

9th Seminar for the Next Generation of Researchers in Power Systems

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Part I: General Background



Background: The University of Michigan, the ECE department, and MPEL



UofM is located roughly 30 minutes from Detroit, MI; 16K graduate and 30K undergraduate students enrolled.

- ECE in 2016:
 - 759 graduate students (283 PhD)
 - 69 faculty
 - \$36.5M in research
 - 70 Invention Disclosures
 - 41 US Patents
 - 6 Licenses





Profs Mathieu and Hiskens are interested in uncertainty, distributed energy resources, and stability in power systems.

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» Demand response



- respecting distribution network constraints, improving power system stability margins, investigating environmental impacts, investigating energy efficiency impact on buildings
- Taking into account communication and sensing limitations
- » Energy storage
 - environmental impacts, multitasking and aggregation
- » Stochastic optimal power flow

Ian Hiskens



- » Stochastic optimal power flow
- » Grid integration of renewable generation
- » Stability boundaries for nonlinear systems.
- » Fast-acting, non-disruptive demand response
- » Dynamical systems with uncertainties



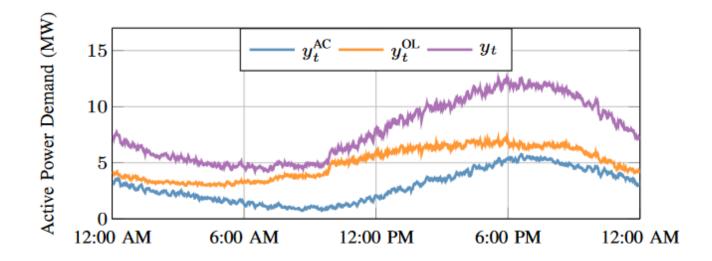
Part II: Research Presentation

"Real-Time Energy Disaggregation of a Distribution Feeder's Demand Using Online Learning" [1]

Feeder-Level Energy Disaggregation: Overview



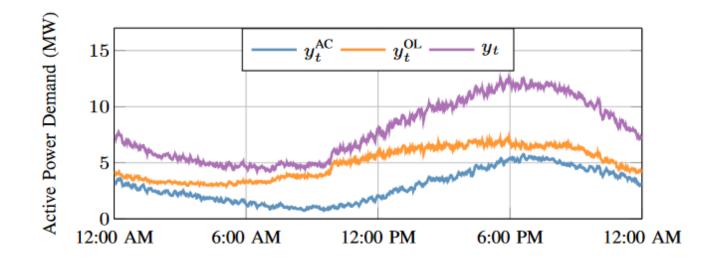
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Why is this useful?

- Inform balancing reserve requirements
- Plan demand response actions
- Inform real-time demand response capacity
- Feedback signal for demand response



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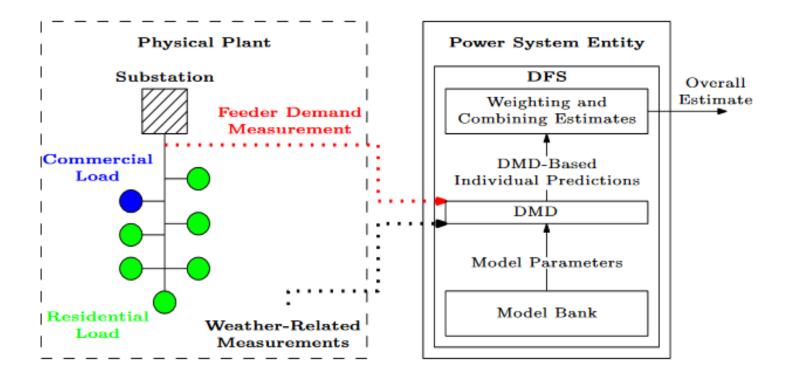


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Problem Framework



Energy disaggregation is performed on real-time demand measurements using DFS, an online learning algorithm.

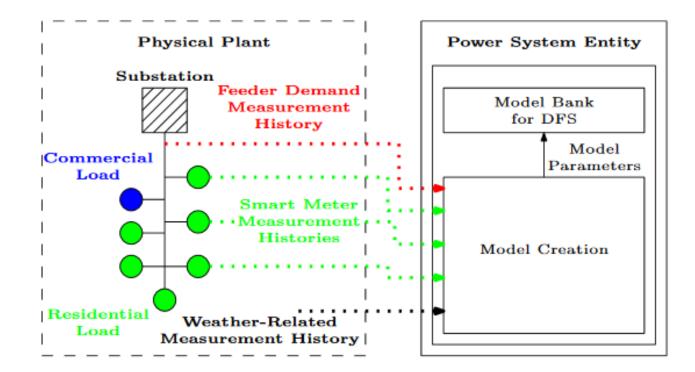


(a) Real-time estimation mode

Problem Framework



DFS incorporates predictions from models that are generated from historical building- and device-level data.



(b) Offline model generation mode

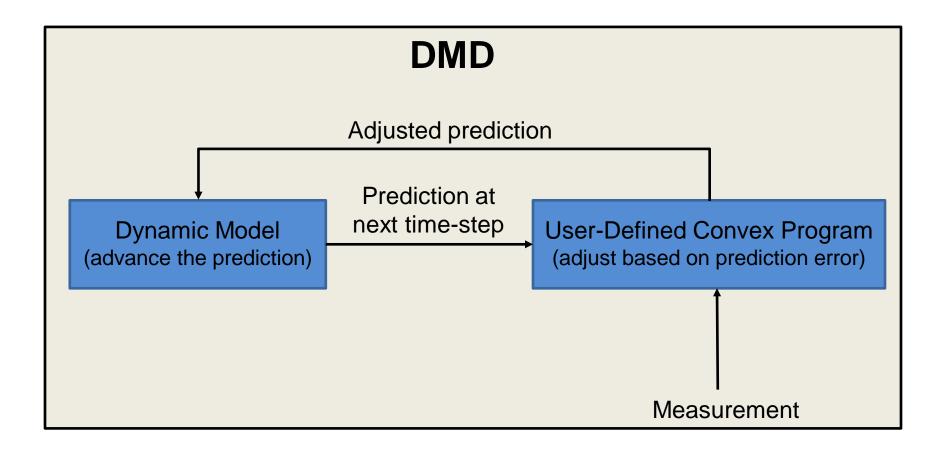


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Algorithms



Dynamic mirror descent (DMD) is an algorithm that uses a model, measurements, and a user-defined convex program.

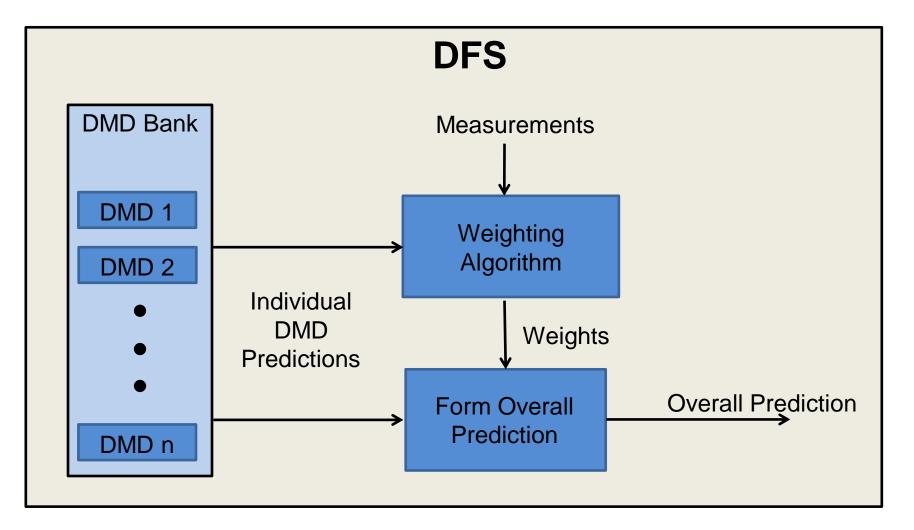


Note: DMD is similar to a Kalman filter but the user has more flexibility

Algorithms



Dynamic fixed share (DFS) combines predictions from different models into an overall prediction.



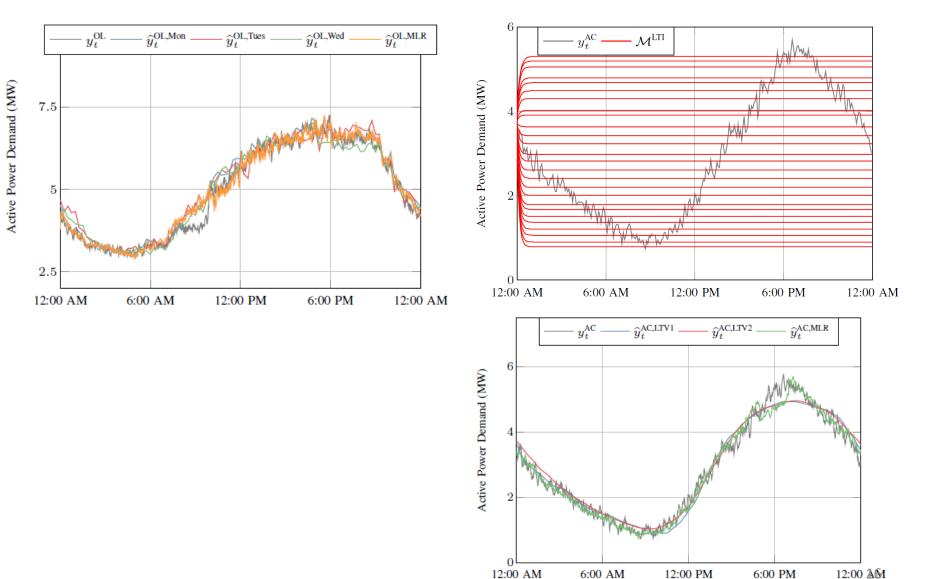


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Models



The models used are based on linear regression, linear time-invariant systems, and linear time-varying systems.





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The simulation setup uses real-world data at the device level, allowing the true AC demand to be known.

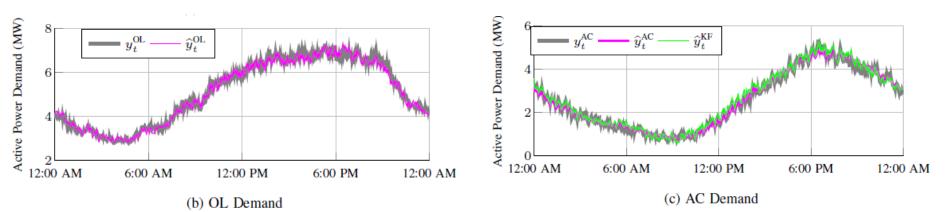
- Demand data sources
 - Feeder model from Gridlab-D feeder taxonomy [2]
 - Commercial building data from PG&E
 - Residential building and device data from Pecan Street [3]
- One minute time-steps
- Three model sets
 - All models
 - Reduced set of models
 - LTV AC models only
- Benchmark Algorithm
 - Kalman filters

Results



RMS prediction errors (kW) for the DFS scenarios averaged over 10 simulated days and example time series.

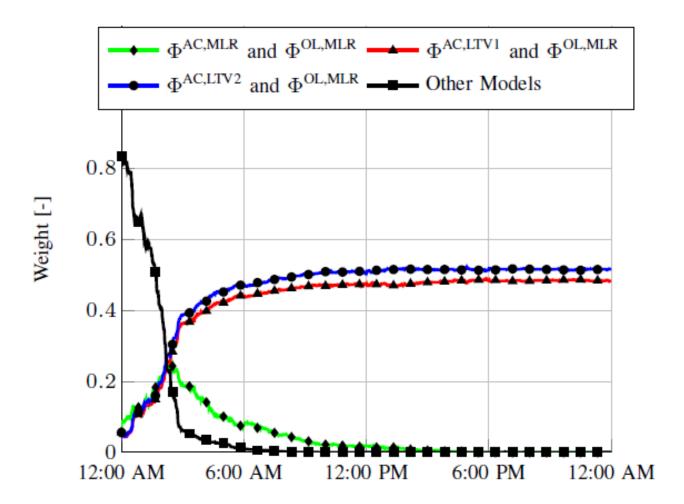
Model Set	$\mathcal{M}^{\mathrm{Full}}$	$\mathcal{M}^{ ext{Red}}$	$\mathcal{M}^{\mathrm{KF}}$	$\mathcal{M}^{\mathrm{KF}}$	$\mathcal{M}^{\mathrm{KF}}$
Algorithm	DFS	DFS	DFS	BKF	AKF
Total Demand	196.8	100.0	99.7	-	-
AC Demand	308.0	220.6	226.5	195.3	259.4
OL Demand	291.4	222.3	228.2	-	-



Results



Time series of model weights indicating the most accurate (available) model is a combination of two candidate models.





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Conclusions



The online learning algorithm is able to effectively separate the AC and OL demand in real-time

- Conclusions
 - Better models improve performance
 - Competitive with the "best" Kalman Filter
- Work under review
 - Comparison of DFS with Kalman filter methods
 - Incorporating statistical information into DFS
- Future work
 - Include active control
 - Use data sampled at faster rates (e.g., seconds)
 - Investigate transfer of theory between domains



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Questions?



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