

# Distributionally Robust Economic Dispatch with Dynamic Line Rating

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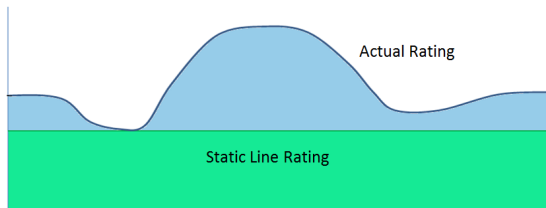
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  - A Distributionally Robust Model With Overloading Risk Control
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# Thermal Limits of Overhead Transmission Lines

- 1 Line rating: maximal allowable currents on a transmission line
- 2 Actual rating heavily depends on ambient temperature, solar radiation, and wind speed.
  - ▶ Example (The Valley Group 11'): 20 mile transmission line (795 ACSR)
  - ▶ Ambient temperature  $\downarrow 10^\circ\text{C} \Rightarrow \uparrow 11\%$  capacity
  - ▶ Wind speed ( $90^\circ$ )  $\uparrow 1\text{m/sec} \Rightarrow \uparrow 44\%$  capacity
- 3 Static line rating
  - ▶ Protect against annealing, reliability, and security risk; manufacturing error
  - ▶ However, very conservative



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# An Application of DLR on Economic Dispatch

- ▶ Economic dispatch with DLR options
- ▶ Forecasted line rating:  $\alpha_\ell$  (percentage) extra capacity on line  $\ell$
- ▶ Decision  $x_\ell$ : whether to use the extra capacity  $\alpha_\ell$  on line  $\ell$

## ED with DLR Formulation

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- ▶  $p_{g,t}$  power generation;  $h_{n,t}$  load shedding at bus  $n$
- ▶  $G$ : all constraints in a regular economic dispatch formulation
- ▶  $SLR$ : static line rating





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- ▶ Model forecast errors
  - ▶  $\tilde{b}_\ell$ : Bernoulli random number, whether line  $\ell$  has  $\alpha$  extra capacity
  - ▶  $\tilde{b}_\ell = 1$ : forecast is correct
- ▶ Outcome table

|                      |       | Action $x$ |         |
|----------------------|-------|------------|---------|
|                      |       | Use        | Not Use |
| Forecast $\tilde{b}$ | True  | Benefit    | Missed  |
|                      | FALSE | Error      | Correct |

- ▶ when  $\tilde{b}_\ell = 0; x_\ell = 1$ , potential overloading risk



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- $M$  can be properly bounded [Qiu, 2013]





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# Mixed-Integer Linear Program Formulation

## ► MILP Formulation

$$\min \sum_{g \in G} \sum_{t \in T} c_g(p_{g,t}) + \sum_{n \in N} \sum_{t \in T} h_{n,t} q_{n,t}$$

$$\text{s.t. } G(p_{g,t}, p_{\ell,t}, q_{n,t}) \geq 0$$

$$-SLR_{\ell} \cdot (1 + \alpha_{\ell,t} x_{\ell,t}) \leq p_{\ell,t} \leq SLR_{\ell} \cdot (1 + \alpha_{\ell,t} x_{\ell,t}) \quad \forall \ell \in L \quad \forall t \in T$$

$$\pi_0 + \sum_{C \subseteq L: |C| \leq m} p_C y_C \leq \epsilon$$

$$\pi_0 + \sum_{t=i}^m \binom{i}{t} \pi_t \leq e_k^i \quad i = 1, \dots, n$$

$$-M^- x_j \leq y_C \leq M^+ x_j \quad \forall j \in C, \forall C \subseteq L: |C| \leq m$$

$$\pi_t - M^- (|C| - \sum_{j \in C} x_j) \leq y_C \leq -M^- x_j \quad \forall j \in C, \forall C \subseteq L: |C| \leq m$$



# A Case Study – Dispatch Cost Reduction

- ▶ Experiment settings
  - ▶ IEEE 73 (RTS 96)-bus system
  - ▶ High loads, insufficient generation
  - ▶ 4-time-period economic dispatch
  - ▶  $m = 2$ , i.e., only marginal and pair-wise joint distributions are available
  - ▶  $k = 3$ , evaluating the overloading risk on 3 or more lines
  - ▶ Two sets of rating forecast data:
    - ▶ lower ratings (15% over static rating) with higher confidence levels
    - ▶ higher ratings (30% over static rating) but with lower confidence levels



# Case Study – Dispatch Cost Reduction

Table: Comparison of Load Shedding Reduction

| Threshold ( $\alpha$ ) | $\epsilon$ | L.S. Reduction | Avg. # of Lines Used | $k$ -Overloading Risk* |
|------------------------|------------|----------------|----------------------|------------------------|
| 0.15                   | 0.01       | 67%            | 5.25                 | 0.007                  |
|                        | 0.05       | 69%            | 6.25                 | 0.016                  |
| 0.30                   | 0.01       | 68%            | 3.25                 | 0.009                  |
|                        | 0.05       | 80%            | 5.00                 | 0.030                  |

$k$ -Overloading Risk: an upper bound on the actual overloading risk

## ► Observations:

- Comparing with no risk control ( $\alpha=0.15$ ): L.S. Reduction = 100%, Avg. # of lines=12, but 3-overloading risk = 0.08
- Overloading risk under control; load shedding cost reduced
- More risks, more gains
- For the same risk level requirement, the lower rating data set has a larger set of lines to utilize the extra capacity predicted by DLR than the higher rating data set
- Similar patterns observed in thermal generation cost reduction during normal operation conditions.



# Conclusions and Future Research

## ▶ Conclusions

- ▶ Risk measure for overloading risk on multiple lines caused by DLR forecast errors
- ▶ Distributionally robust economic dispatch model with DLR
- ▶ Mixed-integer program formulation

## ▶ Future research

- ▶ Develop more compact MILP formulations; efficient algorithms
- ▶ Other perspectives on overloading risk



**Thank you!**

**Comments?**

