

# Quantifying Benefits of Demand Response and Look-ahead Dispatch in Systems with Variable Resources

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# Outline

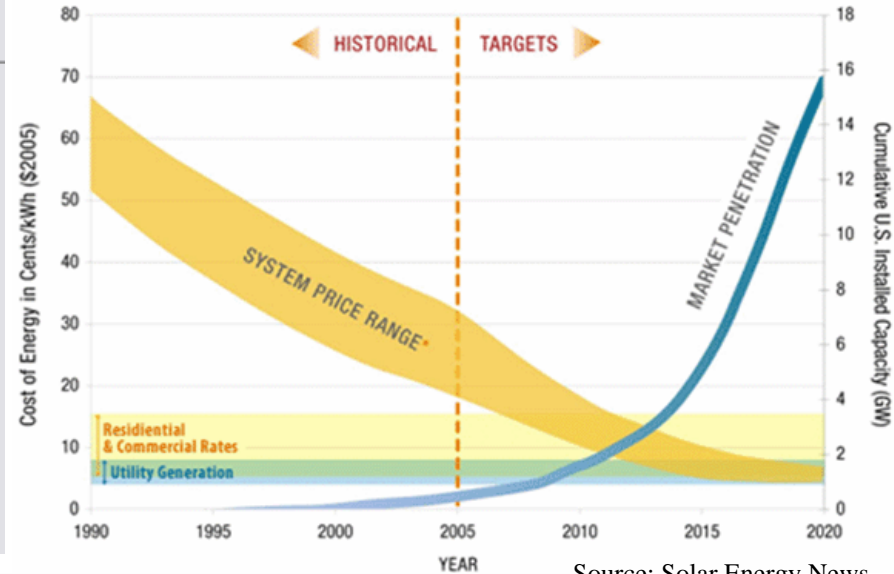
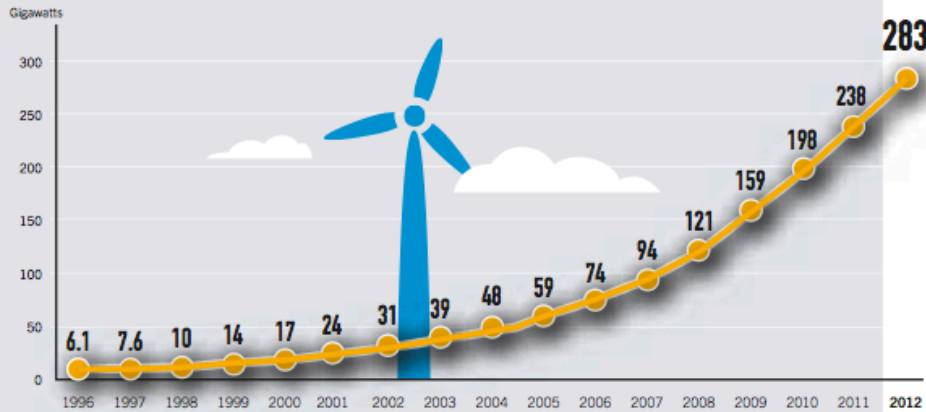
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# Increasing Renewable Penetration

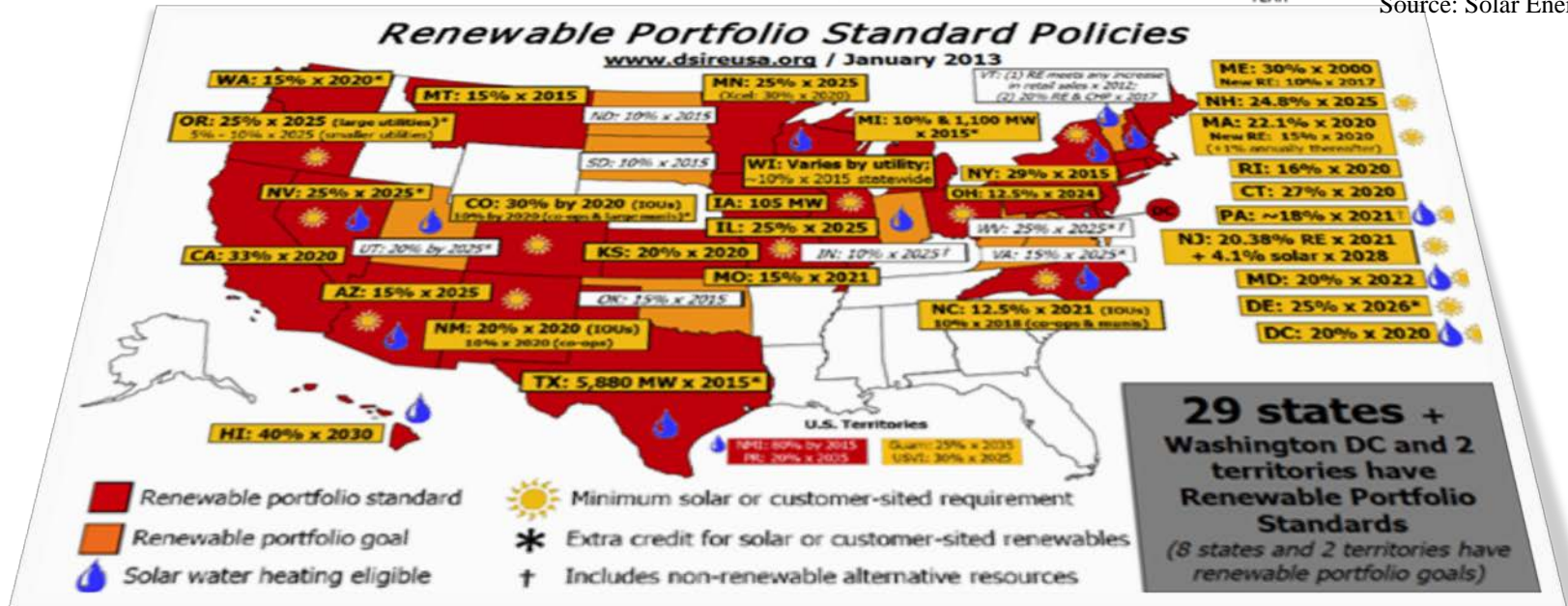
## WIND POWER

Source: The global status of renewable energy

FIGURE 18. WIND POWER GLOBAL CAPACITY, 1996-2012

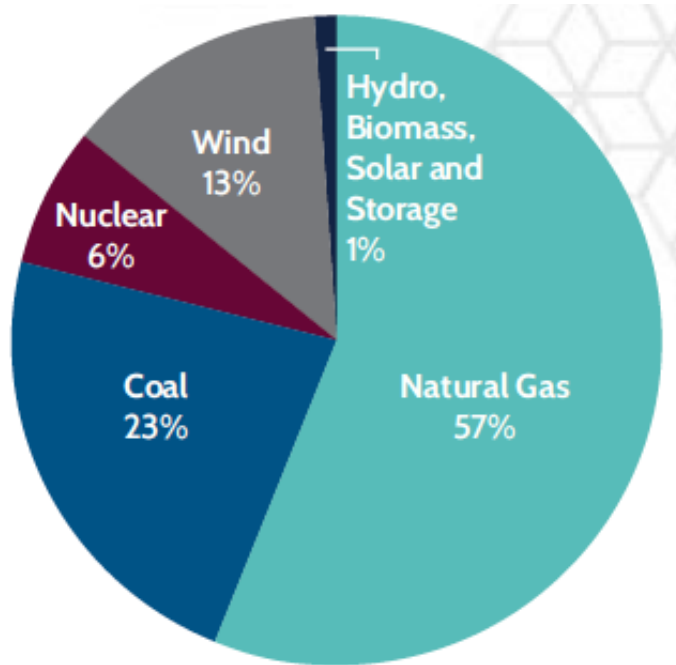


Source: Solar Energy News

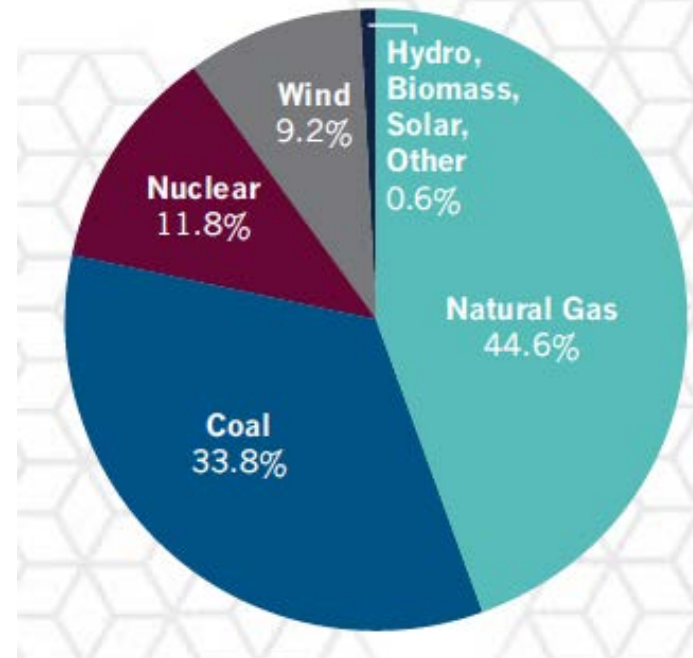


# ERCOT 2013

- ❑ 85% of Texas load
- ❑ 6.1 million advanced meters, >1.9GW demand response resources
- ❑ Peak demand: 68,305 MW (Aug 3, 2011)
- ❑ Wind capacity: 10,407 MW
- ❑ Wind generation record: 9,674 MW (Mar 2, 2013), ~28.05% of load at that time

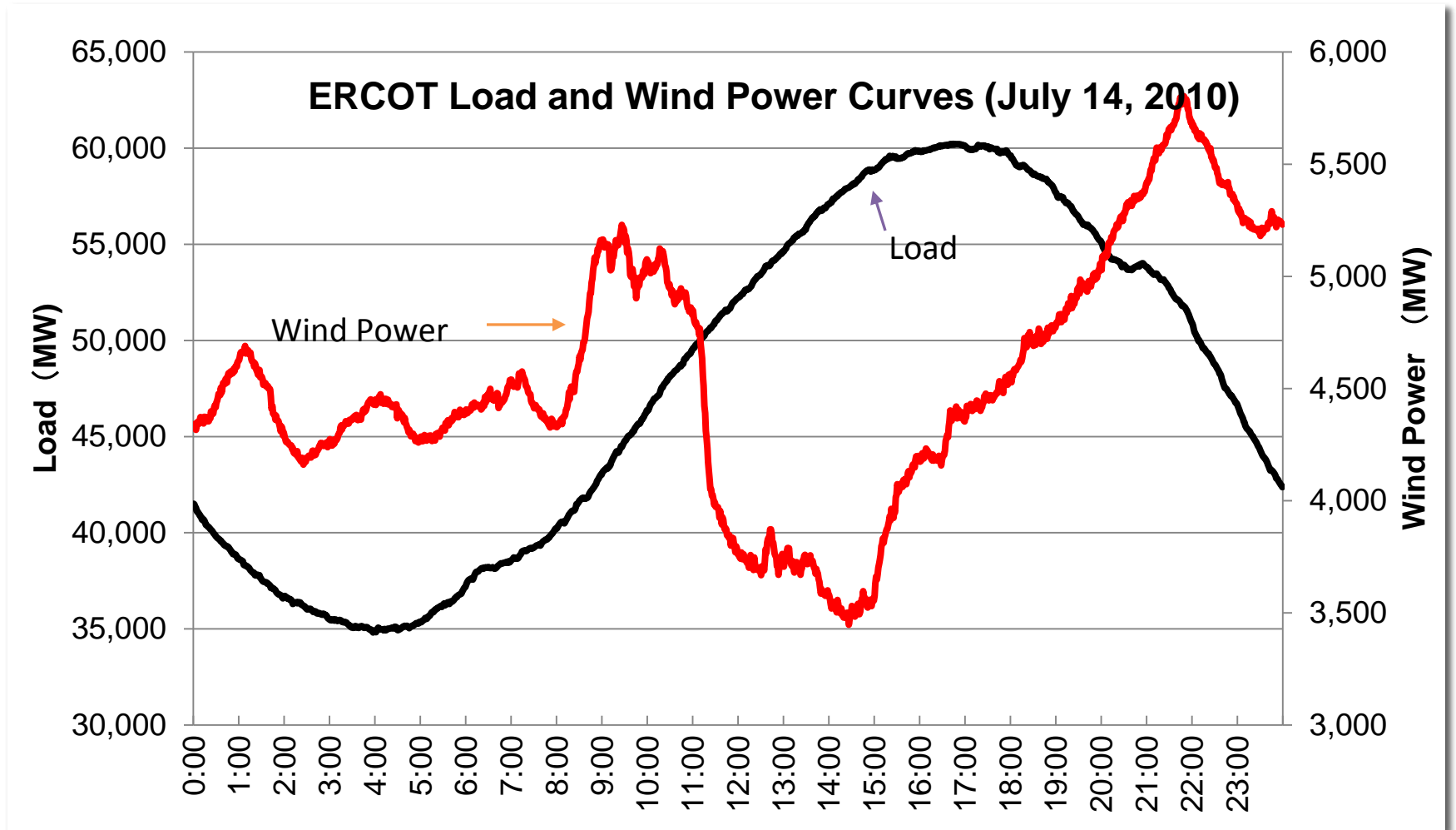


2012 Generation Capacity



Energy Use 2012

# ERCOT Load and Wind Power Curves



# Net Demand - No Wind

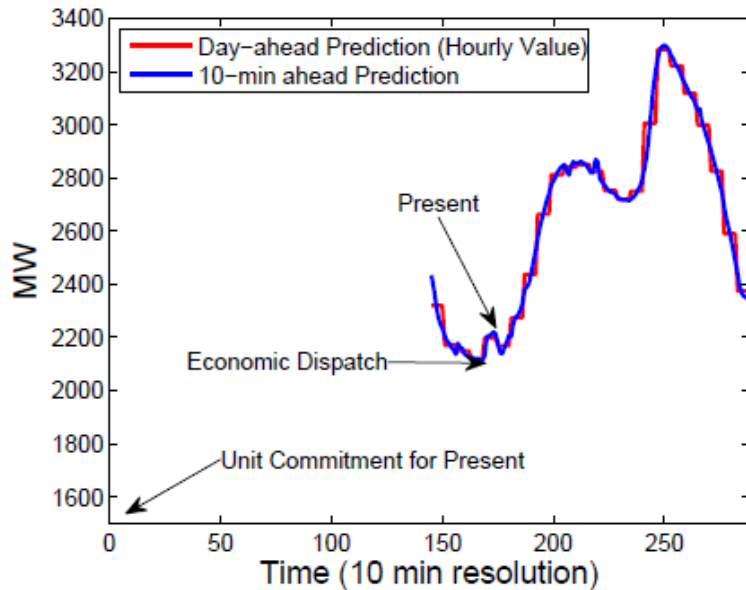


Fig. 2. Day-ahead and 10-min ahead load prediction, and timing of UC and ED functions

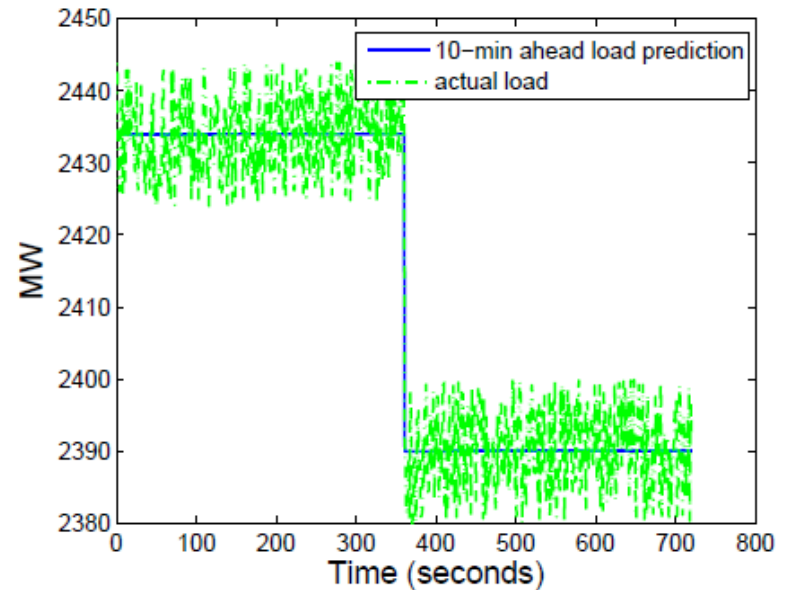


Fig. 3. 10-min ahead load prediction and second-by-second actual load

$$L(t) = \hat{L}[H] + \Delta_{LH}(t)$$

(Day-ahead forecast)

$$L(t) = \hat{L}[k] + \Delta_{Lk}(t)$$

(10-minute ahead forecast)

$$\|\hat{L}[H]\| \gg \|\Delta_{LH}(t)\|$$

(Day-ahead forecast

$$\|\Delta_{LH}(t)\| > \|\Delta_{Lk}(t)\|.$$

*reasonably good*)

# With High Wind Penetration

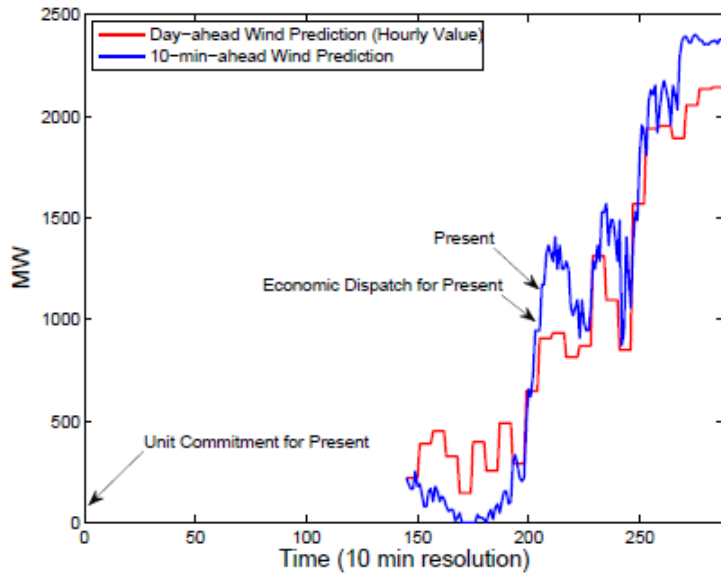


Fig. 5. 10-min ahead wind prediction and second-by-second actual wind

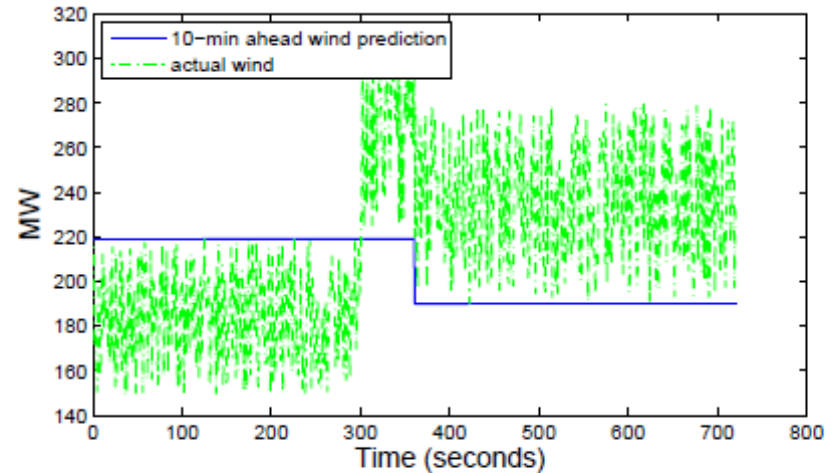


Fig. 4. Day-ahead and 10-min ahead wind prediction, timing of UC and ED functions

$$P_{Gw}(t) = \hat{P}_{Gw}[H] + \Delta_{Gw_H}(t) \quad (\text{Day-ahead forecast})$$

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$$\|\Delta_{Gw_H}(t)\| \gg \|\Delta_{Gw_k}(t)\|$$

$$\|\hat{P}_{Gw}[k]\| \gg \|\Delta_{Gw_k}(t)\|.$$

*(Substantial improvement of wind forecast from Day-ahead to near real time)*



# Literature Review

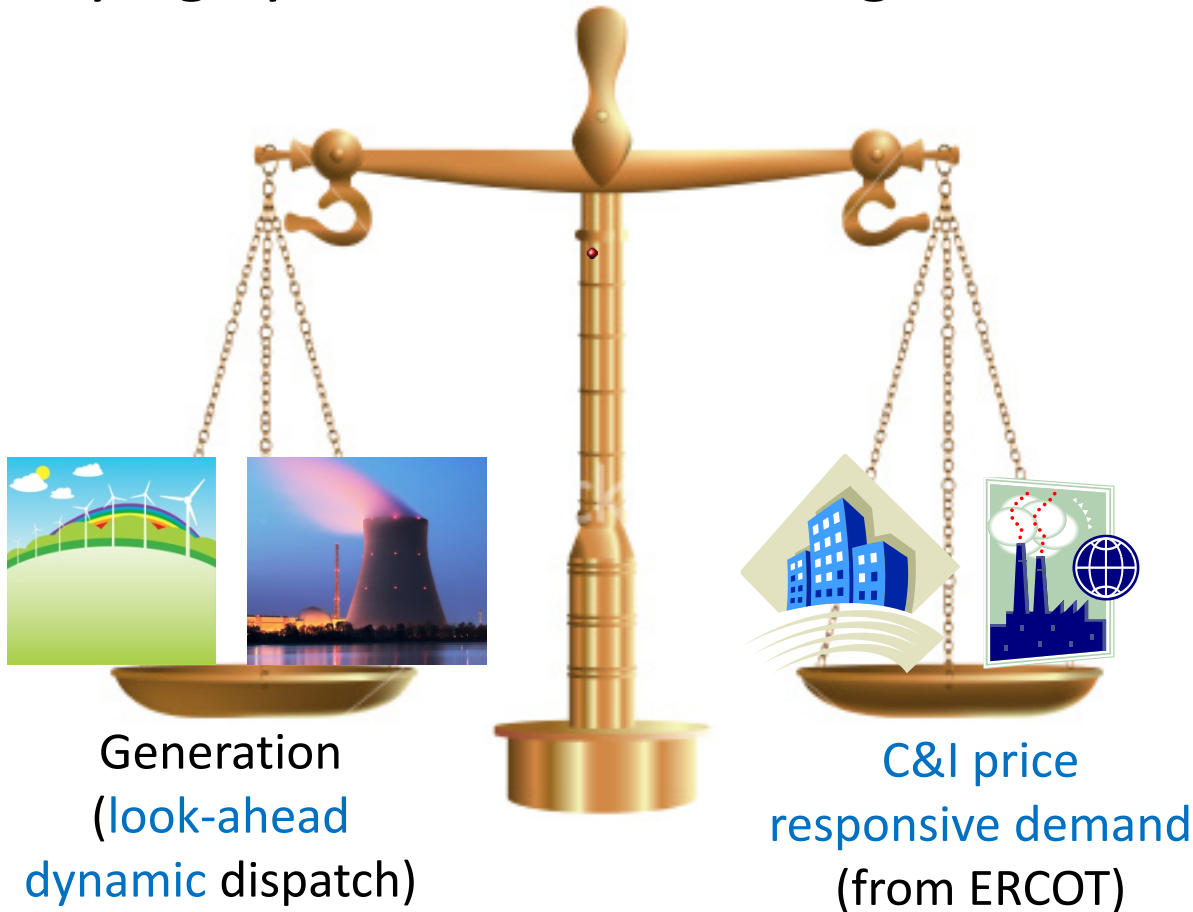
- Value of real-time pricing on cost and value of wind power based on *assumed* demand elasticity [Sioshansi, 2010]
- Value of coordinating wind with deferrable loads [Papavasiliou, Oren, 2010]
- Preliminary study of look-ahead coordination of wind with price responsive demands [Ilic, Xie, Joo, 2011]
- Industry transition from static real-time dispatch to look-ahead dynamic dispatch [Ott, 2010]

To our knowledge, potential benefits have never been quantified using *real-world demand response data* based upon a *look-ahead dynamic dispatch model*, which will

1. facilitate integration of intermittent generation sources
2. reduce dispatch costs (energy and ancillary services)

# What We Propose

Quantifying System Benefits Using *Real-world Data*



# Dynamic Look Ahead Dispatch

Conventional Power System Scheduling (Economic Dispatch):

Source: [Xie et. al., 2011]

$$\begin{aligned} & \min \sum \text{generation cost} \\ & \text{s.t.} \\ & \text{system security constraints.} \end{aligned}$$

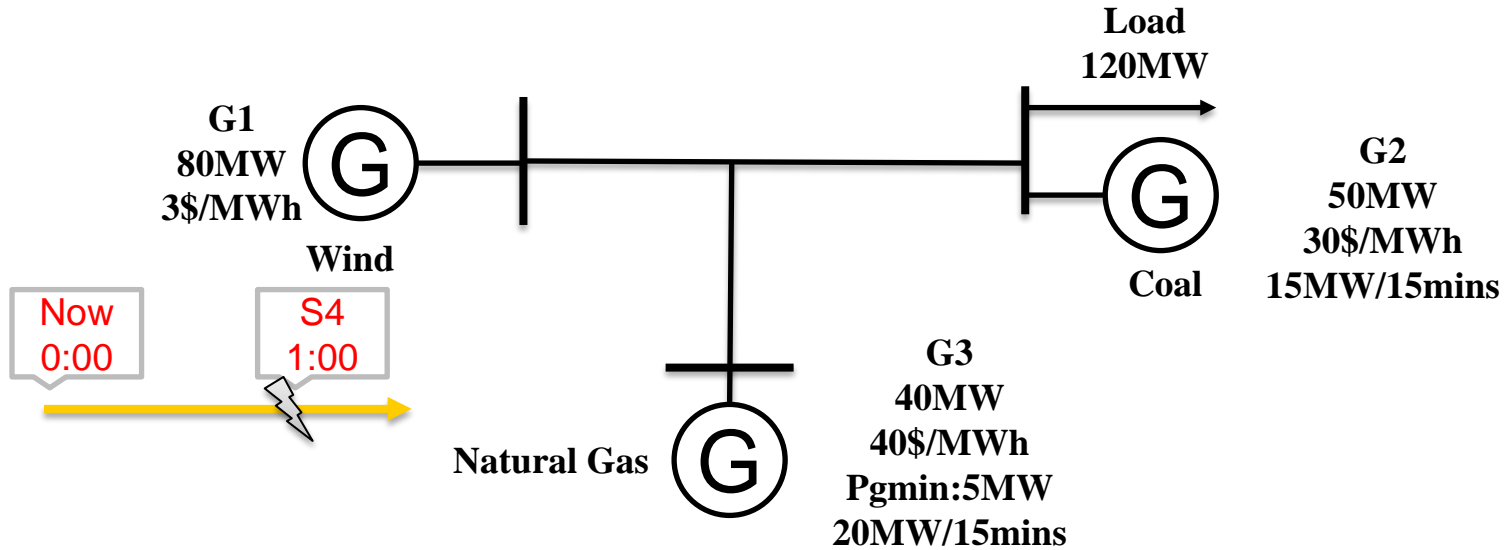


Dynamic Look-ahead Scheduling:

$$\begin{aligned} & \min \sum \sum \text{generation cost} \text{ over a look-ahead window} \\ & \text{s.t.} \\ & \text{system security constraints at each stage.} \\ & \text{Multi-stage ramping constraints.} \end{aligned}$$

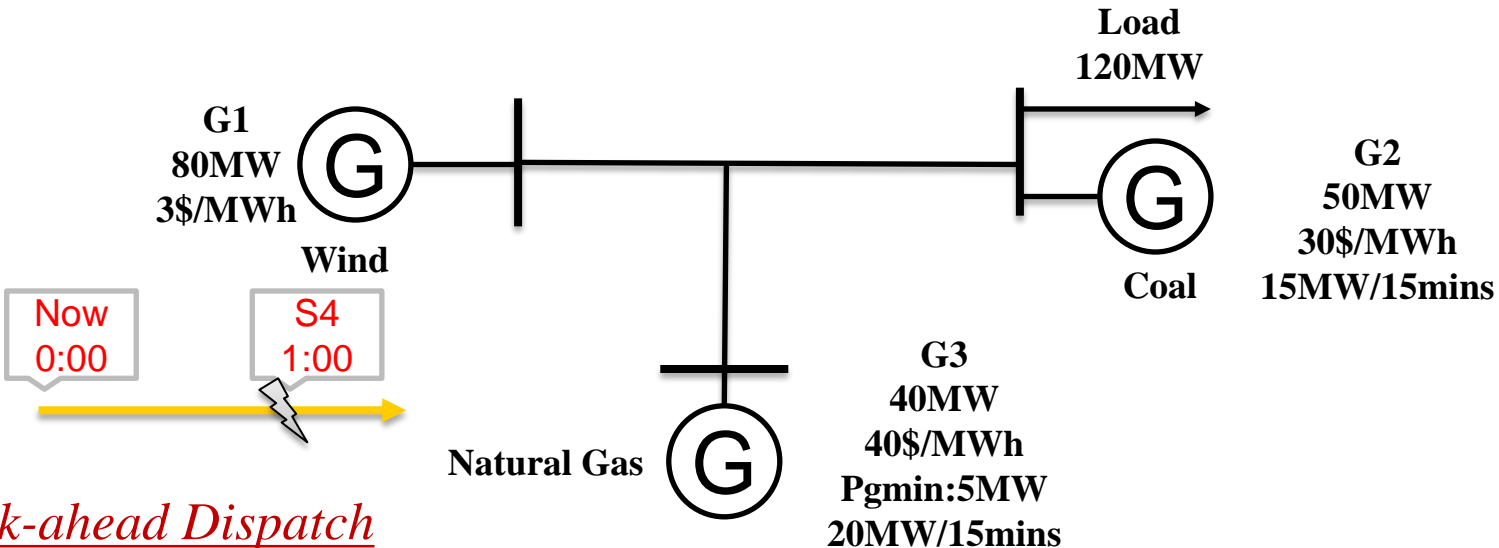
[Detailed Mathematical Formulation](#)

# Illustrative Examples



	0:00	0:15	0:30	0:45	1:00	1:15	1:30
Wind	65MW	80MW		Wind got 20MW curtailment			
G1	65MW	60MW					
G2	40MW	25MW					
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# Illustrative Examples: Economic Benefits



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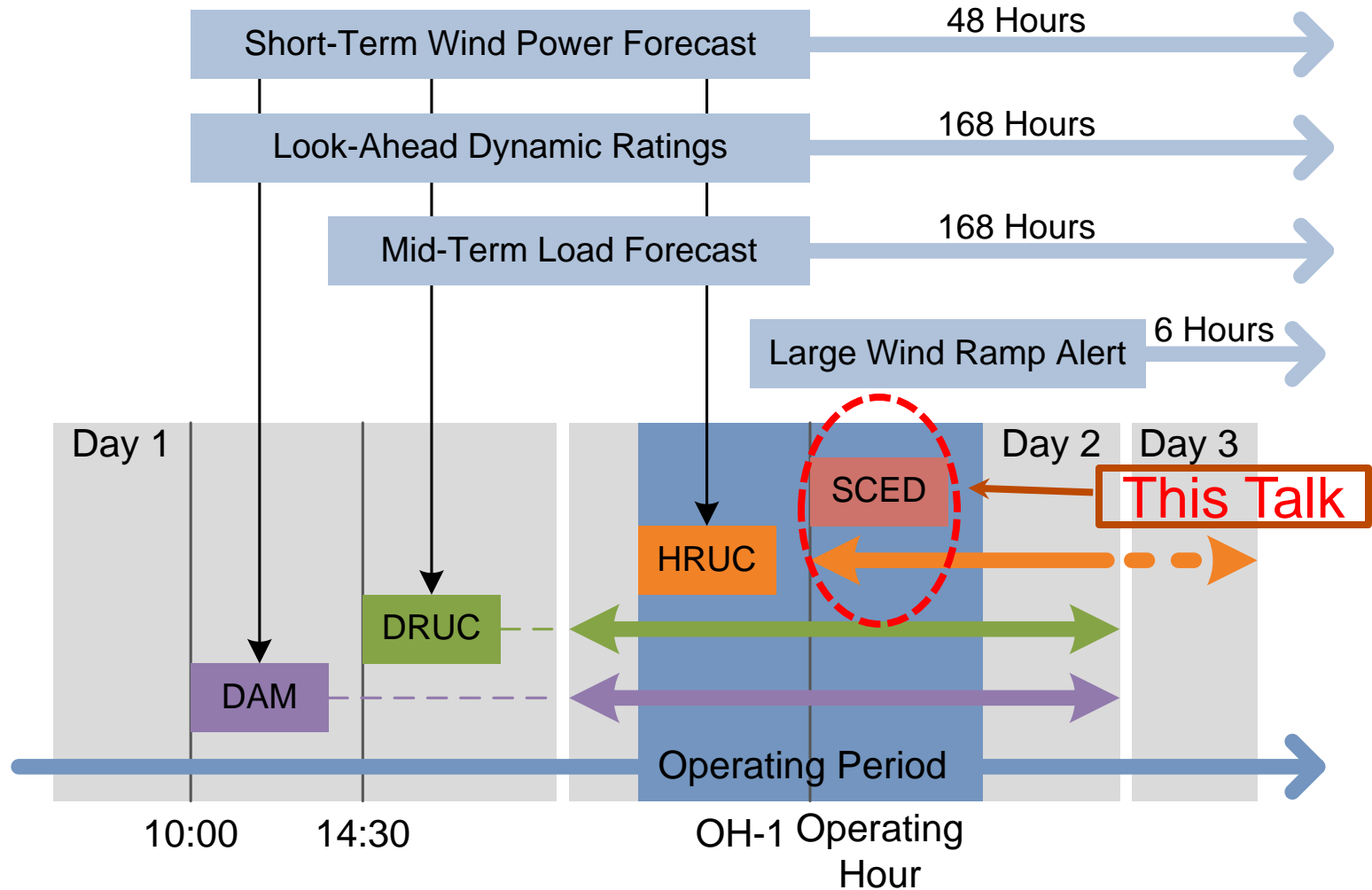
No curtailment  
For conventional SCED

$$0.25 * [(65+60) * 3 + (40+25) * 30 + (5+5) * 40] = 681.25$$

For Look-ahead Dispatch

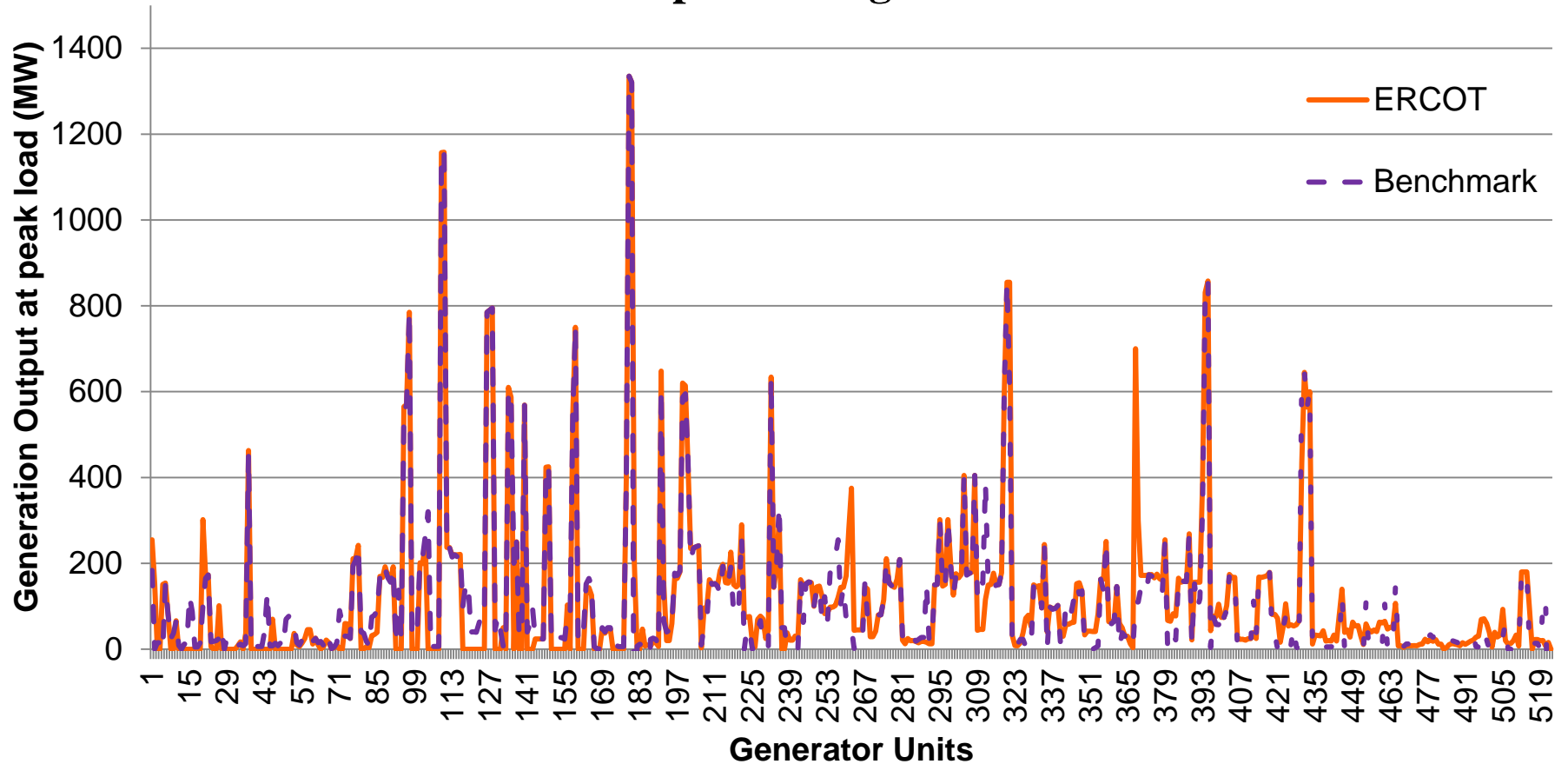
$$0.25 * [(65+80) * 3 + (20+5) * 30 + (25+5) * 40] = 596.25$$

# Empirical Study of Look-ahead in ERCOT



# Benchmark of ERCOT

## Generation Output During Peak Load Time



# Look-ahead vs. Benchmark SCED

**Comparison of Two Dispatch Methods for a Typical Day (Jul 11, 2009)**

	Benchmark SCED	Look-ahead (30 min)	Difference	
Entire Day	\$ 26,191,710	\$ 26,144,585	\$ 47,125	↓
Early Morning	\$ 3,514,925	\$ 3,506,689	\$ 8,326	↓
Peak Wind Period	\$ 1,226,447	\$ 1,219,948	\$ 6,499	↓
Wind Generation (MWh)	96071 MWh	96432 MWh	361 MWh	↑

Early Morning: midnight-8am, July 11, 2009

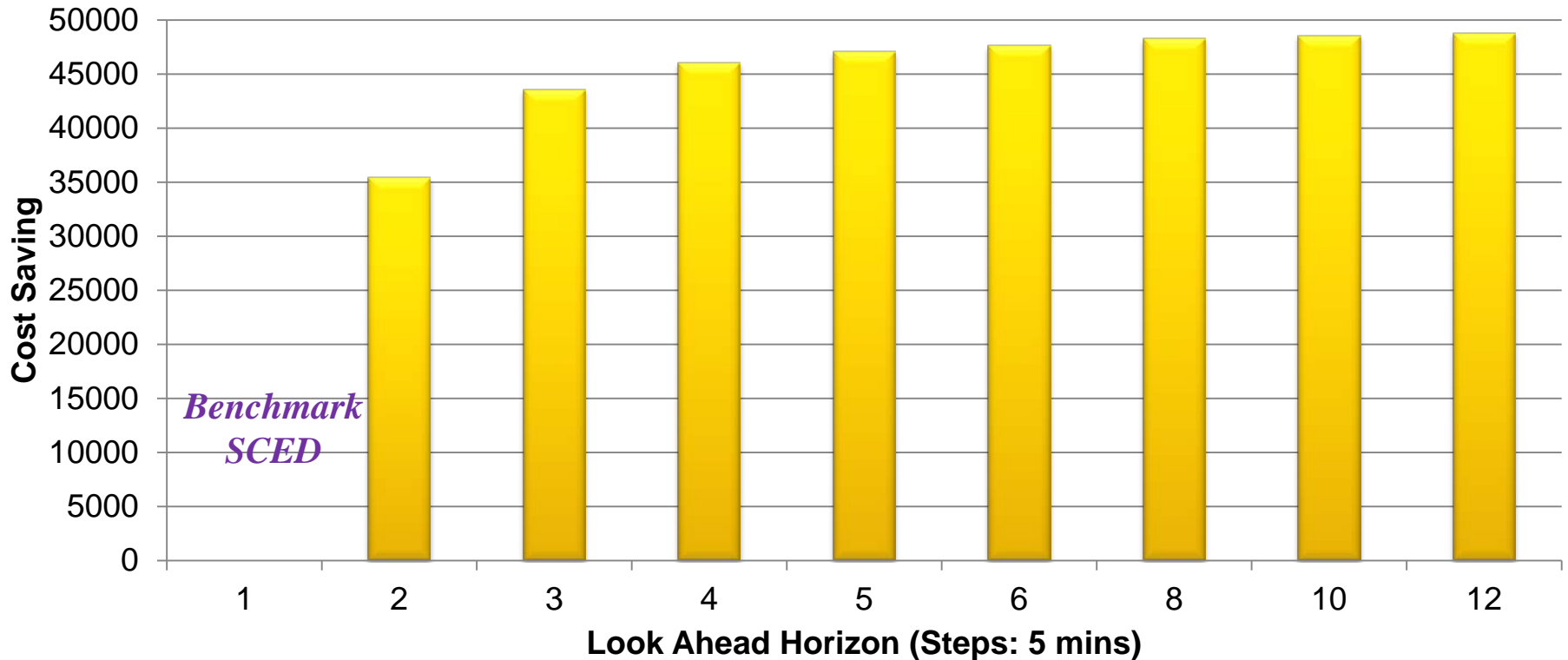
Peak Wind Period: 3am-5am, July 11, 2009



# Look-ahead vs. Benchmark SCED

## Different Look-ahead Horizon

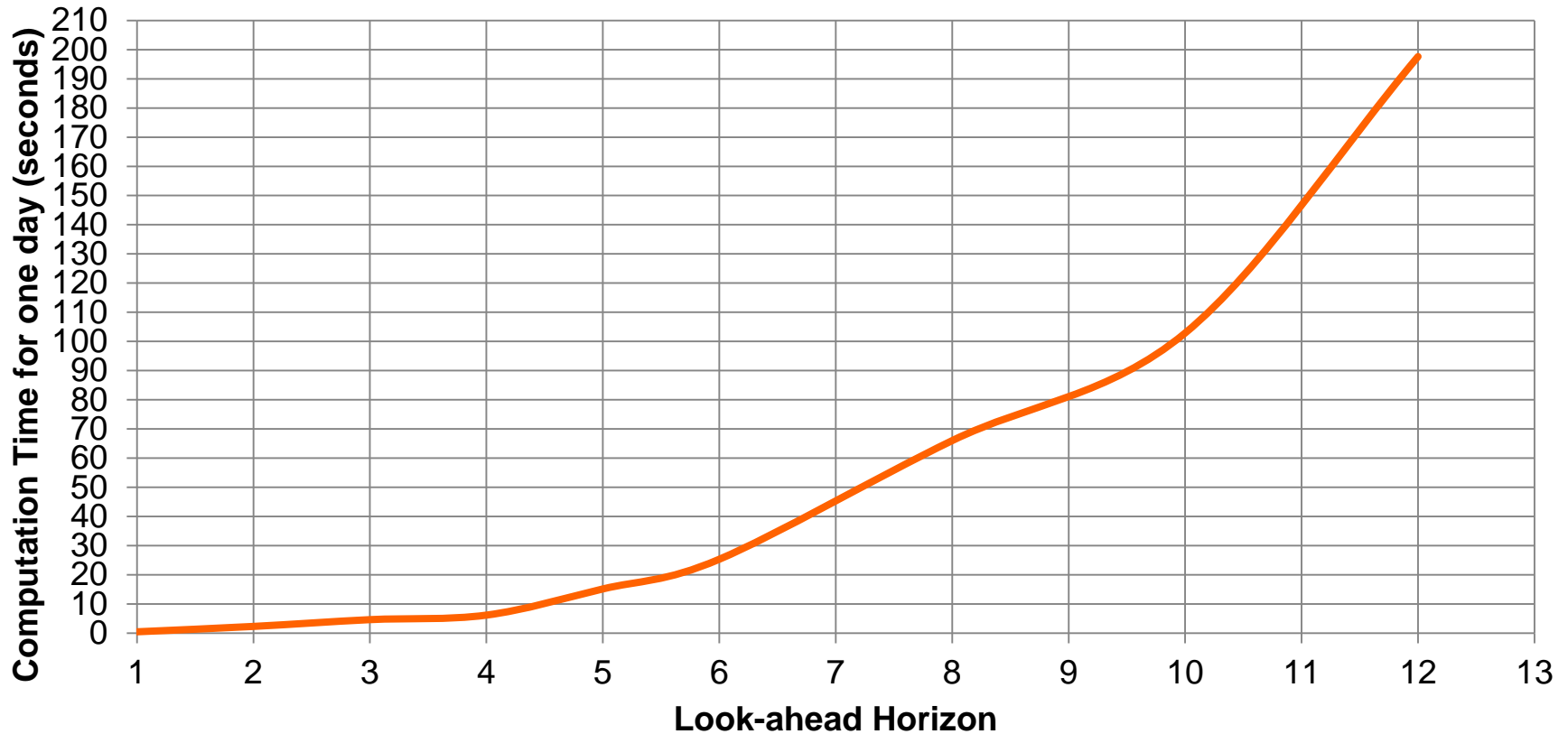
Daily Cost Saving by Looking-ahead



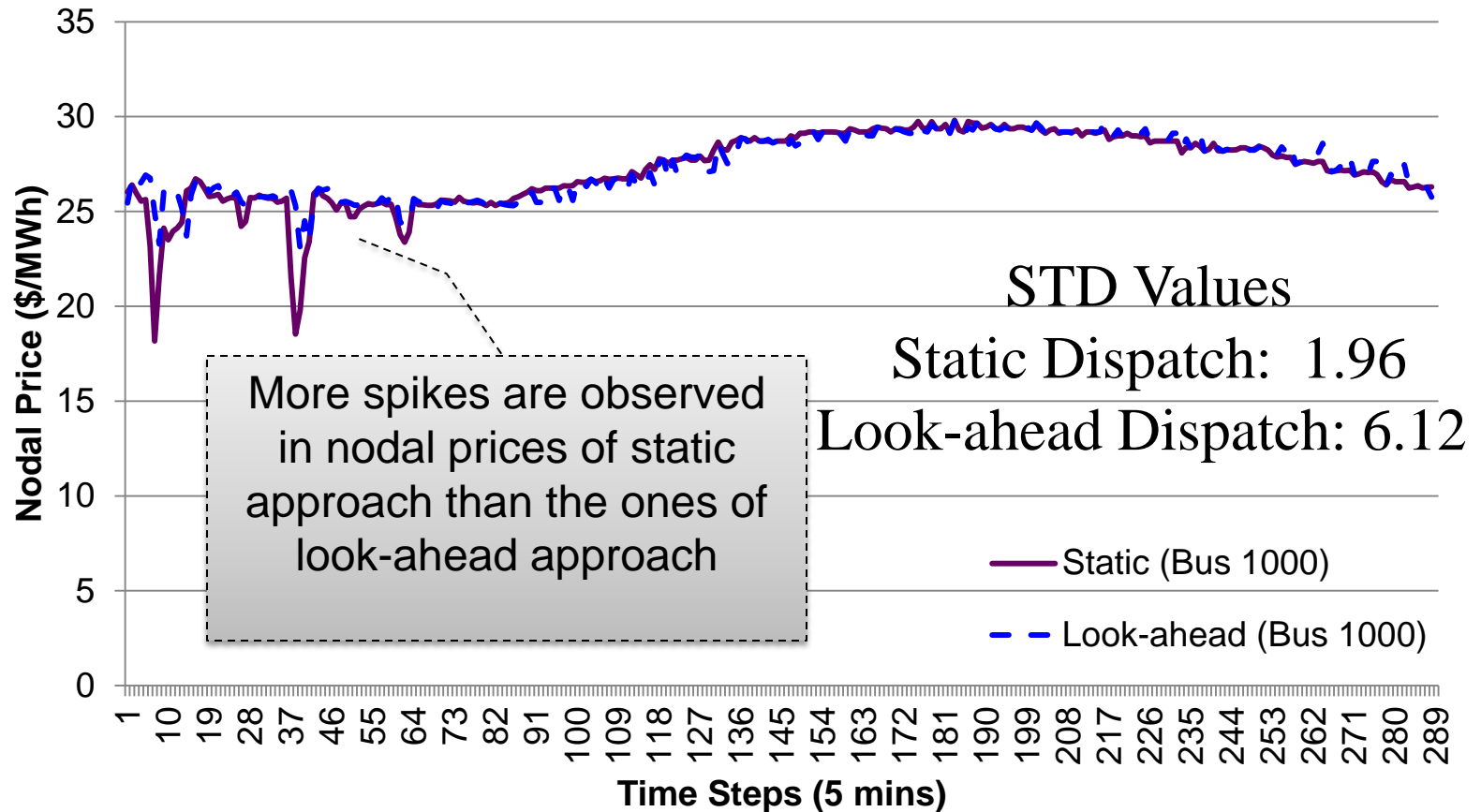
Look-ahead Horizon Response of Total Savings

# Look-ahead vs. Benchmark SCED Computational Time

Computation Time for Look-ahead Dispatch (per interval)

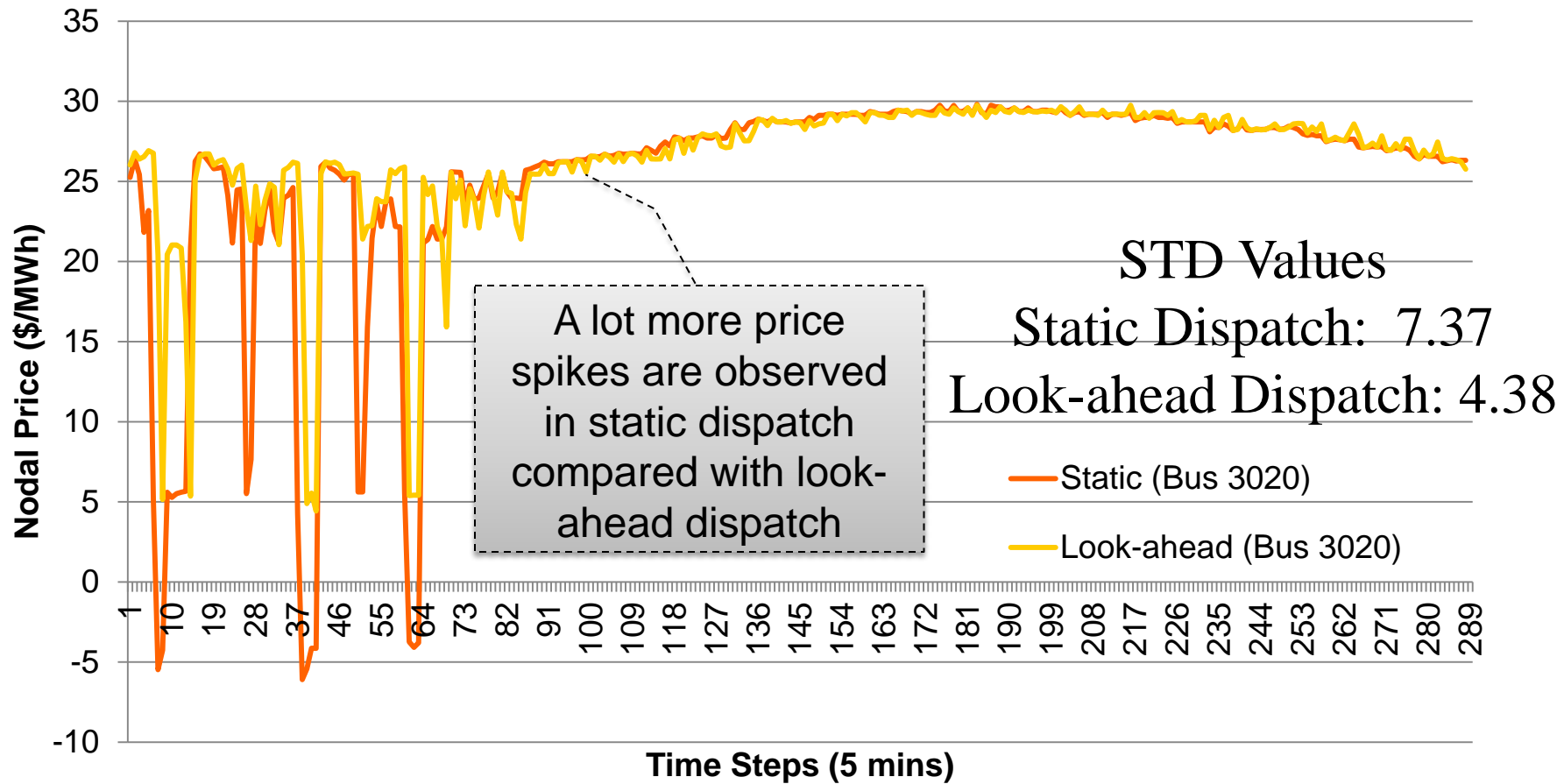


# Nodal Price: Look-ahead vs. Static Economic Dispatch



Nodal Prices at Bus 1626 on July.16th

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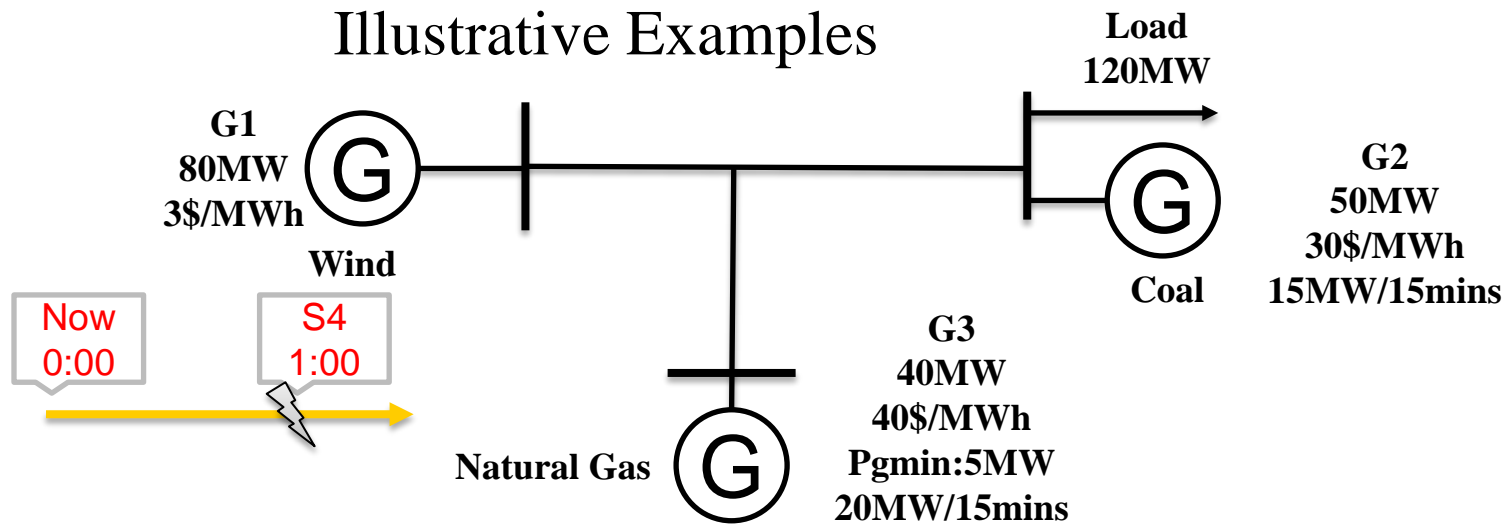


**Nodal Prices at Bus 6272 on July.16th**

# Nodal Price: Preliminary Findings

- Look-ahead dispatch leads to a *more smoothed* nodal price pattern
- The nodal prices at selected buses may be *higher* under look-ahead dispatch than in static dispatch

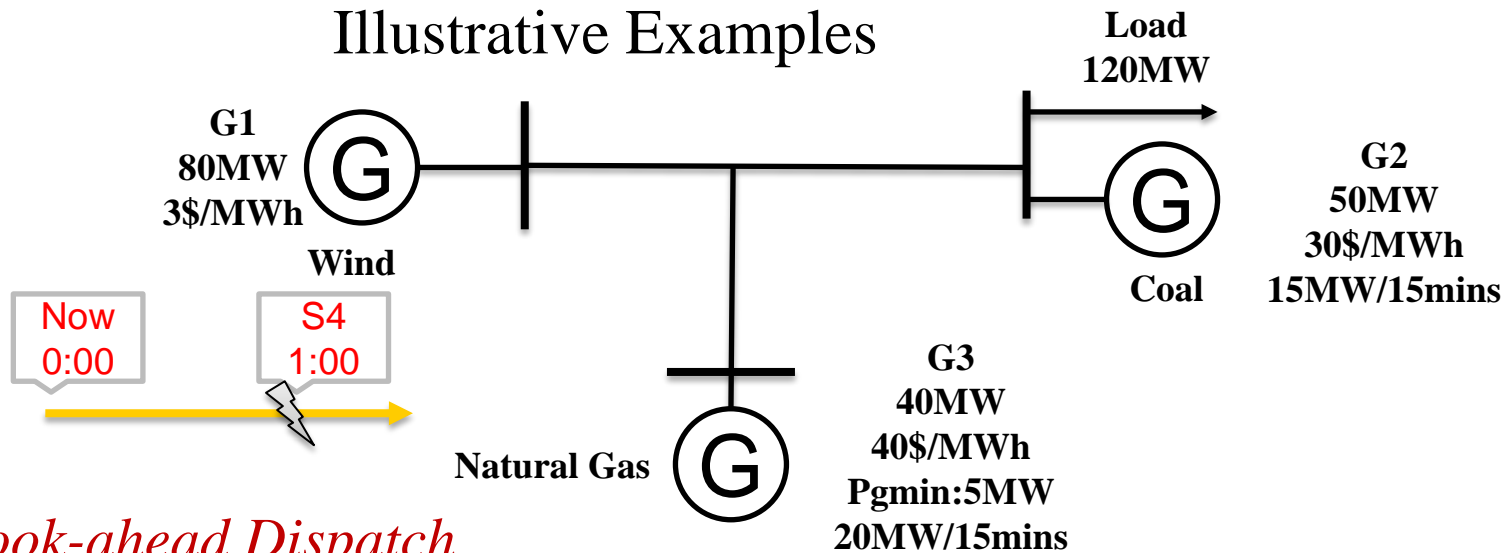
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G2	40MW	25MW	25MW	20MW	35MW		
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The SCED problem turns to be infeasible at 1:00

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The look-ahead scheduling problem is feasible at 1:00

# Look-ahead Security Management

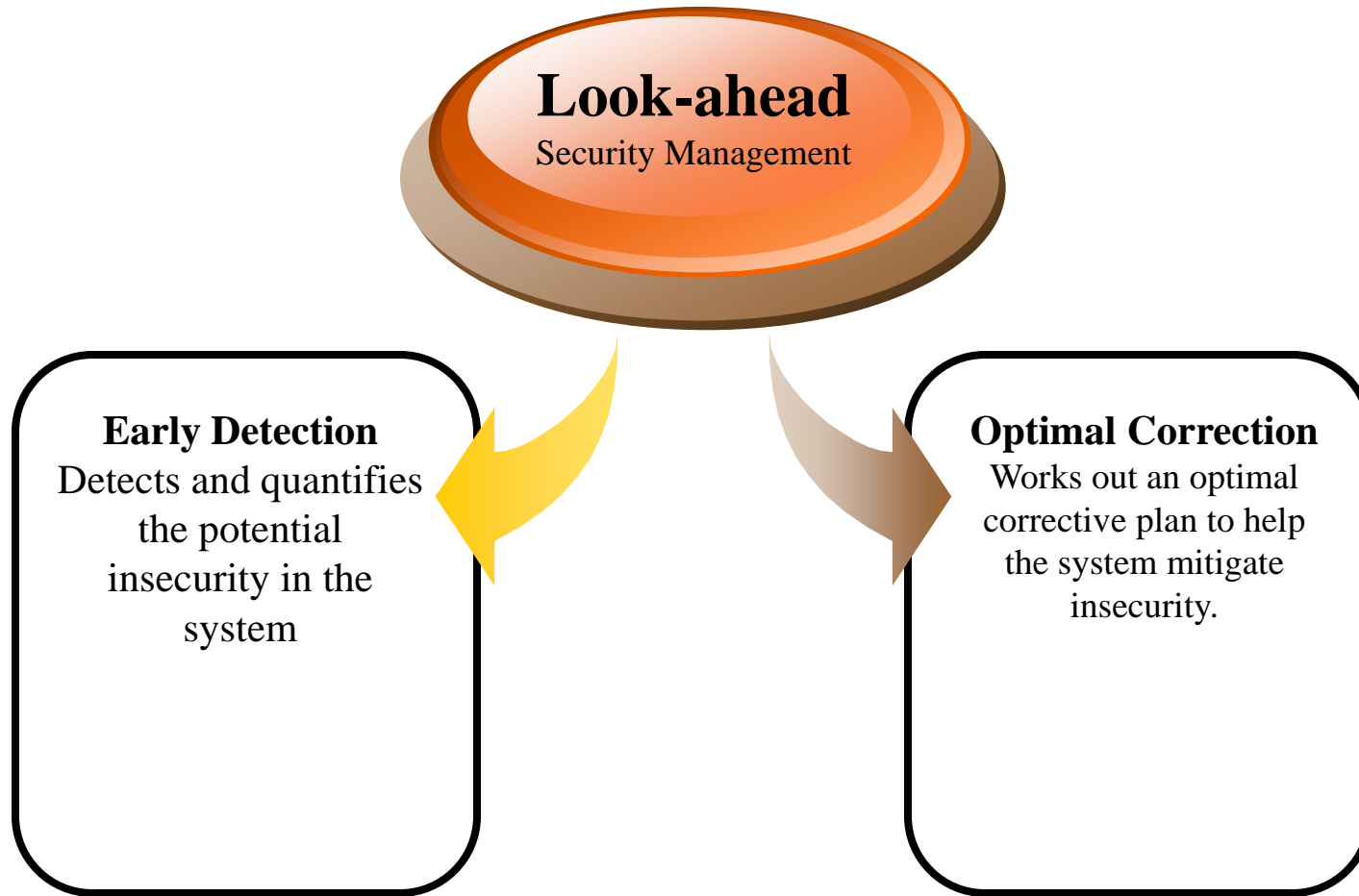
- ❖ The potential added value of look-ahead dispatch in improving system security
  - ✓ **Predict** and **identify** the potential security<sup>1</sup> problems
  - ✓ **Quantify** the extent of insecurity
  - ✓ Provide an **optimal corrective plan** with minimized correction costs

Note: Security here refers to violation of power system operational security constraints (e.g., energy balancing, ramping).

Source: [Vada et. al., 2001]



# Look-ahead Security Management



# Early Identification of Insecurity

$$\min f = \sum_{k=k_0}^T \sum_{i \in G} C_{G_i}(P_{G_i}^k)$$

**Relaxing variables** are introduced into security constraints

$$+ I(r_{N_j}^k, r_F, r_{R_i}, r_{G_i}, r_{SU_i}, r_{SD_i})$$

$$\sum_{i \in G_j} P_{G_i}^k - P_{D_j}^k + r_{N_j}^k = P_{N_j}^k(\theta), k = 1 \dots T, j \in N$$

$$-\mathbf{F}^{max} - r_F^k \leq \mathbf{F}^k \leq \mathbf{F}^{max} + r_F^k, k = 1 \dots T$$

$$-P_i^R - r_{R_i}^k \leq \frac{P_{G_i}^k - P_{G_i}^{k-1}}{\Delta T} \leq P_i^R + r_{R_i}^k, i \in G$$

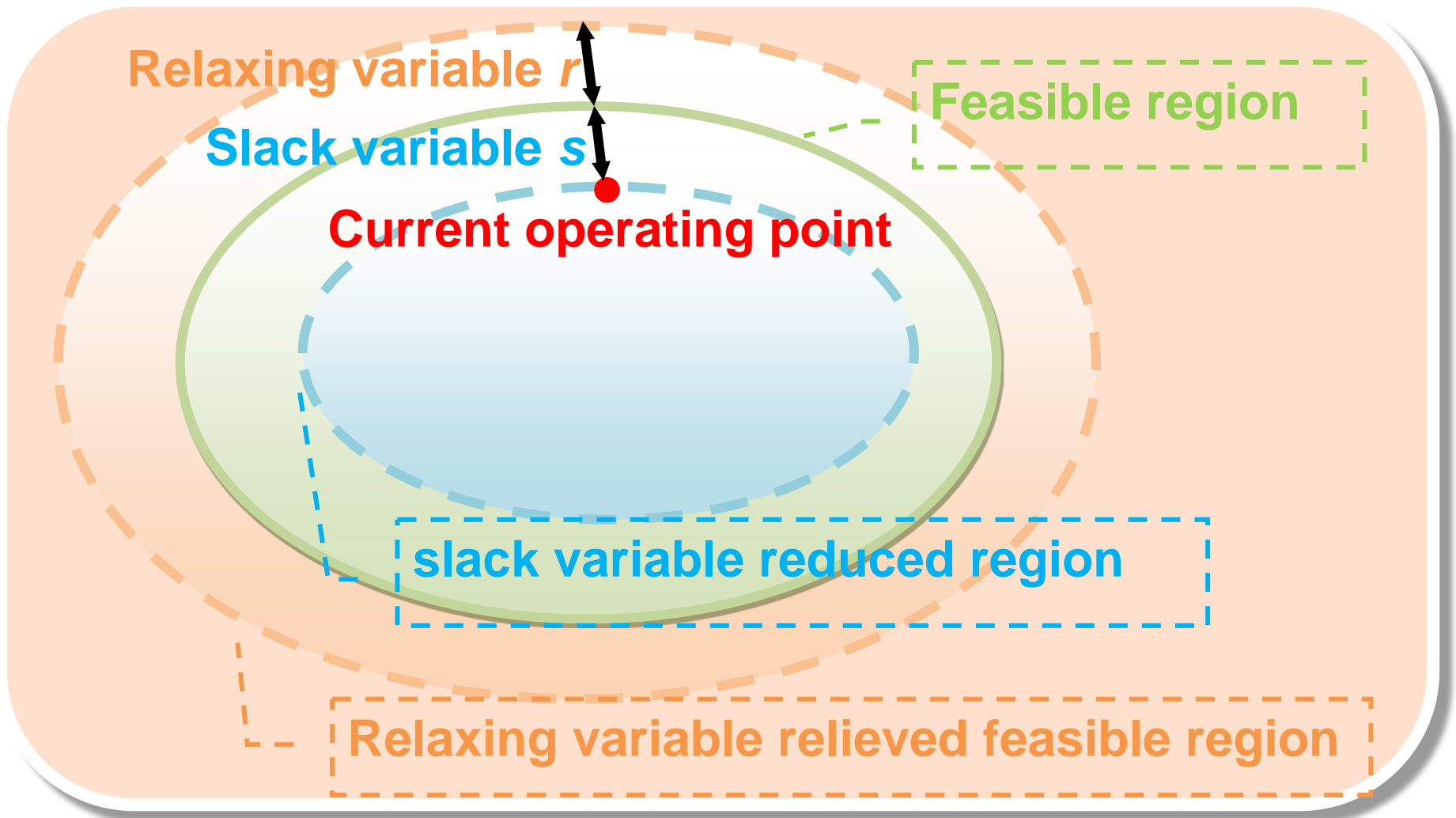
$$P_{G_i}^{min} - r_{G_i}^k \leq P_{G_i}^k \leq P_{G_i}^{max} + r_{G_i}^k, i \in G, k = 1 \dots T$$

$$0 \leq P_{SU_i}^k \leq P_{U_i}^R \Delta T + r_{SU_i}^k, i \in G, k = 1 \dots T$$

$$0 \leq P_{SD_i}^k \leq P_{D_i}^D \Delta T + r_{SD_i}^k, i \in G, k = 1 \dots T$$

[For Details](#)

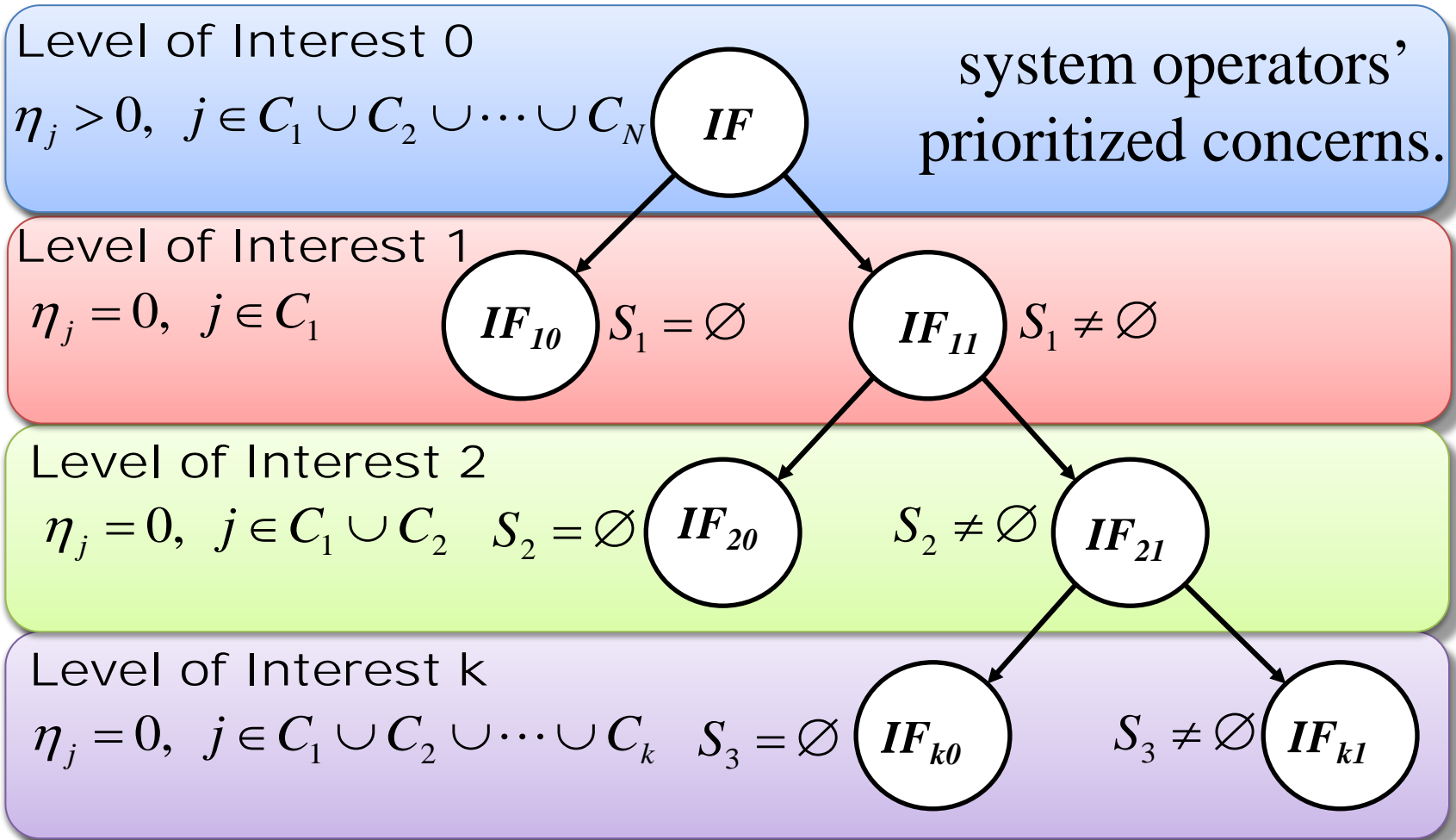
# Relaxing Variables



Introduction of Relaxing Variables

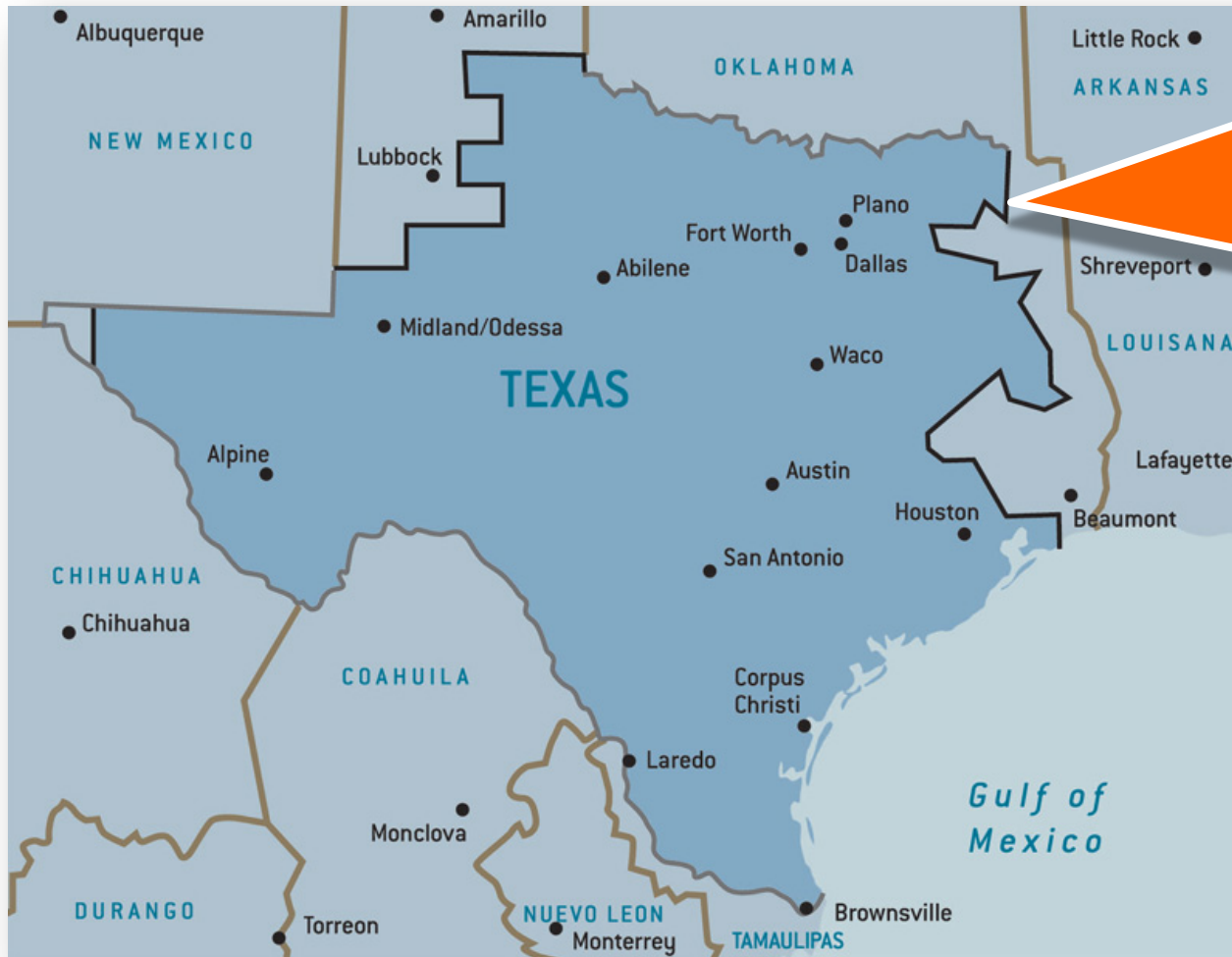
# Early Identification of Insecurity

- The enumeration tree approach is proposed to identify multiple insecurity factors.



# Empirical Study of Security Benefits

## ❖ Numerical Experiment of ERCOT Nodal System



5889 Buses;  
7220 Branches;  
523 Power Plants;  
76 Aggregated Wind  
Farms;  
9710.4 MW Installed  
Wind Capacity;  
Represent 85% of  
Texas Demand.

Fig.9 Map of the area regulated by ERCOT

# Numerical Experiments

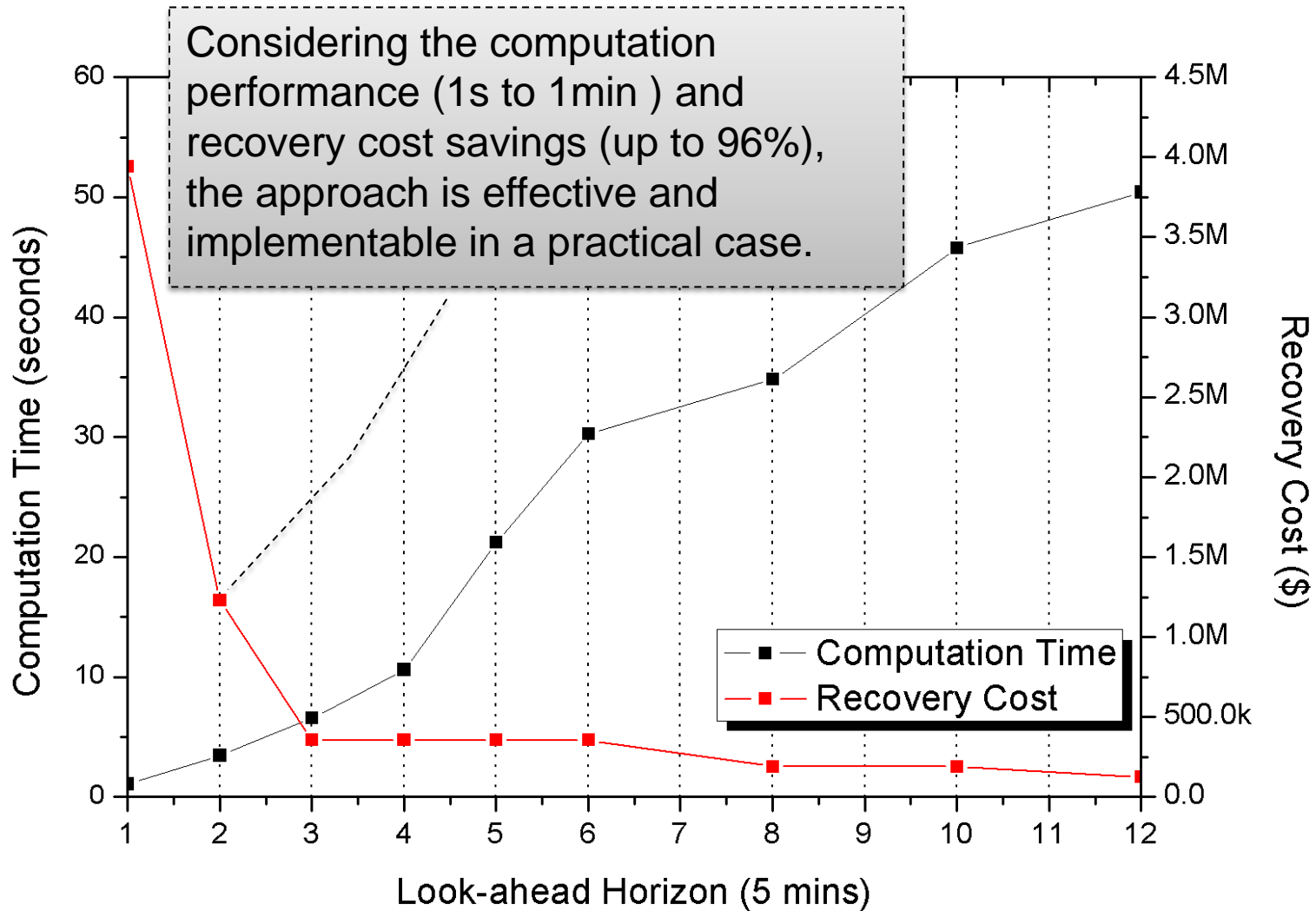


Fig.10 Computation Time and Recovery Cost of ERCOT Nodal system

# Quantify Demand Response by Location in Network

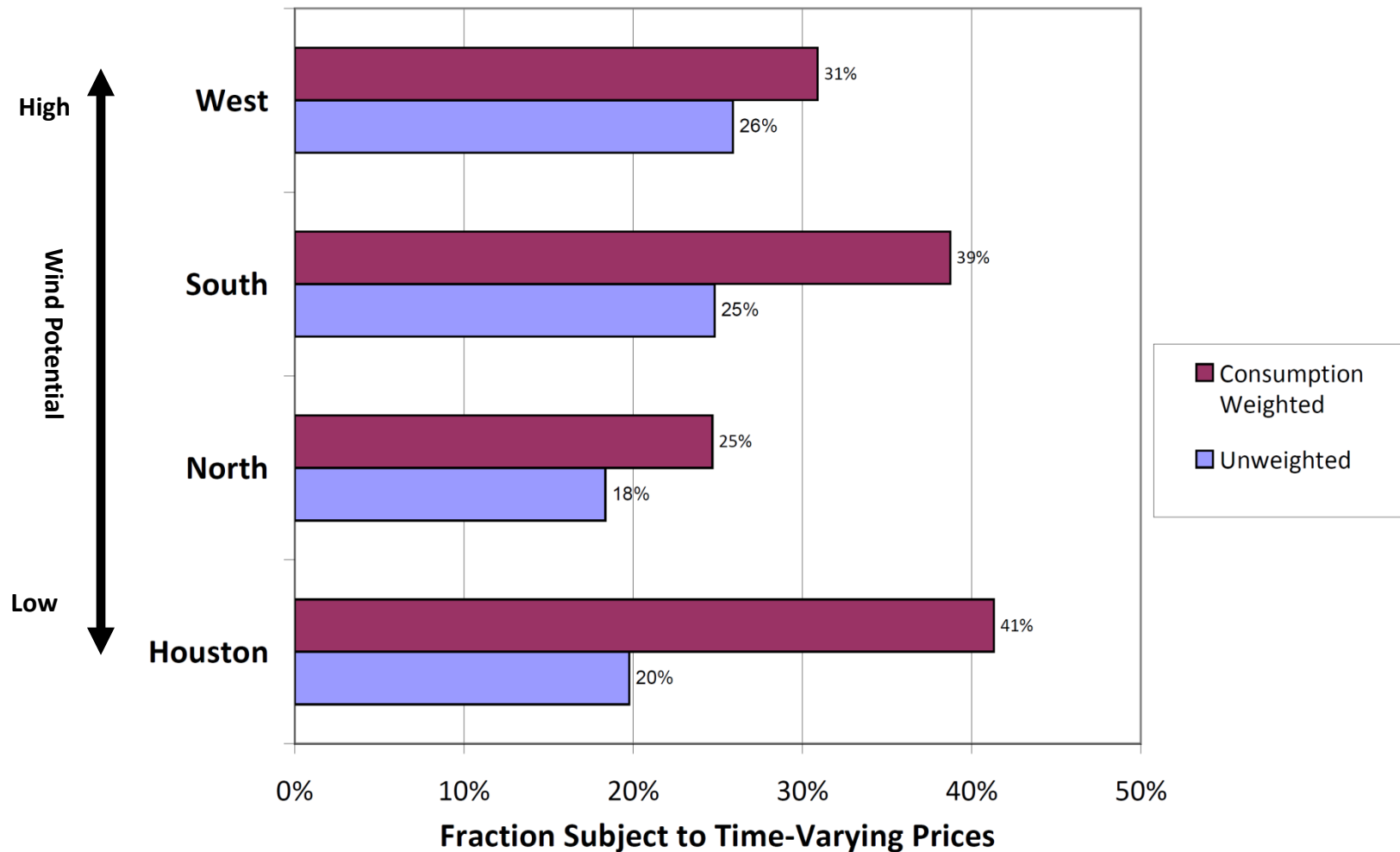
- Econometrically estimate DR for Commercial & Industrial customers
- Econometric analysis will yield:
  - Quantity of DR (“demand elasticity”) by customer, substation, time interval of day, and season of year
- *Novel*: Quantity of DR based on actual data!

# Quantifying Actual Demand Response in ERCOT

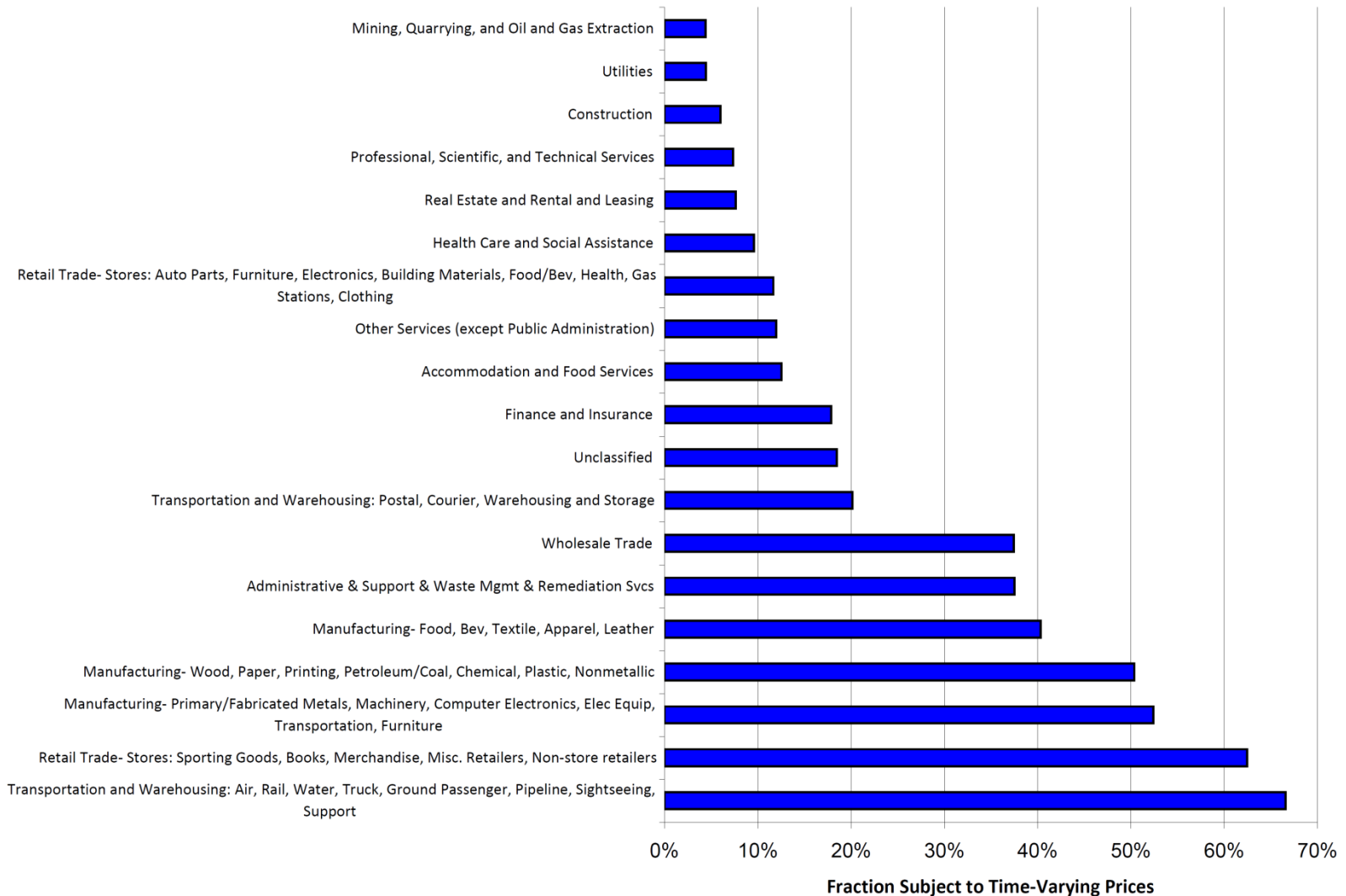
- ERCOT provided us with customer-level data for each “large” C&I customer:
  - Customer location
  - Information on whether retail contract uses time-varying prices (TVP)
    - TVP includes e.g. real-time pricing, critical peak pricing. Excludes simple time-of-use
  - Consumption (every 15-min for summer 2008)
  - 8537 customers (23% of ERCOT load)
    - 1250 are exposed to time-varying wholesale prices



# TVP take-up occurs in areas with current and future wind generation



# TVP take-up varies substantially by industry



Note: take-up is consumption weighted.

# But, does signing TVP contracts lead to substantial demand response?

- How “elastic” is demand to price?
- Estimate own and cross-price elasticities across 96 daily intervals for each customer
- Imagine the following experiment:
  - Wholesale spot price rises in interval  $t$
  - Consumption in  $t$  might fall (or not)
  - Consumption in any other interval of the *same day*  $t'$  may rise or fall
- We use consumer-level data to estimate the amount of “demand response”

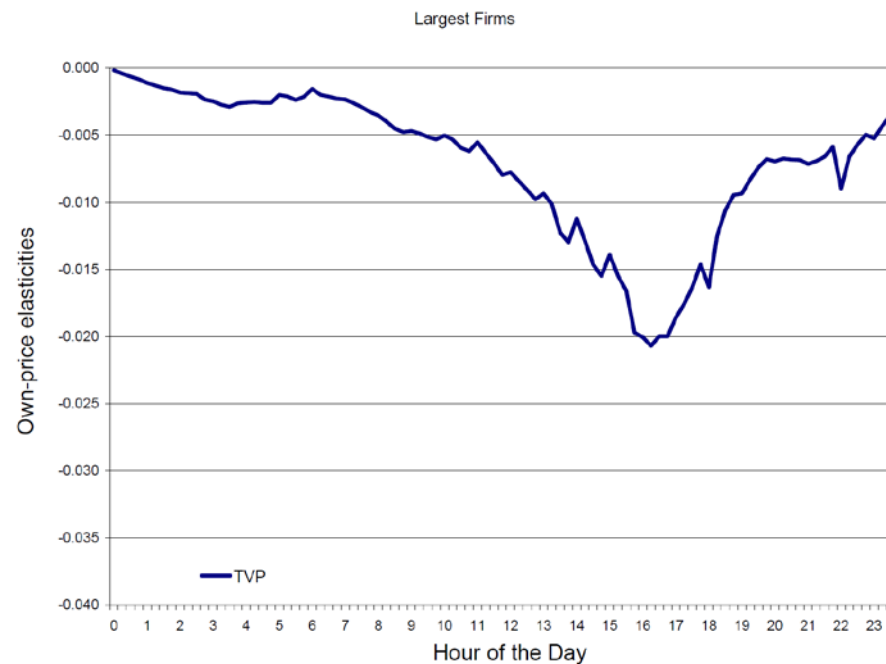
# But, does signing TVP contracts lead to substantial demand response? (cont'd)

- Econometric model allows for substitution across intervals that is:
  - Consistent with economic theory
    - Concave in input prices
  - Flexible
    - Generalized McFadden Function
  - Parsimonious
    - use Fourier series to parameterize terms of lower triangular and diagonal matrix that generate  $c_{ij}$  of  $C$  matrix

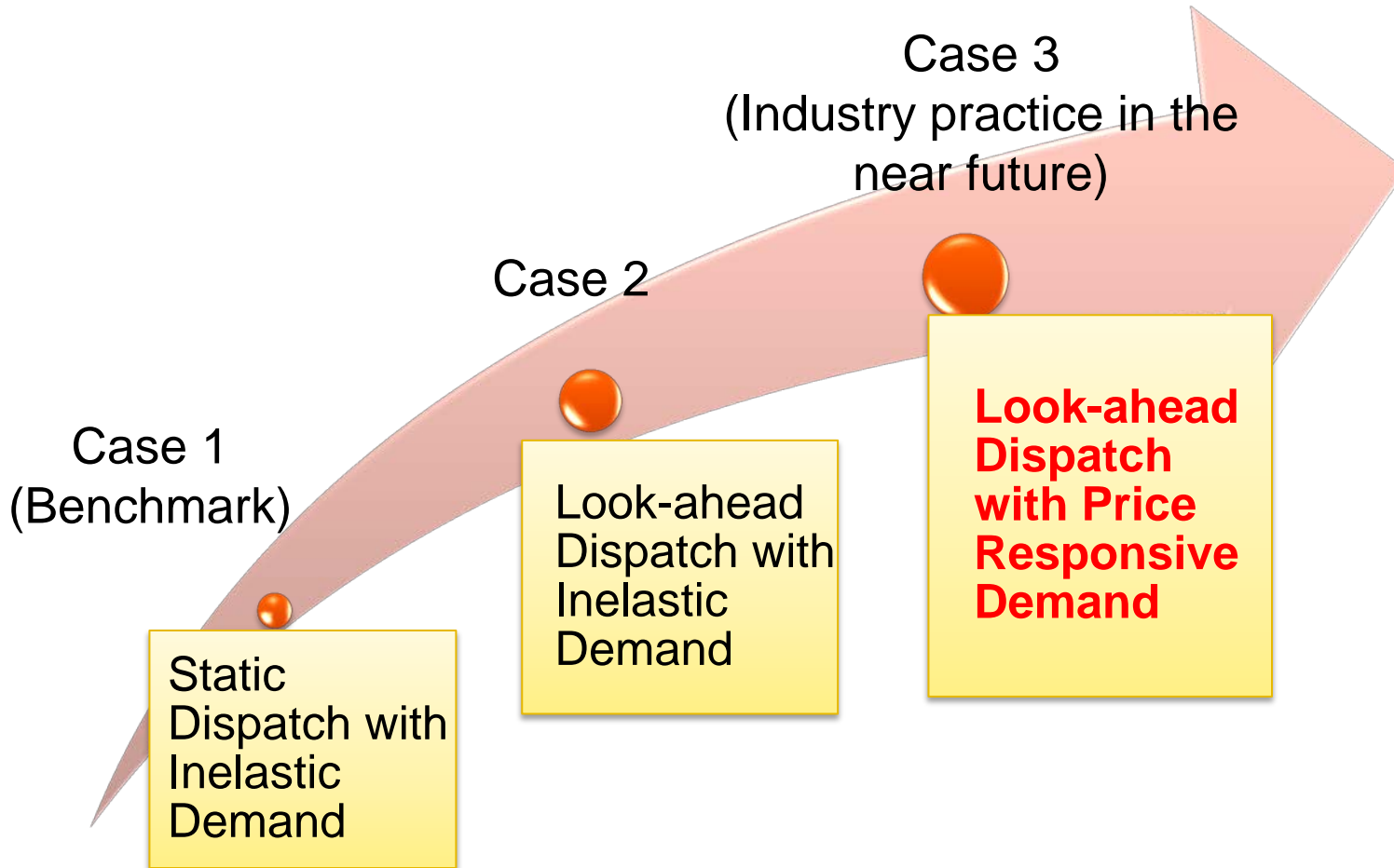
$$C_{kd}(p, y) = \left[ \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{96} \sum_{j=1}^{96} c_{ij} p_{id} p_{jd} \right] y_d + \sum_{i=1}^{96} b_{ii} p_{id} y_d + \sum_{i=1}^{96} b_i p_{id} + \sum_{i=1}^{96} [d_i f(W_{id}) + \theta F_k + U_{ikd}] p_{id}$$

# But, does signing TVP contracts lead to substantial demand response? (cont'd)

- Econometric estimation generates “substitution matrix” that is fed into look-ahead dispatch model
- Qualitative result: very little demand response
  - Illustration:



# Quantifying Benefits of DR and Look-ahead Dispatch in ERCOT

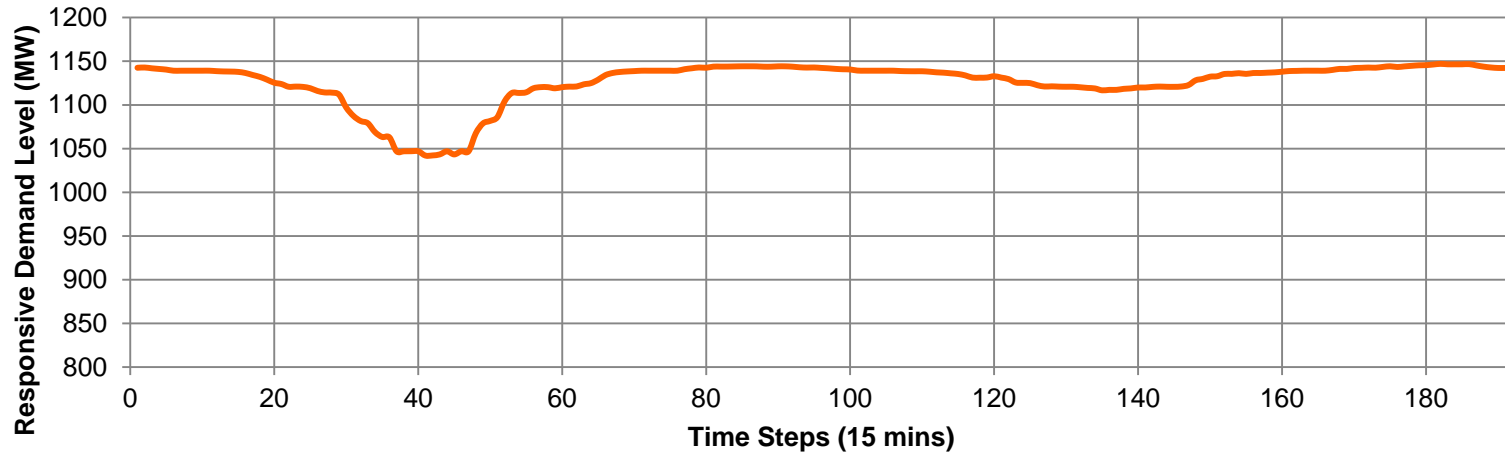


# System Setup for Elastic Demand

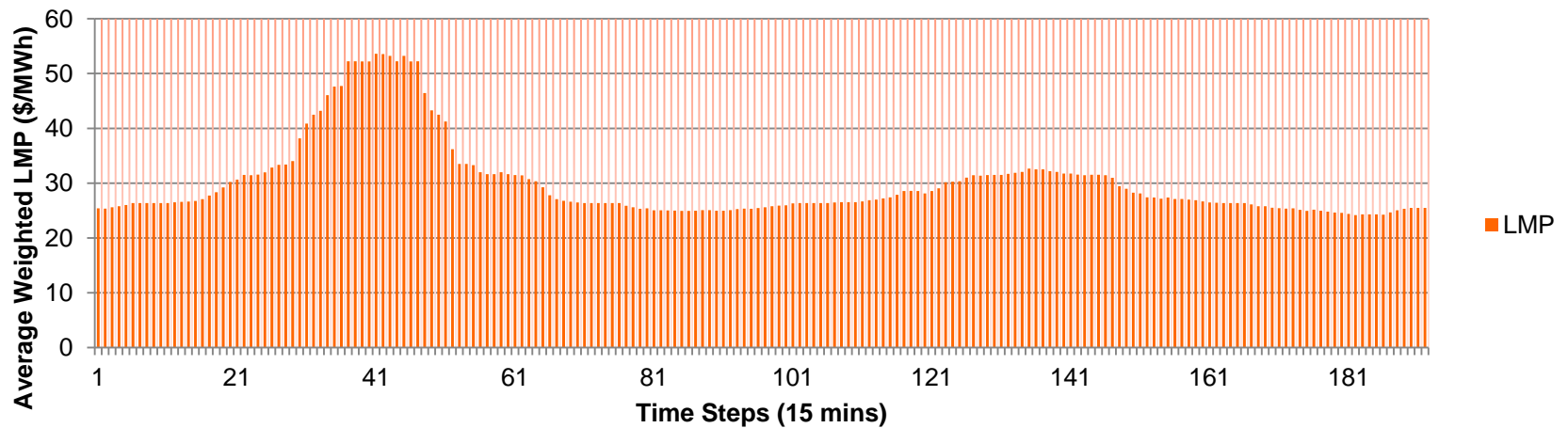
- 5.96% of the ERCOT demand is considered as elastic
- The demand elasticity comes from the study of thousands of C&I firms (Task 1)
- The elastic demand is evenly distributed in the Houston zone
- The benefit function is scaled according to PUC of Texas annual rate report.

# Price Responsive Demand

## Responsive Demand



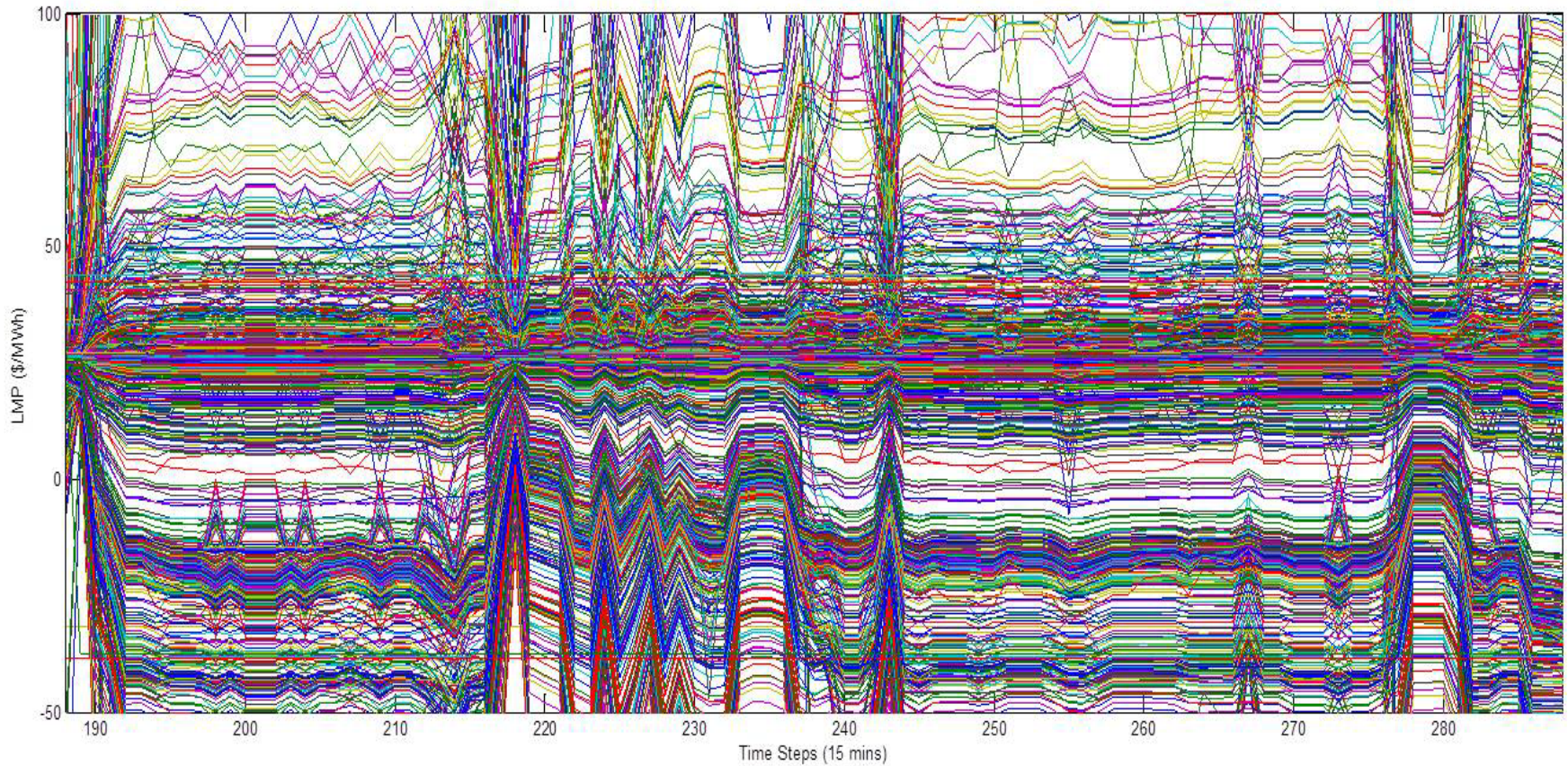
## Average Weighted LMP





# Market Behavior: LMP Patterns

## Nodal Market Clearing Price Pattern



# Economic Benefits: Elastic versus Inelastic Case (2008 Whole Year)

	Elastic Case + Look-ahead (What We Propose) (Million Dollars)	Benchmark (Million Dollars)	Ratio (%)
Generation Cost	\$ 4,816.62	\$ 4,808.72	0.16%
Total Demand Surplus	\$ 15,618.45	\$ 14,479.17	7.87%



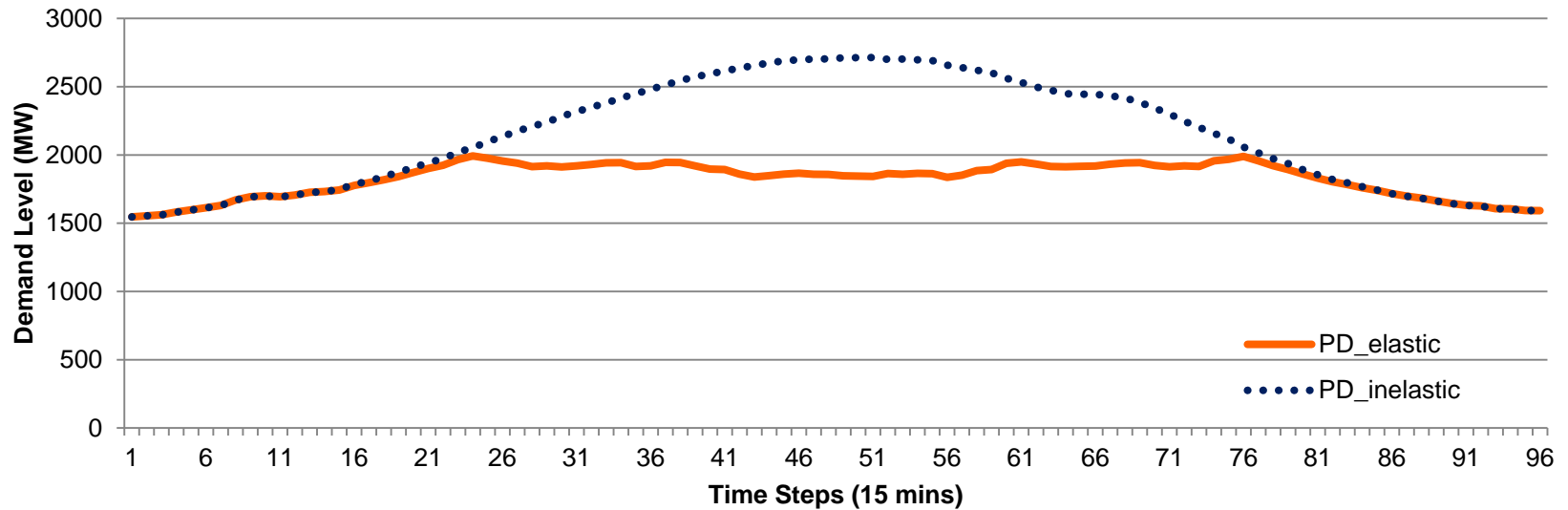
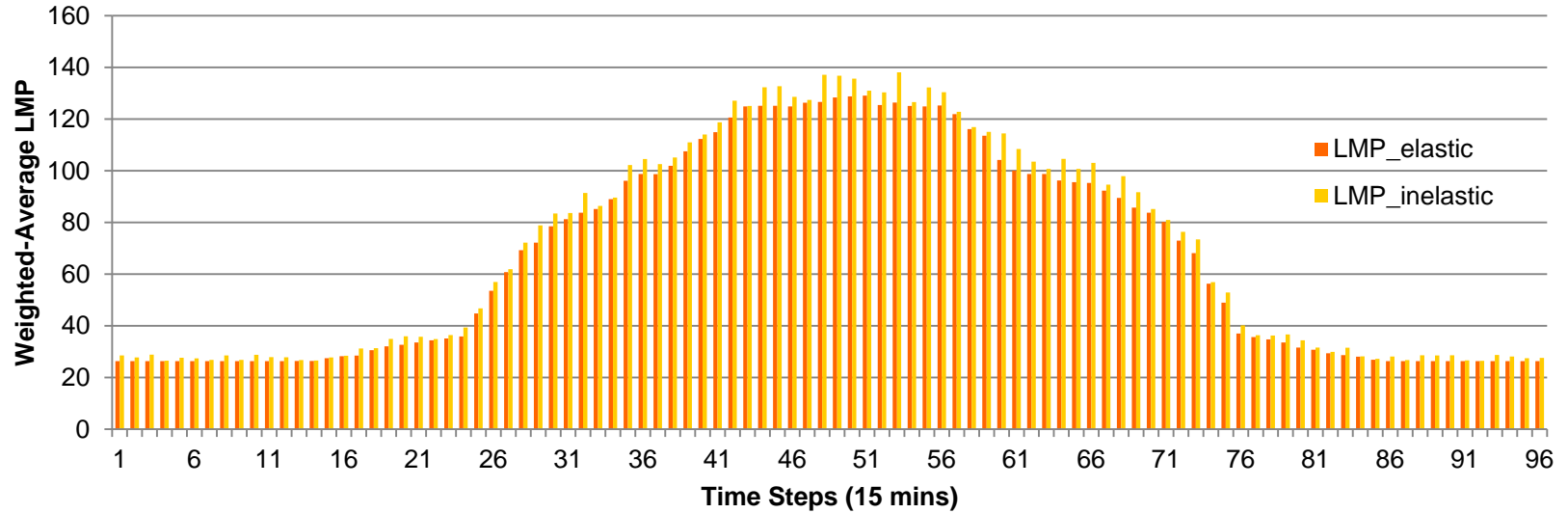
# Market Behavior: LMP Patterns

**Standard Deviation of the LMPs: Impacts due to demand elasticity**

	Elastic	Inelastic	Difference	
Temporal LMP STD	63098.9	72567.7	13.05%	↓
Spatial LMP STD	985466.3	1103669	10.71%	↓

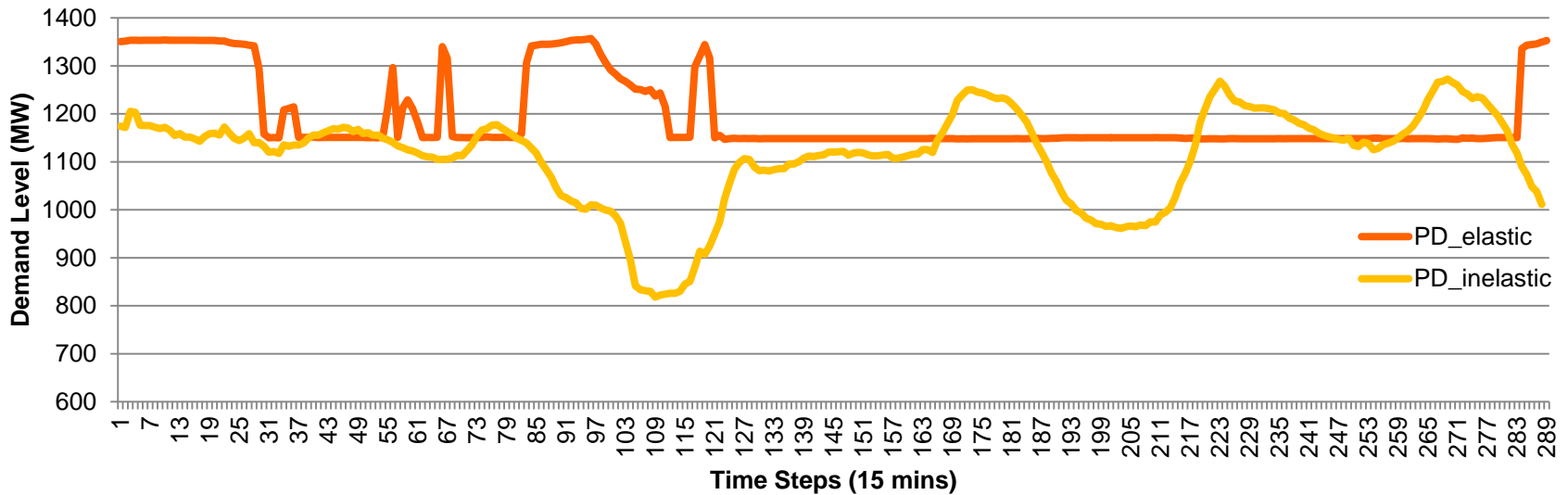
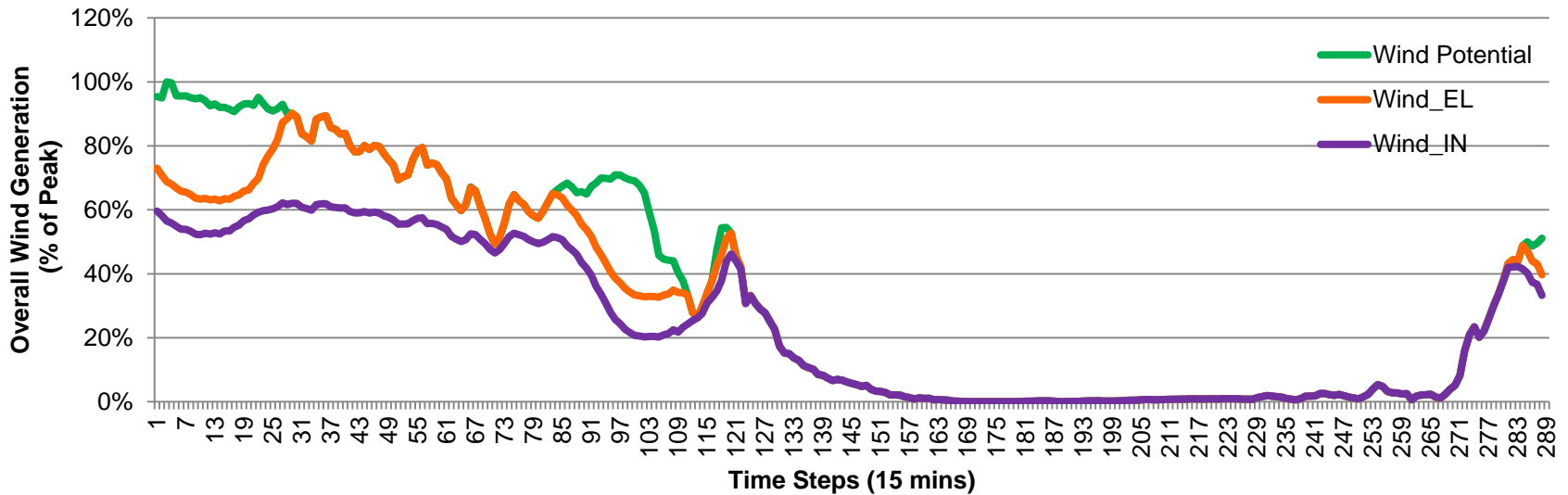
*Introducing Elastic Demand Reduces Price Volatility*

# Summer Case



*Introducing Elastic Demand Reduces Peak Load*

# Heavy Wind Case



*Elastic Demand Could Increase Renewable Utilization*

# Summary

- We have developed simulation platform to analyze look-ahead dispatch in a realistic system (ERCOT)
- Demand elasticity is quantified empirically using realistic C&I data
- ERCOT-scale look-ahead dispatch with elastic demand is conducted to quantify the benefits
- Future work:
  - Quantifying inter-temporal demand shift
  - Fundamental coupling between look-ahead, elastic demand, and price volatility.
  - Price-based v.s. incentive-based demand response

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# Thank You!

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# Backup Slides



# Dynamic Look Ahead Dispatch

Return

$$\max : \sum_{k=k_0}^T \sum_{i \in G} C_i^G (P_{Gi}^k)$$

To minimize the overall generation costs

$$\sum_{i \in G} P_{Gi}^k = \sum_{i \in D} P_{Di}^k, k = k_0, \dots, T$$

Energy Balancing Equations

$$\sum_{i \in G} P_{SUi}^k \geq SU_D^k, k = k_0, \dots, T$$

Upward/Downward Short Term Dispatchable Capacity (STDC) Requirement

$$\sum_{i \in G} P_{SDi}^k \geq SD_D^k, k = k_0, \dots, T$$

$$|F^k| \leq F^{\max} \quad k = k_0, \dots, T$$

Branch Flow Constraints

$$-P_{Di}^R \leq \frac{1}{\Delta T} (P_{Gi}^k - P_{Gi}^{k-1}) \leq P_{Ui}^R, i \in G, k = k_0, \dots, T$$

Generators' Ramping Constraints

$$P_{Gi}^k + P_{SUi}^k \leq P_{Gi}^{\max}, k = k_0, \dots, T$$

$$P_{SDi}^k - P_{Gi}^k \leq -P_{Gi}^{\min}, k = k_0, \dots, T$$

Generators' Capacity Constraints

$$P_{Gi}^{\min} \leq P_{Gi}^k \leq P_{Gi}^{\max}, k = k_0, \dots, T$$

Generators' Output Constraints

$$0 \leq P_{SUi}^k \leq P_{Ui}^R \Delta T, k = k_0, \dots, T$$

$$0 \leq P_{SDi}^k \leq P_{Di}^R \Delta T, k = k_0, \dots, T$$

Upward/downward Generators' STDC

# Quantification of Inelastic Demand Benefits

The benefits values reported for the inelastic portion of the demand is based on the assumption that retail electric customers are heterogeneous with different willingness to pay for energy given by the same demand elasticity of the customers belonging to the elastic portion. ([Sioshansi, 2010])

