

# Moving Energy through Time

## Storage and Demand Side Response

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# Background

Research track organised by James Cruise and Golbon Zakeri

- 11<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> March
- Talks on range of related research topics.
- Working group developed modelling framework for future research direction.

Wide range of participation from programme participants.

# Importance of Energy Shifting

## Energy shifting can provide a large range of services

- Price smoothing
- Network reinforcement
- Operating reserve
- Fast response
- Voltage support
- ...

## **A wide range of technologies can provide energy shifting services**

- Wide range of capacities
- Wide range of temporal scales

Examples:

- Pumped hydro,
- Compressed gas,
- Industrial demand response,
- Battery storage,
- Domestic demand response.



*Dinorwig*: capacity: 9 GWh    rate: 1.8 GW    efficiency 0.75–0.80





# Industrial Demand Response

Golbon Zakeri, Mahbubeh Habibian, Anthony Downward, Miguel F. Anjos, Michael Ferris

## **Problem: Control of industrial demand response in a Co-optimized Energy and Reserve Market**

- Considers the response of large industrial consumers,
  - Aluminium smelters
  - Steel production facilities.
- Consumers large enough to be price maker.
- Co-optimizes consumption bids and interruptible load reserve offers.
- 'Multistage Stochastic Demand-side Management for Price-Making Major Consumers of Electricity' ( M. Habibian, A. Downward and G. Zakeri),
- 'Co-optimization of demand response and reserve offers for a major consumer', (M. Habibian, G. Zakeri, A. Downward, M. Anjos and M. Ferris), Energy Systems, DOI 10.1007/s12667-018-0312-x.

# Control of Distributed Dynamic Demand

Ana Bušić, Prabir Barooah, Yue Chen, and Sean Meyn

## **Problem: Control of aggregated demand response and batteries**

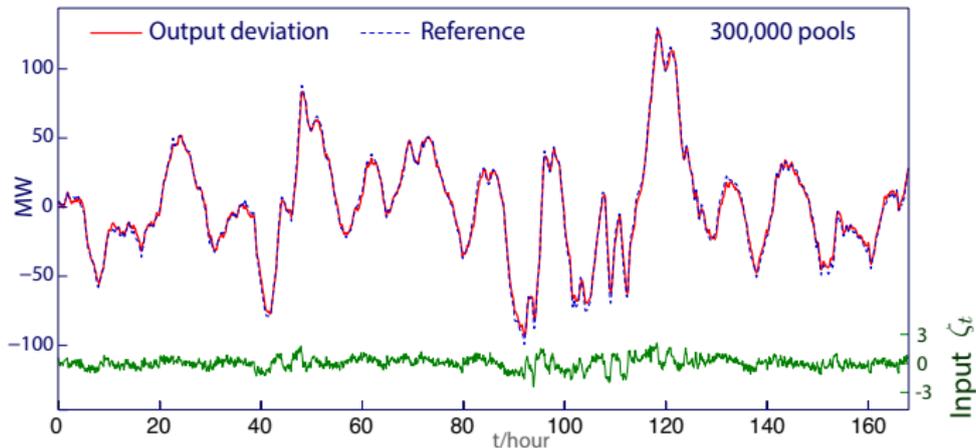
- Aims to develop a virtual energy storage through the control of flexible loads.
- Providing a useful service to the Grid.
  - eg. response and reserve services
- While respecting user QoS.
  - no frogs and algae in pools
  - privacy respected.

# Tracking Grid Signal with Residential Loads

Example: 300,000 pools, 300 MW max load

Each pool consumes 1kW when operating  
12 hour cleaning cycle each 24 hours

Power Deviation:



Nearly Perfect Service from Pools

Meyn et al. 2013 [CDC], Meyn et al. 2015 [IEEE TAC]

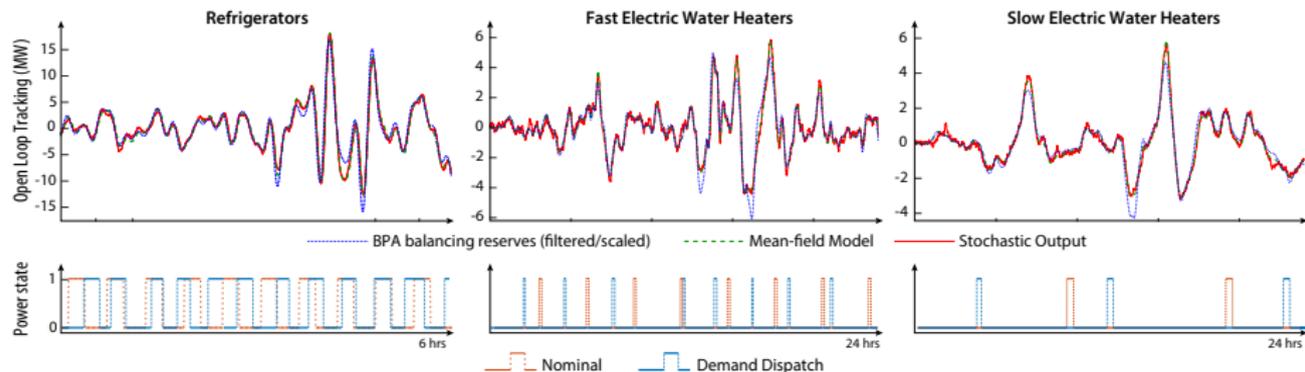
# Tracking performance

and the controlled dynamics for an individual load

Heterogeneous setting:

- 40 000 loads per experiment;
- 20 different load types in each case

Lower plots show the on/off state for a typical load



# References: this talk



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# Electric Vehicle Charging in Markets

Endre Bjørndal, Mette Bjørndal, Eivind Døvik, Jørgen Fostvedt

**Problem: Developing charging tariffs to utilise flexibility from EV fleet**

- Increasing number of electric vehicles connected to the grid.
- Could provide flexibility services to the grid.
- Empirical study using charging data.
- Understand the business model to realise the flexibility.



## Energimarked 2.0



- Tibber customers offer flexibility
- Flexible devices are controlled by Tibber
  - EVs and domestic appliances
- Potential value of flexibility
  - Price-optimization (day-ahead market)
  - Fast frequency reserves (TSO)
  - Local grid (DSO)
- What is a good business model in order to activate flexibility and realize value for all participants?



# Lagrangian Approach to Storage Control (Arbitrage)

James Cruise and Stan Zachary

## **Problem: How to control energy storage to maximise profit?**

- Energy shifting participating in markets.
- Help to equalise prices and hence net demand.
- Often contracted for other purposes as well.
- For example, providing capacity or link reinforcement.

How should the operator control the store in these circumstances?

- Control of Energy Storage with Market Impact: Lagrangian Approach and Horizons, (Cruise, R. J. R., Flatley, L., Gibbens, R. J. & Zachary, S), OR <https://doi.org/10.1287/opre.2018.1761>
- Impact of storage competition on energy markets (James R. Cruise, Lisa Flatley, Stanley Zachary), EJOR <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ejor.2018.02.036>
- The Optimal Control of Storage for Arbitrage and Buffering, with Energy Applications (James Cruise, Stan Zachary), FRM 2017: Renewable Energy: Forecasting and Risk Management pp 209-227

# Deterministic Problem

Define the following (deterministic) optimisation problem:

**P:** Choose  $s = (s_0, \dots, s_T)$  with  $s_0 = s_0^*$  so as to minimise

$$\sum_{t=1}^T [C_t(x_t(s)) + A_t(s_t)]$$

subject to the capacity constraints

$$0 \leq s_t \leq E_t, \quad 1 \leq t \leq T,$$

and the rate constraints

$$x_t(s) \in X_t, \quad 1 \leq t \leq T.$$

# Lagrangian Theory

## Theorem

Let  $s^*$  denote the solution to the problem  $P$ . Then there exists a vector  $\lambda^* = (\lambda_1^*, \dots, \lambda_T^*)$  such that

- 1 for all vectors  $s$  such that  $s_0 = s_0^*$  and  $x_t(s) \in X_t$  for all  $t$  ( $s$  is not otherwise constrained),

$$\sum_{t=1}^T [C_t(x_t(s)) + A_t(s_t) - \lambda_t^* s_t] \geq \sum_{t=1}^T [C_t(x_t(s^*)) + A_t(s_t^*) - \lambda_t^* s_t^*]. \quad (1)$$

## Theorem

- 2 the pair  $(s^*, \lambda^*)$  satisfies the complementary slackness conditions, for  $1 \leq t \leq T$ ,

$$\begin{cases} \lambda_t^* = 0 & \text{if } 0 < s_t^* < E_t, \\ \lambda_t^* \geq 0 & \text{if } s_t^* = 0, \\ \lambda_t^* \leq 0 & \text{if } s_t^* = E_t. \end{cases} \quad (2)$$

Conversely, suppose that there exists a pair of vectors  $(s^*, \lambda^*)$ , with  $s_0 = s_0^*$ , satisfying the conditions (1) and (2) and such that  $s^*$  is additionally feasible for the problem  $P$ . Then  $s^*$  solves the problem  $P$ .

# Finding $(s^*, \lambda^*)$

## Proposition

Suppose that the functions  $A_t$  are differentiable, and that the pair  $(s^*, \lambda^*)$  is such that  $s^*$  is feasible for the problem  $P$ , while  $(s^*, \lambda^*)$  satisfies the conditions of previous Theorem. For each  $t$  define

$$\nu_t^* = \sum_{u=t}^T [\lambda_u^* - A'_u(s_u^*)]. \quad (3)$$

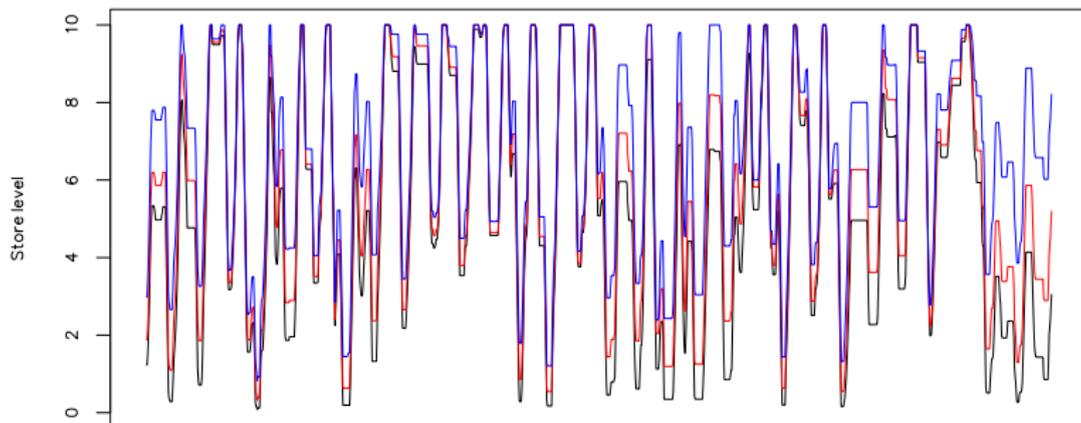
Then the condition that  $(s^*, \lambda^*)$  satisfies the condition (1) of previous Theorem is equivalent to the condition that

$$x_t(s^*) \text{ minimises } C_t(x) - \nu_t^* x \text{ in } x \in X_t, \quad 1 \leq t \leq T. \quad (4)$$

# UK Market Example

$E/P = 5$  hrs      *Efficiency* = 0.85 (ratio of sell to buy price).

$A_t(S) = \nu/S$  (Black: $\nu = 0.02$ , Red: $\nu = 0.2$ , Blue:  $\nu = 1$ )



Time (March 2011)

# Storage and Adequacy

James Cruise and Stan Zachary

**Problem: Using energy shifting to meet an energy shortfall.**

Setup:

- 1 a nonnegative *demand process* ( $d(t)$ ,  $t \in [0, T]$ )
- 2 a set  $S$  of *stores*,

Each store  $i \in S$ :

- serve energy at any rate  $r_i(t)$  for each time  $t \in [0, T]$
- rate (power) constraint  $P_i$

$$0 \leq r_i(t) \leq P_i, \quad t \in [0, T],$$

- capacity (energy) constraint  $E_i$

$$\int_0^T r_i(t) dt \leq E_i.$$

# Expected Energy Unserved

Problem of optimally scheduling the use of the stores:

**P:** choose a policy  $(r_{\S}(t), t \in [0, T])$  to *minimise*

$$E \int_0^T \left( d(t) - \sum_{i \in S} r_i(t) \right)^+ dt,$$

subject to

$$0 \leq r_i(t) \leq P_i, \quad t \in [0, T],$$

$$\int_0^T r_i(t) dt \leq E_i.$$

'Optimal scheduling of energy storage resources' J.Cruise and S. Zachary  
(<https://arxiv.org/abs/1808.05901>)

Also see work by M. Evans, D. Angeli, and S. H. Tindemans

# Optimal Greedy Policy

Algorithm:

- For each store calculate  $E/P$  ratio (time to empty).
- Order stores by this ratio.
- Allocate capacity in greedy fashion using this order.
- Proportionally allocate those with equal  $E/P$  to maintain equality.

Notes:

- Looks to equalize  $E/P$  ratio across stores.
- Note this is a myopic policy, has no care about the future.
- Optimal for both deterministic and random demand profiles.

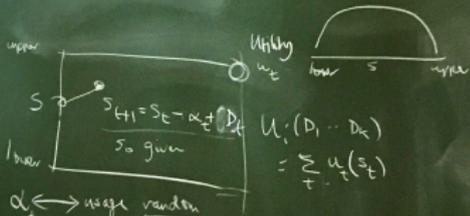
Other results include:

- Classifying demand profiles which can be satisfied
- Determining marginal effective firm capacity in the presence stores.
- Differences when considering weighted EEU.

System  $\min \sum_t c_t(T_t) - \sum_{t \in V} \sum_{k \in K} u_t(D_1, D_2, D_k)$

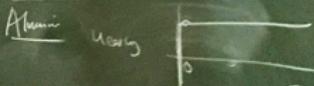
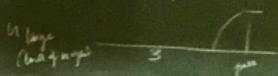
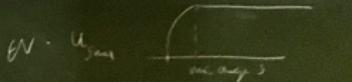
$\sum D_{i,t} = T_t \quad i \in V \quad t \in K \quad (\Pi_t)$

max  $u_t(D_1, D_k) - \sum_t \Pi_t D_t$

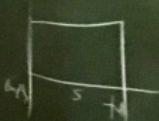


$\alpha_t \leftrightarrow$  usage random

$\frac{\partial \text{Lagrangian}}{\partial D_t} = \sum_{t \in K} \frac{\partial u_t(s_t)}{\partial D_t} - \Pi_t = \left[ \sum_{t \in K} u_t'(s_t) \right] - \Pi_t$



Battery



**Model that is tool for thinking about a range of problems in which energy is moved through time.**

Setup:

- Large population of users
- Single system operator
- Fixed time horizon  $T$
- Each user has a utility function:

$$U_i(d_{i1}, d_{i2}, \dots, d_{iT})$$

where  $d_{ij}$  is demand by user  $i$  in time period  $j$ .

- Consider system operator and individual problem

# Utility function

Focus on two types of utility function:

- 1 Simple utility function with decoupling across time:

$$U_i(d_{i1}, d_{i2}, \dots, d_{iT}) = \sum_{t=1}^T u_{it}(d_{it}).$$

- 2 Utility depends on demand through a stock

$$s_{i,t+1} = s_{it} - \alpha_{it} + \beta_{it}d_{it},$$

then the utility function is

$$U_i(d_{i1}, d_{i2}, \dots, d_{iT}) = \sum_{t=1}^T u_{it}(s_{it}).$$

Here  $\alpha_{it}$  is the depletion through exogenous factors at time  $t$ , and  $\beta_{it}$  corresponds to the efficiency. Examples include a factory carrying out demand response, a battery store, household thermal storage.

# System Problem

Choosing  $X_t$  (total generation) and  $d_{it}$ ,  $i \in N$ ,  $t = 1, 2, \dots, T$ , to

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{maximize} && \sum_i U_i(d_{i1}, d_{i2}, \dots, d_{iT}) - \sum_t C_t(X_t) \\ & \text{subject to} && \sum_i d_{it} = X_t + W_t, \quad t = 1, 2, \dots, T \\ & && d_{it} \in D_{it}, \quad i \in N, \quad t = 1, 2, \dots, T \end{aligned}$$

- $C_t$  is the generation cost function at time  $t$ ,
- $W_t$  is the zero cost renewable generation at time  $t$ ,
- $D_{it}$  is demand restriction for users.

# User Problem

Choosing  $d_{it}$ ,  $i \in N$ ,  $t = 1, 2, \dots, T$ , to

$$\max_{d_{it} \in D_{it}} \{U_i(d_{i1}, d_{i2}, \dots, d_{iT}) - \sum_t \pi_t d_{it}\}$$

where  $\pi_t$  is the electricity price (this should be the shadow price from the system problem).

# Directions to explore

- Exploring the value of heterogeneity in users.
- Small  $N$  to large  $N$  limit
- Incorporating a distribution network

# Future directions of research

- How do we extend the work to consider multiple energy shifting resources?
  - Collaborative?
  - Competitively?
- Understanding the role of the network, where should such facilities be located?
- How do we better understand energy sources providing multiple services concurrently?