

EKC² + ACCESS *Smart Grids* Workshop Control and Pricing in Power Systems



Pricing in markets with large amounts of variable power.

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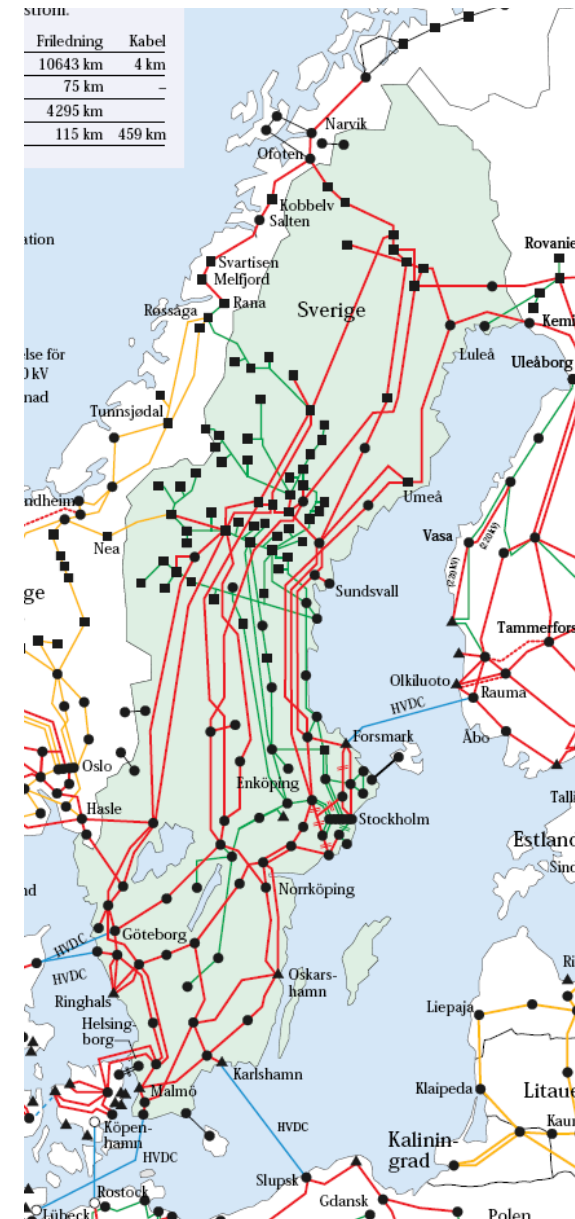
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Swedish electricity market






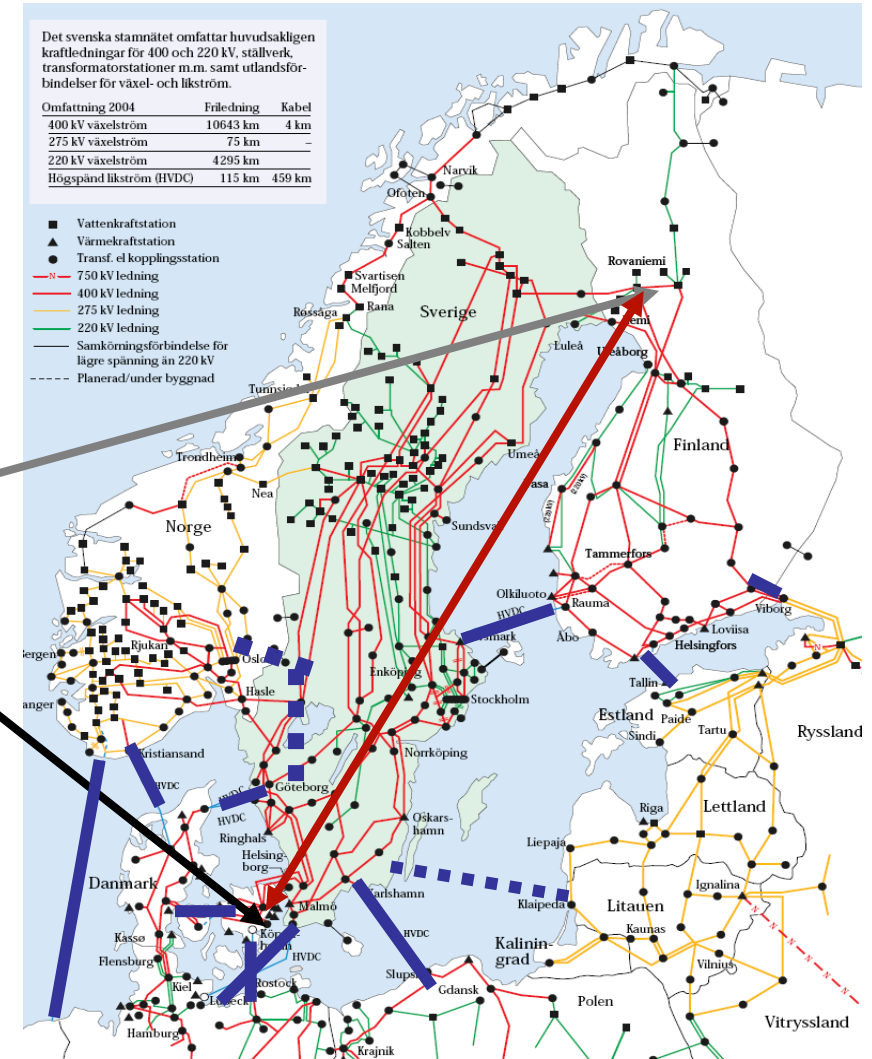
- I consume \approx **6500 kWh/year**
- The consumption is **measured per hour**, but the application is kWh/month
- I get one invoice from the **grid owner**
- I get one invoice from **the retailer**. I can select among >100 retailers with different prices and contracts



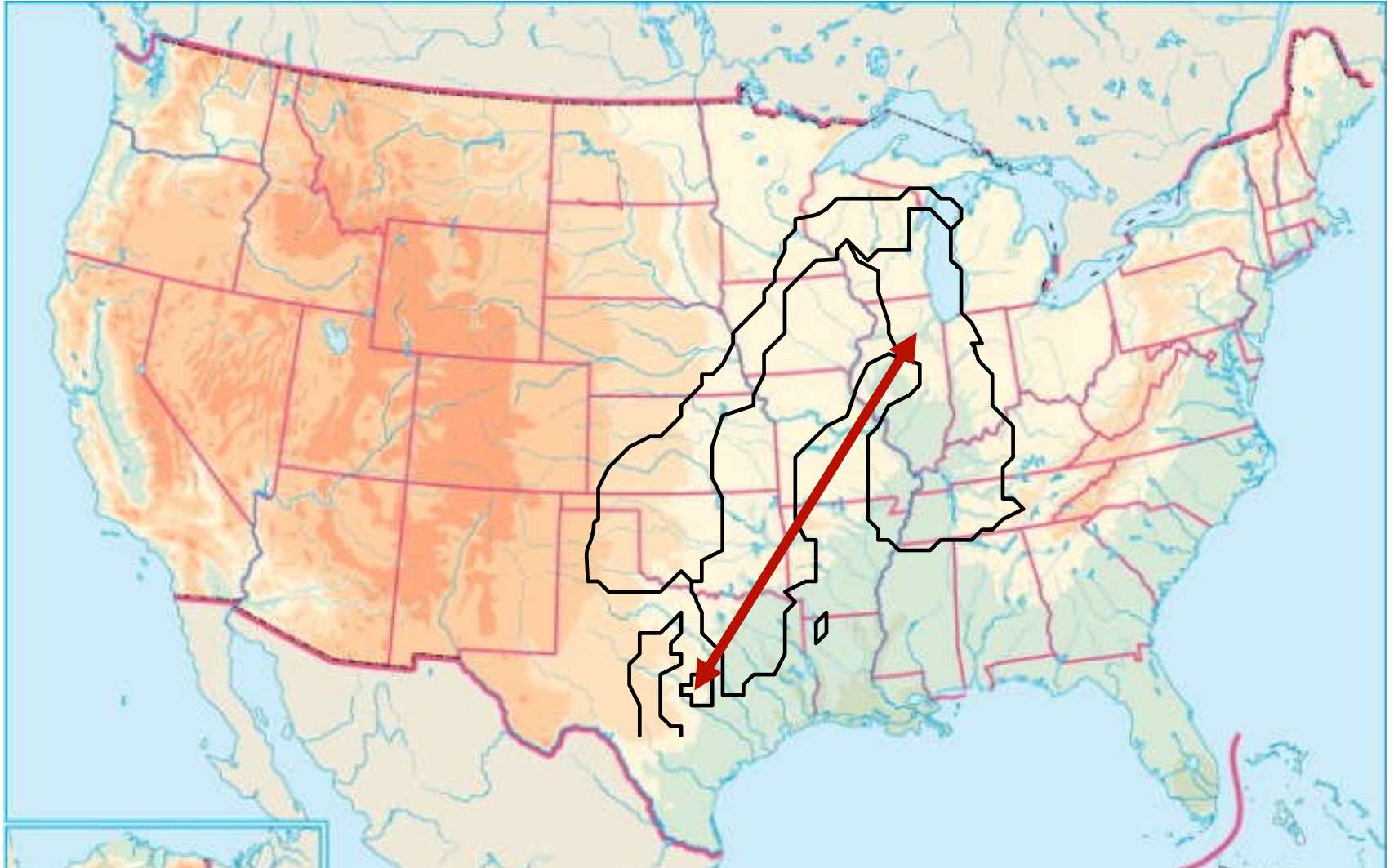
HVDC and Nordic Balancing

Nordic regulating market:

- No AGC (except Dk-W)!
- Assume that wind power decreases in Denmark with 100 MW
- The bids to the regulating market (tertiary control – up-regulation in 15 minutes) are coordinated in the Nordic system
- If an up-regulating bid from northern Finland is the cheapest and transmission limits are not violated, then this one is used!
- Distance: ~1400 km 
- HVDC – in operation 
- HVDC - planned 



Nordic countries in USA



Distributed decision-making and control in complex systems:



1. Variable power sources
2. Pricing in power systems
3. Pricing with variable power sources
4. Impact on operation, inter-area trading and investments
5. Competition between DSM, transmission and production
6. Production capacity challenge
7. Transmission capacity challenge

Aim of a power system:

1. Supply consumers with electricity when they want
= keeping the continuous balance between production and consumption
(deregulated → competition)

2. Keep the voltage for the consumers
(regulated monopolies)

unbundling

The diagram illustrates the concept of unbundling in a power system. Two boxes at the top represent the aims: '1. Supply consumers with electricity when they want = keeping the continuous balance between production and consumption (deregulated → competition)' and '2. Keep the voltage for the consumers (regulated monopolies)'. A blue arrow points from the first box to the word 'current' in the equation 'Power = current · voltage'. A red arrow points from the second box to the word 'voltage' in the same equation. The word 'unbundling' is written in the center, with 'un' in blue and 'bundling' in red, indicating the separation of these two aims.

$$\text{Power} = \text{current} \cdot \text{voltage}$$

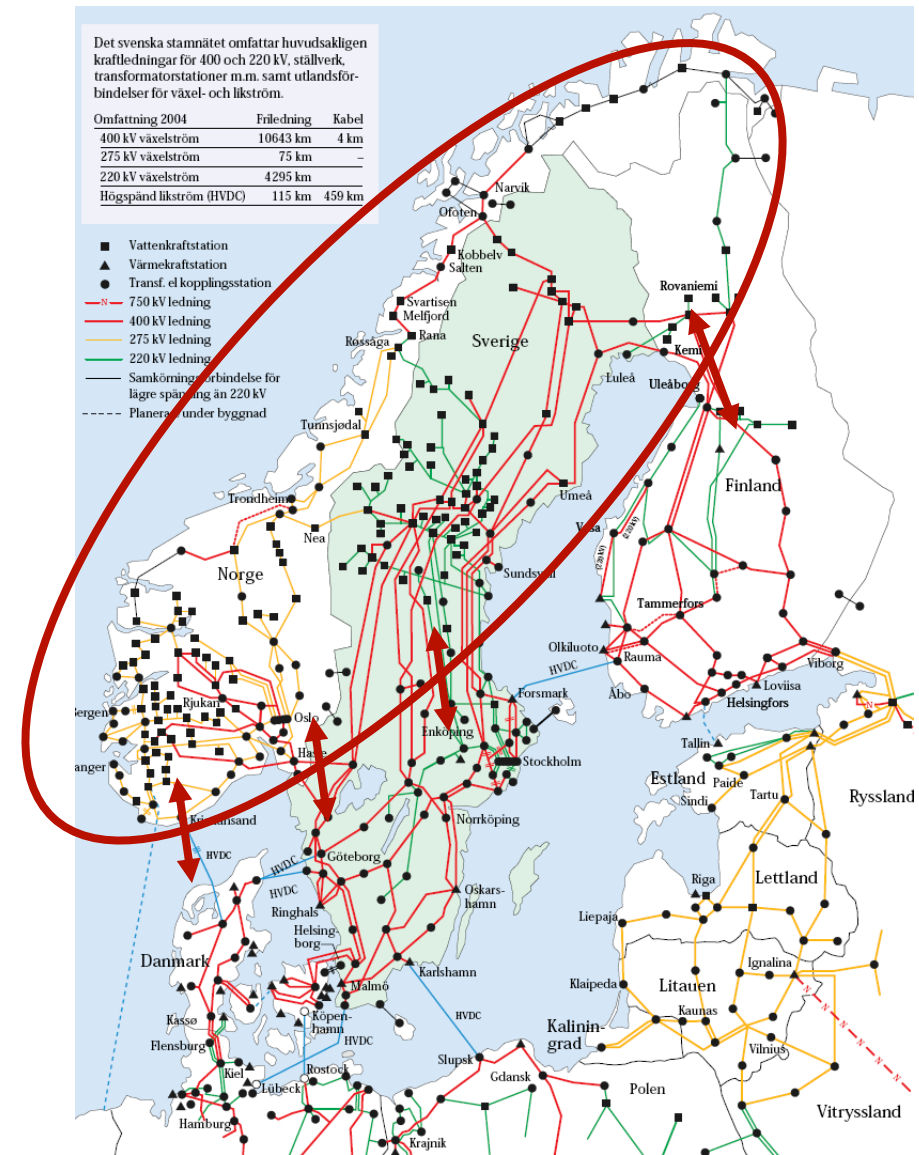
Renewable energy systems



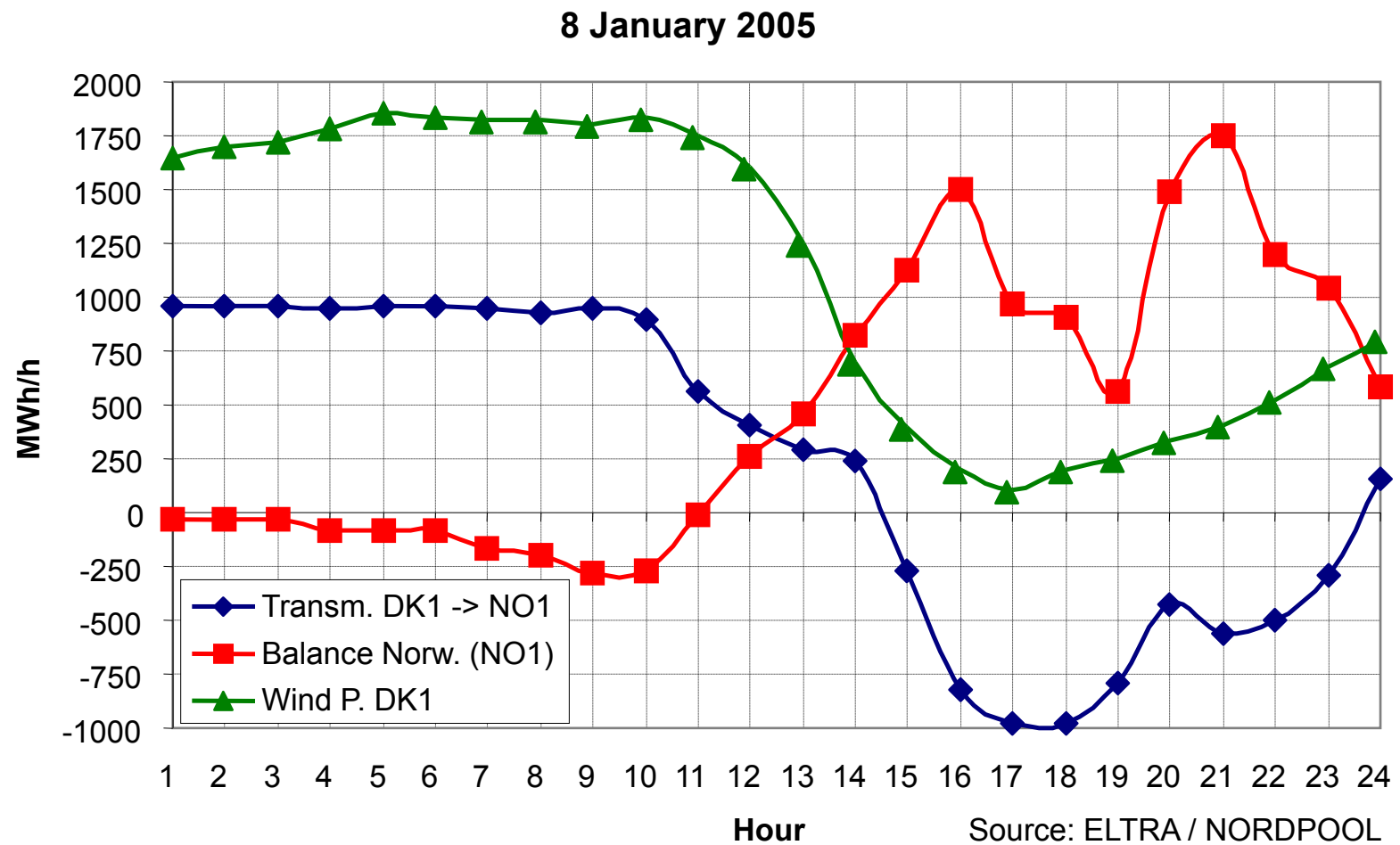
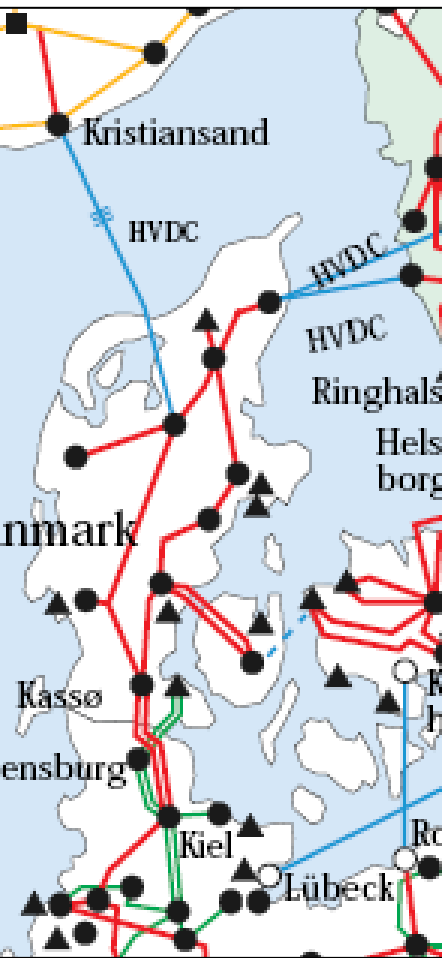
- Energy is “produced” where the resource is
- The energy has to be transported to consumption center
- The energy inflow varies, which requires storage and/or flexible system solutions
- This is valid for hydro power, **wind power**, solar power

Example

- Nordic hydro inflow can vary 86 TWh between different years (1996, 2001)
- Transport from north Sweden to south Sweden
- Energy **balancing** with thermal power in Da+Fi+Ge+EE+Pl+NL
- **Wind power results in the same type of variations/uncertainties (and solutions) as hydro power.**
- **But:** Time perspective is much shorter!



Example from Denmark, when a storm front hit the country: -1800 MW in 6 hours

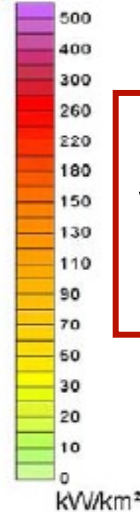


Wind Power and Transmission capacities

Spain wind: 19 149 MW

**Portugal
wind:
3 535 MW**

Source: REE



**Ireland
wind:
1260 MW**



**Wind
Energy
2008**

Sp 11 %

Po 15 % -09

Ir 9 %

**Wind
max
share**

Sp 53 %

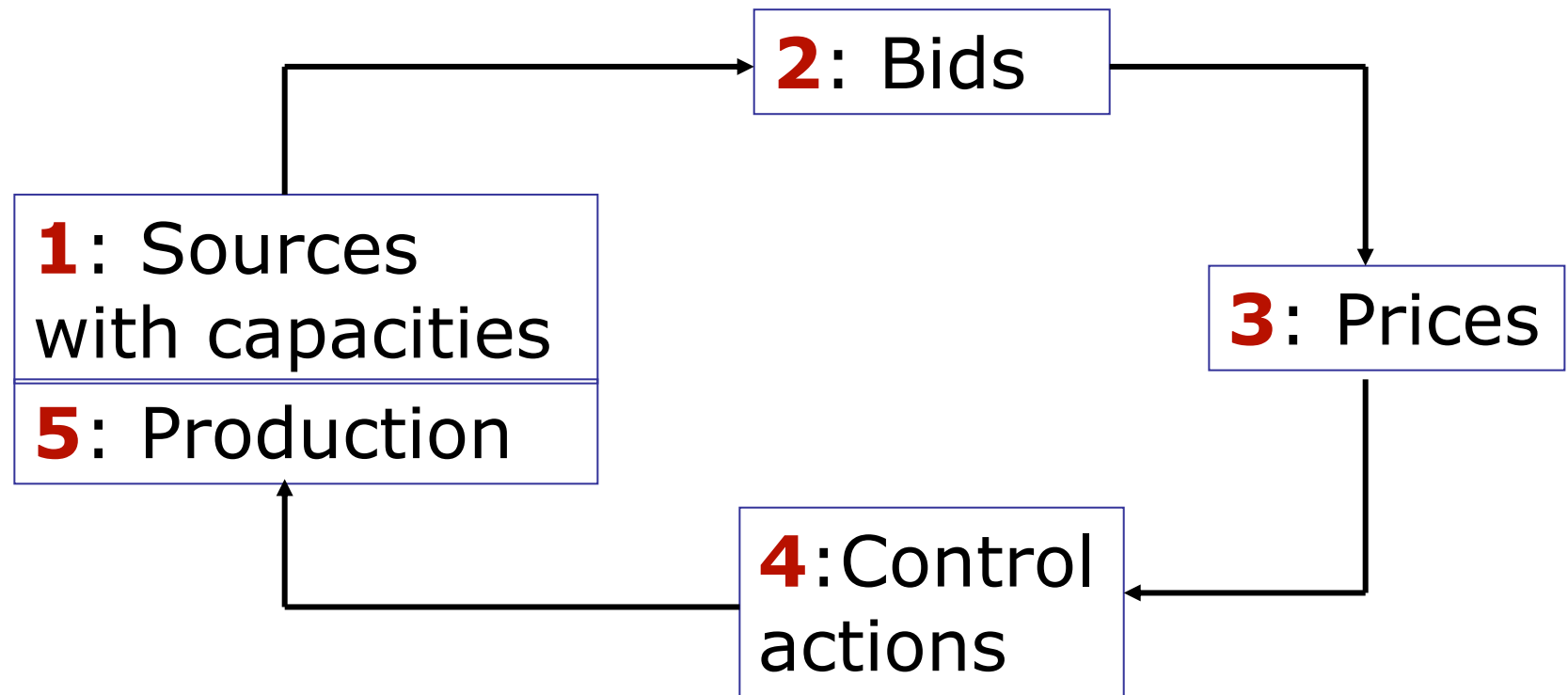
Po 71 %

Ir 48 %

- Portugal – Spain: 1200 MW
- Spain – France: 1200 MW
- Spain – Morocco: 650 MW

- Ireland - Scotland: 450 MW
- Planned: +850 MW

Pricing in power markets - 1



Pricing in power systems - 2



Yesterday
Bid: 12.00

Day-ahead market MWh/h

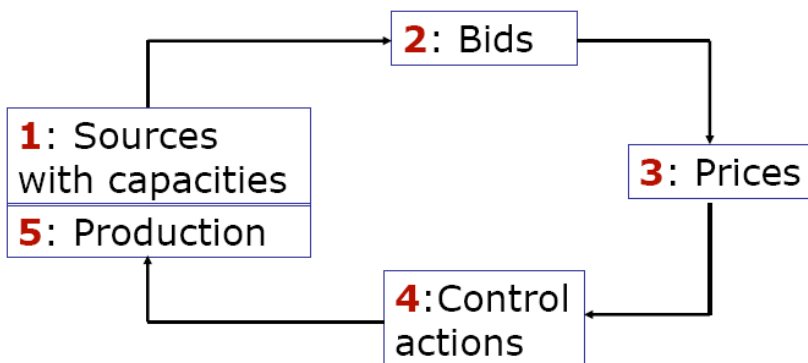
Now
11-12

**Bid: Some
hours ago**

Intraday market

**Bid: 10 min
before hour**

Regulating market



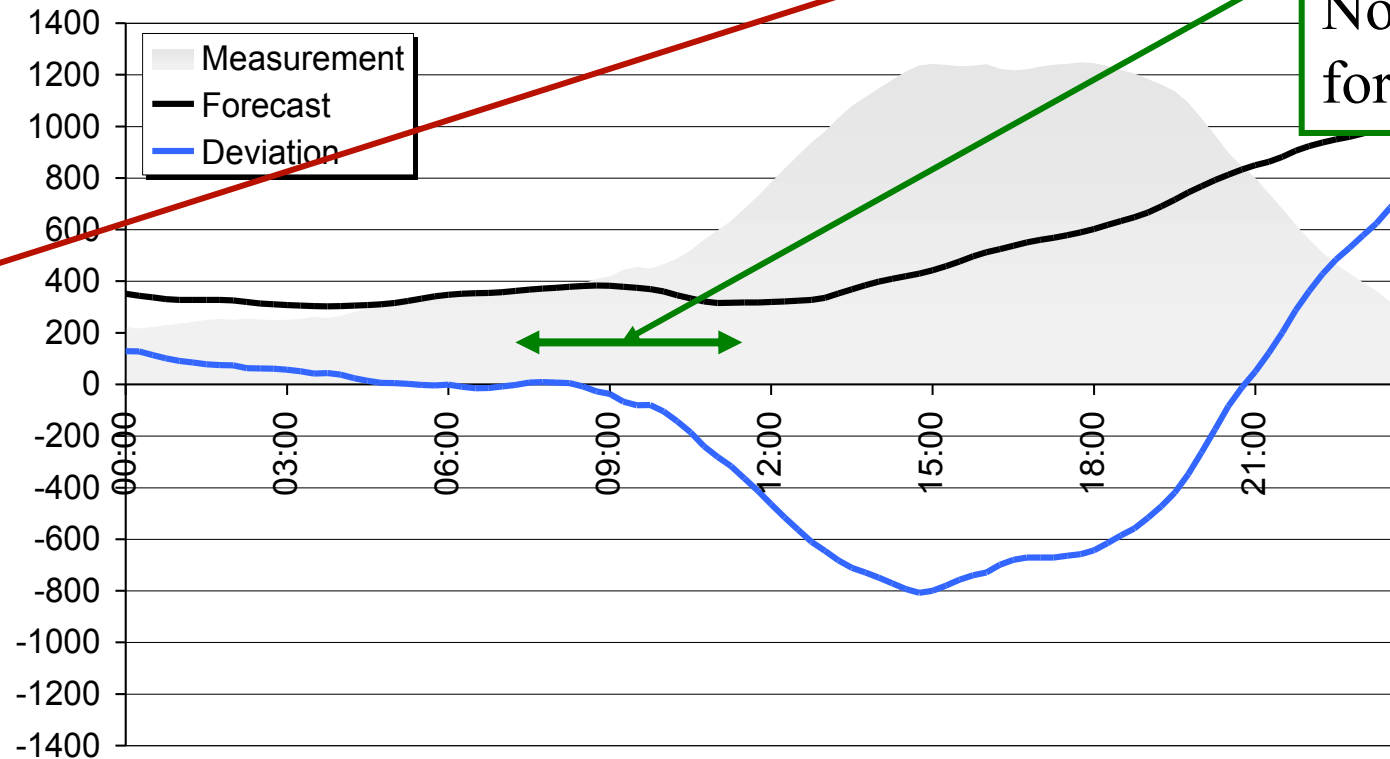
On up-dated forecasts



WMPP average quarter-hour power output as at December 11 2000

Forecast calculated on December 10 at 11:00

Decision for
balancing:
Now improved
forecast!



Pricing in power systems - 3

Challenges:

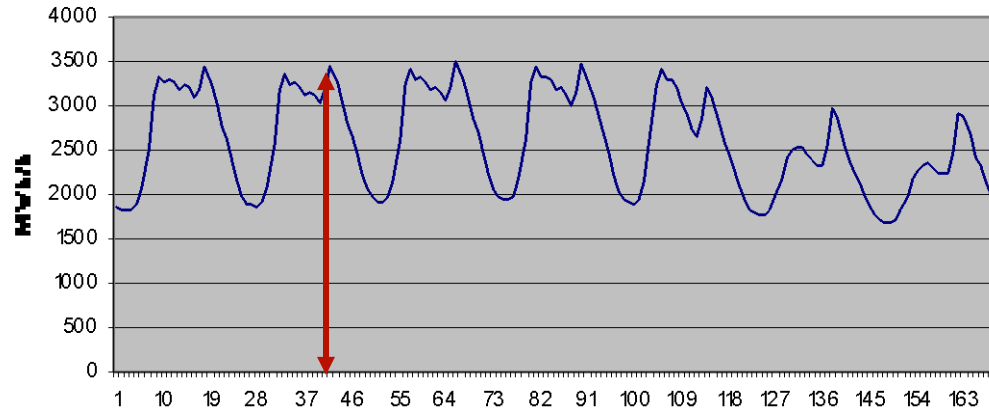
- **Bid planning** considering opportunities and uncertainties
- **Production planning** and operation considering opportunities and uncertainties
- **Estimation of** future **prices** in different systems
- **Stochastic optimization** approach needed
- **Intra hour modelling**



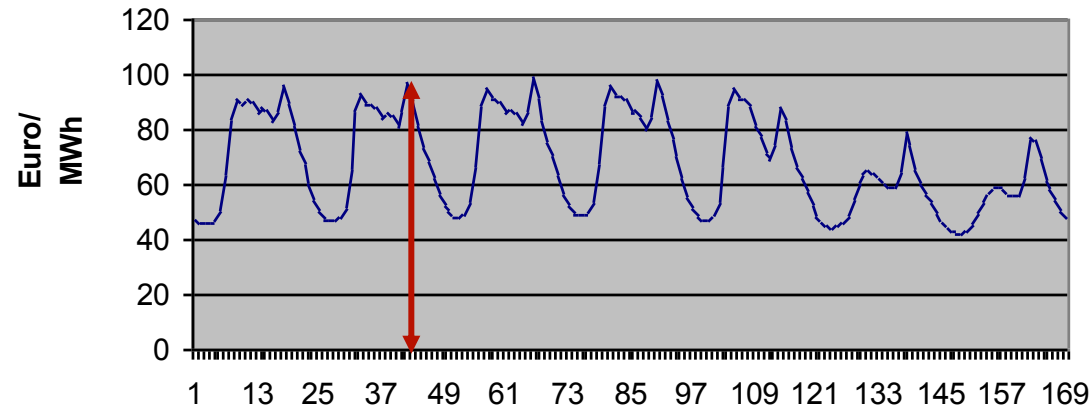
Pricing in power systems - 4

With an assumption of perfect competition:

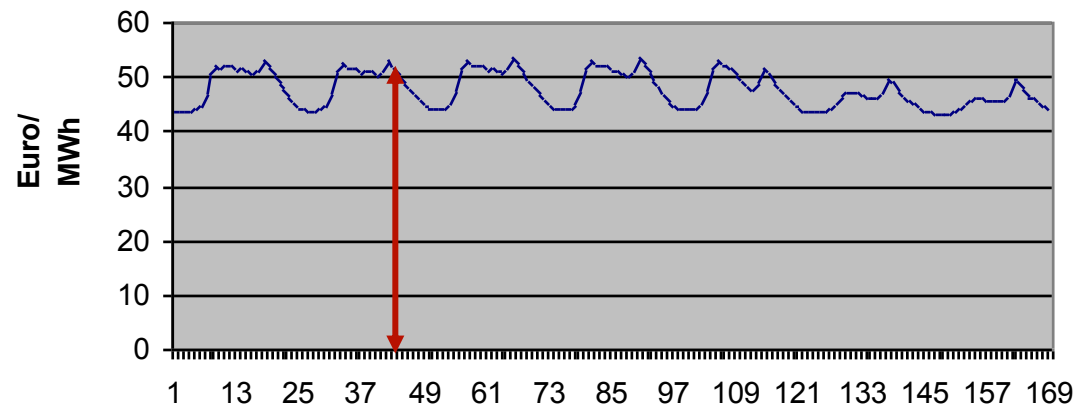
- Prices are based on production marginal costs
- Low costs units are used first
- Higher load → higher prices:



Weekly demand



“Thermal pricing”

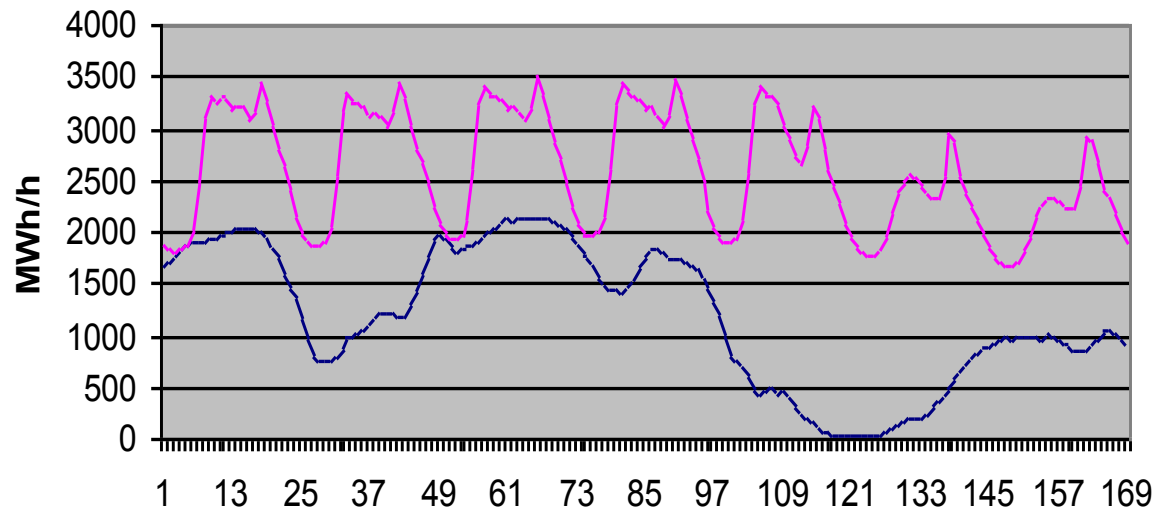


“Hydro pricing”

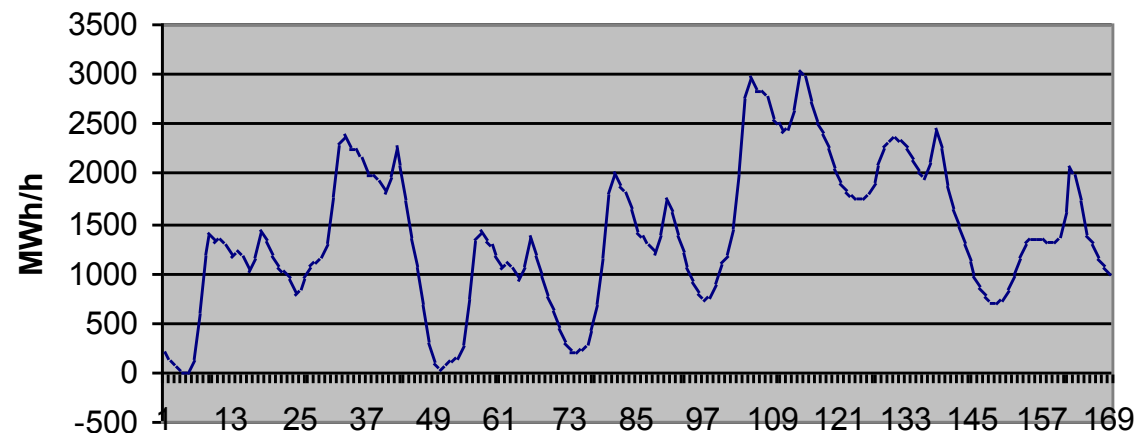
Pricing in presence of variable sources (e.g. wind)

- Wind power has a marginal cost \approx zero
- The production level is depending on wind speed
- It is not easy to make good long term (hours) forecasts
- Other units have to cover the net load = demand - wind

W Denmark 10/1-17/1 2005



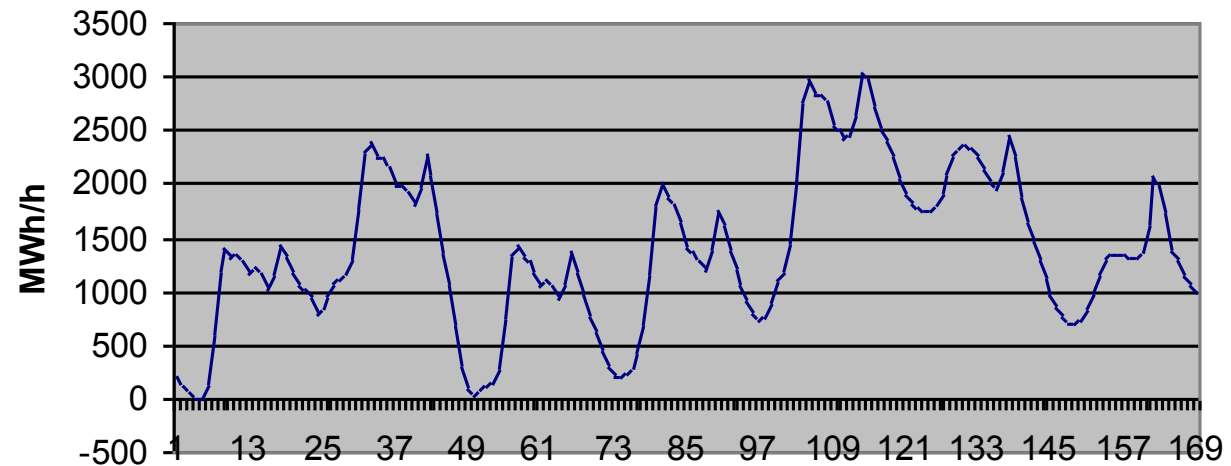
**Weekly
demand
+ wind**



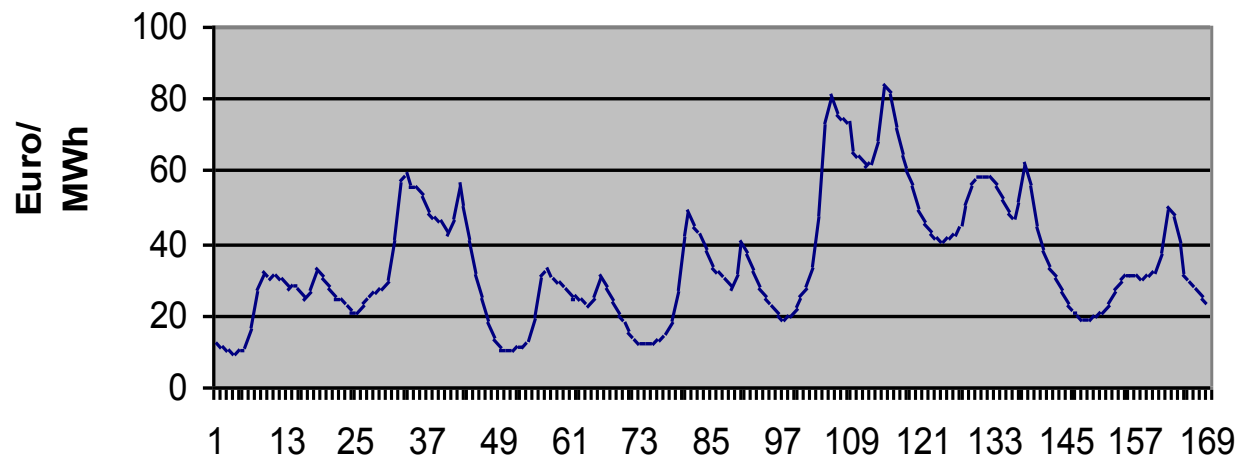
**Weekly
net
demand**

Pricing in presence of variable sources

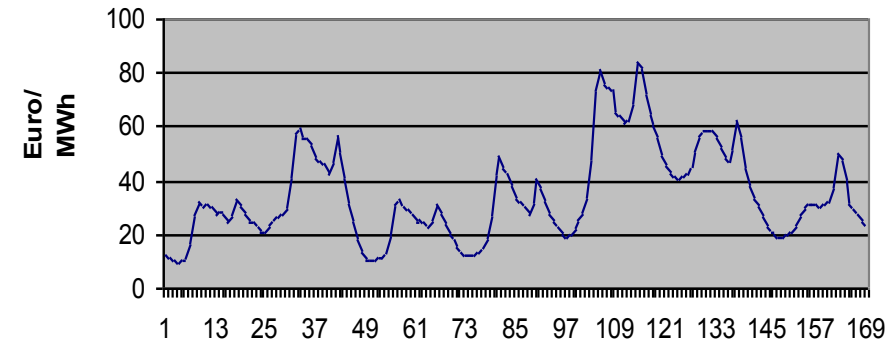
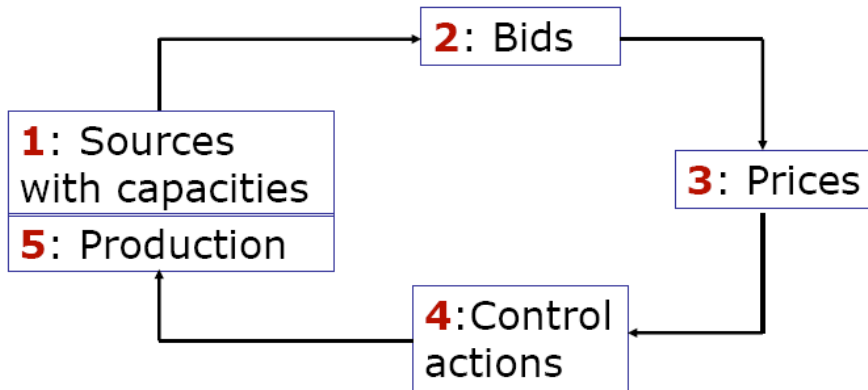
- Other units have to cover the net load = demand – wind
- The other units production is controlled by price!
- → more volatile price
- **Note: This is independent of "fixed price" etc**



**Weekly
net
demand**



**"Thermal
pricing"**



Some comments:

- Wind power forecasts are more uncertain → larger volumes on shorter markets
- Wind power does NOT have a typical daily pattern → No "typical" pattern of prices either.
- → One can not, e.g., count on "load your electric car during the night".



Impact on operation, inter-area trading and investments

Operation:

- Larger variation and larger uncertainties → prices on day-ahead markets do not reflect marginal costs

Interarea trading:

- Large amounts of wind power in one area → large interest to buy this in neighboring systems since marginal cost is low. → **Larger need for trading**

Investments:

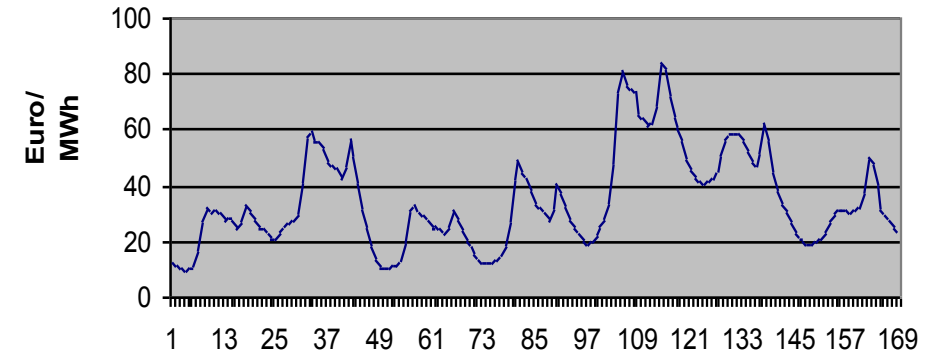
- Also so-called "base-plants" will have an economic value to be more flexible, since the power price can be below their marginal operation cost.



Solutions and competition

Assume a system with large price variation:

- ➔ Three types of "business opportunities"



More trading with neighbors



Demand side management



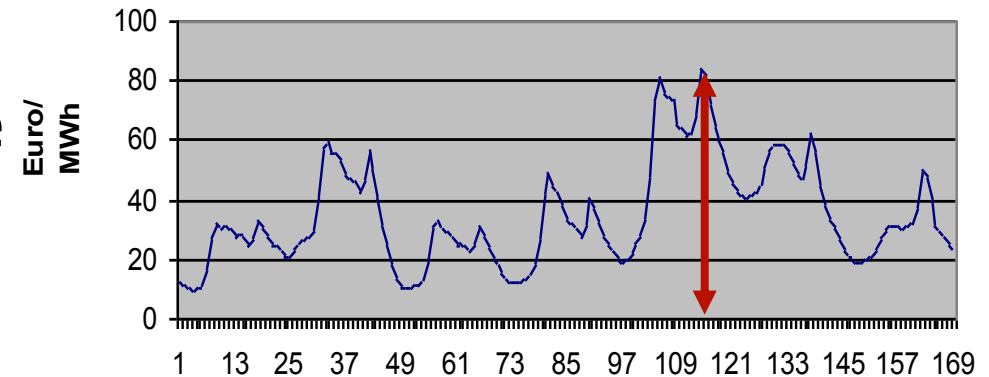
Flexible plants



- There is a competition between these methods.
- Much transmission reduces price changes ➔ less interest in DSM

Production capacity challenge

- Who wants to invest in rarely used units? With wind power the utilization time decreases
- If not we get "capacity deficit"

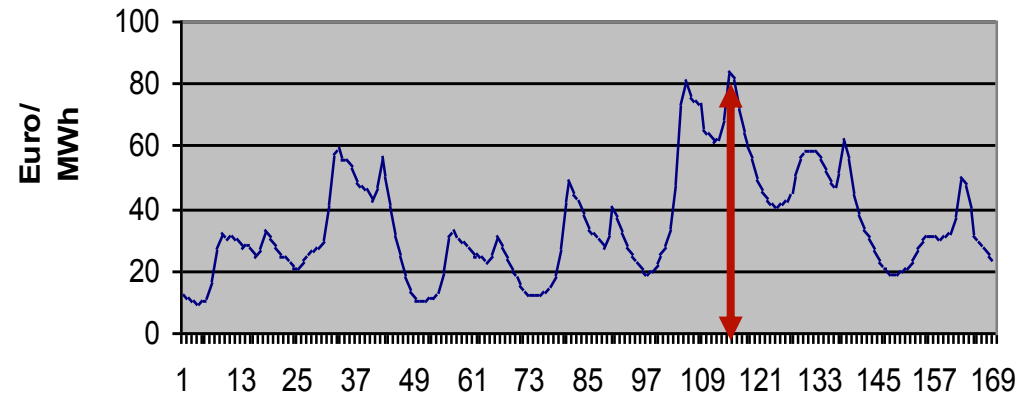


Deregulation

- **Before deregulation:** most system operators kept "enough" reserves and "extra" reserves with trading possibilities with other systems
- **"Good" deregulation:** open competition also cross border
→ no double margins any longer → increased LOLP

Capacity challenge

- Three important system parameters / variables



Maximum price

- Extreme prices for few hours can finance peak plants

System reliability

- Requirement of max LOLP

Subsidized plants

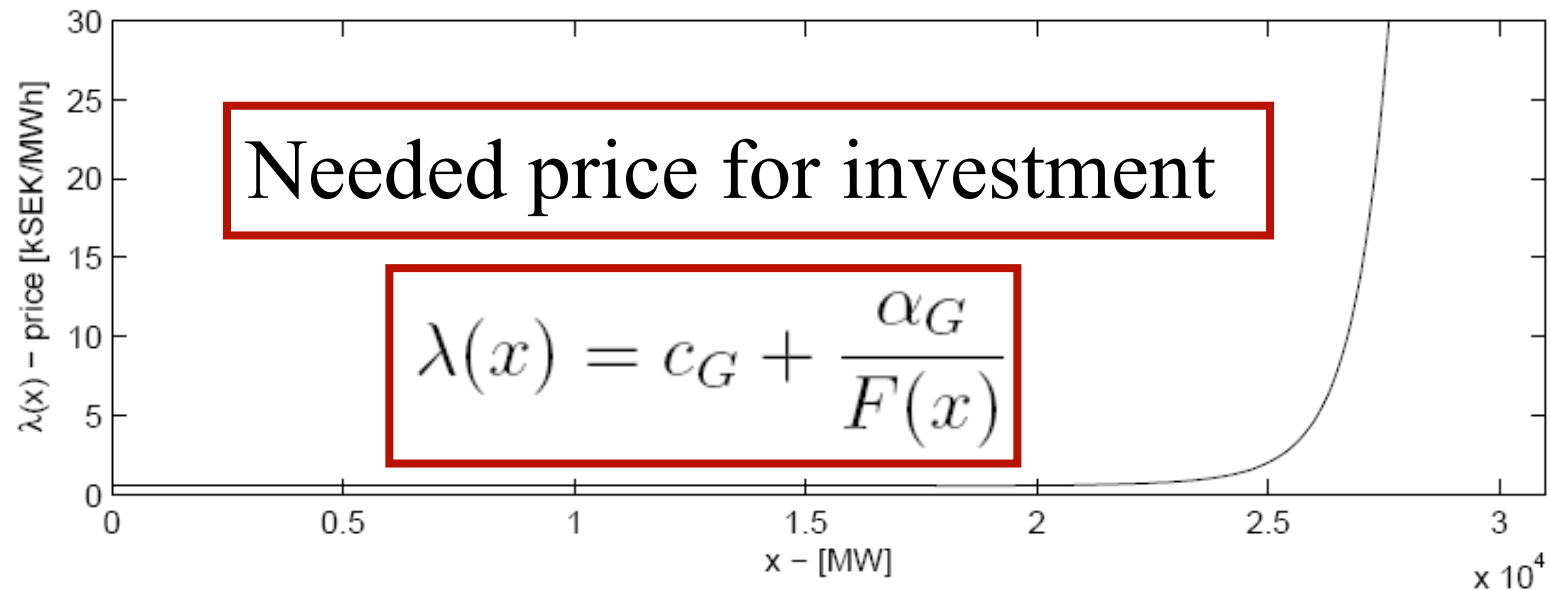
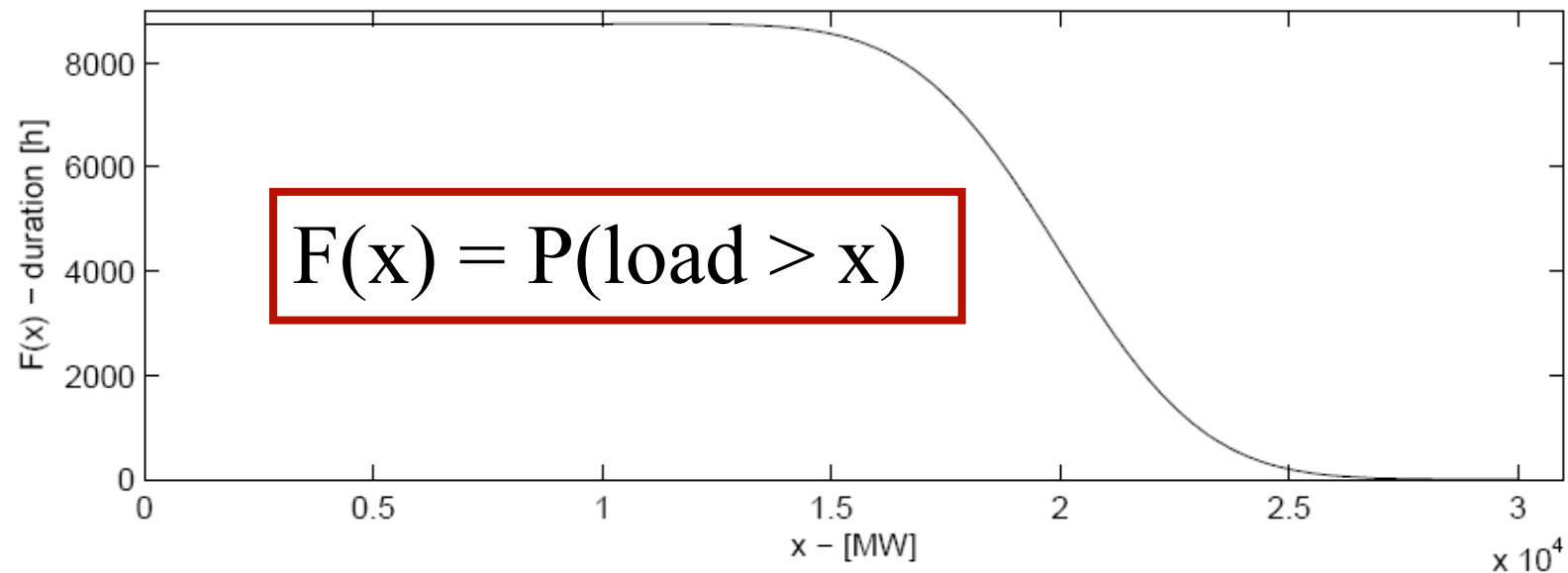
- MW of power plants not paid with market price

- One of these three can be calculated from the other two.
- **Comment:** Wind power capacity credit reduces the utilization time of the peak unit.

Concerning market interest to invest in “last” unit



The cost of a gas turbine is assumed to $a_G = 300$ kSEK/MW, year and $c_G = 0.5$ kSEK/MWh



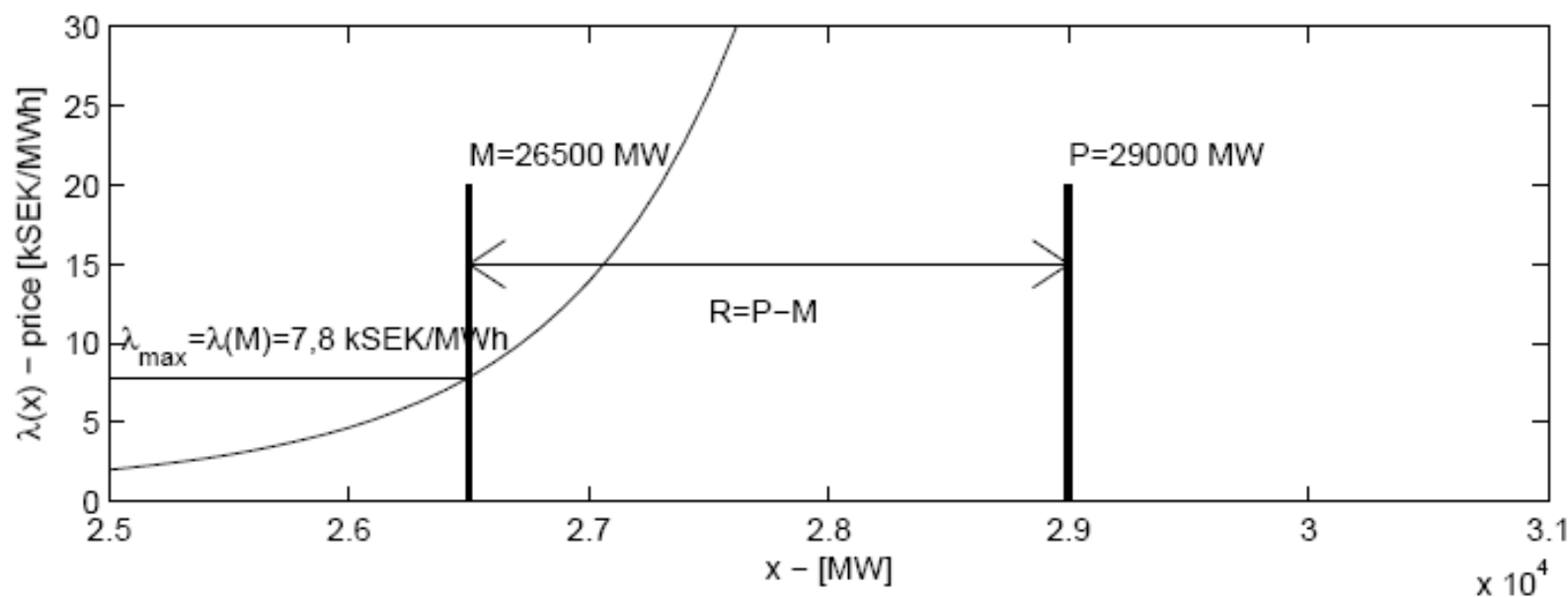
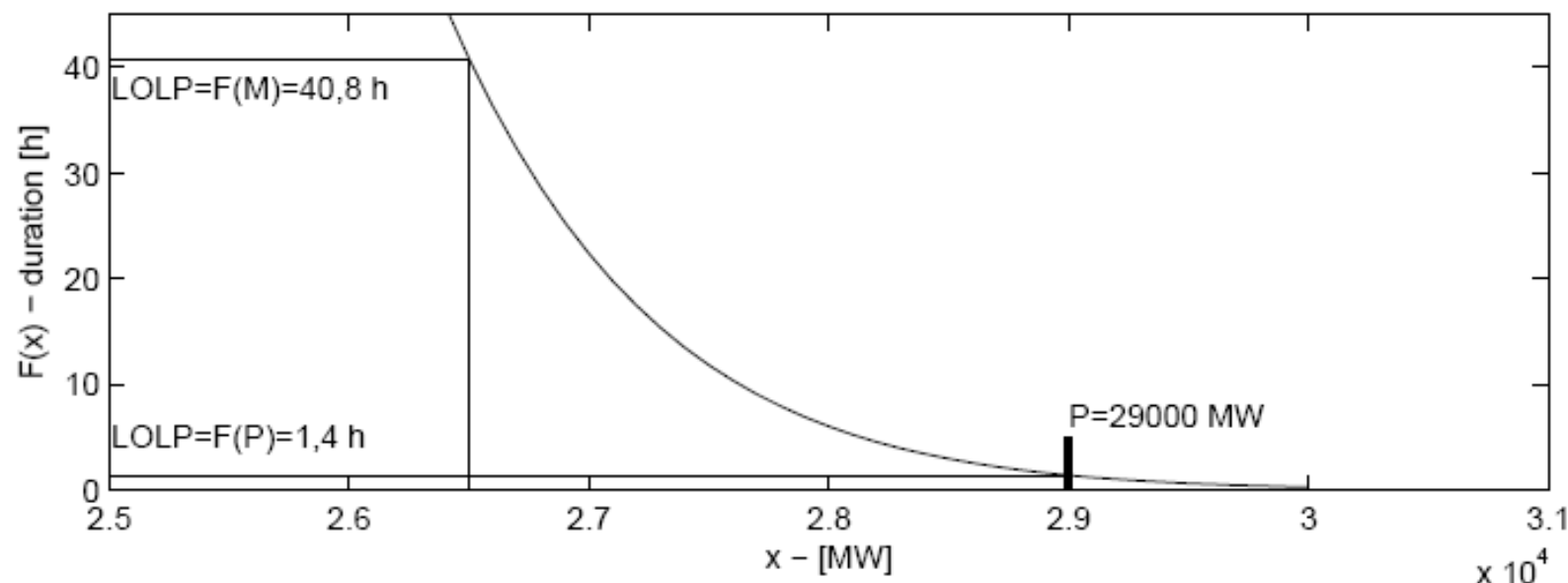
Concerning market interest to invest in “last” unit



x - load level MW	$F(x)$ - duration h/year	$\lambda(x)$ - needed price kSEK/MWh
>25500	121.8	> 3.0
>26000	71.8	>4.7
>26500	40.8	>7.8
>27000	22.4	>13.9
>27500	11.8	>25.9
>28000	6.0	>50.3
>28500	3.0	>102.1
>29000	1.4	>215.7
>29500	0.6	>473.9
>30000	0.3	>1081.8

- Lennart Söder “Analysis of Pricing and Volumes in Selective Capacity Markets” IEEE TRANSACTIONS ON POWER SYSTEMS, VOL. 25, NO. 3, AUGUST 2010

Concerning market interest to invest in "last" unit - 9



Peak load resources in current Swedish market



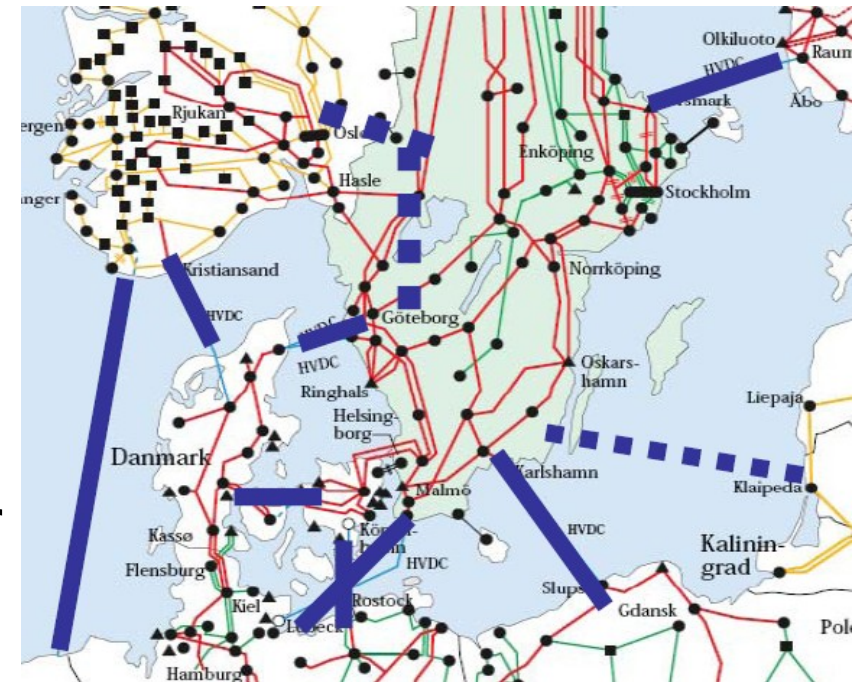
- TSO purchases PLR maximum 2000 MW
- The power is bid into Nordpool spot
- The bid price = latest accepted bid at Nordpool
- Not used bids are moved to the regulating market.
- There is a maximum imbalance price of 5000 Euro/MWh

Transmission capacity challenge

- From power system security point of view, there should be "enough" margins.

Deregulation

- Higher economic pressure → requirements to operate closer to limits
- **But:** Controllability increases possibility to transfer more with the same stability margin.



Risk management of TRM

Transmission Reserve Margin

Challenge

Uncertain load development

Calculate risk for voltage collapse within time δ

Select optimal counter trade = tertiary control = regulating power bids

Method

The Ornstein-Uhlenbeck process

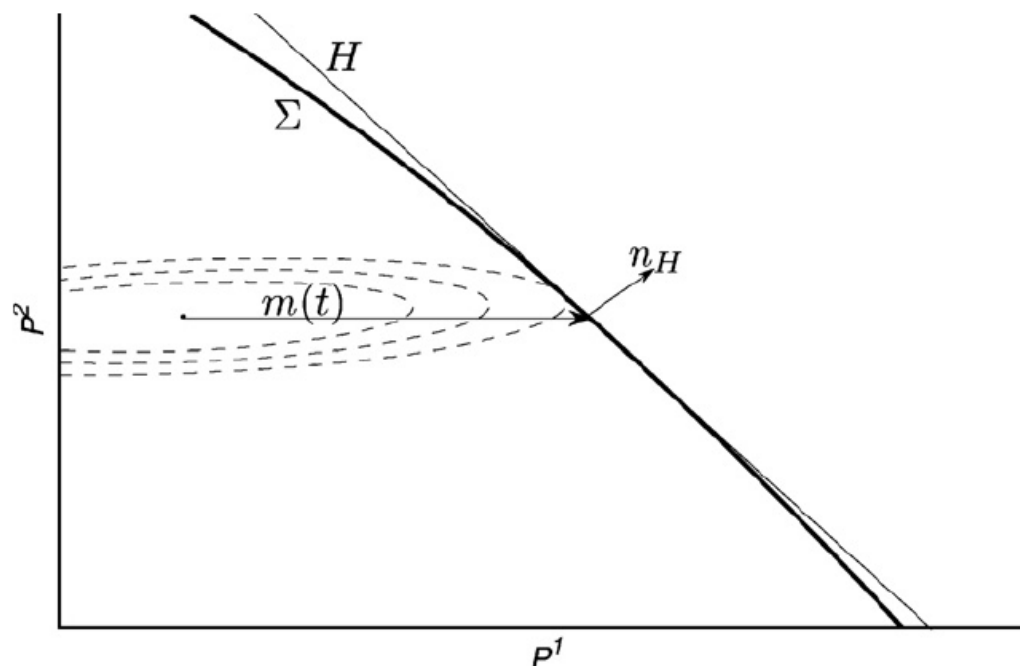
hyperplane approximation

Impulse control (stochastic control)



Risk management of TRM

Transmission Reserve Margin



- Perninge, Söder "On the Validity of Local Approximations of the Power System Loadability Surface", IEEE Transactions on Power Systems, February 2011
- Perninge, Söder "Risk Estimation of the Distance to Voltage Instability using a Second Order Approximation of the Saddle-Node Bifurcation Surface, Electric Power System Research, February 2011

Transmission limits

Coordinated stabilizing control

Challenge

Many controllable components

Aim of control:

- Stabilize
- Accept higher transfer

1. Select signals
2. Identify system
3. Select method
4. Optimal parameters

Method

Many HVDC links

Aim of control:

- Small signal stability - Accept higher transfer

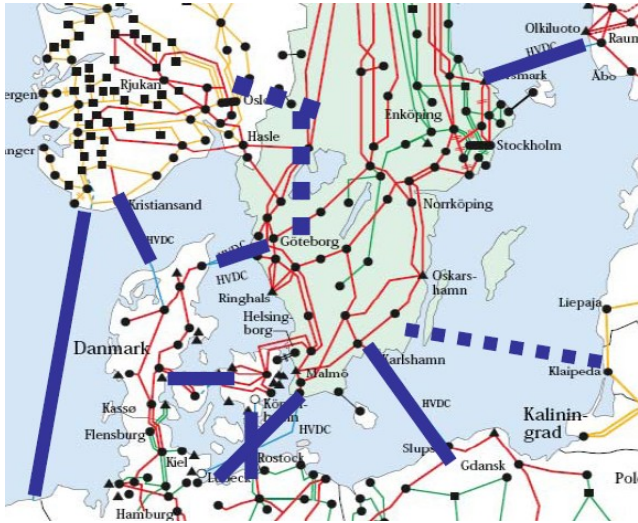
1. Use PMU
2. Disturb → Subspace Identification
3. E.g. LQG-control
4. Optimal parameters

Linear
Quadratic
Gaussian



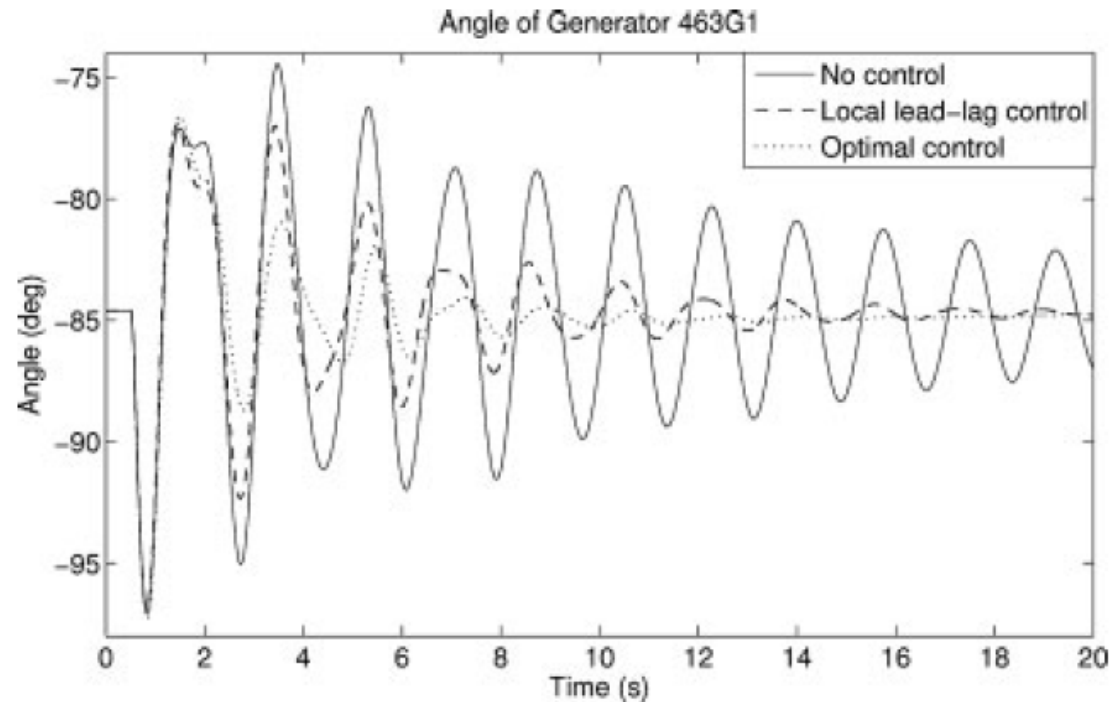
Transmission limits

Coordinated stabilizing control



HVDC – in operation —————

HVDC - planned



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- Eriksson, Söder "Wide-Area Measurement System Based Subspace Identification for Obtaining Linear Models to Centrally Coordinate Controllable Devices", IEEE transactions on power delivery, March 2011

Summary



- More variable power → higher price volatility
- The higher price volatility is needed since other power plants have to vary their production more
- This is independent of "fixed price", "certificates" etc
- There is a true competition between transmission, DSM and flexible production.
- The capacity challenge increases with deregulation and with wind power capacity credit.

Stockholm Royal Seaport – *a future environmental city district and an international showcase*

Key Facts

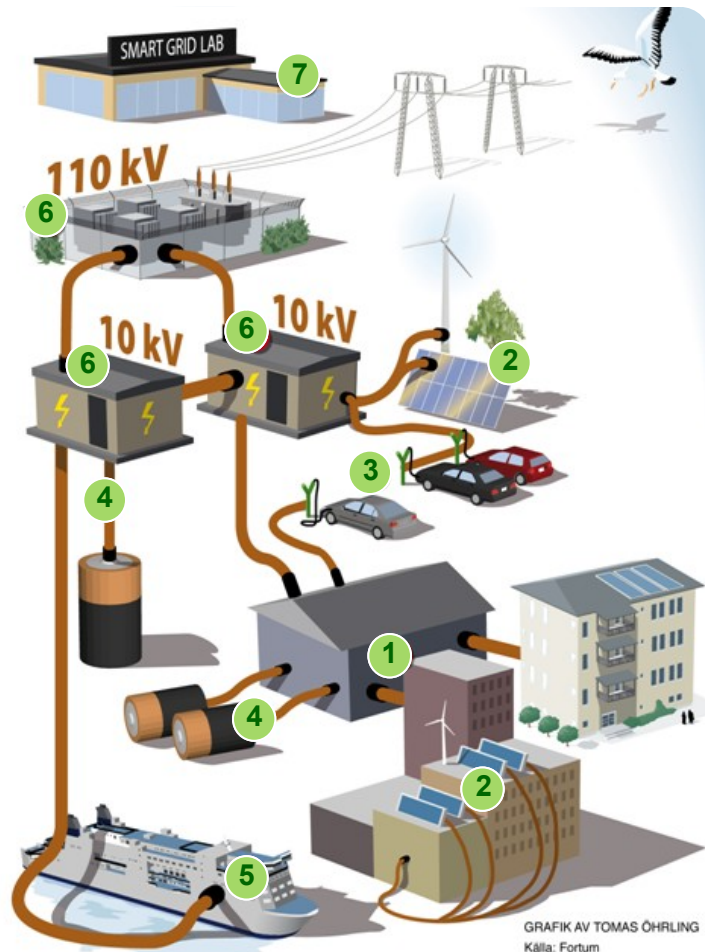
- **Area: 236 hectares.**
Land owned by the City of Stockholm.
- **Building start: 2010**
- **Completion: 2025**
- **Current construction:**
soil remediation,
infrastructure
- **First occupancy: 2012**
- **New apartments: 10,000**

Key Facts

- **New work spaces: 30,000**
- **Commercial areas: 600,000 sqm**
- **Energy target: 55 kWh sqm/year**
- **Distance to city centre: 2,1 miles**
- **Infrastructure: Biogas buses, city tram, metro, district heating, new lanes for pedestrians and cyclists etc.**



Large-scale R&D investments into sustainable electricity systems in an urban environment



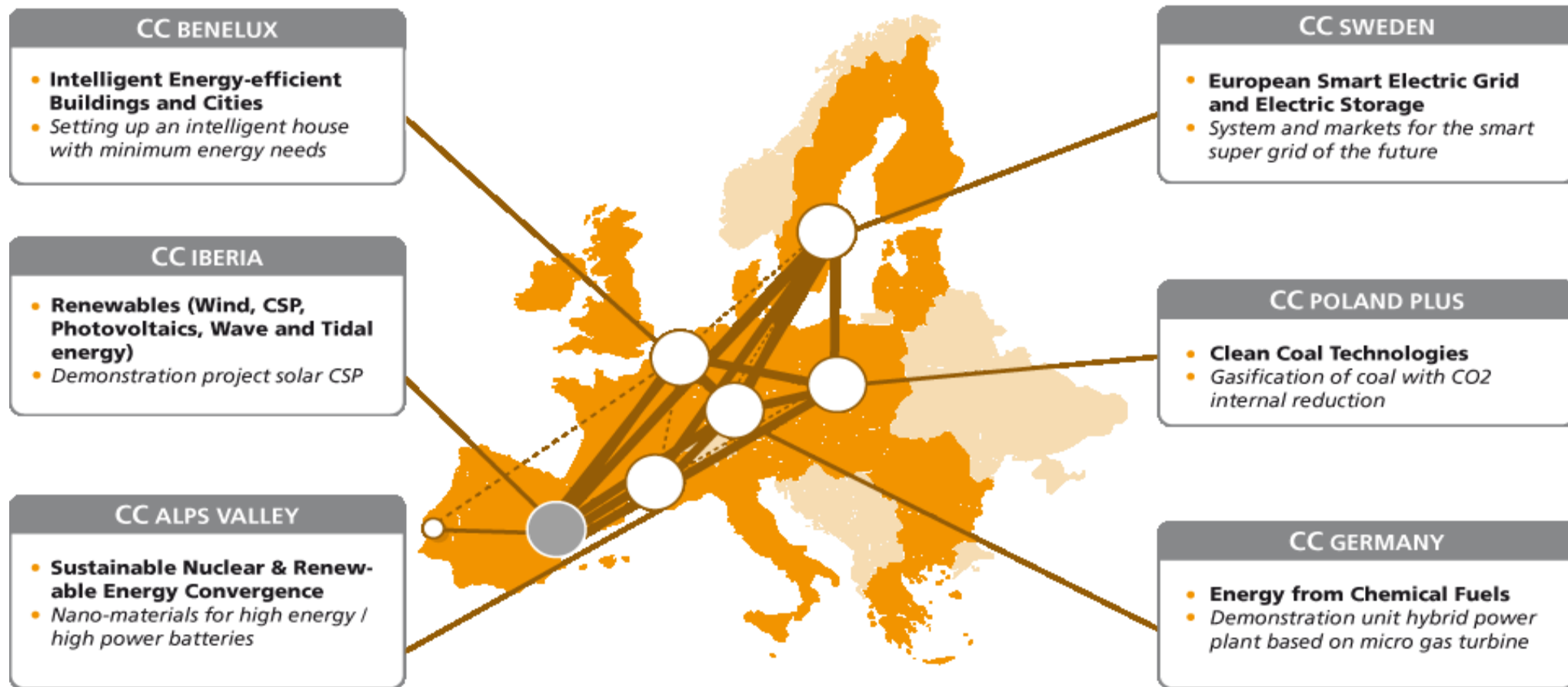
- 1 Active homes and demand control**
 - Increased energy efficiency and peak levelling
- 2 Dispersed local energy production**
 - Integration of local energy production
- 3 Use of electric vehicles and smart charging**
 - An integrated infrastructure for charging electric vehicles
- 4 Energy storage supporting customers and grid**
 - Improved grid quality and levelling out of power peaks
- 5 Smart and electrified port**
 - Reduction of CO2 emissions with high voltage connections for the ships
- 6 Smart grid stations**
 - Improved operational safety through increased automation
- 7 Centre for operations, research and follow-up**
 - Operation, research and development as well as follow up of the smart grid

KIC InnoEnergy – A world class alliance of top European players with a proven track record

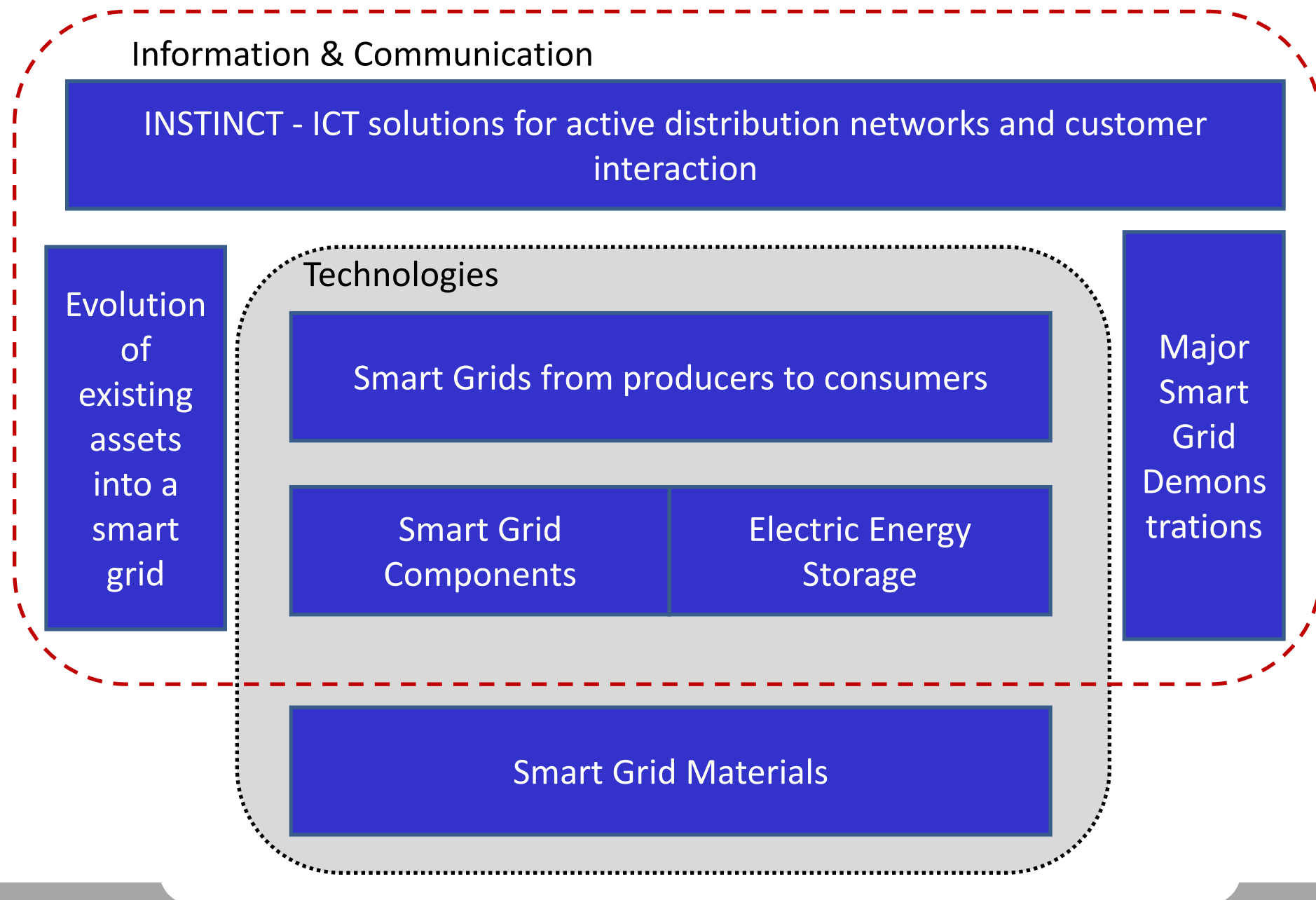


- **13 companies, 10 research institutes, 13 universities**
- **~50% industry partners (incl. associated partners)**
- **>50% of key research players in Europe**
- **Covering the whole energy mix**
- **Knowledge triangle balanced along all dimensions**
- **Strong connection with VCs and local governments**

KIC InnoEnergy will bring innovation to the whole energy-mix coherent with the SET Plan



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Smart grids from power producers to consumers

WP1: *Management and Communication*

WP2: *Operation and design of Smart Grids with new technologies*

WP3: *Application of Smart Grids*

WP4: *Result Dissemination and exploitation plan.*

WP5: *Market Analysis*

Smart Grids

From Producers to Consumers

