

# Optimization under Uncertainty – Scalable Stochastic Programming (Optimization of Complex Systems)

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# 1. Motivation: Management of Energy Systems under Ambient Conditions Uncertainty

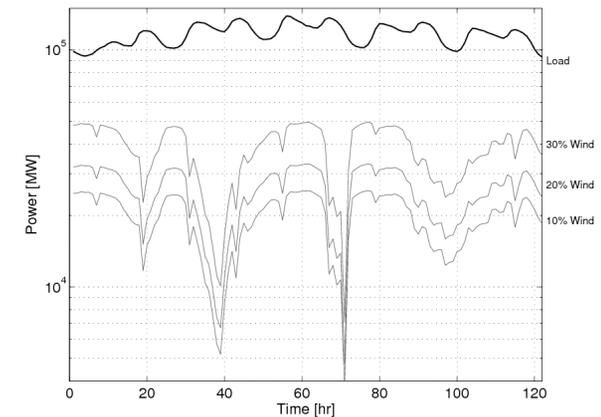
# Ambient Condition Effects in Energy Systems

## Operation of Energy Systems is Strongly Affected by Ambient Conditions

- **Power Grid Management:** Predict Spatio-Temporal Demands (*Douglas, et.al. 1999*)
- **Power Plants:** Generation levels affected by air humidity and temperature (*General Electric*)
- **Petrochemical:** Heating and Cooling Utilities (*ExxonMobil*)
- **Buildings:** Heating and Cooling Needs (*Braun, et.al. 2004*)
- (Focus) **Next Generation Energy Systems** assume a major renewable energy penetration: Wind + Solar + Fossil (*Beyer, et.al. 1999*)



- Increased reliance on renewables must account for variability of ambient conditions, which **cannot be done deterministically ...**
- We must optimize operational and planning decisions accounting for the uncertainty in ambient conditions (and others, e.g. demand)
- **Optimization Under Uncertainty.**



Wind Power Profiles

## Other Optimization under Uncertainty Apps

- Increased Requirement for Uncertainty Quantification is Likely to Require Increased Emphasis on Optimization under Uncertainty.
- Possible Examples:
  - Optimal Nuclear Core Reloading (since fuel is reused in nuclear reactors).
  - Materials-by-Design accounting for model uncertainty.
  - Environmental Remediation – Nuclear Legacy Site Cleanup.
  - Whole Device Modeling for Fusion Applications
  - Infrastructure planning (electricity, gas, water, communication, transportation)
  - .....

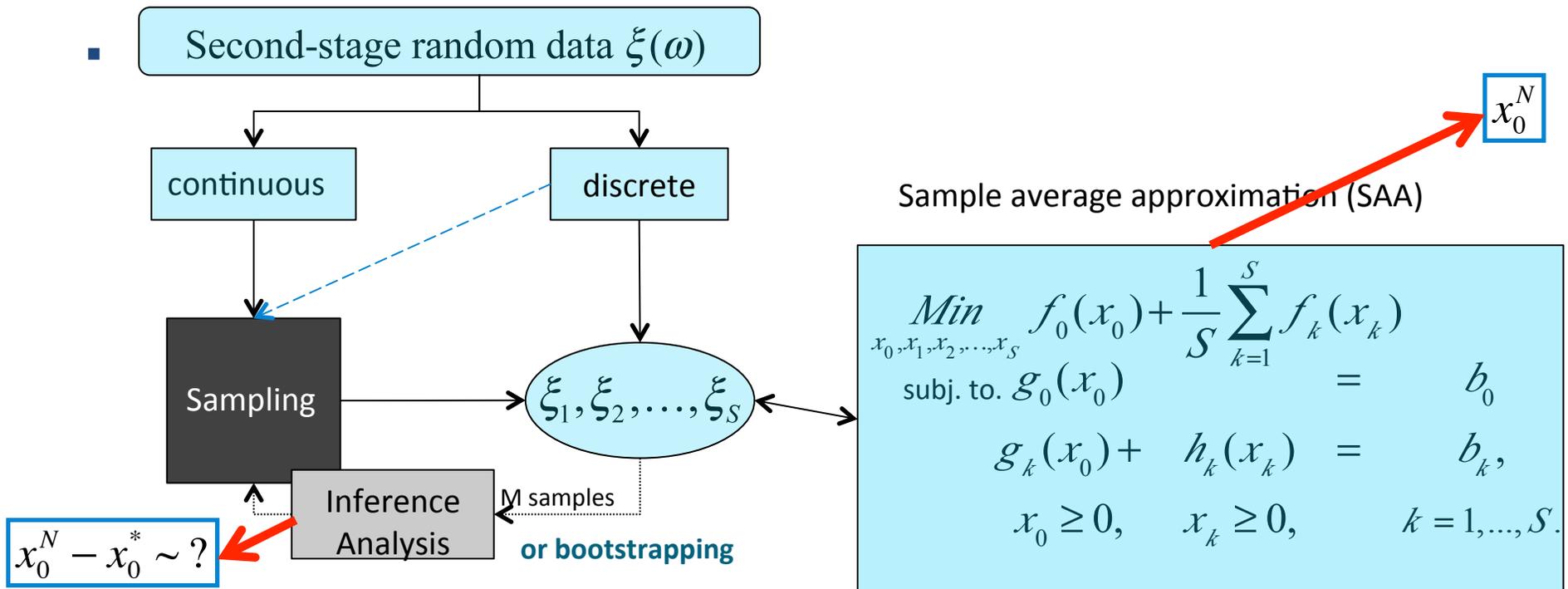


# A leading paradigm for optimization under uncertainty paradigm: stochastic programming.

- Two-stage stochastic programming with recourse (“here-and-now”)

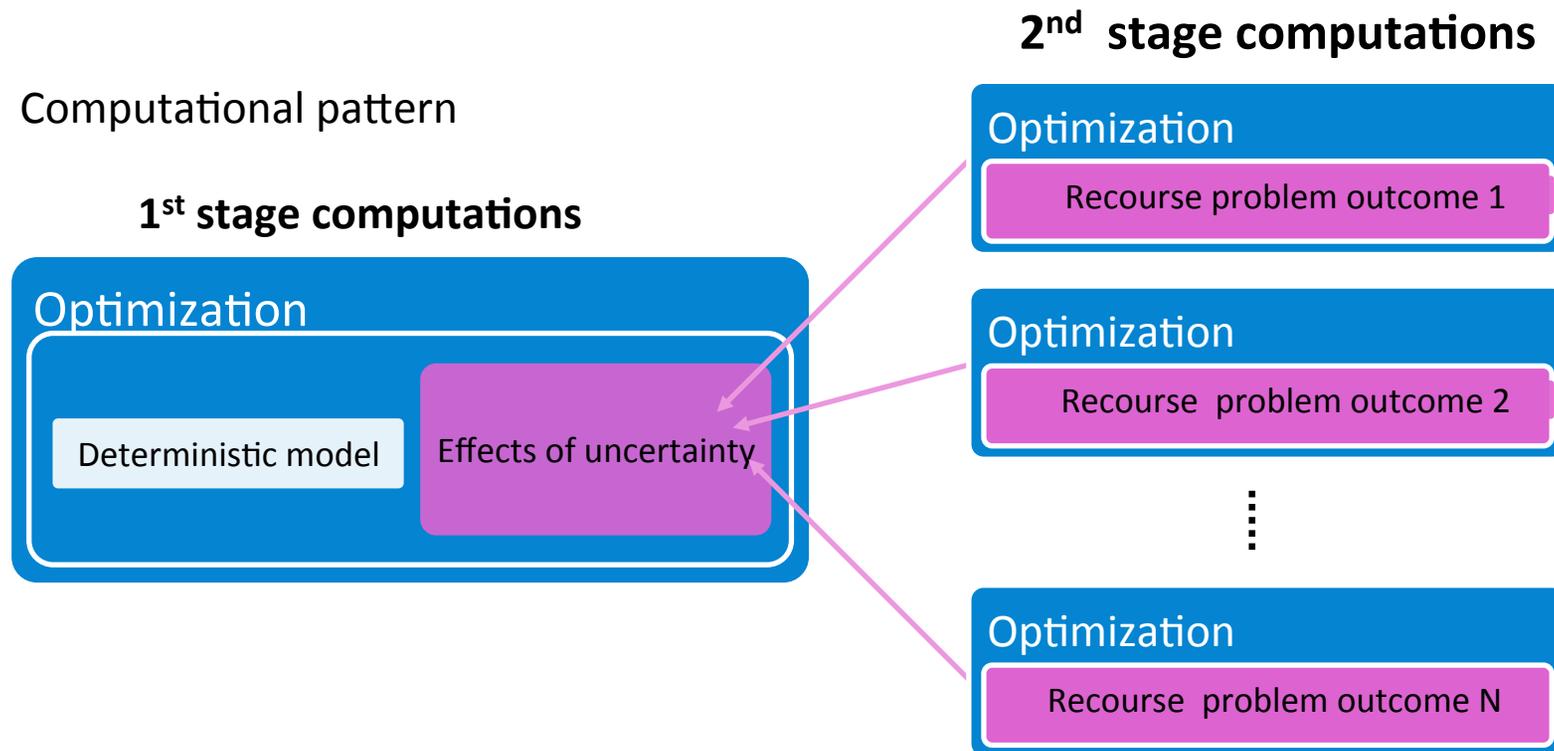
$$\begin{aligned}
 & \underset{x_0}{\text{Min}} \left\{ f_0(x_0) + \mathbb{E} \left[ \underset{x}{\text{Min}} f(x, \omega) \right] \right\} \longrightarrow \boxed{x_0^*} \\
 & \text{s.t. } g_0(x_0) = b_0 \qquad \text{s.t. } h(x, \omega) = b(\omega) - g(x_0, \omega) \\
 & \qquad x_0 \geq 0 \qquad \qquad \qquad x(\omega) \geq 0
 \end{aligned}$$

- Second-stage random data  $\xi(\omega)$



# Stochastic programming – a non-trivial parallel paradigm suitable for next-generation supercomputers

- Computational pattern

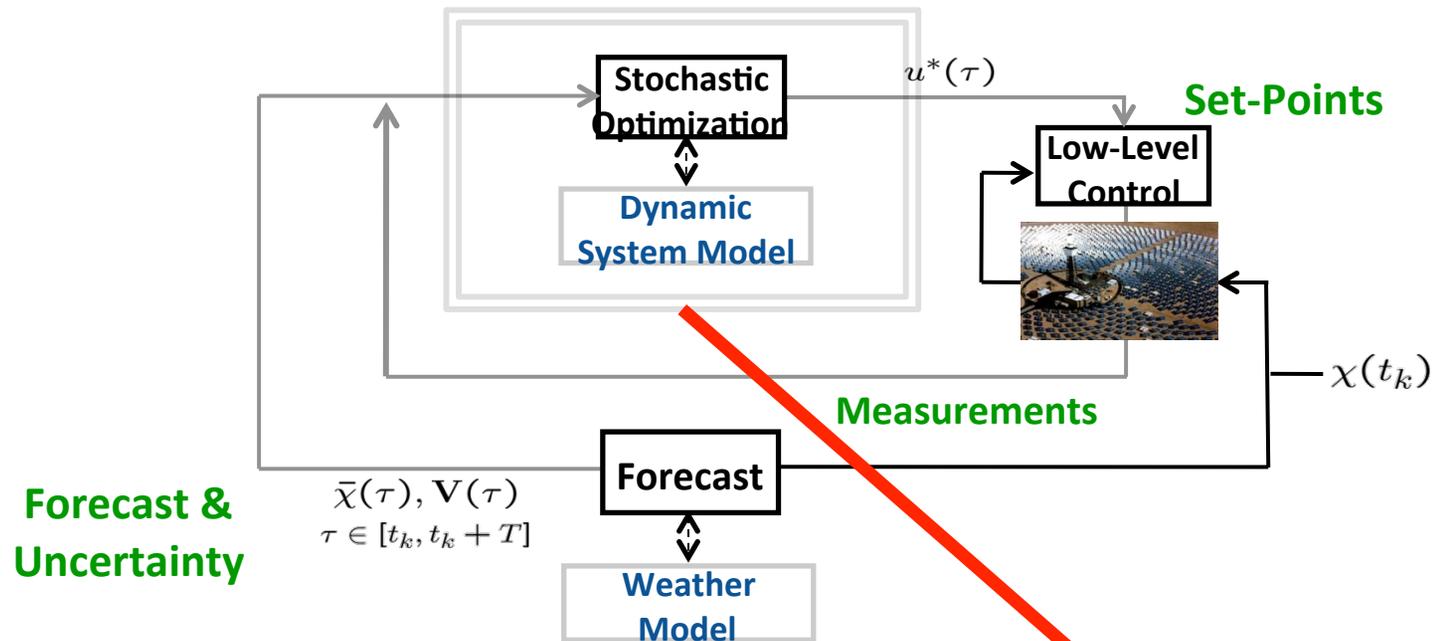


- Extra, in-node parallelization can be obtained for both 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> stage.
- Algorithmic developments are needed to ensure efficient communication, fault resilience and good load balancing.
- Same pattern for statistical model CALIBRATION.**



## 2. Impact: Stochastic Unit Commitment – Management of Energy Systems

# Stochastic Predictive Control



## Two-stage Stoch Prog

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{Min}_{x_0} \left\{ f_0(x_0) + \mathbb{E} \left[ \text{Min}_x f(x, \omega) \right] \right\} \\ \text{subj. to.} \quad & g_0(x_0) = b_0 \\ & g_i(x_0, x_i) = b_i \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, S \\ & x_0 \geq 0, \quad x_i \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

## Stochastic NLMPC

$$\begin{aligned} & \min_{u(t)} \mathbf{E}_{\chi(t) \in \Omega} \left[ \int_{t_\ell}^{t_\ell + N} \varphi(z(t), y(t), u(t), \chi(t)) dt \right] \\ & \left. \begin{aligned} \frac{dz}{dt} &= \mathbf{f}(z(t), y(t), u(t), \chi(t)) \\ 0 &= \mathbf{g}(z(t), y(t), u(t), \chi(t)) \\ 0 &\geq \mathbf{h}(z(t), y(t), u(t), \chi(t)) \end{aligned} \right\} \\ & z(0) = x_\ell \end{aligned}$$

# Stochastic Unit Commitment with Wind Power (SAA)

$$\min \text{ COST} = \frac{1}{N_s} \sum_{s \in \mathcal{S}} \left( \sum_{j \in \mathcal{N}} \sum_{k \in \mathcal{T}} c_{sjk}^p + c_{jk}^u + c_{jk}^d \right)$$

$$\text{s.t. } \sum_{j \in \mathcal{N}} p_{sjk} + \sum_{j \in \mathcal{N}_{wind}} p_{sjk}^{wind} = D_k, s \in \mathcal{S}, k \in \mathcal{T}$$

$$\sum_{j \in \mathcal{N}} \bar{p}_{sjk} + \sum_{j \in \mathcal{N}_{wind}} p_{sjk}^{wind} \geq D_k + R_k, s \in \mathcal{S}, k \in \mathcal{T}$$

ramping constr., min. up/down constr.

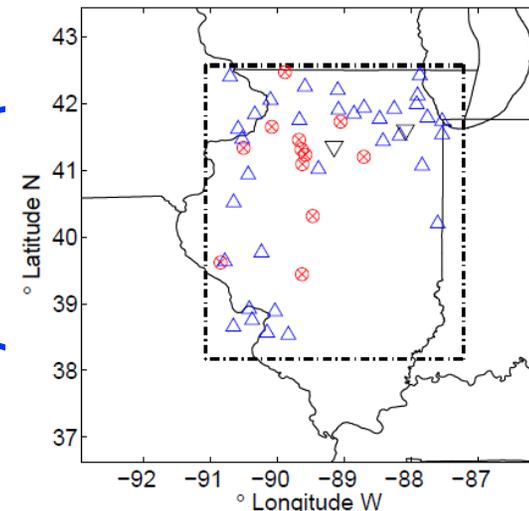
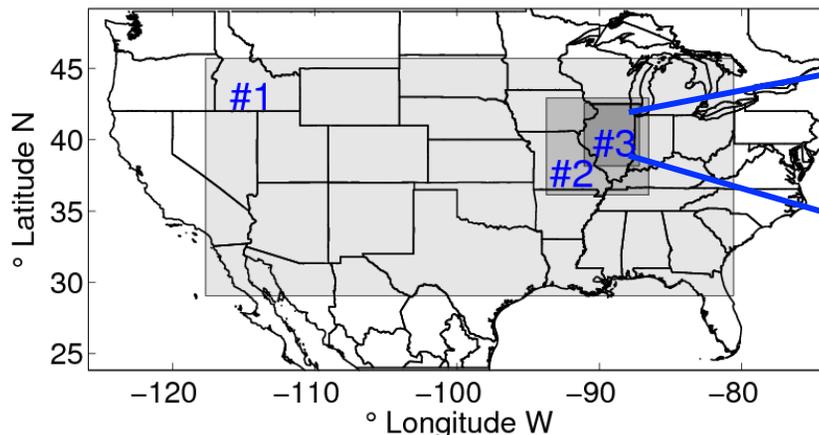
Thermal Units Schedule? Minimize Cost

Satisfy Demand

Have a Reserve

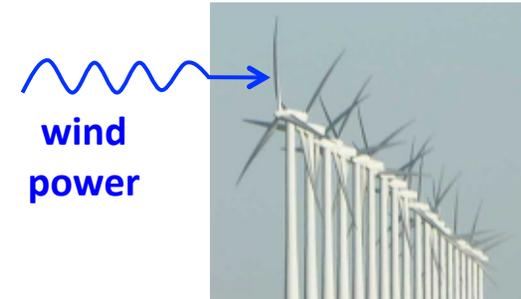
Dispatch through network

- Wind Forecast – WRF(Weather Research and Forecasting) Model
  - Real-time grid-nested 24h simulation
  - 30 samples require 1h on 500 CPUs (Jazz@Argonne)



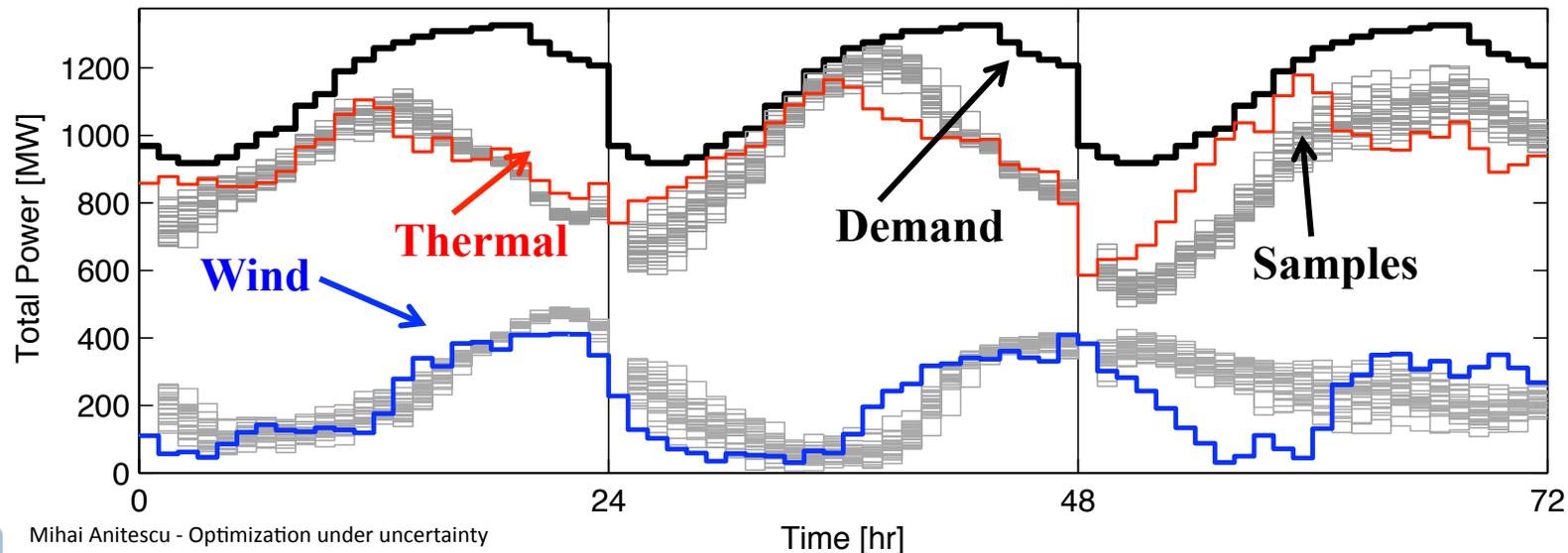
# Wind power forecast and stochastic programming

- Unit commitment & energy dispatch with uncertain wind power generation for the State of Illinois, assuming 20% wind power penetration, using the same windfarm sites as the one existing today.



- Full integration with 10 thermal units to meet demands. Consider dynamics of start-up, shutdown, set-point changes

- The solution is only 1% more expensive than the one with exact information. **Solution on average infeasible at 10%.**



# Some Considerations in Using Supercomputing for Power Grid

- Is it really worth using a supercomputer for this task? (We need the answer every 1hr with 24 hour time horizons. )
- Let's look at the most pressing item of Supercomputing usage: power.
  - BG/P (and exascale) needs  $\sim 20$  MW of power.
  - The Midwest US has 140GW of power installed, and the peak demands runs up to 110GW.
  - We will never reduce power consumption, but we will make it more reliable, less dependent on fossil, and cheaper by better managing the peak
- If we accept this will lead to 10% more renewable penetration (our SUC study), then this is worth on the order of 10-15GW, far above what BG/P costs in power consumption.
- In addition operational constraints makes supercomputing (if uncertainty needed to account for) **necessary** and not just **useful or convenient**.
- But, even if approximations will work, this tool will be helpful as the “gold standard” for validating other algorithms to be deployed on defined computational resources.





### **3. Low-Hanging Fruit Scalable Software: PIPS (Parallel Interior Point Stochastic Programming) – Petra, Lubin, Anitescu**

# PIPS – Our Scalable Stochastic Programming Solver Using Direct Schur Complement Method

- The arrow shape of H

$$\begin{bmatrix} H_1 & & & G_1^T \\ & H_2 & & G_2^T \\ & & \ddots & \vdots \\ & & & H_S & G_S^T \\ G_1 & G_2 & \dots & G_S & H_0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} L_1 & & & & \\ & L_2 & & & \\ & & \ddots & & \\ & & & L_S & \\ L_{10} & L_{20} & \dots & L_{S0} & L_c \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} D_1 & & & & \\ & D_2 & & & \\ & & \ddots & & \\ & & & D_N & \\ & & & & D_c \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} L_1^T & & & & \\ & L_2^T & & & \\ & & \ddots & & \\ & & & L_S^T & \\ & & & & L_c^T \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} L_{10}^T \\ L_{20}^T \\ \vdots \\ L_{S0}^T \\ L_c^T \end{bmatrix}$$

- Solving Hz=r

$$L_i D_i L_i^T = H_i, \quad L_{i0} = G_i L_i^{-T} D_i^{-1}, \quad i = 1, \dots, S,$$

$$C = H_0 - \sum_{i=1}^S G_i H_i^{-1} G_i^T, \quad L_c D_c L_c^T = C.$$

Implicit factorization, C is **dense**, H's are sparse.

$$w_i = L_i^{-1} r_i, \quad i = 1, \dots, S,$$

$$w_0 = L_c^{-1} \left( r_0 - \sum_{i=1}^S L_{i0} w_i \right)$$

Back substitution

$$v_i = D_i^{-1} w_i, \quad i = 0, \dots, S$$

Diagonal solve

$$z_0 = L_c^{-1} v_0$$

$$z_i = L_i^{-T} (v_i - L_{i0}^T z_0), \quad i = 1, \dots, S.$$

Forward substitution

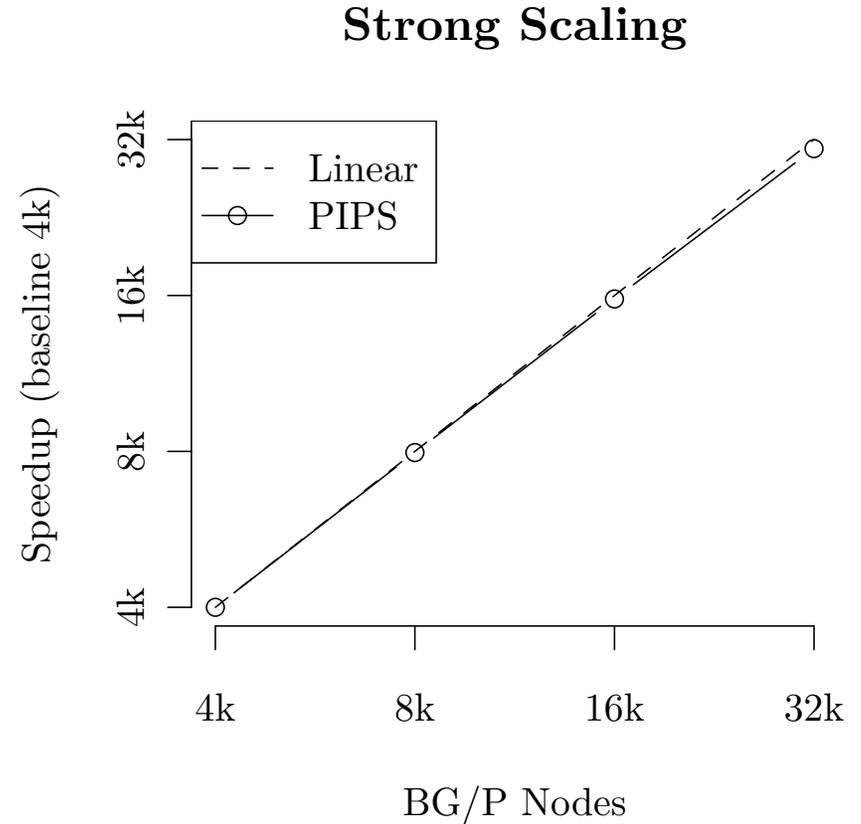
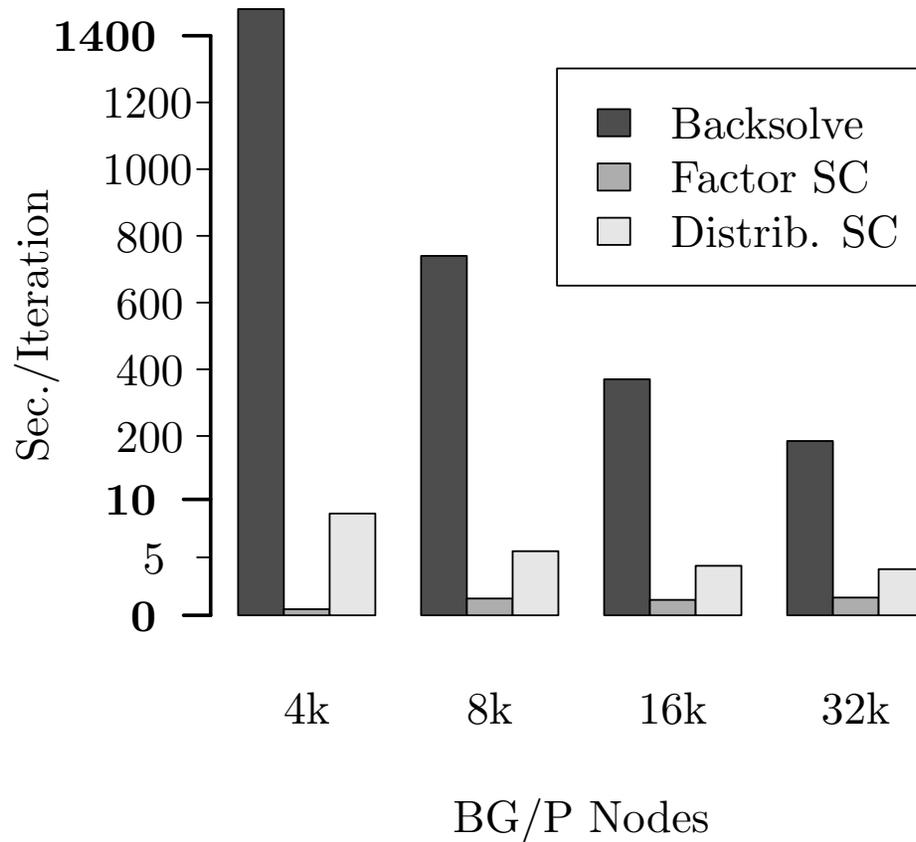
# PIPS – Parallel solver for stochastic optimization

- Interior-point method implementation (Mehrotra's algorithm)
- Scenario-based decomposition of the linear algebra.
- PIPS reuses OOQP (Object-oriented quadratic programming solver) class hierarchy.
- New parallel linear algebra layer for block-angular IPM linear systems.
- Hybrid MPI+SMP parallelization
  
- First-stage Schur complement: **dense** linear algebra.
  - Distributed factorization and backsolves (by using Elemental) if needed.
  - Shared-memory parallelization(SMP) is obtained via Elemental.
  - Distributed assembling of the SC matrix is done by a streamlined **Reduced\_scatter** that is also in-node SMP-accelerated.
  
- Second-stage linear systems are **sparse**.
  - Supports various sparse solvers: MA57 (HSL UK), WSMP(IBM).
  - SMP is obtained with WSMP

## PIPS Solver Capabilities

- Hybrid MPI/SMP running on Blue Gene/P
  - Successfully (though incompletely due to allocation limit) run on up to **32,768** nodes (**96%** strong scaling) for Illinois problem with **grid constraints**. 3B variables, **maybe largest ever solved?**
- Handles up to 100,000 first-stage variables. Previous results dealt with O(20-50).
- Close to real-time solutions (24 hr horizon in 1 hr wallclock)
  - Further development needed, since users aim for
    - More uncertainty, more detail (x 10)
    - Faster Dynamics → Shorter Decision Window (x 10)
    - Longer Horizons (California == 72 hours) (x 3)

# Components of Execution Time and Strong Scaling



- 32K nodes=130K cores (80% BG/P)
- “Backsolve” phase embarrassingly parallel, but not Schur Complement (SC)
- Communication for “Distrib. SC” not yet a bottleneck, but **we will get there.**





## 4. The harder problems need some mathematics





## 4.1 Q1: How do I deal with the impending first-stage bottleneck?

# The Stochastic Preconditioner

- **The limiting factor** in the scalability of Schur method is the expensive solve with **dense** Schur complement matrix

$$C = \tilde{Q}_0 + \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \left[ A_i^T \left( B_i \tilde{Q}_i^{-1} B_i^T \right)^{-1} A_i \right]$$

- A computational bottleneck: workers sit idle waiting for the master to factorize C.
- **Remedy** – the preconditioned Schur complement (PSC)
  - 1. factorize incomplete matrix P in the same time C is computed.
  - 2. use the factorization of P to solve with C very fast.
- In linear algebra terms

- P is a preconditioner for C. Our choice of P is

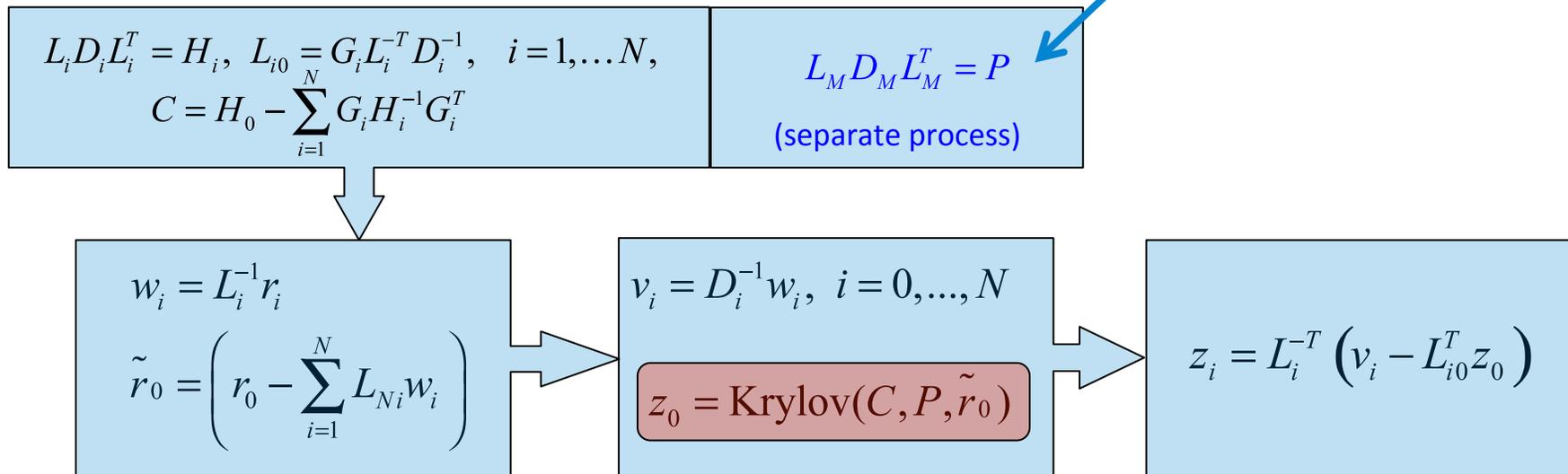
$$S_n = \tilde{Q}_0 + \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \left[ A_{k_i}^T \left( B_{k_i} \tilde{Q}_{k_i}^{-1} B_{k_i}^T \right)^{-1} A_{k_i} \right],$$

where  $\mathcal{K} = \{k_1, k_2, \dots, k_n\}$  is an IID subset of n scenarios.

- Krylov iteratives solves (PCG or BiCGStab) replaces the direct solves

# Preconditioned Schur Complement (PSC)

P is a C built from a subset of scenarios



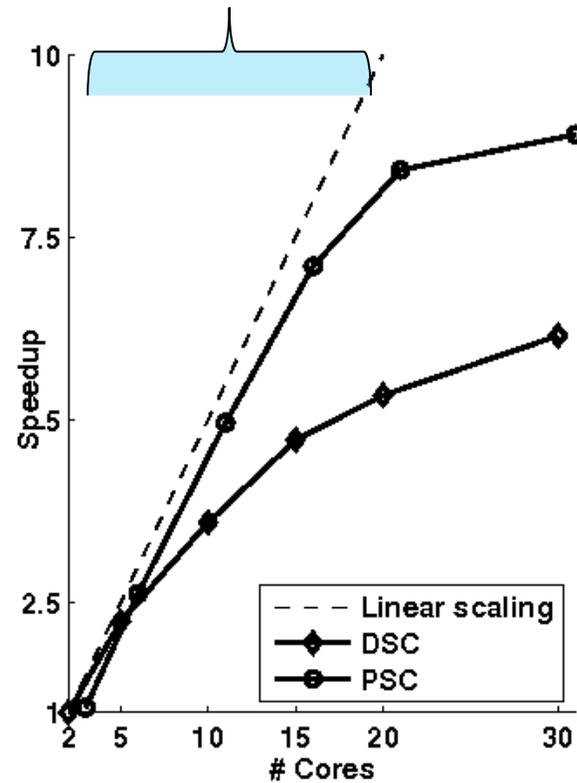
# Quality of the Stochastic Preconditioner

- “Exponentially” better preconditioning (Petra & Anitescu 2010)

$$\Pr(|\lambda(S_n^{-1}S_N) - 1| \geq \varepsilon) \leq 2p^4 \exp\left(-\frac{n\varepsilon^2}{2p^4 L^2 \|S_N\|_{max}^2}\right)$$

- A typical scaling behavior of our approach. Better scaling than the direct Schur complement method (DSC) is exhibited by PSC.
- DSC uses  $p$  processes, PSC uses  $p+1$ .

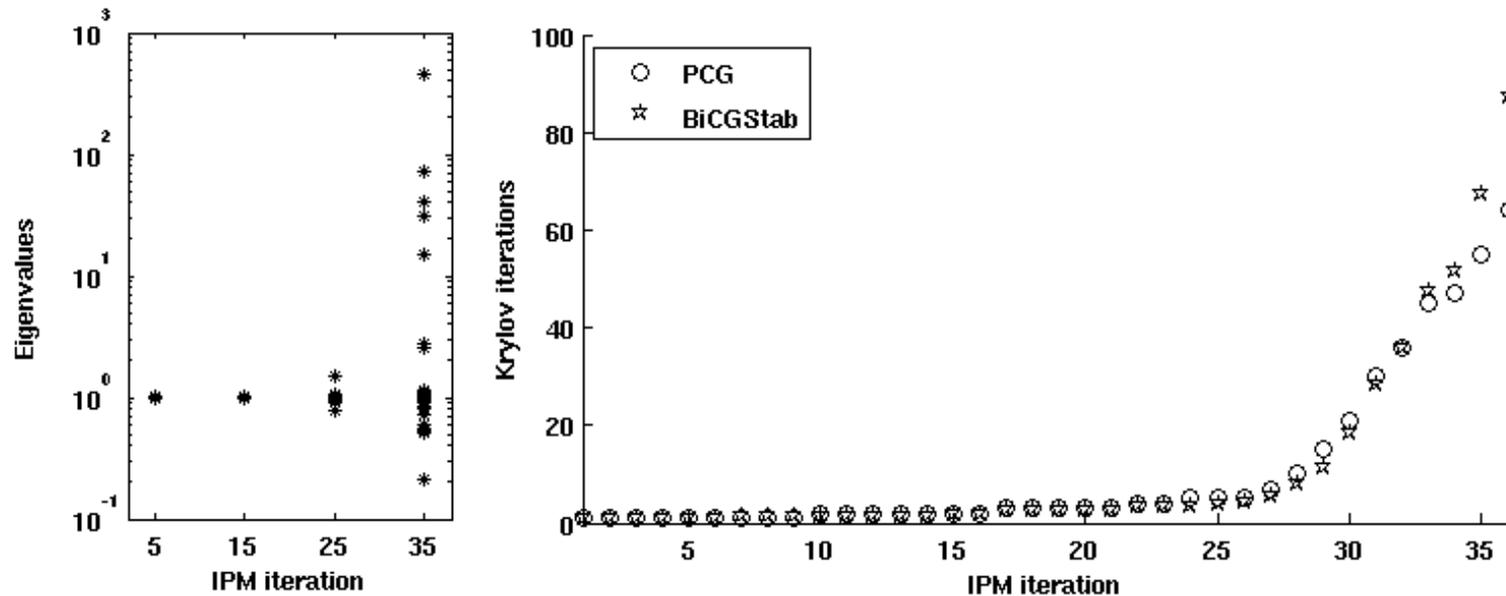
Optimal use of PSC – linear scaling



Factorization of the preconditioner can not be hidden anymore by the computation of C.

# Performance of the preconditioner

- Eigenvalues clustering & Krylov iterations



- Affected by the well-known ill-conditioning of IPMs.

$S_n \approx S_N$  and  $S_N \approx \mathbb{E}[S(\omega)]$ , where

$$S(\omega) = (Q_0 + D_0) + \left[ A^T(\omega) \left( B(\omega) (Q(\omega) + D(\omega))^{-1} B^T(\omega) \right)^{-1} A(\omega) \right]$$



## 4.2 Q2: How do I use very expensive samples?

# Bootstrap for stochastic optimization of energy systems

- Sampling the uncertainty present in complex energy systems may be a computationally intensive task
  - Example: weather forecasting
  - May need **400K CPUs for 30 samples at the resolution we need.**
- Obtaining uncertainty estimates (confidence intervals) on the optimal value is important in policy-making process.
- Only a small number of samples(scenarios) can be afforded. **Therefore an operational constraint makes me start to care about the low-sample size regime and its asymptotics.**
- But how good is the current state of the theory in that regime?



## Theory situation for Stochastic Programming

- Most estimates for SAA are based on results of the following type:

$$N^{0.5} \left[ \frac{\theta - \hat{\theta}}{\hat{\sigma}} \right] \xrightarrow{D} N(0,1)$$

- This allows, in principle, for the convergence of the confidence intervals to be arbitrarily slow.
- Current state of the area is built around application of the Delta Theorem , which provides the results of the type:

$$X_N(\omega) - X(\omega) = o_p(N^{-a}) \Leftrightarrow P(N^a |X_N(\omega) - X(\omega)|) \rightarrow 0$$

- But this is not sufficient for similar results for the confidence intervals !!!

$$X(\omega) = \omega, \quad X_N(\omega) = \begin{cases} -1, & 0 \leq \omega < \frac{1}{\log(N+1)} \\ \omega, & \frac{1}{\log(N+1)} \leq \omega \leq 1. \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} P(\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} N^a |X_N(\omega) - X(\omega)| = 0) = 1 \\ P(X_N(\omega) \leq 0) - P(X(\omega) \leq 0) = \frac{1}{\log(N+1)} \gg N^{-b} \end{cases}$$

- Intuition: Convergence in probability tells me **how well I behave on a “good” set** increasing to probability 1, **but tells me nothing about the bad set.**

## Large Deviation + Bootstrap

- Bootstrap is a resampling method that builds high-order confidence estimates.
- The idea of bootstrapping is to squeeze out information from a small number of samples by resampling (with replacement).
- But it applies only to finite-dimensional functions of means, and the optimal value of stochastic optimization is not one (due to nonlinearity).
- Idea: Use large deviations, to produce **exponentially convergent probability sets**

$$\mathbb{P}(|N^b(\hat{\theta} - \theta)| > \epsilon) = f_1(\epsilon)N^{f_2(\epsilon)} \exp(-f_3(\epsilon)N^c)$$

- Here,  $\hat{\theta}$  depends on the expected value of the objective function and its higher derivatives at the solution of the SAA approximation problem. **We can thus use bootstrap theory to produce confidence intervals for  $\hat{\theta}$  and exponential convergence ensures order stays the same as for bootstrap !!**

## The estimator

- We proposed a corrected statistic, computable at the SAA approximation

$$\Phi = \mathbb{E}[f(x^N)] - \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbb{E}\nabla L(x^N, \lambda^N) \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}^T \begin{pmatrix} \mathbb{E}\nabla^2 L(x^N, \lambda^N) & J(x^N)^T \\ J(x^N) & 0 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbb{E}\nabla L(x^N, \lambda^N) \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

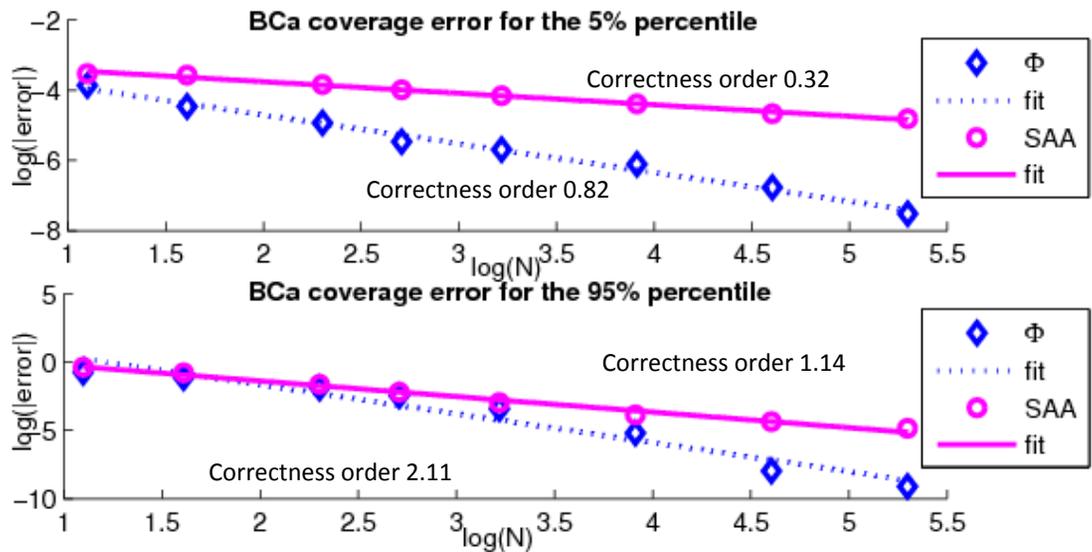
- L is the Lagrangian of the problem and J is the Jacobian of the constraints.
- $x^N$  is the solution of the SAA problem obtained from a sample of size N.
- Bootstrapping is performed based on a second sample of size M, and it works due to the fact that it is now applied at a set point  $x^N$  so finite dimensional results do apply.

# Accuracy of the estimator's confidence levels

- We proved that bootstrap confidence intervals build using  $\Phi$  are close to second order correct for the true optimal value  $\theta = f(x^*)$ :

$$P(\theta \in J_\alpha^b) = \alpha + O(N^{-1+a}), a > 0.$$

- We observed the predicted or better correctness in the numerical simulations



- bootstrapping  $\Phi$  outperforms classical normal approximation method.
- We now have analytical techniques for asymptotics of confidence intervals in SP!





## **4.3 Q3: How do I interact with computationally intensive software-based models for stochastic optimization?**

## Our answer: Output learning with derivative information

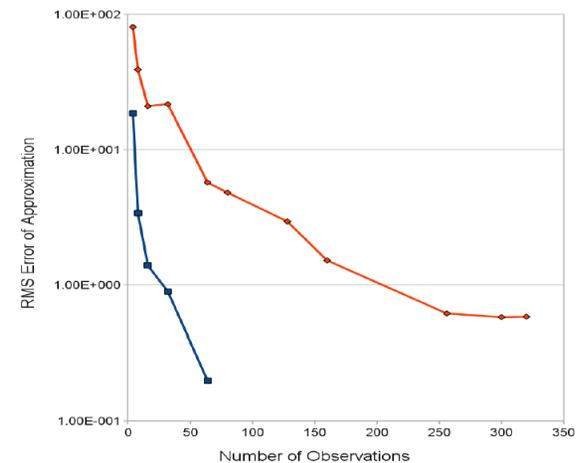
- Setup: outputs (100)  $\ll$  uncertain parameters ( $10^5$ - $10^6$ )  $\ll$  physical state space size ( $10^9$ - $10^{12}$ ).
- Outputs, e.g.
  - Coolant fuel temperature.
  - Peak fuel temperature
- Output (parameters)=? – it is a **machine learning** problem.
- The main observation: **gradients of an output can be computed in 5\*the effort (sometimes FAR less) for the output by adjoints, but provide NP times more information !!!**
- This is radically different compared to machine learning from non-computing experiment data.
- Hypothesis: Using the derivative information, we can reduce the number of samples needed to compute the entire mapping.
- **Hybrid sampling-sensitivity approach.**



# Polynomial Regression with Derivatives, PRD

- PRD procedure, regression equations:
- Note: the only interaction with the computationally expensive model is on the right side!
- We count on AD research to provide the adjoint information.
- Extra information from derivatives results in far fewer samples being needed to approximate system response!
- Raises a lot of **new** important mathematical questions that have not been studied (see Hickernell Poster)
  - How do I choose the basis?
  - How do I choose the sampling points?
  - What error model do I use?

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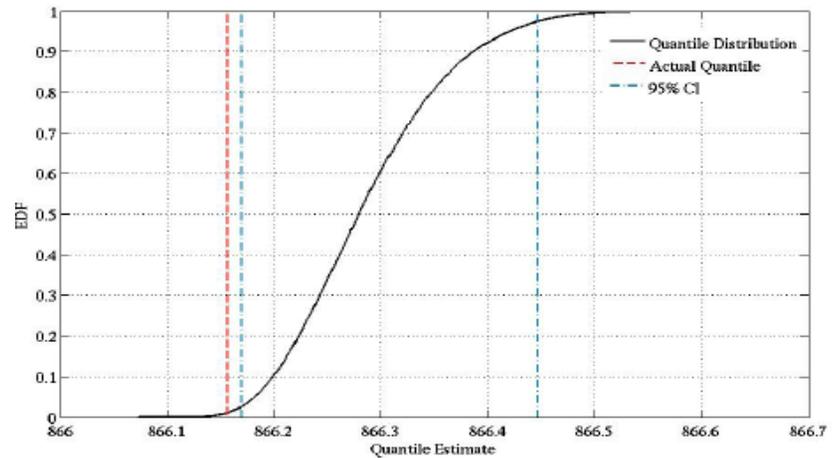
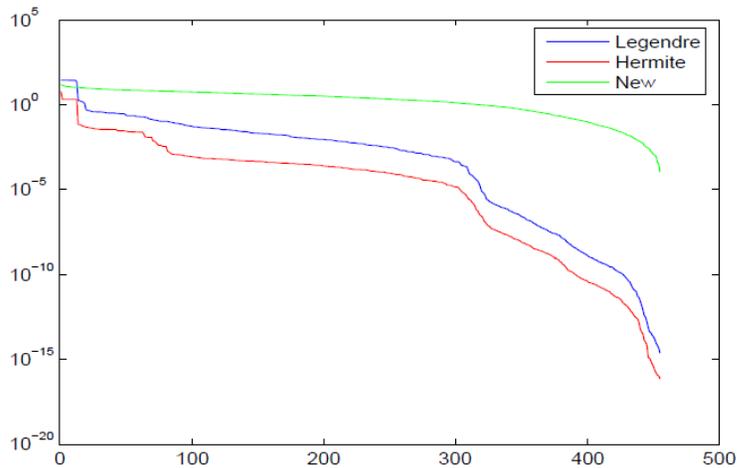


## Some Results:

- Intuition: “good” basis should be orthogonal with respect to inner product that contains gradient information.

$$\int_{\Omega} \left( \Psi_j(A) \Psi_h(A) + \sum_{i=1}^m \frac{\partial \Psi_j(A)}{\alpha_i} \cdot \frac{\partial \Psi_h(A)}{\alpha_i} \right) \rho(A) dA = \delta_{jh}$$

- Intuition: Gaussian processes provide a good error model for regression (8 samples in 12 dimensions!!)
- For more results, see Hickernell poster.





## 5. Secondary Impacts

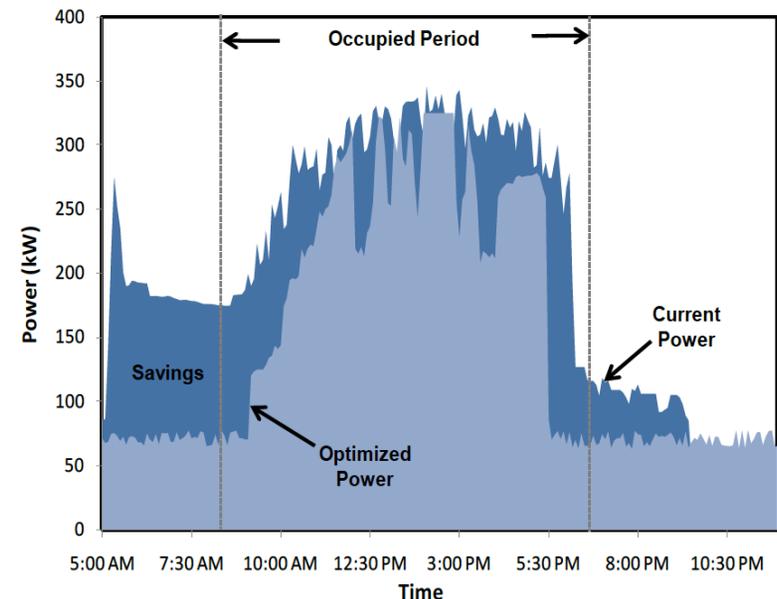
# New Platform: Optimization under Uncertainty for Next-Generation Building Systems

## Deployment of Proactive Systems at Argonne National Laboratory

- Integrates New Sensors, Statistical Models, and Real-Time Optimization
  - Tests in Commercial-Sized Building : ~ 500 Occupants, ~100,000 sq. ft.
  - Energy Savings of Up to 30% in HVAC Energy Demand
    - Key: Anticipation Using Occupancy & Weather Information
    - Key: Adaptive Comfort and Equipment Conditions (Set-Points)
    - Key: Maximize Ambient Air Intake to Condition Building
    - Key: Provide algorithms for limited computational resources
- “in thermostat”



## Predicted Energy Savings at Argonne's Building



## Stochastic Real-Time Optimization for Building Systems

Minimize operation cost

Subject to: Comfort and Hardware Constraints.

Uncertainty: occupancy, ambient conditions, state

## Unusual Features:

### •Data Analysis and Storage

(~1,000 Sensors per Building at High-Frequencies)

### •Statistical and Gray-Box Modeling

(Minimize Technology Cost, Uncertainty Estimates)

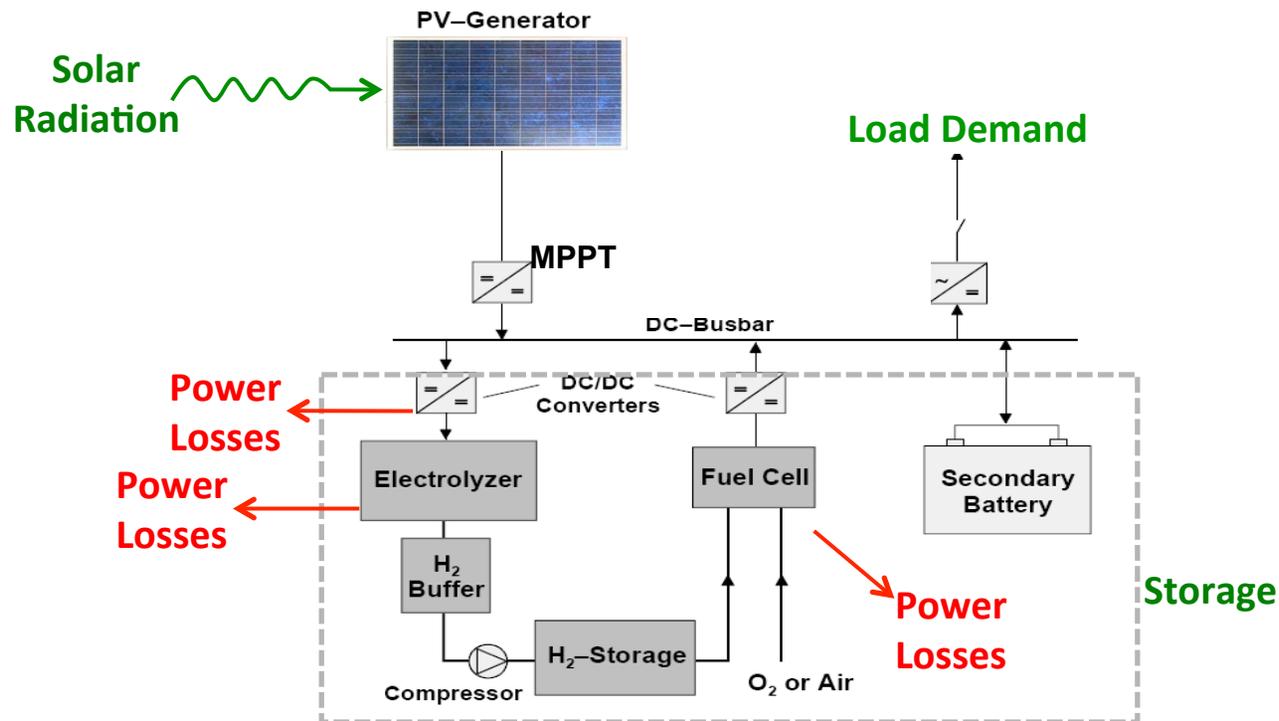
### •Resiliency Requirements

(Sustain Frequent Sensor and Equipment Faults)

**SRTO-Latest Deployment (APS Building, August 23 2011)**

**15% Energy Savings (~ 1MWh) in First Day**

# Hybrid Photovoltaic-H<sub>2</sub> System



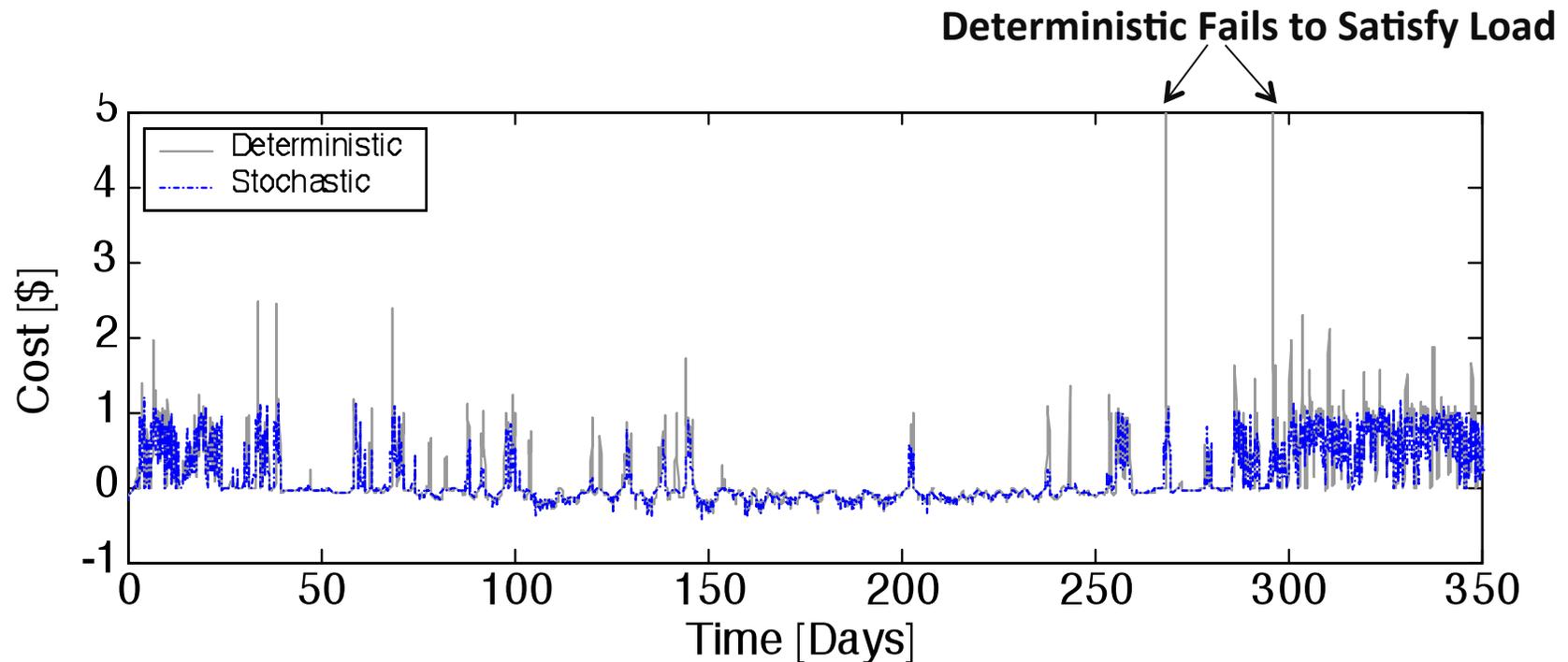
- **Operating Costs Driven by Uncertain Radiation** *Ulleberg, 2004*
  - **Performance Deteriorates by Multiple Power Losses**

Model:

**Problem: Operate to Minimize Operating Costs + Maximize H<sub>2</sub> Production**  
**Subject to: Energy Balances; State-of-Charge, Fuel Cell and Electrolyzer Limits**

# Hybrid Photovoltaic-H<sub>2</sub> System

Load Satisfaction Deterministic (“Optimization on Mean”) vs. Stochastic



Therefore, the alternative to stochastic programming can turn out **infeasible !!**

Handling Stochastic Effects Particularly Critical in Grid-Independent Systems

## Conclusions

- Optimization under Uncertainty is a paradigm that is required by a broad array of applications.
- Its computational pattern is nontrivial, yet, very promising on new and probable architectures.
- We developed a scalable solver, PIPS, that scales strongly to up to 80% of BG/P for the power grid problems that require it.
- We resolved some of the probable bottlenecks by mathematical analysis, such as the impending loss of scalability due to the size of the master problems; and the slow convergence of the a posteriori error estimation in stochastic programming.
- Impact both highest end computing e.g. exascale and ubiquitous computing, e.g. your thermostat.

## Future: How to deal with $O(1000)$ larger problem (and new architectures?)

- Need modeling language for demonstrating the potential of stochastic programming for parallel computing on actual applications.
- More Asynchronous Algorithms (stochastic preconditioner a first step)
- Understand inference better for stochastic programming given the limitations of
  - Functional Convergence?
  - Resampling for infinite dimensional settings?
  - ....
- Extend approach to multistage stochastic programming?
- How to deal with integers for very large scale? Hybridize Simplex-Interior Point at exascale?

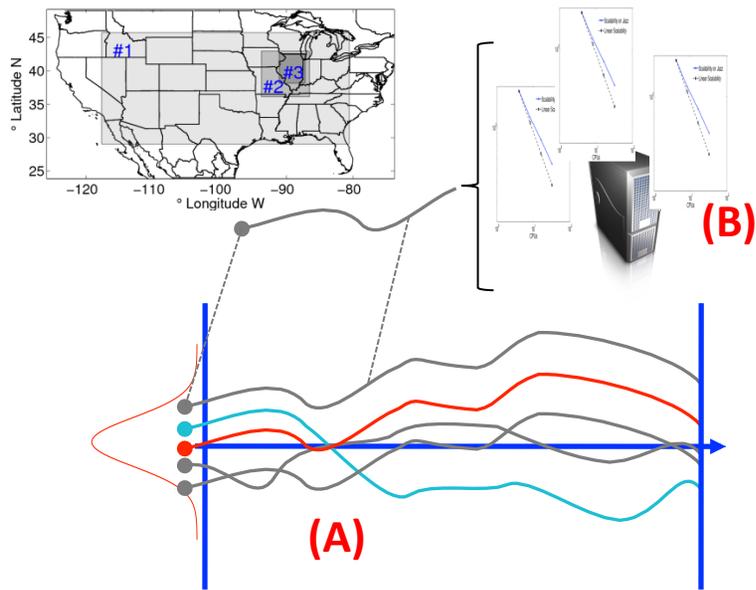
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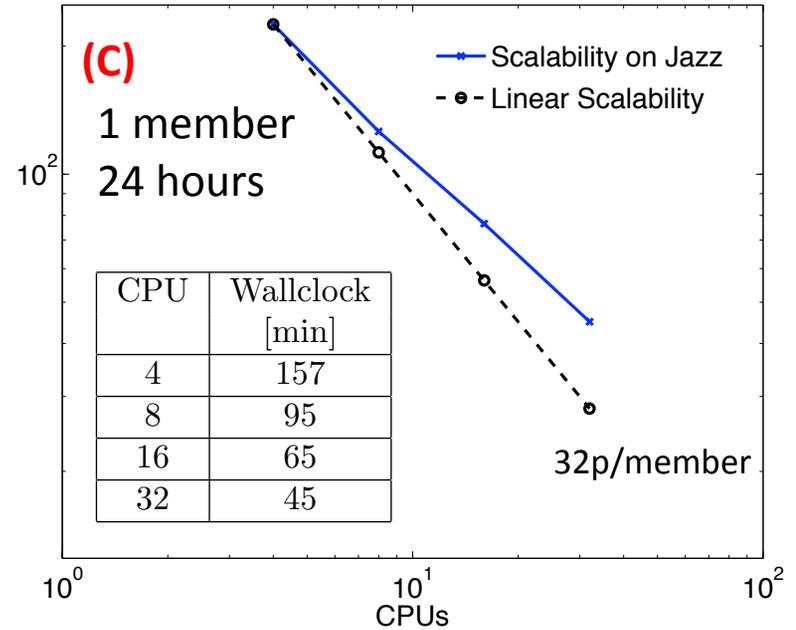


# WRF scalability on Jazz

- Two-level parallelization scheme – very scalable: **(A)** realizations are independent, **(B)** each is parallelized, and **(C)** explicit



	Grid	Size
US:	#1 - 32 km <sup>2</sup>	130 × 60
	#2 - 6 km <sup>2</sup>	126 × 121
Illinois:	#3 - 2 km <sup>2</sup>	202 × 232



- 24 hours [simulation time] -> one hour [real time] on Jazz with 30 members; [2 km]; (almost) linear scalability with area **(C)**

- ✓ Illinois [2km]: 500 processors
- US [2 km]: ~50,000 processors
- US [1 km]: ~400,000 processors

# NLMPC Receding Horizon Optimization

**Benefits:** Accommodate Forecasts, Constraint Handling, Financial Objectives, Complex Models

**Deterministic NLMPC**

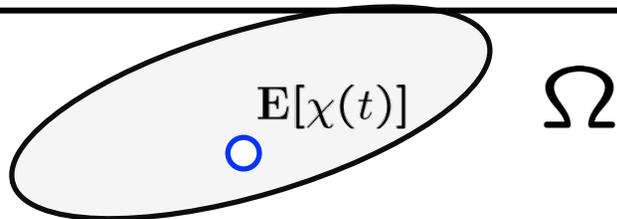
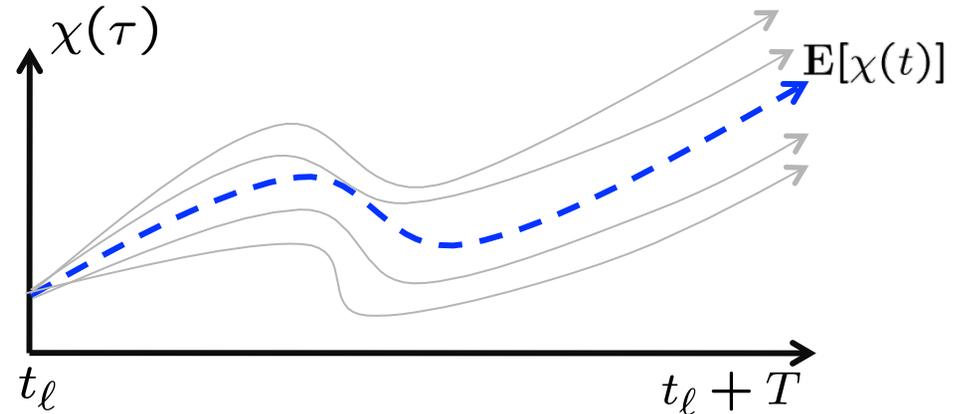
$$\min_{u(t)} \int_{t_\ell}^{t_\ell+N} \varphi(z(t), y(t), u(t), \mathbf{E}[\chi(t)]) dt$$

$$\frac{dz}{dt} = f(z(t), y(t), u(t), \mathbf{E}[\chi(t)])$$

$$0 = g(z(t), y(t), u(t), \mathbf{E}[\chi(t)])$$

$$0 \geq h(z(t), y(t), u(t), \mathbf{E}[\chi(t)])$$

$$z(0) = x_\ell$$



**Complexity (Solution Time)**

**1,000 – 10,000 Differential-Algebraic Eqns**

**100-1000 Scenarios**

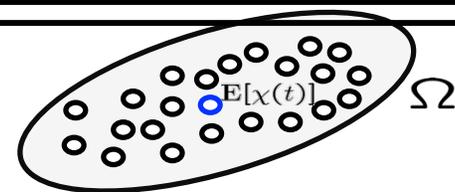
**First entry of control law implemented →  
recede horizon → restart**

**Stochastic NLMPC**

$$\min_{u(t)} \mathbf{E}_{\chi(t) \in \Omega} \left[ \int_{t_\ell}^{t_\ell+N} \varphi(z(t), y(t), u(t), \chi(t)) dt \right]$$

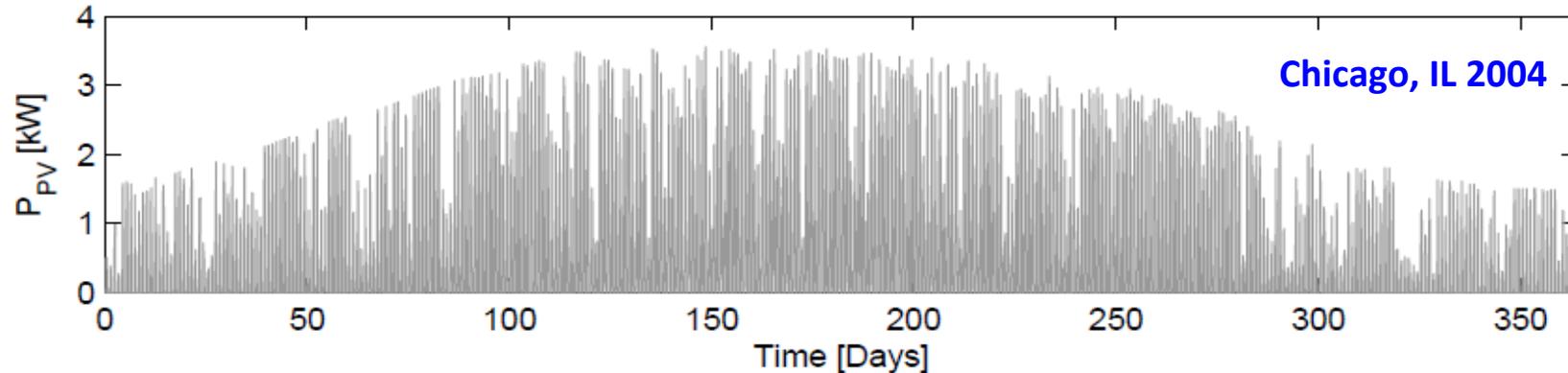
$$\left. \begin{aligned} \frac{dz}{dt} &= f(z(t), y(t), u(t), \chi(t)) \\ 0 &= g(z(t), y(t), u(t), \chi(t)) \\ 0 &\geq h(z(t), y(t), u(t), \chi(t)) \end{aligned} \right\} \forall \chi(t) \in \Omega$$

$$z(0) = x_\ell$$



# Hybrid Photovoltaic-H<sub>2</sub> System

Effect of Forecast on Economics Z., Anitescu, Krause 2009



**True Future Radiation**

$$\min_{u(t)} \int_{t_\ell}^{t_\ell+N} \varphi(z(t), y(t), u(t), \chi(t)) dt \quad \text{Minimize Operating Costs + Maximize H}_2 \text{ Production}$$

$$\frac{dz}{dt} = f(z(t), y(t), u(t), \chi(t)) \quad \text{Energy Balances}$$

$$0 = g(z(t), y(t), u(t), \chi(t))$$

$$0 \geq h(z(t), y(t), u(t), \chi(t)) \quad \text{State-of-Charge, Fuel Cell and Electrolyzer Limits}$$

$$z(0) = x_\ell$$

- **Forecast Horizon of One Year** – Highest Achievable Profit
- **Receding-Horizon with 1hr, 1 Day, ..., 14 Days Forecast** - 8,700 Problems in Each

Scenario



## Math Summary

- To deal with the impending bottleneck of the master problem we developed a stochastic preconditioner + Krylov instead of the direct solve. **Proved exponential convergence to optimal preconditioning.**
- To deal with the very expensive weather samples in a posteriori inference we removed the impreciseness of current technology in confidence intervals by using a resampling approach.
- $P(\theta \in \hat{J}) = P_{normal} + O(N^{-1+a}), a > 0.$

## Parallelizing the 1<sup>st</sup> stage linear algebra

- We **distribute** the 1<sup>st</sup> stage Schur complement system.

$$C = \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{Q} & A_0^T \\ A_0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \tilde{Q} \text{ dense symm. pos. def.}, \quad A_0 \text{ sparse full rank.}$$

- C is treated as dense.
- Alternative to PSC for problems with large number of 1<sup>st</sup> stage variables.
- Removes the memory bottleneck of PSC and DSC.
- We investigated ScaLapack, Elemental (successor of LAPACK)
  - None have a solver for symmetric indefinite matrices (Bunch-Kaufman);
  - LU or Cholesky only.
  - So we had to think of modifying either.



## Cholesky-based LDL<sup>T</sup> -like factorization

- Can be viewed as an “implicit” normal equations approach.
- In-place implementation inside Elemental: no extra memory needed.
- Idea: modify the Cholesky factorization, by changing the sign after processing  $p$  columns.
- It is much easier to do in Elemental, since this distributes elements, not blocks.
- Twice as fast as LU
- Works for more general saddle-point linear systems, *i.e.*, pos. semi-def. (2,2) block.

# Bootstrap for stochastic optimization of energy systems

- Sampling the uncertainty present in complex energy systems may be a computationally intensive task
  - Example: weather forecasting
  - May need 400K CPUs for 30 samples at the resolution we need.
- Only a small number of samples(scenarios) can be afforded.
- Obtaining uncertainty estimates on the optimal value is important in policy-making process
- Classical statistical inference (e.g, building a 95% confidence interval  $J$  )
  - is only first order correct:  $P(\theta \in J) = 0.95 + O(N^{-1/2})$
  - is unreliable for a small number of scenarios.



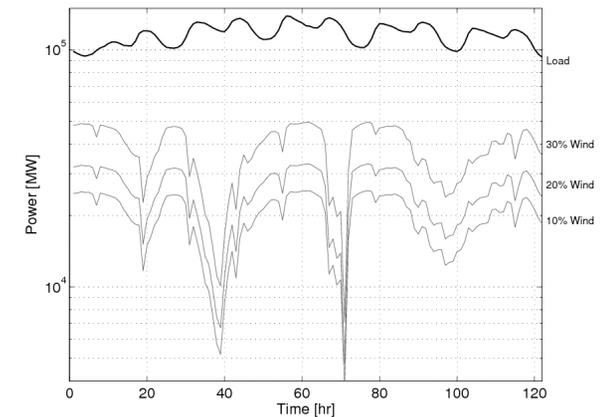
# Ambient Condition Effects in Energy Systems

## - Operation of 90% of Energy Systems is Affected by Ambient Conditions

- **Power Grid Management:** Predict Demands (*Douglas, et.al. 1999*)
- **Power Plants:** Production Levels (*General Electric*)
- **Petrochemical:** Heating and Cooling Utilities (*ExxonMobil*)
- **Buildings:** Heating and Cooling Needs (*Braun, et.al. 2004*)
- (Focus) **Next Generation Energy Systems** assume a major renewable energy penetration: Wind + Solar + Fossil (*Beyer, et.al. 1999*)



- But increased reliance on renewables must account for variability of ambient conditions, which **cannot be done deterministically ...**
- We must optimize operational and planning decisions accounting for the uncertainty in ambient conditions (and other, e.g. load) –
- **Optimization Under Uncertainty.**



Wind Power Profiles

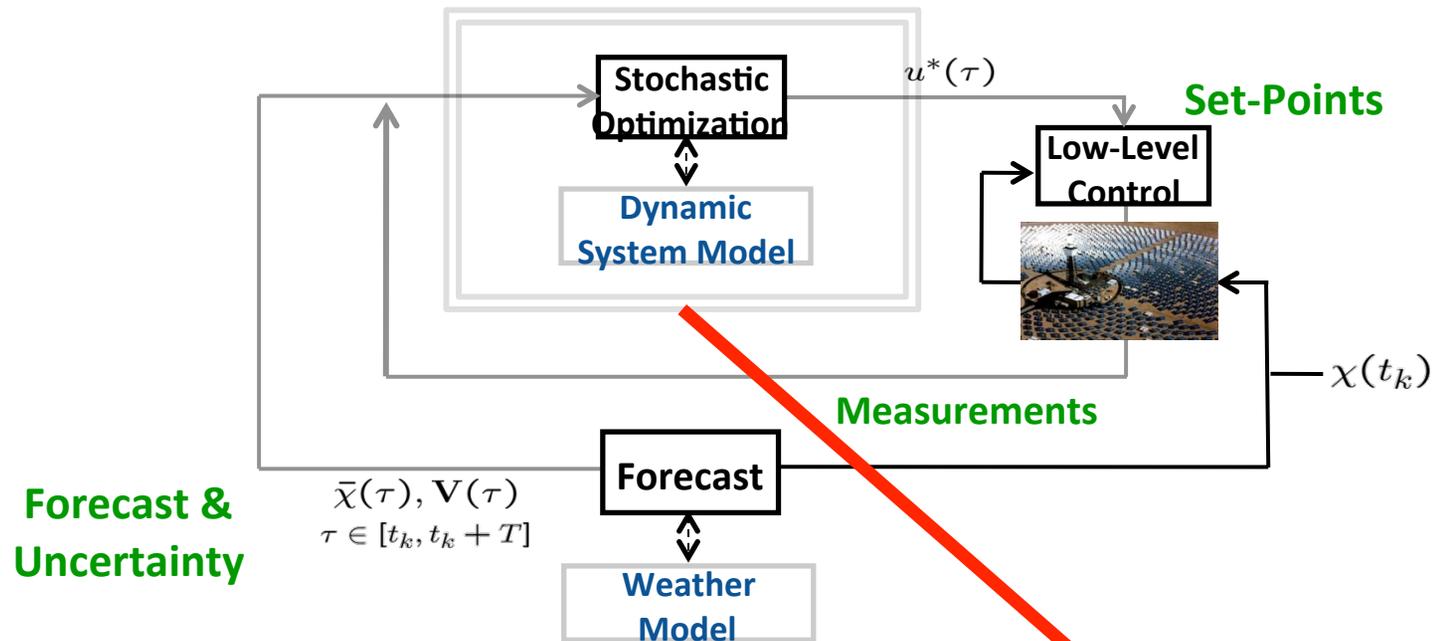


# Other Optimization under Uncertainty Apps

- Increased Requirement for Uncertainty Quantification is Likely to Require Increased Emphasis on Optimization under Uncertainty.
- Possible Examples:
  - Optimal Nuclear Core Reloading (since fuel is reused in nuclear reactors).
  - Materials-by-Design accounting for model uncertainty.
  - Environmental Remediation – Nuclear Legacy Site Cleanup.
  - Whole Device Modeling for Fusion Applications
  - .....



# Stochastic NLMPC



**Two-stage Stoch Prog**

$$\text{Min}_{x_0} \left\{ f_0(x_0) + \mathbb{E} \left[ \text{Min}_x f(x, \omega) \right] \right\}$$

subj. to.

$$g_0(x_0) = b_0$$

$$g_i(x_0, x_i) = b_i \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, S$$

$$x_0 \geq 0, \quad x_i \geq 0$$

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