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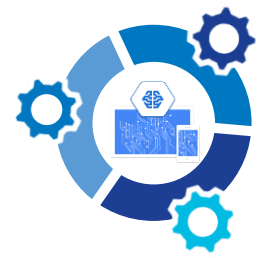
# Challenges in Clean Energy and Opportunities for Mathematicians

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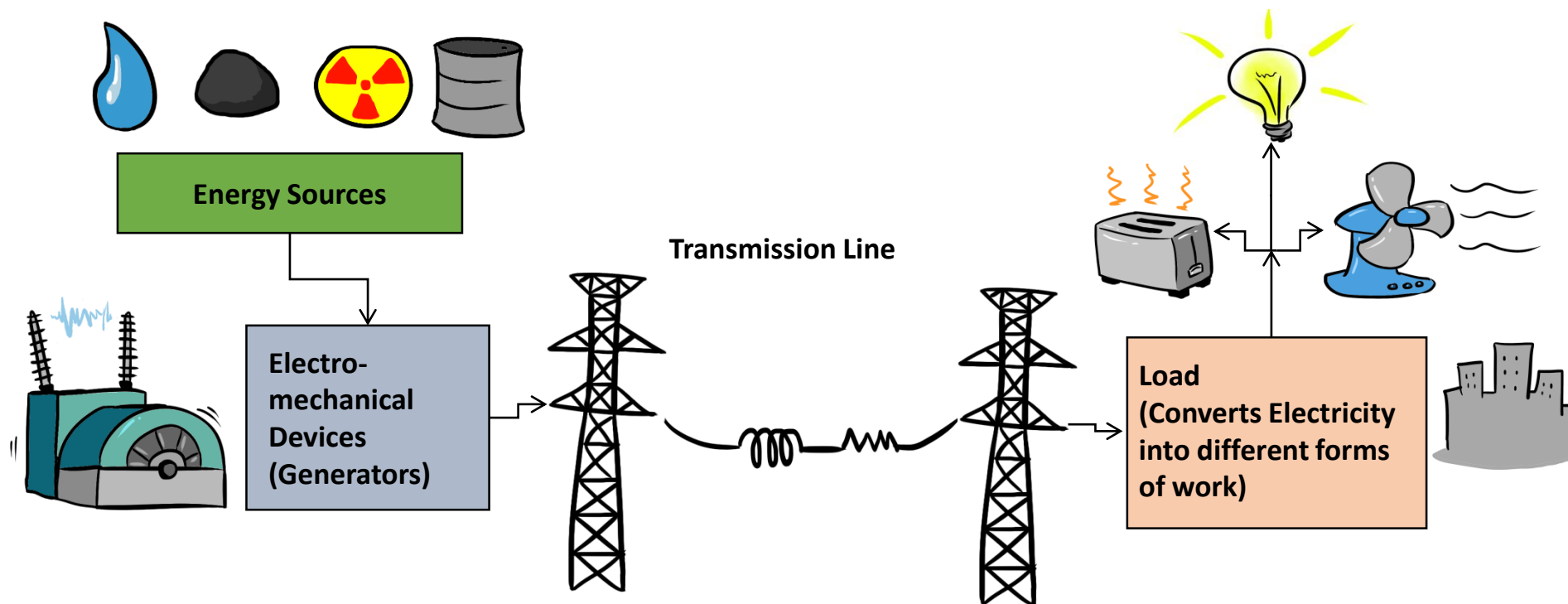


# Outline:

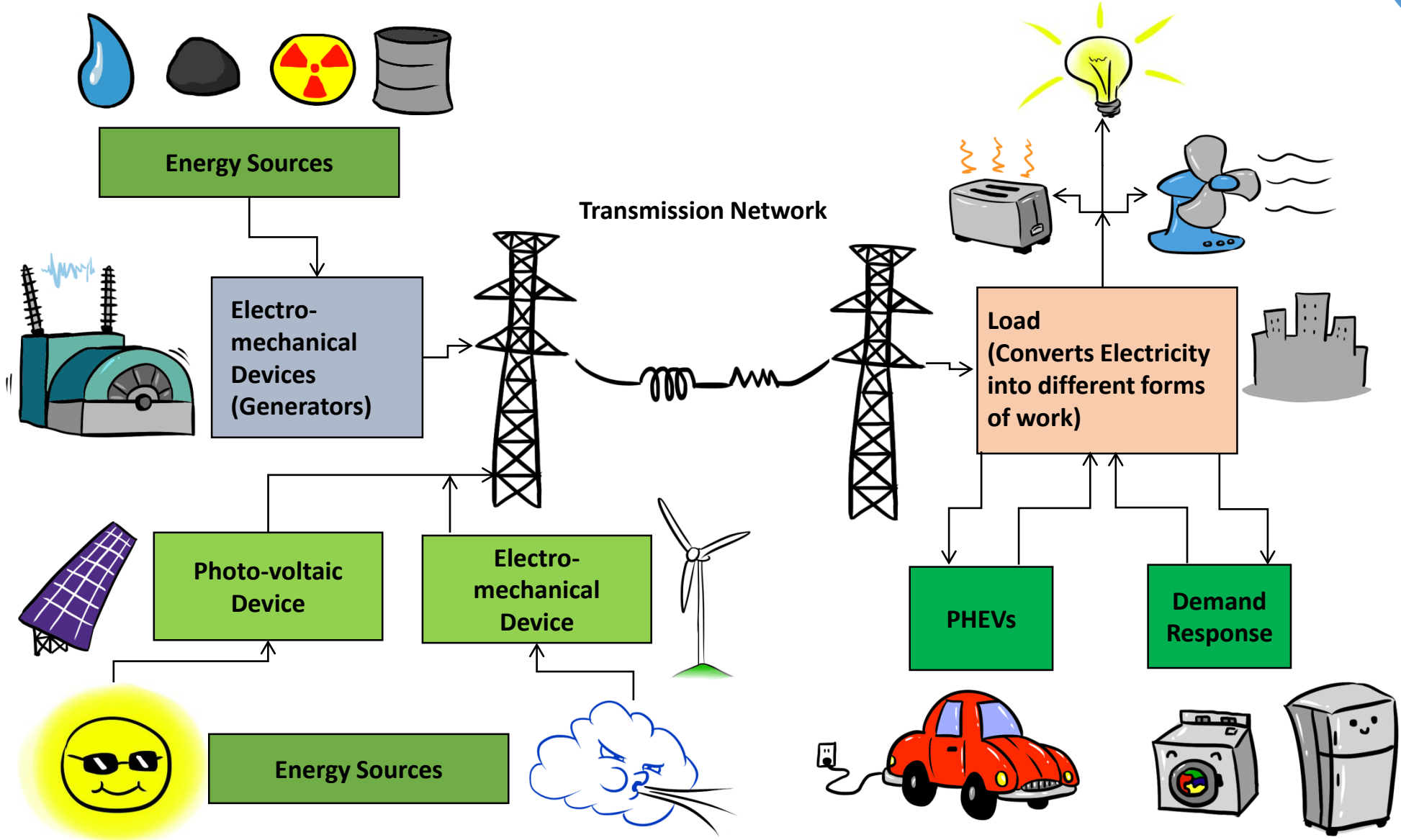
- Technological and social drivers in the clean energy
- Smart Grid ( moving from central to distributed energy systems),
- Decision making-Algorithm to improve efficiency,
- Improve Quality of Service,
- Safety concerns for equipment and system level,
- A non-intrusive condition monitoring,

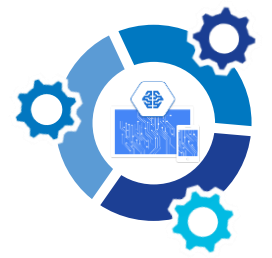


# Conventional Energy Systems:



# Future Electric Energy Systems:





# Technological and social drives in energy systems:

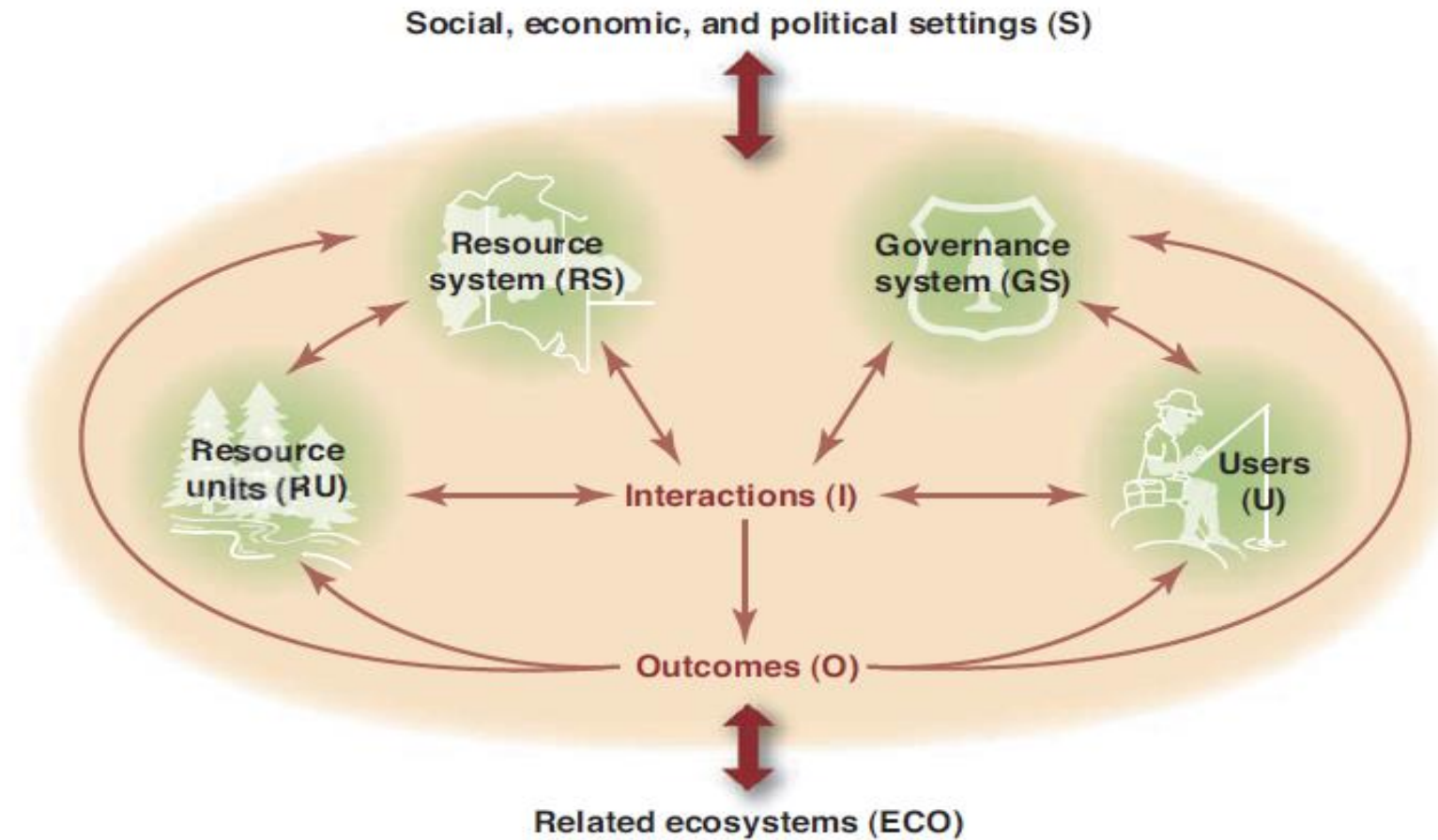
- Multiple objective (reliable, efficiency and environmental)
- Non-homogenous and non-utility-owned resources
- Renewable resources and demand response
- Technology drivers: Cost-effective ICT, GPS synchronized wide-area measurement systems (WAMS).
- Emergence of electricity market,
- Technologies for plug-&-play deployment



# Clean Energy drives and concerns:

- ❑ Increasing presence of renewable energy resources which are **environmentally attractive** 😊 with **fast rate of response** 😊 but **Intermittent** 😞.
  
- ❑ 3 major questions for reliability and efficiency:
  - 1) **Better Prediction** of Intermittent Resources
  - 2) **More efficient utilization** of intermittent resources
  - 3) **More reliable operation** of intermittent resources

# Moving from Central to Distributed Socio-Ecological Systems [1]:





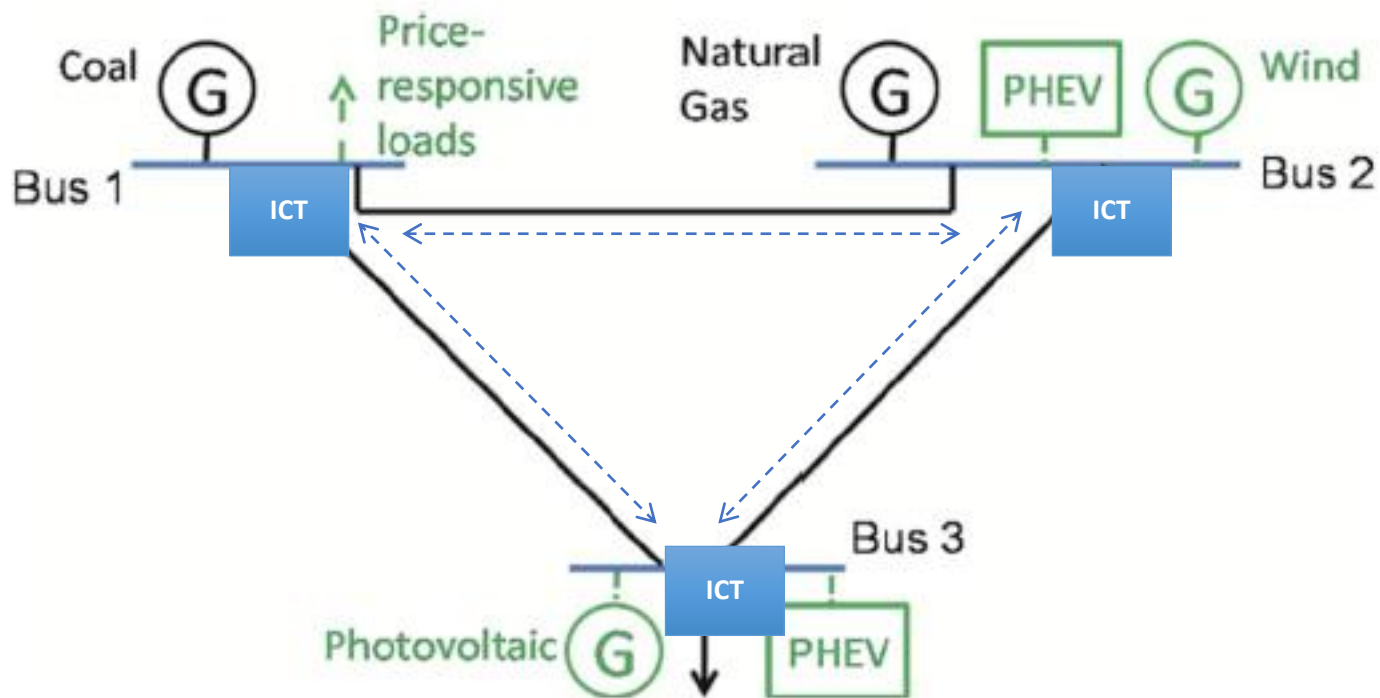
# The changing role of decision making:

<b>Today's Power Grid</b> <b>(centralized objective subject to many constraints (externalities))</b>	<b>``Smart Grid''</b> <b>(multi-layered interactive coordination of objectives)</b>
<b>Deliver supply to meet given demand</b>	<b>Deliver power to support supply and demand schedules in which both supply and demand have costs assigned</b>
<b>Deliver power assuming a predefined tariff</b>	<b>Deliver electricity at QoS determined by the customers willingness to pay</b>
<b>Deliver power subject to predefined CO<sub>2</sub> constraint</b>	<b>Deliver power defined by users' willingness to pay for CO<sub>2</sub></b>
<b>Deliver supply and demand subject to transmission congestion</b>	<b>Schedule supply, demand and transmission capacity (supply, demand and transmission costs assigned); transmission at value</b>
<b>Use storage to balance fast varying supply and demand</b>	<b>Build storage according to customers willingness to pay for being connected to a stable grid</b>
<b>Build new transmission lines for forecast demand</b>	<b>Build new transmission lines to serve customers according to their ex ante (longer-term) contracts for service</b>





# “Smart Grid” ↔ electric power grid

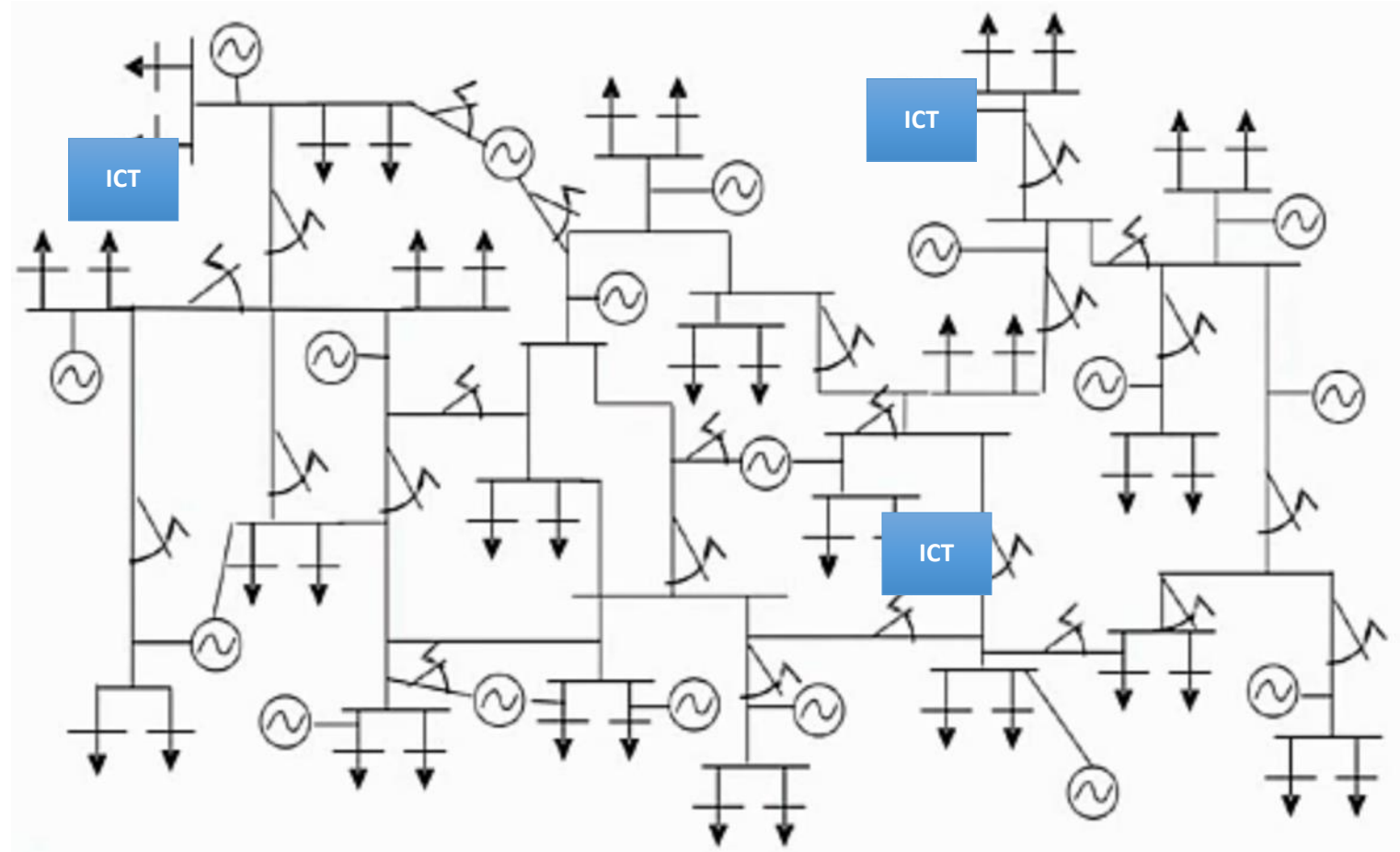


ICT (Sensors, Communications, Control & Decision)

# Measurement and Modelling:



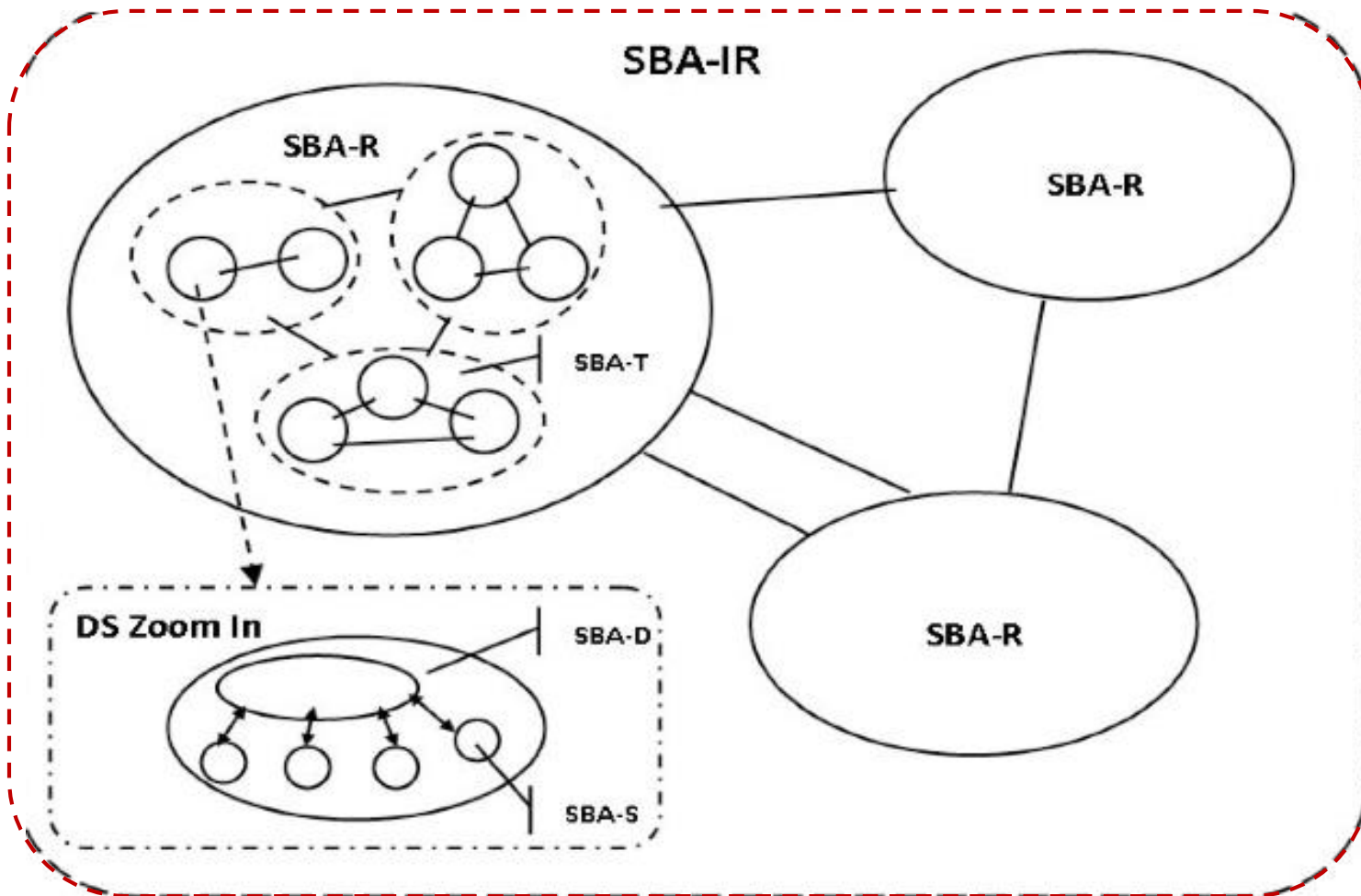
What is the minimum number of measurement and a sufficient (accurate but not complex) model?





# Interaction Variable:

- ❑ A means of going from very coarse to granular model and back.
- ❑ framework for relating **engineering design, financial & environmental** objectives.





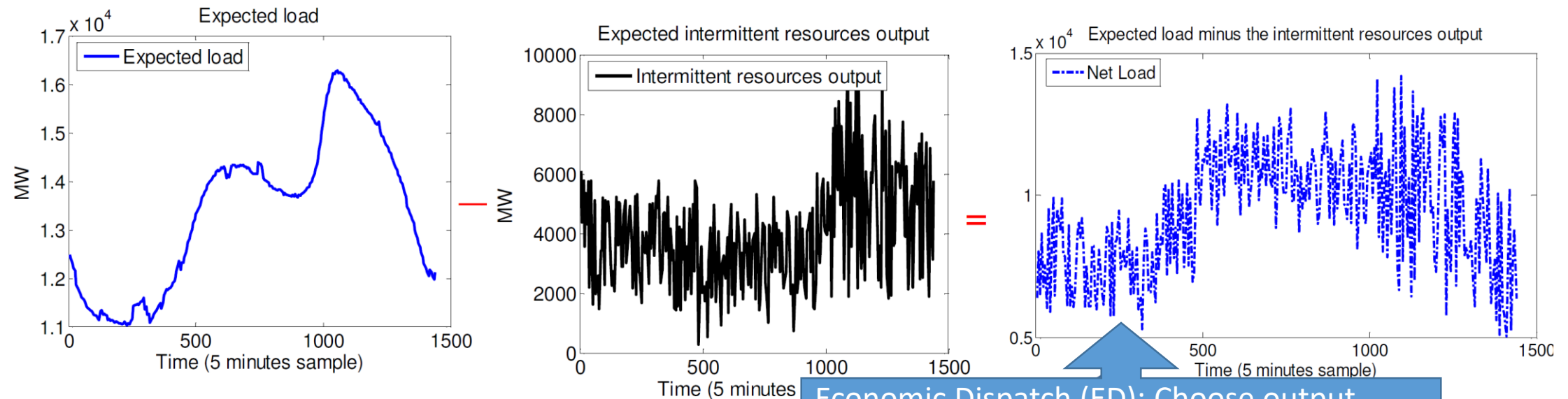
# Decision-Making Algorithm: Efficient Utilization



# Economic Dispatching (ED):

Given a mixture of energy resources, how to determine the output of individual energy resources so that:

- (1) power supply always balances demand
- (2) total generation cost is minimized.



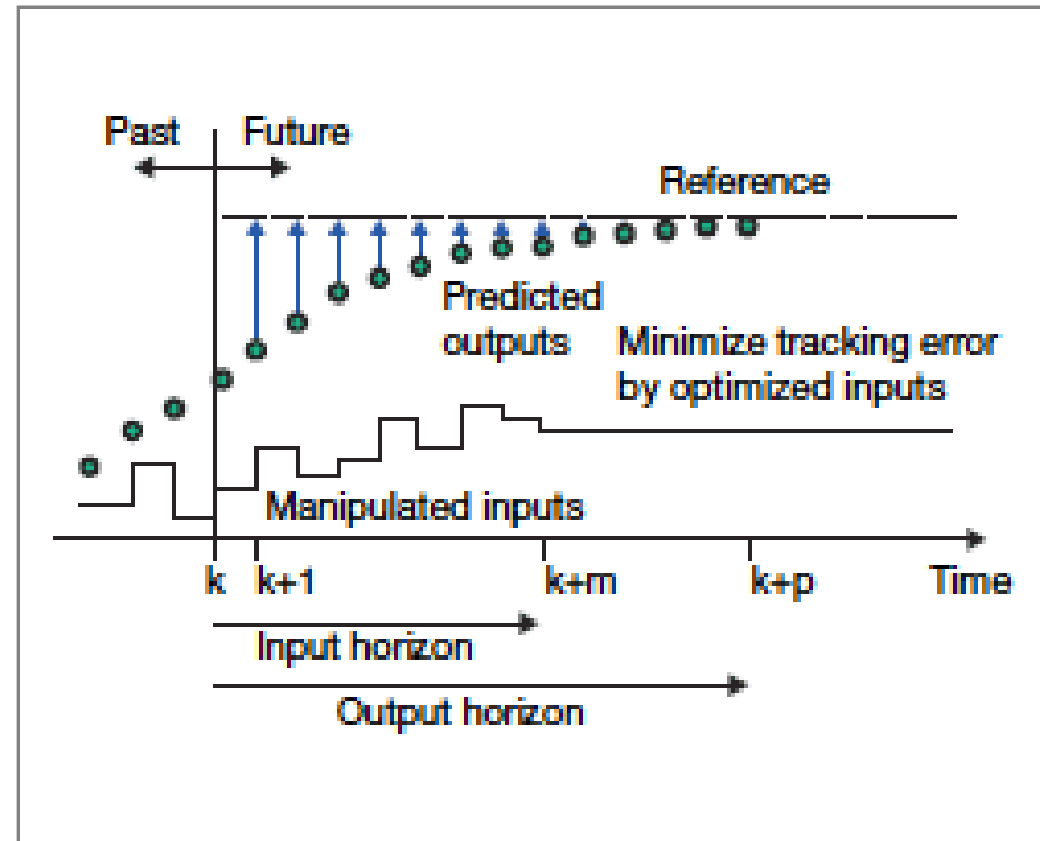
Economic Dispatch (ED): Choose output levels from conventional power plants to meet the “net load” at minimum cost [2].



# Model Predictive Control (MPC)[2]:

At each step, a finite-horizon optimal control problem is solved but only one step is implemented.

Markove Model to predict wind, ad demand).

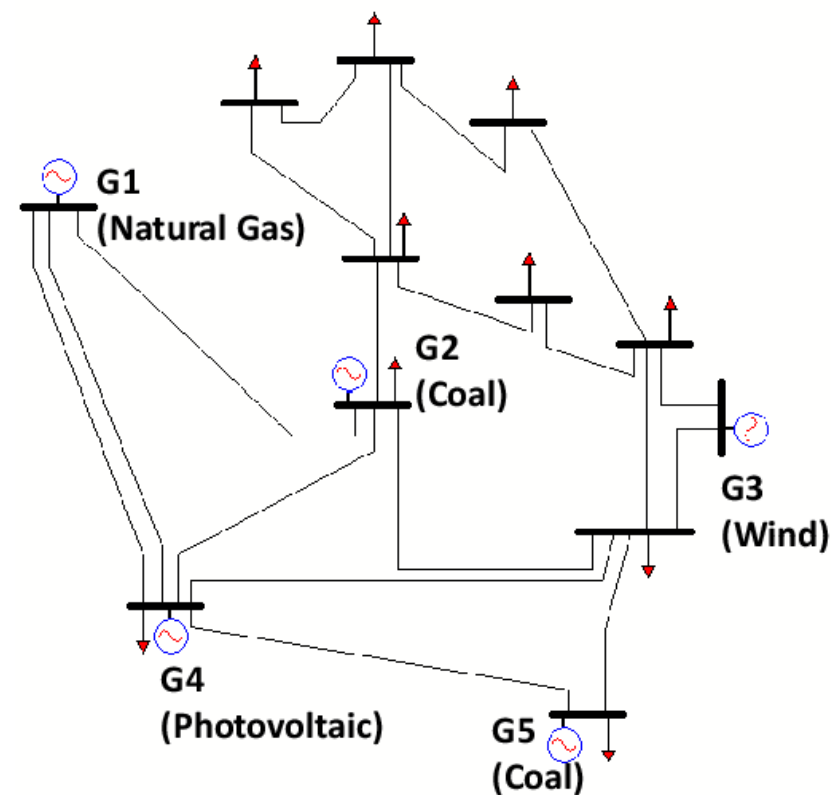




# Numerical Example (New):

Gen ID	Type	Capacity	Marginal Cost	Ramp Rate
1	Natural Gas	5000MW	1000\$/MWh	100MW/5 min
2	Coal	9000MW	500\$/MWh	1000MW/hour
3	Wind	3500MW	0\$/MWh	150MW/5 min
4	Photovoltaic	1500MW	0\$/MWh	100MW/5 min
5	Coal	8000MW	300\$/MWh	800MW/hour

Conventional cost over 1 year *	Proposed cost over the year	Difference	Relative Saving
\$ 129.74 Million	\$ 119.62 Million	\$ 10.12 Million	7.8%



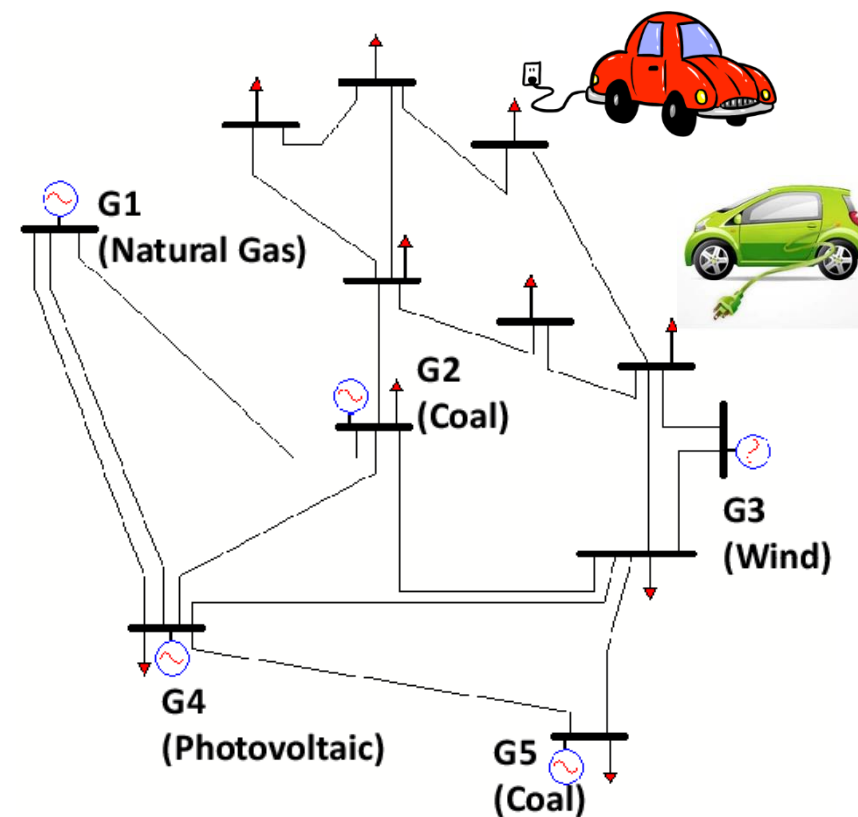
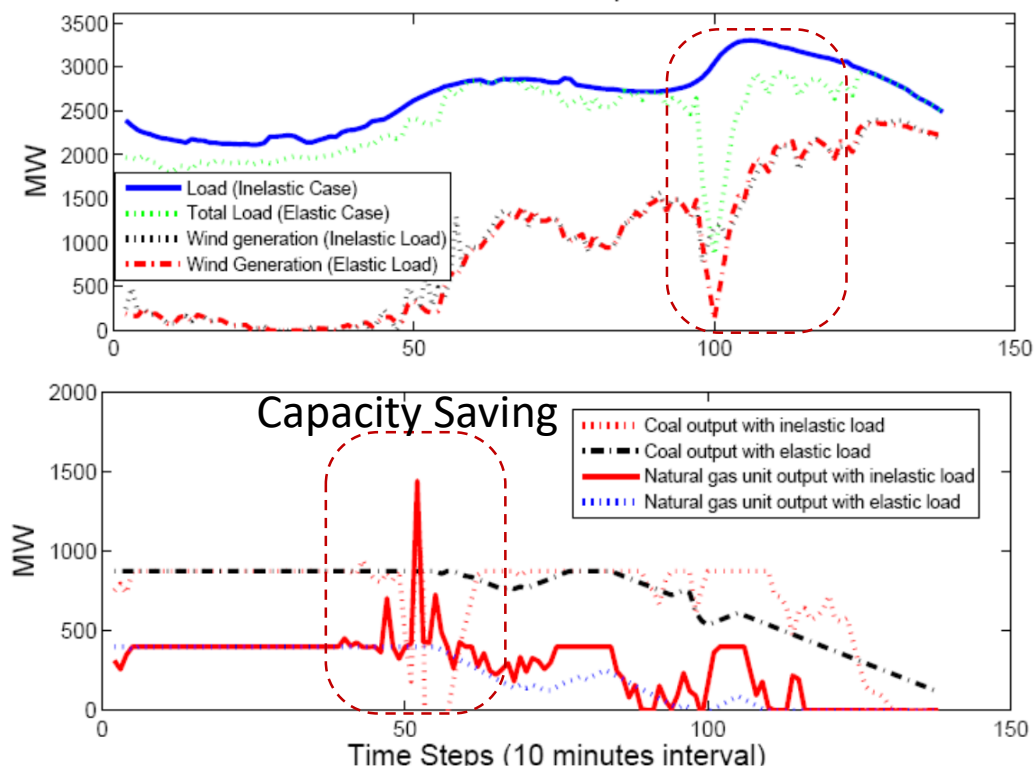
IEEE RT Model

load data from New York Independent System Operator, available online at [http://www.nyiso.com/public/market\\_data/load\\_data.jsp](http://www.nyiso.com/public/market_data/load_data.jsp)



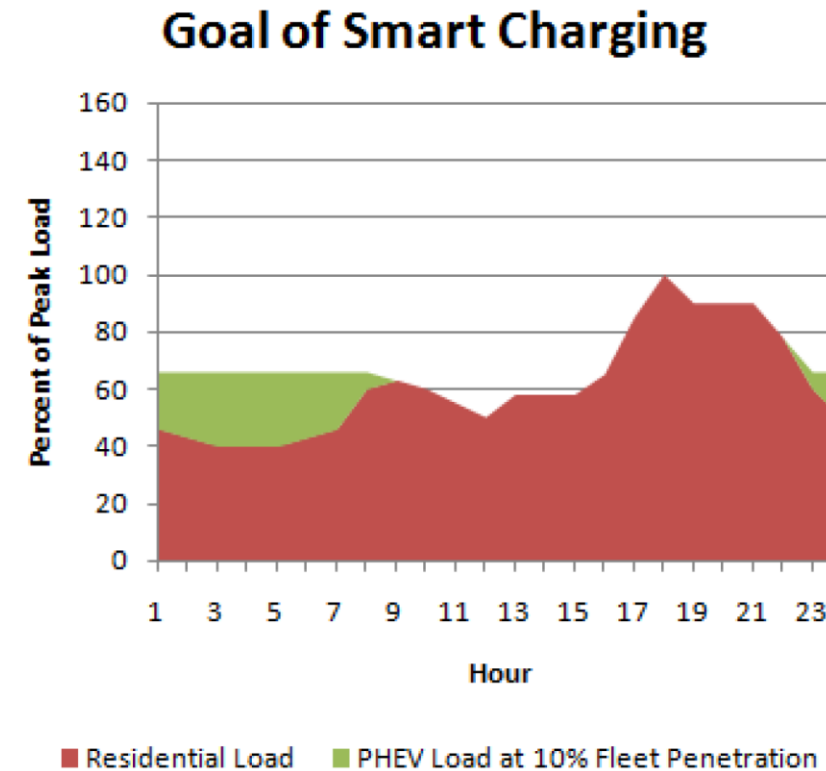
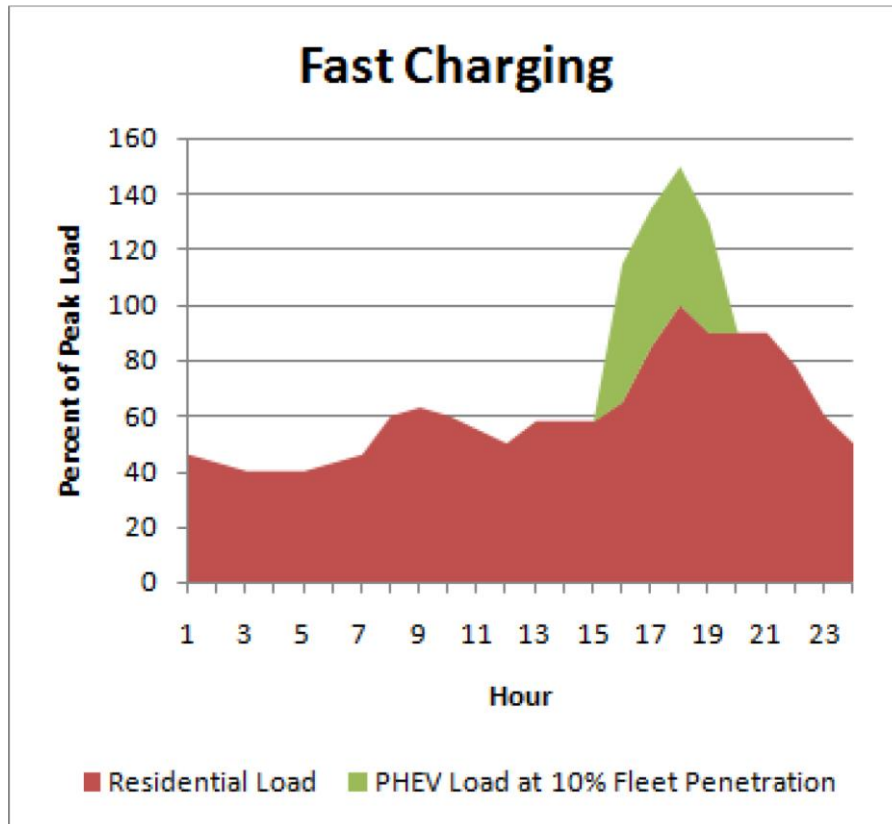
# Numerical Example (New) [3,4]:

Elastic demand that respond to time-varying price.





# Optimal Control of Plug-in –Electric Vehiles: Fast v.s. Smart Charging (Rotering, 2009)



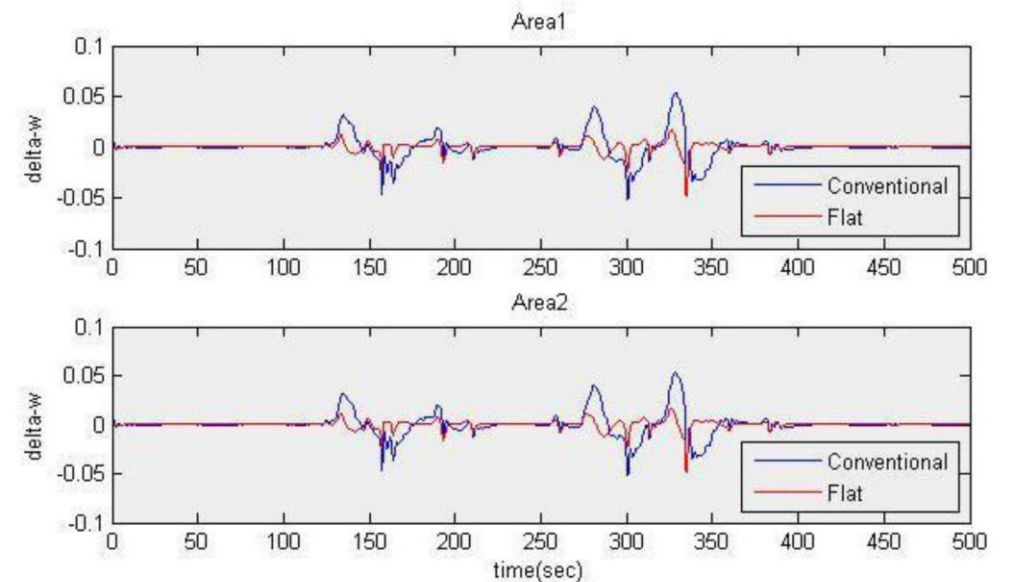
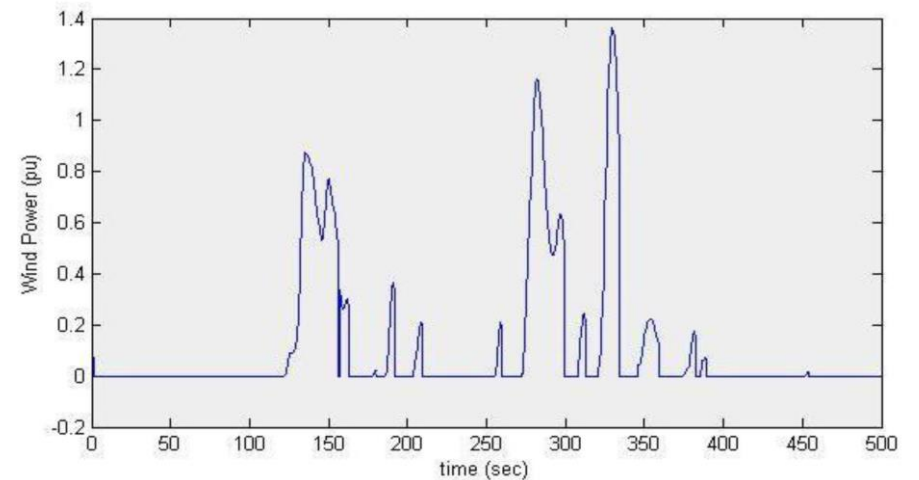


# Decision-Making Algorithm: Improve the Quality of Service (QoS)

# Example: Flatness Systems for Automated Control Generation (AGC)

**AGC** is a system for adjusting the power output of multiple generators in response to changes in the load.

A system is **differential flat** if we can define the system *inputs* and *states* based on a so-called “*flat*” *output* and a finite number of its *differentiations*. (A tool to transform a nonlinear system to linear control problem).



Frequency Deviations (pu)



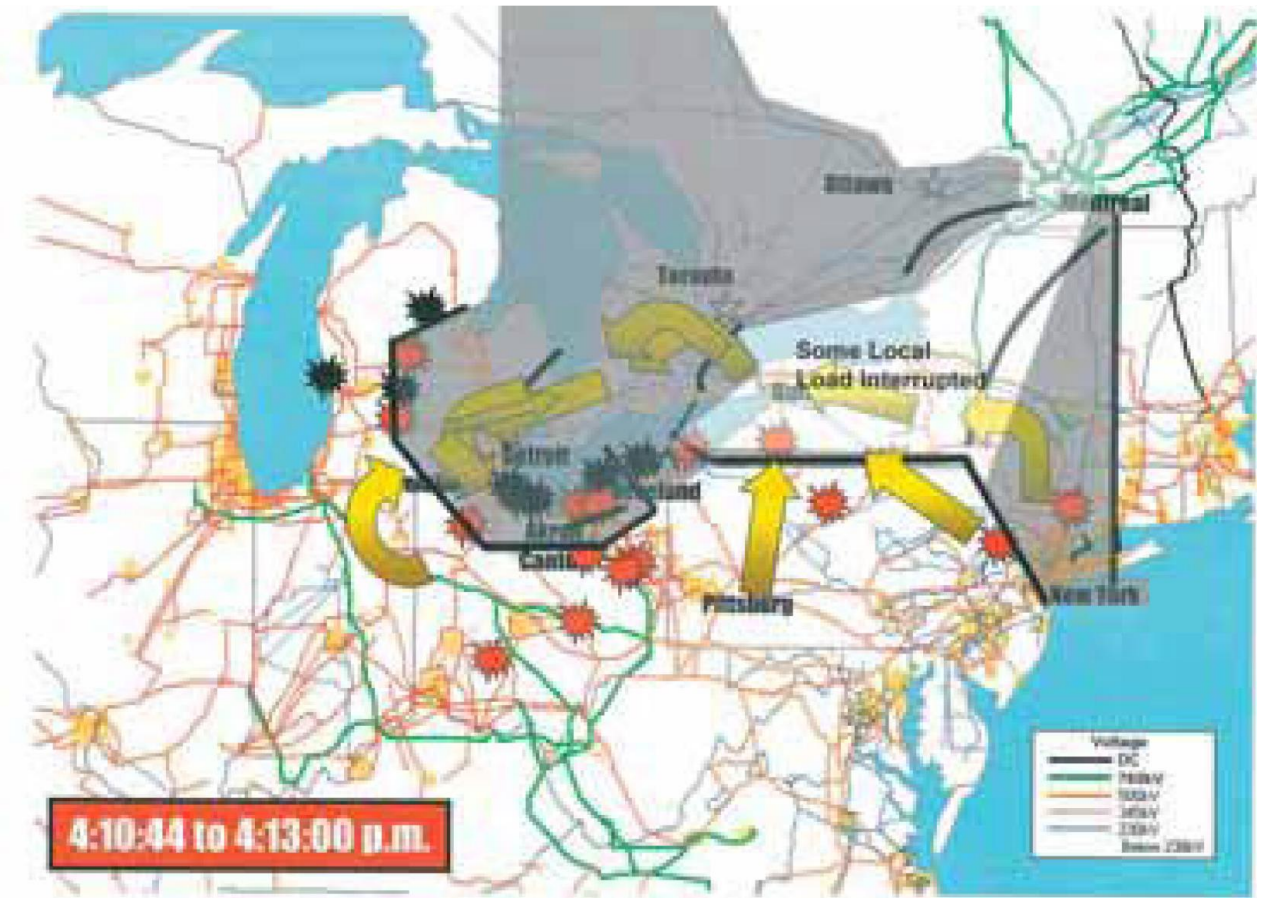
# Reliable Operation (Safety & Protection)



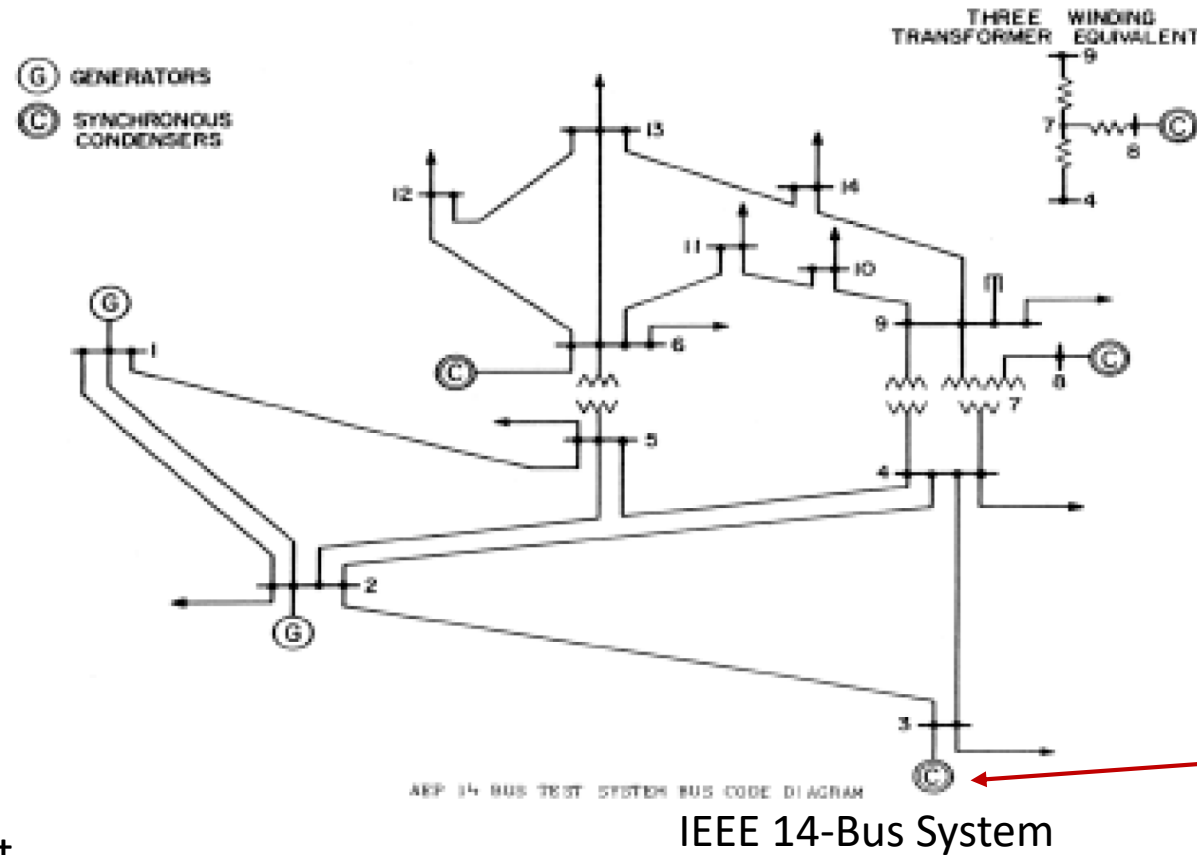
# Harmonic Resonance & Su-Synchronous Harmonics

Peculiar safety challenges at the system level:

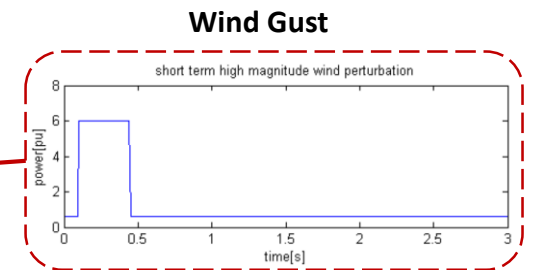
- **Harmonic resonance problem** (transformer destroyed by the resonance of specific harmonic);
- **Sub-synchronous resonance (SSR)** between turbine shafts and series capacitor banks (long transmission lines).



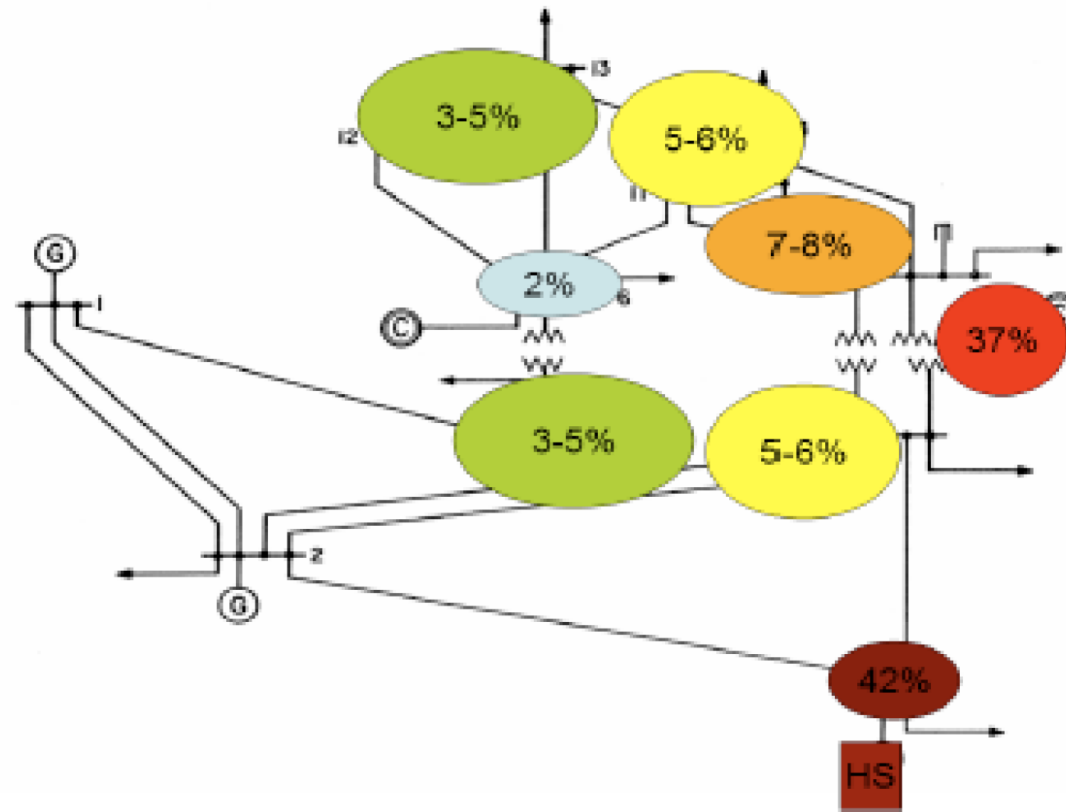
# Safety Problem Caused by Harmonic Resonance [5,6]



System-dependent;  
disturbance-dependent

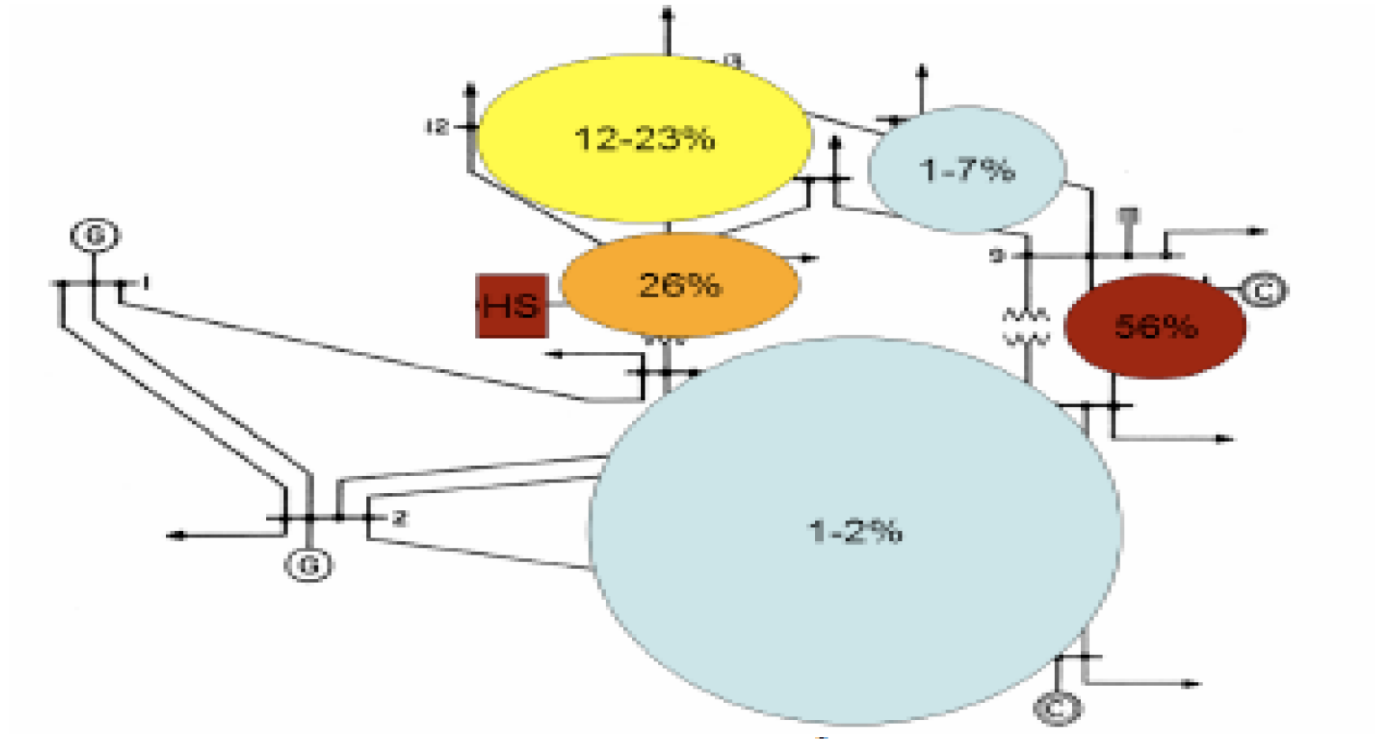


# Nonlinear Load connected to Bus 3



Harmonic Propagation for the 5<sup>th</sup> harmonics.  
The Percentage of Harmonic Voltage to Normal Voltage at each Bus

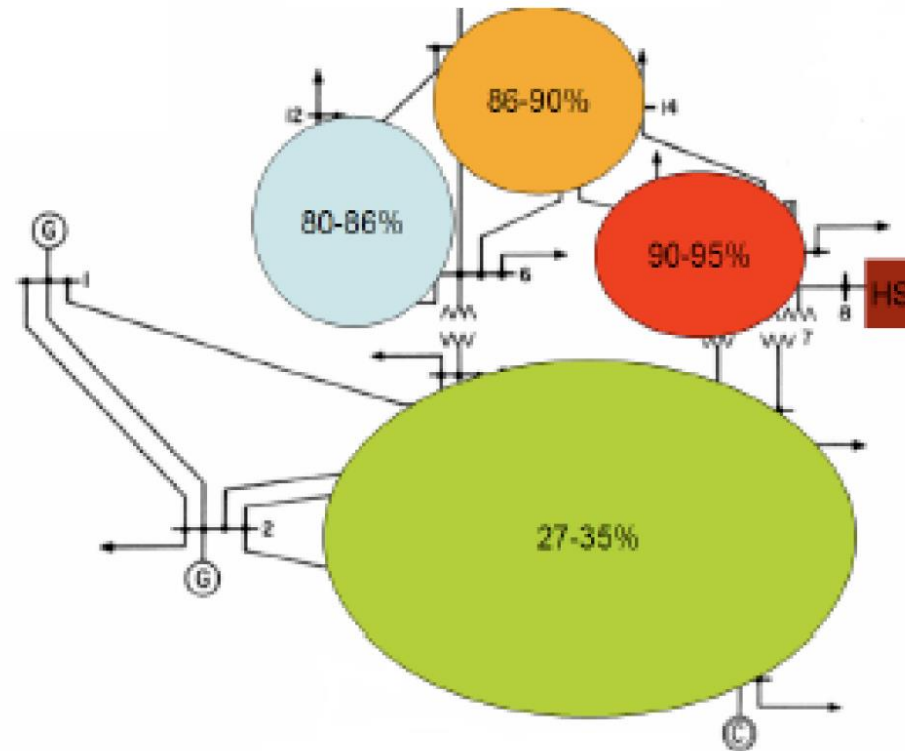
# Harmonic Source at Bus 6



Harmonic Propagation for the 5<sup>th</sup> harmonics.  
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# Harmonic Source at Bus 8



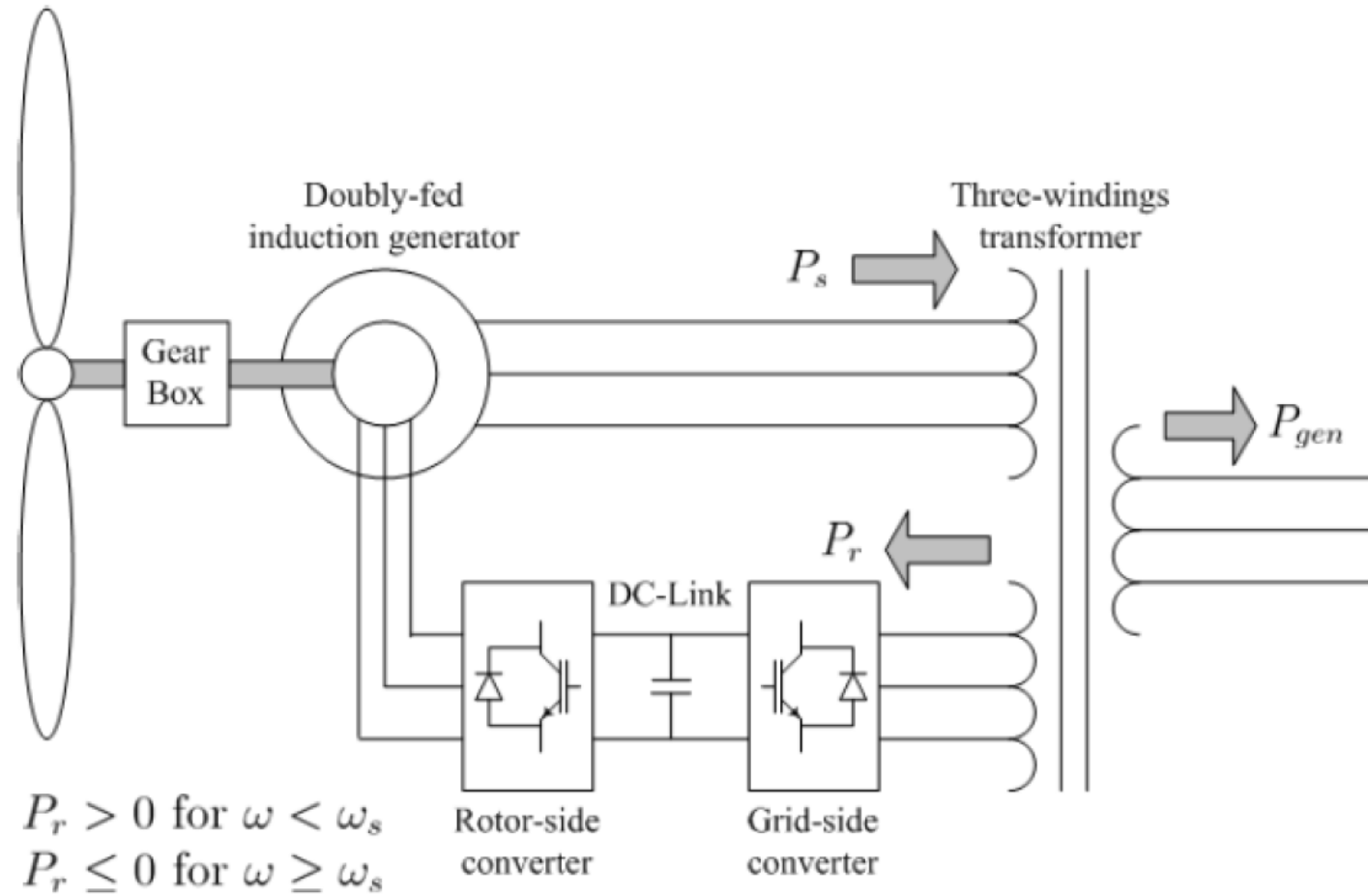
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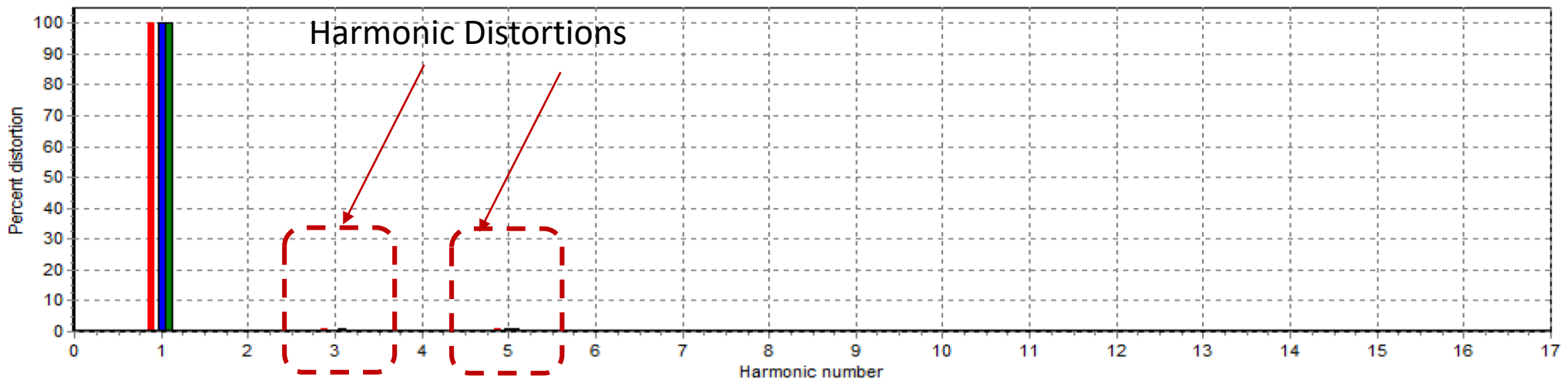
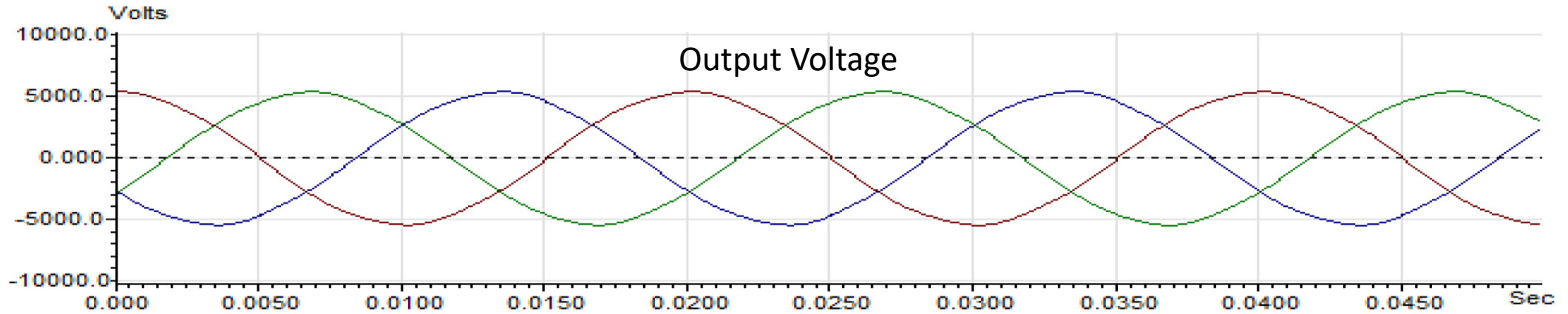
## Fast Dynamics Matter!

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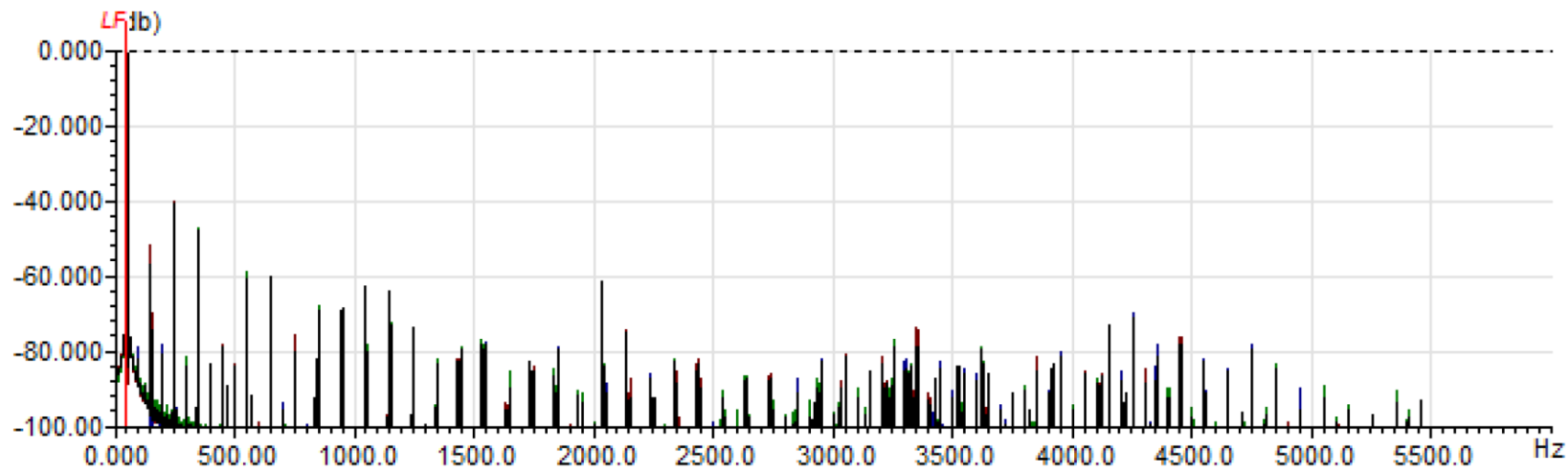
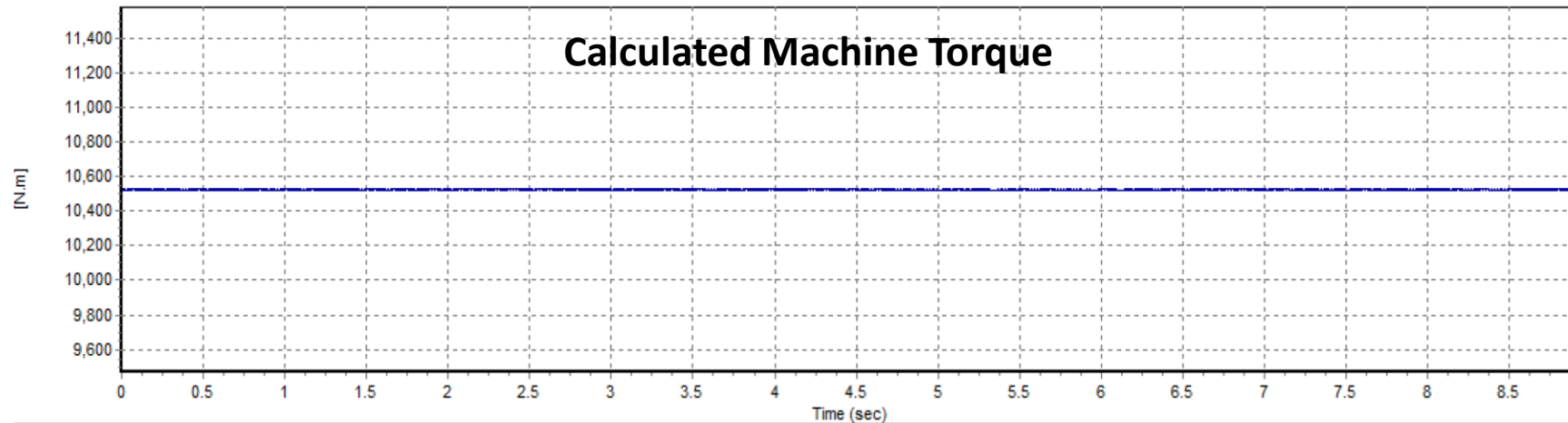
# A Data-Driven Solution for Fast Dynamics:



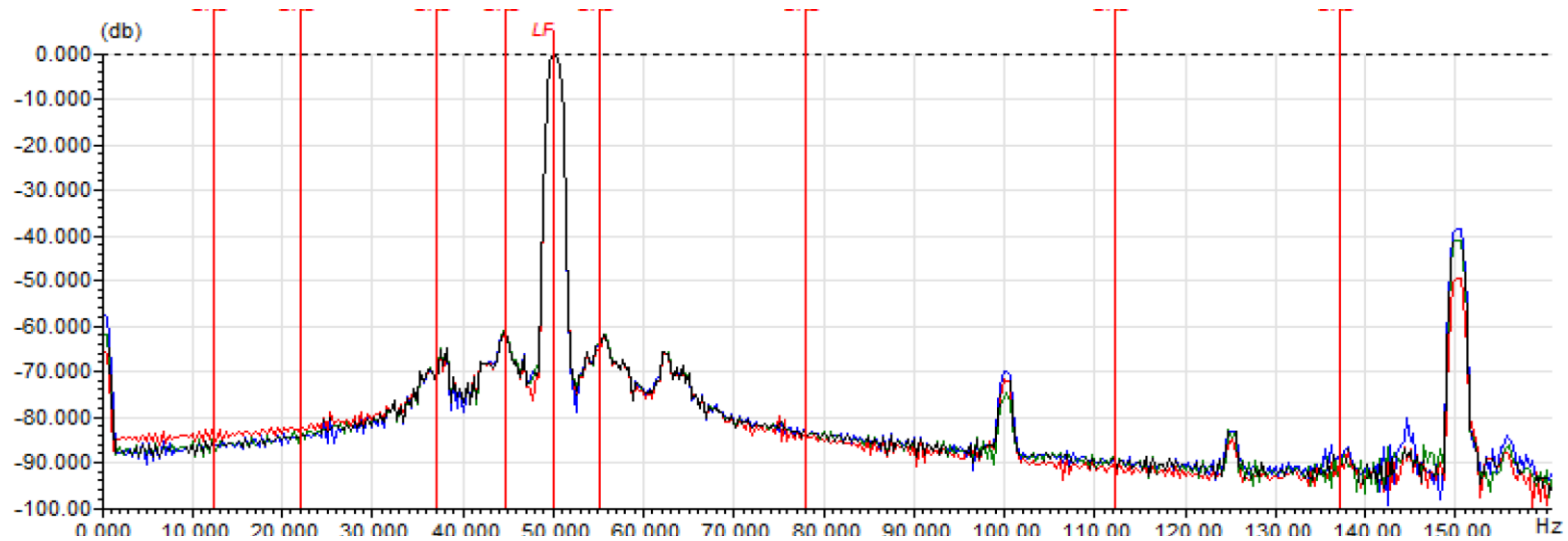
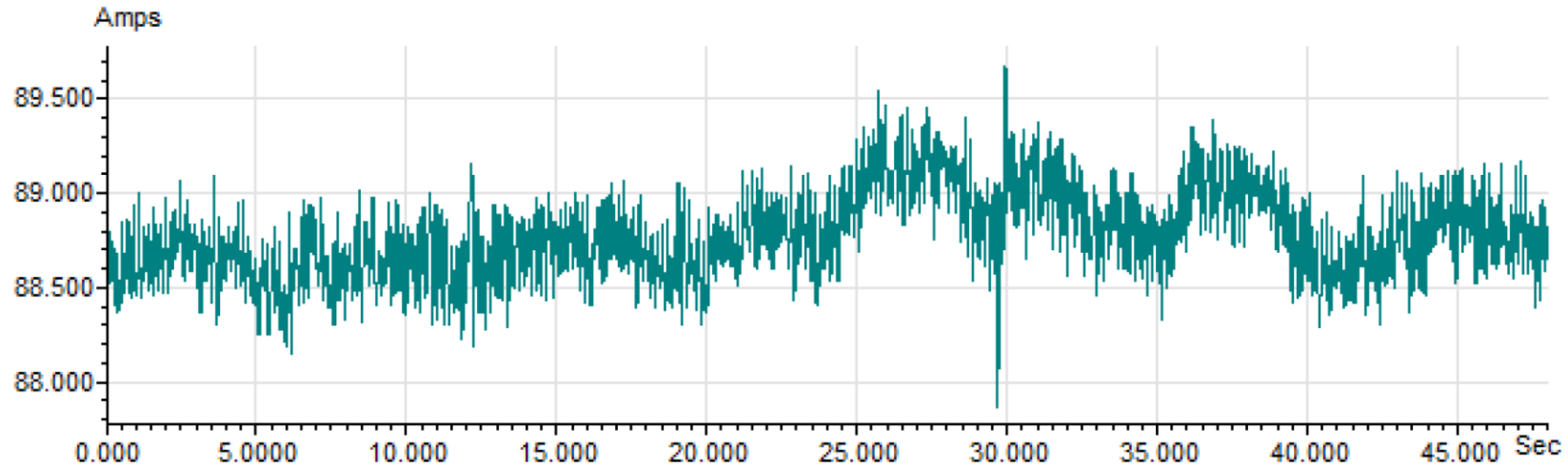
# Non-Intrusive Harmonic Monitoring:



# Non-Intrusive Health (Condition) Monitoring:

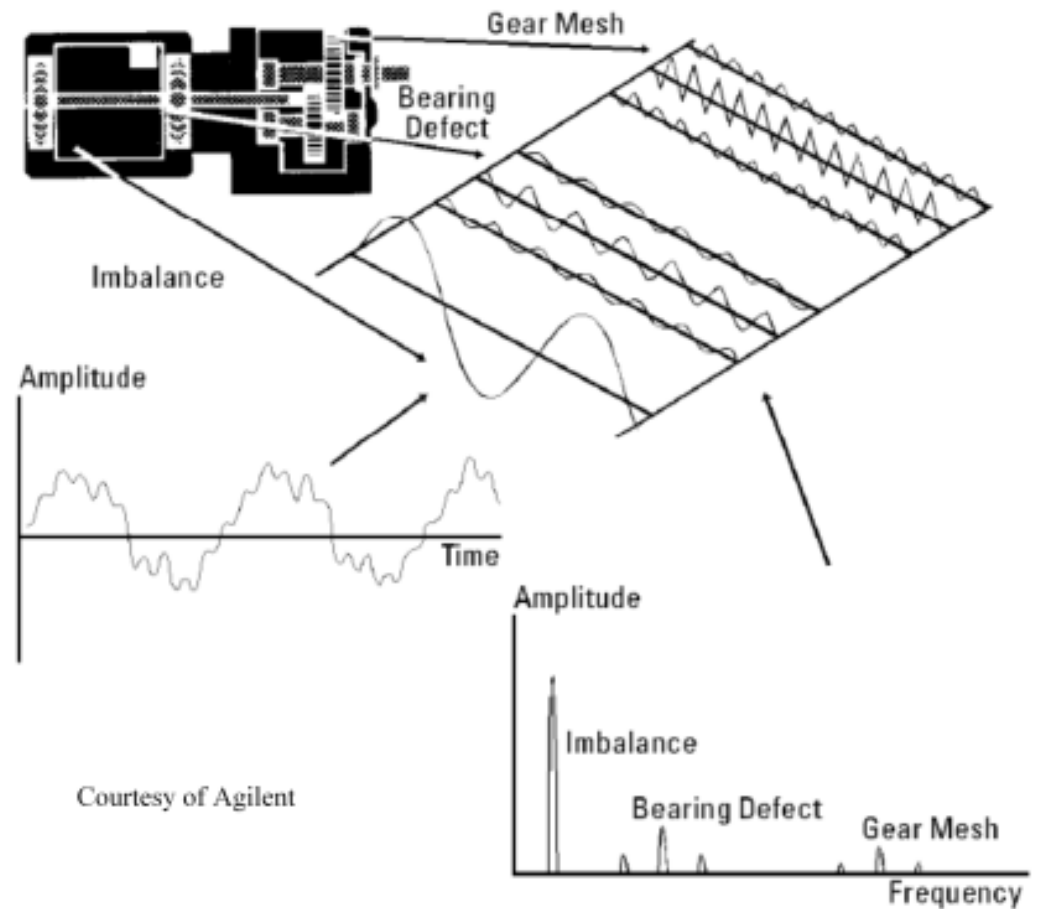


# Non-Intrusive Health (Condition) Monitoring:



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- Bearing faults;
- Blade problems;
- Low efficiency, heat effect;
- Gearbox/transmission problems;
- Unbalance/misalignment shaft;
- Rotor/stator faults like cracked rotor;
- Electrical (Distortions, Current imbalance);
- Loose windings, foundation, connections/contactors;
- Various Vibrations (e.g. cavitation, Stick-Slip, loos foundation, etc.).



# Conclusion:

- Moving from a central system to a distributed systems,
- Challenges and Opportunities for Mathematicians (decision making),
- Peculiar case of sub-harmonics and the fast dynamics,
- Non-Intrusive Condition monition and data-driven modelling (as a part of servoc offered by Cognitive Systems to improve machinery reliability).

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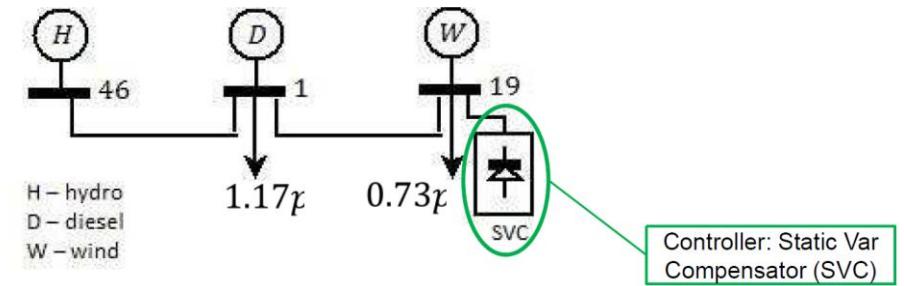
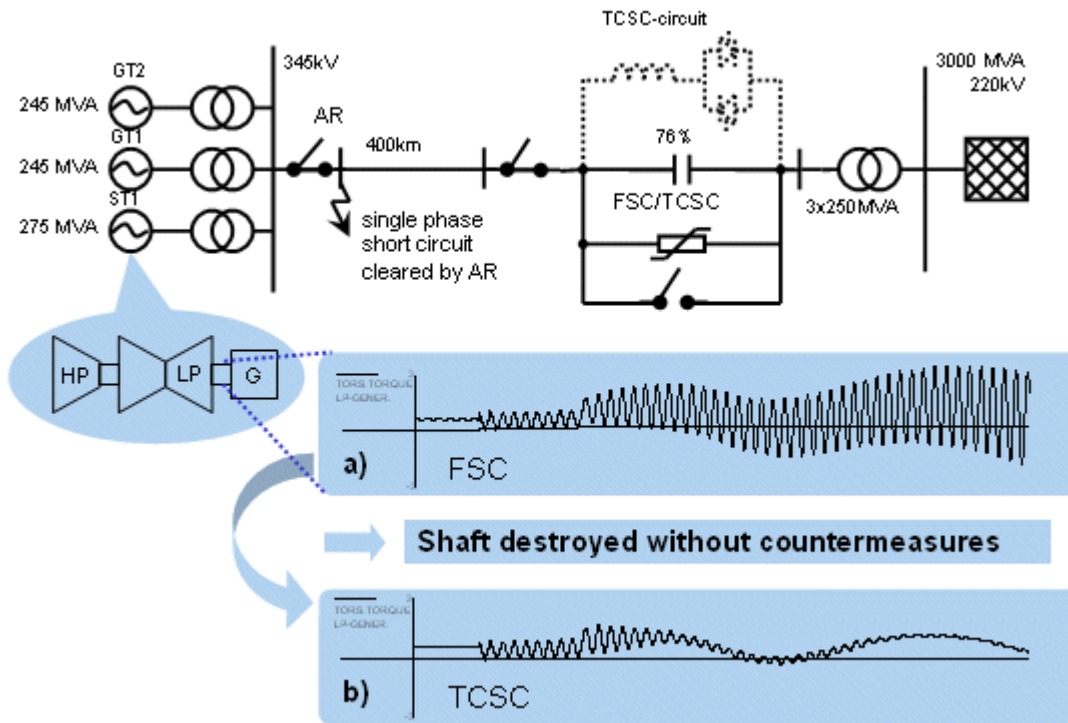
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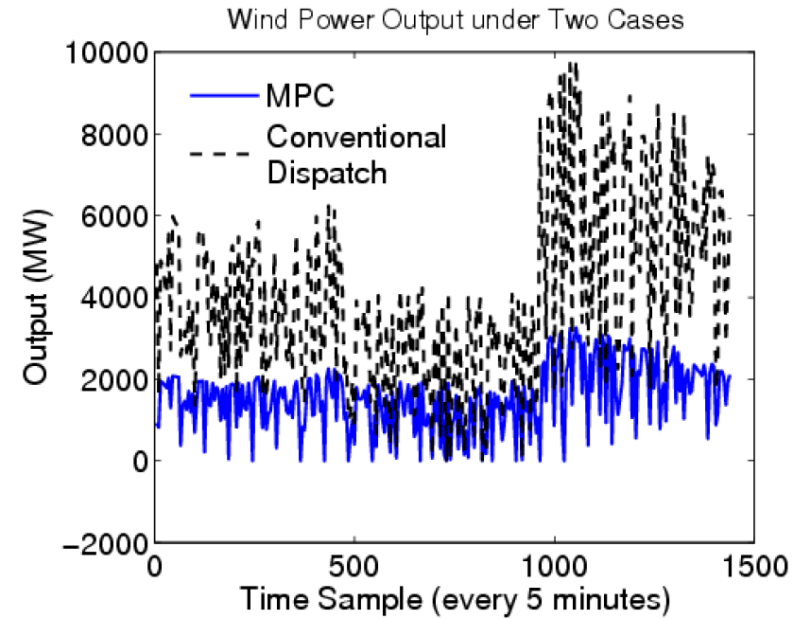
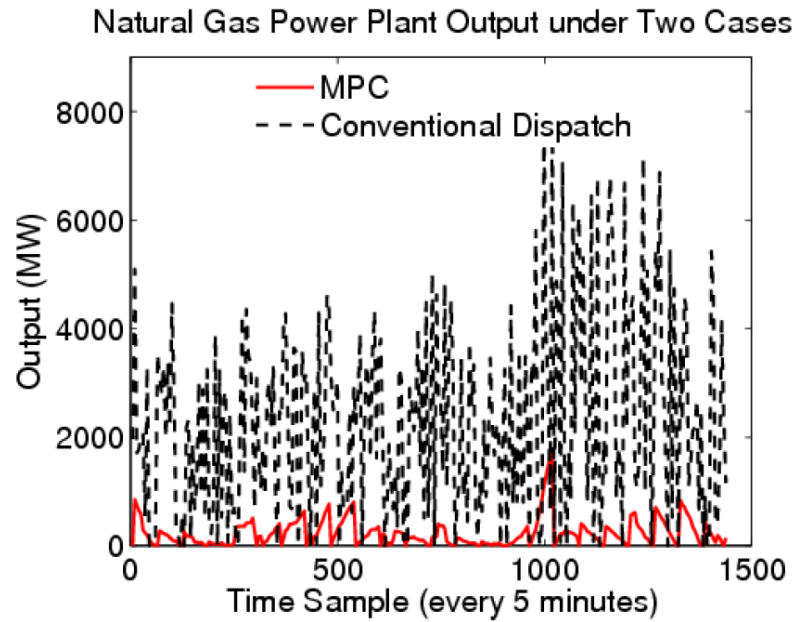
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# Harmonic Dampening:



# Model Predictive Control:





# New Technical Problems:

- The energy system, including its communication and control, does not readily enable choice and multi-participant information exchange and processing for aligning [often] conflicting goals.
- It is essential to design intelligence for T&D operations to align these goals and consequently to make the most out of available resources while simultaneously offering robust and affordable quality of service.
- New flexible energy processing equipment will also be needed to handle increasing variety and bandwidth of many participants requests.