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# CoNDyNet Project & Workshop: Key findings & some remarks

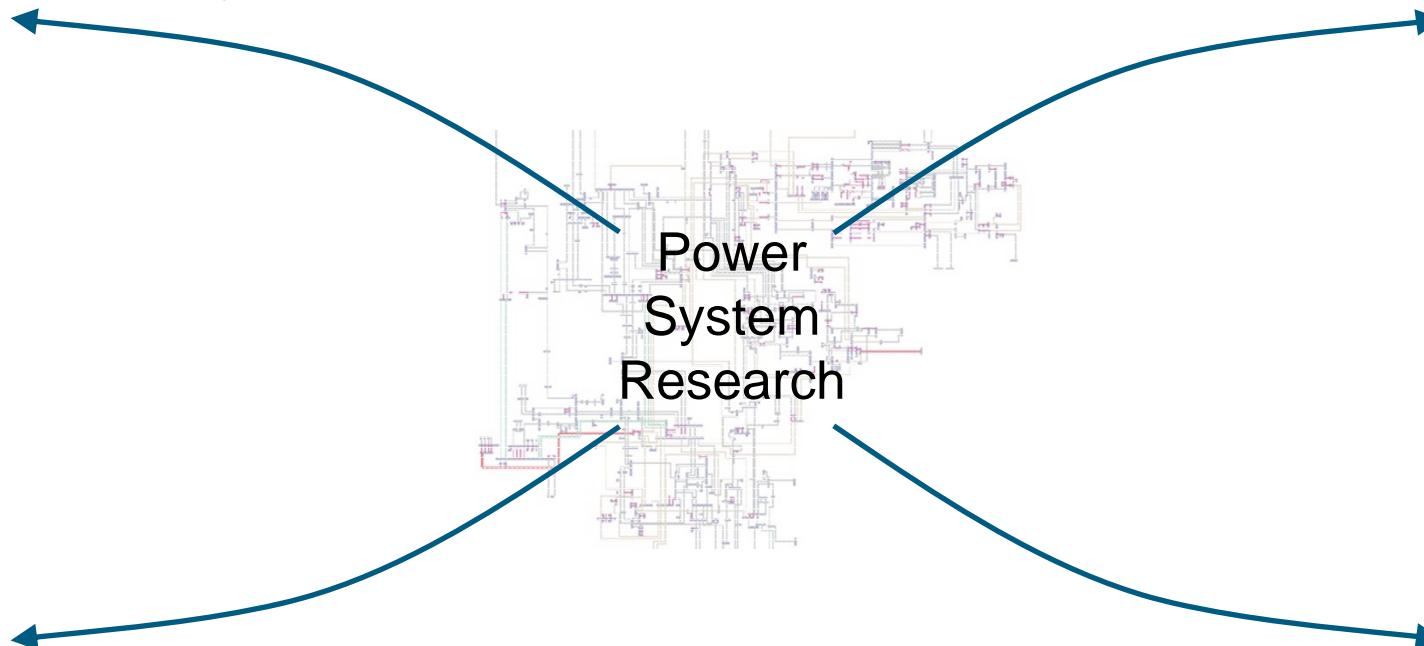
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# Scope of the project

Collective Dynamics



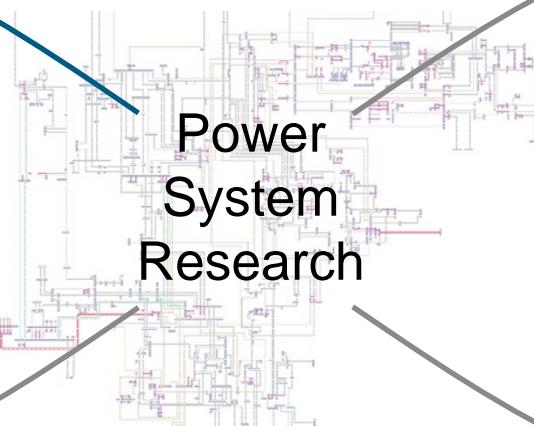
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## Collective Dynamics

- Stability
- Noise
- Structure
- Connectivity



## Connect disciplines

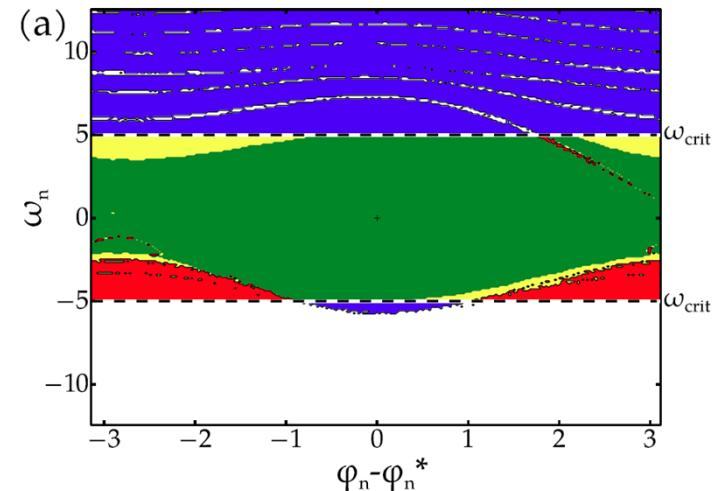
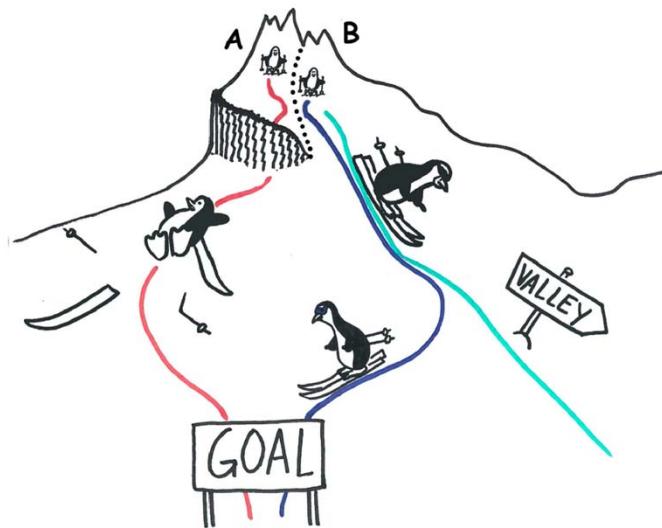
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# Network Dynamics: Stability and Relaxation

Global stability: For which fraction of initial states

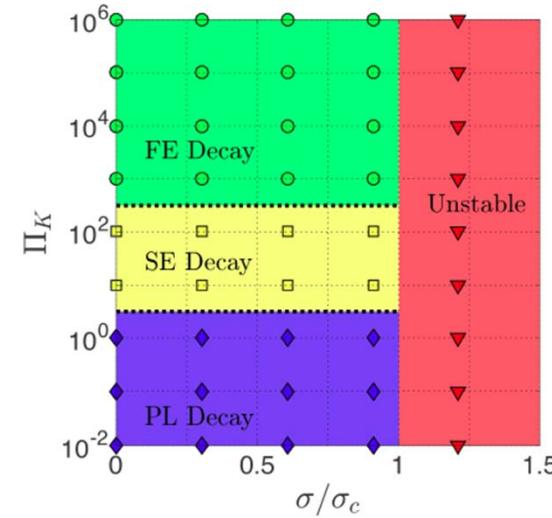
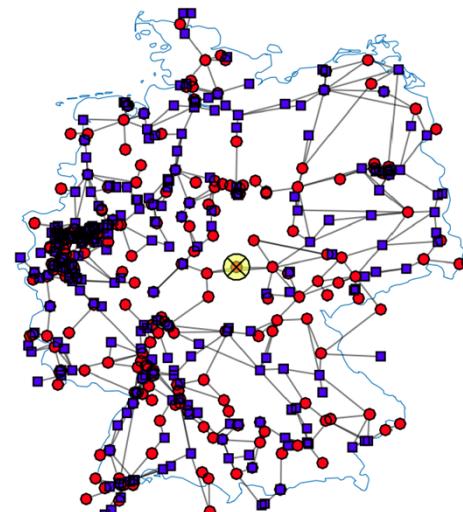
- do we converge to the goal?
- do we never leave the desirable region?



# Network Dynamics: Stability and Relaxation

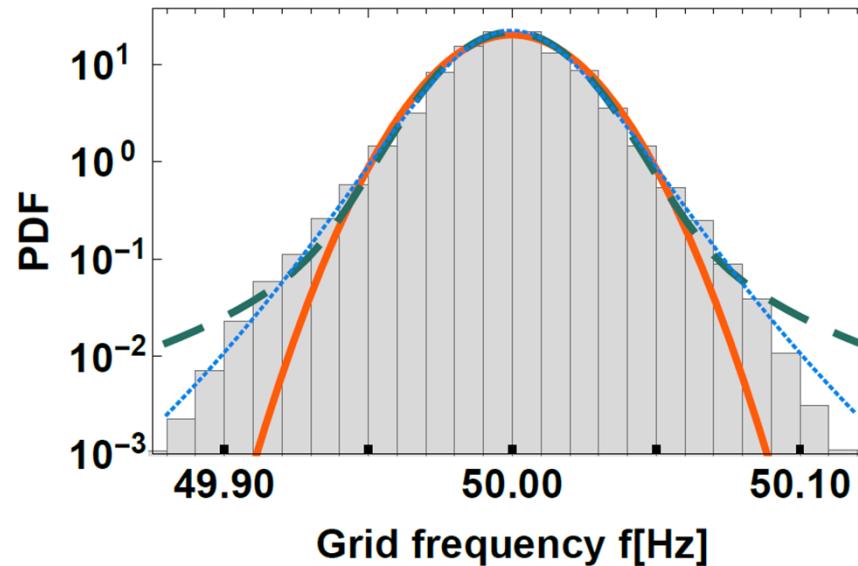
After a perturbation:

- How fast do we converge back to the goal?
- How does relaxation depend on structure?



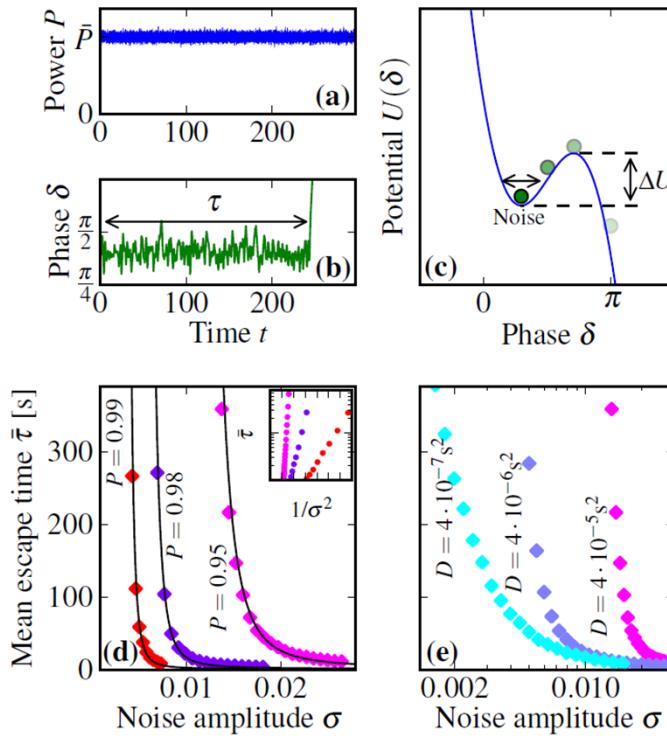
# Network Dynamics: Impact of noise

Stochastic stability: Impact of weak noise



# Network Dynamics: Impact of noise

Stochastic stability: Vulnerability to strong noise

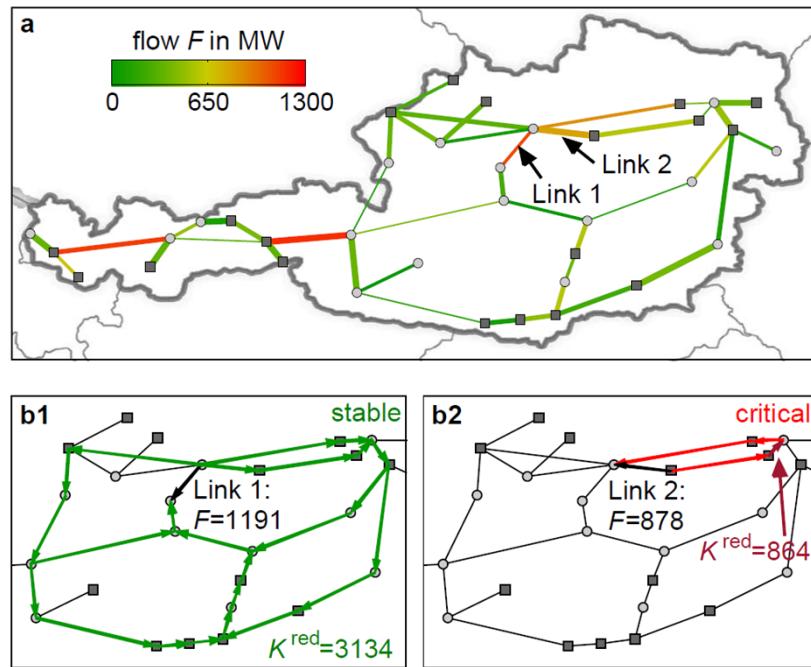


2<sup>nd</sup> order model with stochastic feed-in

Escape probability from Kramer's escape rate theory

# Network Dynamics: Structure and Stability

A heuristics for N-1 security from the graph theoretical max-flow-min-cut problem:

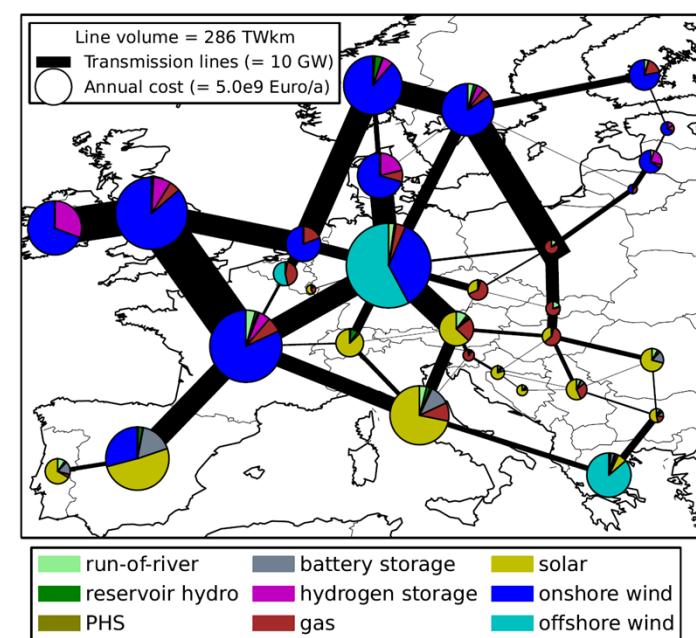
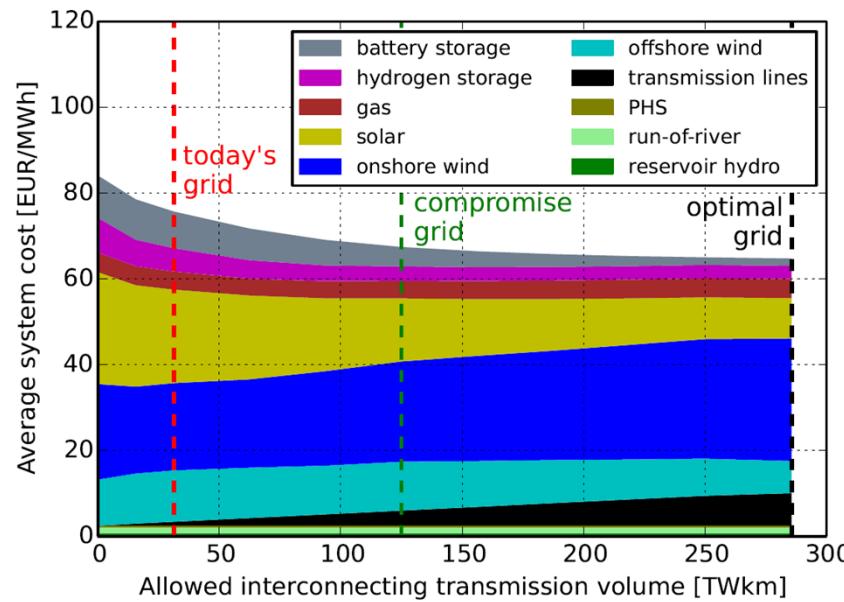


A high load is a very coarse indicator for the importance of a line...

... because it does not account for redundancy

# Network Dynamics: Optimum connectivity?

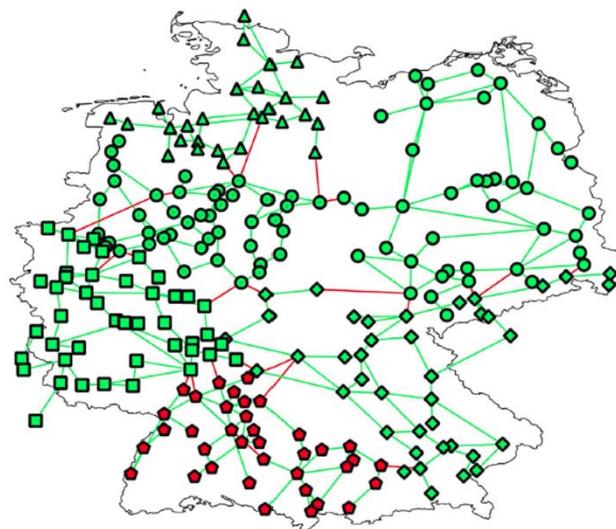
On large scales the extension of transmission lines is one of the cheapest options for system integration of fluctuating renewables.



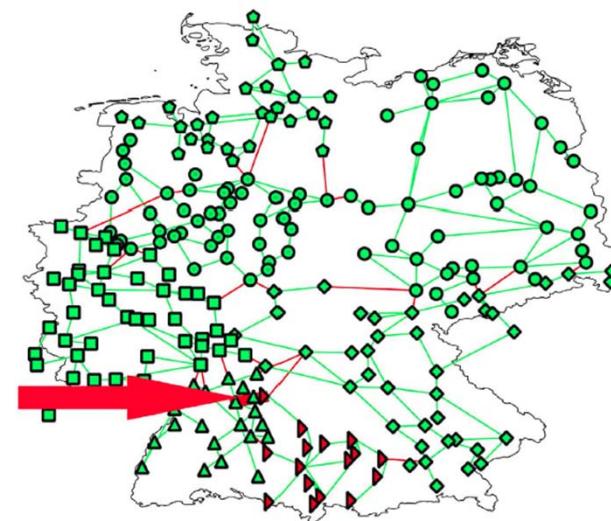
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But sometimes less is more: Containing a blackout after a series of failures by *intentional shutdown* (SciGrid Model for Germany)

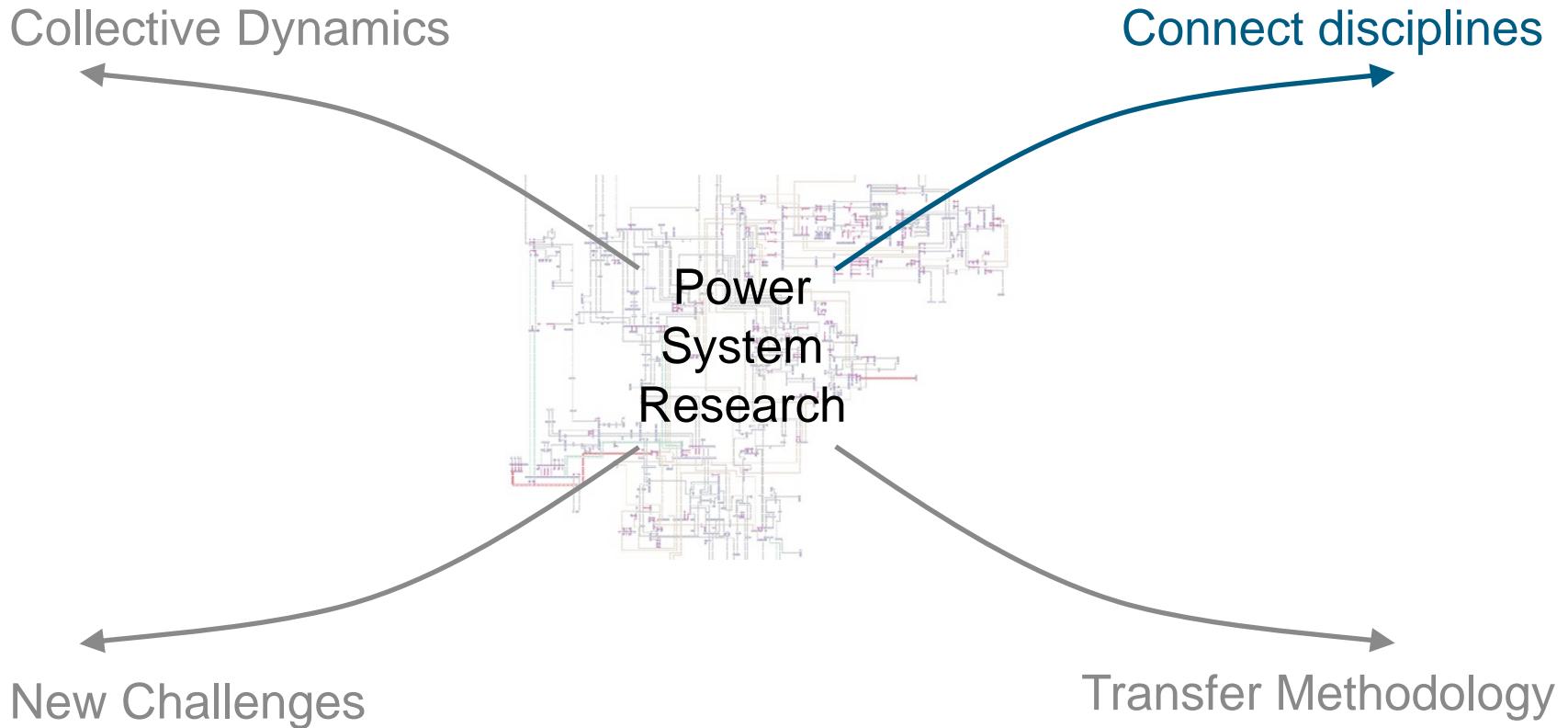
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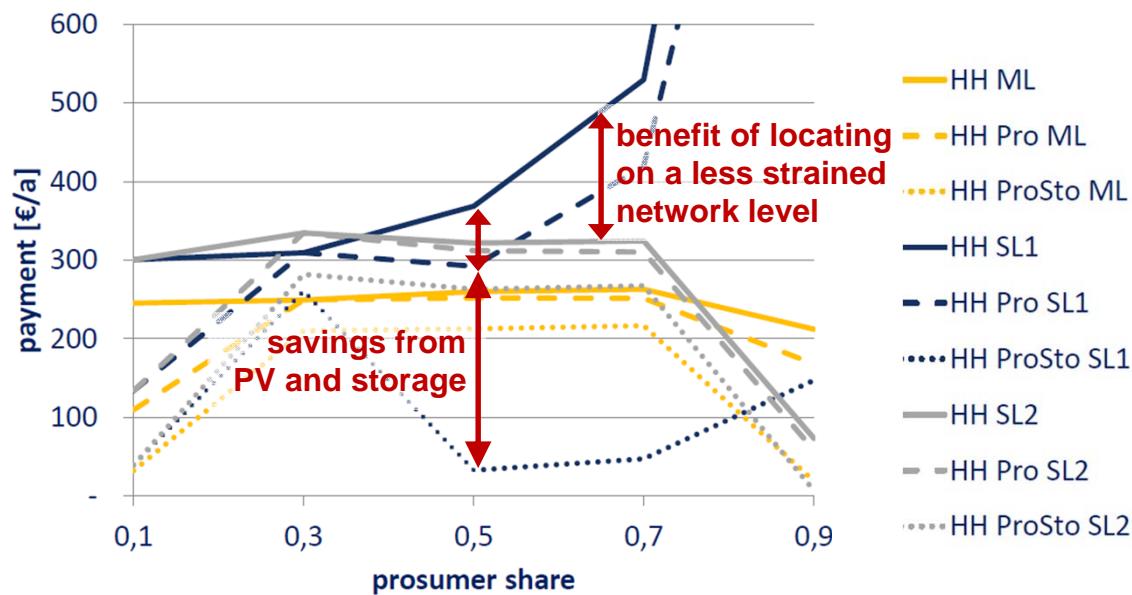
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# Energy and Economy

Steering network users with economic incentives

example: network charges based on users' contribution to grid level peak load for households (HH) with PV (Pro) and Storage (ProSto) on 3 grid levels (ML, SL1, SL2)



- growing incentives for coordinating with the grid with rising shares of prosumers

# Nonlinear Dynamics & Economy

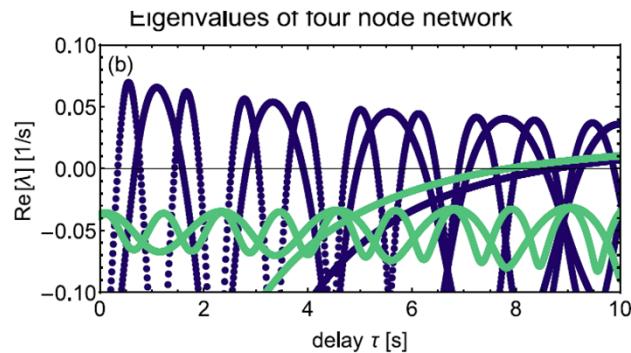
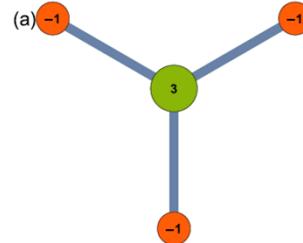
A power grid with distributed control

Equations of motion:  $\dot{\delta}_i = \omega_i$

(including a delay)

$$I\ddot{\omega}_i - D\omega_i = P_i(t) + \sum_j K_{ij} \sin(\delta_i - \delta_j)$$

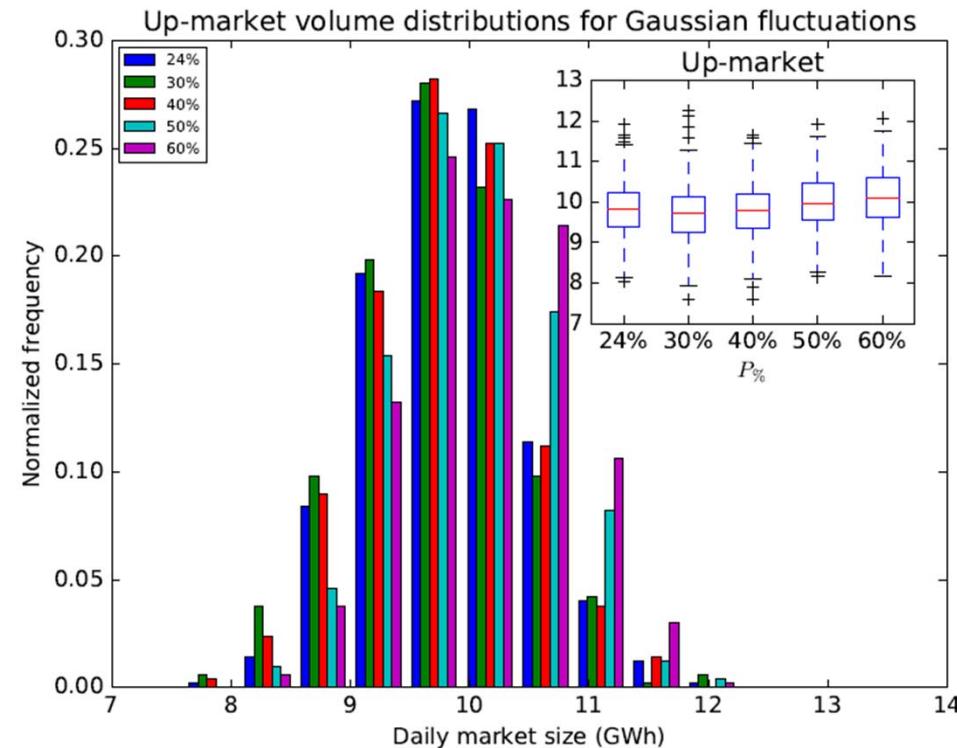
$$P_i(t) = \bar{P}_i - \gamma\omega_i(t - \tau)$$



Resonant excitations  
 “Pork Cycle”  
 $\hat{=}$  Cobweb model

# Statistical Physics & Economy

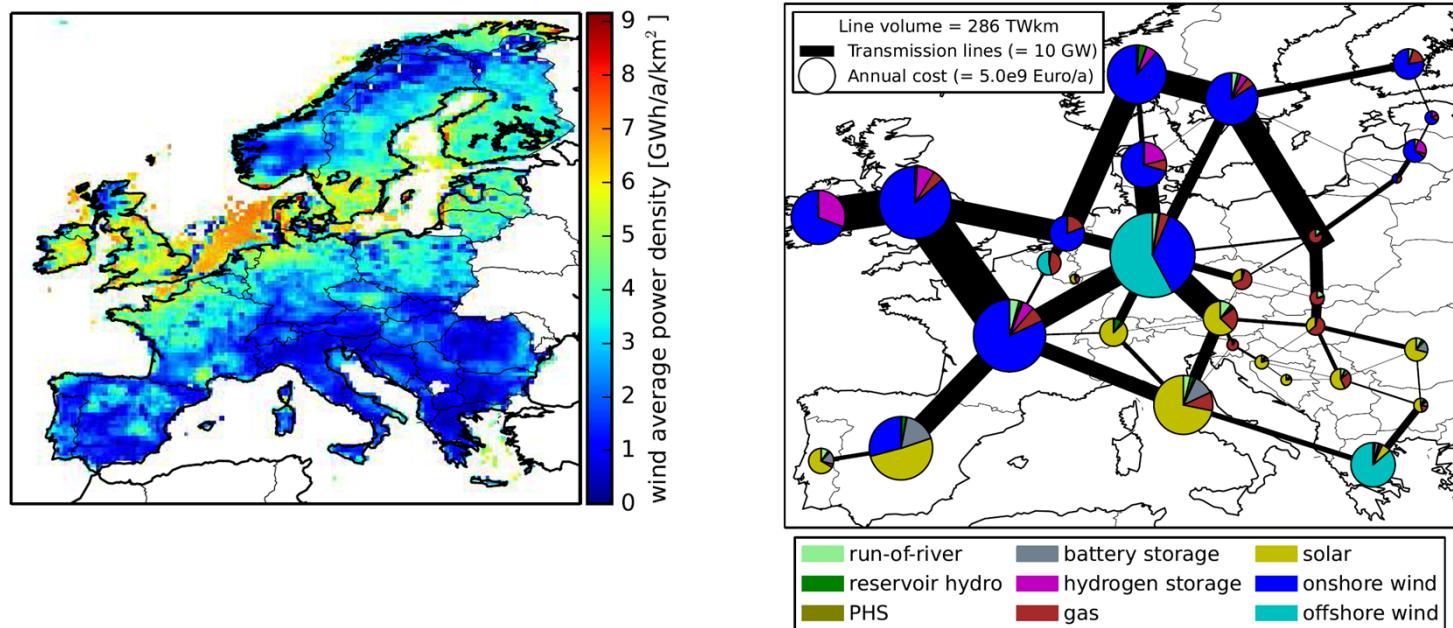
A physicist's view on extreme prices in energy markets:



# Energy and Climate

Renewable energy systems depend on wind and solar resources.

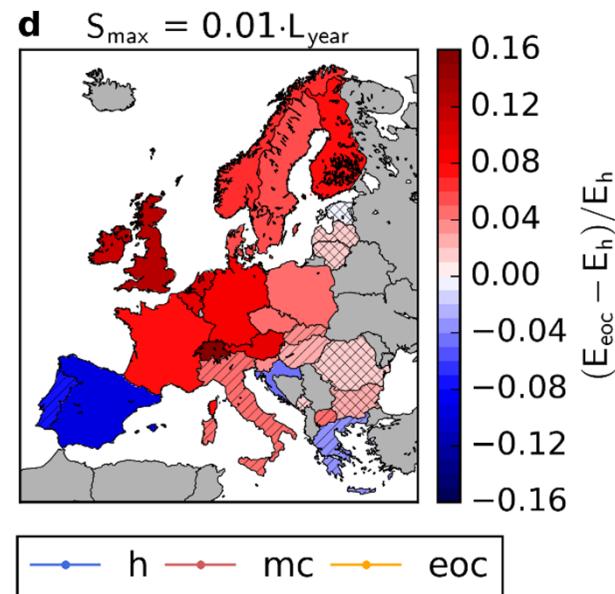
- Optimum system design determined by local climate:



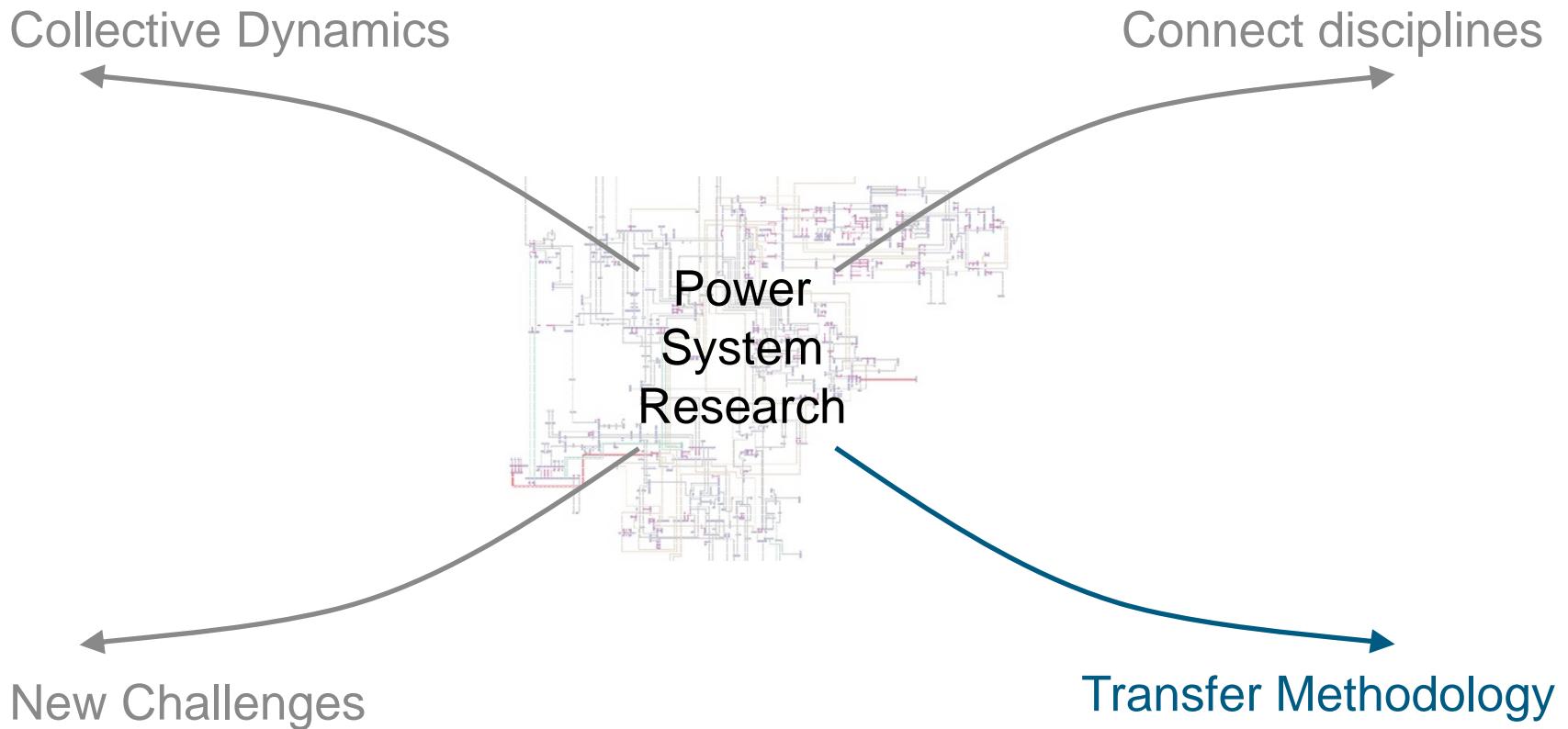
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- Systems Operation gets vulnerable to climate change:



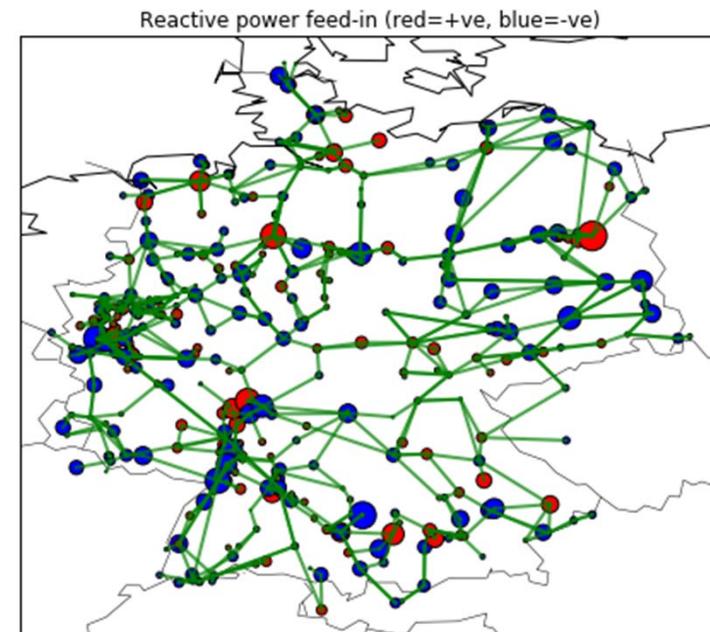
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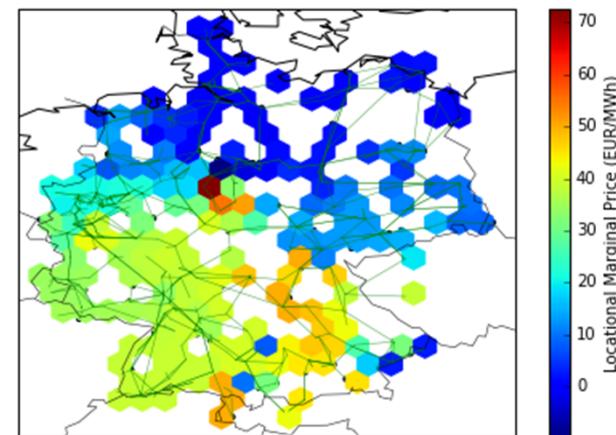
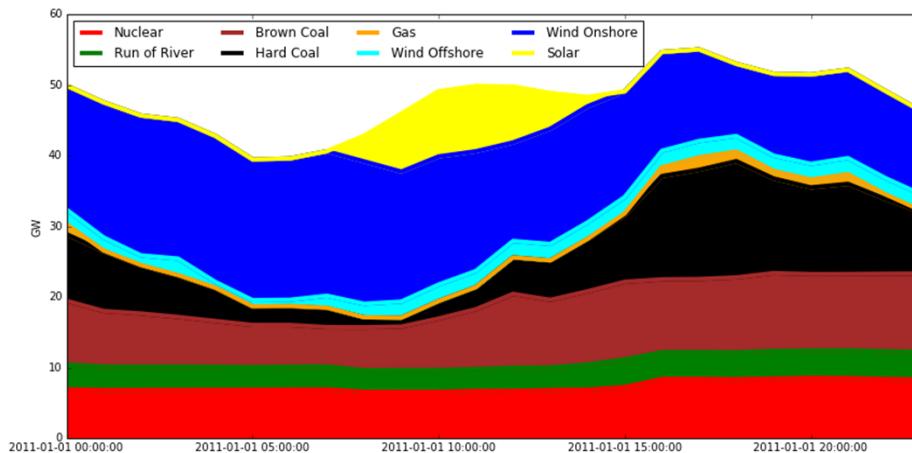
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Technical Modelling:



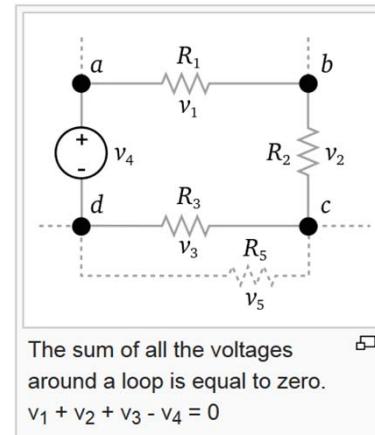
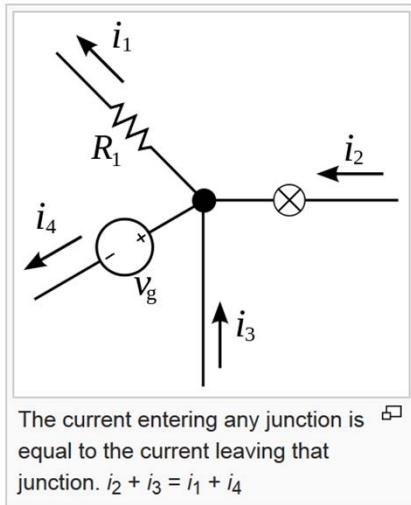
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Techno-economic Simulation:



# Algorithms I

Back to the roots: Kirchhoff's laws



Node-based formulations are often simpler.

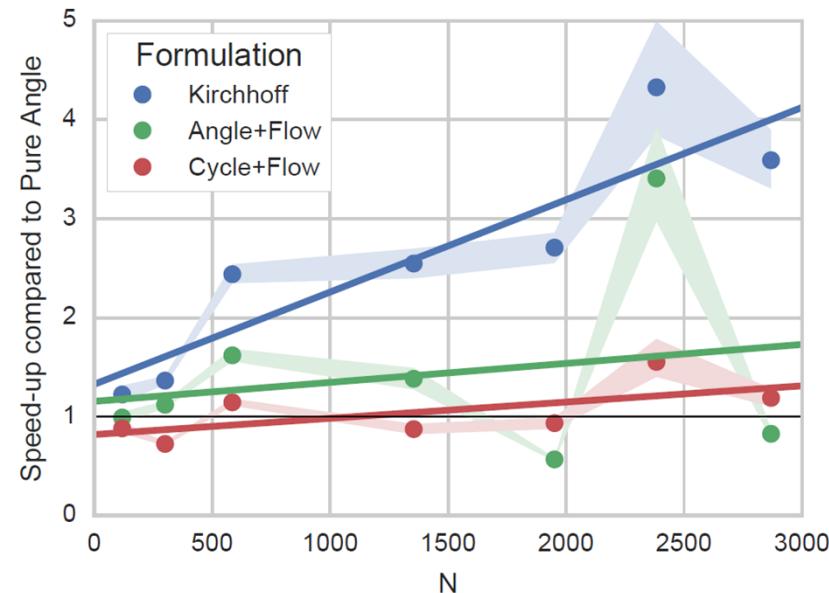
Cycle-based formulations can be faster.

➤ Algebraic Graph Theory

# Algorithms I: Operation & Optimization

The DC optimal power flow problem (multi-period with storage)

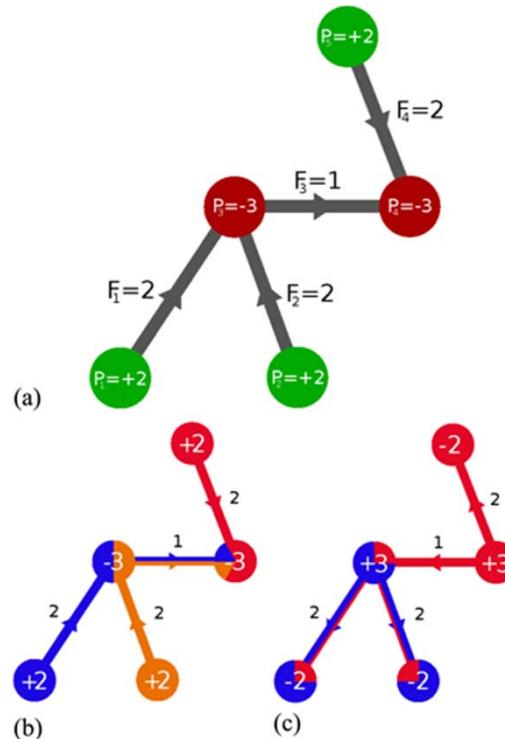
- Optimize dispatch  $D_g$  of generators such that costs are minimal
- Real power flows below thermal limits:  $|F_\ell| \leq F_\ell^{\max}$



## Algorithms II: Flow Tracing

Grid extensions are efficient for power balancing. But who pays?

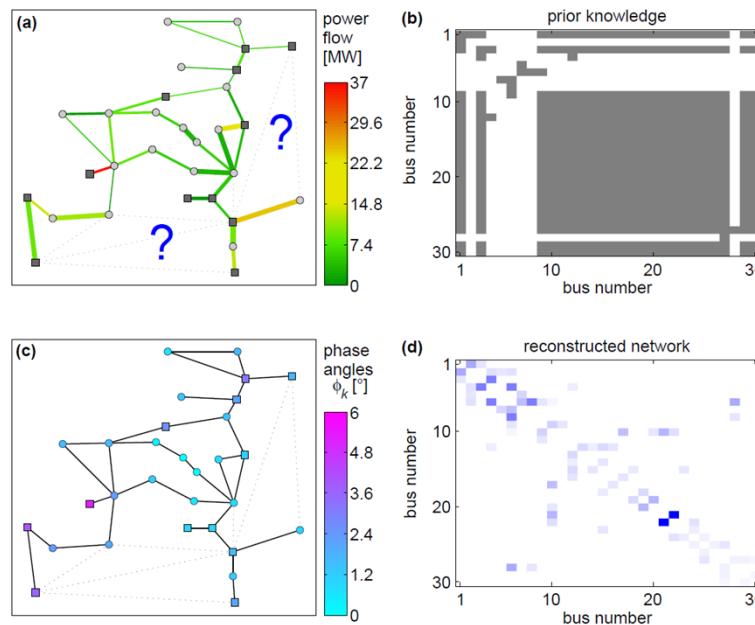
- Attribute grid utilization to the users!
- Flow tracing algorithms



# Algorithms III: Grid Monitoring

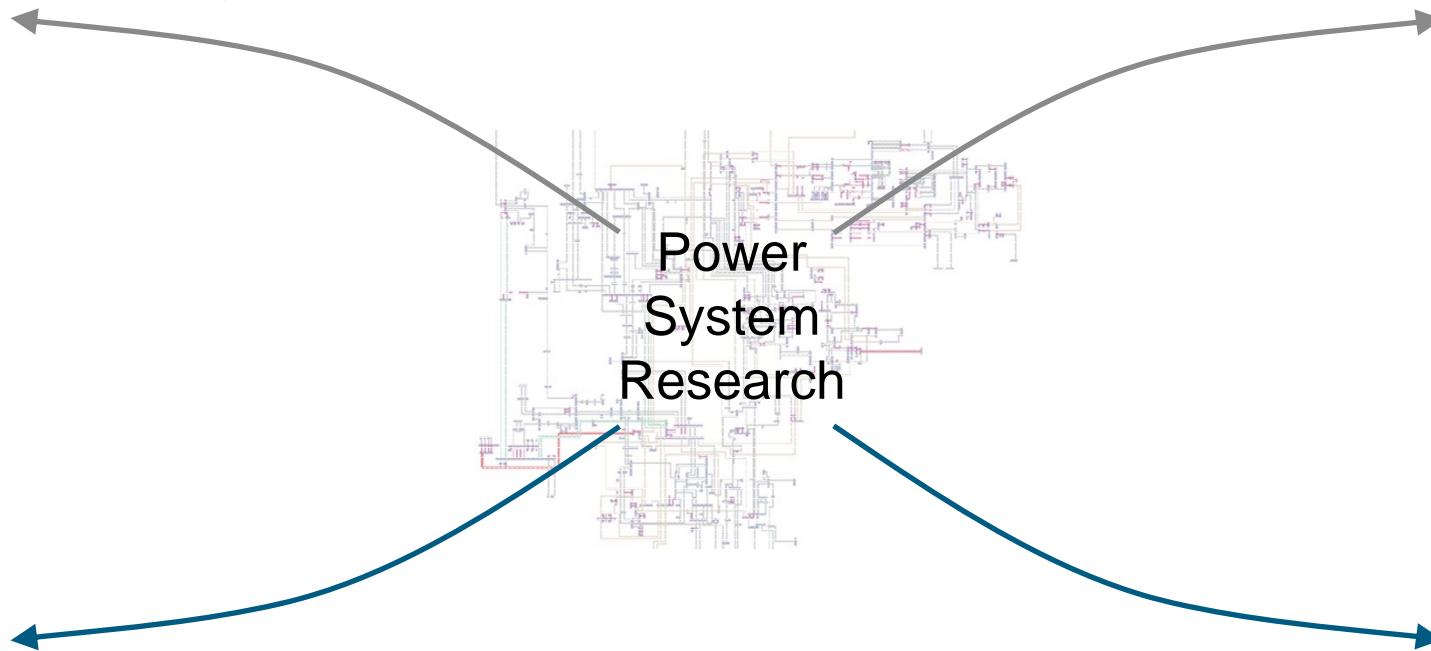
New challenges: Grid monitoring with few measurements and uncertain grid topology.

Algorithms based on network reconstruction & compressed sensing



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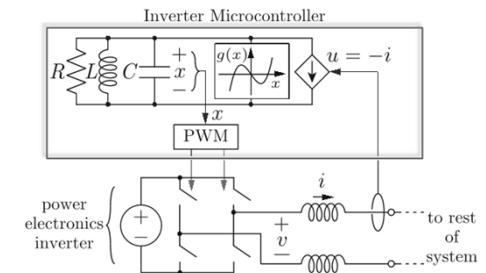
New Challenges  
... for the project group

Connect disciplines

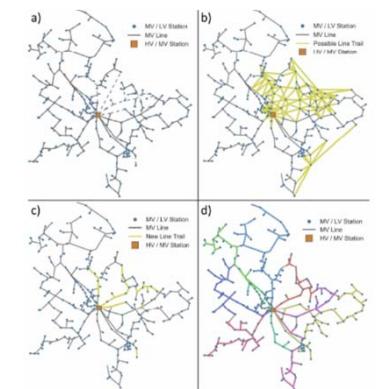
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- Ensuring stability in future renewable grids  
**Control theory**
- Power Balancing on intermediate/long scales  
**Markets, Distribution Grids, Autonomous systems**
- Systems design  
**Optimization, Uncertainties, Software**



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