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Real-Time Co-Optimization: Interdependent Reserve Types for Primary Frequency Response

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1. Motivation and Background
2. Modeling Three Contributors to Arresting Frequency
3. Sufficient Condition for Adequate Reserve Procurement
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Real-Time Co-Optimization in ERCOT

ERCOT Market Changes

1. Introduce real-time co-optimization¹
 - Security-constrained economic dispatch considers reserve
2. Redefining reserve types providing primary frequency control² and ³
 - Primary Frequency Responsive (PFR) reserve: droop control
 - Response is proportional to frequency deviation
 - Fast Frequency Responsive (FFR) reserve: responds within a few cycles
 - Intended for batteries or load shedding
 - Full and instant response to some frequency threshold violation

[1]ERCOT. *NPRR 863: Creation of Primary Frequency Response Service Product and Revisions to Responsive Reserve*. Tech. rep. ERCOT, Jan. 2018. URL: <http://www.ercot.com/mktrules/issues/reports/nprp>.

[2]Stephen Reedy. *Simulation of Real-Time Co-Optimization of Energy and Ancillary Services for Operating Year 2017*. Tech. rep. Potomac Economics, June 2018, p. 8. URL:

http://www.ercot.com/content/wcm/lists/144930/IMM_Simulation_of_Real-Time-Co-optimization_for_2017.pdf.

[3]ERCOT. *Study of the Operational Improvements and Other Benefits Associated with the Implementation of Real-Time Co-optimization of Energy and Ancillary Services*. Tech. rep. ERCOT, June 2018, p. 10. URL:

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Interaction of Reserve Types

Sufficient Condition for Adequate Reserve Procurement

- ▶ Can be included in co-optimization problem
 - Pricing implications for each product
- ▶ Condition couples three contributors to arresting frequency
 - 1) Inertia, 2) PFR reserve, and 3) FFR reserve

What is Adequate Reserve Procurement?

- ▶ System can accommodate simultaneous outage of 2 largest generators¹
- ▶ Maintain frequency above threshold at which firm load is shed¹

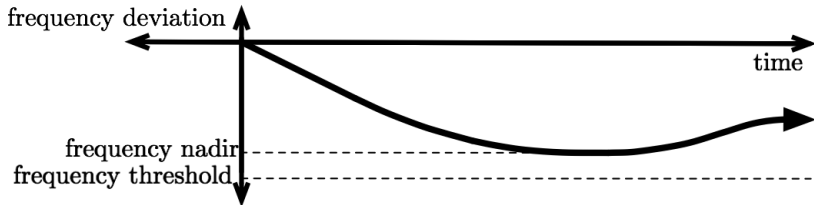


Figure: Frequency requirement in response to 2 largest generator outages

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Inertia

Swing Equation

Assume uniform system frequency and simple system dynamics

$$\frac{df(t)}{dt} = \frac{1}{M}(\mathbf{1}^\dagger m(t) - e(t)), \quad (1)$$

Notation

$f(t) \in \mathbb{R}$: system frequency

$M \in \mathbb{R}$: system-wide inertia

$e(t) \in \mathbb{R}$: electrical power demand

$m(t) \in \mathbb{R}^n$: mechanical power input from turbine governors

n : number of generators

$\mathbf{1}$: vector of ones



Primary Frequency Responsive (PFR) Reserve

Governor Response (Droop Response) to Large Outage⁴

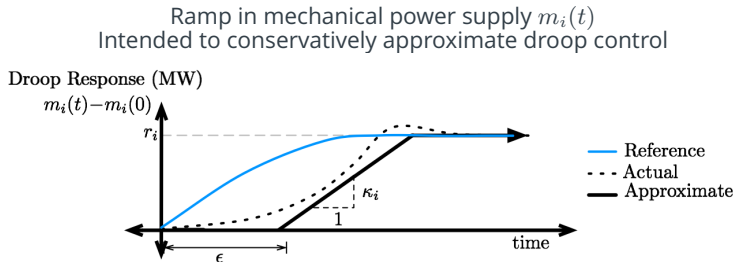


Figure: Turbine governor response to generator outage.

Notation

$f_1 \in \mathbb{R}$: lower frequency dead-band threshold ($f_1 = 59.9833 \text{ Hz}$)¹

$\epsilon \in \mathbb{R}$: time delay after reaching dead-band

$\kappa_i \in \mathbb{R}$: constant ramp rate for generator i

$r_i \in \mathbb{R}$: PFR reserve quantity for generator i

[1]ERCOT 2018a.

[4]Héctor Chávez, Ross Baldick, and Sandip Sharma. Governor rate-constrained OPF for primary frequency control adequacy. In: *IEEE Transactions on Power Systems* 29.3 (2014), pp. 1473–1480.



Fast Frequency Responsive (FFR) Reserve

Battery Response (or Load-Shedding) to a Large Outage

Instantaneous jump in electrical power demand $e(t)$

Deploys all available reserve b

- ▶ Larger frequency dead-band $f_2 < f_1$
- ▶ Neglect any delay in response after reaching dead-band
- ▶ Neglect time taken to fully deploy reserve b_j
 - Must fully deploy within 0.5s in ERCOT⁵

Notation

$f_2 \in \mathbb{R}$: lower frequency dead-band threshold ($f_2 = 59.8$ Hz)

$b_j \in \mathbb{R}$: FFR reserve quantity for battery j

[5] Cong Liu and Pengwei Du. Participation of load resources in day-ahead market to provide primary-frequency response reserve. In: *IEEE Transactions on Power Systems* 33.5 (2018), pp. 5041–5051.



System-Wide Frequency Response Model

Plot Description

Top plot: Power imbalance

Bottom plot: Freq. resp.

$$\text{Swing Eqn.: } \frac{df(t)}{dt} = \frac{1}{M} (1^\dagger m(t) - e(t))$$

Sequence of Events

- ▶ Generator outage of size L
 - ERCOT: $L=2750\text{MW}$
(2 largest generators)
- ▶ Frequency hits PFR dead-band f_1
 - ERCOT: $f_1 = 59.9833\text{Hz}$
(Droop Deadband)
- ▶ PFR ramp begins after delay ϵ
 - Assume constant ramp rate K
until power balance is met

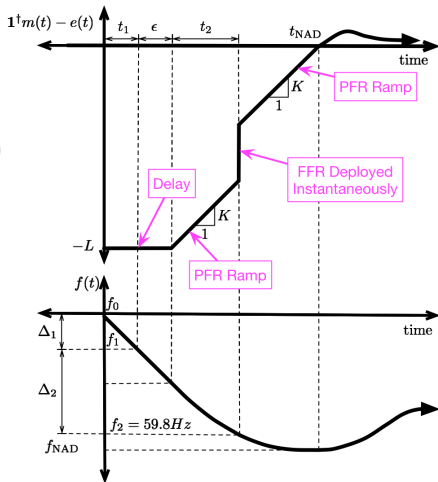


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Continued Sequence of Events

⋮

- ▶ Frequency hits FFR dead-band f_2
 - ERCOT: $f_2 = 59.8$ Hz
- ▶ FFR deployed instantaneously
 - Total FFR reserve denoted $\mathbf{1}^\top b$
- ▶ PFR ramp continues
- ▶ Power is balanced before f_{\min}
 - ERCOT: $f_{\min} = 59.4$ Hz

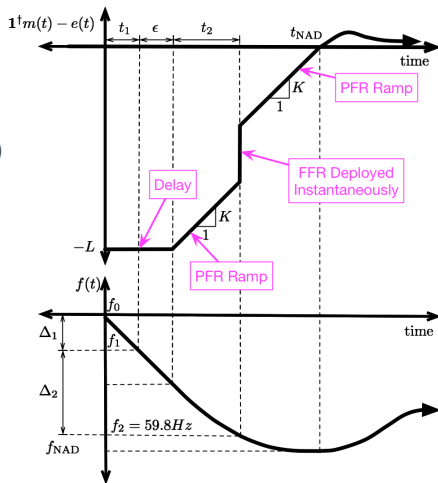


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Frequency Response Assumptions

FFR is Deployed During PFR Ramp

Does not depend on reserve allocation

$$\frac{\epsilon L}{M} \leq \Delta_2 \text{ and } \Delta_1 + \Delta_2 \leq f_0 - f_{\text{NAD}} \quad (2)$$

Sufficient Reserve to Restore
Power Balance

Constraint in Co-optimization

$$\mathbf{1}^\dagger b + \mathbf{1}^\dagger r \geq L \quad (3)$$

No FFR Deployment Overshoot

(FFR does not overshoot the origin
in the energy imbalance curve.)

Constraint in co-optimization

$$K t_2 + \mathbf{1}^\dagger b \leq L \quad (4)$$

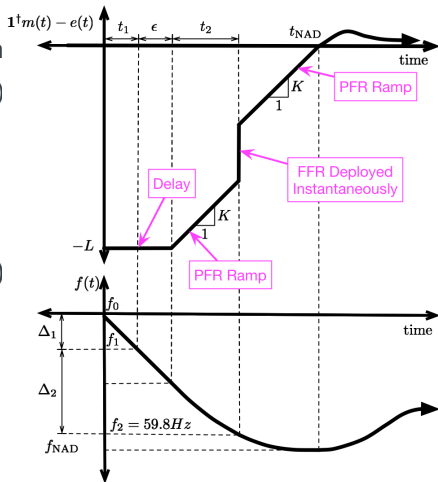


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Sufficient Condition for Satisfying Frequency Threshold

Proposition 2 (Sufficient Condition for Adequate Reserve)

Under assumptions (2), (3), and (4),
the frequency nadir satisfies the frequency threshold $f_{\text{NAD}} \geq f_{\text{min}}$
if the following holds:

$$r_i \leq \kappa_i h(M, 1^\dagger b) \quad \forall i \in [1, \dots, n] \quad (5)$$

where the limit function $h(M, \tilde{b})$ is as follows:

$$h(M, \tilde{b}) := \frac{2M(\Delta_2 + \Delta_3 - \frac{1}{M}\epsilon L)^2(L - \tilde{b})}{\left(\tilde{b}\sqrt{\Delta_3} - \sqrt{(\Delta_2 + \Delta_3 - \frac{1}{M}\epsilon L)L^2 - (\Delta_2 - \frac{1}{M}\epsilon L)\tilde{b}^2}\right)^2} \quad (6)$$

Proof: Omitted

Notation Reminder

$r_i \in \mathbb{R}$: PFR reserve quantity for generator i

$b_j \in \mathbb{R}$: FFR Reserve for battery j

$M \in \mathbb{R}$: system inertia

$\kappa_i \in \mathbb{R}$: constant ramp rate for generator i



Rate-Based Reserve Requirement

Rate-Based PFR Limit

(Non-convex constraint)

$$r_i \leq \kappa_i h(M, 1^\dagger b) \quad \forall i \in [1, \dots, n]$$

The limit increases with:

- ▶ inertia M
- ▶ FFR reserve $1^\dagger b$
- ▶ ramp rate κ_i

Definition of limit function

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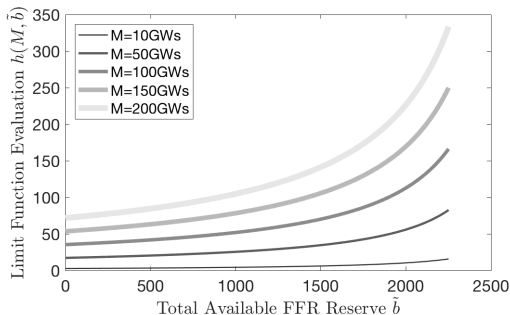


Figure: Function $h(M, \tilde{b})$ with ERCOT parameters.



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(7c): PFR headroom

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(7g): Sufficient condition (5)

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Conclusions and Future Work

Conclusions

- ▶ Presented a reserve requirement that accounts for
 - turbine governor ramping ability
 - total system inertia
 - coupling between FFR reserve and PFR reserve
- ▶ Rate-based PFR reserve limit is inherently non-linear

Future Work

- ▶ Interaction with the 20% HSL limit.
 - Should the 20% HSL limit be tightened?
- ▶ Interaction with Operating Reserve Demand Curves (ORDCs)
- ▶ Obtain accurate dynamic models to determine ramp rates κ_i
- ▶ Approximating rate-based PFR reserve limit
 - linear approximations
 - Piecewise linear approximation with integer variables



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