

Valuing Power Flow Control with **PLEXOS®**

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PLEXOS® Integrated Energy Model

- ▶ Proven power sector simulation tool - 36 Countries
- ▶ Uses mathematical programming, optimization and stochastic techniques (MIP, LP, SO)
 - Robust analytical framework, used by:
 - Energy Producers, Traders and Retailers
 - Transmission System/Market Operators
 - Energy Regulators/Commissions
 - Consultants, Analysts and Research Institutions
 - Power Plant Manufacturers and Construction Companies
- ▶ Power system model scalable to thousands of generators and transmission lines and nodes
- ▶ Multi-stage interleaved simulation from 1 min to 40 years



Power Flow Control Modelling in PLEXOS®

Challenge: Chronological Unit Commitment/Dispatch of Network Devices and Generators
(conventional power flow snapshot analysis not sufficient for valuation)

▶ R&D for modeling the following devices/techniques:

- Impedance-Control Devices
 - Mechanically-Switched Series Reactor (MSSR)
 - Distributed Series Reactor (DSR)
 - Magnetic Amplifier
- Voltage-Injection Devices
 - Static Synchronous Series Compensator (SSSC)
 - Unified Power Flow Controller (UPFC)
 - Distributed Static Series Compensator (DSSC)
- Phase-Angle Control Devices
 - Phase-shifting Transformer (PST)
 - Compact Dynamic Phase Angle Regulator (CDPAR)
- Topology Control Techniques

LT Plan

- Step Size: 1-30+ years
- Capacity Expansion

PASA

- Step Size: 1 year at a time
- Maintenance Planning

MT Schedule

- Step Size: 1+ years at a time
- Constraint Decomposition

ST Schedule

- Step Size: 5 minute – 1 week at a time
- Chronological Simulation

- ▶ Production Cost – For short-term production studies, PLEXOS® will optimize the dispatch of the PFCs in the unit commitment.
- ▶ Capacity Planning – For long-term expansion studies, given a set of candidate lines and the types of PFCs to be deployed, PLEXOS® will produce an optimized build decision over the simulated horizon.

Transmission Modelling in PLEXOS®

- ▶ PLEXOS® uses a Linearized DC-OPF with both integrated and pre-computation of shift factors.
- ▶ Marginal Loss Modeling in PLEXOS®
- ▶ The SCUC algorithm in PLEXOS® computes contingency shift factors. These factors are used to monitor and enforce the contingency constraints.
- ▶ The SCUC in PLEXOS® can also support the "N-x" contingency analysis, that ensures "two or more simultaneous contingencies will not propagate into a cascading blackout".

Illustrative Formulation Generation Transmission Expansion Co-Optimization

$$\text{Minimize } \sum_{y=1}^Y \sum_{i=1}^I (\text{BuildCost}_i \times \text{Build}_{i,y}) + \sum_{t=1}^T \left(\sum_{i=1}^I \text{ProdCost}_i \times \text{Prod}_{i,t} \right) + \text{ShortCost} \times \text{Shortage}_t$$

subject to

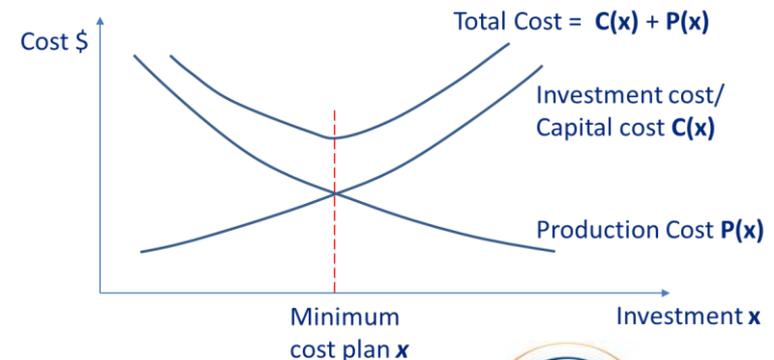
$$\text{Supply and Demand Balance: } \sum_{i=1}^I \text{Prod}_{i,t} + \text{Shortage}_t = \text{Demand}_t \quad \forall t$$

$$\text{Production Feasible: } \text{Prod}_{i,t} \leq \text{ProdMax}_i \quad \forall i, t$$

$$\text{Expansion Feasible: } \text{Build}_{i,y} \leq \text{BuildMax}_{i,y} \quad \forall i, y$$

$$\text{Integrality: } \text{Build}_{i,y} \text{ integer}$$

$$\text{Reliability: } \text{LOLP}(\text{Build}_{i,y}) \leq \text{LOLP}_{\text{Target}} \quad \forall y$$



Case Study: Deploying PFCs on two NYISO Interfaces

▶ PFC Valuation Case

- Compare benefits with and without PFCs on the elements of the UPNY-ConED and UPNY-SENY interfaces.

▶ Interfaces

- UPNY-ConED: 10 PSTs
- UPNY-SENY: 25 PSTs

▶ Objective Function

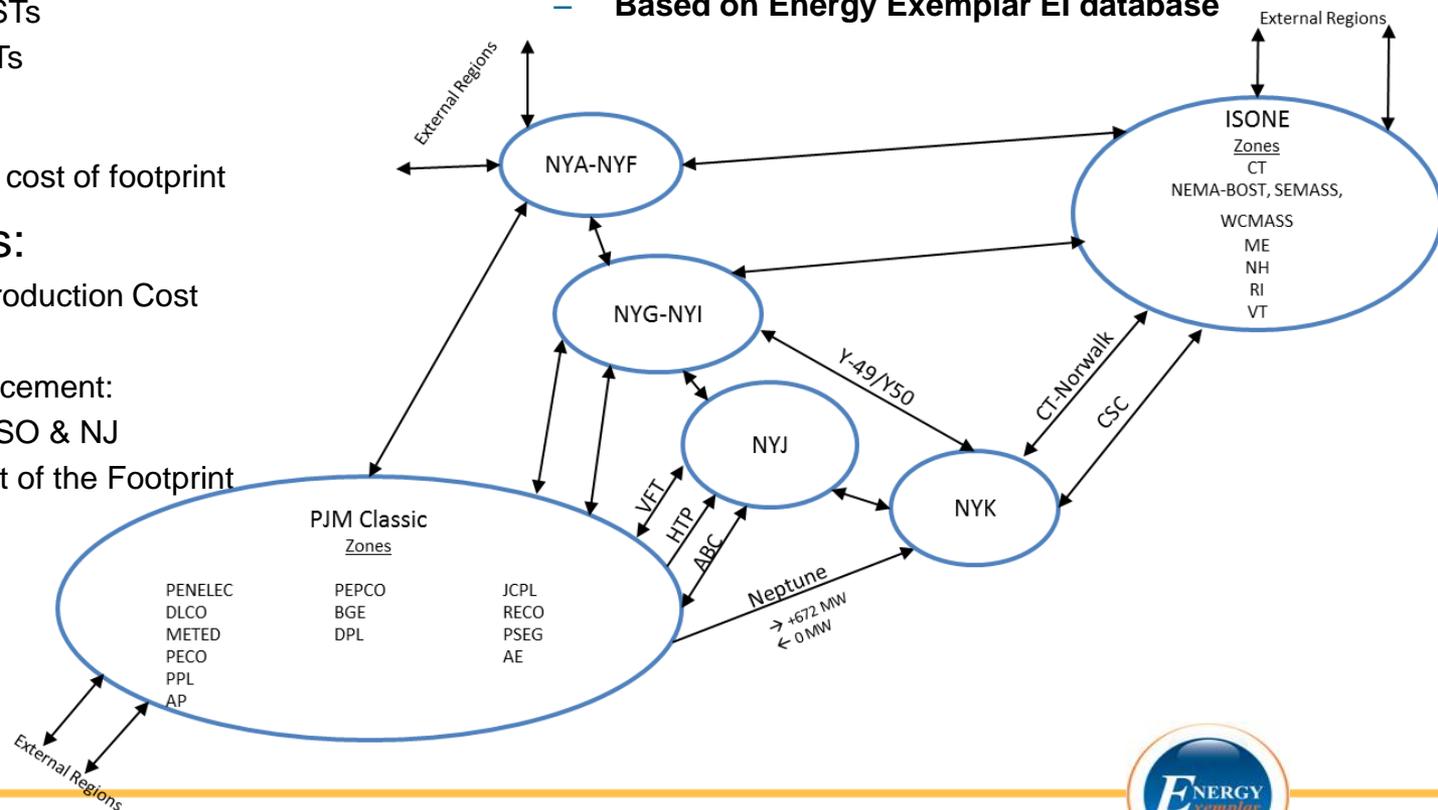
- Minimize operational cost of footprint

▶ Simulation Settings:

- Hourly Day Ahead Production Cost
- Horizon: 1 Year
- Thermal Limits Enforcement:
 - 115 kV for NYISO & NJ
 - 345 kV for Rest of the Footprint

▶ System Model

- Study Footprint: NYISO + Tier 1 Neighbors
- Nodal Transmission Model
- Detailed Generator Properties 2500 Gens
- Fuel Price Hourly Forecast 14,000 Nodes
- ISO Hourly Demand Forecasts
- **Based on Energy Exemplar EI database**



Case Study: Economic Benefits of deploying Power Flow Controllers on the NYISO Interfaces

▶ Economic Benefits Metrics used in Planning Processes

- B/C Ratio
- Production Cost Savings
- Congestion Savings
- Other Savings

▶ Economic Metric used in Integrated Resource Plans

- NPV Savings Least Capital and Operation Cost

UPNY-ConED Production Cost Benefits



UPNY-SENY Production Cost Benefits

