



CONTROL AND OPTIMIZATION IN SMART-GRIDS

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Course topics

- Session 1: Introduction to Power systems
 - Context and motivation
 - Power flow analysis
 - Economic dispatch
- Session 2: Renewable sources
 - Stochastic models of variable sources
 - Dispatching random sources
- **Session 3: Energy dispatch**
 - **Risk-limiting dispatch**
 - **Matlab session**



Course topics



- Session 4: Incentive-based demand response
 - Modeling demand
 - Peak time rebates
 - Contract design for demand response
- Session 5: Flexible loads
 - Modeling flexibility
 - Load dispatch
 - Case study: Electric vehicles
- Session 6: Micro-grids
 - Lean energy concept
 - Joint generation and load dispatch



Day-ahead Market

- Given a demand forecast D_k
- And a set of generators $G_1, G_2, G_3, \dots, G_N$
- What is the lowest cost generation program that supplies the demand?

This is the economic dispatch problem!



Economic Dispatch

$$\min J = \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{j=1}^N C(p_{jk})$$

Sum of generation costs

Subject to

$$\sum_{j=1}^N p_{jk} = D_k \quad \forall k$$

Energy Balance

$$p_j^{\min} \leq p_{jk} \leq p_j^{\max}$$

Operational constraints



Wind Energy in the Market

- Once a proper stochastic model of generation is available,
- How can a renewable generator participate in the market?
- It depends on the Dispatch model.
- Must-run units
 - 100% renewable capacity usage
 - Reliability problems
 - Increase of reserves requirements
- Open market
 - The risk of uncertainty is assumed by the generator



Wind energy in an open market

Simplified market model:

- The wind farm has a rated capacity, normalized to 1.
- For given period $[t_o, t_f]$ the owner of the wind farm knows the Cdf (pdf) of generation.
- $w \in [0, 1]$ is the R.V. modeling wind power.





Wind energy in the market

Market operation:

- Generator is price taker
- Gen. participates in the day ahead market
- Deviations are penalized
- Imbalance prices are unknown, modeled as R.V.

Problem: *How much energy shall the generator offer to the system operator, given his private information on wind power (pdf) and imbalance prices?*



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Economic balance of the Generator:

- Sold energy:

$$I = CT$$

- Negative imbalance:

$$\sum_{-} (C, \mathbf{w}) = \int_{t_0}^{t_f} [C - w(t)]^{+} dt$$

- Positive imbalance:

$$\sum_{+} (C, \mathbf{w}) = \int_{t_0}^{t_f} [w(t) - C]^{+} dt$$



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Economic balance of the generator:

$$\Pi(C, w, q, \lambda) = pI - q \sum_- (C, w) - \lambda \sum_+ (C, w)$$

- The only decision variable for the generator is C .

What is a good (optimal) strategy in this context?



Wind energy in the market

What is a good (optimal) strategy in this context?

- Maximize Π , using expected values for w , q and λ
- *Generate samples of R.V. from their pdf and maximize for each case. Then*
- *Maximize the expected value of Π*
- Minimize variance of Π
- A joint criteria of previous performance measures



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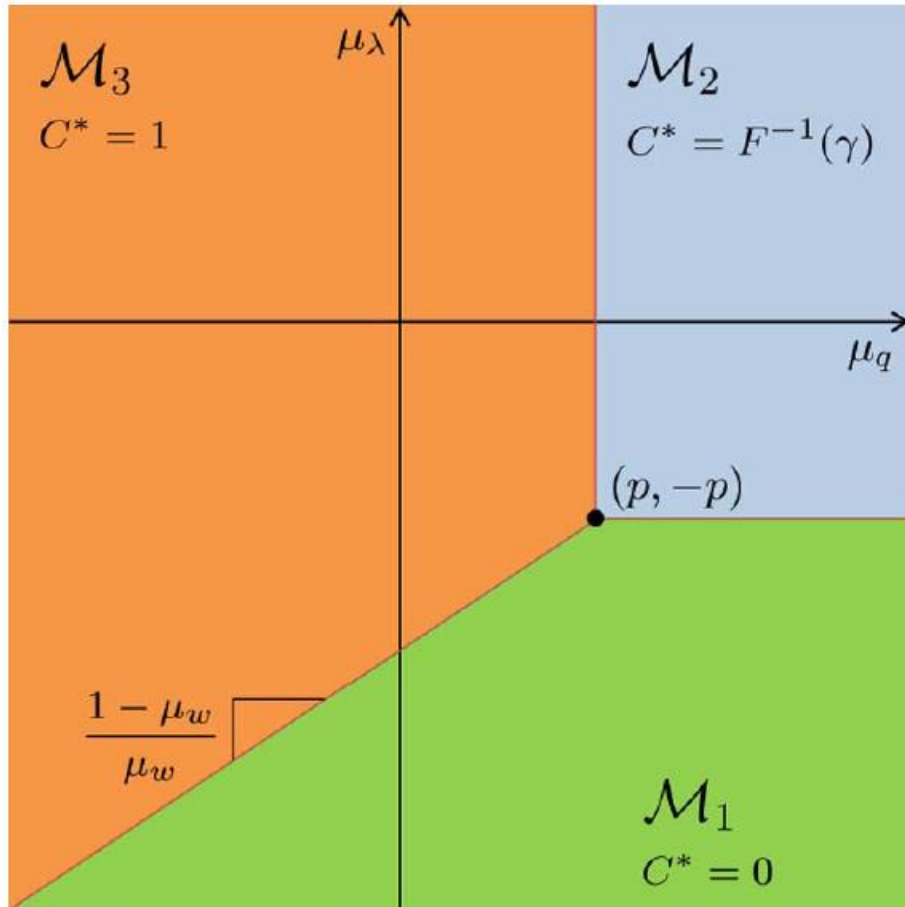
- The basic stochastic solution is to maximize the expected value of the generator profit:

$$C^* = \mathbf{E} \left[\prod (C, w, q, \lambda) \right]$$

With respect to w , q and λ .



Wind energy in the market



Optimal Contract:

$$C^* = \begin{cases} 0, & \pi \in \mathcal{M}_1 \\ F^{-1}(\gamma), & \pi \in \mathcal{M}_2 \\ 1, & \pi \in \mathcal{M}_3 \end{cases}$$

where $\gamma = \frac{p + \mu_\lambda}{\mu_q + \mu_\lambda}$.

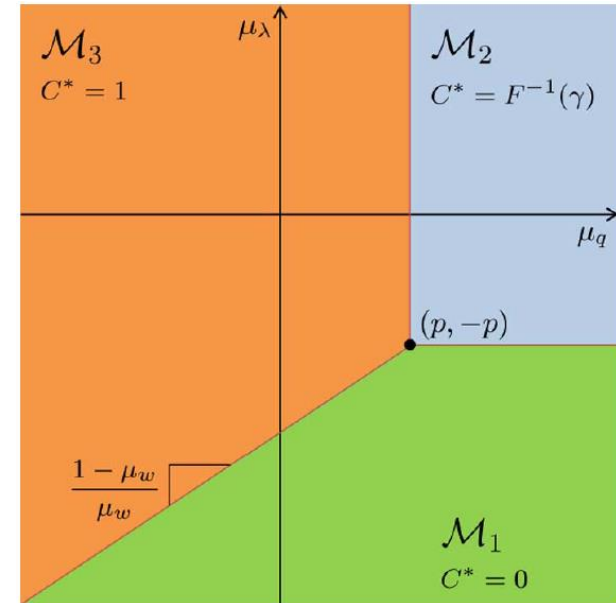


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Optimal Expected Profit:

$$\frac{J(C^*)}{T} = \frac{J^*}{T}$$

$$= \begin{cases} -\mu_\lambda \mu_w, & \pi \in \mathcal{M}_1 \\ \mu_q \int_0^\gamma F^{-1}(x) dx - \mu_\lambda \int_\gamma^1 F^{-1}(x) dx, & \pi \in \mathcal{M}_2 \\ p - \mu_q(1 - \mu_w), & \pi \in \mathcal{M}_3 \end{cases}$$





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Expected shortfall:

$$S_{-}(C^{*}) = S_{-}^{*} = T \int_{0}^{F(C^{*})} [C^{*} - F^{-1}(x)] dx$$

Expected surplus:

$$S_{+}(C^{*}) = S_{+}^{*} = T \int_{F(C^{*})}^{1} [F^{-1}(x) - C^{*}] dx$$



Wind energy in the market

- The generator behaves as inelastic supply in regions M1 and M3
- In region M2 the offered energy C^* varies with p .
- What does the expected shortfall tells to the system operator?

$$S_-(C^*) = S_-^* = T \int_0^{F(C^*)} [C^* - F^{-1}(x)] dx$$

- **Reserves:** *Generation units contracted to provide energy ONLY in case of unpredicted power deficits. Corrective actions!!*



Wind energy in the market

Self-supplied balancing service:

- The generator may have a contract with a conventional generator (e.g. fast gas plant) that provides energy at a price $q_L > 0$.
- The fast generator has a capacity L .
- Assume $q_L < q$, otherwise it is better to pay deviations to the SO.
- For simplicity assume no penalty for positive imbalances, $\lambda = 0$.



Wind energy in the market

Self-supplied balancing service:

➤ New cost function:

$$J_L(C) = \mathbb{E} \int_{t_0}^{t_f} pC - \phi(C - w(t), L) dt$$

• Where:

$$\phi(x, L) = \begin{cases} qx - (q - q_L)L & x \in (L, \infty) \\ q_L x & x \in [0, L] \\ 0 & x \in (-\infty, 0) \end{cases}$$



Wind energy in the market

Self-supplied balancing service:

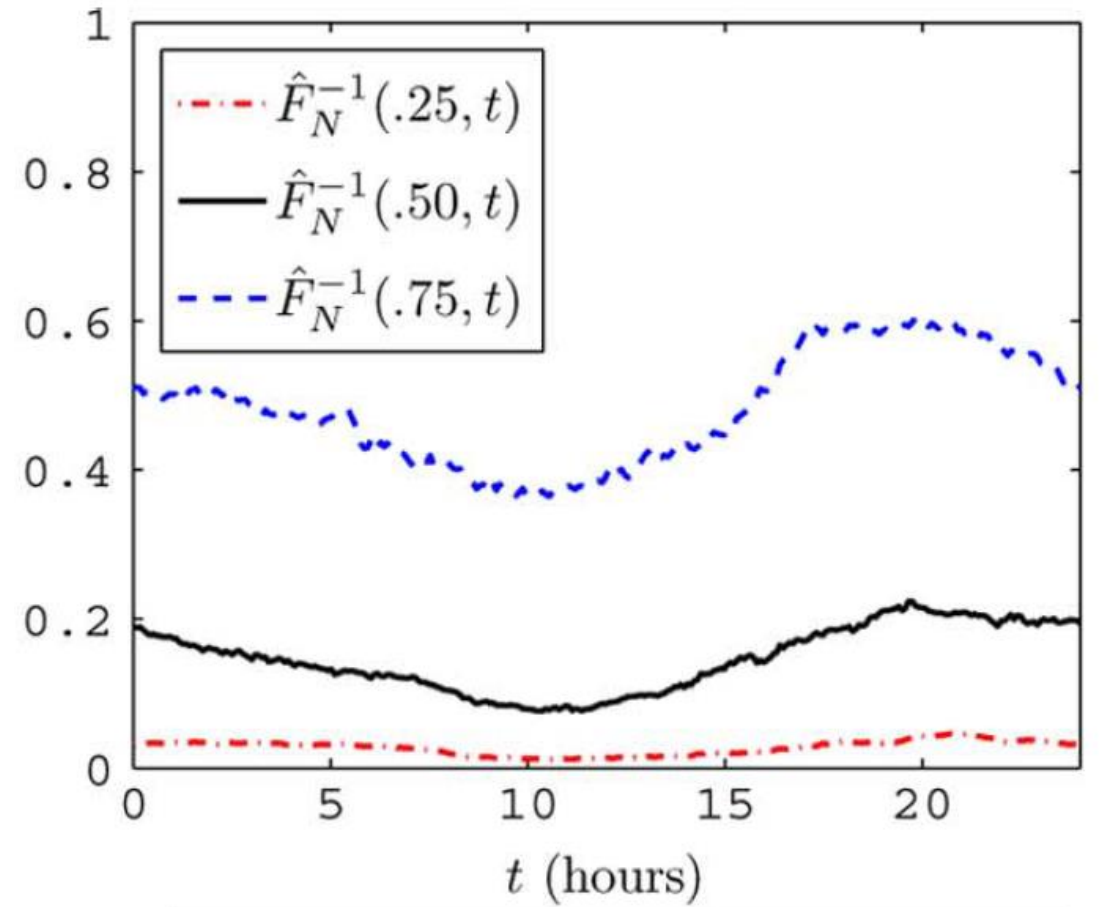
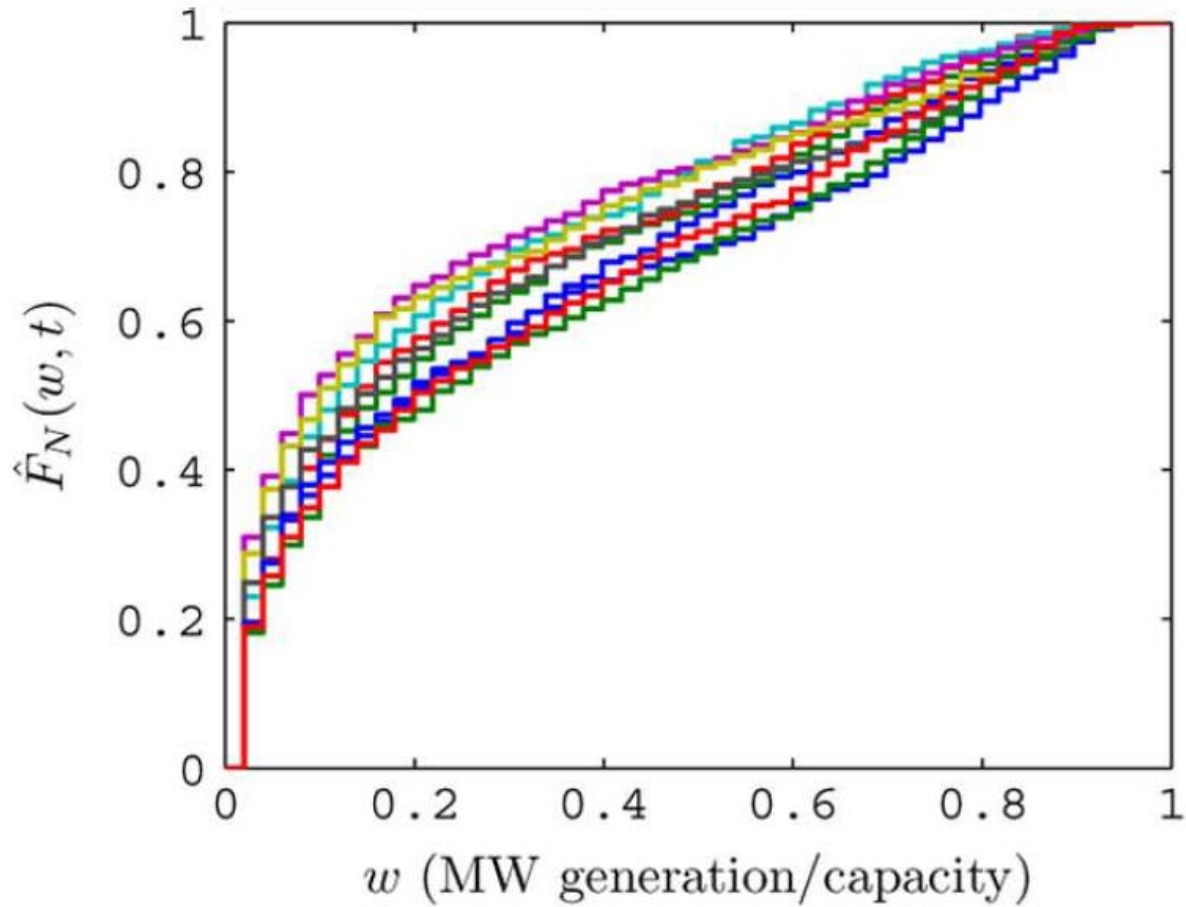
➤ The optimal contract C^* in this case is given by the solution to:

$$p = q_L F(C) + (\mu_q^+ - q_L) F(C - L)$$

➤ If it exists.

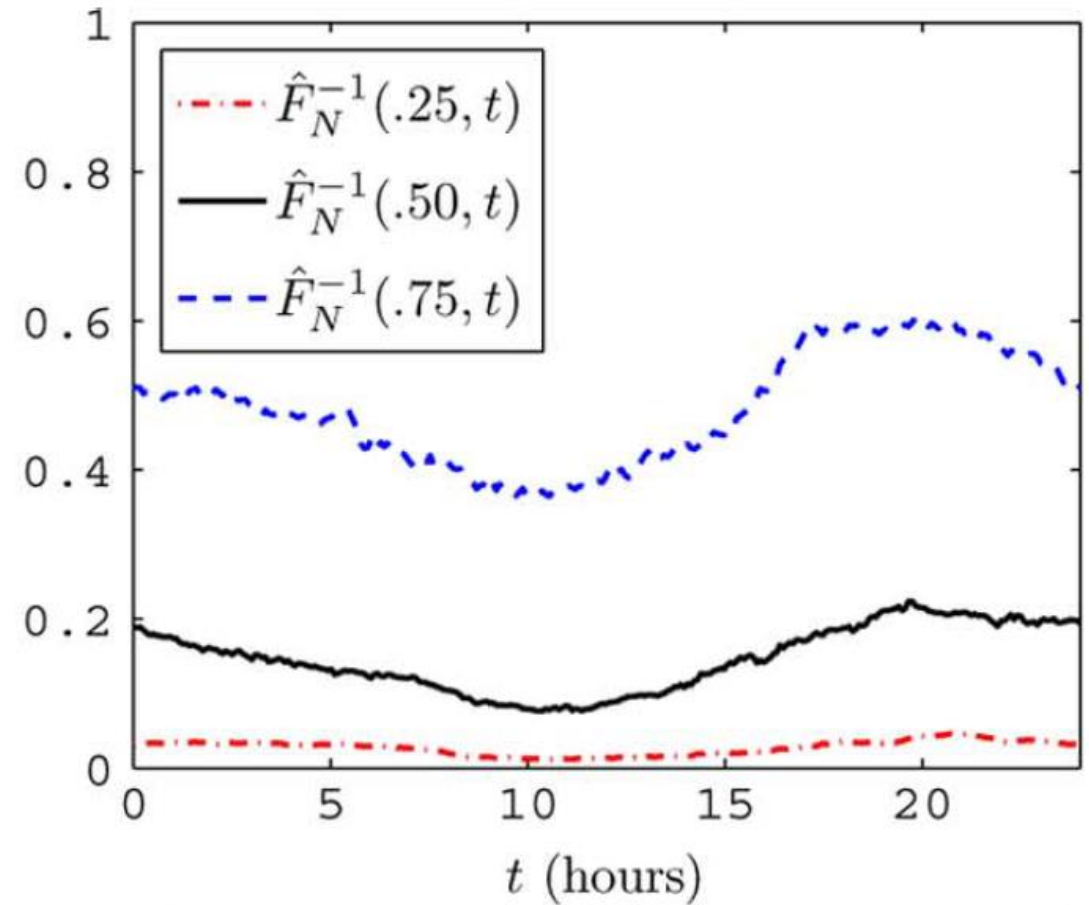
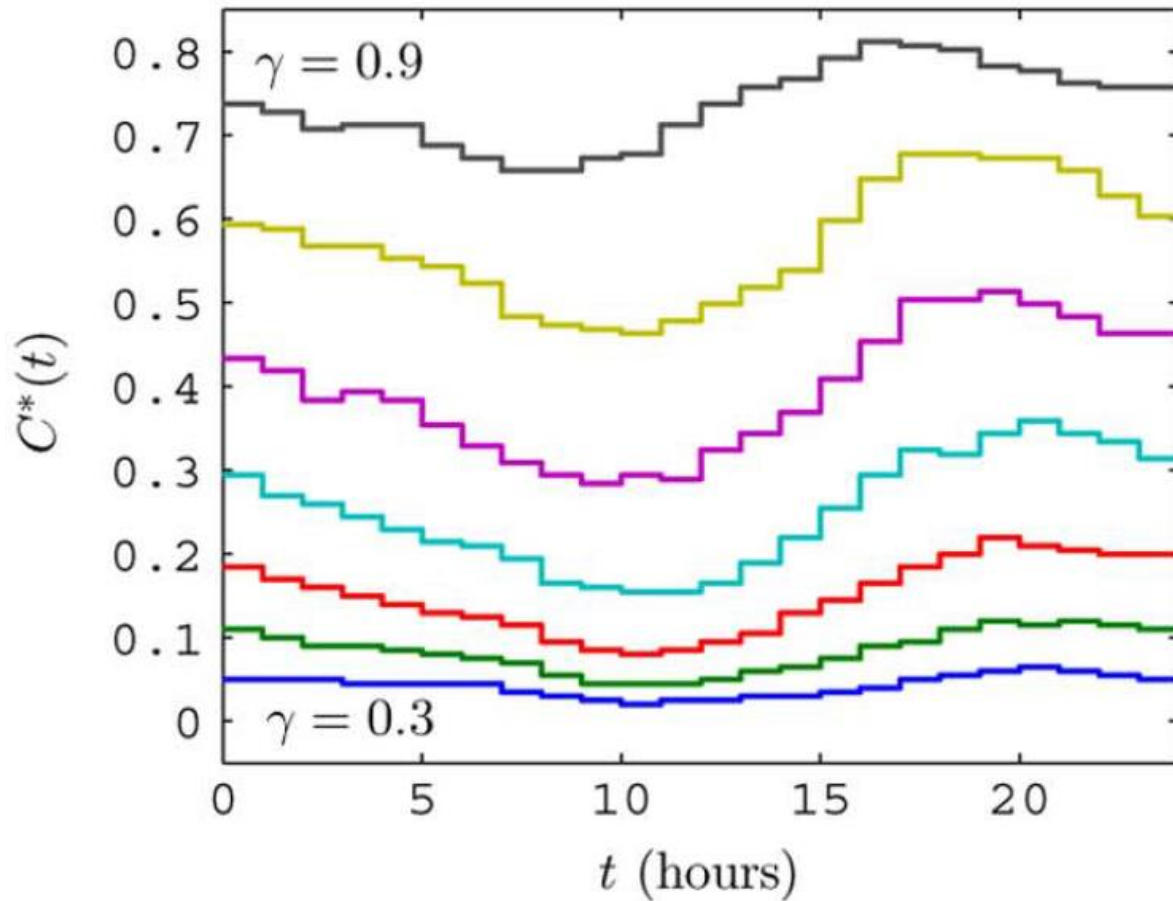


Wind energy in the market





Wind energy in the market





Risk-limited dispatch

Limitations of traditional dispatch:

- It is a worst-case approach.
- For wind generation, typically SO schedules reserves for 90% of installed capacity.
- Inefficient solution!!!!



Risk-limited dispatch

Traditional dispatch:

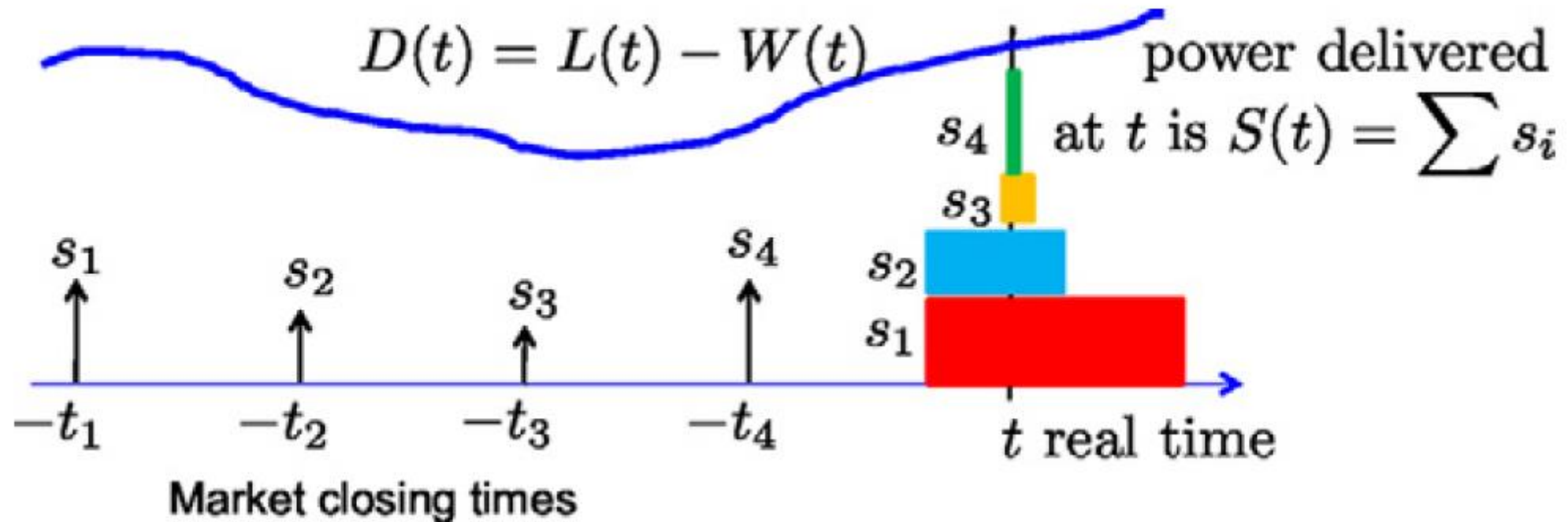
- Cost function: minimize operational cost
- Constraints:
 - Balance
 - Capacity
- Risk: (N-1) criterion
- **Result:** a lot of reserves scheduled!!!!

Risk-limited dispatch:

- Cost function: Expected cost of supplying demand
- Constraints:
 - Guaranteeing a probability level of not having a failure, imbalance, excess Tx capacity,...
- Limited-risk: $p_f < (1-\alpha)$
- **Result:** *Reduced reserves, reduced prices!!!!*



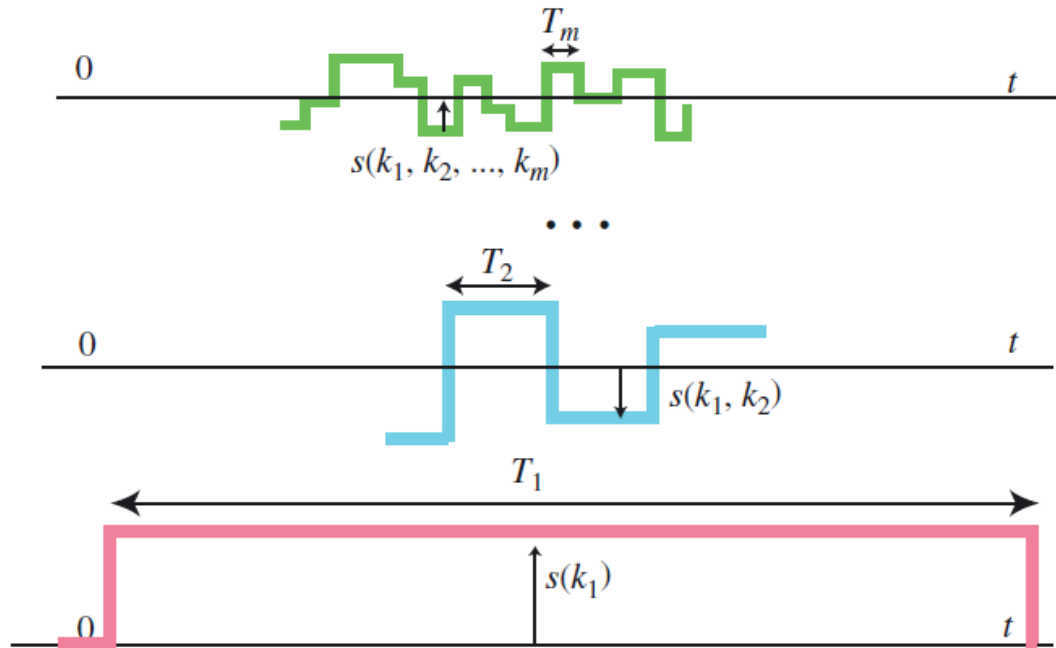
Risk-limited dispatch



Intra-day markets: Energy is traded in multiple periods, each time closer to the delivery time.



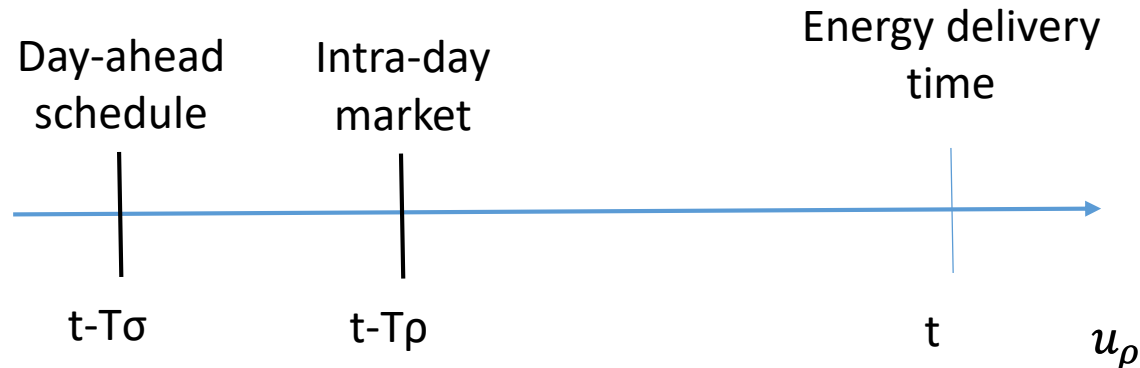
Risk-limited dispatch



- Several markets
- Closer to the dispatch time:
 - Energy becomes more expensive
 - Uncertainty reduces
 - SO can buy *or sell* blocks of energy.



Risk-limited dispatch



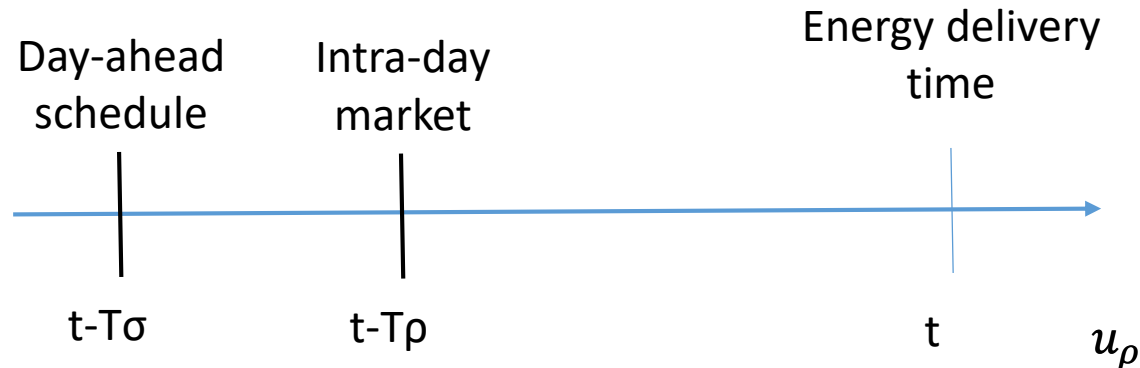
- First market, at time $t-T_\sigma$:
- Decision: generation u_σ
- Constraint: Probability of satisfying demand and operational constraints is higher than α

$$\begin{aligned} & \min J(u_\sigma) \\ & \text{s.t.} \\ & \text{pr}[f(u_\sigma) = D(t); g(u_\sigma) \leq 0 | y_{t-T_\sigma}] \geq \alpha \end{aligned}$$

NO worst-case, there is a limited risk of failure!!!



Risk-limited dispatch



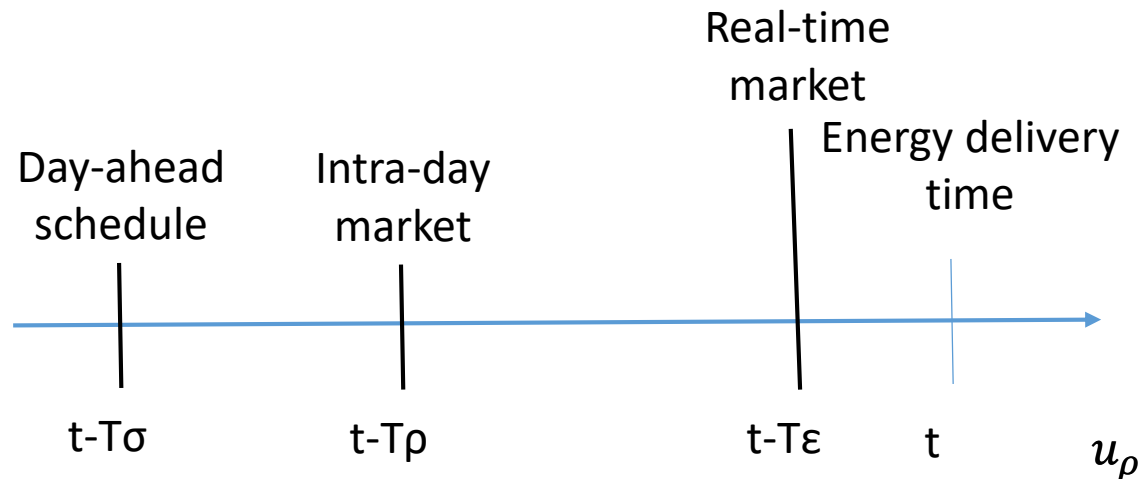
- Second market, at time $t-T_\rho$:
- Decision: generation u_ρ
- Constraint: Probability of satisfying demand and operational constraints is higher than α'

$$\begin{aligned} & \min J(u_\rho) \\ & \text{s.t.} \\ & \text{pr} \left[\begin{array}{l} f(u_\sigma + u_\rho) = D(t), \\ g(u_\sigma + u_\rho) \leq 0; \end{array} \right. \left. |y_{t-T_\rho} \right] \geq \alpha' \end{aligned}$$

NO worst-case, there is a limited risk of failure!!!



Risk-limited dispatch



- Real-time market, at time $t-T_\epsilon$:
- Decision: generation u_ϵ
- Constraint: Must satisfy balance and operational constraints.

$$\begin{aligned} & \min J(u_\epsilon) \\ & \text{s.t.} \\ & \text{pr} \left[\begin{array}{l} f(u_\sigma + u_\rho + u_\epsilon) = D(t); \\ g(u_\sigma + u_\rho + u_\epsilon) \leq 0; \end{array} \right. \left. \left| y_{t-T_\epsilon} \right. \right] = 1 \end{aligned}$$



Risk-limited dispatch

- It can be written as
$$J(\pi) = \mathbb{E} \left\{ T_1 \sum_{k_1=0}^{N_1-1} [c^+(k_1)s_+(k_1) + c^-(k_1)s_-(k_1)] \right. \\ + T_2 \sum_{k_1=0}^{N_1-1} \sum_{k_2=0}^{N_2-1} [c^+(k_1, k_2)s_+(k_1, k_2) + c^-(k_1, k_2)s_-(k_1, k_2)] + \dots \\ + T_m \sum_{k_1=0}^{N_1-1} \sum_{k_2=0}^{N_2-1} \dots \sum_{k_m=0}^{N_m-1} [c^+(k_1, \dots, k_m)s_+(k_1, \dots, k_m) \\ + c^-(k_1, \dots, k_m)s_-(k_1, \dots, k_m)] \\ \left. + T_m \sum_{k_1=0}^{N_1-1} \sum_{k_2=0}^{N_2-1} \dots \sum_{k_m=0}^{N_m-1} [g(d(k_1, \dots, k_m), x(k_1, \dots, k_m))] \right\}$$



Risk-limited dispatch

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*Risk
function!!*

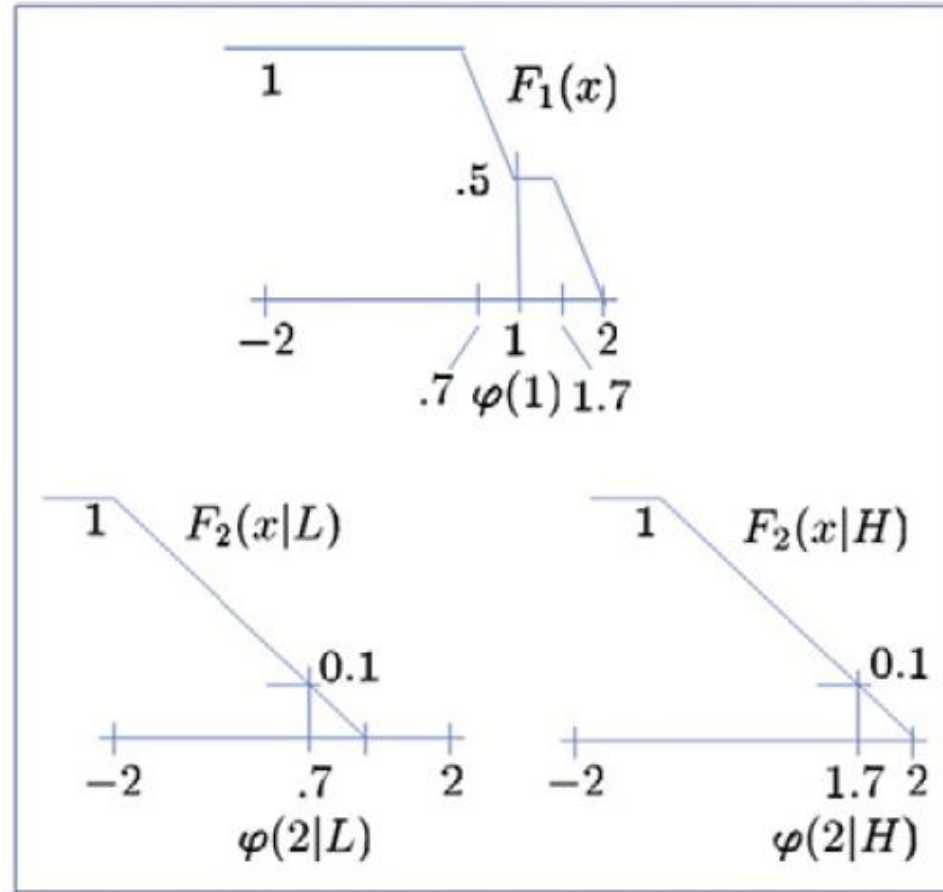
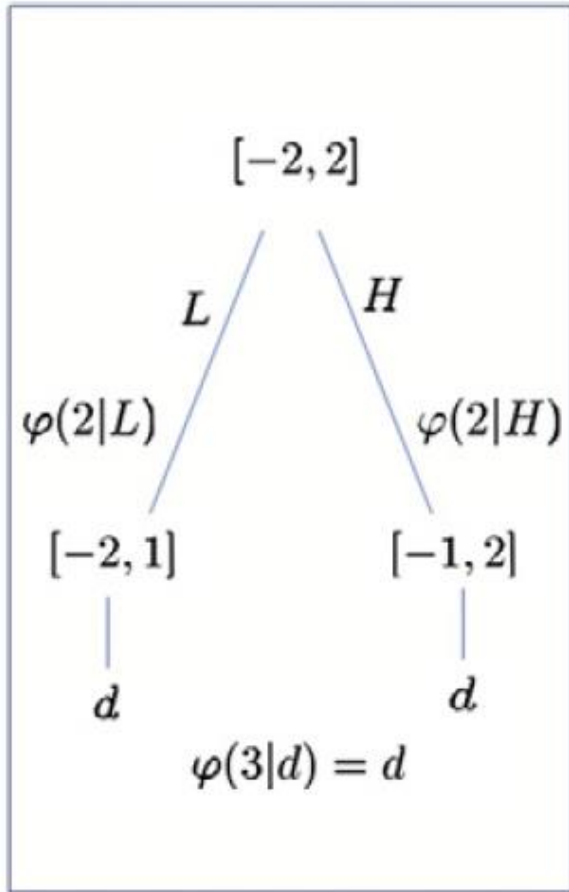


Risk-limited dispatch

- It is a stochastic programming problem with m stages
- Agent (system operator) makes decisions in sequence with the available information on R.V.
- Optimal policies are solved backwards in time.
 - First: solve the last decision, given previous actions and remaining uncertainty
 - Second: solve the previous decision, given previous actions AND Optimal Policy for the last decision
 - ...
 - Last: solve the first decision, given Optimal Policies for the decision to come



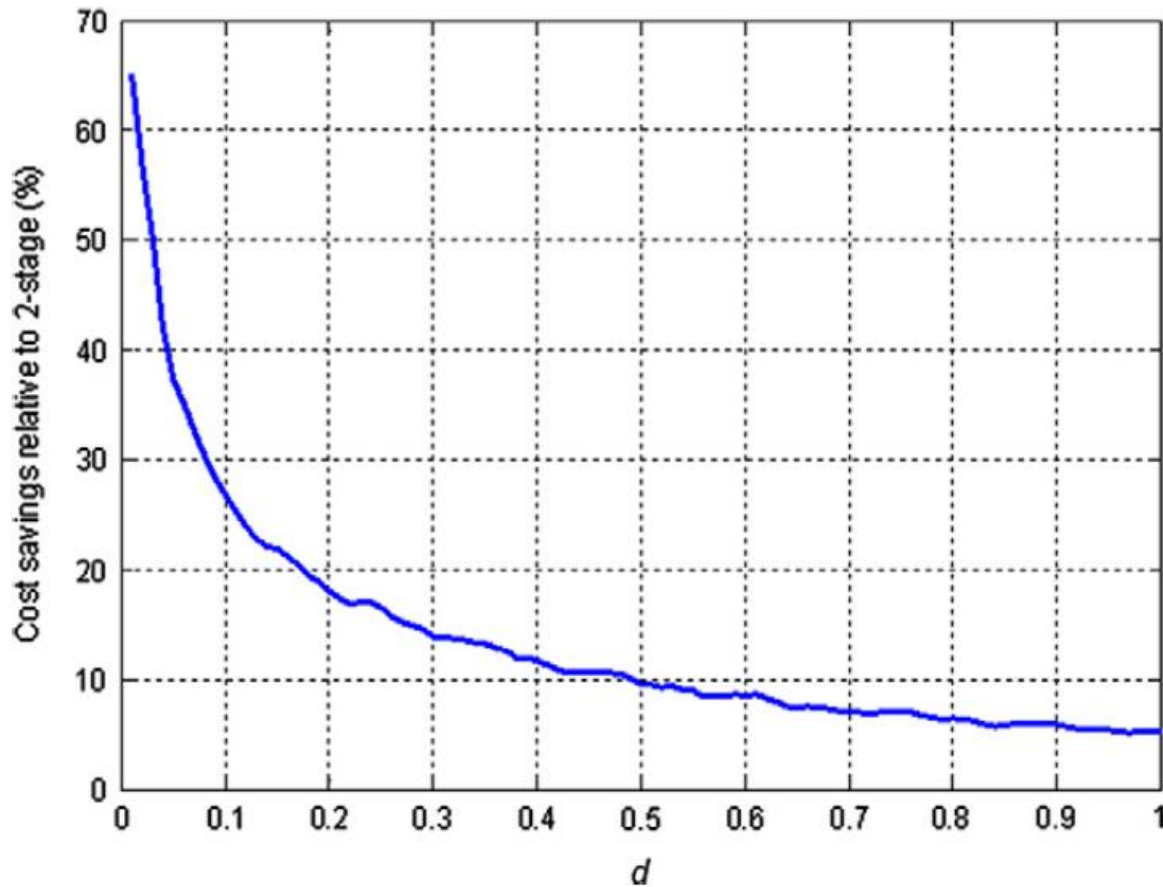
Risk-limited dispatch



- Decision tree for $m=3$.
- R.V. are modeled by scenarios (H,L)
- Solution is given by thresholds
- Buy or sell form



Risk-limited dispatch



- Performance comparison
- $m=2$ vs $m=10$
- d : demand level.



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