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# The Ancillary Service Markets (ASM): The Italian case

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# Seminar topics

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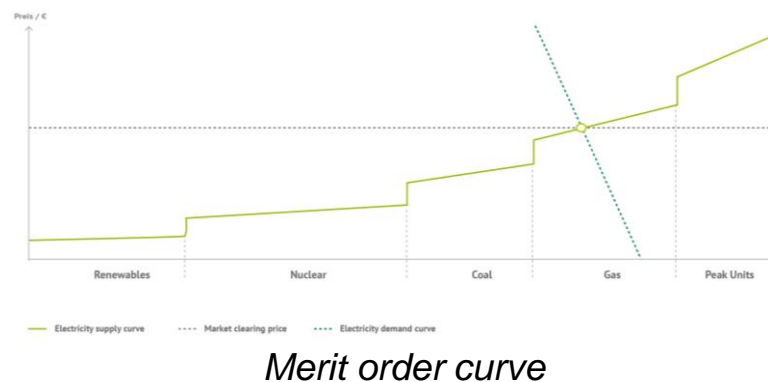
- Introduction to Electrical Markets
- Evolution and challenges of Electrical Network and Markets
- Italian ASM Ex-Ante
- Proposed ASM model

# Introduction to Electrical Markets

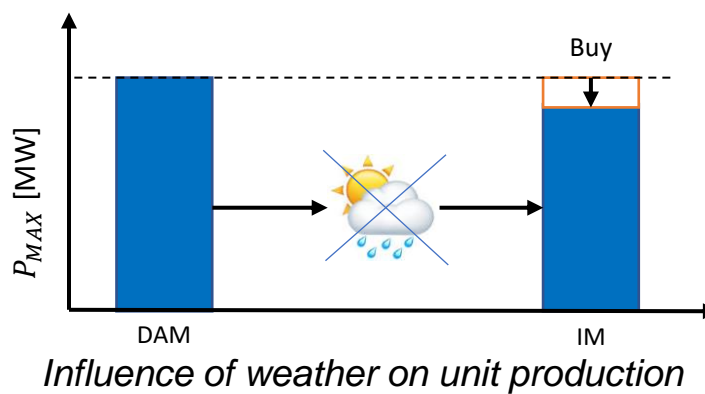
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# Energy Markets

- Minimization of generation costs
- Zonal market
- Constraints
  - Power balance
  - Unit Commitment (UC)
  - Net Transfer Capacity (NTC)
- Day Ahead Market (DAM)
  - Trading of the most daily energy
- Intraday Market (IM)
  - Adjustment of generators DAM program

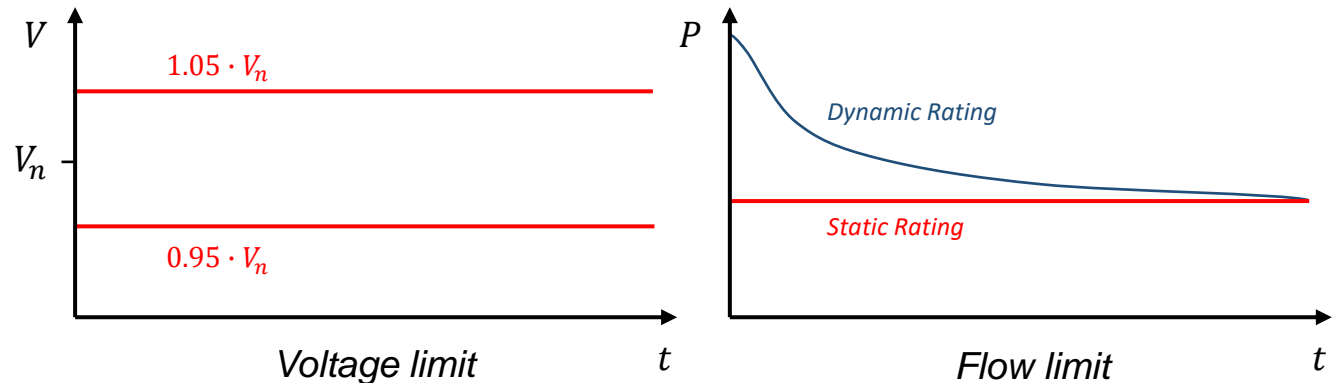
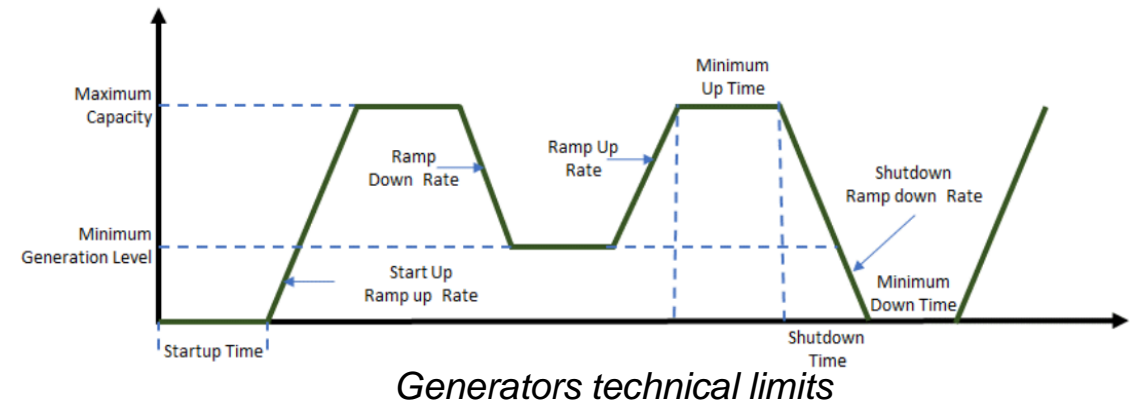


Zonal market representation



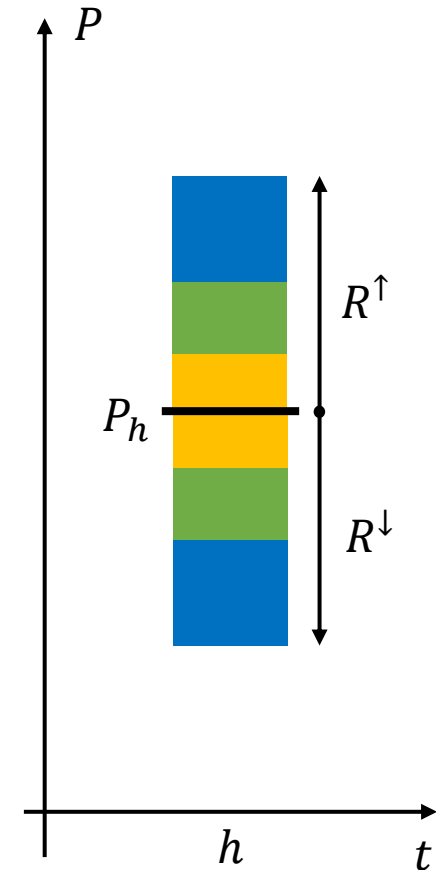
# ASM Ex-Ante—Structure

- Intrazonal branch overflow
- Cost minimization to provide hourly energy reserves
  - Generators technical limits
    - Production
    - Ramps
    - Minimum up/down time
  - Transmission network
    - Lines power flow
    - Buses voltage
    - Power balance
  - Reserves requirements
    - Active power
    - Reactive power



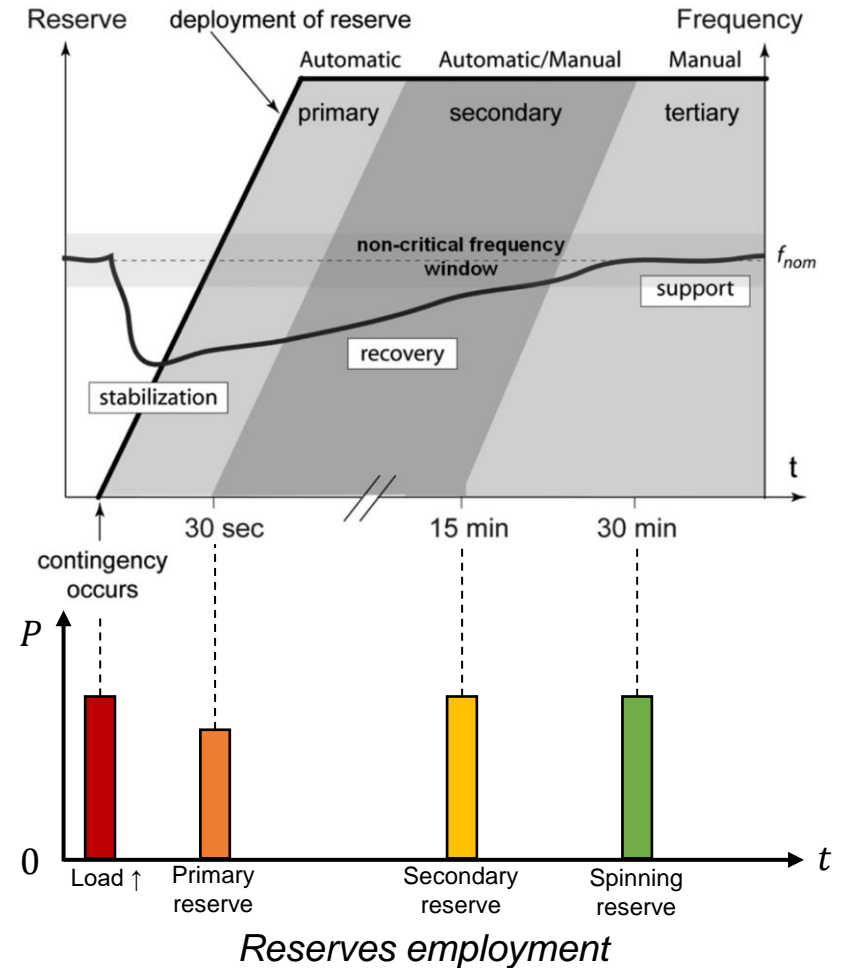
# ASM Ex-Ante— Active power reserves

- Primary reserve
  - Generators response to perturbation
- Secondary reserve
  - Automatic control to restore
    - Primary reserve
    - Power balance (frequency)
  - Reserve requirement depends on demand estimation
- Tertiary reserve
  - Spinning reserve
    - Restore the secondary reserve
  - Replacement reserve
    - Overcome load and renewable forecast variation and unexpected generator/load outage



# ASM Ex-Post—Balancing market

- Real time market
- Exploitation of hourly Ex-Ante accepted offers
  - Primary reserve response
  - Secondary reserve employed constantly
  - Spinning reserve deployed quarter hour
  - Replacement reserve delivered within 2 hours
- Only power plants with specific features are enabled to participate to the ASM



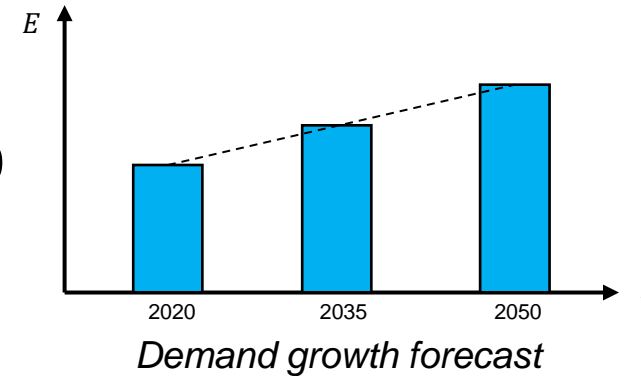
# Evolution and challenges of Electrical Network and Markets

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# Forecast of European Energy Demand and Supply

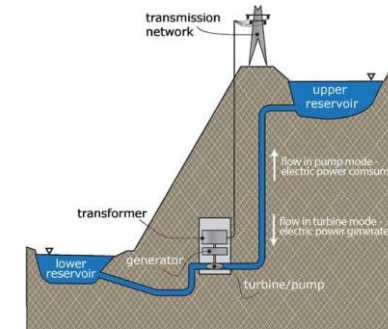
- In 2050 power demand grows by 40%
  - Yearly growth of 1.3%
  - From 3,500 TWh in 2020 to 4,900 TWh in 2050
  - Reduction of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions
    - Shifting from Carbon-fuels to electrical power
      - Transport
      - Facility heating/cooling



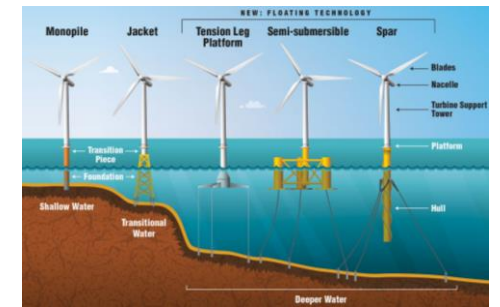
Electrical vehicle

## • Generation decarbonization

- Replacement of coal- and gas-fired power generation
  - Offshore renewables resources
  - Nuclear power plant
- Spreading of Pumped Storage Hydro Generation (PSHG)
  - Power and voltage control



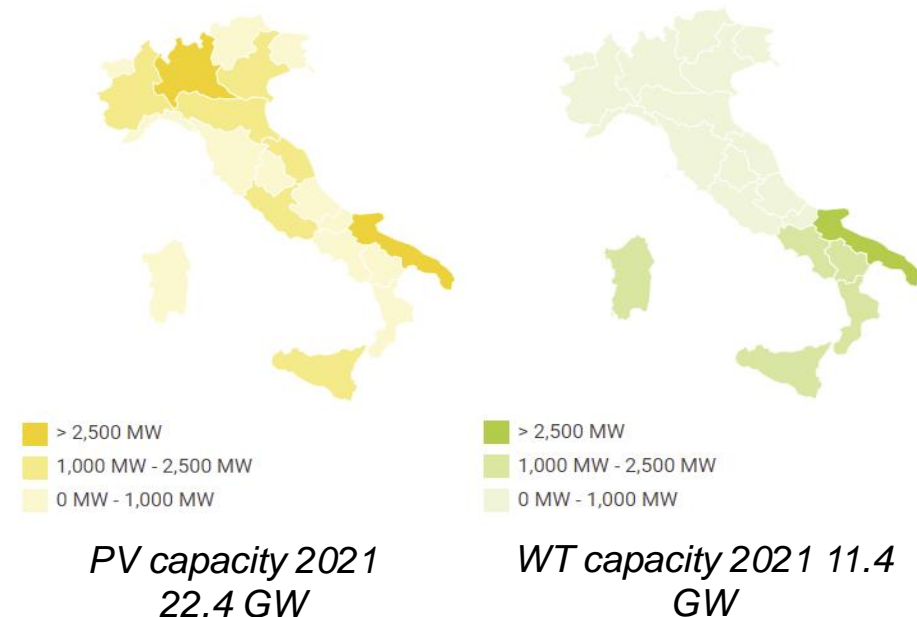
PSHG



Offshore wind turbine

# Transmission System Challenges

- Dispatching of high penetration of intermittent generation
  - Not proportionally distributed (overflow)
  - Forecast according to expected weather
  - Curtailment
  - Distributed generation
  - Reduction of system inertia
- Voltage control
  - Reduction of dispatchable generators
  - Higher voltage
- Enhance interconnections (HVAC/DC)
  - Increase resources exchange
  - Improve system stability



# Development of European Markets— Energy Market

- Benefits
  - Improve resource sharing
  - Reduce price volatility
- Day Ahead Market Coupling (2012)
  - Spot market
- Intraday Market Coupling (2021)
  - Continuous trading market
- Nowadays the efforts are focused on Pan-European ASM development.



Nominated Electricity Market Operators



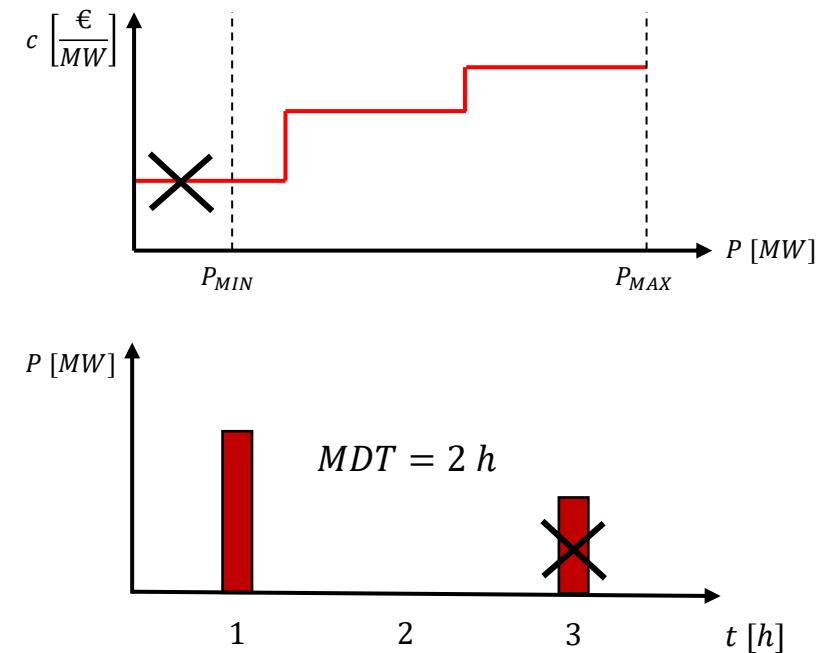
Coupling Markets

# Italian ASM Ex-Ante

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# Energy markets characteristics

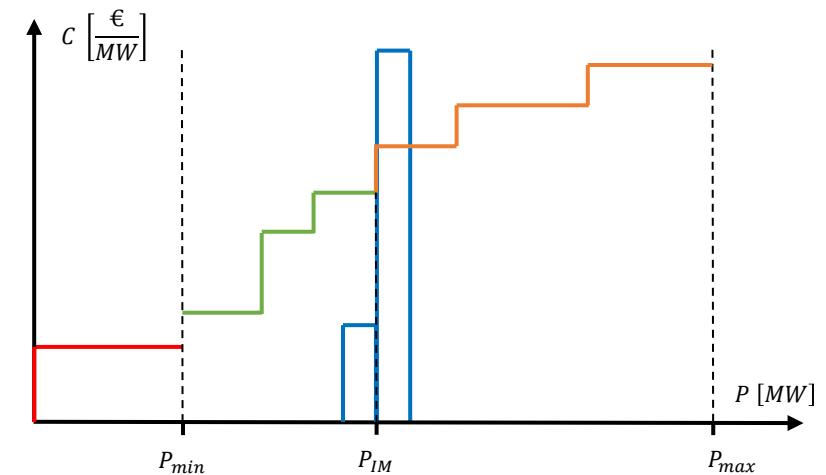
- DAM and IM goal is the cost minimization
- Interzonal flow bounds
- Generation constraints:
  - Stepwise selling/buying offers
  - Steps maximum power
  - Generator rated power
- DAM+IM infeasible global optimum solution



Examples of infeasible generators supply conditions

# ASM Ex-Ante model

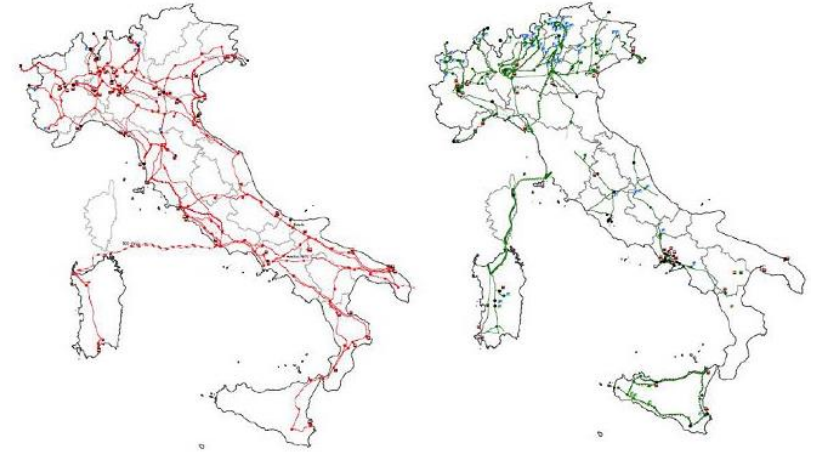
- Zonal market representation
- OF: **Secondary reserve costs** and Redispatching costs minimization
  - Start-up costs
  - **Shut-down** costs
  - **Upward/Downward** steps costs
- Constraints
  - NTC bounds
  - Power balance
  - UC and Economic Dispatch (UCED)
  - Secondary and tertiary reserves requirements provision
  - Minimum number of active generators per market zone



Example of generator ASM offers

# Reserve requirements typologies

- Active power market (reserves)
- Secondary and tertiary reserves requirements
  - Continent and Islands
    - Islands self-sufficient reserves in the event of interconnection outage
- Market zone tertiary reserves requirements
  - External zones provision depends on NTS bounds
- Manual operation according to contingency occurred



400 kV and 230 kV Italian TS



Italian market zones

# Proposed ASM Model

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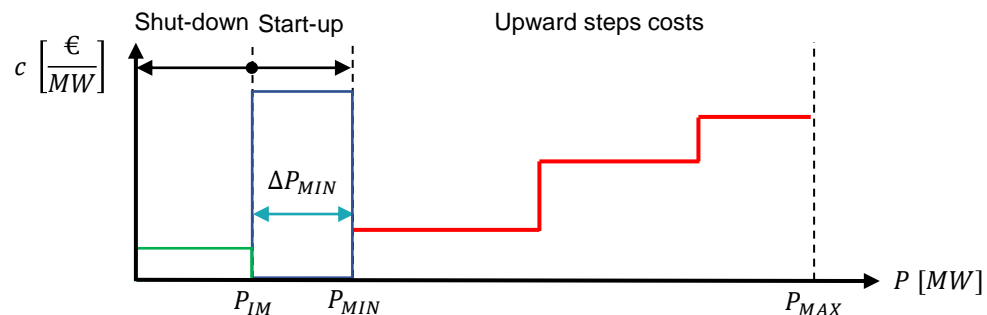


# Multi-Stage Model—Reserves provision (1/3)

- MILP Problem developed on Pyomo (Python Optimization Modelling)
- Zonal market representation
- Objective function

$$\min \sum_{g=1}^{N_G} \left[ \underbrace{\sum_{s=1}^{N_S} (c_{g,s}^{\uparrow} \Delta P_{g,s}^{\uparrow} - c_{g,s}^{\downarrow} \Delta P_{g,s}^{\downarrow})}_{\text{Upward and downward costs}} + \underbrace{(C_{SU_g} (1 - \alpha_{g,t-1}) + \Delta P_{MIN_g} c_{SU_g}) \alpha_g^{SU}}_{\text{Start-up costs}} - \underbrace{\min(P_{MIN_g}, P_{IM_g})^+ c_{SD_g} \alpha_g^{SD}}_{\text{Shut-down costs}} + \underbrace{(c_{SR_g}^{\uparrow} - c_{SR_g}^{\downarrow}) P_g^{SR}}_{\text{Secondary reserve costs}} \right]$$

$$\Delta P_{MIN_g} = \begin{cases} P_{MIN_g} - P_{IM_g} & \text{if } 0 < P_{IM_g} < P_{MIN_g} \\ P_{MIN_g} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$



# Multi-Stage Model—Reserves provision (2/3)

- Constraints

- Zonal and total power balance
- UCED
  - Power limits
  - Start-up or shut-down
  - Start-up before upward movement
- NTC bounds
- Secondary reserve provision

$$\Delta P_g^{ASM} = \sum_{s=1}^{N_S} (\Delta P_{g,s}^{\uparrow} - \Delta P_{g,s}^{\downarrow}) + \Delta P_{MIN_g} \alpha_g^{SU} - \min(P_{MIN_g}, P_{MI_g})^+ \alpha_g^{SD}$$

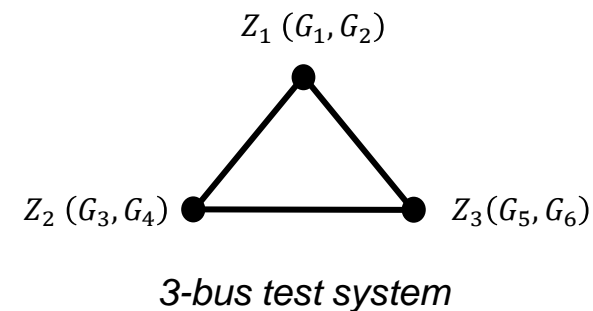
$$\begin{cases} P_{IM_g} + \Delta P_g^{ASM} - P_g^{SR} \geq P_{MIN_g} \alpha_g & \forall g \in N_G \\ P_{IM_g} + \Delta P_g^{ASM} + P_g^{SR} \leq P_{MAX_g} \alpha_g & \forall g \in N_G \\ \alpha_g^{SU} + \alpha_g^{SD} = 1 & \forall 0 < P_{MI_g} < P_{MIN_g} (g \in N_G) \\ \alpha_g^{SU} - \alpha_g^{\uparrow} \geq 0 & \forall P_{IM_g} < P_{MIN_g} (g \in N_G) \end{cases}$$

19 constraints for each generator

- Model tests on 3 bus system

- Next steps:

- Tertiaries reserves provision
- Suitable voltage control
- Test the model on IEEE 118-bus system



# Multi-Stage Model—Reserves provision (3/3)

- Input data
  - DAM+IM results
    - Zonal demand load and renewable generation
    - Dispatchable power plants
  - Generator datasheets
    - Minimum and maximum power
    - MUT and MDT
    - Secondary reserve half-bandwidth
    - ...
  - ASM inputs
    - Reserve requirements
    - NTC bounds
    - Redispatching offers
    - Secondary reserve offers

- Output data
  - Total cost
  - Interzonal flows
  - Redispatching and reserve provided by generators

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Objectives:
cost_min : Size=1, Index=None, Active=True
Key : Active : Value
None : True : 52657.56

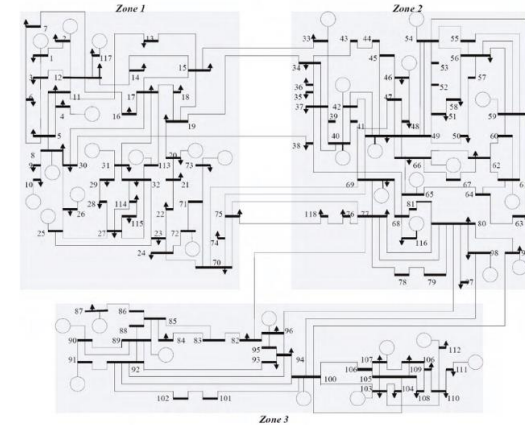
Variables:
F_i : Size=3, Index=F_i_index
Key : Lower : Value : Upper : Fixed : Stale : Domain
Z1-Z2 : None : 183.333333333333 : None : False : False : Reals
Z2-Z3 : None : 253.333333333333 : None : False : False : Reals
Z3-Z1 : None : -436.666666666667 : None : False : False : Reals

DP_asm_g : Size=6, Index=DP_asm_g_index
Key : Lower : Value : Upper : Fixed : Stale : Domain
G1 : None : 150.0 : None : False : False : Reals
G2 : None : 0.0 : None : False : False : Reals
G3 : None : 0.0 : None : False : False : Reals
G4 : None : 0.0 : None : False : False : Reals
G5 : None : 20.0 : None : False : False : Reals
G6 : None : 0.0 : None : False : False : Reals

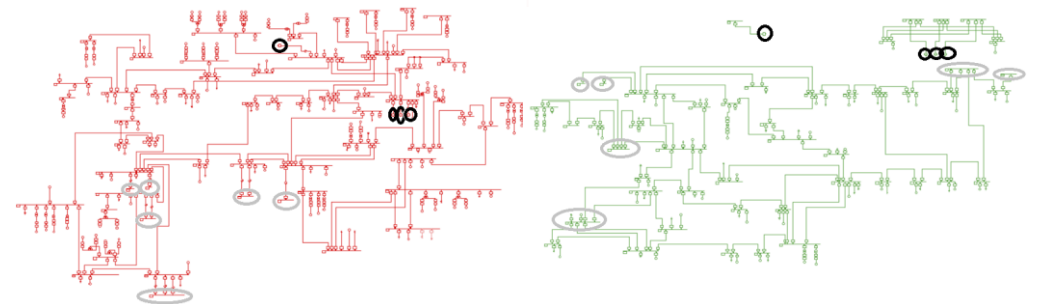
Prs_g : Size=6, Index=Prs_g_index
Key : Lower : Value : Upper : Fixed : Stale : Domain
G1 : 0 : 30.0 : None : False : False : NonNegativeReals
G2 : 0 : 21.2 : None : False : False : NonNegativeReals
G3 : 0 : 0.0 : None : False : False : NonNegativeReals
G4 : 0 : 0.0 : None : False : False : NonNegativeReals
G5 : 0 : 28.8 : None : False : False : NonNegativeReals
G6 : 0 : 0.0 : None : False : False : NonNegativeReals
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# Multi-Stage Model—Network requirements

- Solution fulfills network requirements
  - Intrazonal branch flows
  - Nodal voltages
- Test case IEEE 118-bus system
- AC load flow with sensitivity analysis
  - DIgSILENT PowerFactory
  - Nodal distribution of optimization results
  - Power transfer distribution factors (PTDFs)
    - Minimization of decongestion costs
- Apply proposed method to South Italy TS



118-bus test system



400 kV and 230 kV South Italy TS