Energy Markets

Status, Directions and Challenges

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<u>Outline</u>



• Our European context

- Renewable energy deployment and integration
- Planned evolution of electricity markets
- Identified issues and proposal paths of investigation
 - Predictability
 - Market design
 - Coordination issues
- The grand challenge

Who are we? - The Energy Analytics & Markets group

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

















Resources: • Faculty: 1 Prof. and 1 Assoc. Prof.

- Junior: 2 Post-doctoral fellows, 6 Ph.D.
 - + student helpers, and Ph.D. guests from,
 - Projects (active in 2014):
 - EU: EcoGrid EU, WIRE, BestPaths
 - Danish: iPower, EaseWind, 5s, CITIES

students (+5 others outside of DTU Elektro),

e.g., Johns Hopkins (US), Strathclyde (UK),

Danish-Chinese: PROAIN

1 research assistant

Tsinghua (China), etc.

- and...: EPRI (US), EDF (France)
- Education: 1 new course in 2014 -"31761- Renewables in Electricity Markets"





Wind power in Europe







Total: 121,474 MW (Dec. 2013, source: European Wind Energy Association - EWEA)

Worldwide: 318 GW for wind energy, and 135 GW for solar energy

The Internal Energy Market



• Grid operators and power exchanges from 14 EU Member States plus Norway inaugurated on February 4 a pilot project for joint electricity trading, so-called *day-ahead market coupling*

• Overall objectives:

- harmonize European electricity markets and strengthen competition
- improve liquidity, transparency and efficiency in the power markets across Europe
- social welfare optimisation

In practice:

- flow-based coupling of day-ahead markets
- standardization of (also new) products for *intra-day markets* and new matching algorithms
- target model for balancing? co-existence with new intra-day solutions?

A few important questions



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• How are we contributing to that?

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A key issue: predictability of renewable energy generation



Error criteria for 2011 - Danish wind power generation



• Same applies for other renewable energy sources (e.g., solar) and other countries...

• Space-time characteristics of preduicatbility motivates coordination

- 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
 - Auctions with probabilistic offering, etc.
- These are current research problems...

Illustration: costs of power system operation



• Representative 24-bus system, with total demand of 2GW and various types of generators (2 wind farms, for simplicity)

- Realistic unit characteristics 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



Morales JM, Zugno M, Pineda S, Pinson P (2014). Electricity market clearing with improved scheduling of stochastic production. EJOR 235(3): 765-774

Spatial coupling: cross-border balancing

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 Option A: voluntary cooperation

• Option B: Minimum harmonization

• Option C: Mandatory exchange of balancing power

 Option D: Single European balancing market ("Super TSO")

ightarrow Necessary balance between optimality and feasibility...

Ongoing activities (in Denmark at least...)

- Lead projects (selection):
 - CITIES (supported by Danish Strategic Research Council)
 - '5s' Future Electricity Markets (supported by Danish Strategic Research Council)
 - BestPaths (EU FP-7)
 - EcoGrid EU (EU FP-7)
 - 'BPES' Balancing Power Energy System (supported by ForskEL/EERA)



Ex: GDF-Suez in Power and Gas markets in Europe.

- The core reseach themes include
 - market-clearing mechanisms, optimally embedding forecast information and accounting for network dynamics and controls (e.g., with HVDC)
 - plurality of markets (energy, capacity, ancillary services) possibly co-optimized
 - enabling and rewarding the more *pro-active* role of electricity demand
 - optimizing *synergies between energy carriers* (e.g., electricity and gas)
 - *bridging the gap* between "theoretical proposals" and practical implementation



EU-wide forecasting and market integration



• Looking at the big picture:

- Insure consistency in forecast input to electricity markets
- Optimally embed advanced forecast information (e.g., space-time trajectories)
- Allow for optimal coordination at all market stages...

New probablistic market mechanisms

- Proposing new types of auctions (for forward markets) with probabilistic offers, on both demand and supply side
- The cost of handling uncertainty is anticipated and defines an "uncertainty rent" for the system operator
- Energy and services: Novel joint markets, permitting to better reward various players for their support to power system operations

Thanks for your attention!



Books



In an effort to disseminate our work to students, researchers and practilioners, some collaborators and I have been focusing on producing books that would gather knowledge in renewable energy, forecasting, and electricity markets. For a description of these books, press the links "Electricity markets" and "Forecasting" under the header "Books".

Wind power forecasting



It is not possible to decide on the level of wind energy to be produced in the coming minutes or days — one relies on nature and the weather. Ways have to be found to optimally assimilate this energy generation in the system. Wind power modeling and forecasting is recognized as a costeffective and necessary solution to that problem. In my research, thave been looking at a few aspects of wind power forecasting, which I rapidly describe here.

A little toy...



If you wonder how future renewable energy forecasting may look, let me invite you to look at this toy forecasting system, which we will make evolve as new features are to become available.

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