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Source-Grid-Load-Storage Interactive Operations in New Power system

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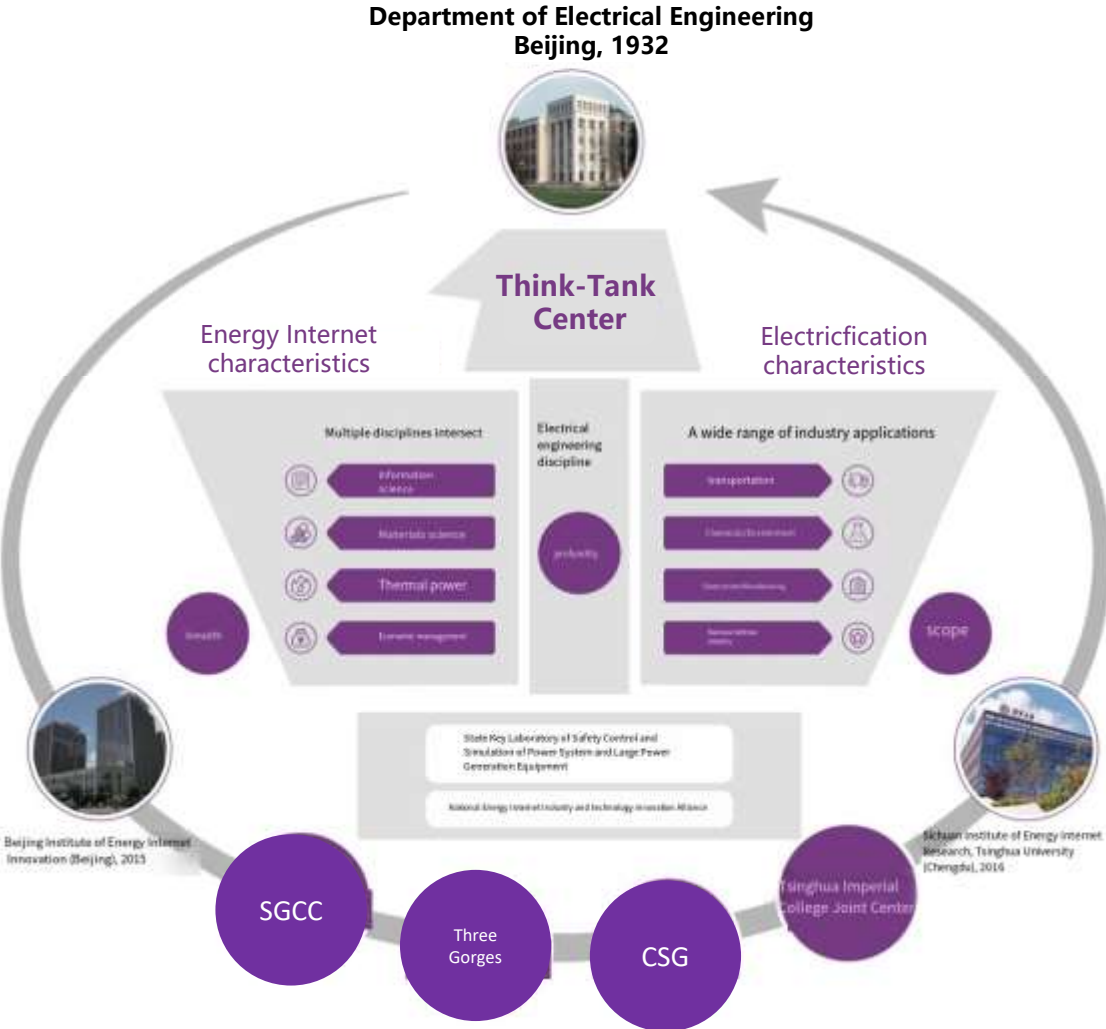
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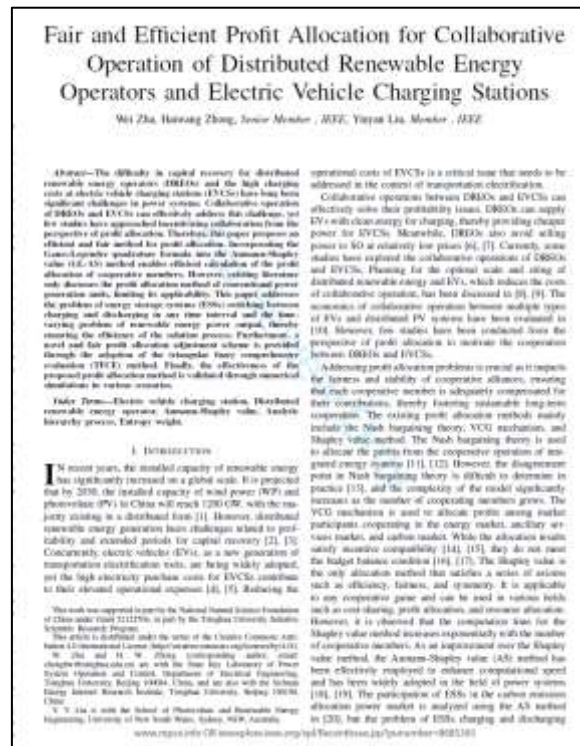
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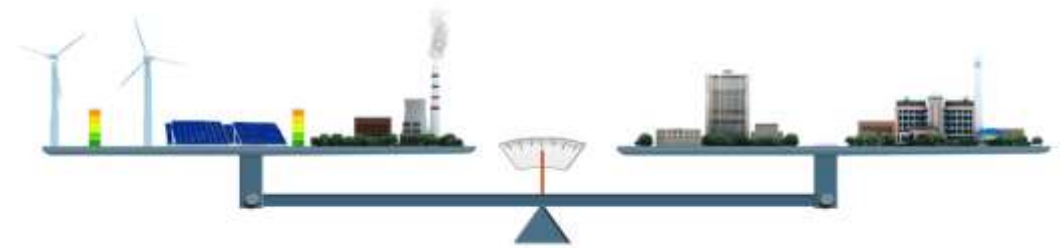
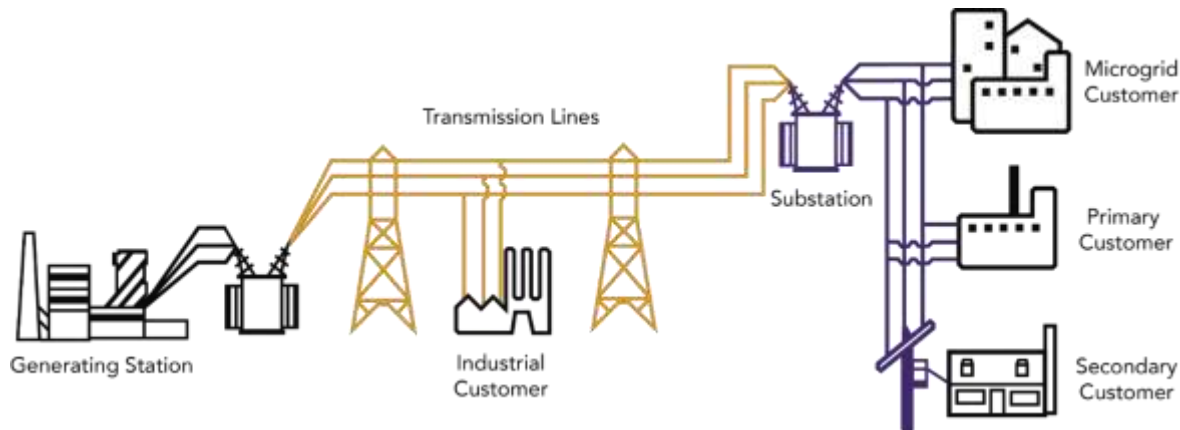
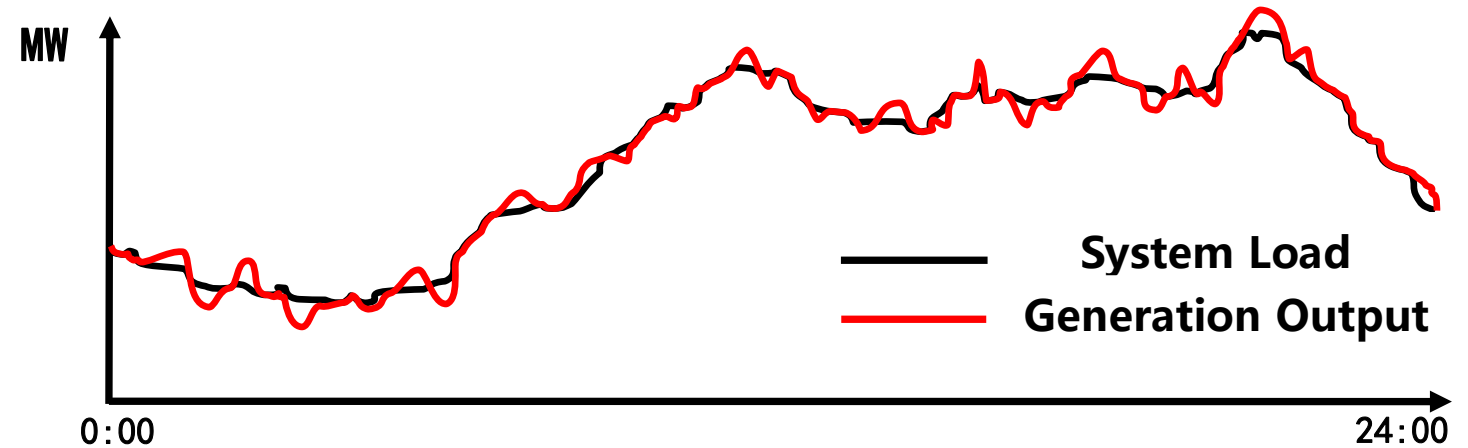
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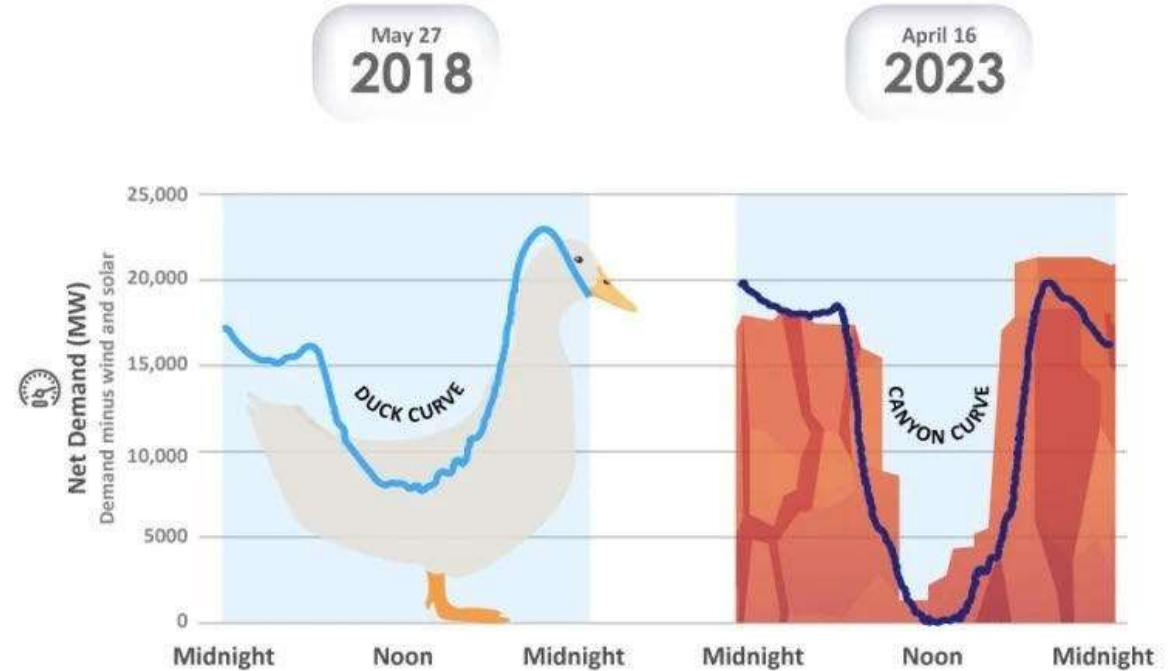
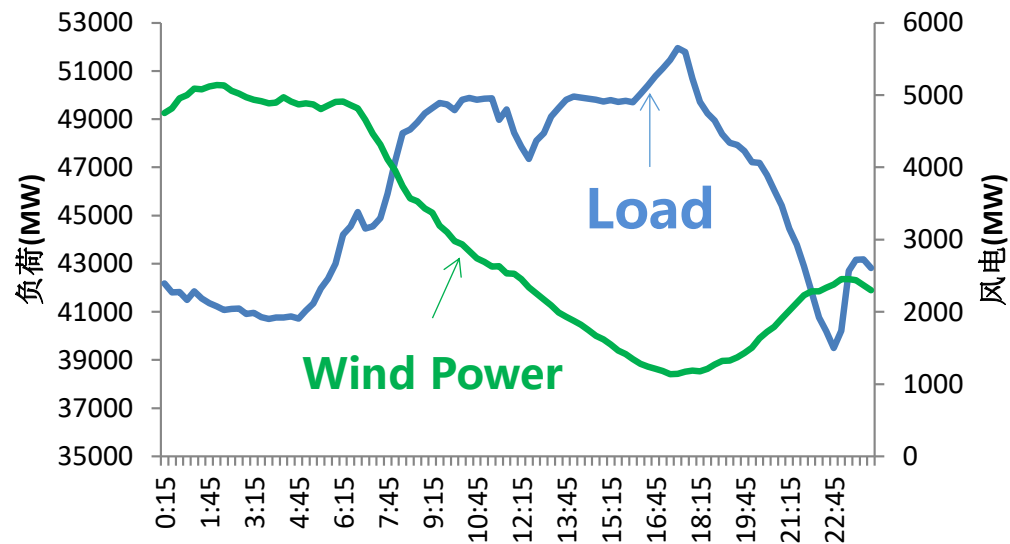
Mechanism Design

- The power system maintains **the instantaneous power balance** via dispatching **conventional generating units** to follow the load.



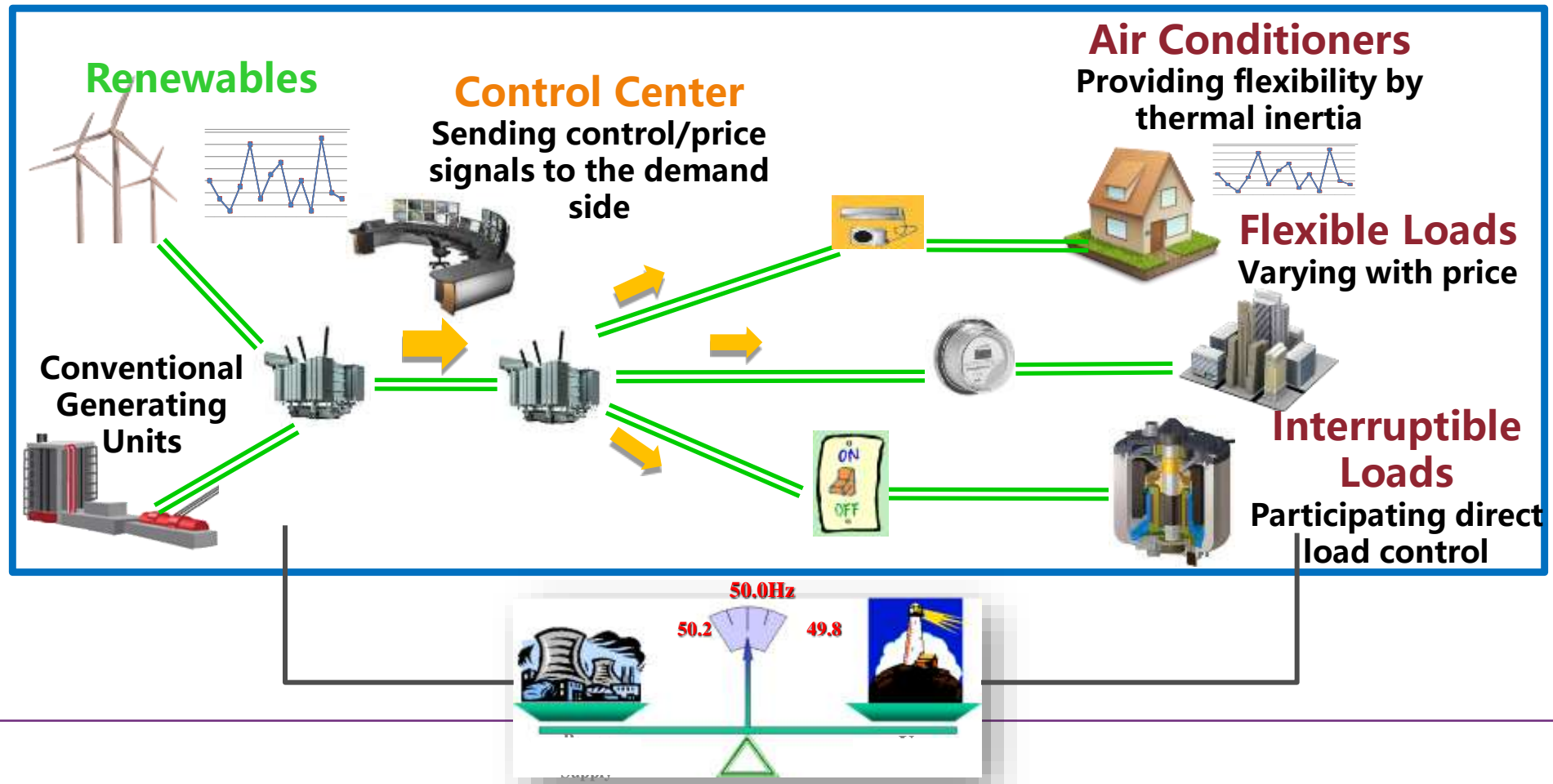
- ❑ Wind power is **negative related with the load profile**, the increase of PV will cause the **Duck Curve (or Canyon Curve)**, and thermal units need to shut down during valley load periods.
- ❑ With the development of renewable energy, the conventional operation mode is **unable to handle the challenges**. There is an urgent need to improve the existing operation mode.

Negative Related with the Load Profile



Toward Interactive Operations

- ❑ There are a lot of flexible resources on the demand side, such as air conditioners, interruptible loads, centralized/distributed energy storage, and etc.
- ❑ Utilize the flexibility of **demand-side resources** and move towards **source-grid-load-storage interactive operations**.



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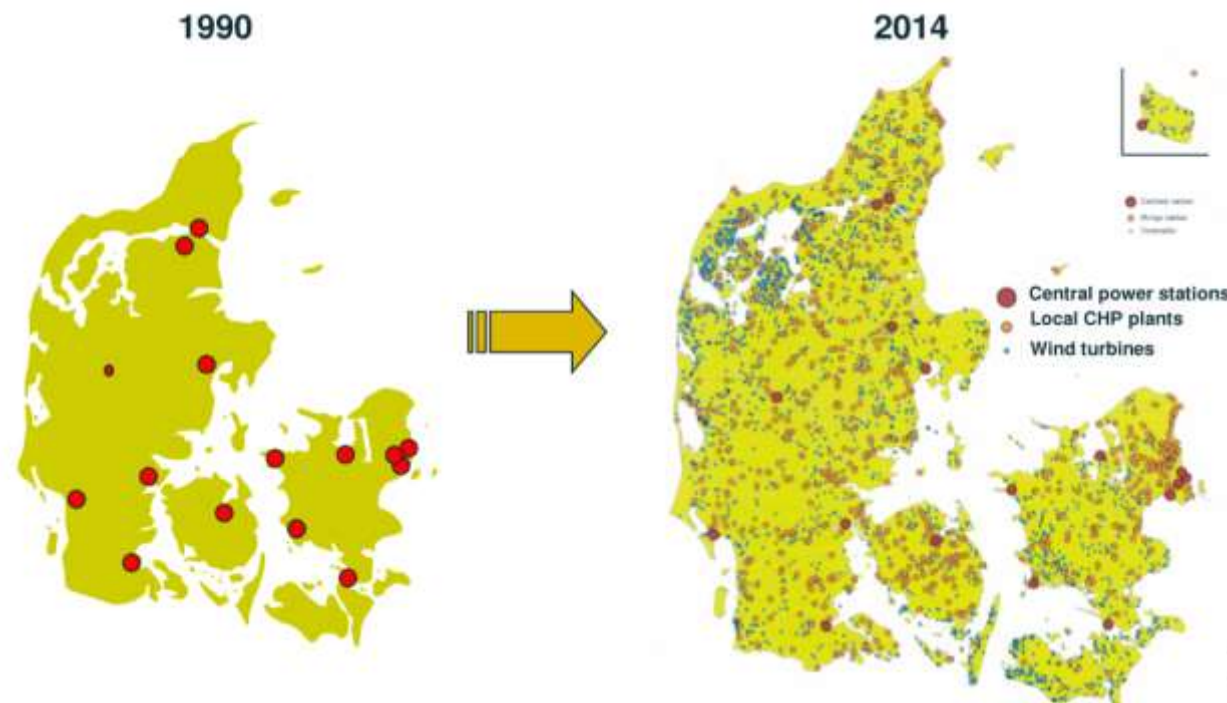
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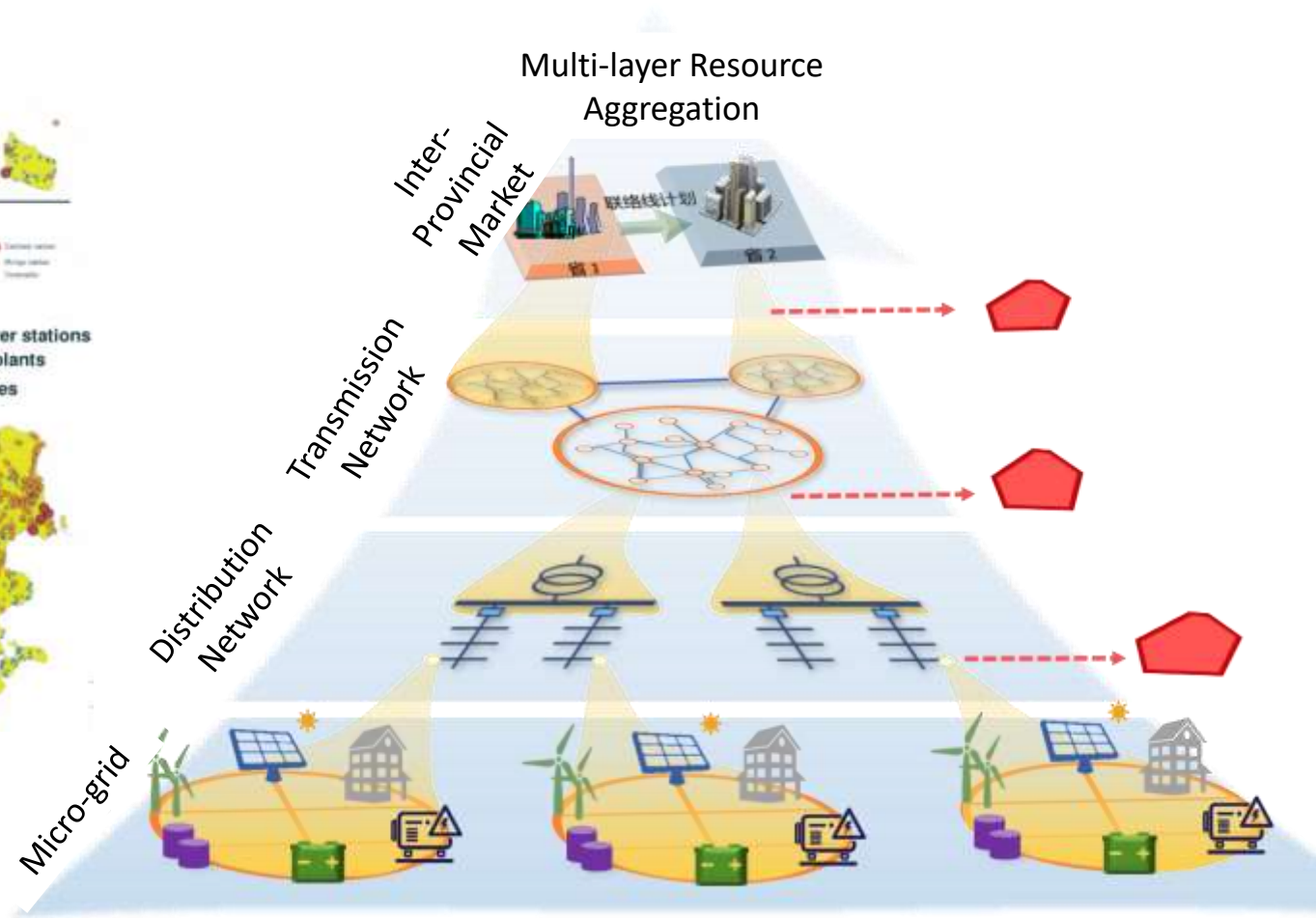
Mechanism Design

Aggregation Needed

- ❑ Multi-layer aggregation
- ❑ Coordinative optimization



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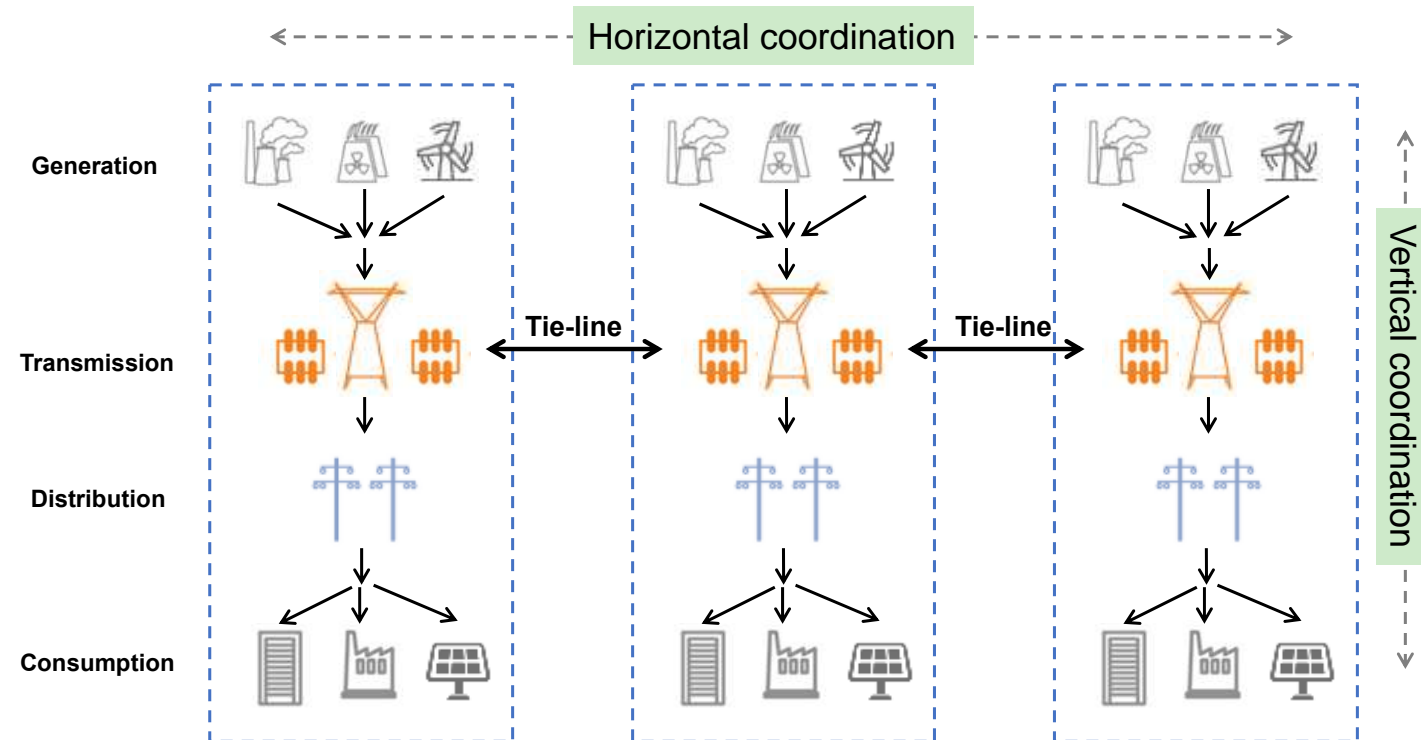
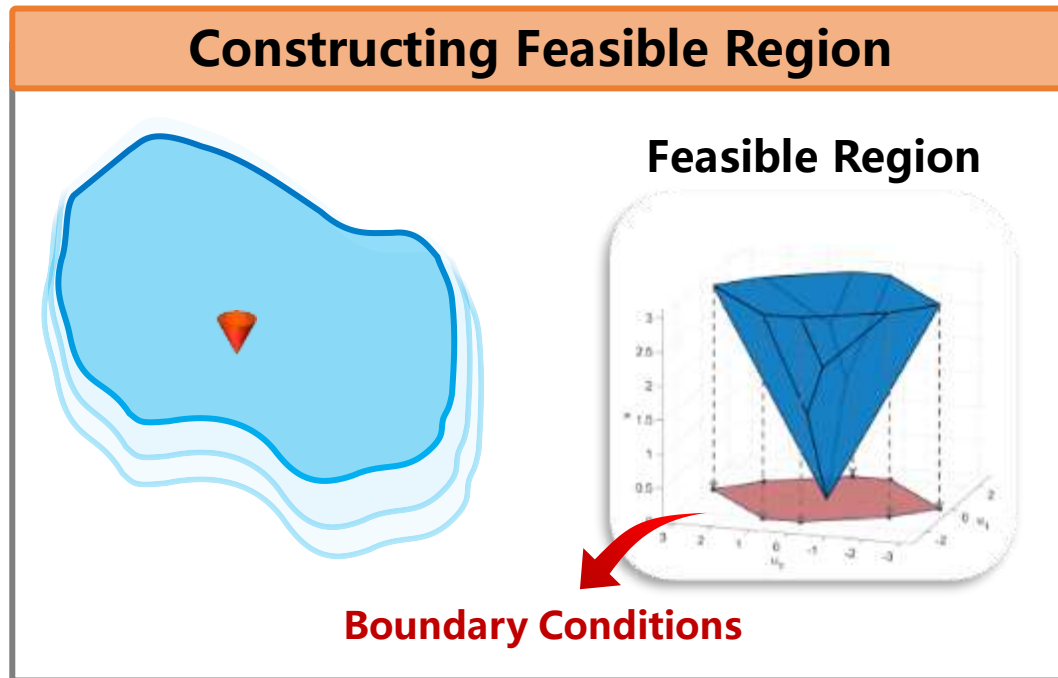


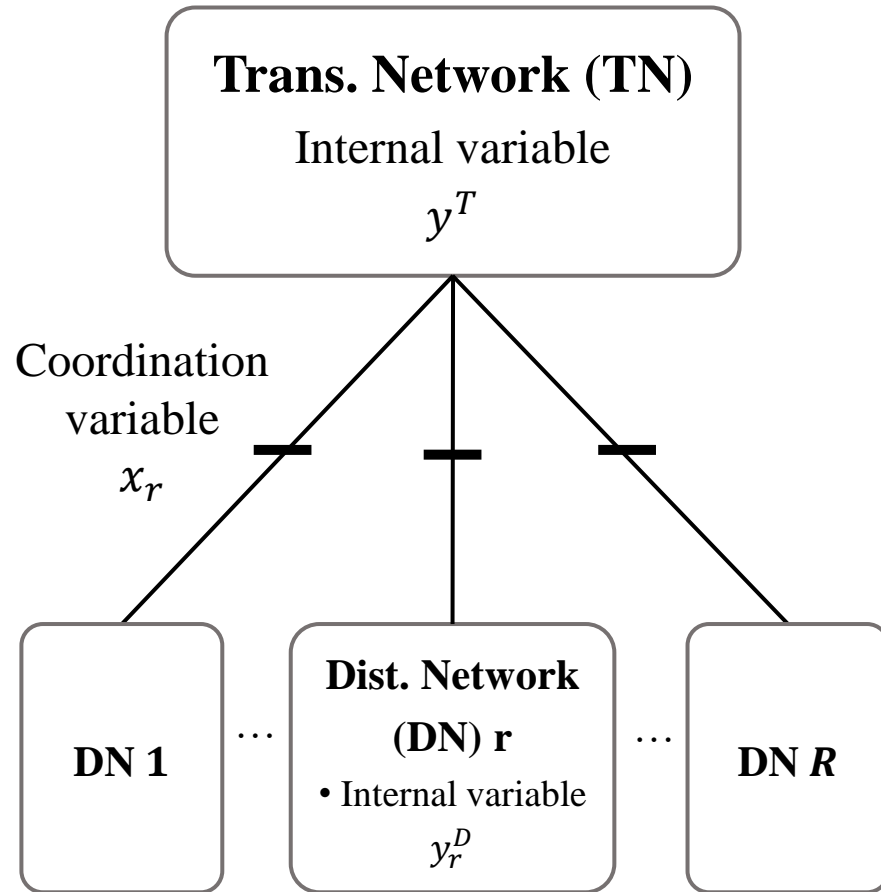
- Multi-layer aggregation and coordinative optimization of resources at multiple voltage levels based on feasible region projection

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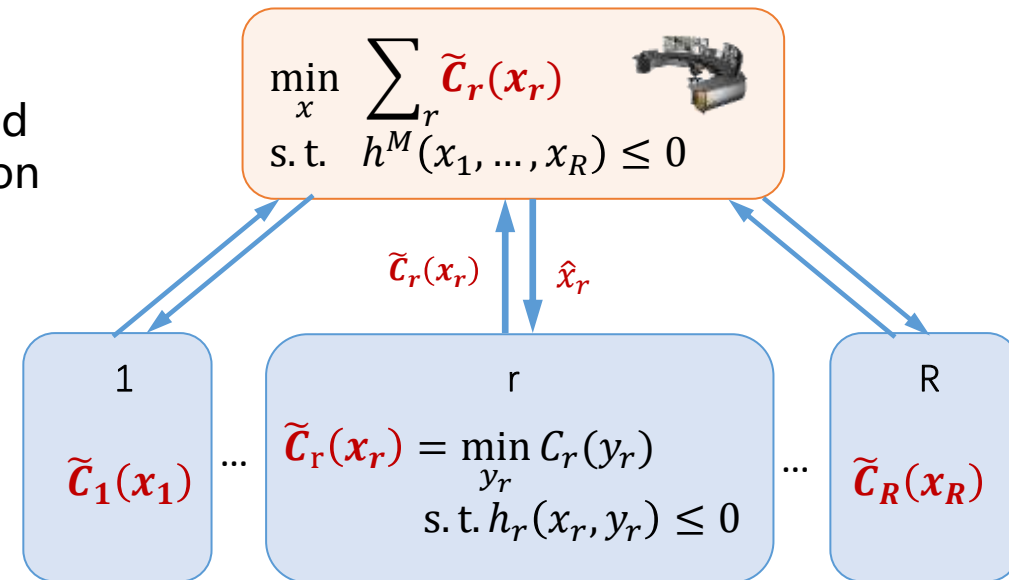


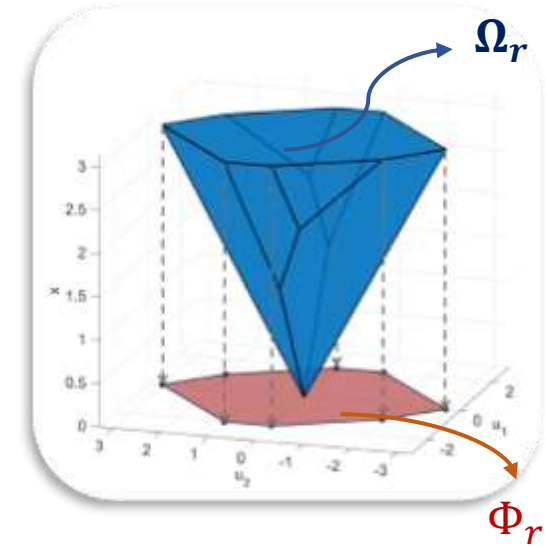
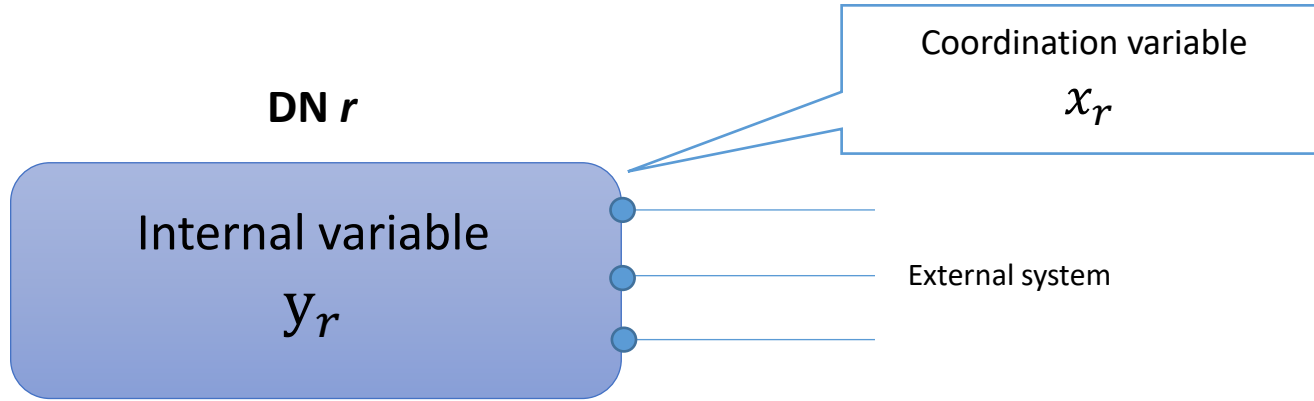
Joint Optimization

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{x,y} \quad & \sum_r C_r(y_r) \\ \text{s. t.} \quad & h^M(x_1, \dots, x_r, \dots, x_R) \leq 0 \quad \rightarrow \text{Coupling constraints} \\ & h_r(x_r, y_r) \leq 0, r = 1, \dots, N \quad \rightarrow \text{Subsystem constraints} \end{aligned}$$

Primal
Decomposition

Coordinated Optimization





■ Operating feasible region of DN r

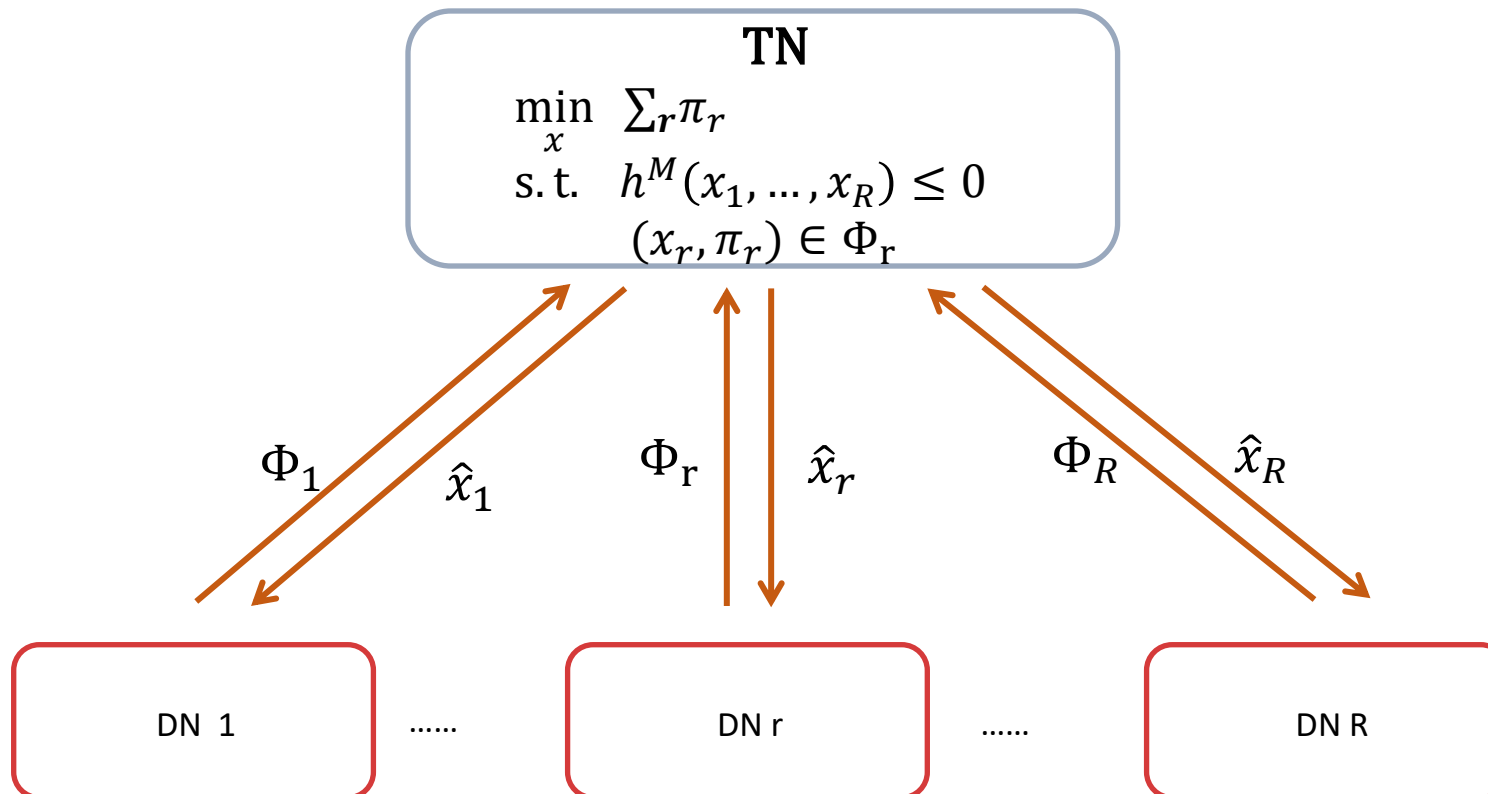
$$\Omega_r = \left\{ (x_r, \pi_r, y_r) \in R^{N_x+1} \times R^{N_y} \left| \begin{array}{l} \bar{\pi}_r \geq \pi_r \geq C_r(y_r) \\ h_r(x_r, y_r) \leq 0 \end{array} \right. \right\}$$

→ Epigraph of cost function
→ Technical operation constraints

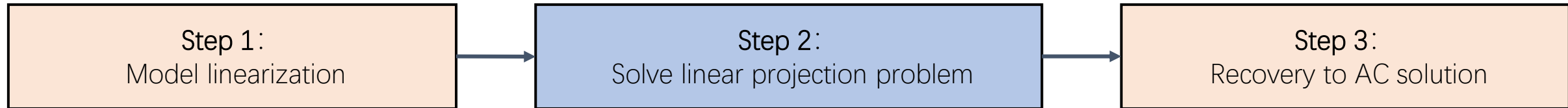
■ Equivalent projection: depicts economic and technical characteristics of DN at coordination boundary

$$\Phi_r = proj(\Omega_r) \triangleq \{ (x_r, \pi_r) \in R^{N_x+1} \mid \exists y_r, \text{ s. t. }, (x_r, \pi_r, y_r) \in \Omega_r \}$$

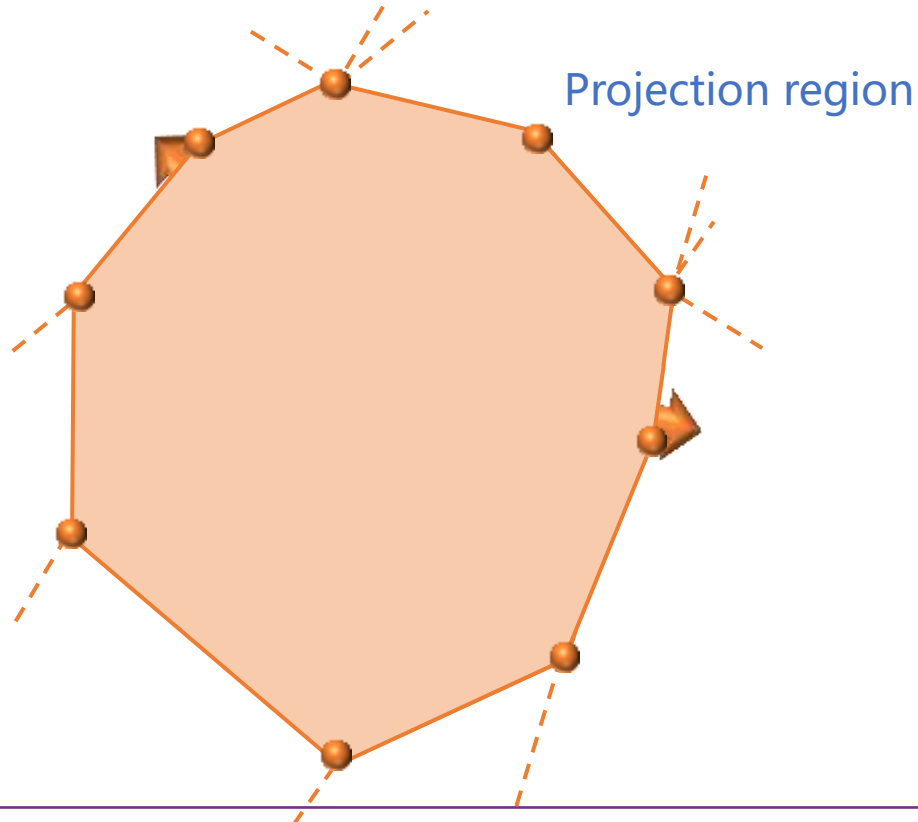
- **Stage 1:** Each DSO calculates its equivalent projection Φ_r .
- **Stage 2:** TSO optimally decides \hat{x}_r with Φ_r as constraints.
- **Stage 3:** DSO optimally schedules the local system with \hat{x}_r as boundary conditions.



Equivalent to the joint optimization and no iteration is required.



- With linearization, Φ becomes a polytope



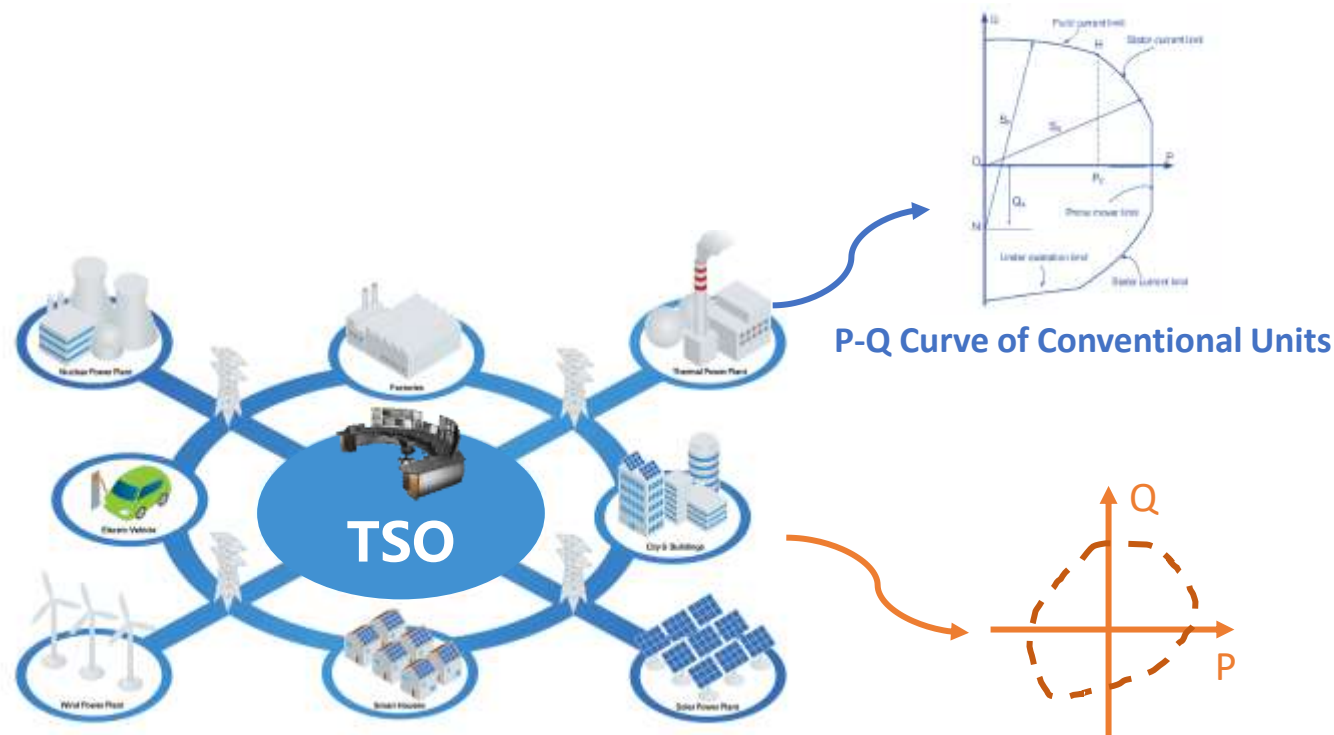
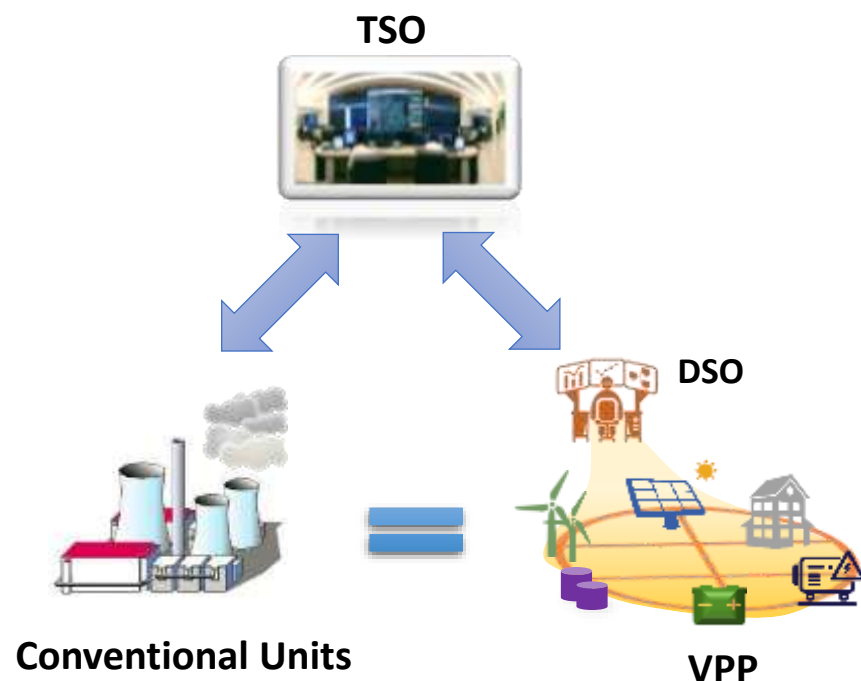
Algorithm 1: Progressive Vertex Enumeration

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1 Initialize vertex set :  $V \leftarrow V_0$ 
2 repeat
3   Convex hull of identified vertices:  $P = \text{conv}(V)$ 
4   Initialize improvement:  $G \leftarrow \emptyset$ 
5   for  $f_k$  on  $P$ 
6     Vertex expansion: new vertex  $v_k$ , optimal value  $g_k^{\max}$ 
7     if  $v_k \in R(f_k)$  and  $\Delta g_k > 0$ 
8       Save new vertex:  $V \leftarrow \{v \in V, v_k\}$ 
9       Save improvement:  $G \leftarrow \{\Delta g \in G, \Delta g_k\}$ 
10    end if
11  end for
12 until  $\max G < \text{Tolerance}$ 
13 return  $V, P = \text{conv}(V)$ 
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Application 1: Virtual Power Plant (VPP)

□ Estimate the capability curve of a virtual power plant

- A virtual power plant aggregates the economic and physical parameters of distributed resources into a **standard form**, improving the observability and controllability of DER as well as providing an interface for the coordination of transmission and distribution networks.
- Estimating the capability curve of a VPP is necessary for the secure operation of distribution networks.



Application 1: Virtual Power Plant (VPP)

Feasible Operating Region

Power Balance

$$\begin{aligned} \blacksquare P_i^g - P_i^d &= \sum_{j \in L_i} P_{ij}^f, P_0 = \sum_{j \in L_0} P_{j0}^f \\ \blacksquare Q_i^g - Q_i^d &= \sum_{j \in L_i} Q_{ij}^f, Q_0 = \sum_{j \in L_0} Q_{j0}^f \end{aligned}$$

Power Flow Equations

$$\begin{aligned} \blacksquare P_{ij}^f &= g_{ij}(v_i^2 - v_i v_j \cos \theta_{ij}) - b_{ij} v_i v_j \sin \theta_{ij} \\ \blacksquare Q_{ij}^f &= -b_{ij}(v_i^2 - v_i v_j \cos \theta_{ij}) - g_{ij} v_i v_j \sin \theta_{ij} \end{aligned}$$

Capability Constraints

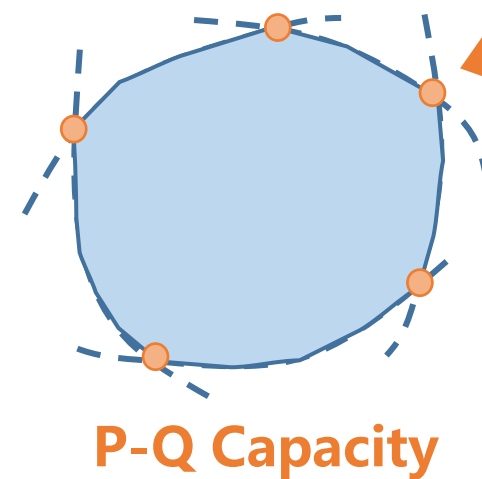
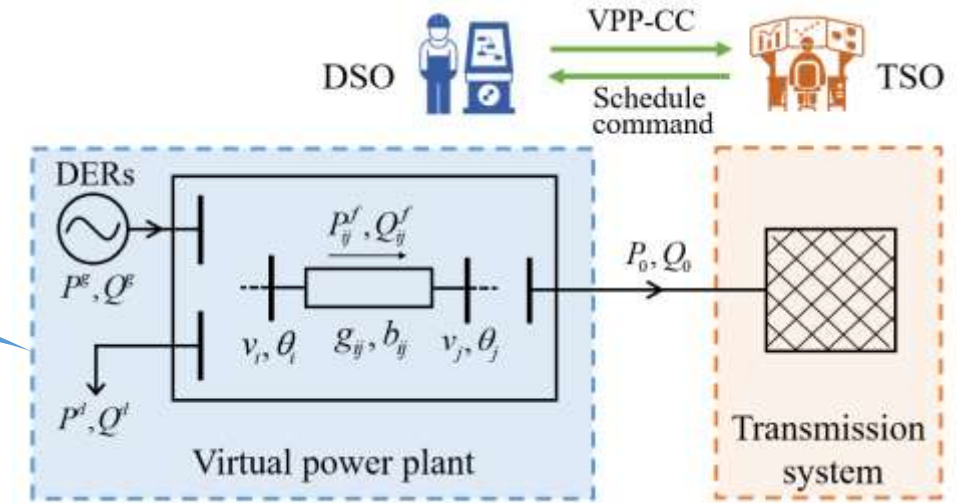
$$\blacksquare (P_{ij}^f)^2 + (Q_{ij}^f)^2 \leq (S_{ij}^f)^2, (P_0)^2 + (Q_0)^2 \leq (S_0)^2$$

Bus Voltage Constraints

$$\blacksquare \underline{v}_i \leq v_i \leq \bar{v}_i$$

DER Operational Constraints

$$\blacksquare (P_i^g, Q_i^g) \in X_i$$

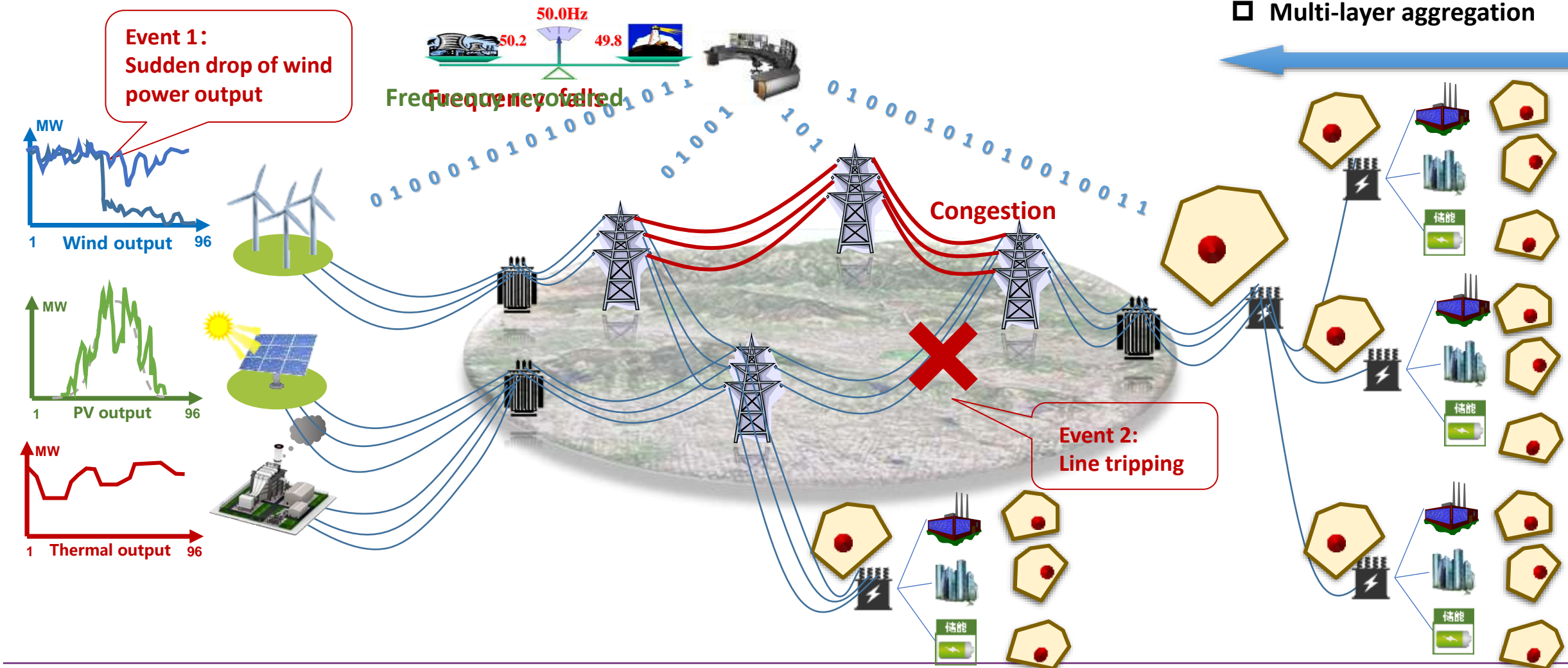


- A two-stage framework:
 - Stage 1: calculate the linearized capability curve.
 - Stage 2: recover the vertices to the points on the perimeter of the real capability curve.

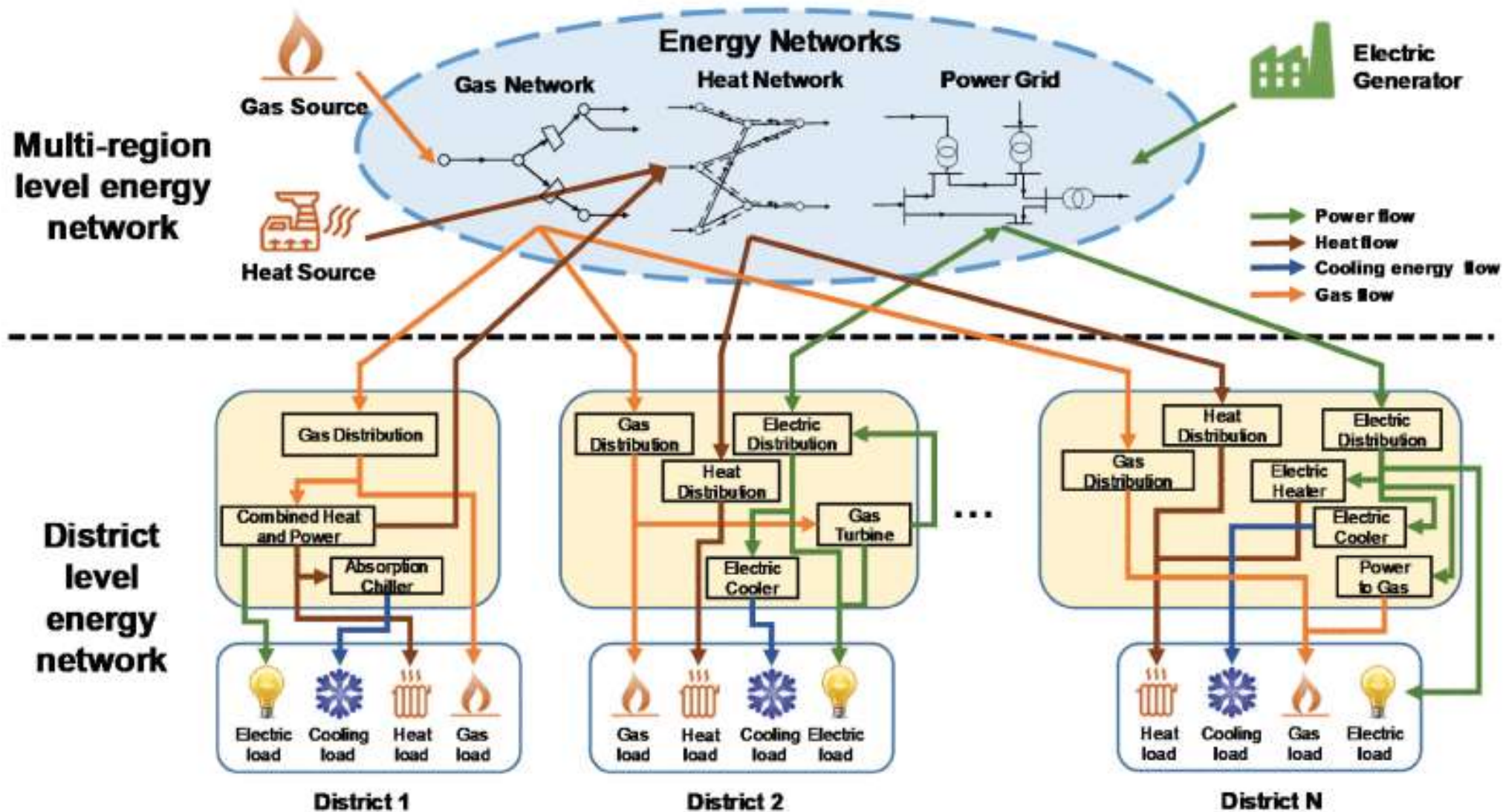
Application 2: Secure Power System Operation

□ Optimal resource allocation by source-grid-load-storage interaction

□ Multi-layer aggregation



Application 3: Integrated Energy System



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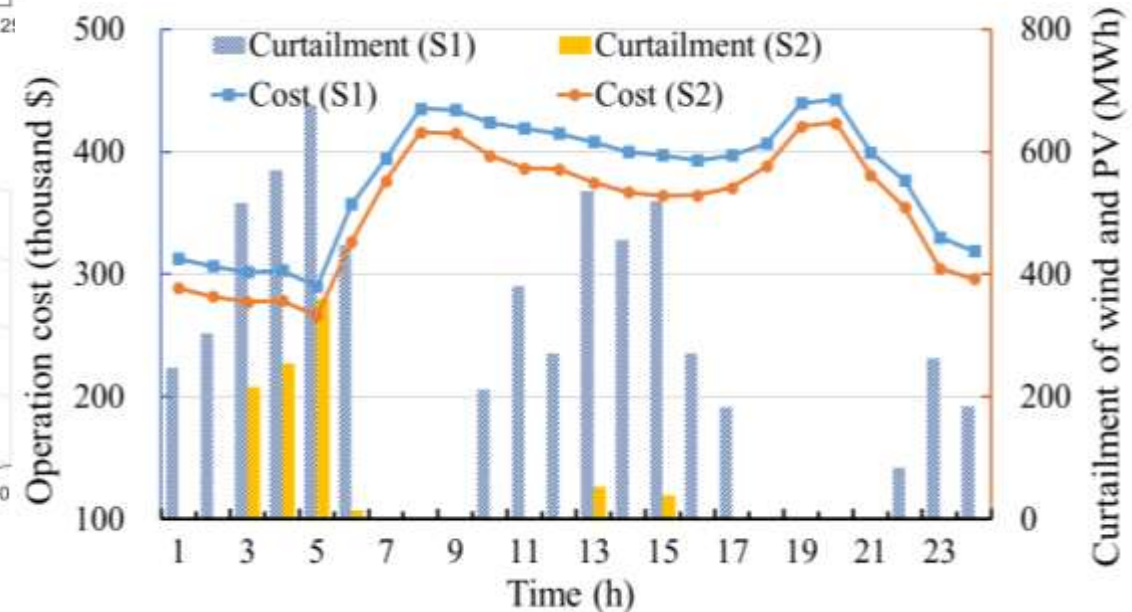
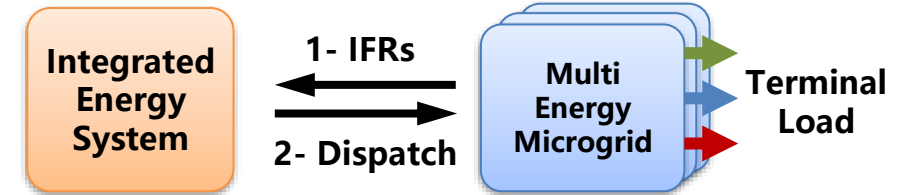
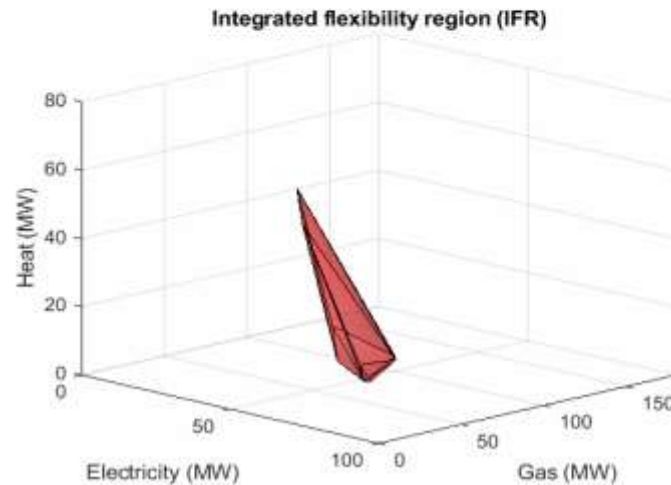
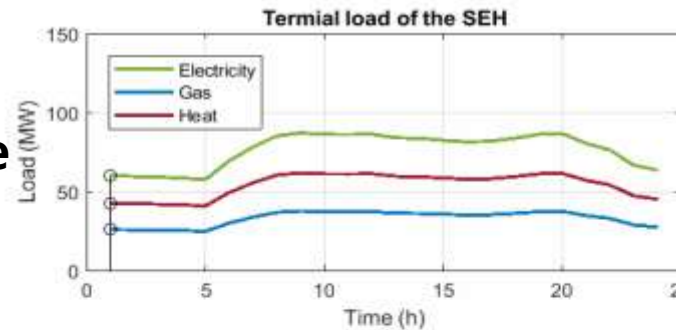
Feasible region in integrated energy system

- Turn fixed demand to flexible demand without affecting user comfort
- Expand optimization space to reduce renewable energy curtailment

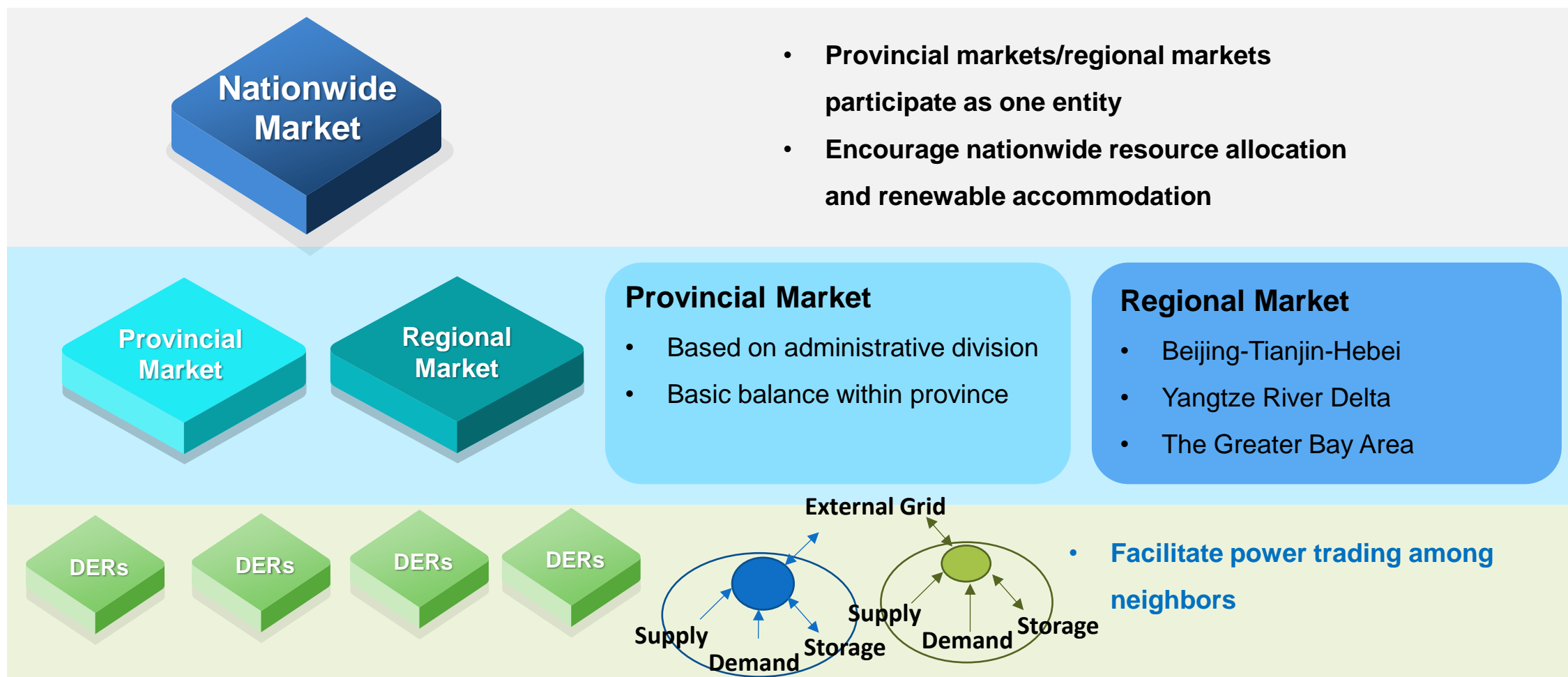


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Integrated Flexibility Region (IFR)

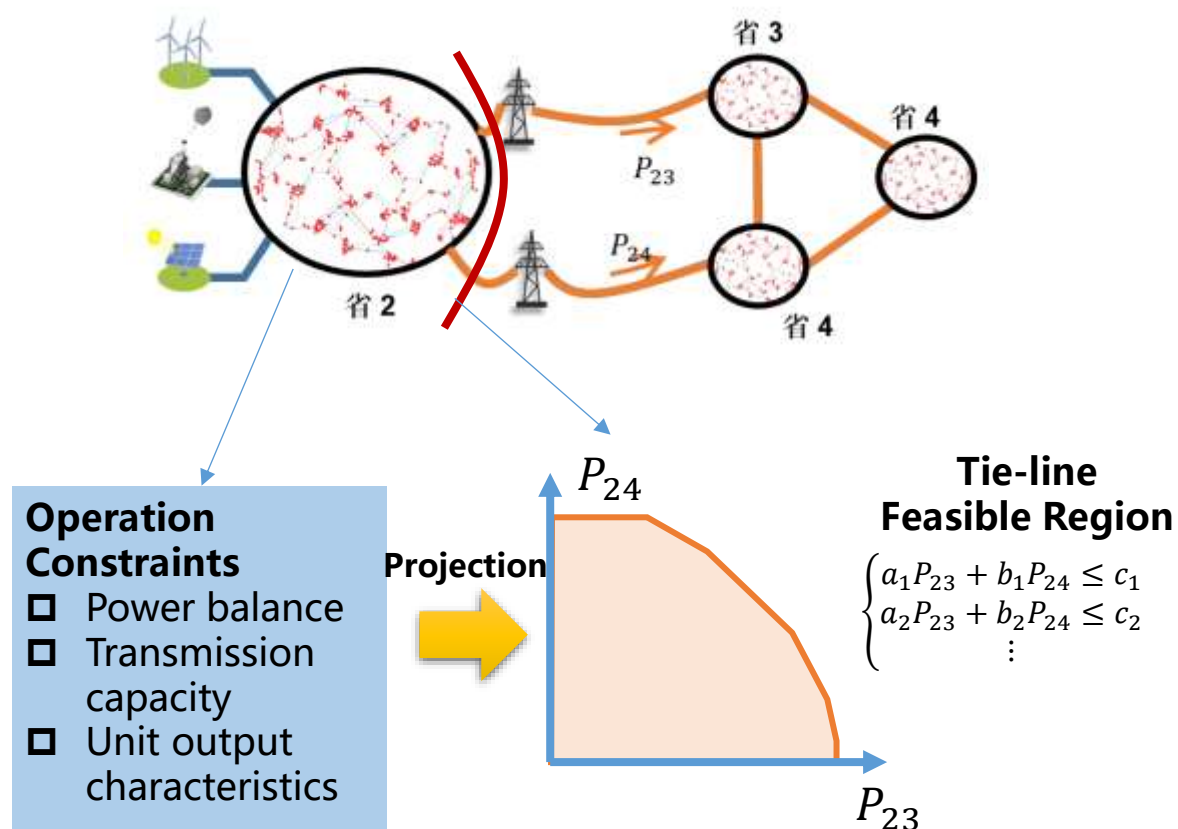


Architecture of nationwide electricity market in China

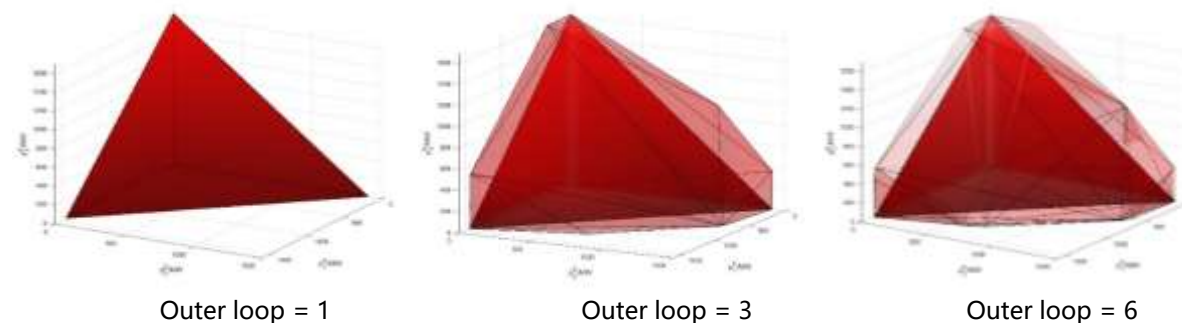


Application 4: Support Nationwide Electricity Market

- ❑ **Cross-region electricity trading model based on feasible region projection**
- ❑ Tie-line schedule is feasible for all internal constraints



Projection Process Based on Vertex Enumeration



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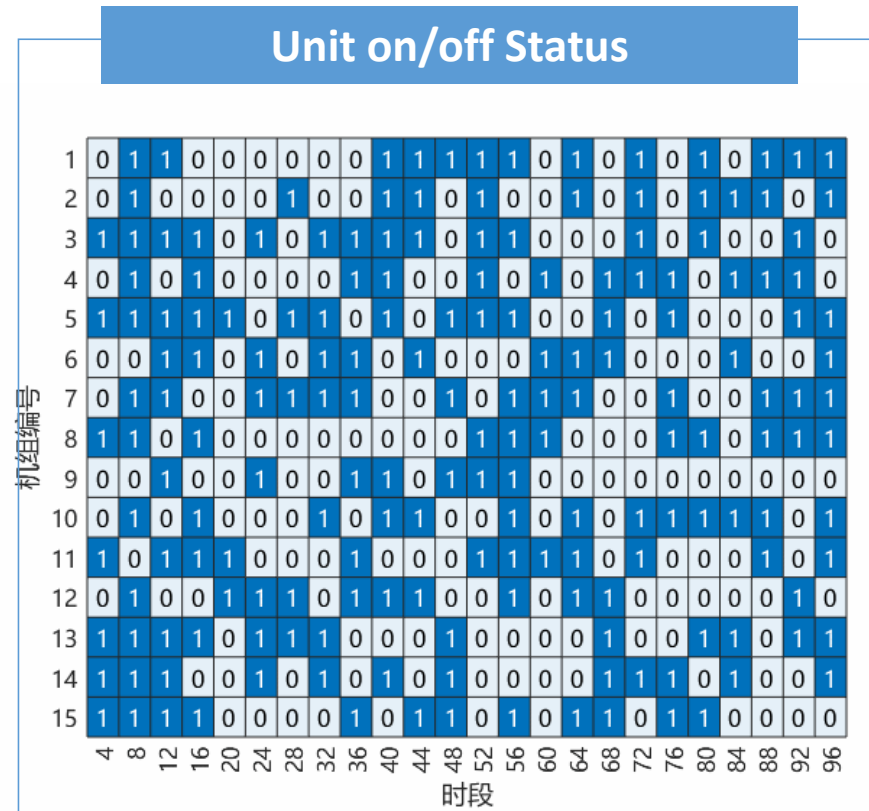
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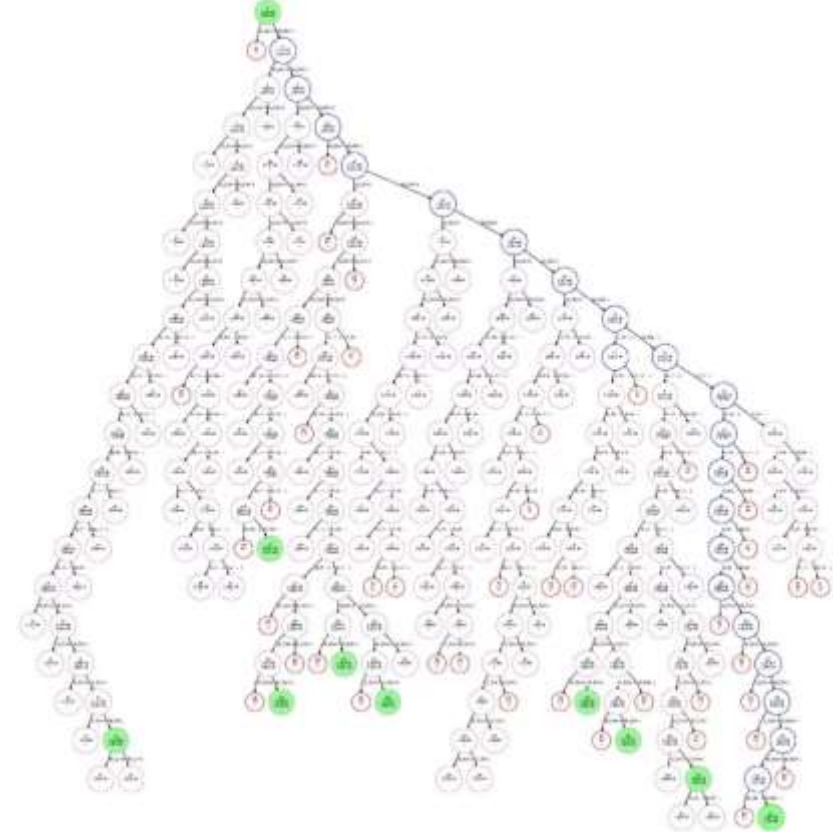
Mechanism Design

- ❑ Large-scale unit commitment is faced with the challenge of “**dimension curse**” .
- ❑ Source-grid-load-storage interactive operation is even more challenging.



- ❑ Limit of combinatorial optimization algorithms

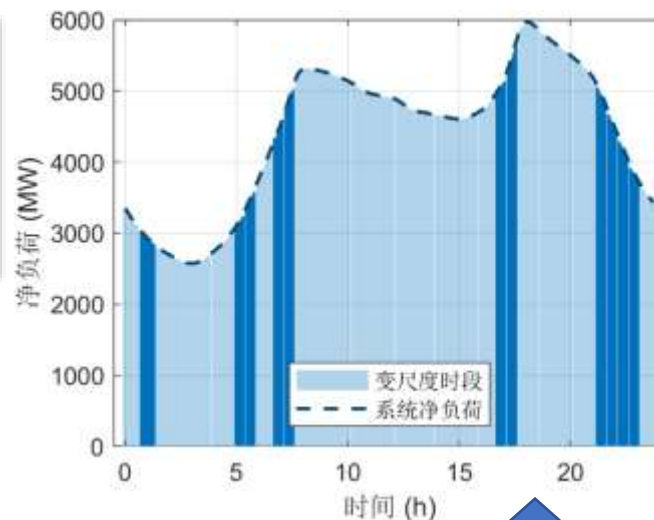
- Searching efficiency
- Constraint effectiveness
- Difficult to meet the time requirements of decision-making in new power system.



Key Technique 1: Adaptive Time Period Aggregation

- Measure **challenge of net load changes** within each adaptive time period to system flexibility
- Based on which **time period similarity** is measured

□ Model for time period aggregation: integer programming



$$f(T, N) = \min_{t_1, t_2, \dots, t_N} \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{\max_{t=t_i, t_i+1, \dots, t_{i+1}-1} D^t - \min_{t=t_i, t_i+1, \dots, t_{i+1}-1} D^t}{\max_{t=t_i, t_i+1, \dots, t_{i+1}-1} D^t}$$

Net load
Peak-valley difference

Net load
maximum

$t_1, t_2, \dots, t_N \in \mathbb{Z}$
Start point of
adaptive time period

$$1 = t_1 < t_2 < \dots < t_N \leq T$$

Dynamic Programming

$$f(t, n) = \min_{\tau=n, \dots, t} \{f(\tau-1, n-1) + \lambda(\tau, t)\}$$

$$\tau_{t,n} = \arg \min_{\tau=n, \dots, t} \{f(\tau-1, n-1) + \lambda(\tau, t)\}$$

$$f(t, 1) = \lambda(1, t), \quad \forall 1 \leq t \leq T$$

$$\tau_{t,1} = 1, \quad \forall 1 \leq t \leq T$$

$$t_N = \tau_{T,N}$$

$$t_i = \tau_{t_{i+1}-1, i}, \quad \forall 1 \leq i \leq N-1$$

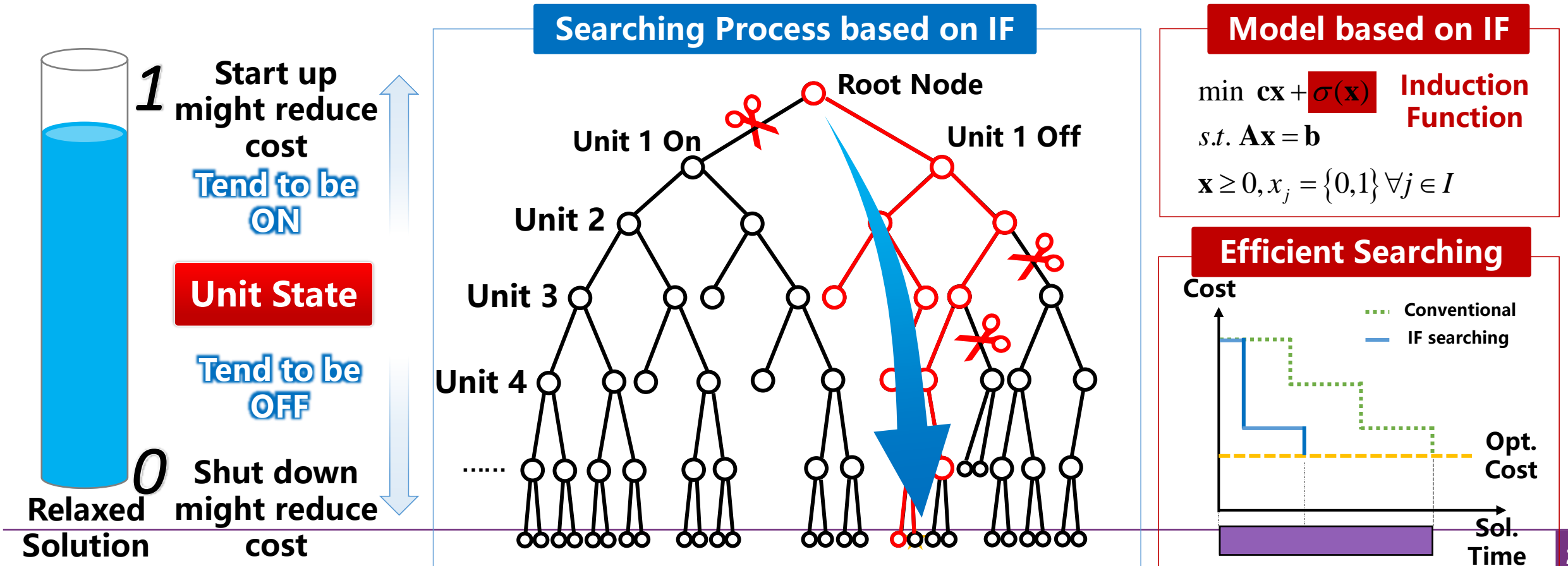
$$d_i = \begin{cases} t_{i+1} - t_i, & 1 \leq i \leq N-1 \\ T - t_N + 1, & i = N \end{cases}$$

Measure

$$\lambda(t_S, t_F) = \begin{cases} \frac{\max_{t=t_S, \dots, t_F} D^t - \min_{t=t_S, \dots, t_F} D^t}{\max_{t=t_S, \dots, t_F} D^t}, & t_S < t_F \\ 0, & t_S \geq t_F \end{cases}$$

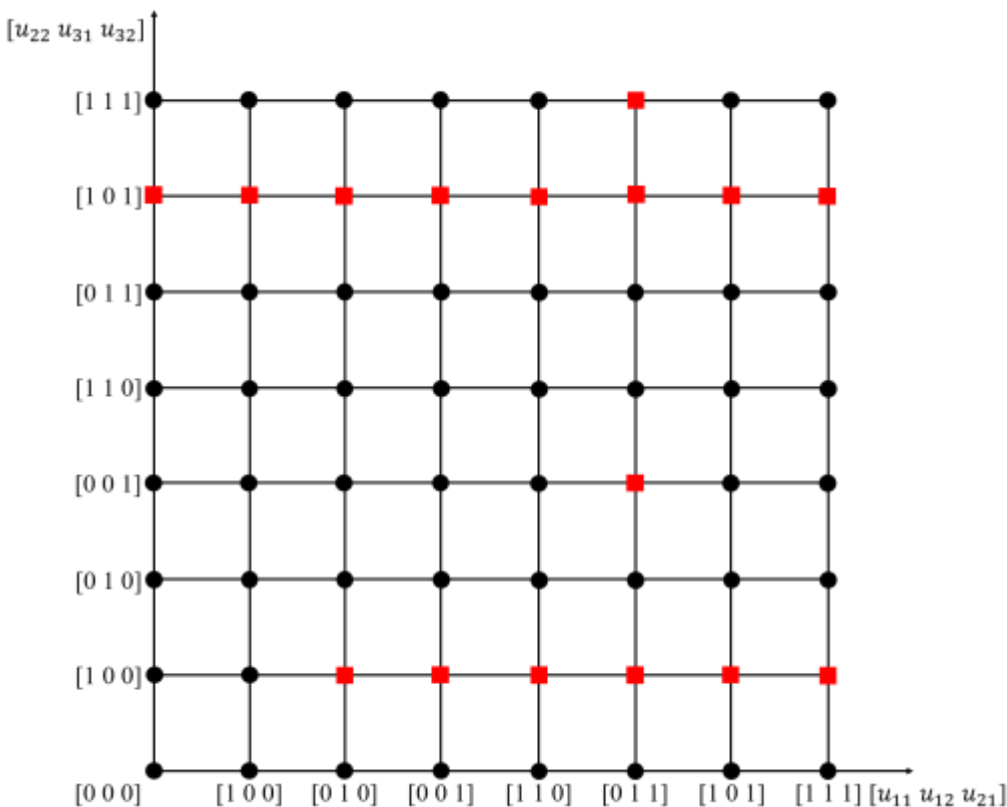
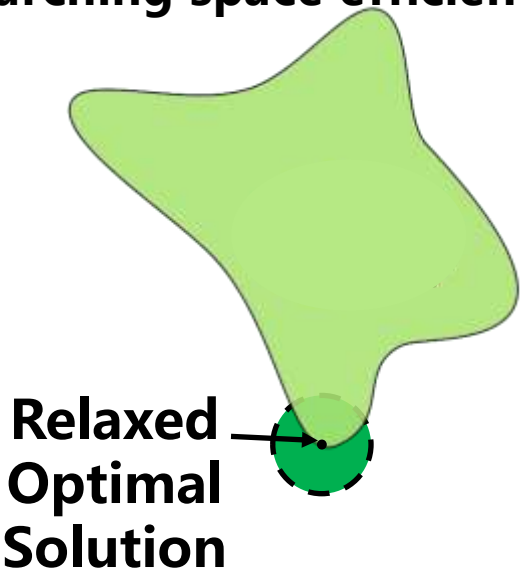
Key Technique 2: Induction Function

- Using relaxed solution, construct **acceleration solution model with induction function (IF)** without changing original constraints. Induction function can help to **avoid unnecessary branching** and **increase searching efficiency**.



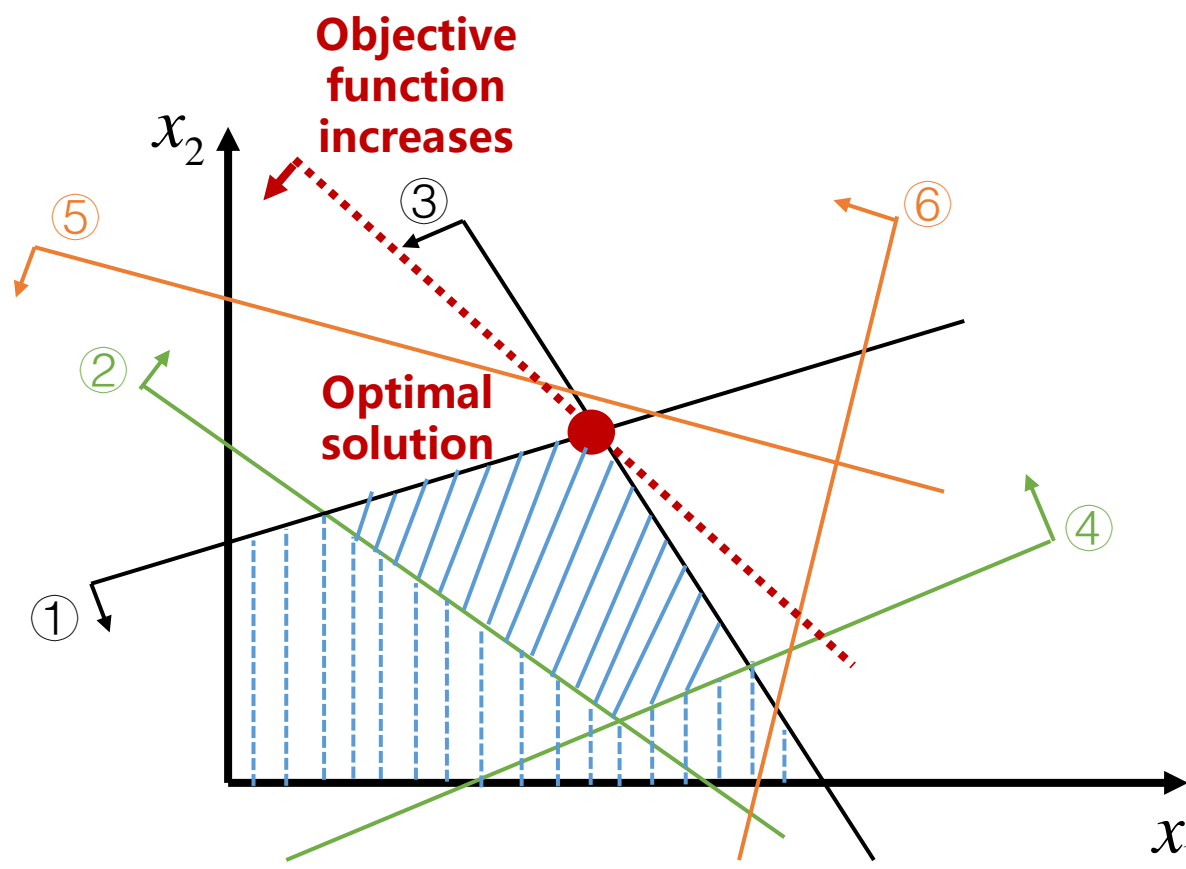
Key Technique 3: Relaxed Neighborhood Searching

- Construct **the relaxed neighborhood constraint**: Three units two periods illustrative case:
 - Six 0-1 variables
 - The size of searching space 64:16
- The neighborhood of the relaxed optimal solution.
- The deviation from the relaxed optimal solution is constrained.
- Searching space efficiency is improved.



Key Technique 4: Effective Constraints Identification

- For the **constraint effectiveness**, an **inactive constraint identification algorithm** is proposed.



Linear Programming Example

Redundant Constraints

- Never violated in the feasible region
- Can be eliminated without changing the feasible region

Non-Binding Constraints

- Not violated at the optimal solution
- If eliminated, the feasible region is changed
- Might be violated if the objective function is changed

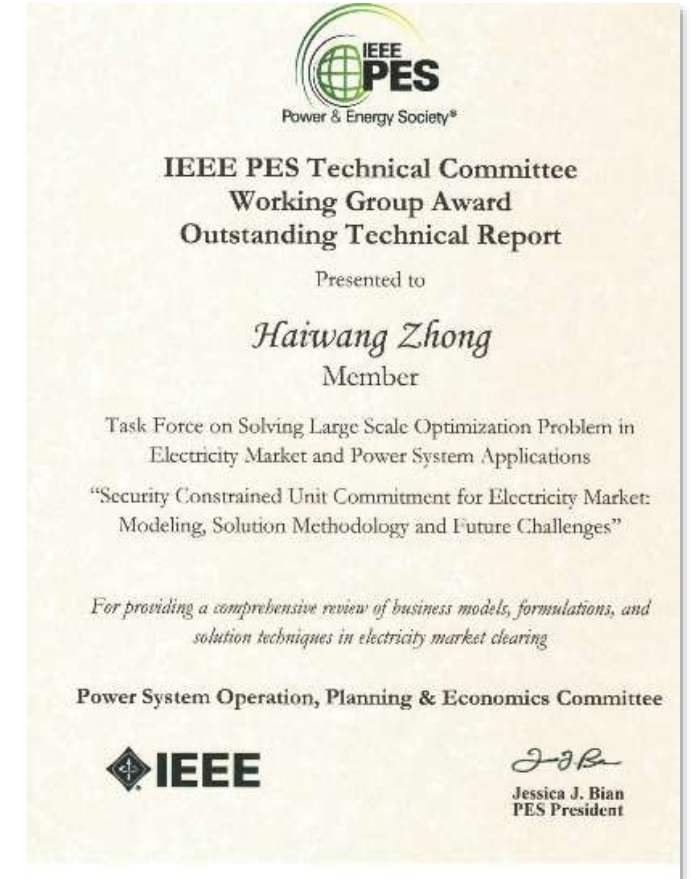
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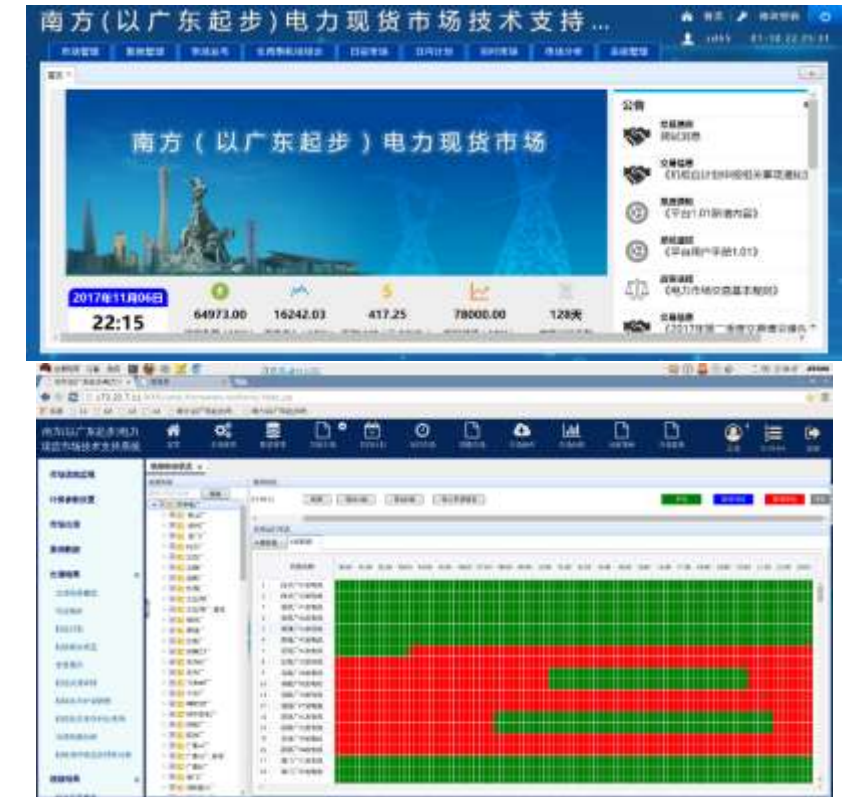
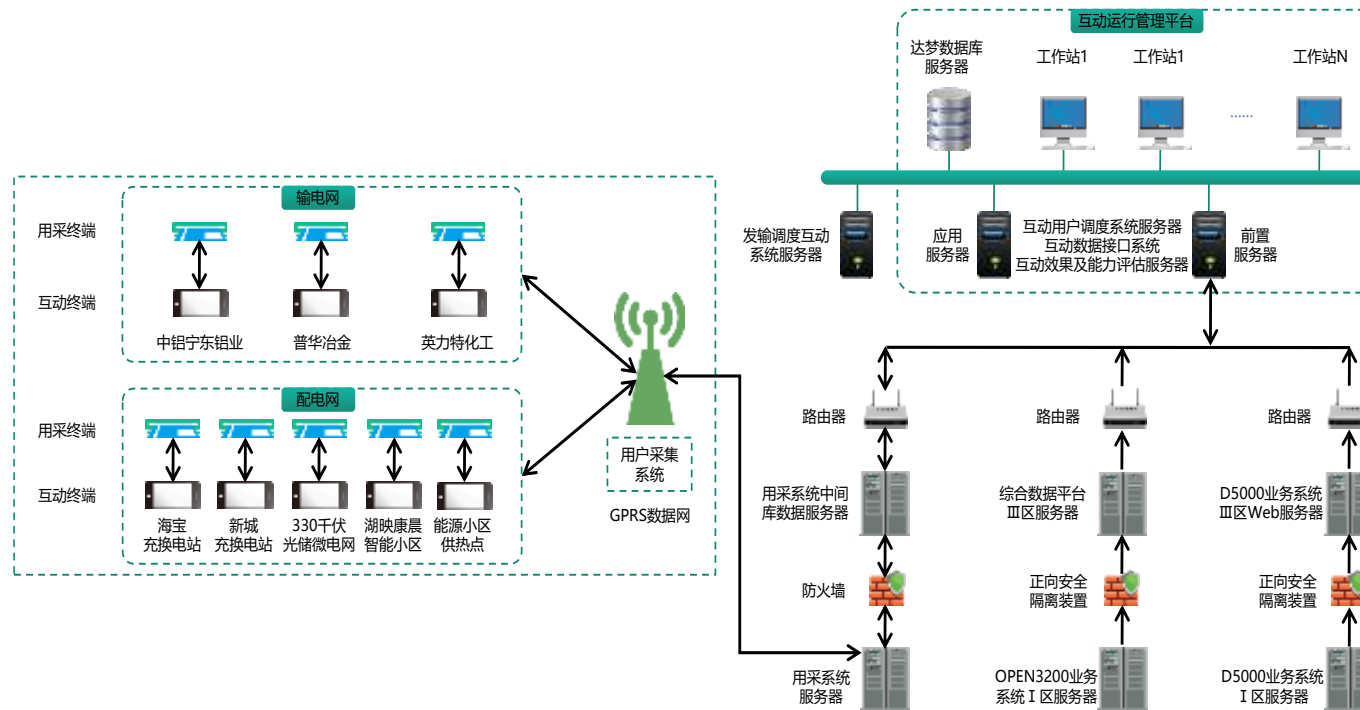
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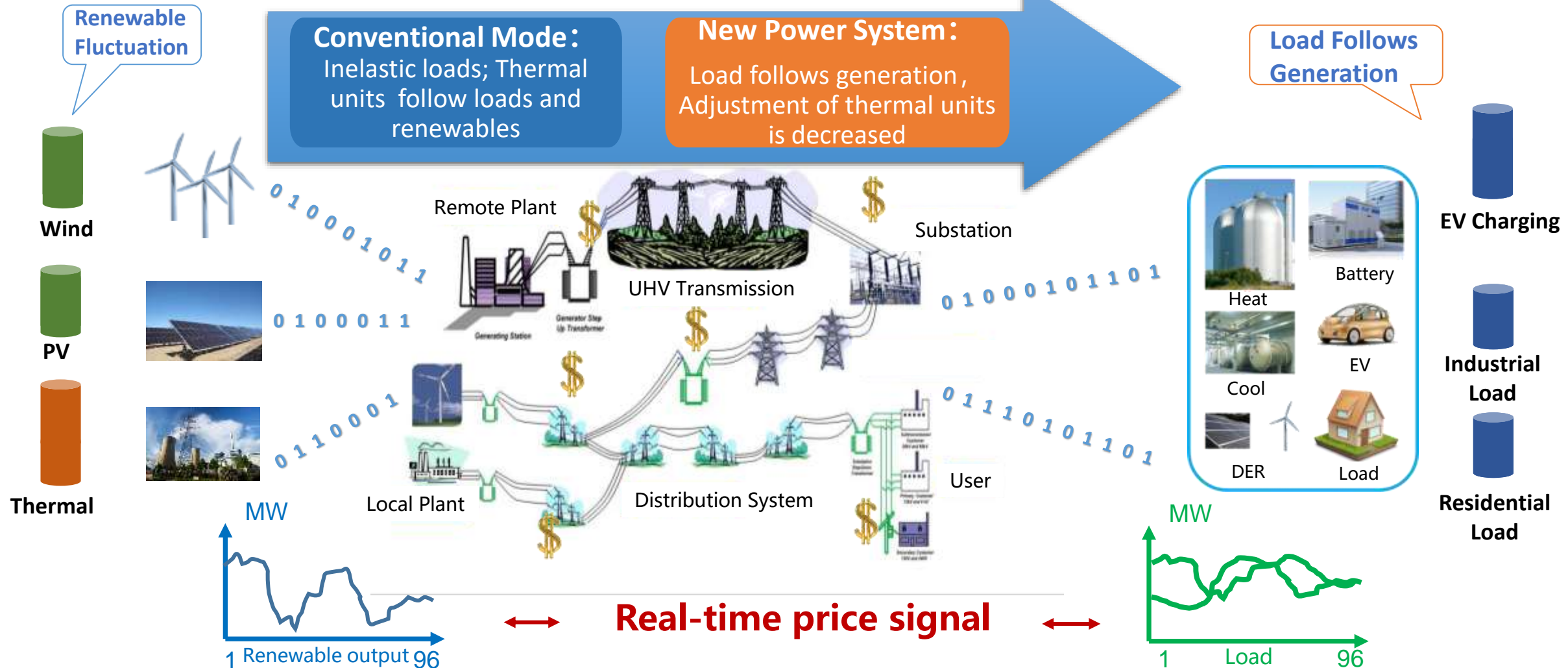
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Transition of operation pattern

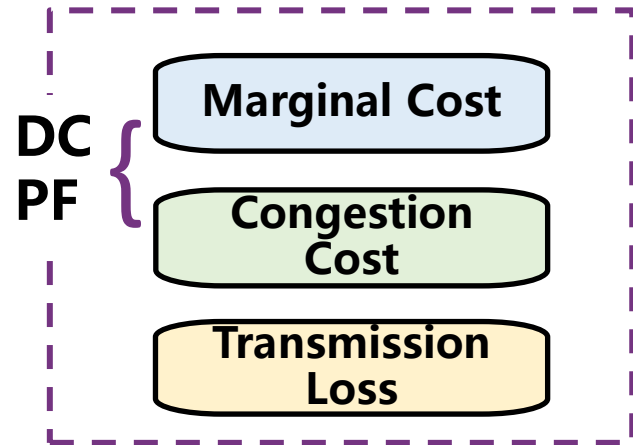
- Facilitated with IoT and mechanism design, participants are aware of external information and can adjust their behavior to realize “load following generation” .



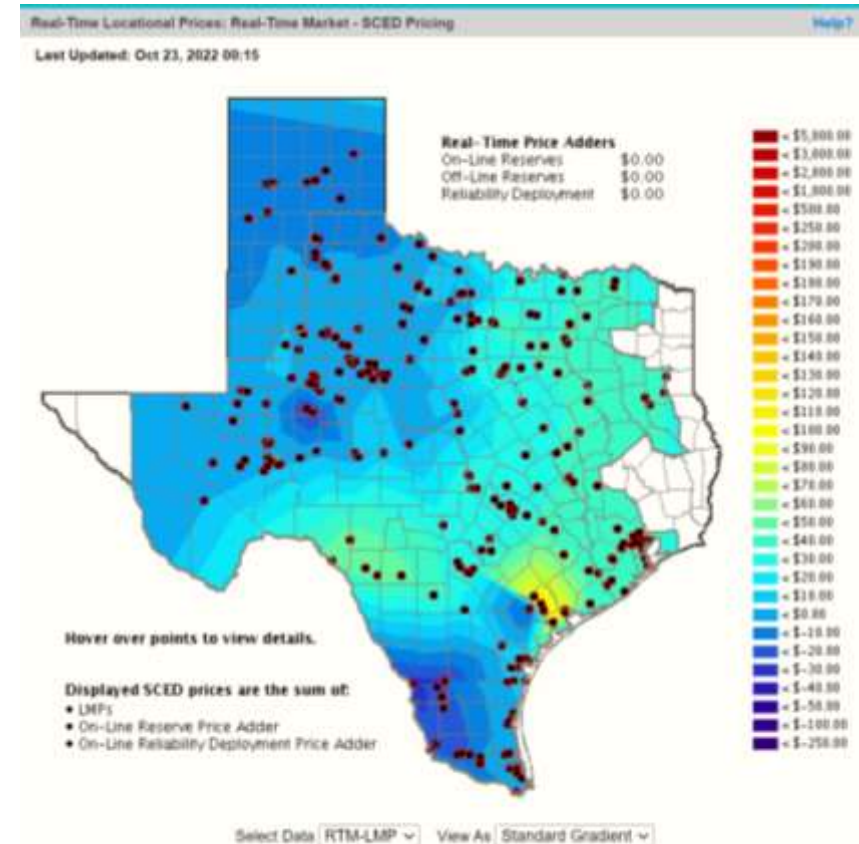
Mechanism 1: LMP with Overall Costs

❑ LMP with Overall Costs: Form accurate price signals

Conventional Pricing Mechanism



- Can NOT reflect the difference in transmission cost in different regions
- Insufficient to incent source-grid-load-storage interaction
- Incomplete price information
- Might lead to unfair market

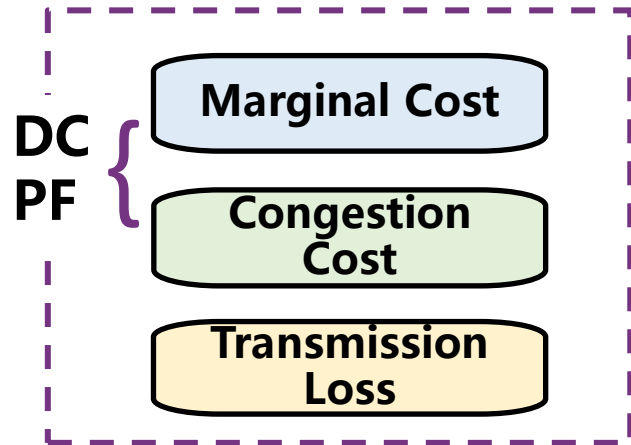


Spatial distribution of
LMPs in Texas

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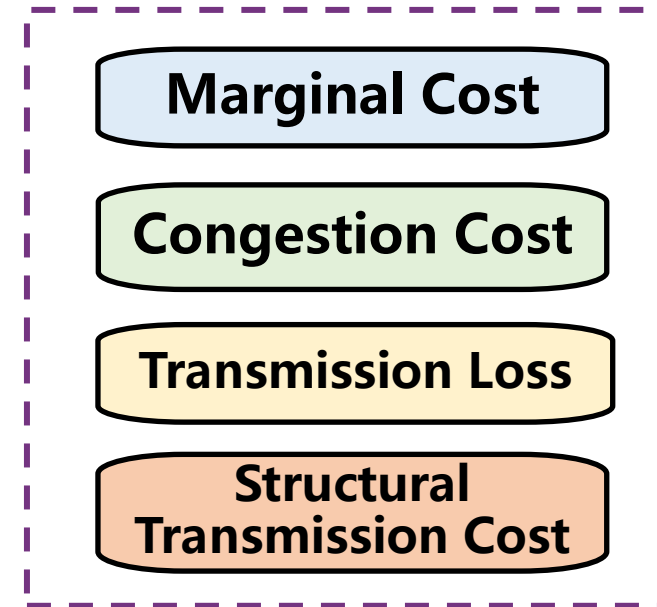
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LMP with Overall Costs



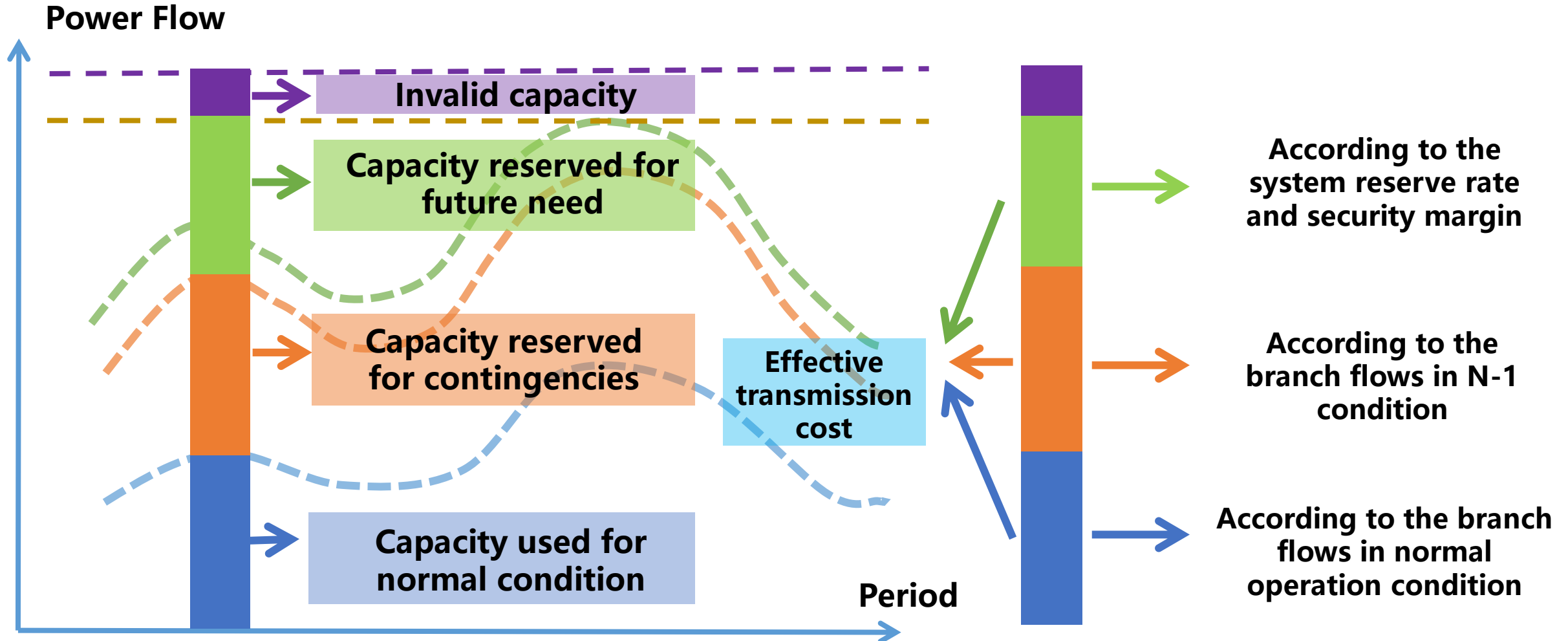
- Integrate marginal generation cost and effective transmission cost
- Reflect the actual utilization of generation and network resources
- Reflect the difference in power consumption cost of terminal nodes
- Incent source-grid-load-storage interaction



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Mechanism 1: LMP with Overall Costs

□ Identify the effective structural transmission cost



□ Temporal allocation of structural transmission cost

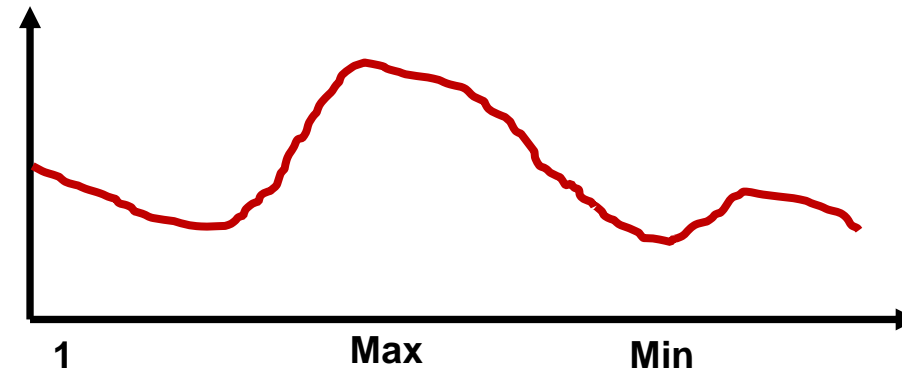


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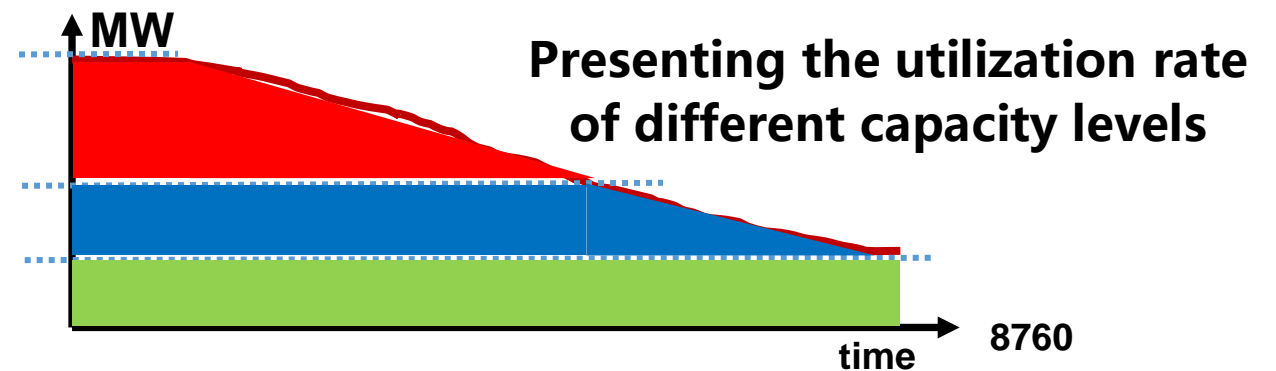
Power system
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Tiered pricing of
structural transmission
cost according to the
utilization rate



Time-sequential PF curve

Sort

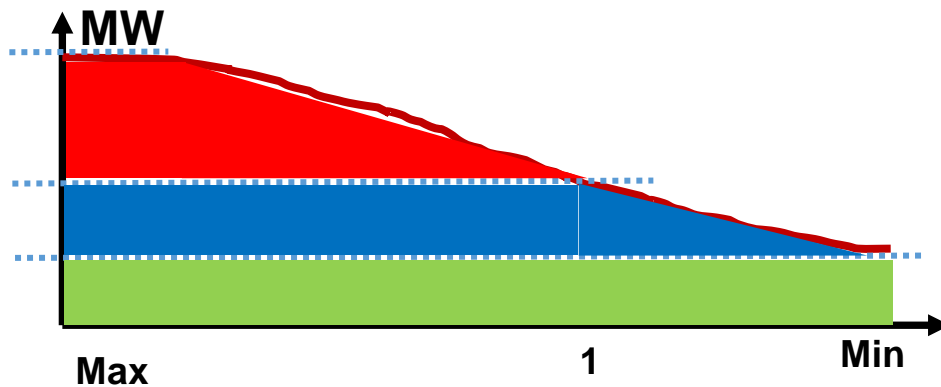


Presenting the utilization rate
of different capacity levels

Continuous PF curve

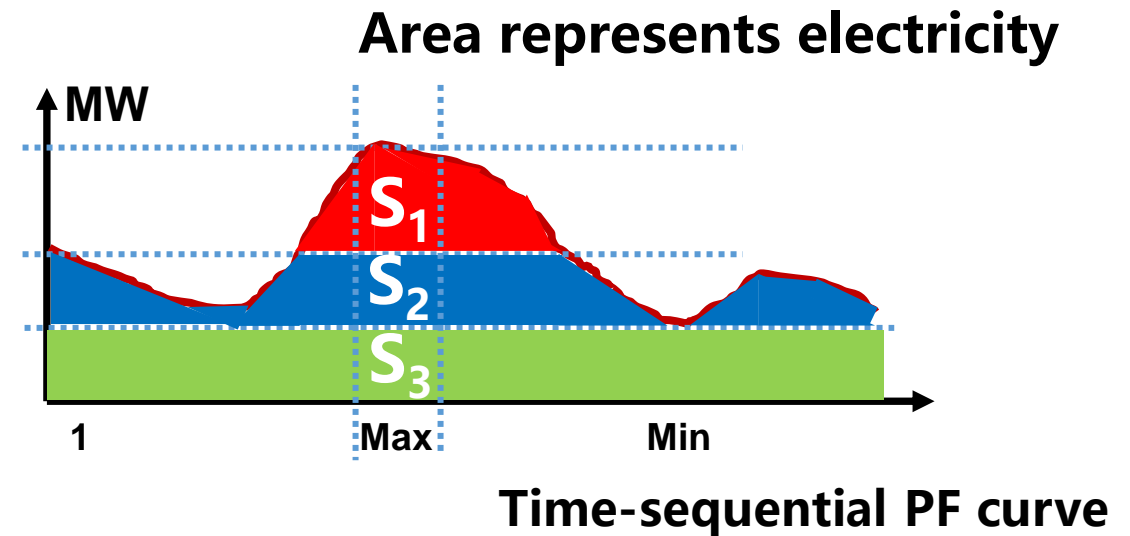
□ Temporal allocation of structural transmission cost

- Recover the tiered pricing from continuous PF curve to time-sequential PF curve



Continuous PF curve

The structural transmission cost on different PF level is significantly different



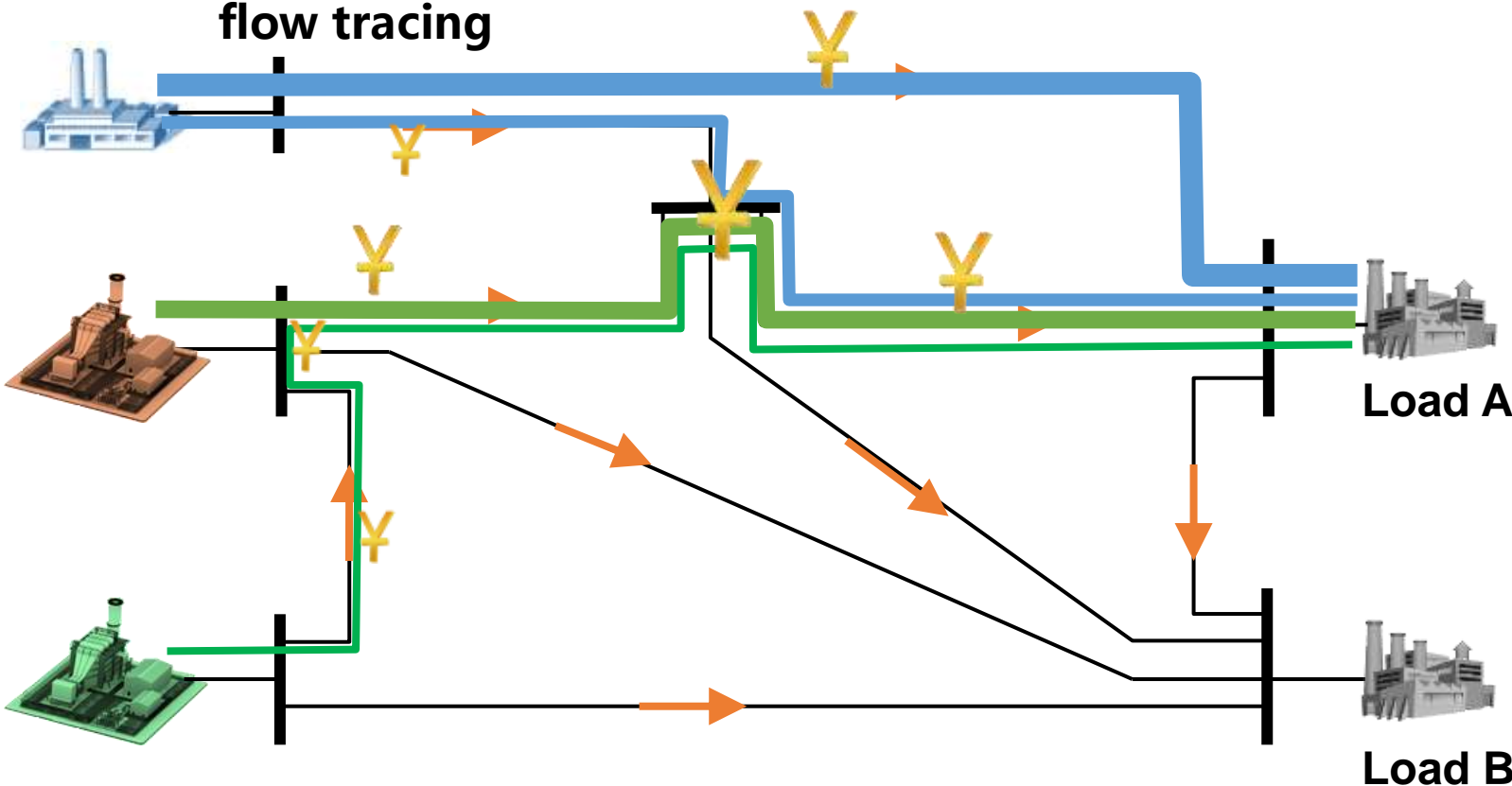
Time-sequential PF curve

Structural transmission cost of each period

$$= \sum (S_i \times \text{Tiered price}) / \sum S_i$$

❑ Spatial allocation of generation and network costs: power flow tracing

- Calculate power flows
- Transmission cost is allocated through power flow tracing



Mechanism 2: Energy Sharing

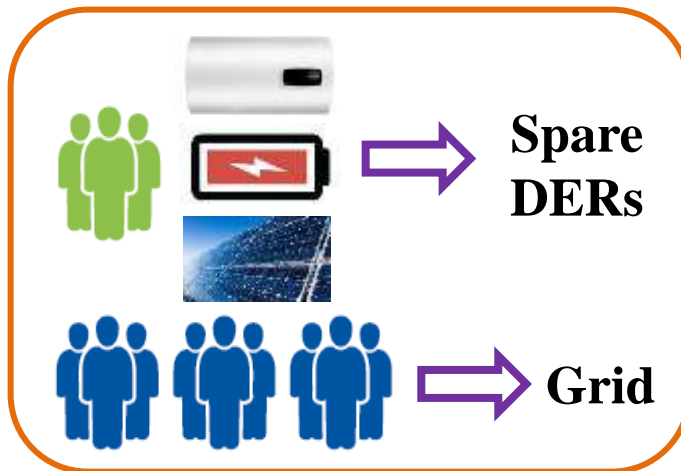
□ Energy Internet is a natural platform for energy sharing



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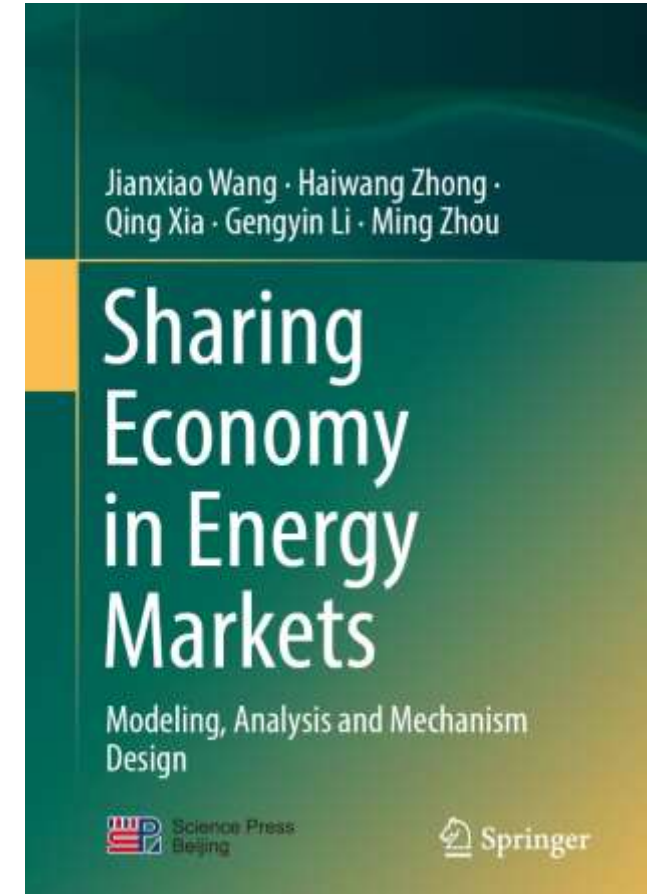


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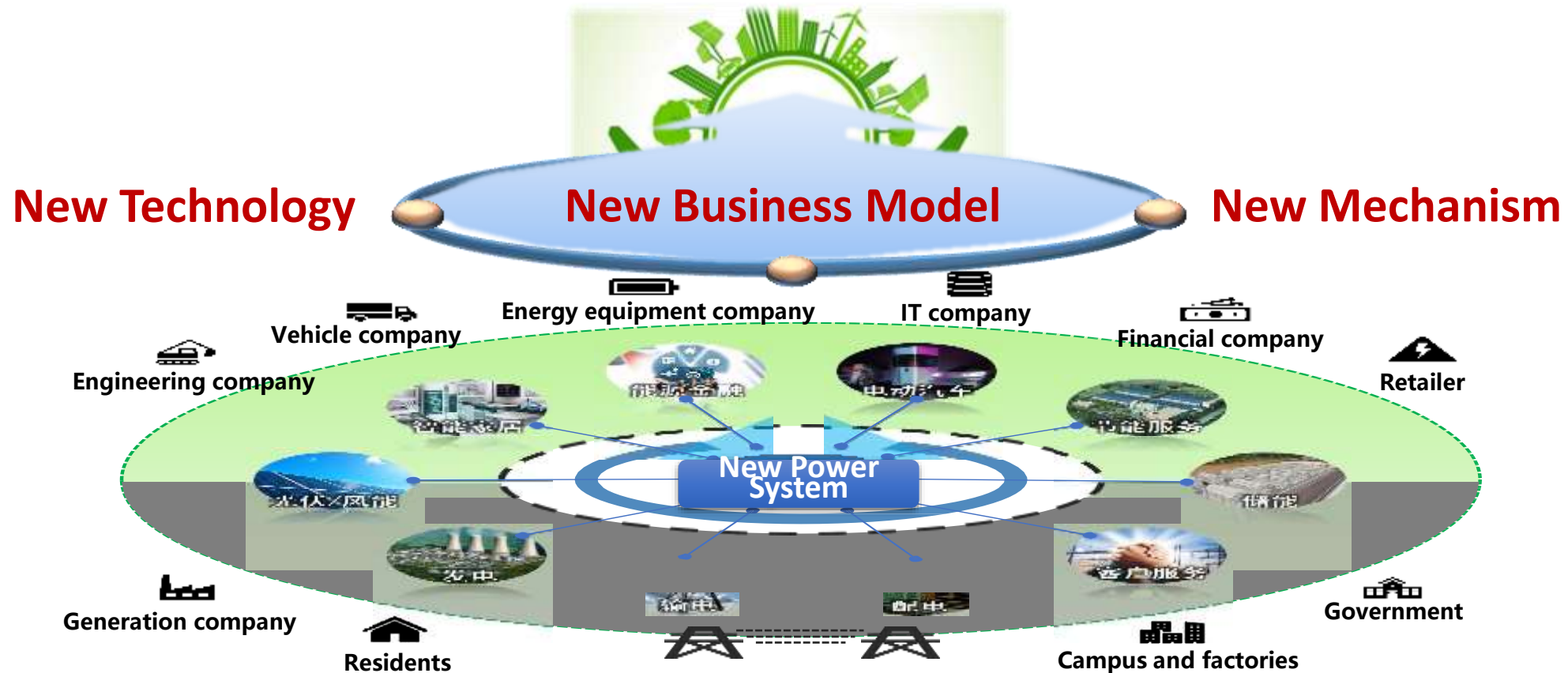


❑ **Sharing economy** in source-grid-load-storage interactive operations

- With the core concept of " **access over ownership**", use advanced ICT to improve the utilization rate of vacant energy resources.
- For the wholesale market, **accurately identify the external value and cost** and stimulate bidding strategies based on the true cost in the electricity market of high renewable penetration
- For the retail market, efficiently **aggregate massive DERs** and form a cooperative market of incentive-compatibility



- ❑ The new power system is not only the innovation of **technology**, but also **mechanism**. The energy system will be reshaped by renewables, flexible loads and energy storage, forming a new form of **source-grid-load-storage interaction** and **creating an open, shared, competitive and win-win energy ecosystem** with Energy Internet technology and a fair value distribution mechanism.





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