Smart Markets for a Smart Grid: The US Standard Market Design

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Interconnection Regions





NYISO

TOTAL

PJM

SPP

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Cover 70% of US load

ISO Principles

(for control area operators)

- Non-discriminatory governance
- No financial interest in market
- Open-access transmission with single tariff
- Rates promote efficient use of grid
- Short-term reliability/relieve constraints
- Control of transmission facilities
- Incentives to be efficient (Uniform price auction and marginal cost pricing)
- Open information system
- Coordinate with neighbors

Market Design

Market Designs Vary among RTOs

Table 7: Wholesale Electric Markets in 2006									
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	Real-time market		Day-ahead market		Virtual Bidding	Ancillary services markets	Financial transmission rights	Capacity (UCAP) markets	Associated financial markets
	(RT0/IS0)	Bilateral	(RTO/ISO)	Bilateral	(RTO/ISO)	(RT0/IS0)	(RTO/ISO)	(RT0/IS0)	
New England								1	
New York								2	
PJM								3	
Midwest						08			
Southeast									
SPP									
ERCOT			09						
Northwest									
Southwest									
California			08		09			4	

¹Transitioning to a formal capacity market. ISO-NE's installed capacity market was replaced on December 1, 2006, with the transition period for its new Forward Capacity Market.

² Locational

²Systemwide

* California is considering a formal capacity market.

Economic Dispatch



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Multiple Products and Markets

- Day-ahead energy market
- □ Real-time energy market
- □ Forward capacity market
- Financial transmission rights (FTR, CRR) auction market
- □ Regulation market (capacity and mileage)
- □[Flexible Ramping Product]
- Operating reserves markets
 - Spinning
 - Non-spinning
 - Replacement

Uniform Marginal Cost Pricing



Two-settlements Energy Markets

- The two-settlement electricity markets consist of two interrelated markets: day-ahead (DA) market, and real-time (RT) market.
- DA LMPs are generally considered more stable than RT LMPs.
- The DA market includes three sequential processes: market power mitigation and reliability requirement determination (MPM-RRD), integrated forward market (IFM), and residual unit commitment (RUC).
- In the RT market, the ISO runs the economic dispatch process every 5 minutes to rebalance the residual demand.
- If a resource does not cover its total cost including start-up and minimum load cost through its energy revenue at DA and RT LMPs, its shortfall is covered by an uplift payment which is allocated to market participants.

California ISO Market Timeline



Typical Daily Scheduling

Load Schedule, Forecast, and Actual Load



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Why Two Settlements

- Reduces incentive for real time price manipulation through physical withholding and deviation from schedule (forward markets mitigate market power)
- Provides ex-ante price signals for demand response
- Provides a stable spot price for settlement of long term bilateral contract
- Improves reliability through economic deviation penalty (day ahead dispatch is financially binding with RT prices setting deviation penalties)



Two Settlements Mitigate Market Power



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Unit Commitment Optimization - MIP (Solved for 24 hours in Day Ahead market) Decisions (financially binding):

on/off, output level and compensated reserves for each unit in each of 24 hours + locational marginal energy prices and reserve prices for each node and hour

$\square Minimize \Sigma (fuel cost + no-load cost + startup cost)$

s.t.

- Load balance constraint at each node
- Unit output constrain for each generator
- Ounit ramping limits for each gen
- Output the up time and min down time for each gen
- Transmission constraints (DC approximation with thermal proxy limits)
- Reserves margin requirements
- Contingencies (n-1)

(Cost and constraints data provided as offers in day ahead auction) 5/24/2016

Offer Structure in DA Market



Scale of Day Ahead Market Clearing

Day Ahead Market – Average Daily Volumes

- 1,600 generators, 3 part offers (startup, no load, 10 segment incremental energy offer curve)
- 20,000 Demand bids fixed or price sensitive
- 60,000 Virtual bids / offers
- 9,500 eligible bid/offer nodes (pricing nodes)
- 20,000 monitored transmission elements
- 6,000 transmission contingencies modeled

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CAISO Markets -Core Engine

- Mixed Integer Programming: Linearized Formulation
- Solution within MIP gap, absolute or relative
- MIP Gap: At any given iteration, difference between current best MIP solution and best LP solution.

-Best MIP solution enforces {0,1} constraints. -Best LP solution relaxes {0,1} constraints.



MIP gap for day-ahead market

- Constraint violations modeled with penalty prices.
 - One-segment penalty for all transmission constraints.
 - Constraint relaxation to attain a feasible solution.

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Improving accuracy of Mixed Integer Programming reduced annual operating costs by estimated \$23 million



Bid Cost Recovery (BCR) Uplift

- Generation units submitting bids (startup, no-load and variable energy cost) in the day ahead market, are paid only for market clearing energy awards according to the hourly LMP at their location but are guaranteed not to loose money over the 24 hour period.
- If a unit committed by the ISO in the day ahead market does not cover its total (as bid) commitment cost with its energy revenues, then the ISO will make up the shortfall as a BCR payment which is uplifted to load.
- □ In 2013 the California ISO paid \$33 million BCR payments out of a total \$10.7 billion total annual cost (0.3%)

Power Flow Optimization (every five minutes) and Locational Marginal Pricing (LMP) For Generators that are Running and Synchronized

Decisions:

Price of energy (LMP) at node i = Marginal cost of energy at the node Calculated as the dual variable to energy balance constraint for the node in a linearized Optimal Power Flow approximation (DCOPF)

\Box Minimize Σ (Generator Fuel Cost)

s.t.

- Energy balance (net supply = load at each node)
- Generator limits (including dynamic limits such as ramp rates)
- Transmission Constraints (AC model with voltage and thermal limits)
- Reserve requirements

(Cost curves and generator limits data provided as offers in real time auction every 15 minutes)

LMP / Congestion Example



- Marginal value of transmission = \$10/MWh (=\$50 \$40)
- Total congestion revenue = \$10*26 = \$260/hr
- Total redispatch cost = \$130/hr
- Congestion cost to consumers: (40*106+50*64) (45*170) = 7440 7650 = -\$210/hr

Locational Marginal Prices with Loop flow

LMP is the price of serving one more MW at a location without violating flow limits



Electric Power Network

N = the set of buses L = the set of transmission lines

(MW = Megawatt)

MW output of the plant at bus *i* q_i

MW import/export at bus *i* r_i (import = +)

- $load_i$ MW fixed load at bus i
- Rating of transmission line *l* (MVA) K_{l}
- $D_{l,i}$ $PTDF_{l,i}$ of line *l* with respect to a unit injection at bus *i* and a unit withdrawal at the slack bus
- Plant *i*'s must-run limit (MW)
- $\frac{q_i}{\overline{q}_i}$ Plant *i*'s maximum capacity (MW)

 $q_i + r_i = load_i, \quad \forall i \in N$ $\sum_{i \in N} r_i + Losses = 0$ $-K_l \leq \sum_{i \in N} D_{l,i} r_i \leq K_l, \forall l \in L$ $\forall i \in N$ $q_i \leq q_i \leq \overline{q}_i$,



Measuring Social Welfare



DC- Approx. Optimal Power Flow (DCOPF)

Maximizes Net Benefit (or minimizes as bid cost)



KKT conditions for the DCOPF problem



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Over-generation, congestion and no storage capability can lead to negative prices



Example of DA-RT Price Spread



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Convergence (Virtual) Bidding (CB)

- The California Independent System Operator (CAISO) has implemented CB on February 1, 2011 under Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (FERC) September 21, 2006 Market Redesign and Technology Upgrade (MRTU) Order.
- CB is a pure financial mechanism that allows market participants to arbitrage price differences between forward and spot electricity markets without physically obligation.
- CB enables market participants to opt for RT prices instead of DA prices. It Also increases market liquidity by enablein participants with no assests to take positions arbitraging the DA-RT spread

Typical Submitted and Cleared CB Volumes

9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24

Ratio of Cleared Virtual Bids to Submitted Virtual Bids



3,300

3.000

2,700

2.400 2,100 1,800 1,500 1,200 900 600 300 0

-300

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fitual Deman Virtual Supply

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Convergence bidding volumes and weighted price differences Q4 2014



Empirical Profitability of Arbitrage (Market Inefficiency) Before an After Instituting CB (CVaR constrained portfolio optimization)



Fig. 10 Pre-CB In-Sample Performance under a CVaR constraint



Fig. 12 Post-CB In-Sample Performance under a CVaR constraint



Fig. 11 Pre-CB Out-of-Sample Performance under a CVaR constraint



Fig. 13 Post-CB Out-of-Sample Performance under a CVaR constraint

Financial Transmission Rights (FTR) Market

- Under LMP Participants in wholesale spot market or bilateral contracts paying congestion charges are exposed to the LMP difference between the injection and withdrawal nodes
- FTRs were designed to hedge transmission service customers against congestion charge (nodal price differences) risks
- FTRs are defined as LMP swaps between each pair of nodes and are settled based on the realized nodal price difference (to offset congestion charges)
- FTRs are available as options or as two sided contracts which may become a liability when the path is opposite to the direction of the actually congested flow
- Auction conducted monthly for new FTRs and for trading of outstanding FTRs

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FTR Auction (ERCOT)

Initial design had 72 time slices (24 monthly blocks divided into 3 time blocks
Bids (and offers) can cover any subset of the 72 products



 Clearing mechanism maximizes auction revenue subject to simultaneous feasibility test (SFT) in every time slice
SFT ensures that physical grid could support physical exercise of all outstanding FTRs Simultaneous Feasibility Guarantees Revenue Adequacy (congestion revenues cover FTR settlements)



• Two sided FTRs must stay within the outer nomogram

• One sided FTRs (options) must stay within the inner nomogram because we cannot rely on counter flows to alleviate congestion. 5/24/2016

LMP + FTRs Supports Renewables Penetration and Sharing of Transmission

Thermal unit owns FTRs

\$5/MWh when available

LMP=\$60/MWh



LMP set by marginal MW produced



\$30/MWh

Without wind, Thermal Gen earns 60-30=\$30 per MWh exported over transmission lines and its FTRs offset congestion charges.

With wind, Thermal Gen has incentive to let wind maximize output and set LMP to \$5/MWh and collect 60-5=\$55 per MWh exported over the transmission line for its unused FTRs. Wind can be subsidized by "use it or loose it" FTR awards to offset congestion cost





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Ancillary Services

Automatic Generation Control (AGC) – Regulation (Up/Down)

 Payment for capacity and performance payment for "mileage" (FERC Order 755)

Flexible Ramping

Opportunity cost payment based on energy bid

Reserves with varying different response time

- OSpinning (synchronized) Reserves Spin
- ONon-spinning (non-synchronized) Reserves
- Replacement Reserves
- Voltage Support

Black Start Capability

Payment per contract

Payment for

Cost Components (California)





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33% RPS --- Cumulative expected VERs build-out through 2020



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The Duck Chart

Load, Wind & Solar Profiles --- Base Scenario



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Ramping need



Ramping need:

Potential net load change from interval t to interval t+5 (net system demand t+5 – net system demand t)

5/24 Source: California ISO

Ramp Reserves Captures Potential Future Interval Variation in Current Dispatch



Flex ramp and regulation



Flexible ramping product

- What is flexible ramping product?
 - Ramping capability between market clearing intervals
- Why ramping capacity is important?
 - The future load and renewable generation may change faster than the fleet ramping capability
- Benefits of flexible ramping product
 - Improve system reliability
 - Increase real-time ramping capability to meet net load movement between intervals
 - Reduce power balance violations due to ramping shortage
 - Improve market efficiency
 - Produce transparent energy and ramping prices
 - Reduce real-time price volatility
 - Accommodate increasing penetration of variable energy resources
 - Incentivizes and values flexible capability

Modeling flexible ramping

- Any resource that is 5-minute dispatchable by the ISO can provide flexible ramping
- Upward and downward ramping constraints
 - Ramping constraints in the same granularity as the market clearing interval: DA 60-minute, RTUC 15 minute, RTD 5-minute
- Co-optimized with ancillary services and energy
 - System wide flex ramp requirements in the up and down directions
 - Total upward awards including energy, regulation up, spin, non-spin, and flex ramp up for a resource should be less than or equal to its Pmax
 - Total downward awards including regulation down and flex ramp down for a resource should be greater than or equal to its Pmin
- Two settlement system for flex ramp
 - day-ahead flex ramp settled at day-ahead price
 - difference between RTD flex ramp and day-ahead flex ramp is settled at RTD flex ramp price
 - Flex ramp is paid lost opportunity cost (if any) for not producing energy while it is "in the money"

Market Power



Should we Worry About it? Mitigation Approaches.

Market Power Mitigation Options

- Hear No Evil, See No Evil, Speak No Evil
- Let antitrust folks take care of it



- Punitive Ex-post enforcement (The Antitrust Approach)
- Watch, Report and ?
- Return to Cost-of-Service (Regression Therapy)
 - Price Caps and curtailments
 - Long-term contracts with price caps
 - Divestiture (the Big Stick)
- Must offer with bid caps and Default Energy Bids (DEB)
 - Structure based mitigation
 - Conduct and impact based mitigation

(Both approaches approved by FERC as consistent with the "just and reasonable "rates criteria)

Market Monitoring

- Each ISO has a Market Monitoring unit (either internal or external) which is paid for by the ISO but is independent and reports to FERC.
- Functions of the Market Monitoring unit
 - Conducts ongoing empirical analysis of market data
 - Publishes quarterly and annual report on the state of the market
 - Submits opinions to the ISO staff on market design modifications
 - Develops (subject to FERC approval) and implements market mitigation protocols including dynamic screening and mitigation of energy bids, and price caps on various bid components.
 - Monitors participants' behavior in all ISO markets and files complaints with FERC enforcement division if they detect price manipulation attempts. (in 2013 JPMorgan settled an electricity market manipulation case with FERC for \$410 million penalty)

SMD – Standard (Successful) Market Design

Pre-day-ahead markets

- For transmission rights: CRT/TCC/TRCs/FGRs
- For generation capacity/reserves (ICAP)
- Market power mitigation via options contracts
- Day-ahead market for reliability
 - Centralized, bid based security constrained unit commitment
 - Reliability unit commitment
 - Bid cost recovery (make whole payments)
- Simultaneous nodal market-clearing auctions for energy, ancillary services and congestion
 - Allow multi-part bidding
 - Higher of market or bid cost recovery
 - Allow self scheduling
 - Allow price limit bids on ancillary and congestion
- Real-time balancing myopic market
- Markets are locational (nodal-based) marginal price (LMP)
- Market power mitigation (structure-based or conduct and Impact)



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