



# ***Grid Integration of Solar Energy***

## ***What Have We Learned***



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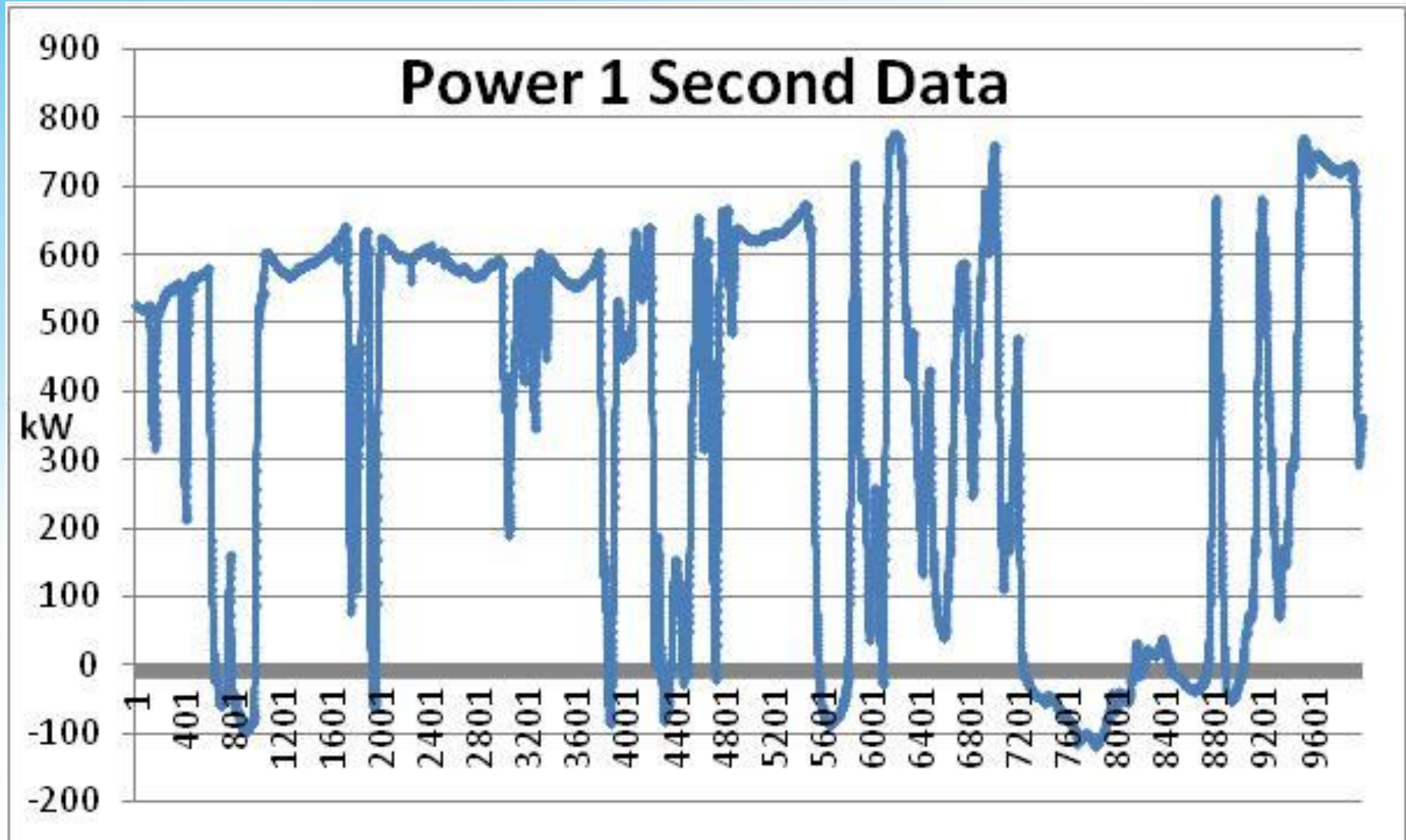


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# Measure

## PV Intermittency

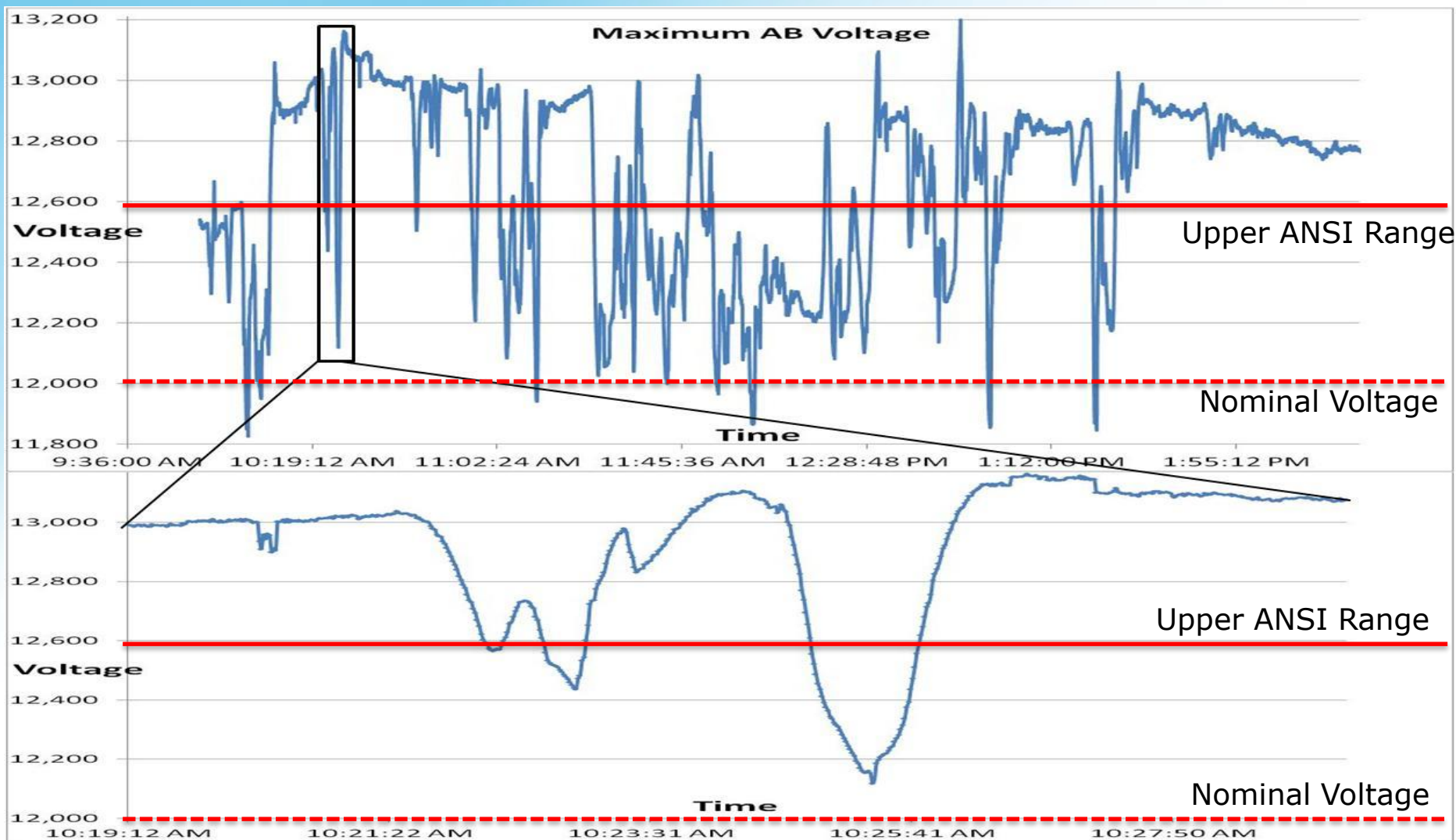




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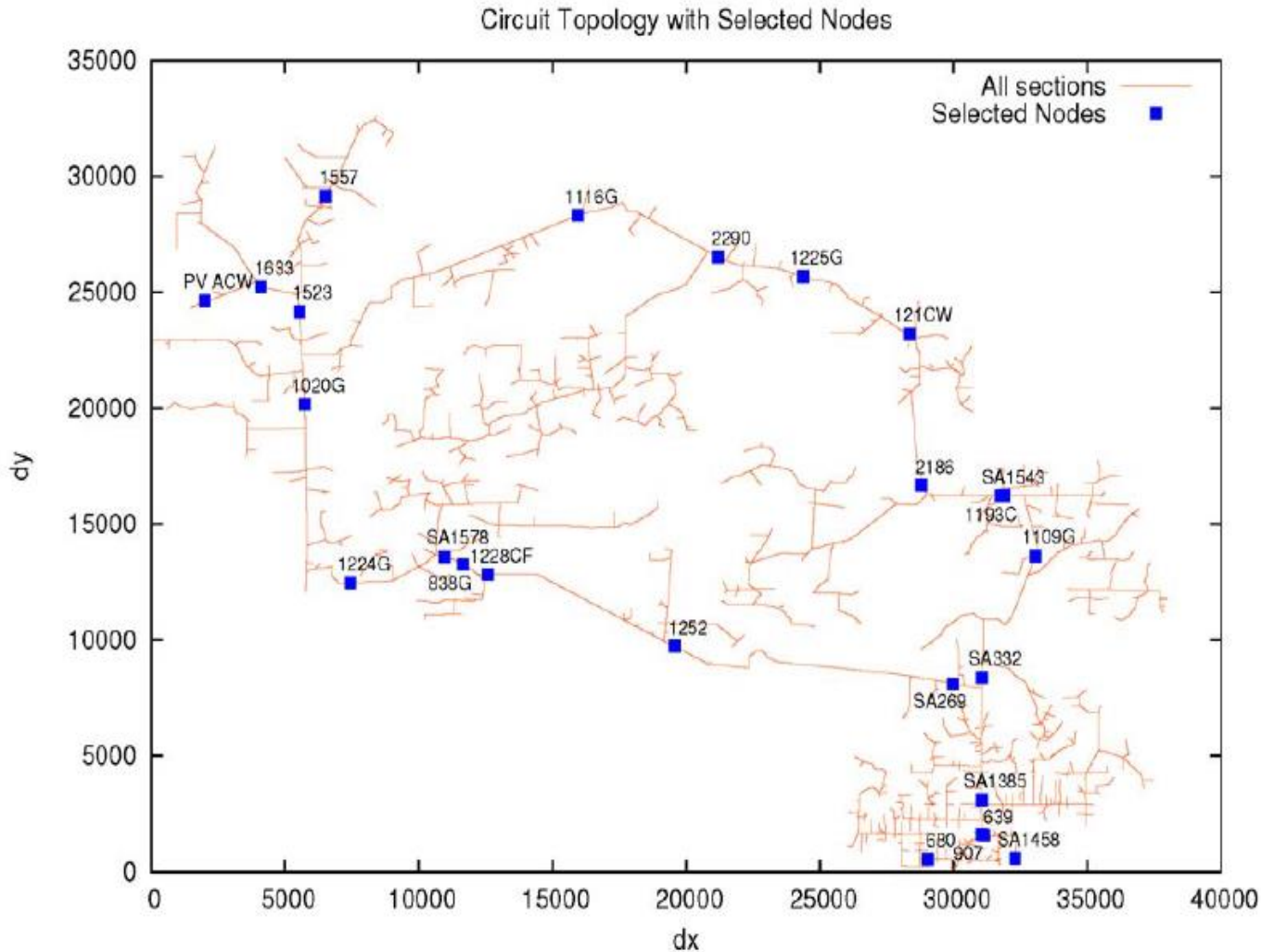


## SDG&E PV Penetration by Circuit





# Modeling DER Integration

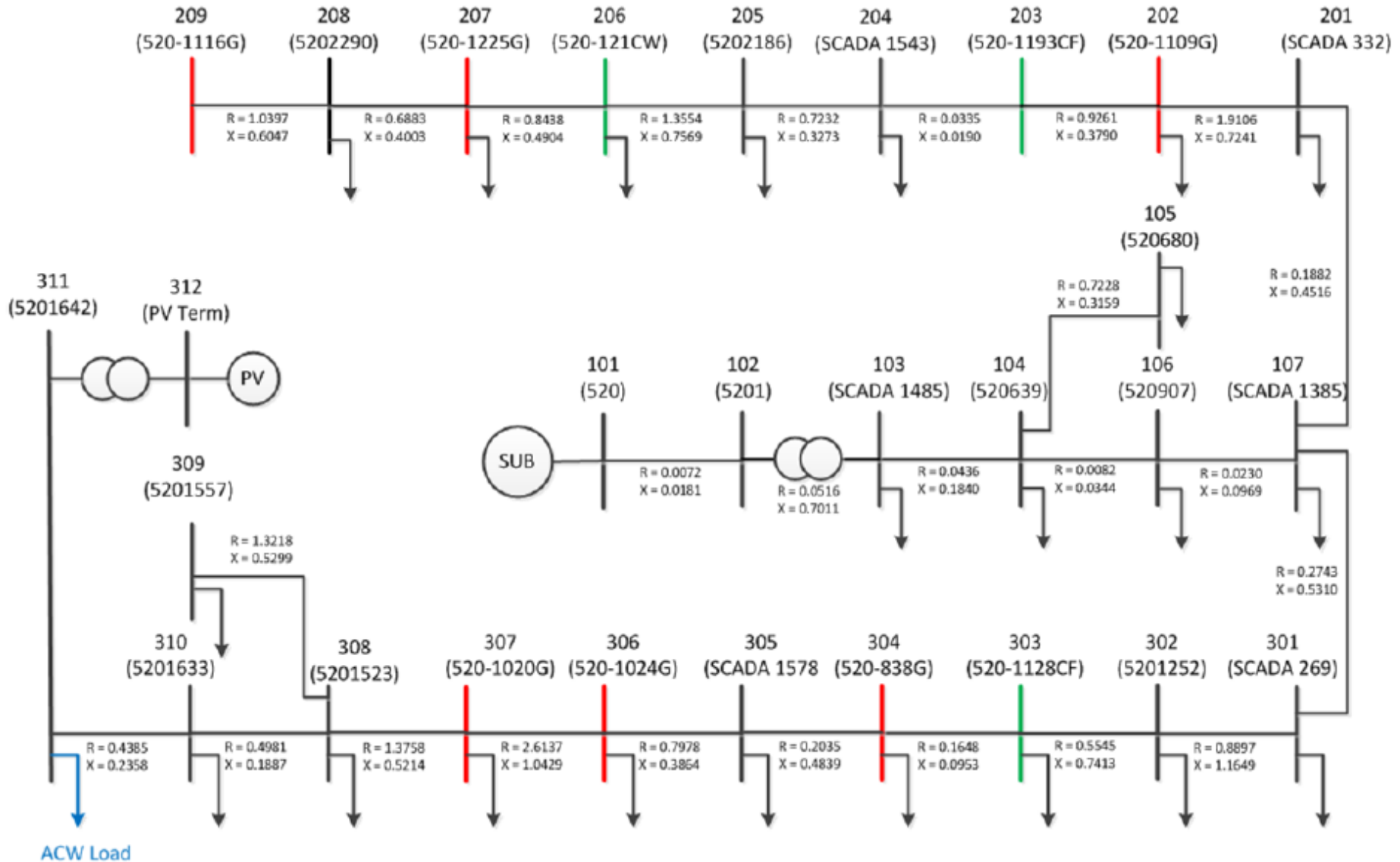




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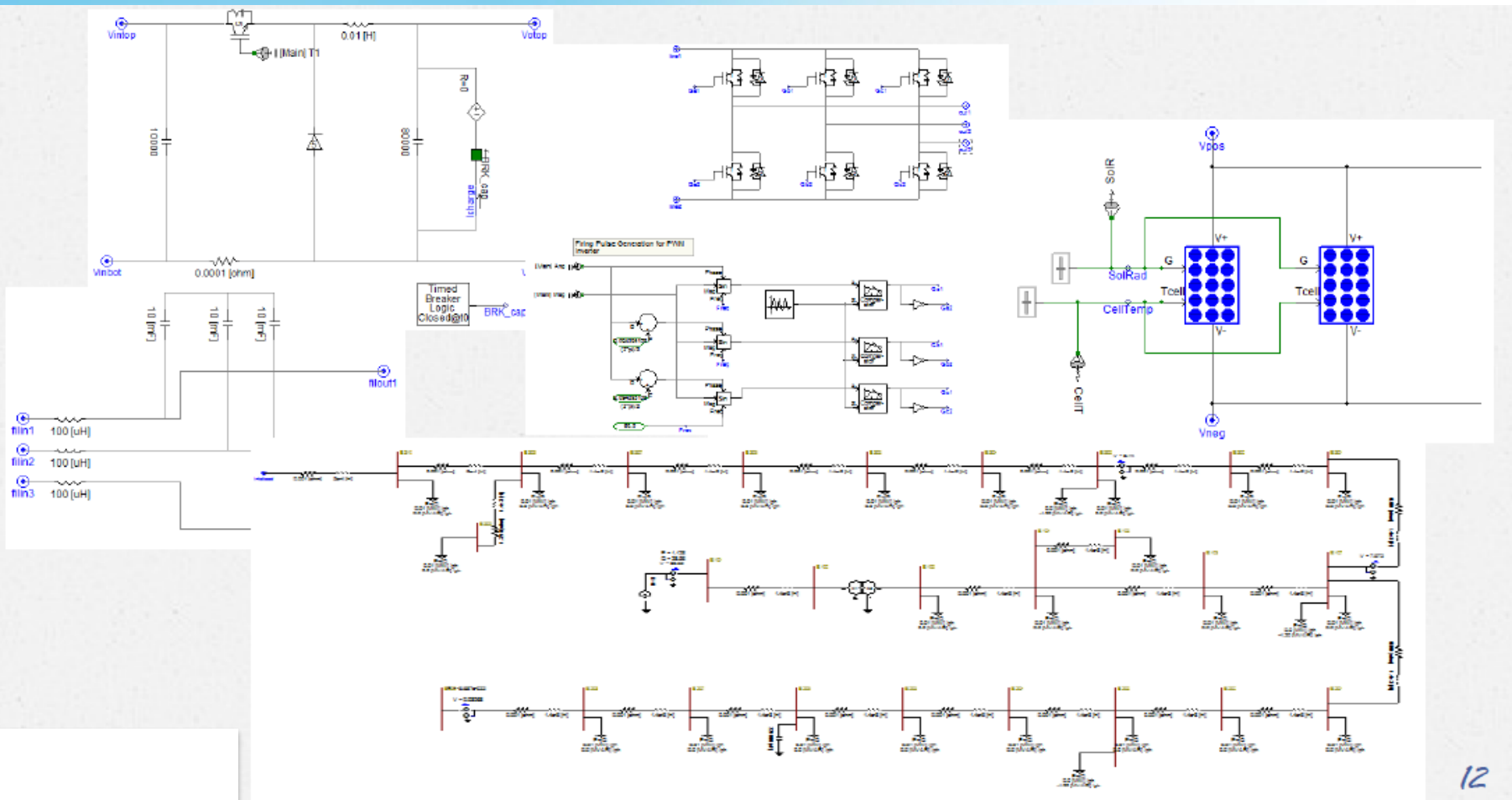


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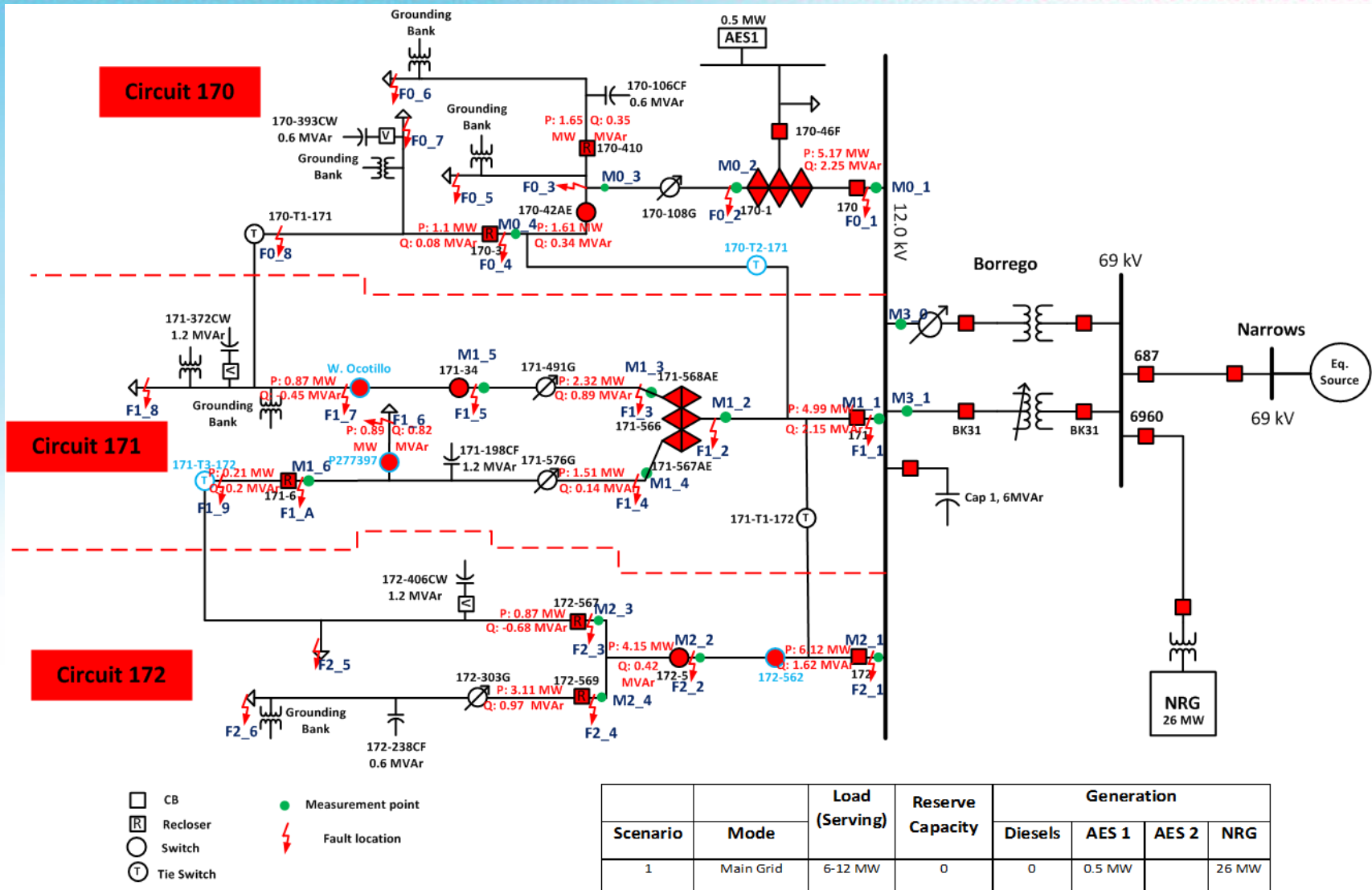
# Modeling - Detailed PSCad Modeling



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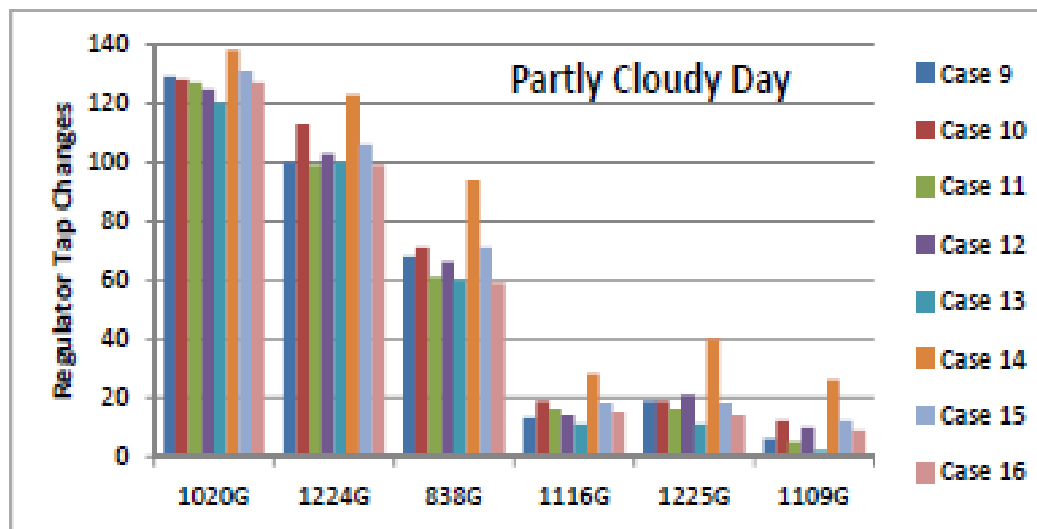
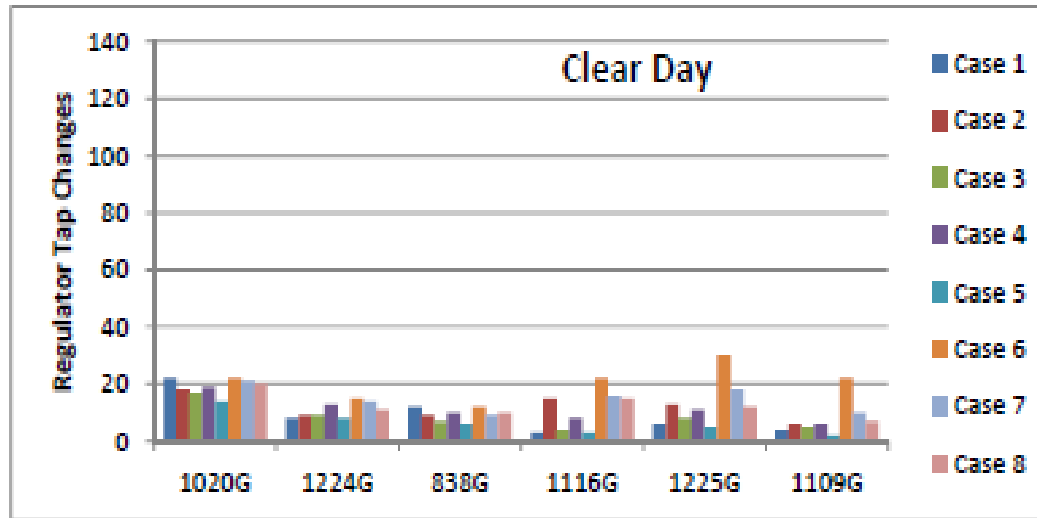


# Modeling - RTDS



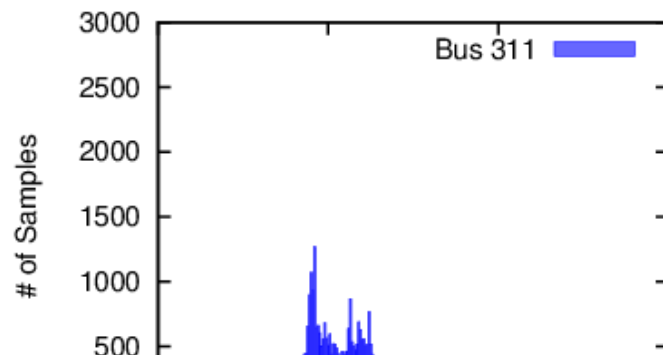
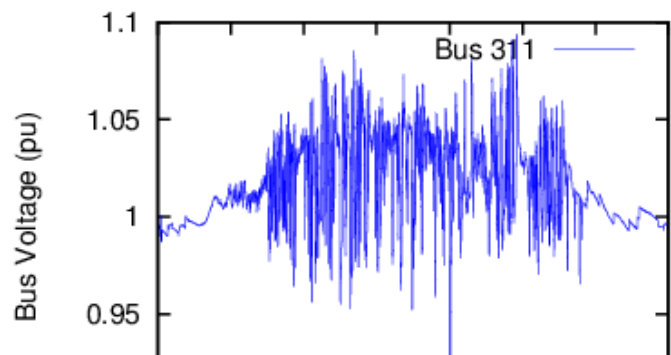
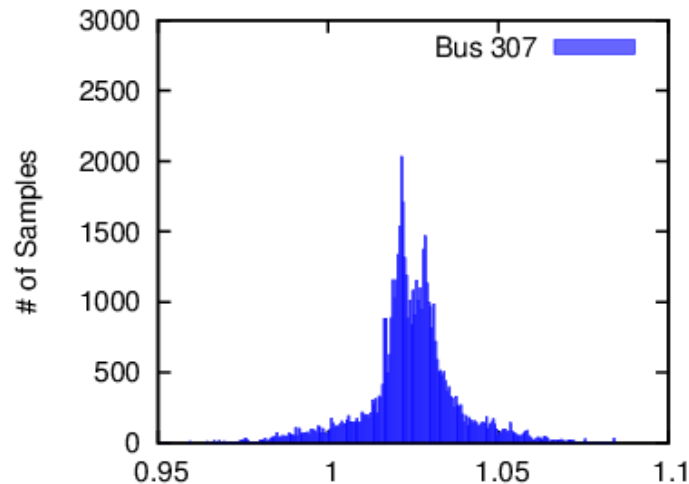
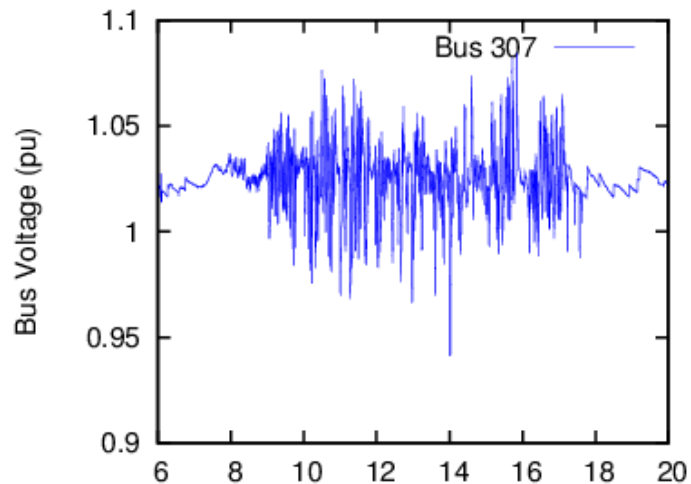


# Modeling - Results





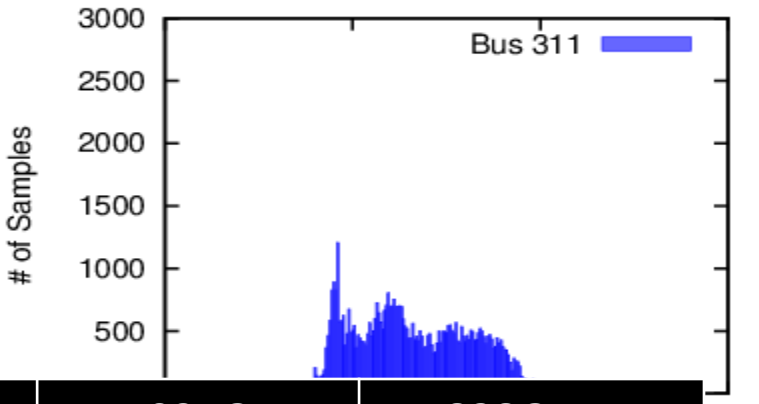
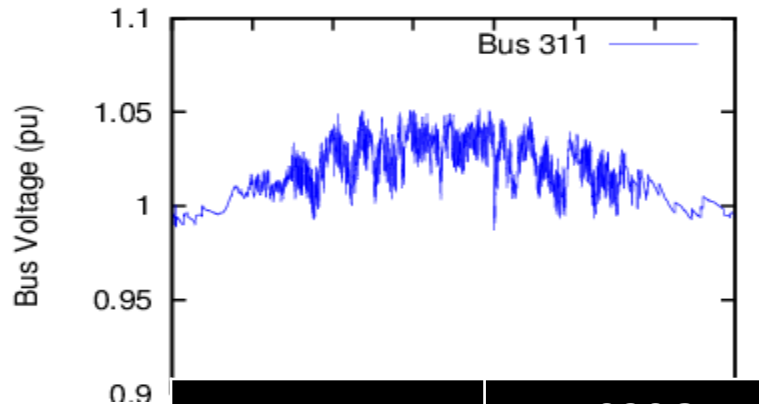
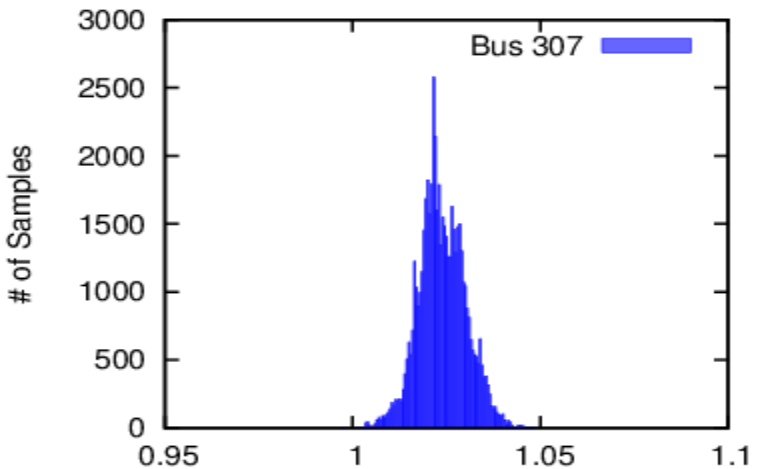
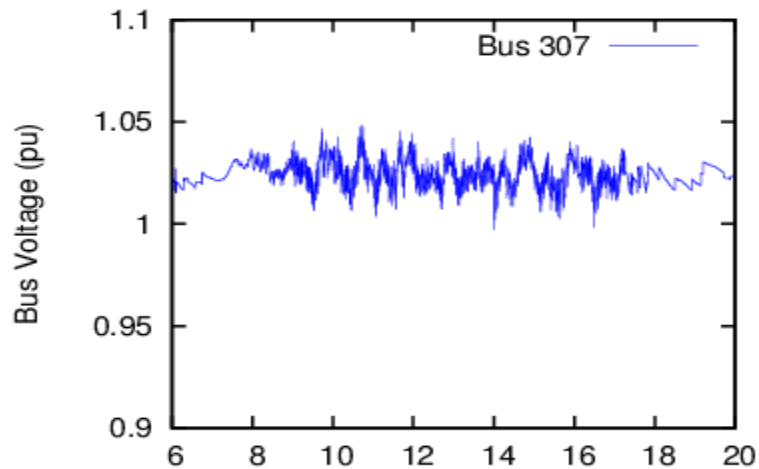
# Modeling - Baseline



	VR 1020G	VR 1024G	VR 838G
Tap Changes	125	85	31



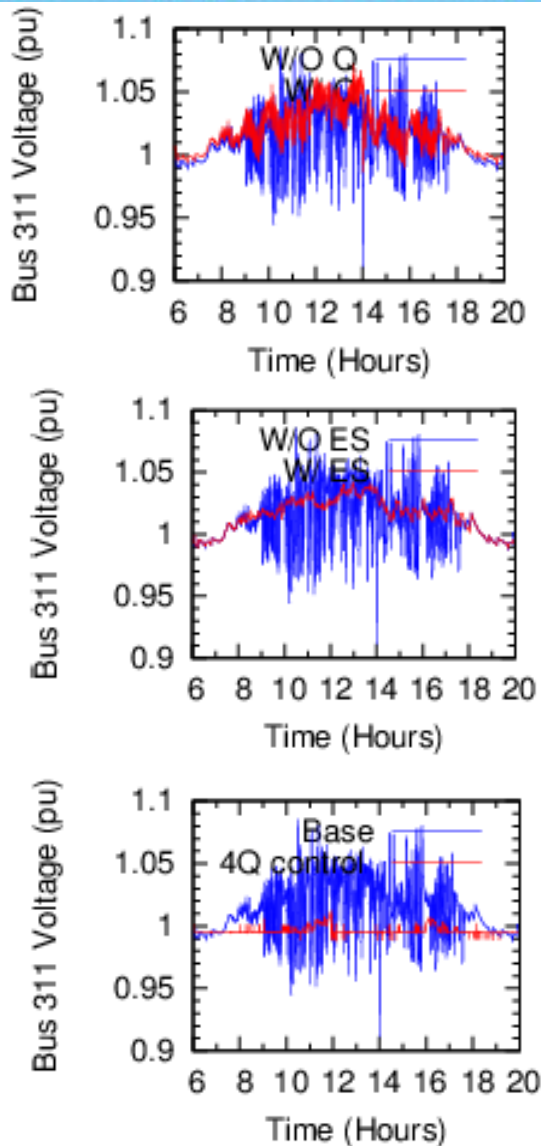
# Modeling - Dynamic Voltage Control *SDGE*



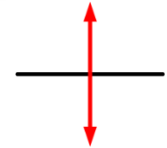
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Tap Changes	45	77	121



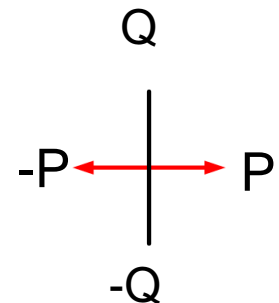
# Modeling - Solutions



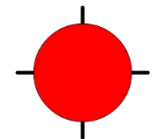
With and without dynamic VAR device



With and without energy storage



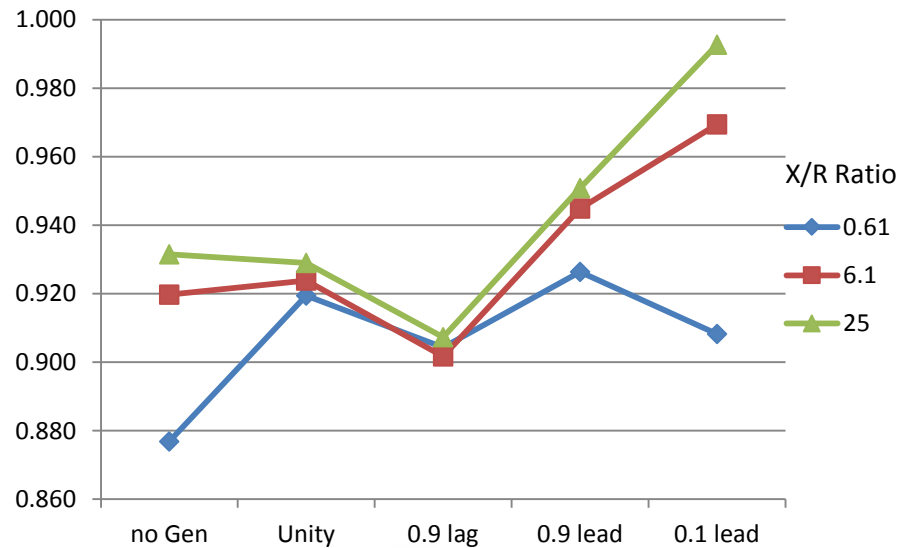
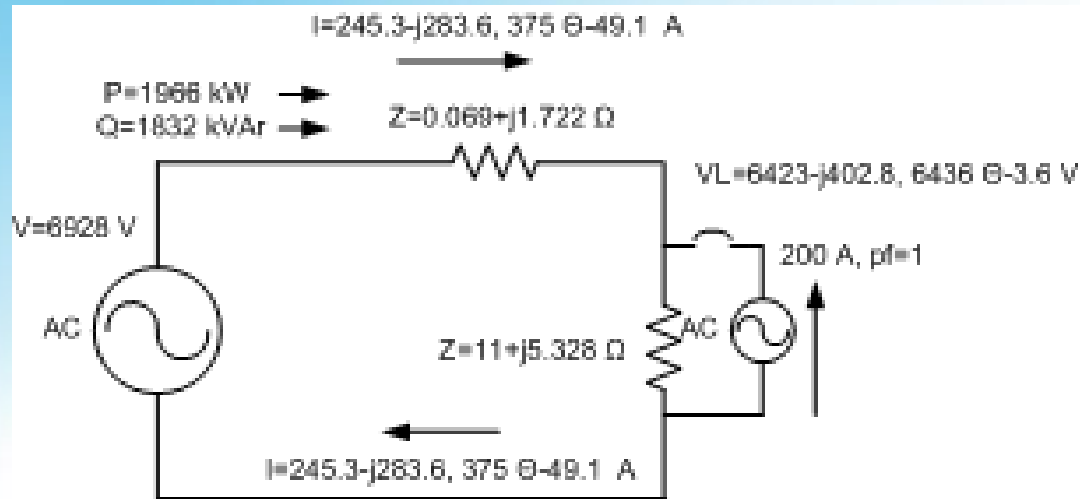
With and without storage and 4 quadrant control



Red = With Blue = Without



# Modeling - X/R Voltage Impact

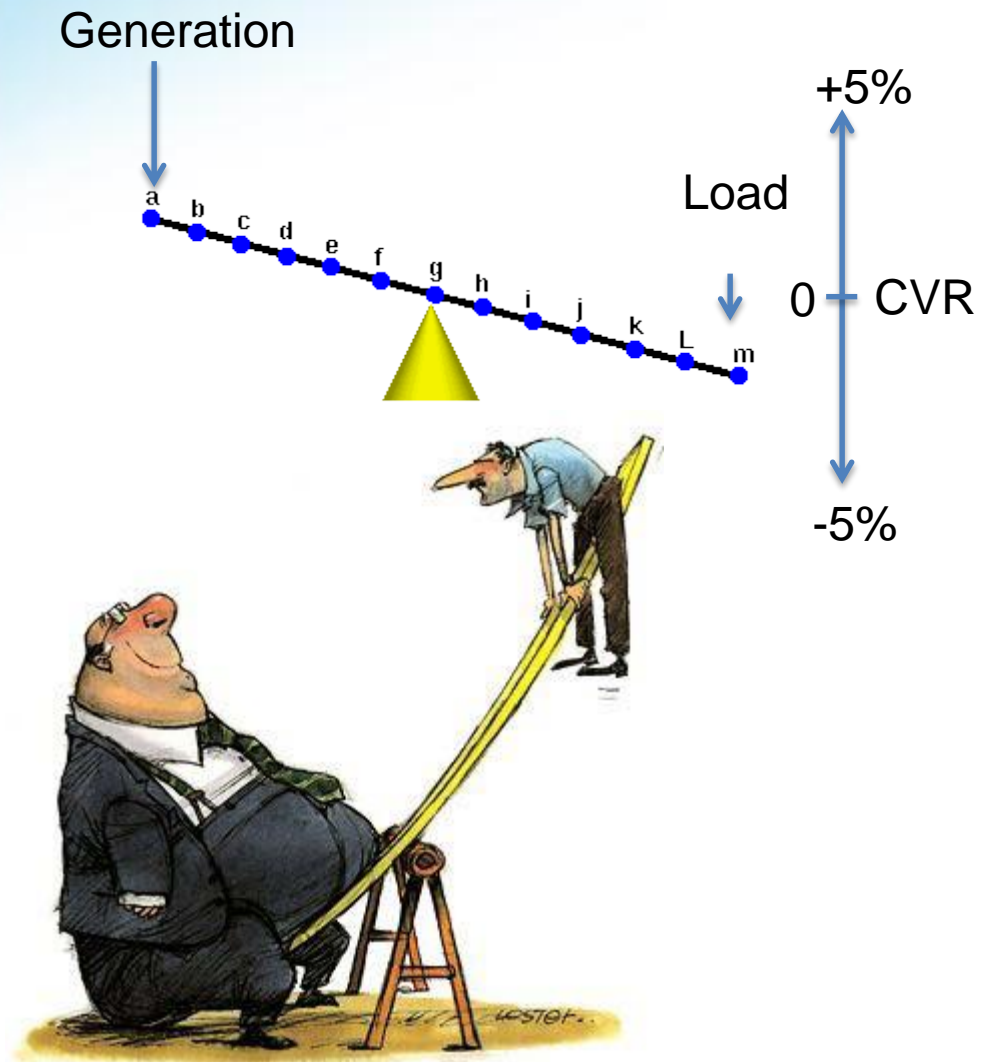




# Lessons Learned

## Factors Determining Impact

- **Location on the Circuit**
  - Near Substation vs End of Circuit
- **Circuit Rating**
  - 4 kV vs 12 kV
- **Type of Circuit**
  - Urban vs Rural
- **Circuit minimum loading**
  - High vs Low
- **Circuit X/R ratio at location**
  - High vs Low
- **Aggregate DG capacity**
  - Transmission issues
- **Voltage Regulation Equipment**





## Solutions?

- **Circuit modifications**

- Monitoring and ensuring resource adequacy
- Voltage regulation

- **Demand response**

- Slower  $dP/dt$  events?

- **4 quadrant control**

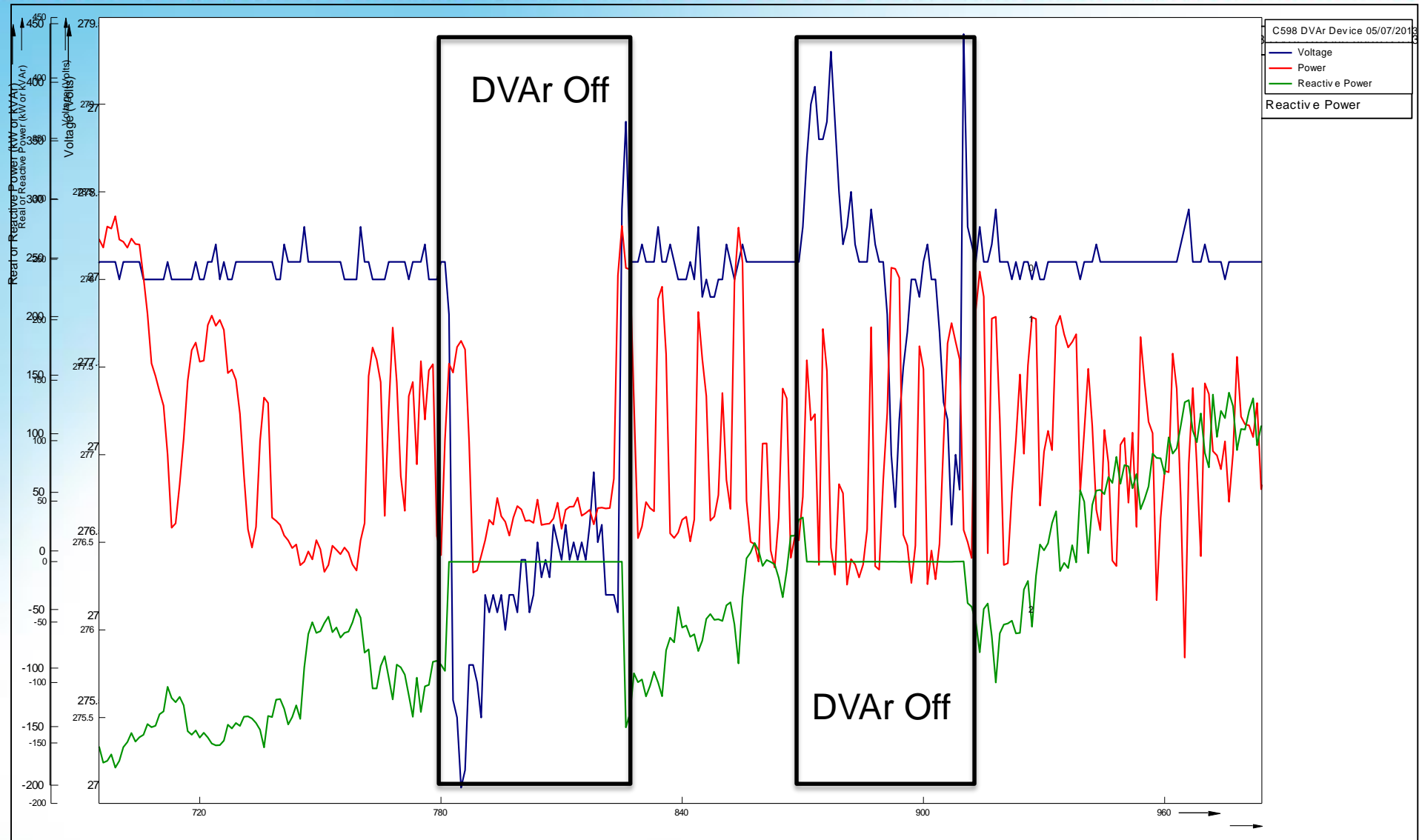
- Utility dynamic VAR devices
- Utility storage
- Customers inverters/storage

- **Regulatory/Standards Changes**

- Existing rules require modification to accommodate high PV penetration
  - CA SIWG advanced functionality

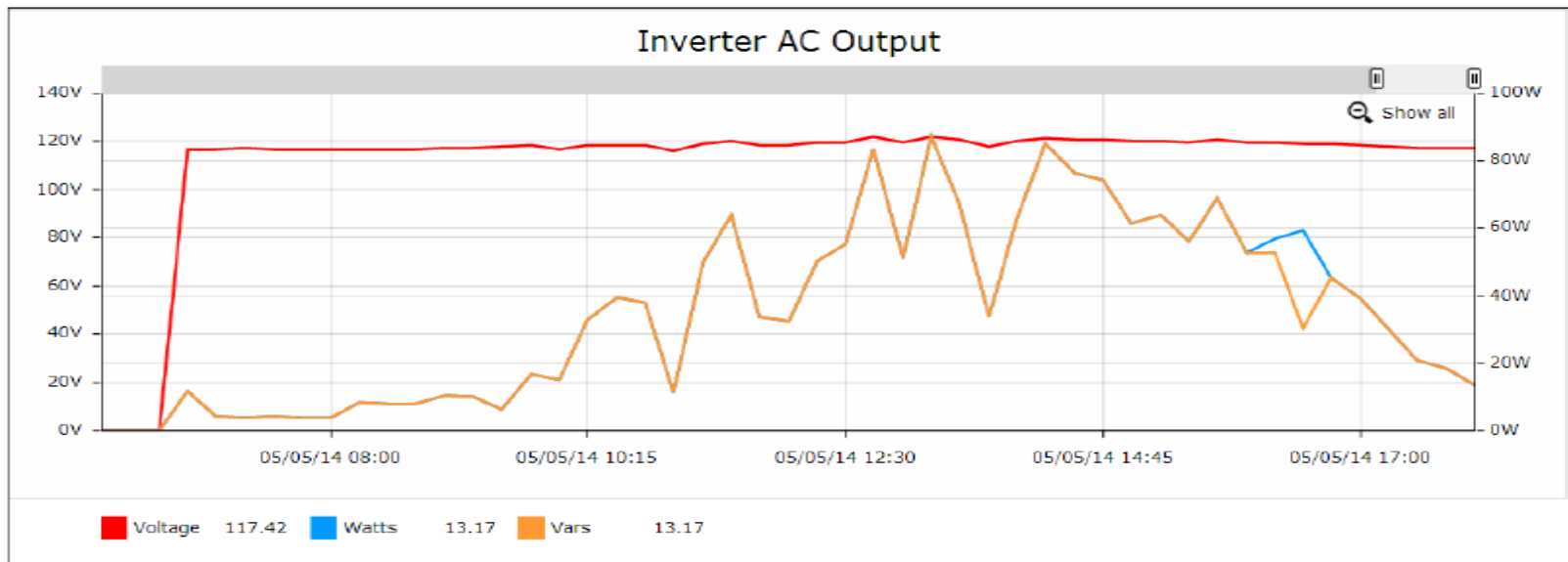
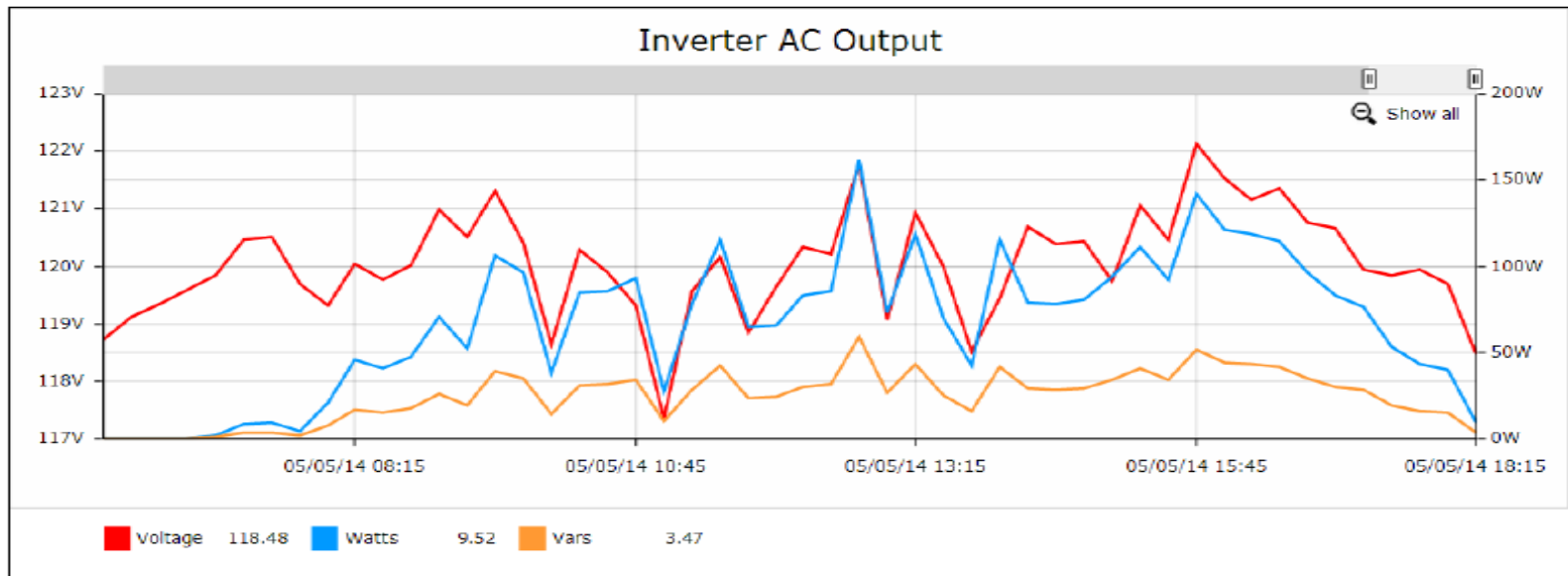


# Solutions - Dynamic VAr Device





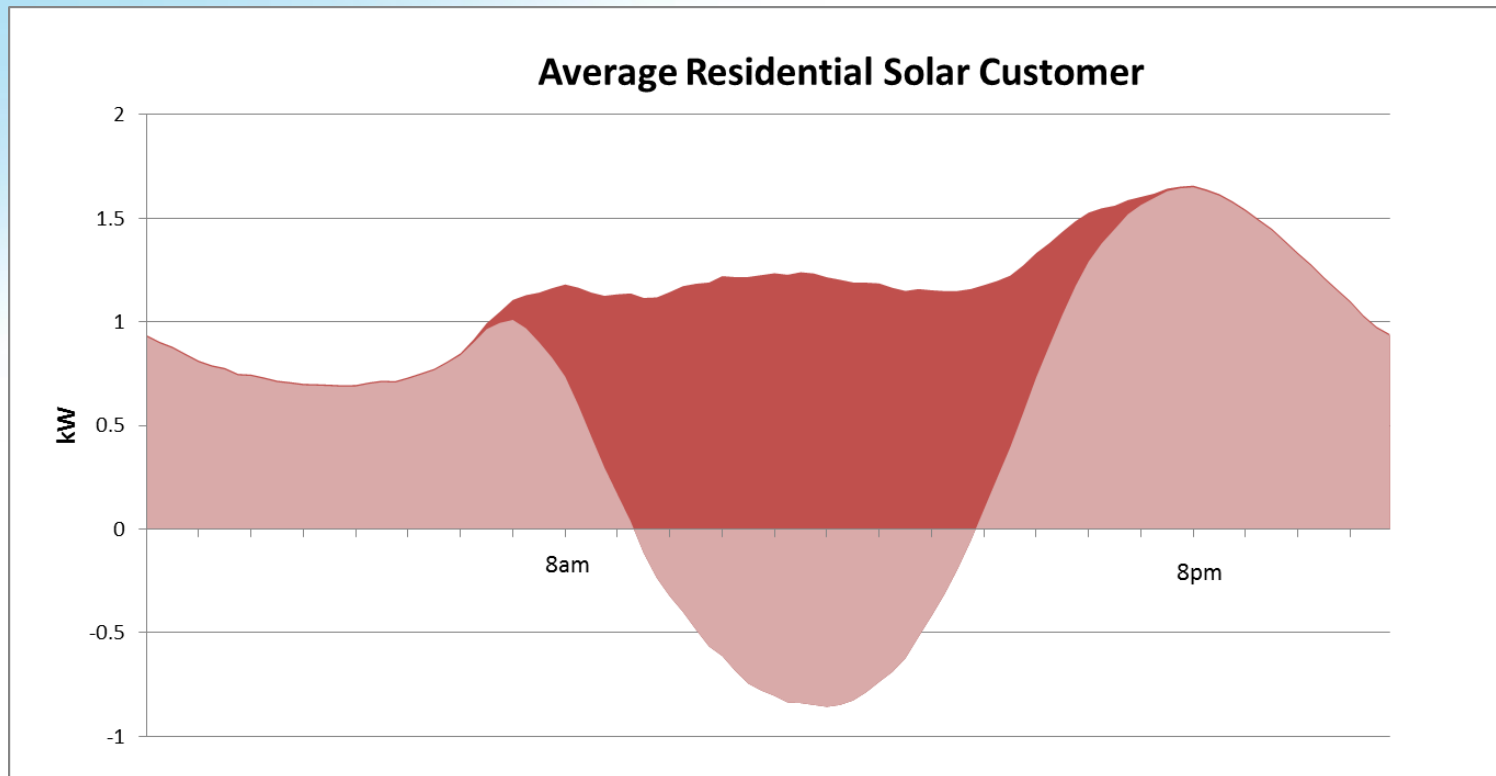
# Solutions - PV with Smart Inverter





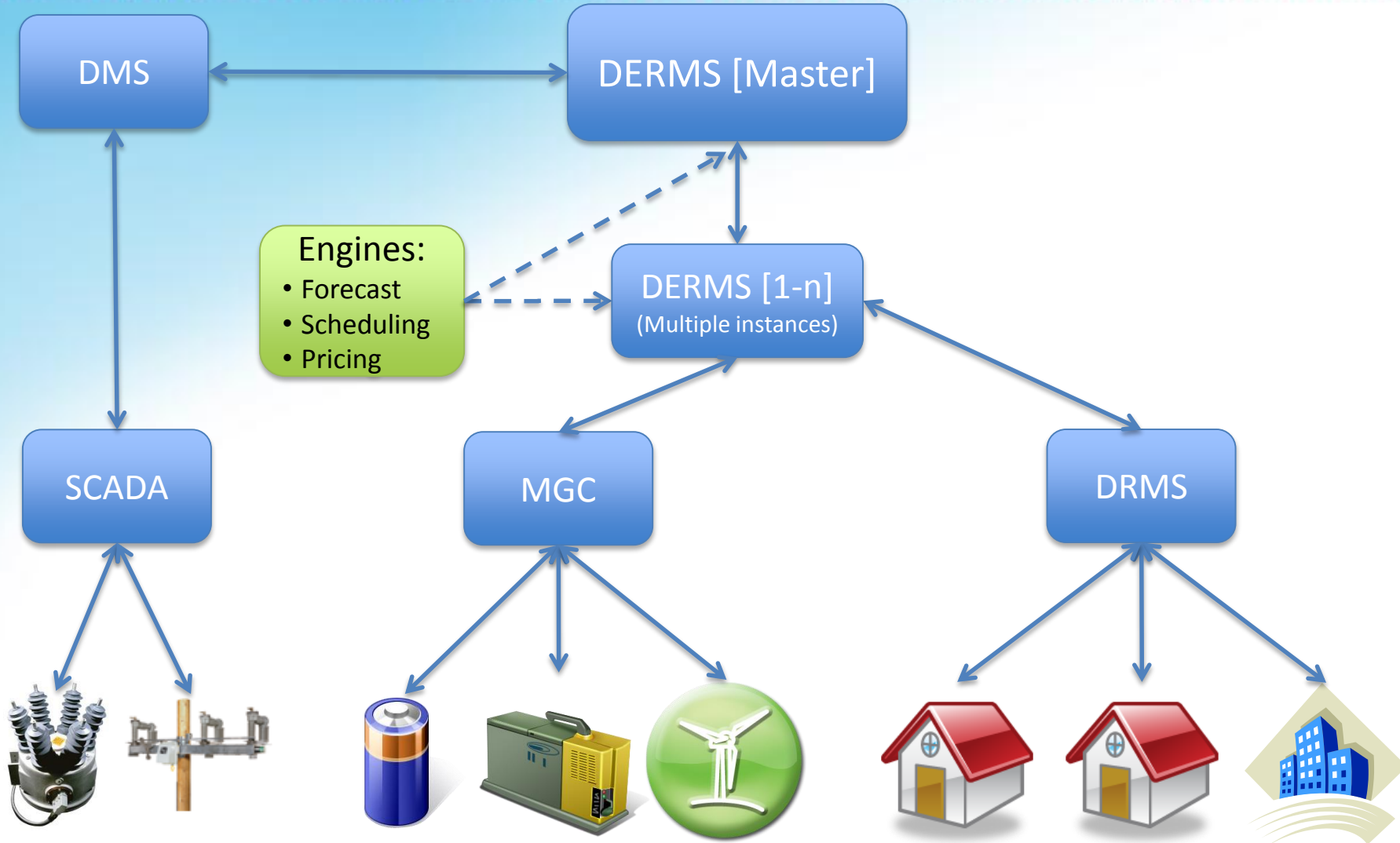
# Solar PV Capacity Challenges

- Solar does not coincide with residential distribution system peaks
- Solar output curve does not match typical residential customer daily usage profile
- Opportunity for distribution and residential energy storage
- Commercial load profile is more aligned to solar output





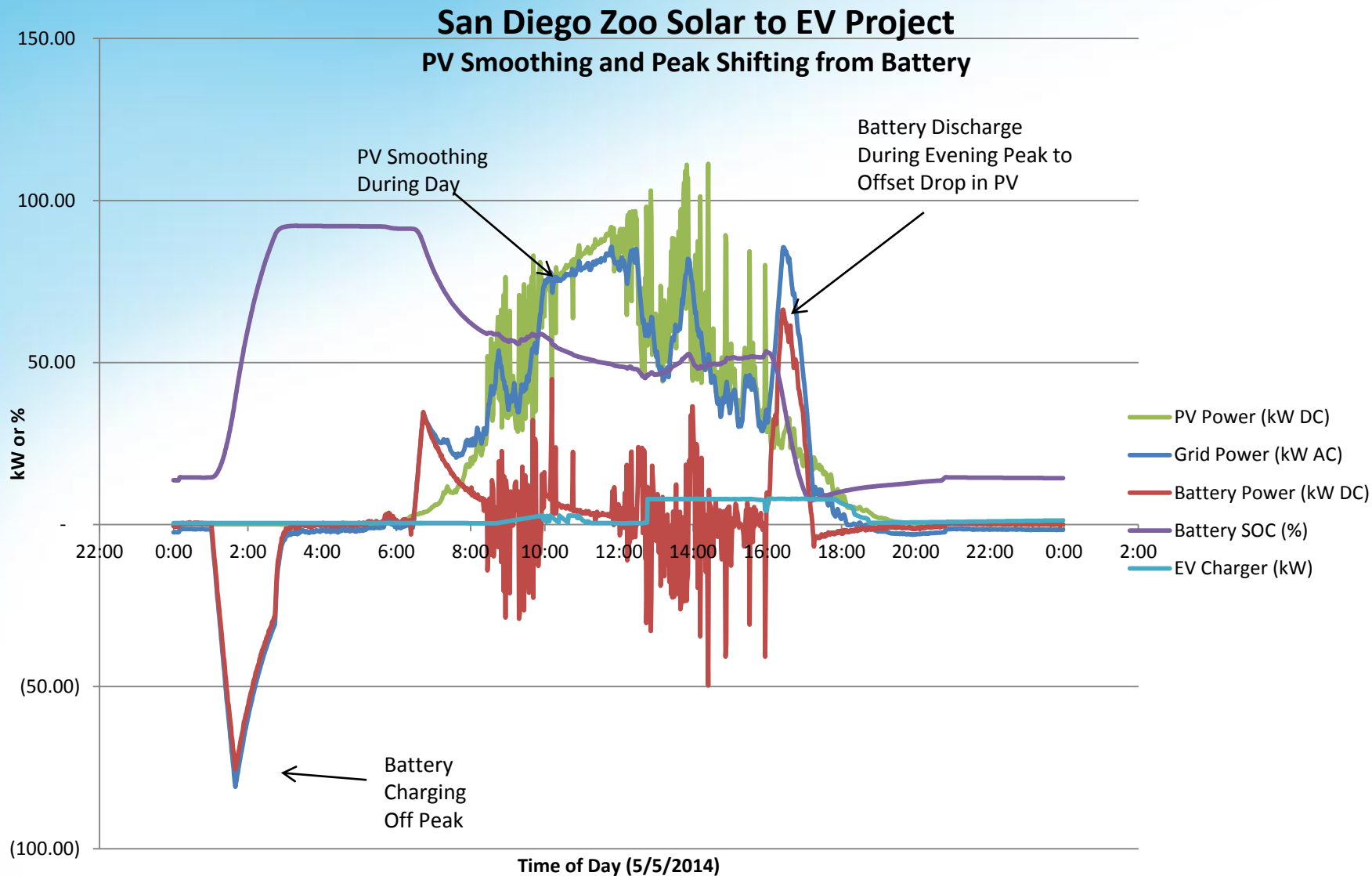
# Control Hierarchy





# The Possible: Peak Smoothing through Storage

## San Diego Zoo - May 5, 2014





# Questions?

## Thank You

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