student helpers, and Ph.D. guests from, e.g., China, Brazil, US, Spain, France, Italy, Belgium, etc.

- **Projects** (active in 2015):

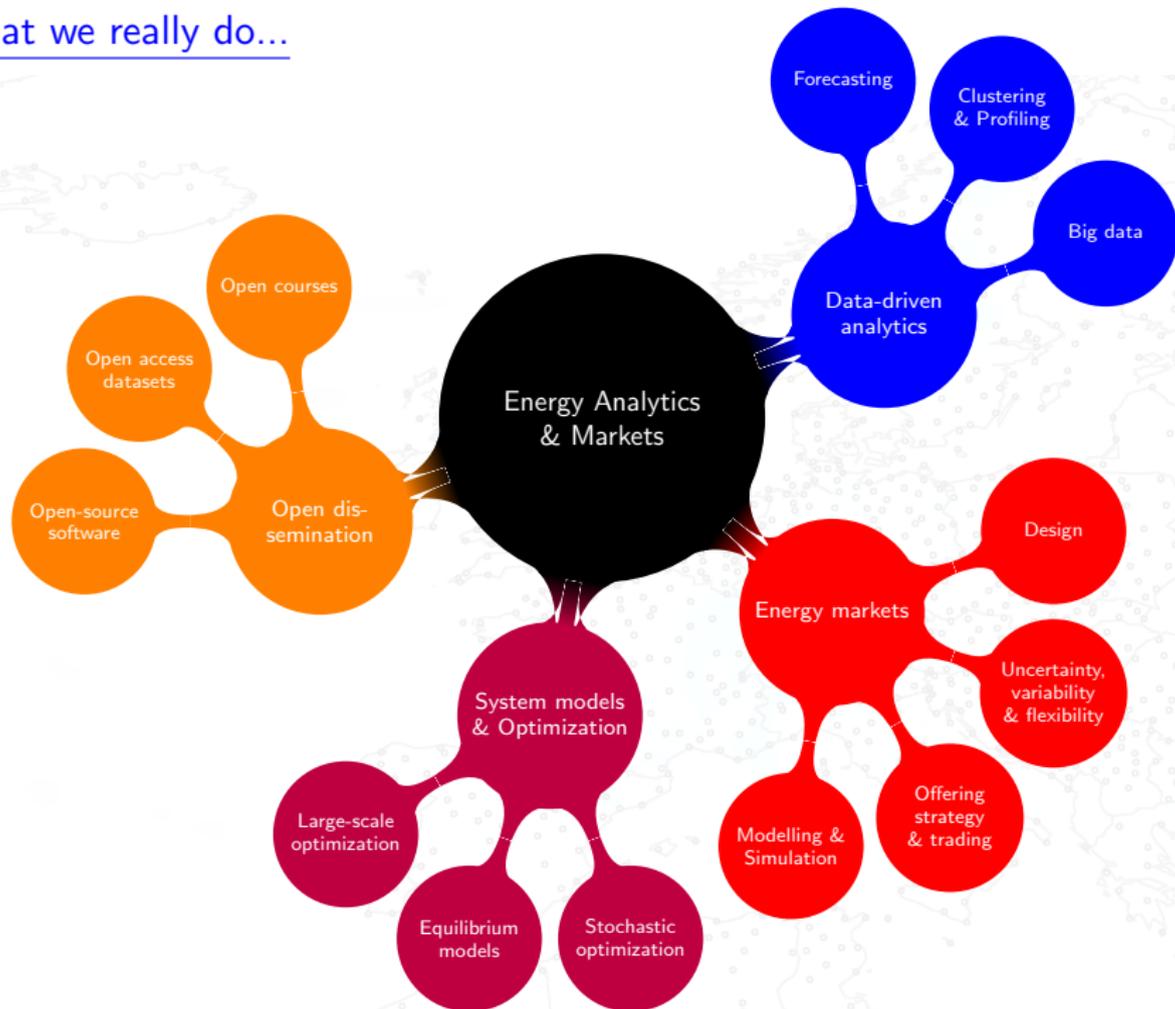
- **EU:** EcoGrid EU, BestPaths
- **Danish:** 5s, CITIES, EnergyLab Nordhavn
- **Danish-Chinese:** PROAIN
- etc.

- **Education:** Various courses on analytics, forecasting, renewables and electricity markets

- (hopefully) recognized leading expertise in energy analytics and markets



What we really do...



Wind Energy: Forecasting Challenges for Its Operational Management

Pierre Pinson

Abstract. Renewable energy sources, especially wind energy, are to play a larger role in providing electricity to industrial and domestic consumers. This is already the case today for a number of European countries, closely followed by the US and high growth countries, for example, Brazil, India and China. There exist a number of technological, environmental and political challenges linked to supplementing existing electricity generation capacities with wind energy. Here, mathematicians and statisticians could make a substantial contribution at the interface of meteorology and decision-making, in connection with the generation of forecasts tailored to the various operational decision problems involved. Indeed, while wind energy may be seen as an environmentally friendly source of energy, full benefits from its usage can only be obtained if one is able to accommodate its variability and limited predictability. Based on a short presentation of its physical basics, the importance of considering wind power generation as a stochastic process is motivated. After describing representative operational decision-making problems for both market participants and system operators, it is underlined that forecasts should be issued in a probabilistic framework. Even though, eventually, the forecaster may only communicate single-valued predictions. The existing approaches to wind power forecasting are subsequently described, with focus on single-valued predictions, predictive marginal densities and space-time trajectories. Upcoming challenges related to generating improved and new types of forecasts, as well as their verification and value to forecast users, are finally discussed.

Key words and phrases: Decision-making, electricity markets, forecast verification, Gaussian copula, linear and nonlinear regression, quantile regression, power systems operations, parametric and nonparametric predictive densities, renewable energy, space-time trajectories, stochastic optimization.

1. INTRODUCTION

Increased concerns related to climate evolution and energetic independence have supported the necessary technological and regulatory developments to broaden the energy mix all around the world, with a particular emphasis placed on renewable energy sources (Letcher, 2008). Among the various candidates, wind

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energy showed the most rapid and consistent deployment of power generating capacities. By June 2012, the cumulative installed wind power capacity worldwide had reached 254 GW, and it is still increasing at a rapid pace [WWEA (World Wind Energy Association), 2012]. Besides all the mathematical and statistical challenges in the development of turbines (aerodynamics, materials and structures, etc.), and in the deployment of wind energy capacities (e.g., wind resource estimation, logistics optimization), those related to power systems operations and electricity markets have attracted substantial and growing interest over the last 3 decades. This is since, in contrast with conven-

Statistical Science
Special issue on "Mathematics of Planet Earth"

Published in Dec. 2013
(open access!)

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Integrating Renewables in Electricity Markets

Operational Problems



 Springer

Available from Dec. 2013
(sorry, not open access!)

Topics:

- Renewable energy modeling and forecasting
- Day-ahead market-clearing with significant share of renewables
- Balancing markets
- Managing uncertainty (rewarding flexibility)
- Impact of renewables on market quantities
- Trading stochastic power generation
- Virtual power plants (meaningful association and operation)
- Demand-side aspects

- 2 Some interesting problems towards an healthy integration of renewables

Renewable energy analytics as a breakthrough

● The MIT Technology Review:

- founded at MIT in 1899
- daily review/analysis of technological innovation worldwide
- *impact*: 580.000 members and 2.400.000 website visitors per month!



Turn on the weather for the Illinois Cornbelt and see how smart measures can improve it.

Smart Wind and Solar Power

Big data and artificial intelligence are producing ultra-accurate forecasts that will make it feasible to integrate much more renewable energy into the grid.

Breakthrough

Ultra-accurate forecasting of wind and solar power.

Why It Matters

Dealing with the intermittency of renewable energy will be crucial for its expansion.

Key Players

• Xcel Energy
• GE Power
• National Center for Atmospheric Research

10 Breakthrough Technologies 2014

Introduction

Agricultural Drones >

Ultra-thin Smartphones >

Brain Mapping >

Neuromorphic Chips >

Genome Editing >

Microscale 3-D Printing >

Mobile Collaboration >

Ordnance III >

Agile Robots >

Smart Wind and Solar Power >

Archives of Past Lists >

● The 10 breakthrough technologies 2014:

- genome editing
- microscale 3D printing
- neuromorphic chips
- brain mapping
- etc.
- **renewable energy analytics**, especially *short-term forecasting* (0-72h) and its *dynamic uncertainty*

[See link:
MIT Technology Review - Smart Wind and Solar Power]

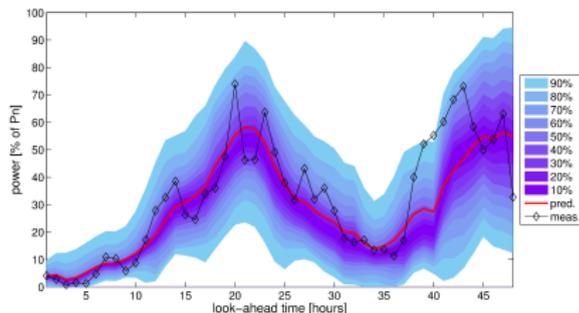
Wind power is booming on the open plains of eastern Colorado. Travel seven miles north of the town of Limon on Highway 71 and then head

- **Modelling, forecasting, and decision-making** ought to be done in a probabilistic framework

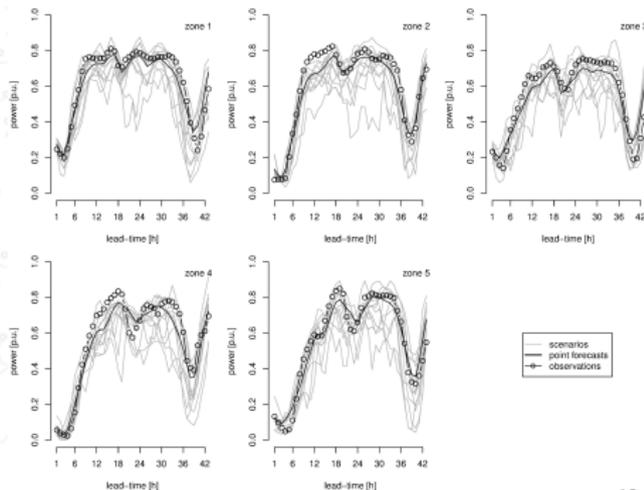
- We are recognized for **leading contributions in that field**, e.g.,

- 1 *Innovative probabilistic forecasting products*
- 2 *Reference frameworks to benchmark and evaluate forecasts*
- 3 *Most cited work on wind energy in electricity markets*
- 4 *First weather radar offshore for analytics at large offshore wind farms*

Density forecasts: (ex: wind farm in Denmark)

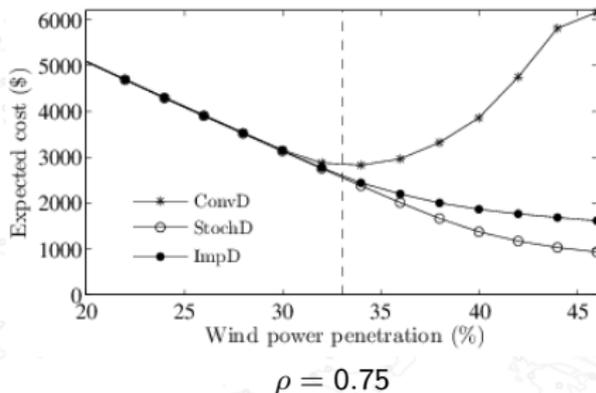
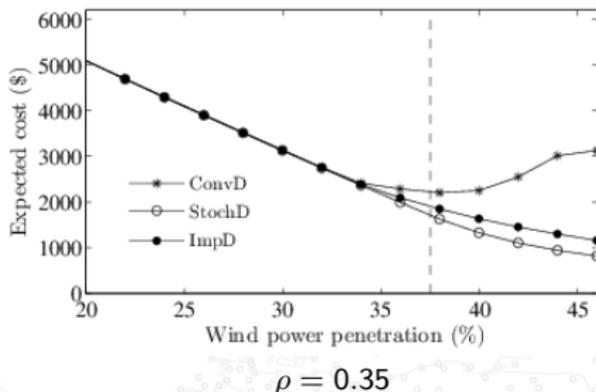


Space-time scenarios: (ex: 5 areas in Denmark)



- Day-ahead market-clearing insures an **optimal match of production and demand**, a fair amount of time prior to operations, **regardless of the 'nature' of offers/bids**
- With increased variability and uncertainty to be dealt with, the system should be placed in a state permitting to optimally cope with **whatever could realistically happen**
- The alternative schools of thoughts:
 - *Conventional sequential market-clearing(s)*, where day-ahead aspects and balancing are decoupled
 - *Stochastic optimization*, accounting for expected costs of balancing
- The more practical, and still efficient, solutions:
 - *Conventional market-clearing with improved dispatch of stochastic production*
 - *Robust optimization based dispatch*
- These are current research problems...

- **Representative 24-bus system** (IEEE RTS, Grigg *et al.* (1999)), with total demand of 2GW and various types of generators (2 wind farms, for simplicity)
- Realistic unit characteristics (also, Bouffard *et al.* (2005)) and load, while varying wind power penetration and spatial correlation
- Energy-only **Market-clearing:** *conventional, stochastic optimization, conventional with improved dispatch of stochastic power generation*
- Costs of power system operation highly impacted by market-clearing approach



Dispatch under uncertainty

probabilistic offers

evaluation of offers

coupled day-ahead and real-time markets

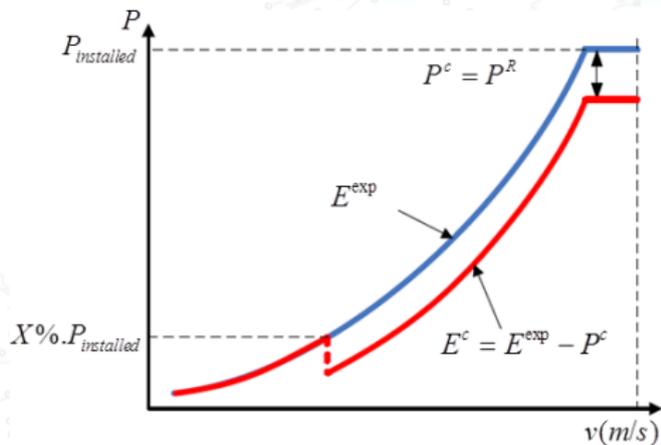
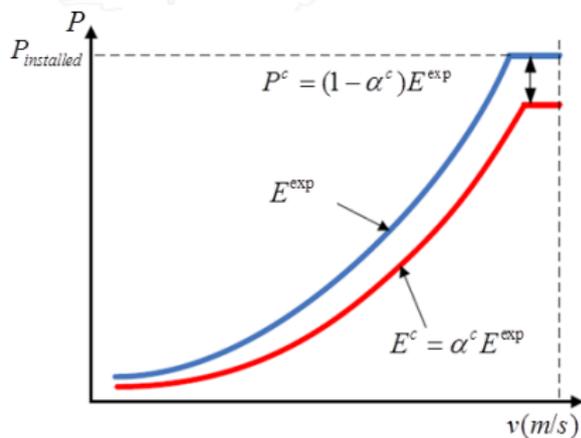
Think Probabilistically
Act Probabilistically

Accountability for
Uncertainty

Efficient Market Design

- **The narrative fallacy:** Do we really believe we can offer renewables deterministically with lead times of 12-36 hours ahead?
- Why not adapting market designs to reveal and accommodate the true cost of renewables' uncertainty?

- In a market environment, wind power producers may offer services under alternative strategies



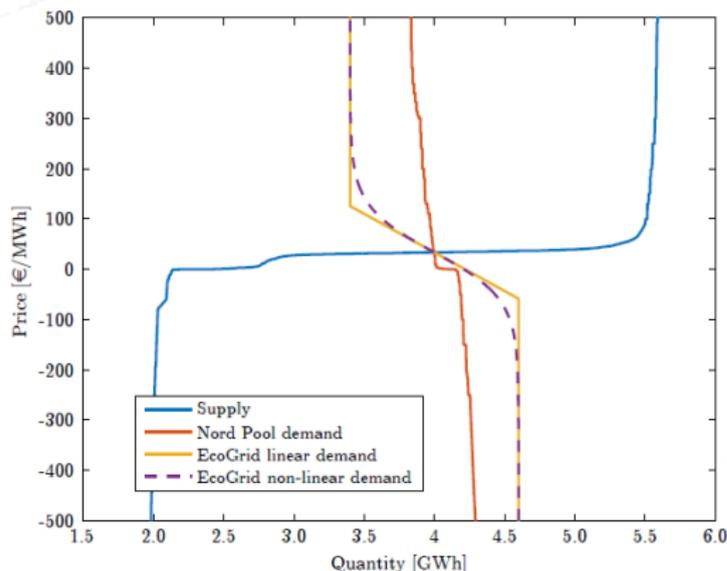
- **The unfortunate paradox:** under current market design (even with natural improvements), it is most likely that optimal strategies would be simply not offer/provide any service at all!
- Again here, how could this be changed?

EcoGrid EU Partners



Key aspects:

- Nearly 1900 households/commercial/industry installations participating
- Design and evaluation of a complete market concept
- Commitment from academia and relevant industry partners, e.g., Energinet, Østkraft, IBM, Siemens, etc.
- A lot of sweat and stress...

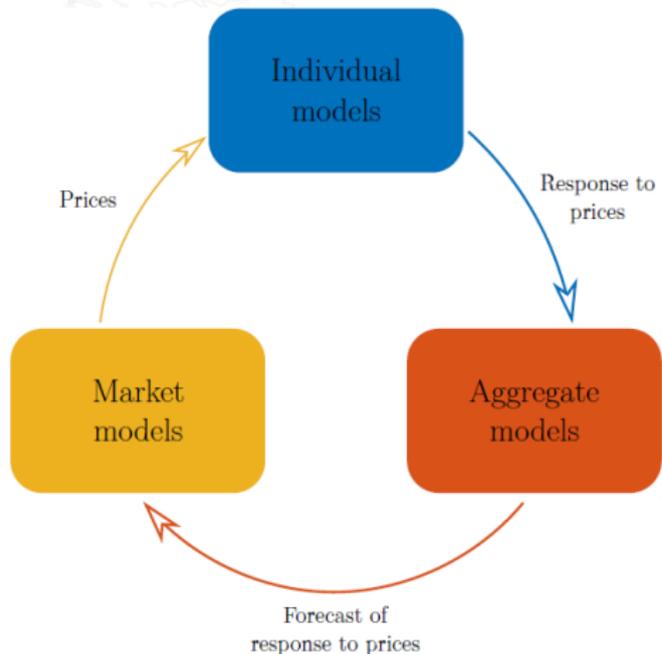


• Important considerations on the demand side:

- The approach should scale nicely, and directly reward demand for its flexibility
- However, such an approach relies on the conditional dynamic elasticity of electricity consumers
- Forecasting it is key, and even then the actual response may still be uncertain

• The market itself:

- An additional market aiming to mobilize demand-side flexibility (near) real-time
- Demand is then enabled as a service provider, e.g., for balancing or congestion management
- Demand is part of a pool among other potential service providers



- A few personal thoughts:

- Some might say that this is a “twisted” market, since demand never offered its flexibility
- The concept is packed with analytics concepts - it could be very sensitive to the quality of models employed

EnergyLab Norhavn

HER ER FREMTIDENS ENERGI LØSNINGER

ENERGILAB NORHAVN

KOORDINERING AF SYSTEMER
EnergyLab Norhavn skal hjælpe fælleskabet i energisystemet ved at udvikle datayesystemer, der kan styre, regulere, overvåge og balancere produktion og forbrug af og varme. PowerLab-koncepterne på DTU-leverer data for EnergyLab Norhavn.

VARMELAGER
En vigtigste del af vedvarende energi i vores elsystem betyder, at produktionen udgøres af kraftvarme og lagres, når der er overskud af energi på forbrugsnettet. Varmelagere er placeret på det mest optimale sted i forhold til energi, som i hovedsagen baseres på 100 pct. bæredygtigt biomasse.

SMART GRID
I fremtiden vil byerne få en mere dynamisk energiforsyning, hvor forbrugere selv producerer varme og køler og indfører selvregulerende og smarte løsninger. Disse løsninger vil være i stand til at styre energiforbruget og dermed reducere energiforbruget og dermed reducere CO₂-udledningen.

STYRING AF VARMEPUMPER
Store varmepumper i fornuftigt omfang kan bidrage til at reducere energiforbruget og dermed reducere CO₂-udledningen. Smarte varmepumper kan styres og dermed reducere energiforbruget og dermed reducere CO₂-udledningen.

ELKTRISK OPVARMING
I højere grad vil varmeenergien stamme fra elektricitet, som er produceret af vedvarende energi. Dette betyder, at varmeenergien vil være mere bæredygtig og miljøvenlig.

NYE FORRETNINGSMODELLER
Projektet vil udvikle nye forretningsmodeller, som vil muliggøre for at betjene den lokale indbyggerskifte i stedet for at betjene temperaturen i stedet for luft.

GRØN TRANSPORT
Norhavn skal være et bæredygtigt sted at bo og arbejde og, ikke kun i forhold til transport og bilparkering. I forhold til smarte og bæredygtige transportløsninger vil der være fokus på at sikre, at der er adgang til grøn transport og smarte transportløsninger.

INTELLIGT STREKT ENERGI
Hvis bygningerne er smarte, kan de også være smarte. Smarte bygninger kan reducere energiforbruget og dermed reducere CO₂-udledningen. Smarte bygninger kan også være smarte i forhold til smarte og bæredygtige transportløsninger.

ENERGILAB NORHAVN OG BYUDVIKLINGSPROJEKTET NORHAVN
EnergyLab Norhavn - nye energiløsninger i byer er et nyt projekt, der starter i 2020 og vil løbe i 10 år. Projektet vil udvikle nye energiløsninger i byer og dermed reducere energiforbruget og dermed reducere CO₂-udledningen. Projektet vil være et samarbejde mellem DTU, Københavns Kommune, By & Havne, Fortis, Dong Energy, ABB, Balc, CleverCharge, Hæro Therm, Glen Dimplex og PowerLab. Det er et eksperimentelt platform for at og energi, Norhavn vil udvikle af udviklingsforløbet by & Havne 05.

Læs mere på energylabnorhavn.dk

... And hopefully soon EcoGrid 2.0!

- Due to uncertainties in renewable energy generation, load, etc., we need to
 - **Quantify necessary reserves** to handle discrepancies between day-ahead schedule and actual dispatch
 - **Optimize available transmission capacity** between market zones

Reserve Capacity
Market



Day-ahead
Market



Balancing
Market



Area requirements

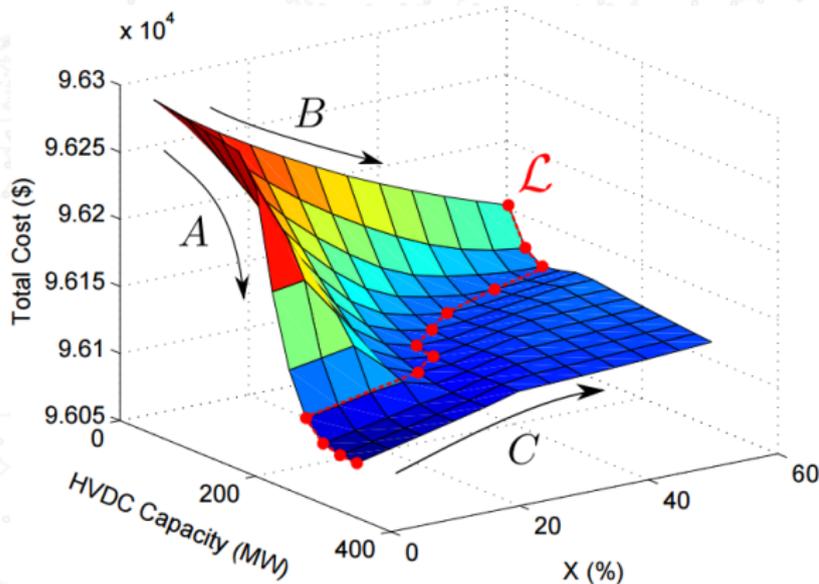
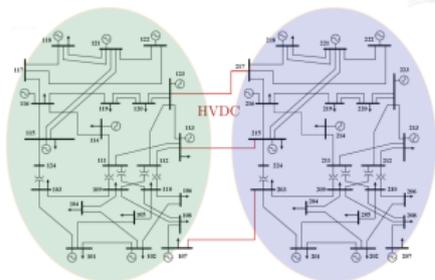
- Considering **HVDC links between market areas**, a better approach may be to
 - Quantify necessary reserves **jointly for all areas**
 - **Optimize usage of HVDC links** for day-ahead schedule, and reserved for real-time balancing



The optimal HVDC allocation problem

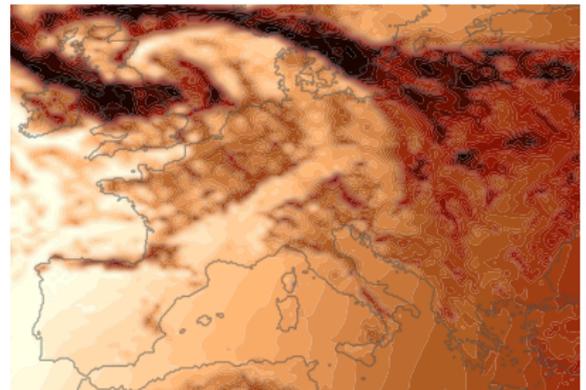
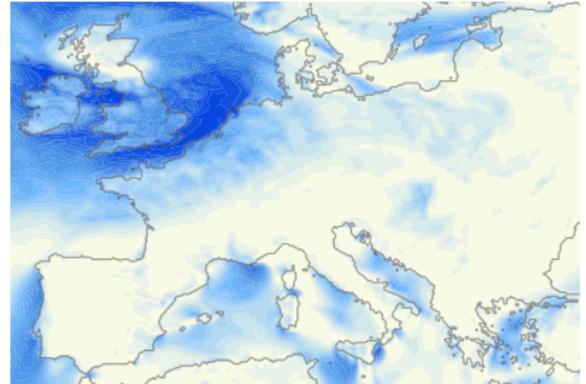
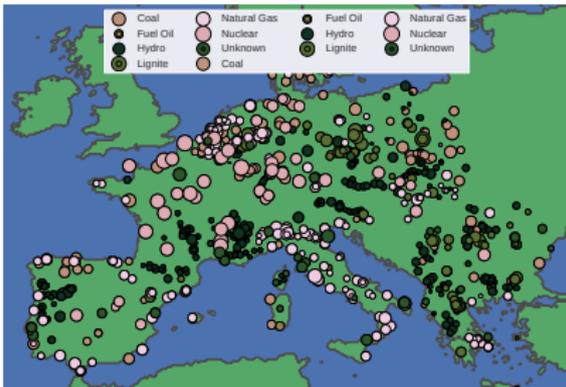
How much of the HVDC link should we use when clearing the day ahead market, and reserve for balancing market operations?

Example system setup



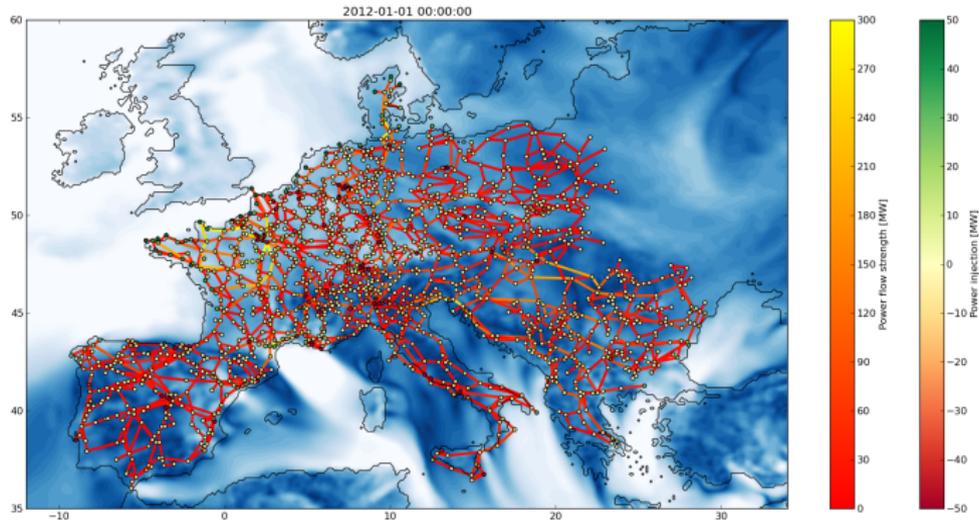
Give us more data!

Let us build a (very) large-scale dataset for the whole European system



Available (after some IPR details to be settled...) for research purpose only!

- The “**grand forecasting challenge**”: predict *renewable power generation, dynamic uncertainties* and *space-time dependencies* at once for the whole Europe...!



- **Linkage with future electricity markets:**

- Monitoring and forecasting of the complete “**Energy Weather**” over Europe
- Provides all necessary information for coupling of various existing markets (e.g., day-ahead, balancing), and deciding upon optimal cross-border exchanges

- There is **still so much to be done in this field!** E.g.,
 - understanding the impact of renewables on electricity markets, players, investment, and overall social welfare
 - accommodating it through appropriate market design, market participation strategies, demand response, coupling of electricity with other energy carriers, etc.
 - simply better understand and predict wind (/solar) power generation...
 - etc.

- Strategically we see **our role is**
 - to support industry and policy makers in a fast-changing environment
 - to focus on a wealth of relevant (though difficult) mathematical problems related to integration of renewables in power systems through market mechanisms

