
Proactive Energy Management for Next-Generation Building Systems

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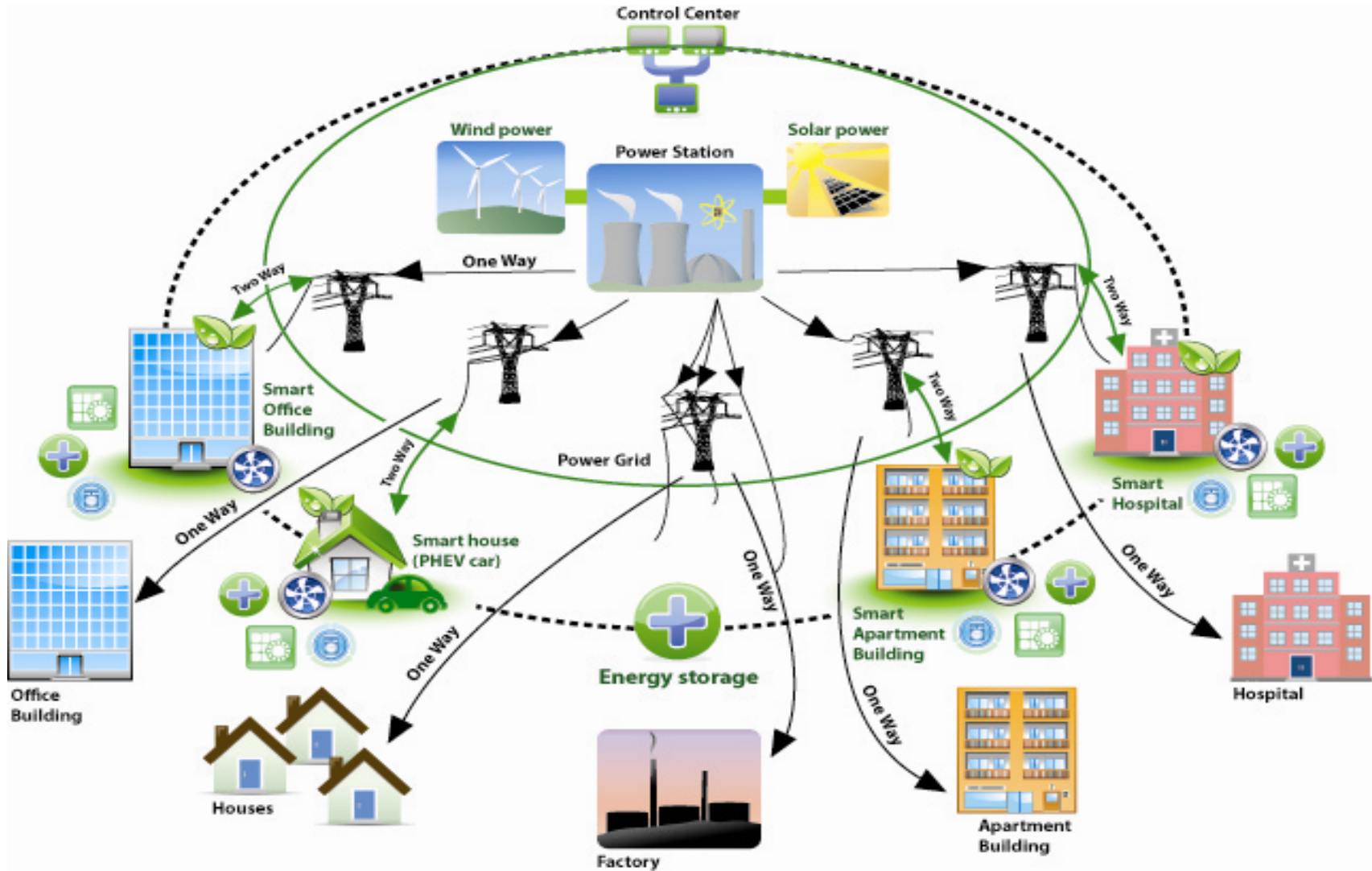
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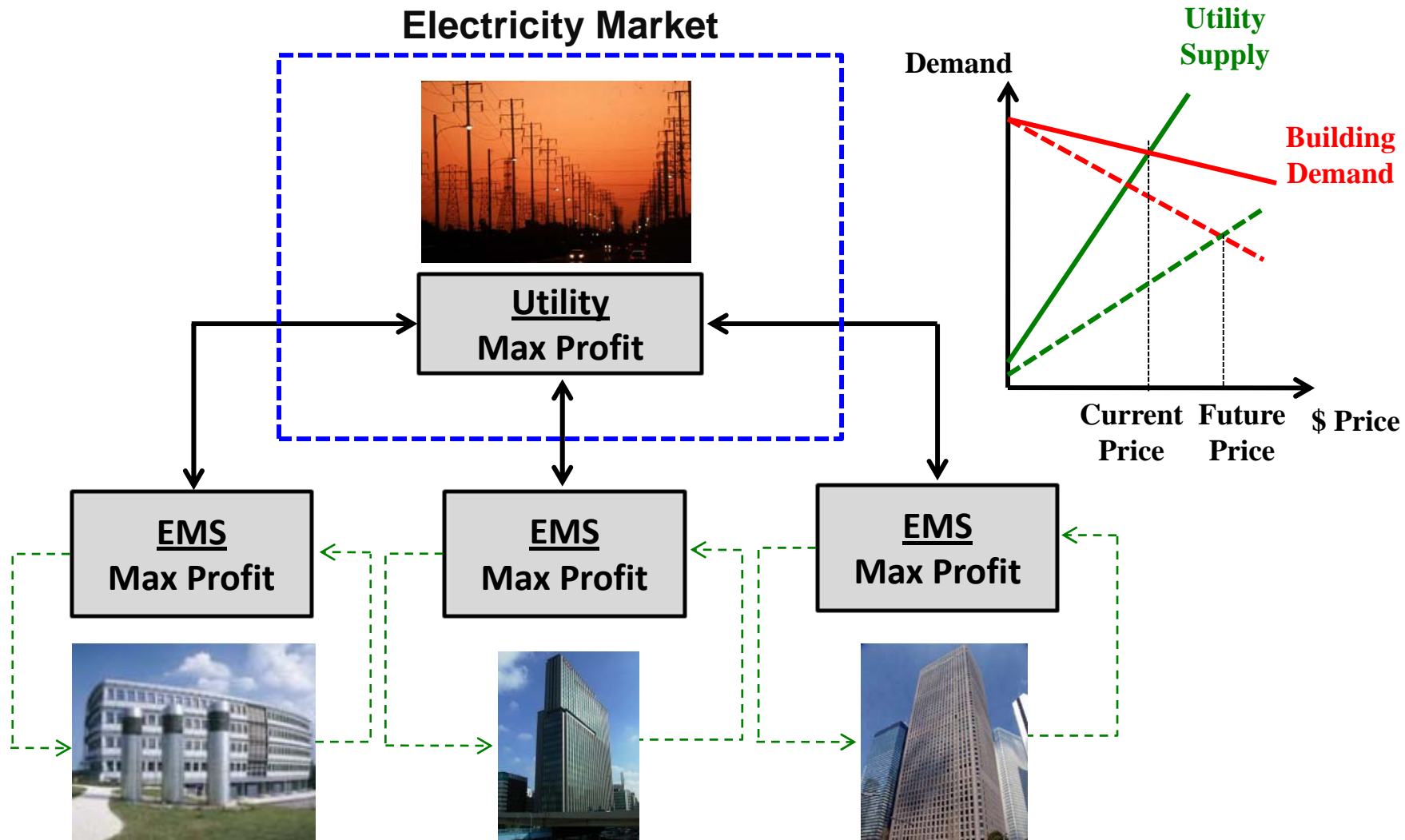
Next-Generation Grid



Distributed Generation and Elastic Demands: Real-Time Pricing, Demand-Response

Buildings use Optimization for Energy Management: Grid-Building Game

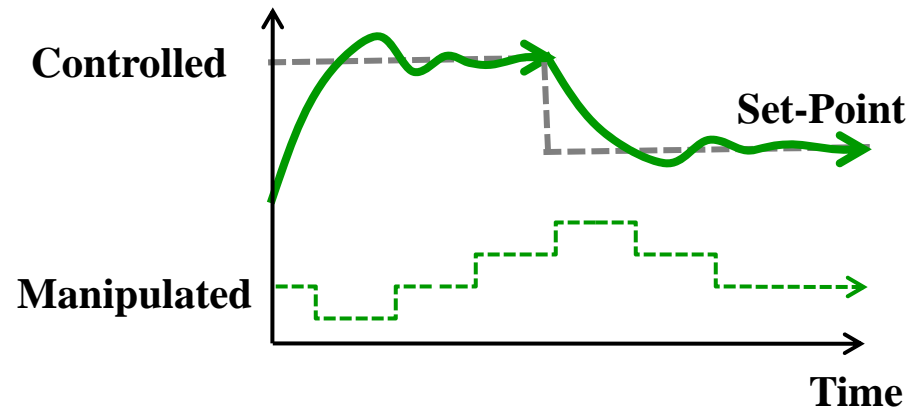
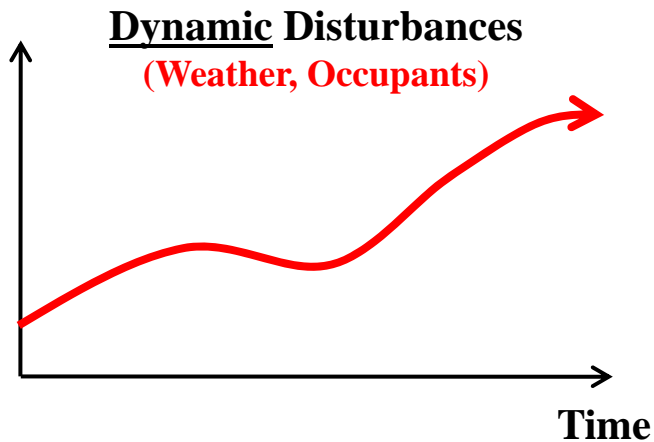
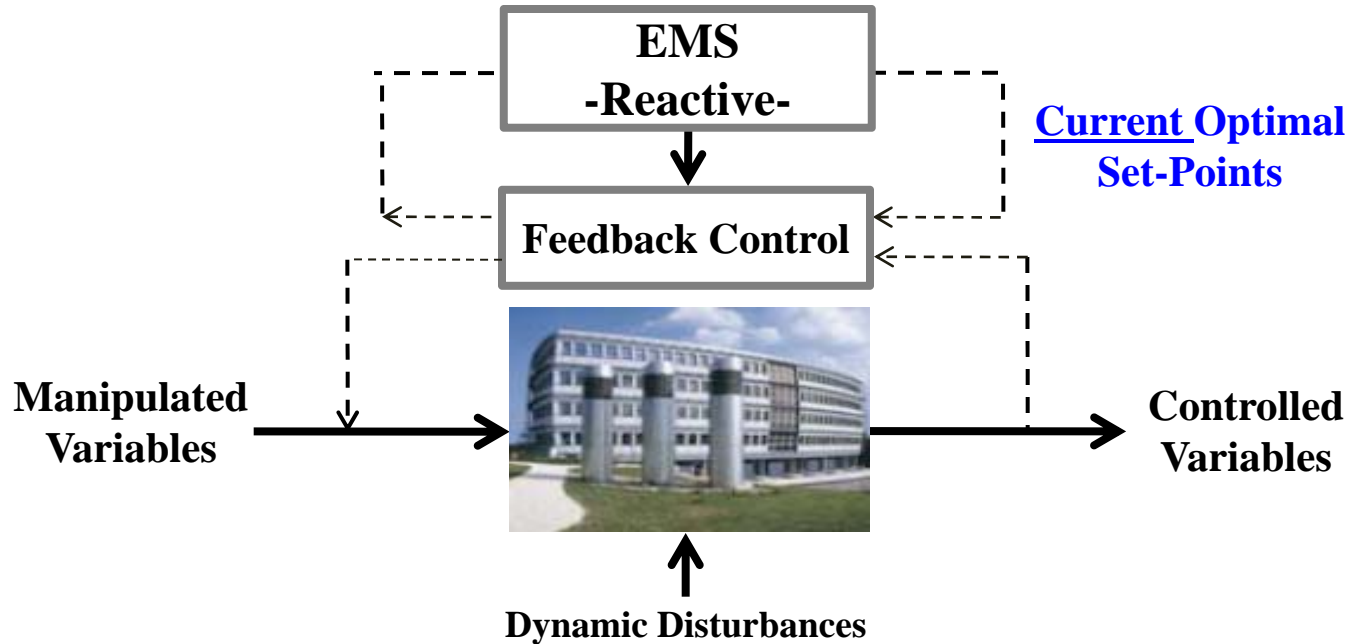
Next-Generation Grid



EMS Needs to Quantify Demand Accurately: Load Shedding
Price No Longer an Exogenous Disturbance: Market Learning

2. Proactive Energy Management

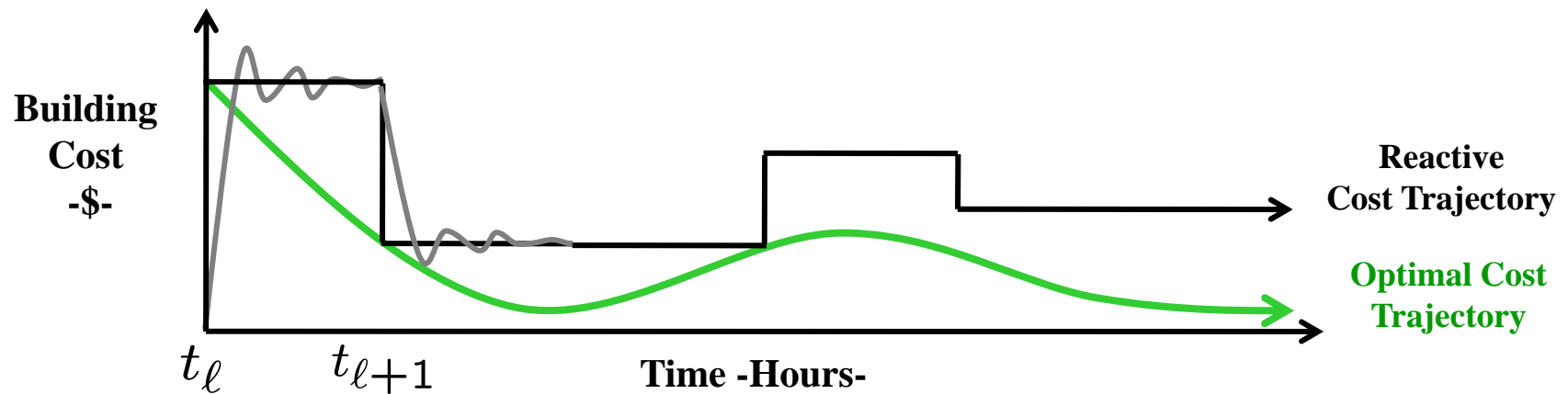
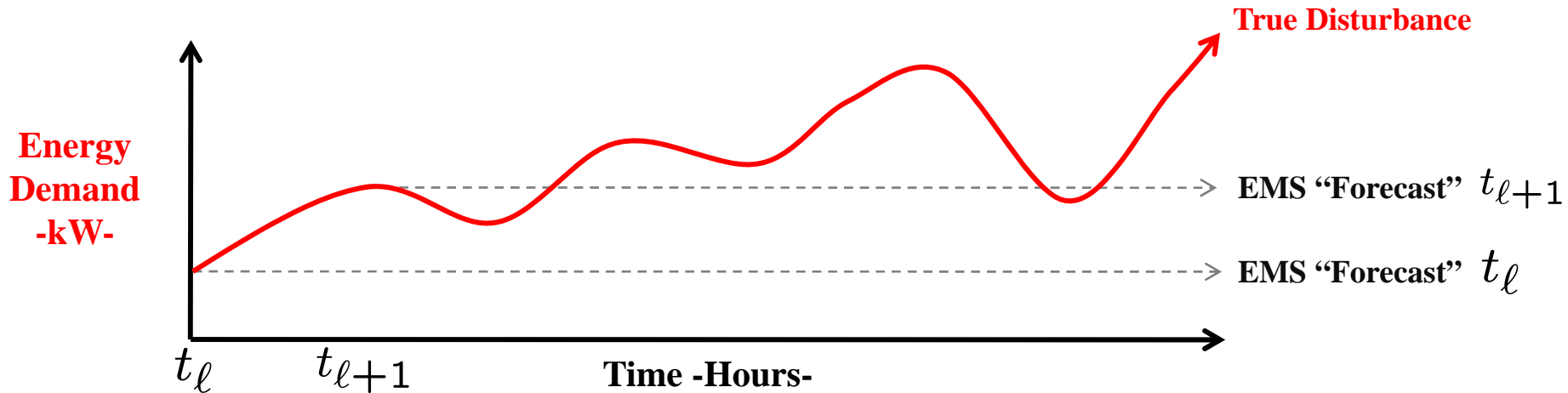
Feedback Control and Economics



Does Reactive Optimization Handles Dynamic Effects Properly?

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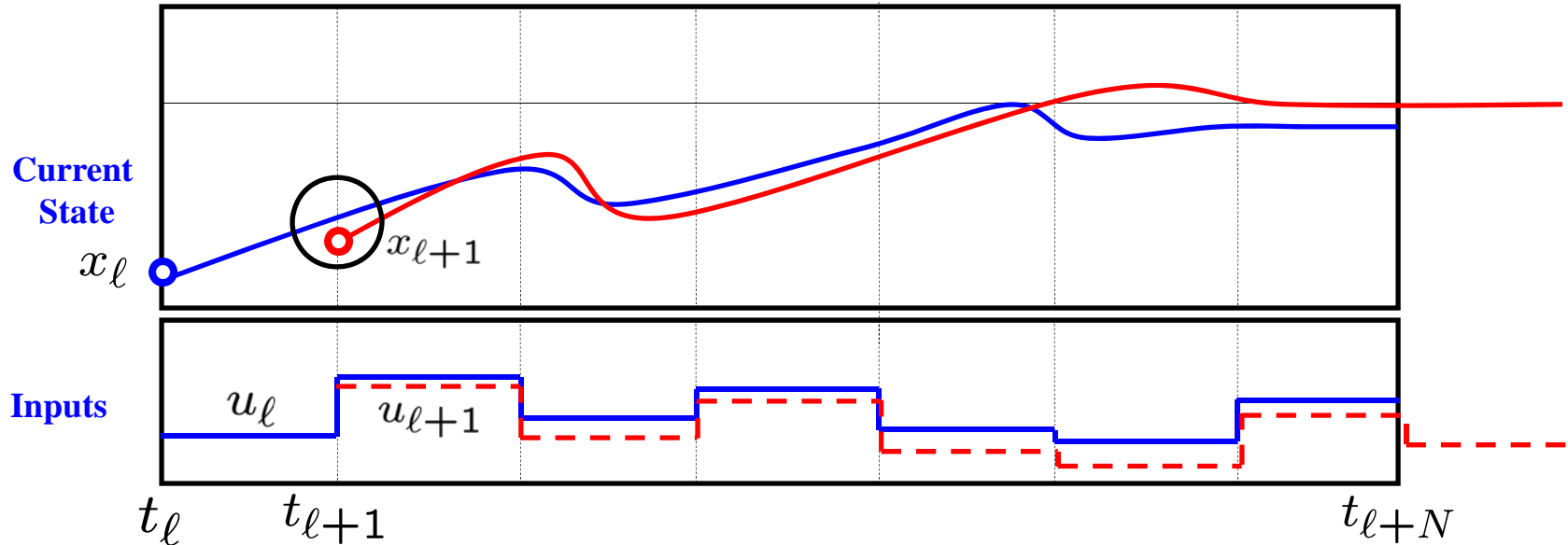
Disturbance Handling with Reactive Optimization



Reactive Optimization Uses Suboptimal Disturbance Info and Ignores Building Dynamics

Proactive EMS

Forecast Mismatch (Demand, Price)



Minimize Future Cost

$$\min_{u(t)} \int_{t_\ell}^{t_{\ell+N}} \varphi(z(t), y(t), p(t), u(t)) dt$$

$$\frac{dz}{dt} = f(z(t), p(t), u(t)) \quad \text{Building Dynamic Model}$$

$$y(t) = g(z(t), p(t), u(t)) \quad \text{Operational Constraints}$$

$$0 \geq h(z(t), p(t), u(t))$$

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

$$\min_{u(t)} \int_{t_{\ell+1}}^{t_{\ell+N+1}} \varphi(z(t), y(t), p(t), u(t)) dt$$

$$\frac{dz}{dt} = f(z(t), p(t), u(t))$$

$$0 = g(z(t), p(t), u(t))$$

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Proactive EMS Allows to Anticipate Weather, Room Schedules, Occupant Behavior, ...

Adopted in Chemical, Power, and Aerospace Industry Honeywell, ABB, Boeing, Praxair, Shell, ExxonMobil

Building Energy Management

Minimize Future Cooling and Heating Costs

$$\min_{u(t)} \int_{t_\ell}^{t_\ell+N} [C_c(t)\varphi_c(t) + C_h(t)\varphi_h(t)] dt$$

$$C_I \cdot \frac{\partial T_I}{\partial \tau} = \varphi_h(\tau) - \varphi_c(\tau) - S \cdot \alpha' \cdot (T_I(\tau) - T_W(\tau, 0))$$

$$\frac{\partial T_W}{\partial \tau} = \beta \cdot \frac{\partial^2 T_W}{\partial x^2}$$

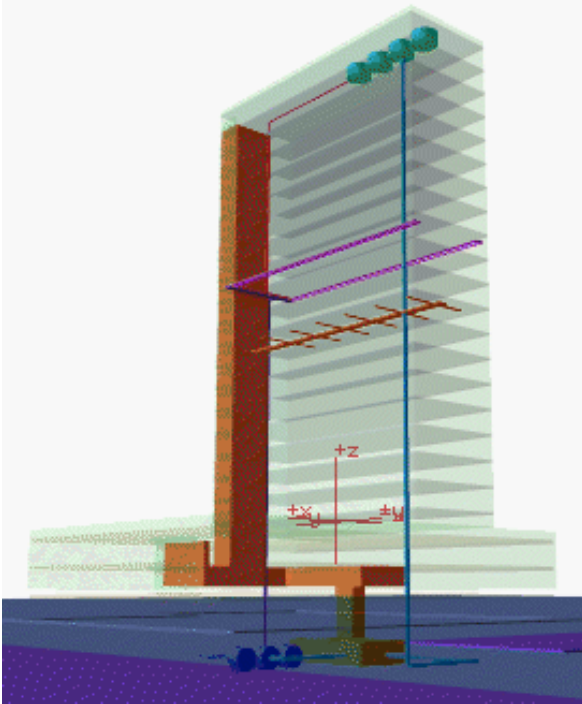
$$\alpha' (T_I(\tau) - T_W(\tau, 0)) = -k \cdot \left. \frac{\partial T_W}{\partial x} \right|_{(\tau, 0)}$$

$$\alpha'' (T_W(\tau, L) - T_A(\tau)) = -k \cdot \left. \frac{\partial T_W}{\partial x} \right|_{(\tau, L)}$$

$$T_I(0) = T_I^\ell$$

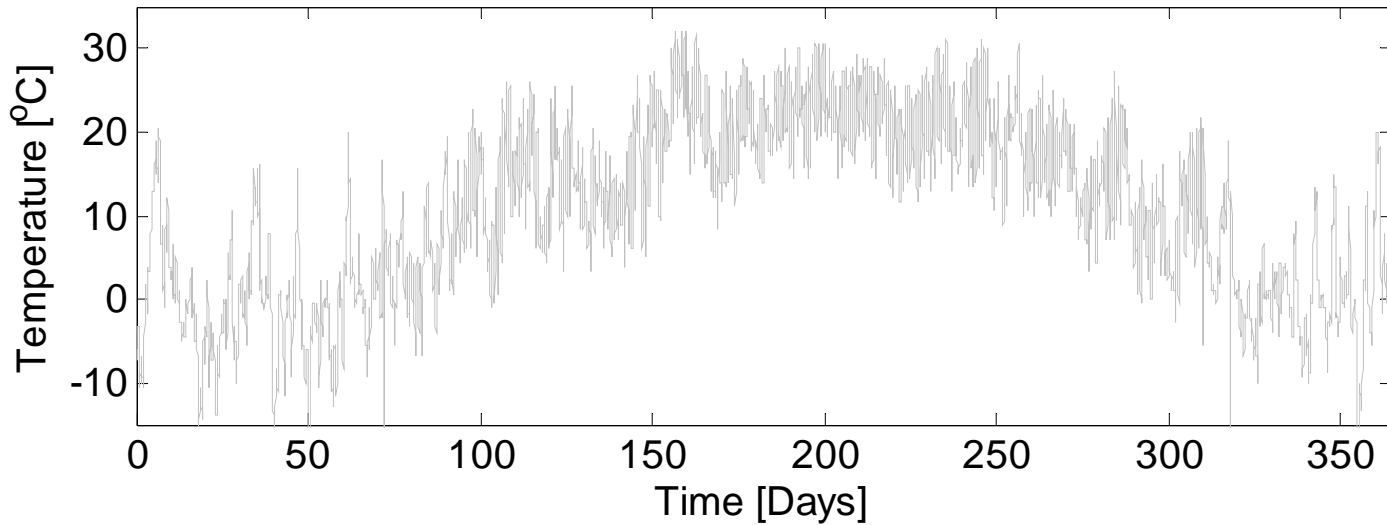
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Dynamic Model
-Heat Transfer-



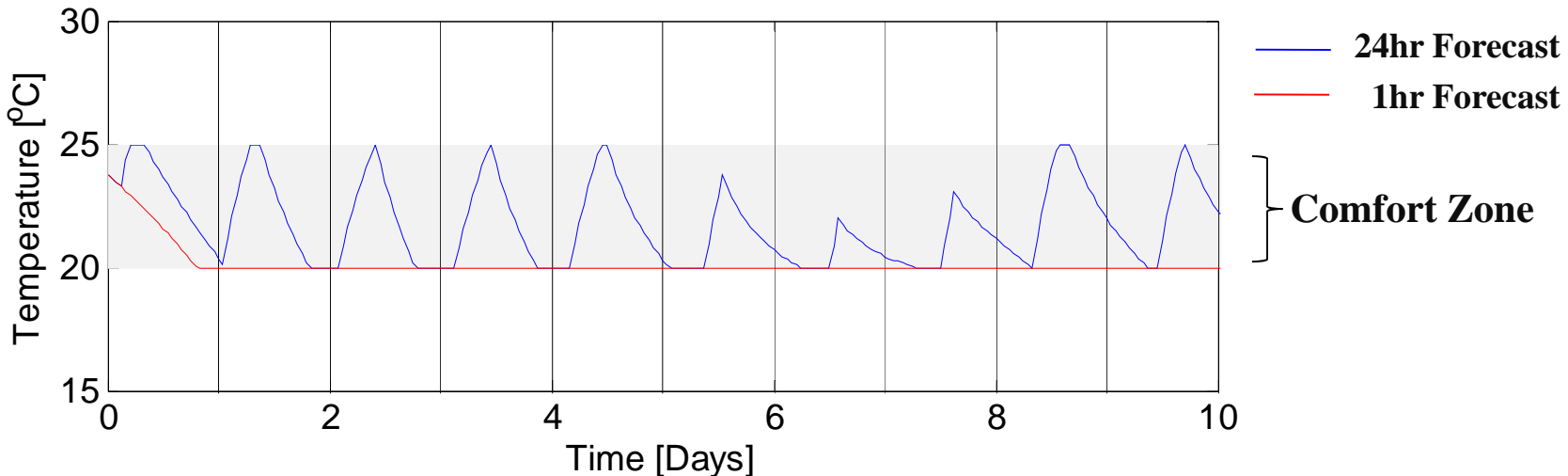
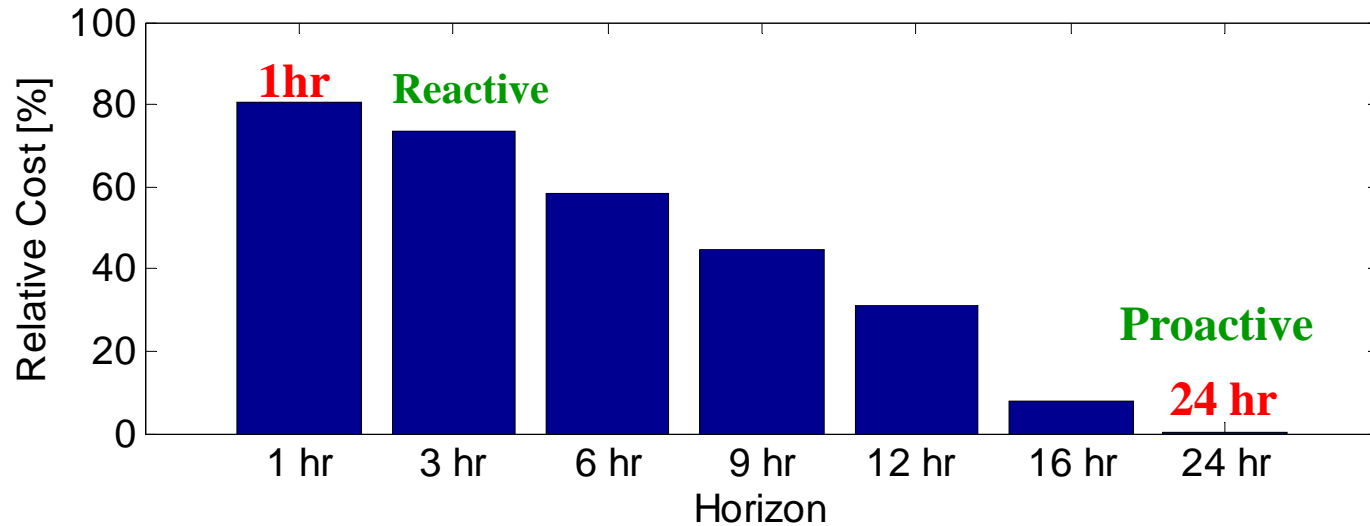
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Ambient Temperature, Pittsburgh, PA 2006



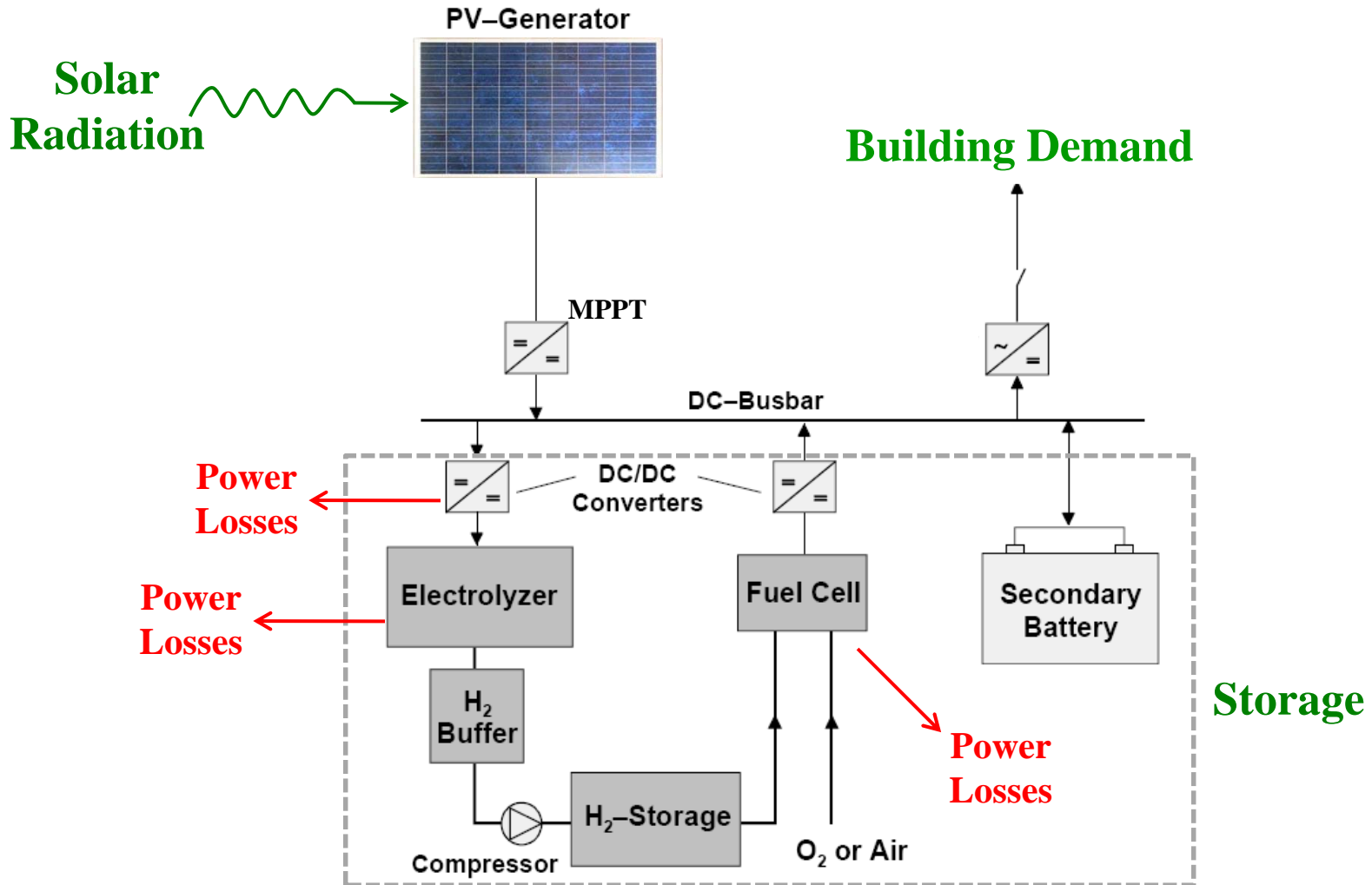
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Effect of Foresight on Energy Costs



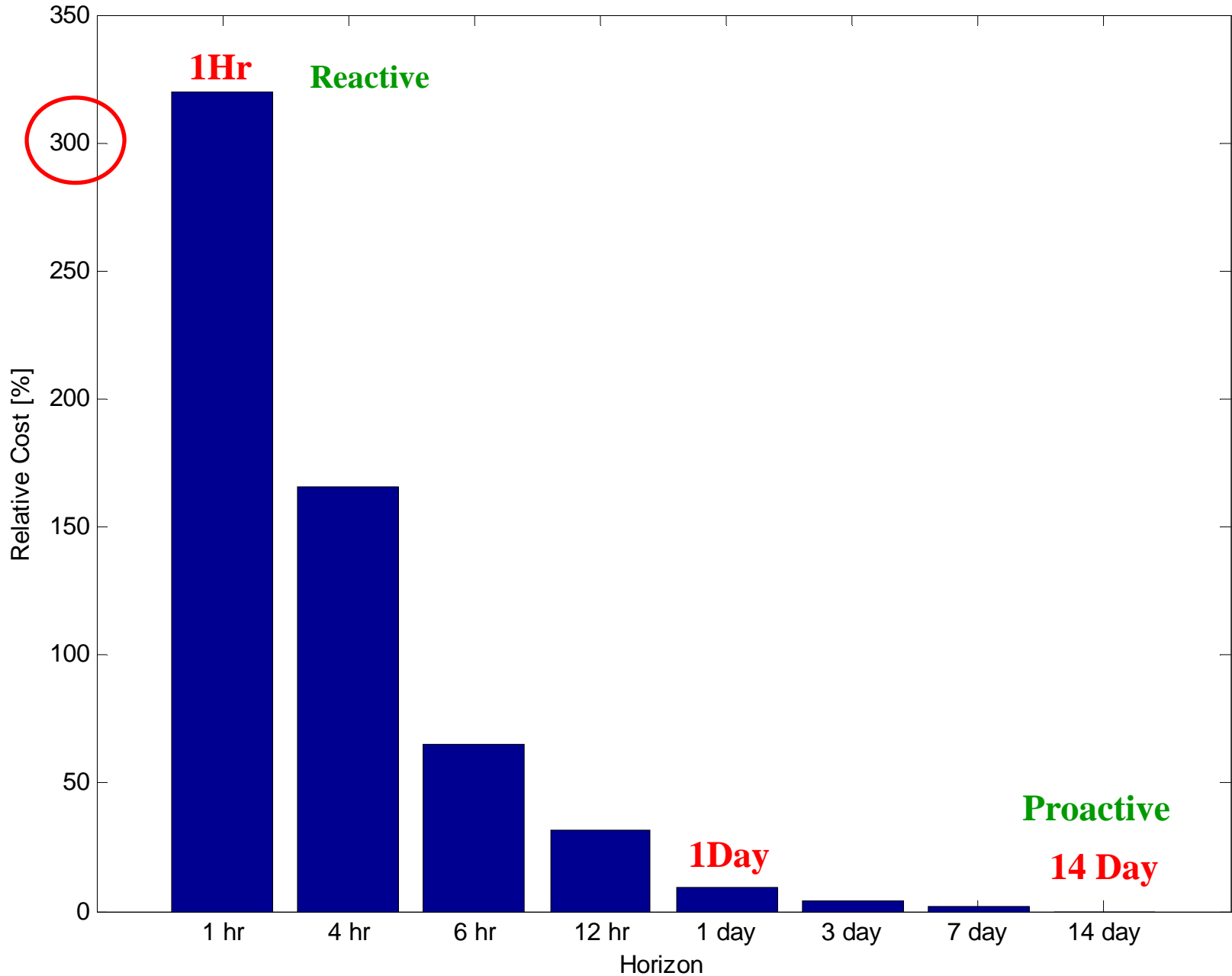
Proactive EMS Implicitly Forecasts Demand and Exploits Comfort Zone: Load Shedding

Cogeneration Systems



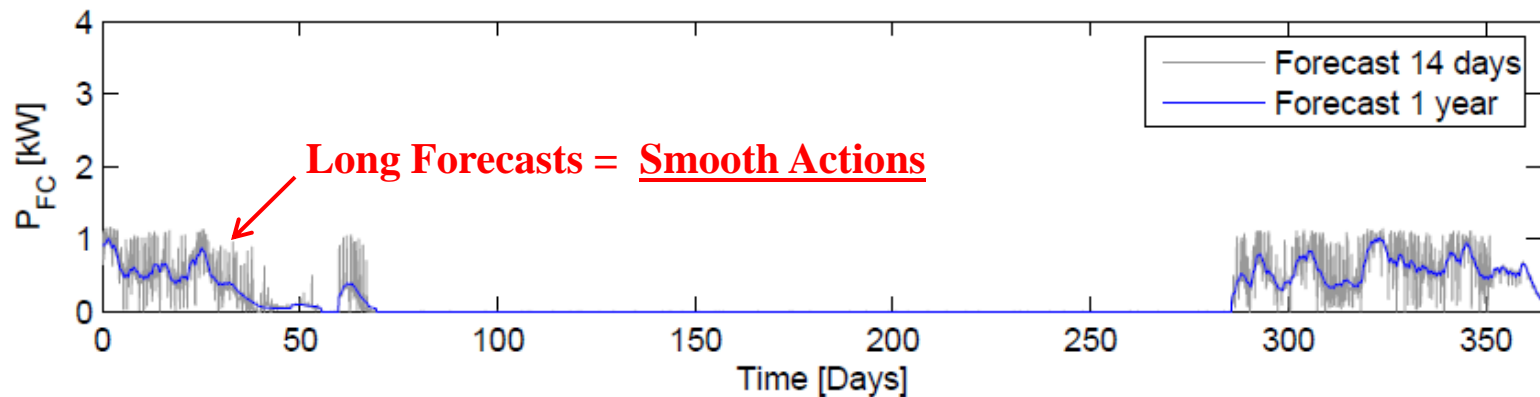
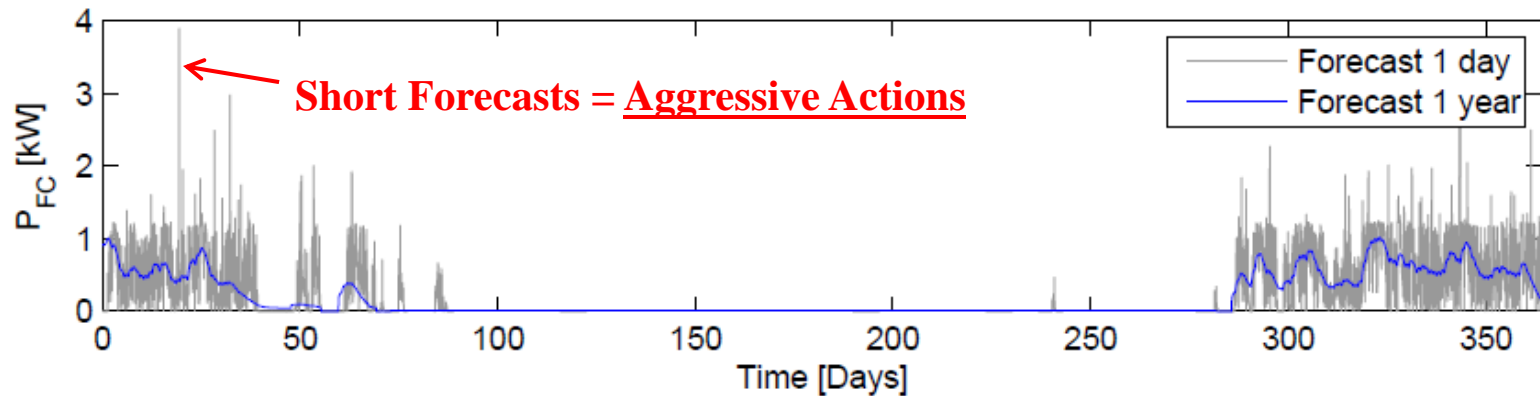
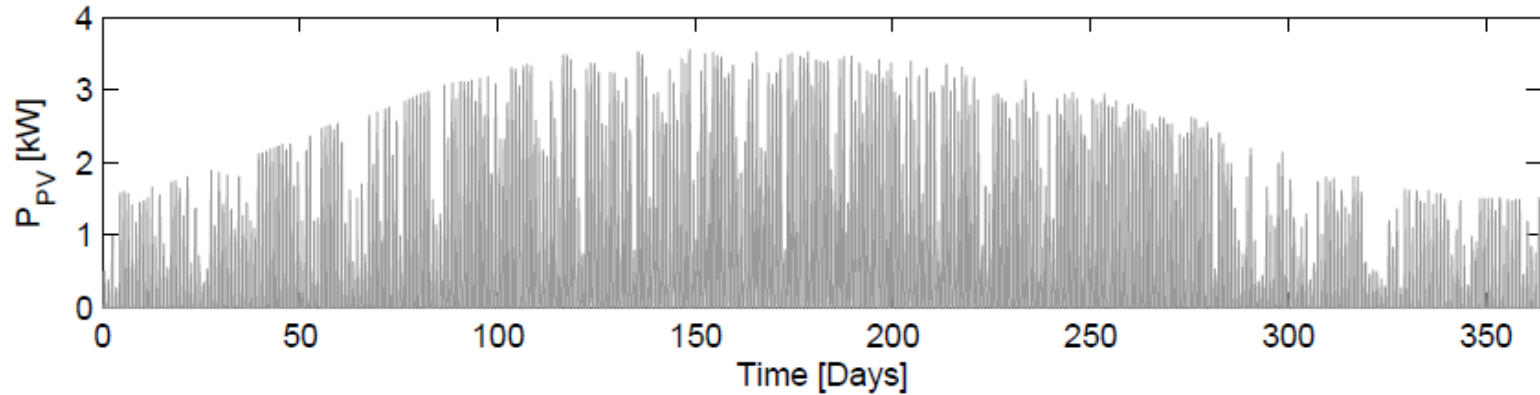
- Fuel Cell Hybrids Candidates for On-Site Generation
- Performance Deteriorated by Storage and Conversion Losses

Cogeneration Systems



Cogeneration Systems

Profiles of Fuel Cell Power



3. Large-Scale Optimization

Large-Scale Optimization

Optimization of Differential-Algebraic Systems (DAEs)

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

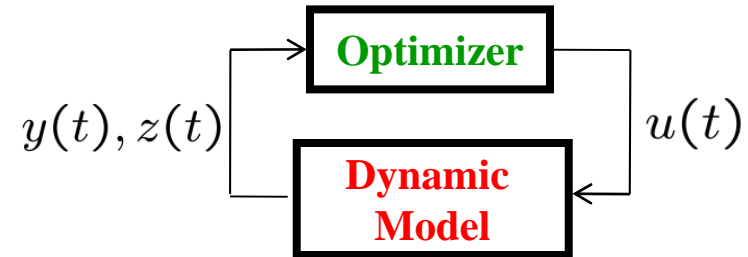
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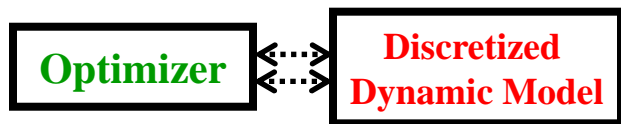
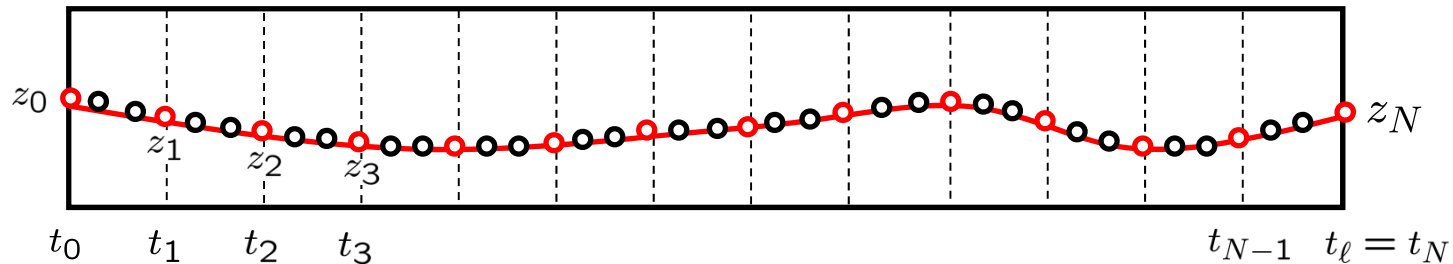
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Simulation-Based Approach
e.g., EnergyPlus : Highly Inefficient



Full-Discretization (Finite-Elements, Collocation)



$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & f(w) \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & c(w) = 0 \\ & w \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

Sparse Nonlinear Optimization

- **Model Solved Only Once, At Optimal Point** *Betts, Biegler, Renfro & Morshedi, Ghattas*
- **Exact Function Derivatives : Key for Fast Convergence**

Large-Scale Optimization

Full-Space Sparse Solvers – **Knitro, IPOPT, LOQO** *Byrd & Nocedal 2001, Wachter & Biegler, 2006*

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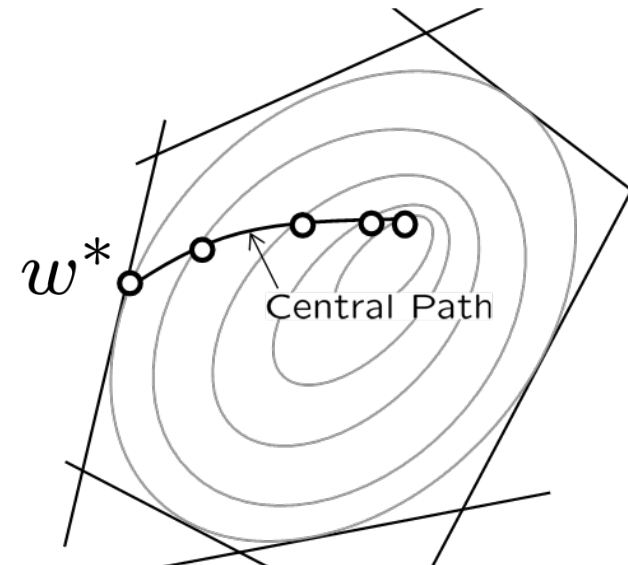
Optimality Conditions –KKT-

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla_w f(w) + \nabla_w c(w) \lambda - \nu &= 0 \\ c(w) &= 0 \\ W \cdot V &= \mu e \end{aligned}$$

Newton's Method, Solve Linearized System:

$$\text{KKT Matrix} \begin{bmatrix} H_j & A_j \\ A_j^T & \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \Delta w \\ \Delta \lambda \end{bmatrix} = - \begin{bmatrix} \nabla_w \mathcal{L}(w_j, \lambda_j) \\ c(w_j) \end{bmatrix}$$

Search Step
Optimality Conditions

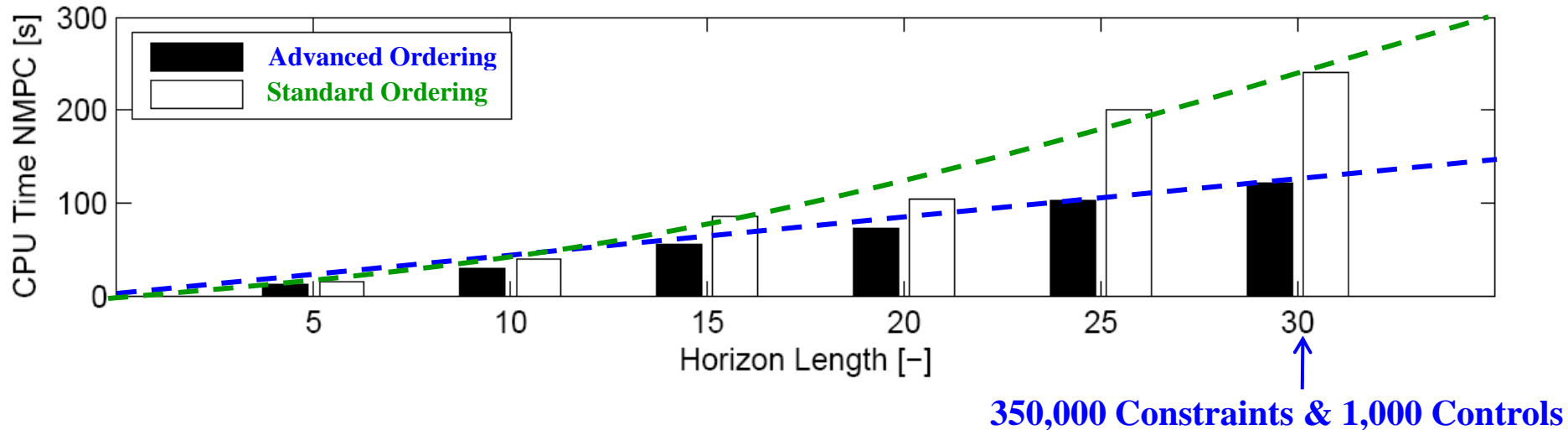


Factorization of KKT Matrix is Critical Computational Step- *Z, Laird & Biegler, 2006*

Problem Sparsity Exploited with Specialized Linear Algebra Solvers

Computational Results

Scalability of DAE Optimization *Z & Biegler, 2008*



Scalability in Industrial Chemical Processes – Standard Personal Computer *Z, & Biegler, 2008*

Problem	DAEs	Constraints	Controls	Solution Time
Polyethylene	1,000	71,000	60	≈ 5 min
Air Separation	1,600	110,000	200	≈ 2 min
Polyethylene (PDE)	10,000	350,000	1,000	≈ 2 min

Existing Optimization Technology Suitable for Large-Scale Energy Management

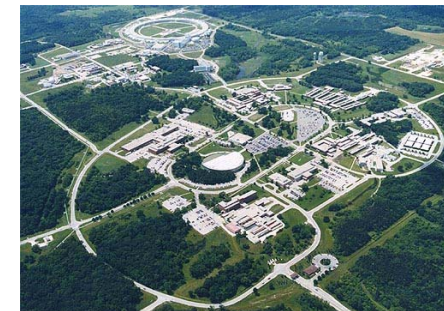
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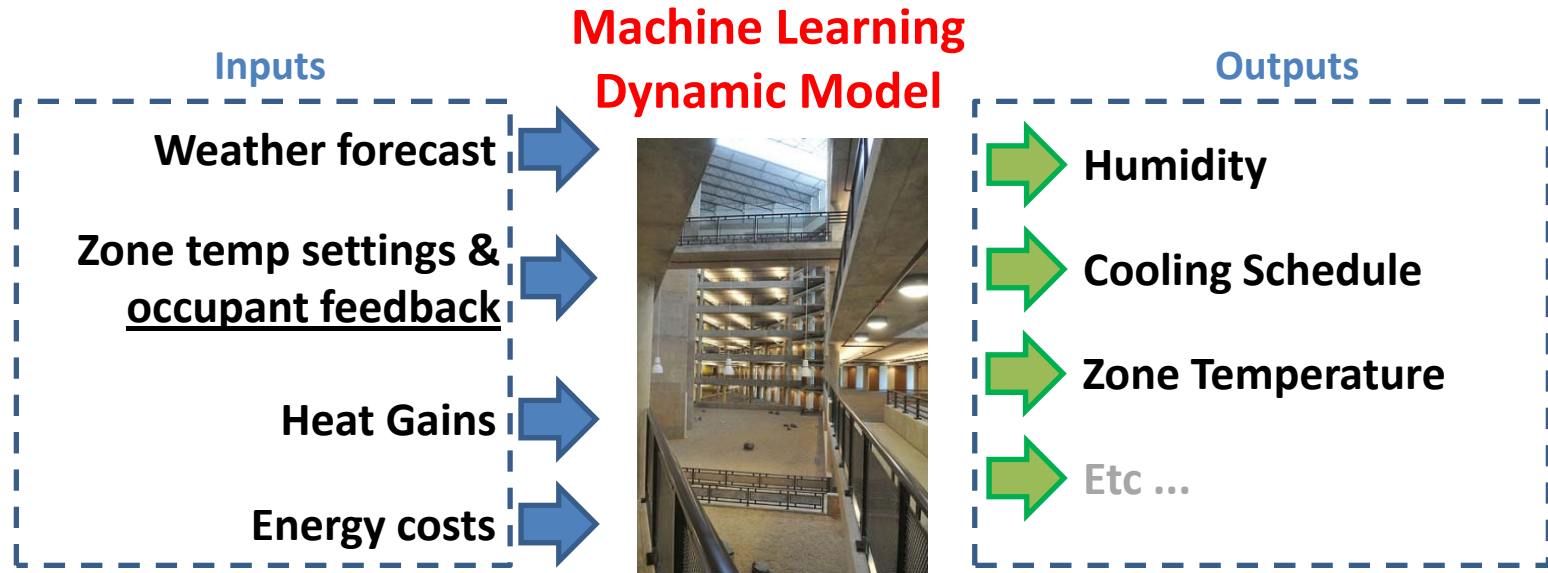


Collaborative Project: Argonne-Building IQ “Proactive Energy Management for Building Systems”

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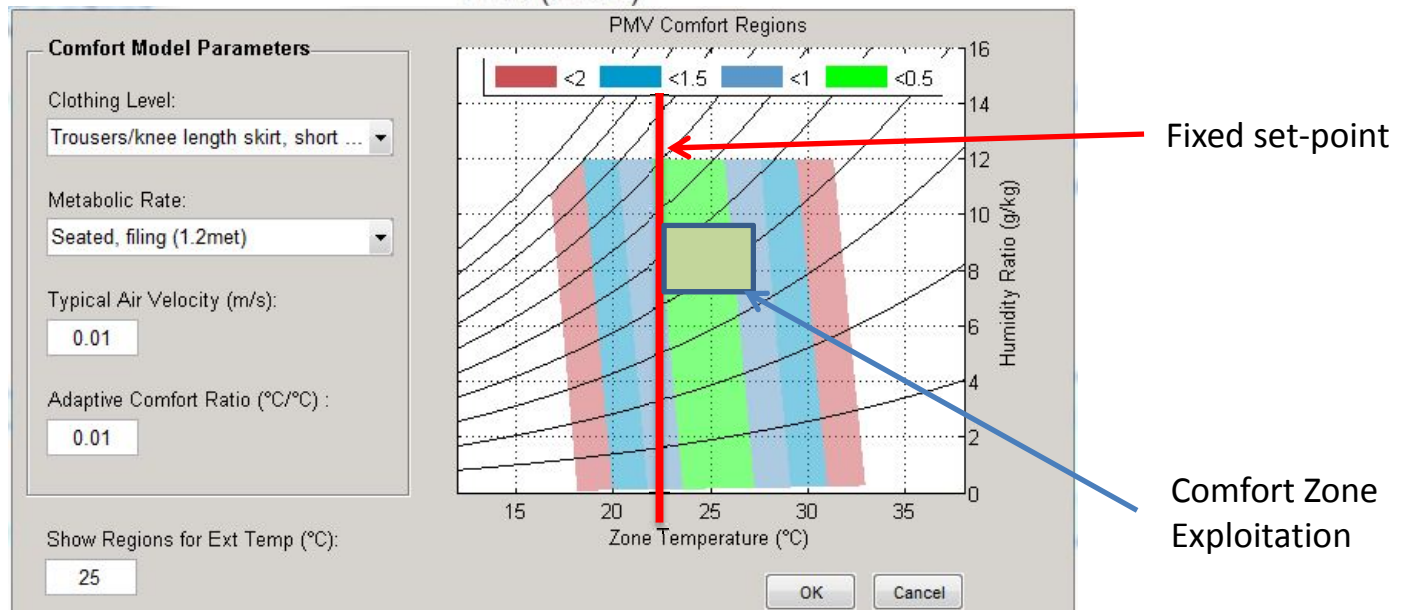
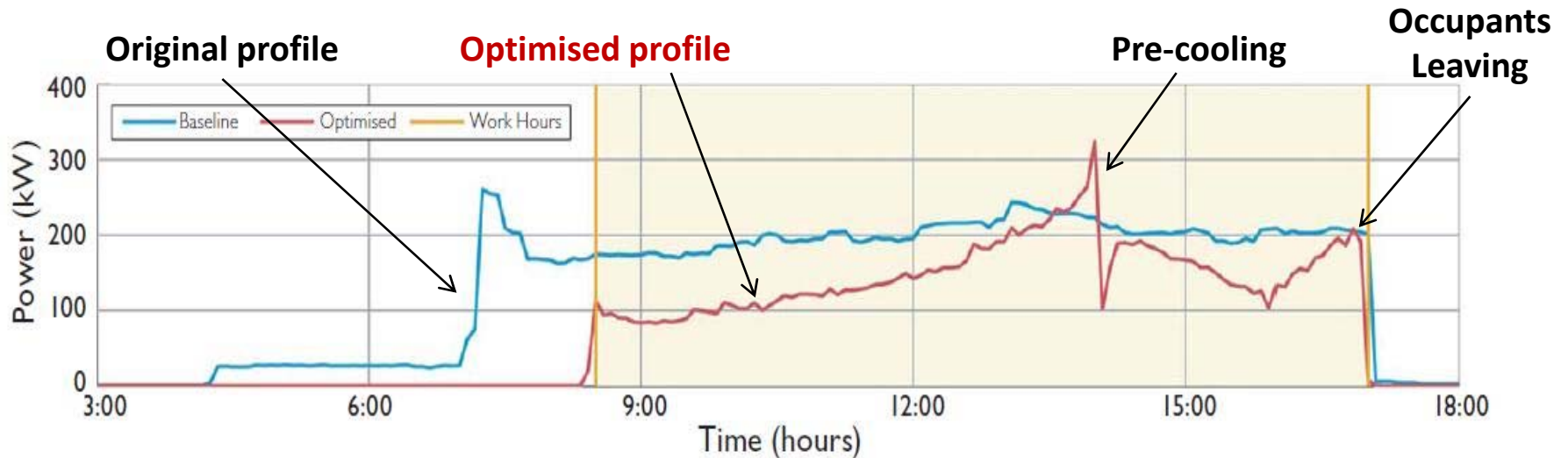


Building Energy Management



- **Solves DAE Optimization Problem with Machine Learning Model**
 - Solved Every 10 Minutes, Forecast of 1-2 Hours
 - Building Model Re-Trained Daily
 - Machine Learning Alternative for Low-Cost Deployment
- **Key Trade-Off:** Human Comfort vs. Energy Cost vs. CO₂ emissions
- **Challenges:** Increase Spatio-Temporal Resolution
 - Large-Scale Machine Learning
 - Physical Models for HVAC System

Building Energy Management



Currently Being Implemented at Argonne's TCS Building – Deployment 12/2010
Expected Yearly Savings of ~10% – \$O(10⁵)/yr

5. Conclusions and Research Challenges

Conclusions and Research Challenges

Need Proactiveness in Formulation to Capture Disturbance Trends

- Weather, Storage, Demand, Price, ...

Mature Optimization Technology for Proactive Energy Management

- State Estimation, Optimal Control, and Real-Time Optimization

Machine Learning+Physics Models Critical for Low-Cost Deployment

- Minimize Development Time

Challenges

- Dealing with Discrete Decisions (ON/OFF)
- Energy-Oriented Room and Computing Scheduling
- Occupant Sensor Placement and Observability

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