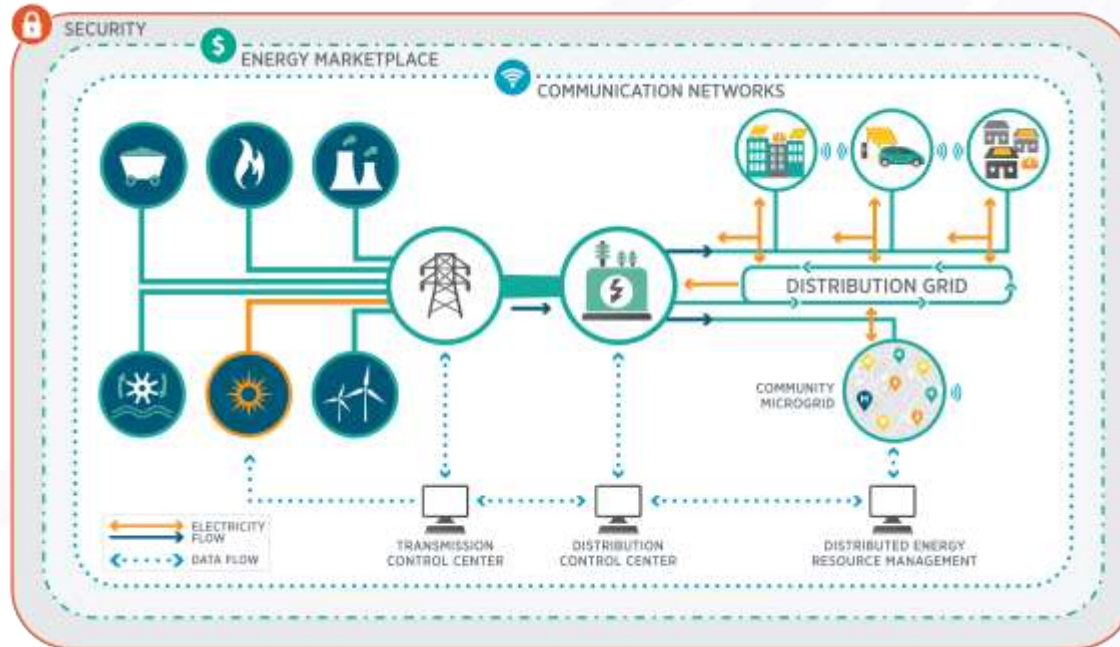


# Systems Integration Program Overview

Challenges, Opportunities, Research Activities

# SETO Systems Integration (SI) Program

The Systems Integration (SI) subprogram supports early-stage research, development, and demonstration for technologies and solutions that advance the **reliable, resilient, secure and affordable** integration of solar energy onto the U.S. electric grid.



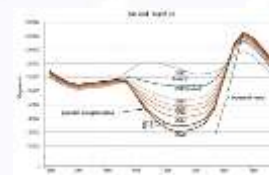
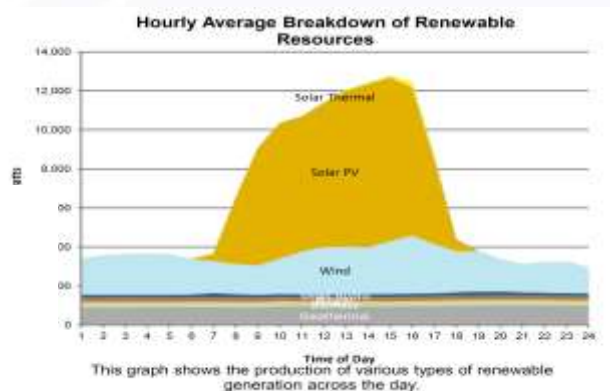
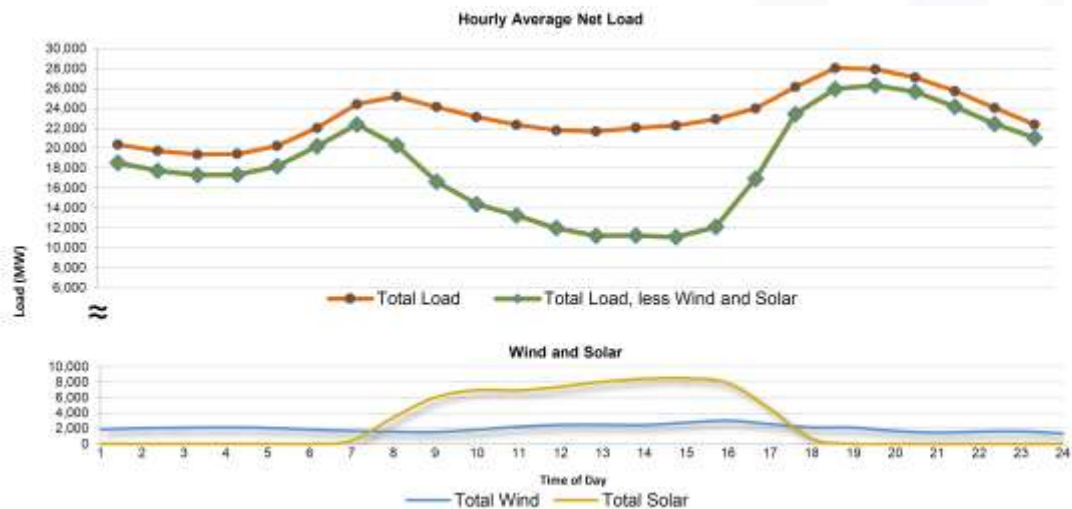
# GMI – DOE-Wide Collaboration

DOE's Grid Modernization Laboratory Consortium – 14 National Labs – 100+ Partners



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# The Duck is Real (March 2, 2020)



# California ISO Real Time Grid Status (March 3, 2020)

Grid status ● Normal [Learn more about active alerts, warnings and emergencies](#)

## Supply and renewables

[View official data in OASIS](#)

  
**24,300 MW**  
Current demand

  
**8,589 MW**  
Current renewables

  
**7,030 MW**  
Current solar

  
**-17 MW**  
Current wind

Today's Outlook Demand **Supply** Emissions Prices AS OF: 16:15 03/03/2020

### Current supply AS OF 16:15



- Renewables 35.4% (8,589 MW)
- Natural gas 23.4% (5,672 MW)
- Large hydro 4.4% (1,074 MW)
- Imports 27.4% (6,648 MW)
- Batteries (charging) 0.0% (-23 MW)
- Nuclear 9.3% (2,268 MW)
- Coal 0.1% (14 MW)
- Other 0.0% (0 MW)

### Current renewables AS OF 16:15

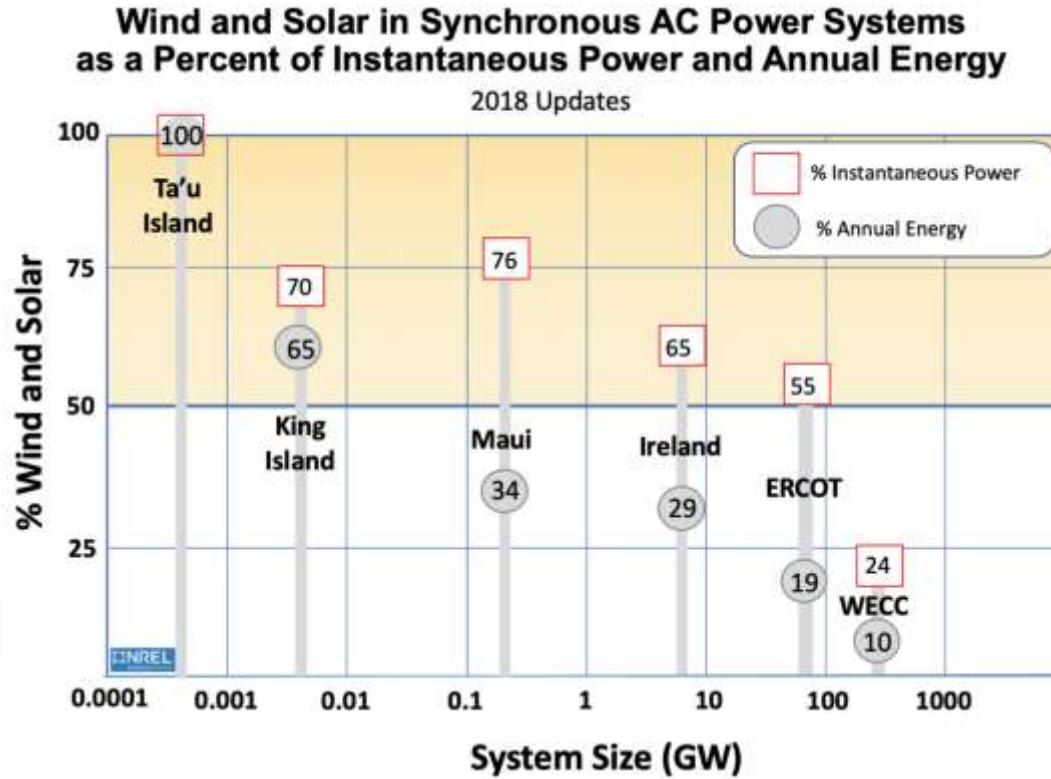


- Solar 81.7% (7,030 MW)
- Wind -0.2% (-17 MW)
- Geothermal 11.3% (969 MW)
- Biomass 2.9% (253 MW)
- Biogas 2.3% (200 MW)
- Small hydro 1.8% (154 MW)

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# Many Technical Challenges Ahead for Solar Grid Integration



Source: Ben Kroposki / NREL

# Renewable Integration and Grid Stability

## Major Events

- 9/28/2016, South Australian Blackout
  - Extreme weather (high wind, high temperature)
  - 456 MW wind generation reduction
  - 850,000 customers lost power for hours
- 8/16/2016, Southern CA Blue Cut fire
  - transmission fault
  - 1200 MW of solar PV resources lost; PV inverters trip off due to frequency during transients
- 10/09/2017, Southern CA Canyon 2 Fire
  - transmission fault;
  - 900 MW of solar PV resources lost; PV inverters trip off due to momentary cessation in response to voltage transients
- 8/09/2019, UK Blackout
  - lightning strike
  - 150MW of small embedded generation disconnected
  - 737MW offshore windfarm output reduction
  - further 350MW of embedded generation disconnected
  - 45 minute outage for 1.1 million customers

## NERC/DOE/Industry Response



### Impact of Inverter-Based Resource Negative-Sequence Current Injection on Transmission System Protection

Richard Behrns, Scott  
John C. Vetter, Matt  
Catherine Frenkel, Eric  
Suzanne Furbig, University Engineering Laboratories  
Basil Sathyanarayana, Subrahmanyan Aravamudan  
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Bryan Kato, Singapore  
Ravi Sridhar, Singapore  
Yashwanth Prasad, Singapore  
Ajay Kulkarni, Singapore

# Active Research Programs

- SHINES - Dispatchable PV + storage + flexible load
- Solar Forecasting II - Improve forecasting accuracy, benchmarking, integration
- ENERGISE - T&D modeling & co-simulation, state estimation, OPF, real-time operation
- Advanced Power Electronics - Improving PE efficiency, reliability, control; WBG devices
- GMLC-RDS - Resilient distribution system design, demonstration, and value analysis
- ASSIST - situation awareness, and resilience for critical infrastructures
- FY19 SETO Lab Call – broader SI topics
- FY19 SETO FOA - grid services, system protection, grid-forming inverter, cyber security
- FY19 GMLC Lab Call - resilience models, sensing and measurement, cyber security

A System Engineering Approach





# SI Track Topic Areas

## System Operation Reliability

- Real-time situation awareness and control that ensure system reliability with high penetrations of solar.
- Include sensing and communication, system protection, and optimal control algorithms.

## System Planning Models and Simulations

- Modeling methodologies and software tools for short- and long-term system planning scenarios with PV.
- Include PV generation variability, system flexibility, grid stability, and interconnection requirements.

## Power Electronic Devices and Control

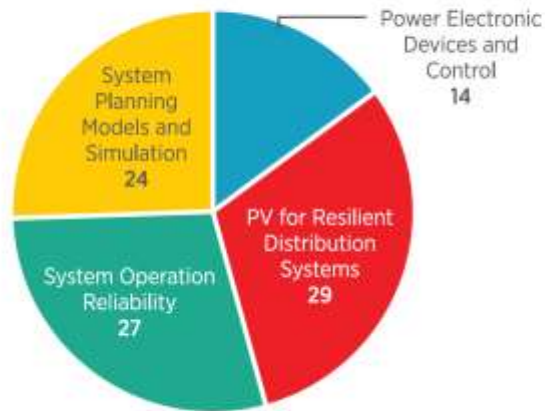
- Hardware technologies that serve as the critical link between solar PV and the electric grid.
- Include equipment efficiency and reliability improvement, cost reduction, and advanced grid control.

## PV for Resilient Distribution Systems

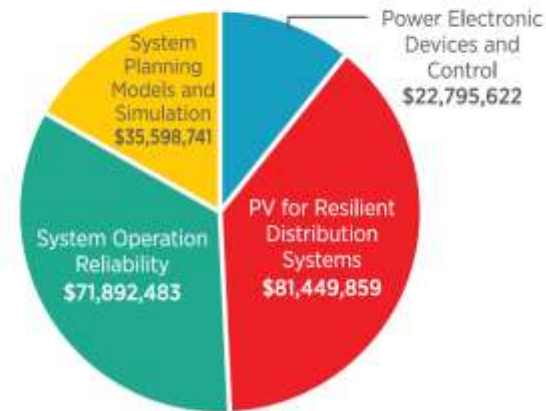
- Distributed solar PV and DERs to provide service continuity during cyber and physical hazards
- Include blackstart capabilities, community microgrid, energy storage integration, for emergency response and faster recovery.

# SI Track Breakdown – 95 Projects and \$213M Funding

Systems Integration Projects  
by Topic Area

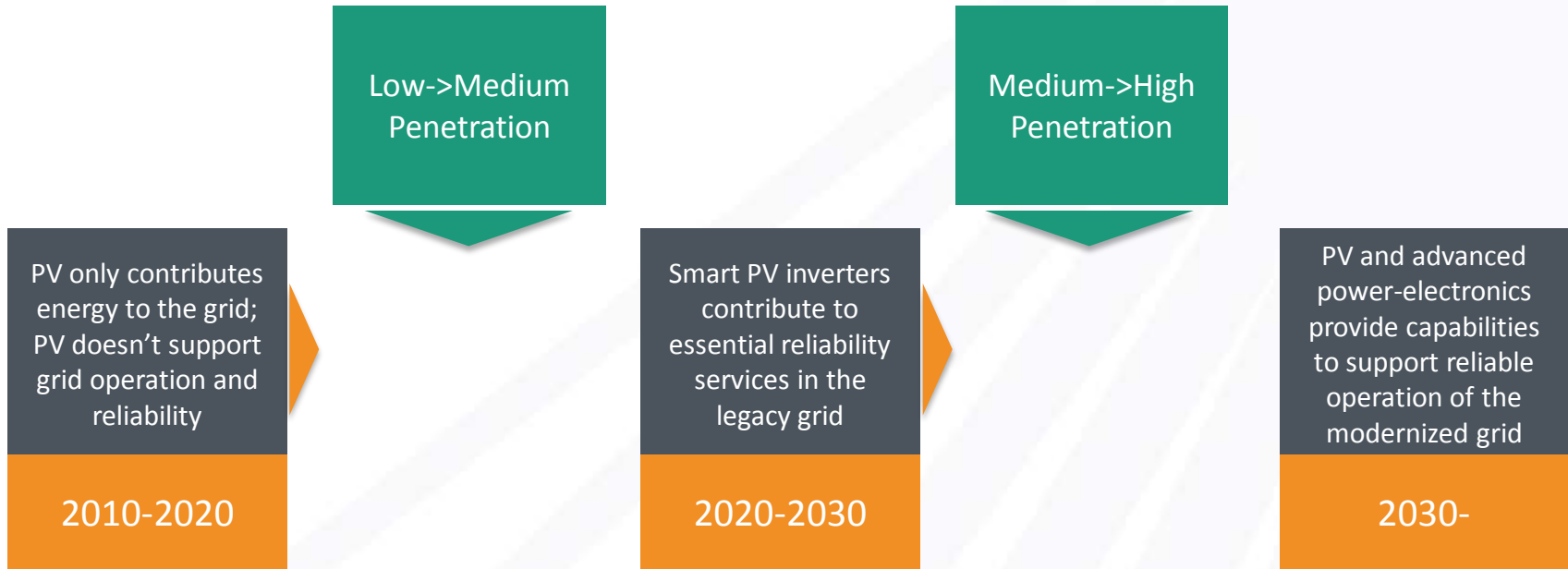


Systems Integration Funding  
by Topic Area



- Active projects including GMLC, and relevant projects under M&C, and SA programs
- Awardees represent national labs, universities, utility companies, and industry solution providers

# Solar Grid Integration Research Priorities



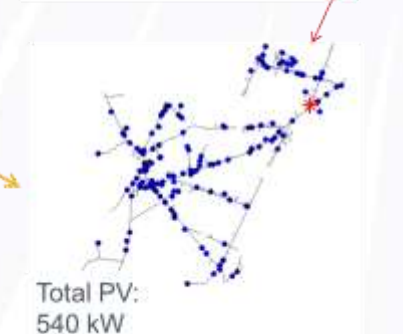
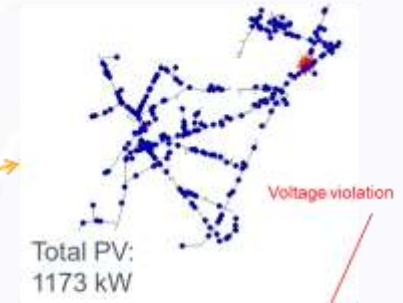
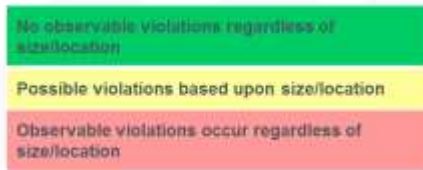
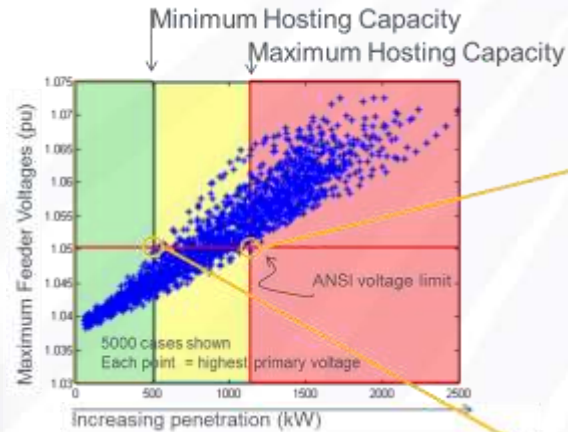
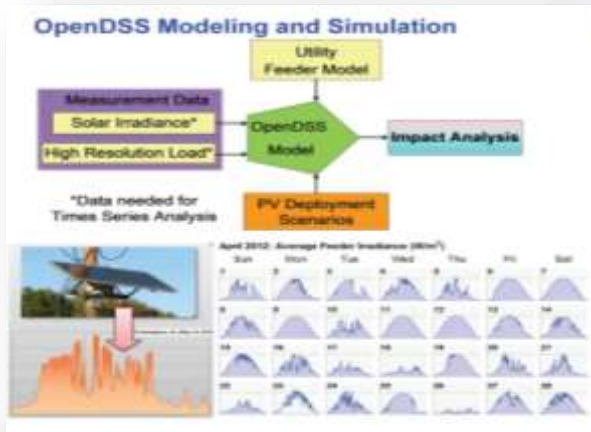
Solar generation has grown from less than 0.1 percent of the U.S. electricity supply to 2.7 percent per year and rapidly expanding. In five states, solar electricity already represents more than 10 percent of total generation.

# Innovative Technologies For High Penetration of Solar

# PV Hosting Capacity Analysis for Distribution System

(NREL, Sandia, CPUC, EPRI)

- Detailed feeder model
- Smart inverter model
- Solar and load measurement data
- Quasi-time-series analysis
- Monte Carlo analysis
- Visualization



# Smart Inverter Development and Testing Validation

- Manufacturer lab testing
- Power HIL Modeling real feeder topology
- Using real event data

NREL ESIF



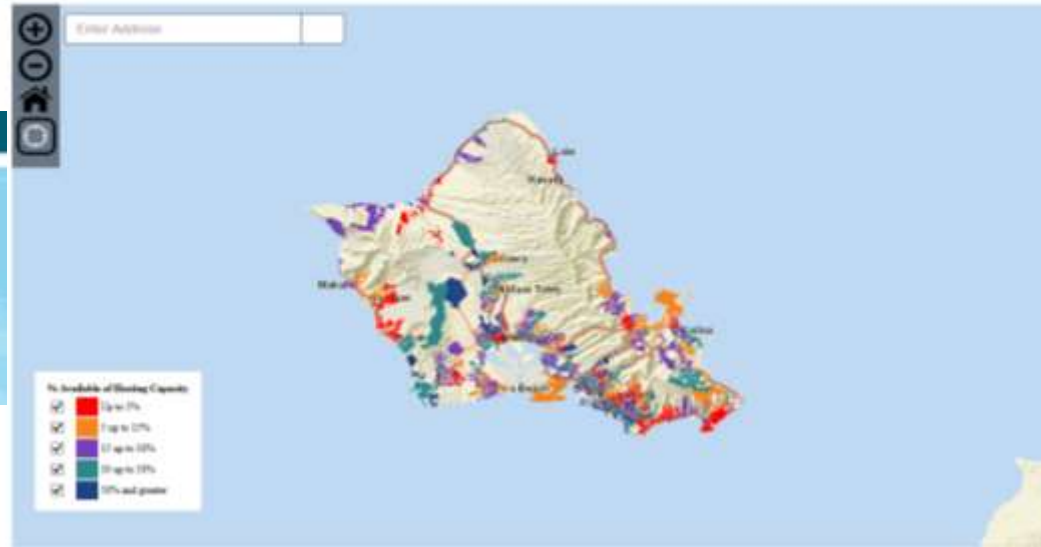
- Grid simulator
- PV simulator
- Communication
- Remote control



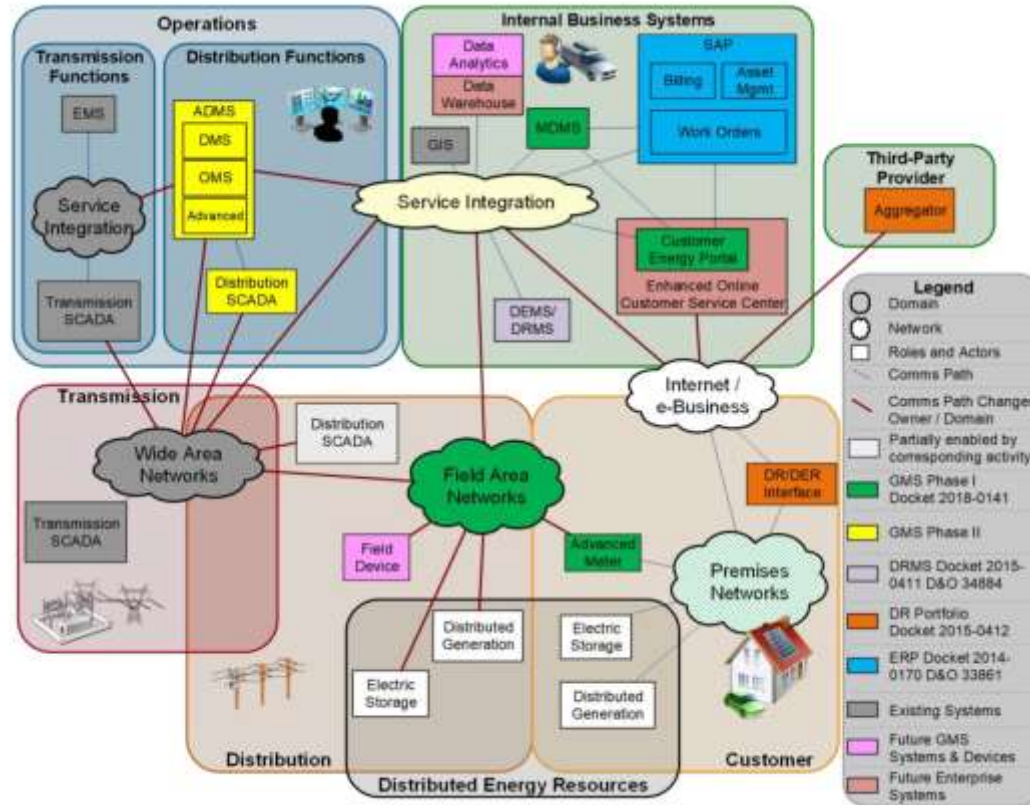
EPRI Knoxville Lab

# Solar Integration In Hawaii

## Oahu Locational Value Map (LVM)



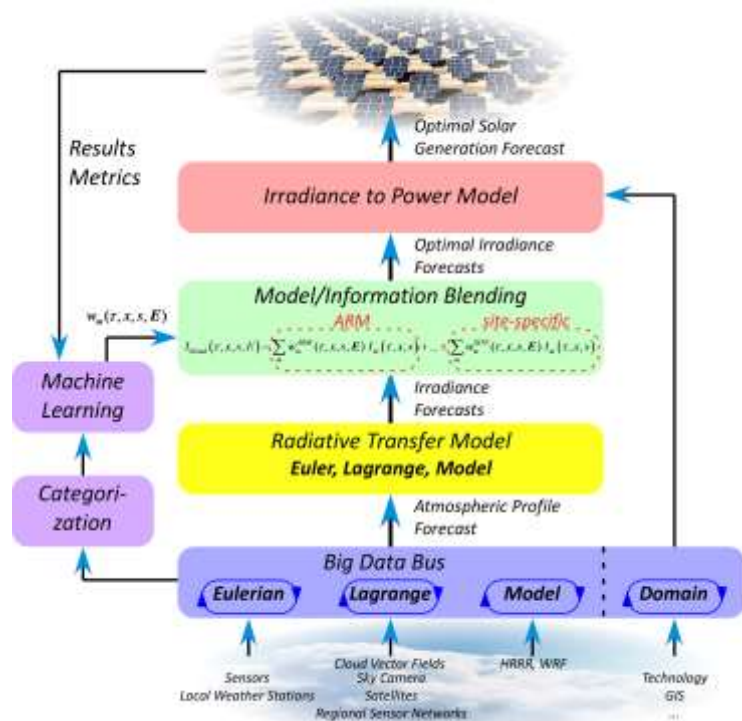
# Integrated Monitoring and Control of DERs



HECO (Ishikawa)



# Watt-Sun: Deep Learning for Solar Forecasting (IBM)



- Using big-data technologies;
- Applying deep machine learning to blend outputs from multiple models
- Leveraging ARM and/or SURFRAD/ISIS data sets
- Integrating with ISO operation
- Gridded Forecast Improved by 25%

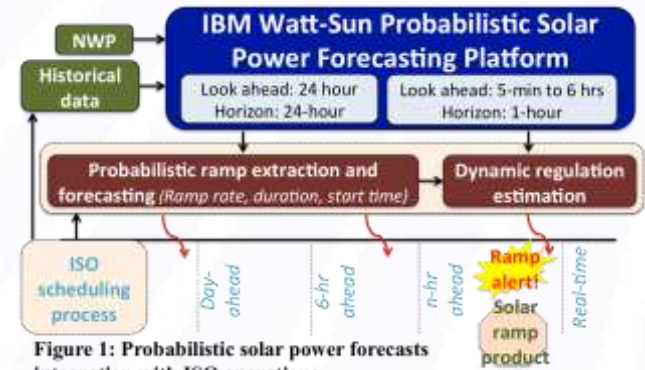
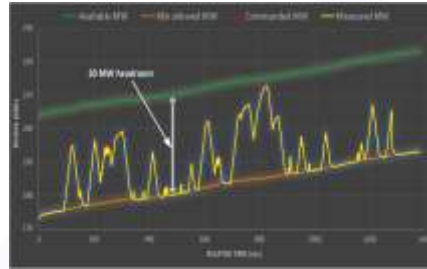


Figure 1: Probabilistic solar power forecasts integration with ISO operations

# Demonstration of Essential Reliability Services from Solar PV

- NREL/CAISO/First Solar partnering in the 300-MW PV System Commissioning Test
- Winner of NARUC Innovation Award in 2017

- 4-sec AGC signal provided to PPC
- 30 MW headroom
- Tests were conducted for 30 minutes at:
  - Sunrise
  - Middle of the day
  - Sunset
- 1-sec data collected by plant PPC



Courtesy: NREL, Vahan Gevorgian  
<http://www.nrel.gov/docs/fy17osti/67799.pdf>

*“These data showed how the development of advanced power controls can enable PV to become a provider of a wide range of grid services, including spinning reserves, load following, voltage support, ramping, frequency response, variability smoothing, and frequency regulation to power quality.”*

### Breaking new barriers: Testing of 300 MW PV plant

- Thin-film Cd-Te PV modules
- 4 MVA PV inverters (GE)
- 9 x 40 MVA blocks
- 34.5 kV collector system
- Two 34.5/340 kV 170 MVA transformers
- Tie with 230 kV transmission line
- PMUs collecting data on 230 kV side

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# A Paradigm Shift – Power Electronics-based Electric Grid

## Grid-Forming Inverters and Controls

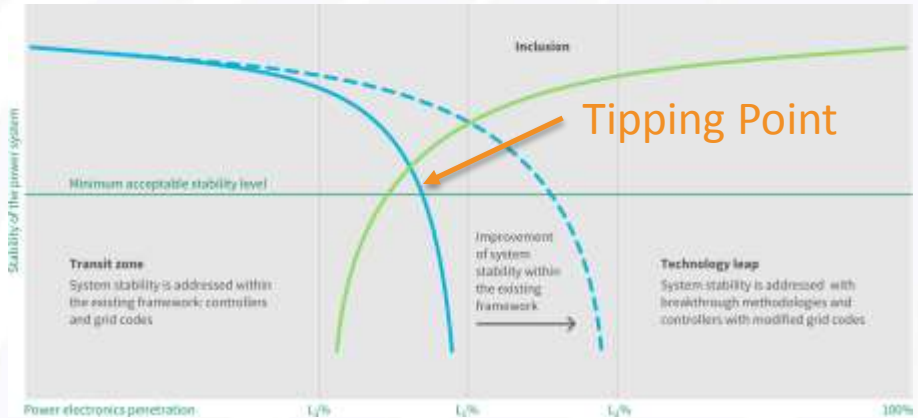
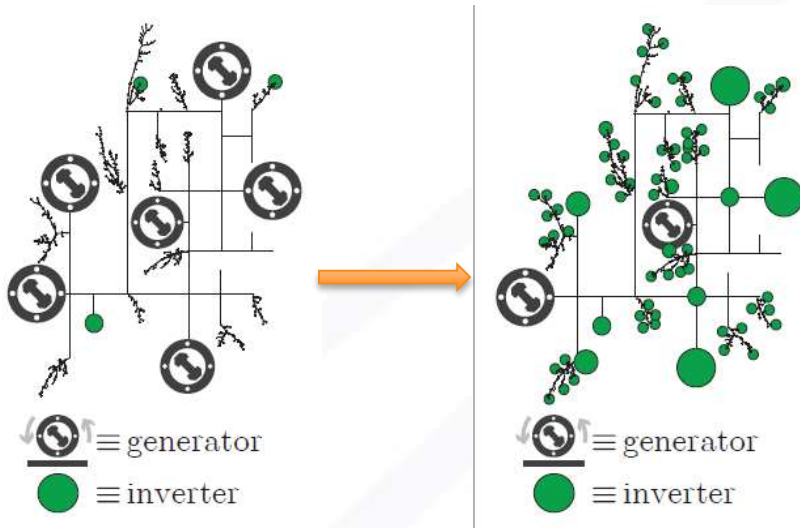
In addition to grid-following, wind and solar need to have cooperative, grid-forming capabilities

DOE-funded NREL Grid-Forming Inverter project (2015- )  
<https://www.energy.gov/eere/solar/>

## Challenges @ 100% Power Electronics Penetration:

Low inertia, system stability, power quality, protection, situation awareness, control, fault recovery

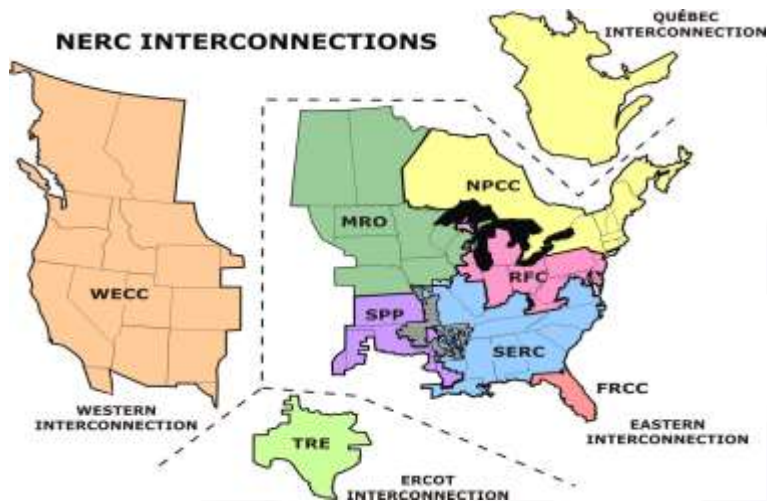
EU H2020 MIGRATE Project (2016- )  
[\(https://www.h2020-migrate.eu/\)](https://www.h2020-migrate.eu/)



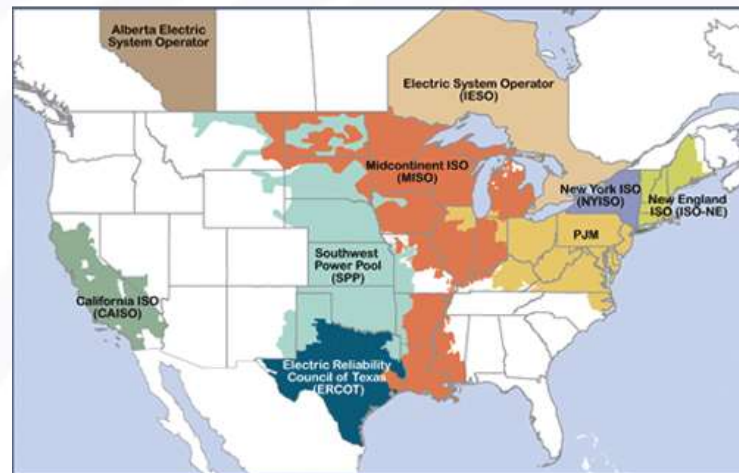
# Solar Integration in Bulk Power System

# North American Bulk Power Systems

- Ensure fair transmission access
- Ensure fair, competitive, & efficient bulk electricity market
- Ensure system security and reliability



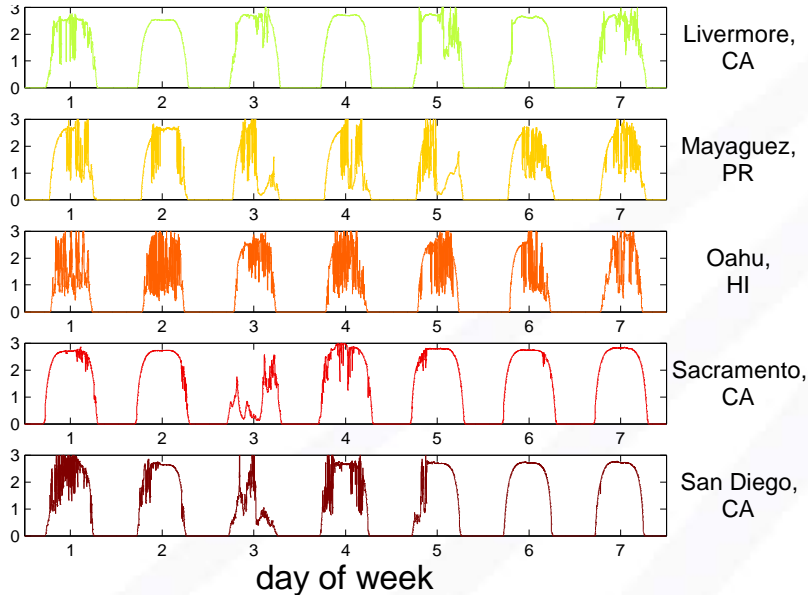
Reliability View



Market View

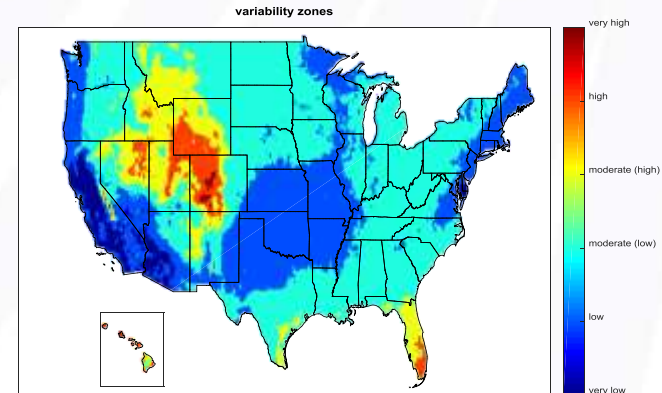
# Variable Solar Generation

## Sample measurements (1 min)



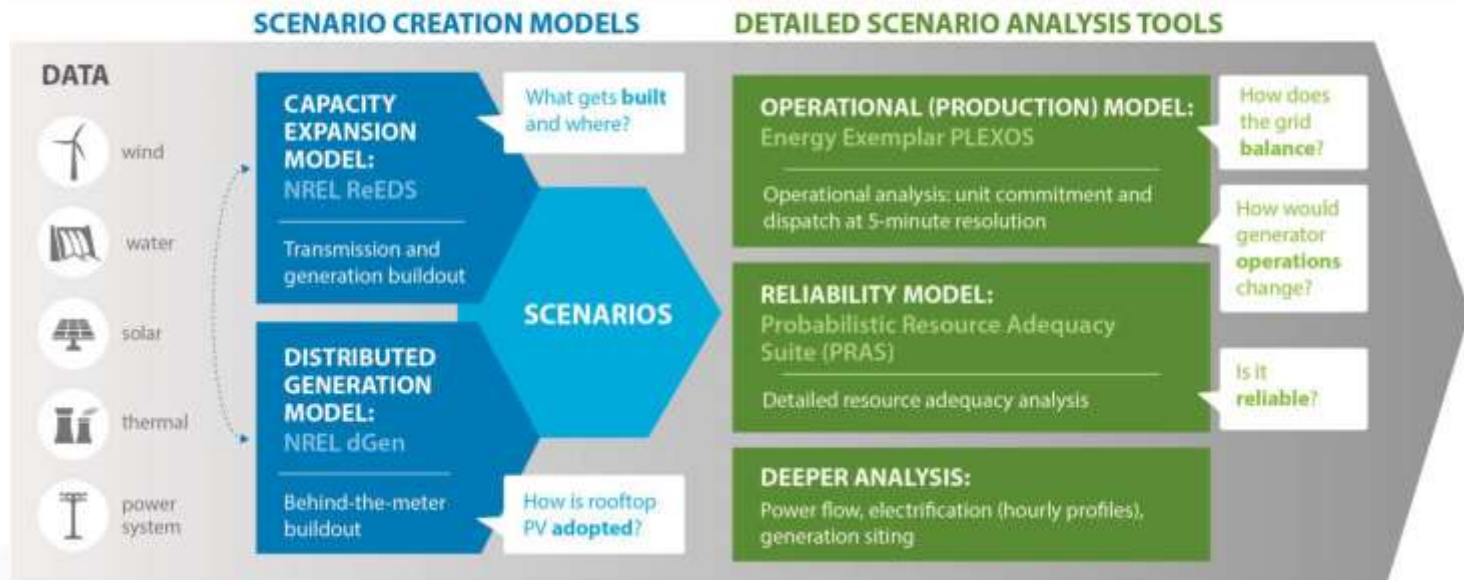
## Short-Term and Long-Term Resource data are critical:

- Historical = NSRDB
- Real time = sensors
- Future = forecast



# Large Scale Solar Integration Feasibility Studies (NREL)

## How it Works: Modeling Flow



# Reliability and Stability Analysis (ORNL)

## PV distribution



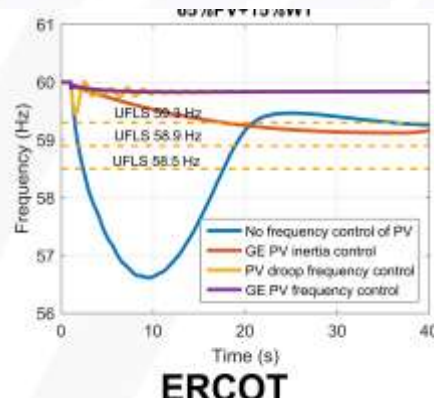
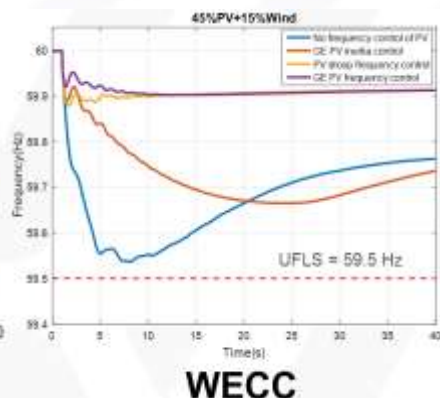
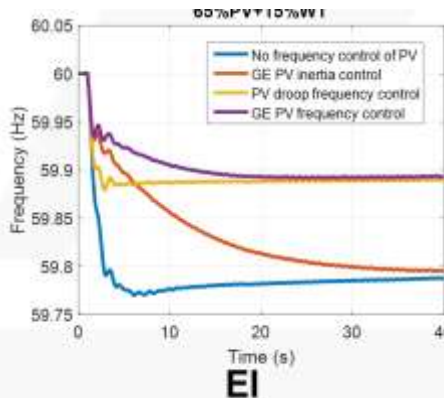
**EI**  
System frequency after RCC contingencies

**WECC**

**ERCOT**

## Frequency Response Study (Yilu Liu)

- at 20%, 40%, 60%, and 80% instantaneous wind and solar penetration,
- with and without droop control





# Resilient Distribution Systems

# Consequence-Based Resilient System Design

## Phases of Electric System Resilience



SNL (Jeffers, Broderick)

- Asset Management / BMS
- Advanced Planning Process
- Vegetation Management & EAB Focused Tree Trimming
- Distribution Standards Including Storm Hardening
- Inspection & Maintenance Program
- Targeted Minor Storm Hardening
- Flood Mitigation
- Side Tap Fusing
- Substation Perimeter Fence
- Intrusion Detection
- Cyber Security

- Sub-Transmission Automation
- FLISR
- Recloser Loops Scheme Programs
- Remote Terminal Units
- Line Sensors
- Mobile Transformer Fleet
- Critical Spares
- Damage Appraisal & iPads
- Emergency Response Plan
- Outage Management System
- Mutual Aid agreements

- Reliability and Emerging Risk Assessments
- Event Analysis
- Event Forensics
- Reliability Guidelines and technical reference documents
- System Operator Certification and Credential Maintenance
- System Operator Training
- Periodic Review

# ComEd Bronzeville Community Microgrid



powering lives

The Bronzeville Community Microgrid will be a 7 MW microgrid serving 1000 residences, businesses and public institutions

Development and demonstration of integrated, scalable, and cost-effective technologies for solar PV that incorporate energy storage in a microgrid.

Addresses availability and variability issues inherent in solar PV by: utilizing smart inverters for PV/battery storage, and working synergistically with other components within a community microgrid.

Represents an enabling technology for the widespread sustainable deployment of low-cost, flexible, and reliable PV generation.



Solar PV

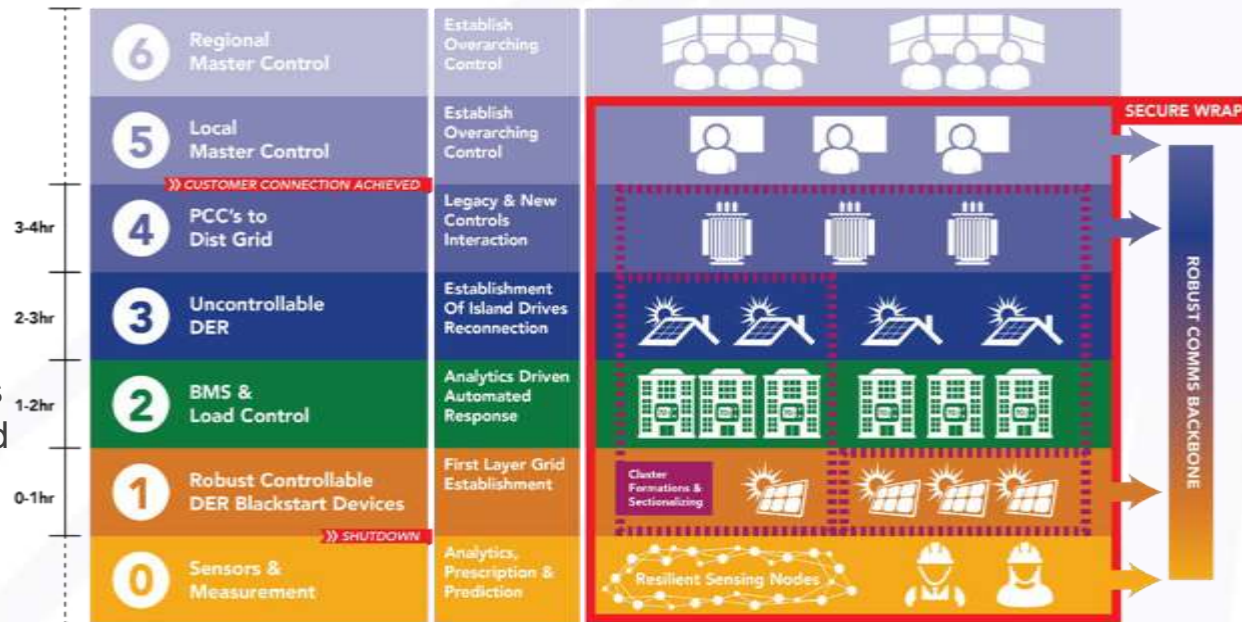


Battery Energy Storage



# GMLC-RDS: CleanStart DERMS (LLNL)

- ▶ Approach: Achieve black start and restoration objectives through combination and application of advanced co-simulation and architecture design, measurement and analytics, controls and optimization, communications and cyber security
- ▶ TD&C co-simulation planning tools will be used to design, validate and evaluate CSDERMS controls and scale up results for metrics and impact
- ▶ Distinctive characteristics



- Development of dynamic ad-hoc microgrids, which form around resilience objectives integrating both traditional and non traditional DER
- Solves critical problems for partner utilities yet applicable throughout the nation at similar facilities

**We Need Your Feedbacks**

# System Integration Track Agenda

## Day 1 (April 6):

Time (ET)	Session
11:00 AM – 1:00 PM	Plenary
1:15 PM – 1:45 PM	SI Overview
1:45 PM – 2:30 PM	Solar Forecasting
2:30 PM – 2:45 PM	Break
2:45 PM – 3:30 PM	Power Electronics I
3:30 PM – 4:15 PM	Power Electronics II
4:15 PM – 4:30 PM	Break
4:30 PM – 5:00 PM	Reviewer Discussion

## Day 2 (April 7):

Time (ET)	Session
11:00 AM – 11:45 AM	Grid Modeling
11:45 AM – 12:30 PM	System Protection
12:30 PM – 12:45 PM	Break
12:45 PM – 1:30 PM	DERMS
1:30 PM – 2:15 PM	Microgrid
2:15 PM – 2:30 PM	Break
2:30 PM – 3:15 PM	Cybersecurity
3:15 PM – 3:45 PM	Future Strategy
3:45 PM – 4:00 PM	Break
4:00 PM – 5:00 PM	Reviewer Discussion

# System Integration Track Agenda (Continued)

## Day 3 (April 8):

Time	Session
11:00 AM – 12:30 PM	Reviewer Roundtables by Topic
12:30 PM – 12:45 PM	Break
12:45 PM – 2:15 PM	Reviewer Roundtables by Track with SETO Staff
2:15 PM – 2:45 PM	Break
2:45 PM – 3:45 PM	Chair and Planning and Strategy Reviewer Roundtable
3:45 PM – 4:00 PM	Break
4:00 PM – 5:00 PM	Chair and Planning and Strategy Reviewer Roundtable with SETO Leadership

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Co-Chairs: Mahesh Morjaria (First Solar) and Dan Woodfin (ERCOT)

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